

# St. Francis of Assisi Church

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*Lord make me an  
instrument of peace...*



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785-259-3374

## MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday - 8:00 am  
Wednesday - 7:30 am

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sunday - 7:30 am

BAPTISMS - Preparation class  
required for first time parents  
and inactive Catholics.  
Contact Lilly to schedule.

MARRIAGES - Couples anticipating  
marriage must contact Lilly at least  
6 months prior to wedding date.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Family Elementary 785-625-3131

www/hfehays.org

Thomas More Prep-Marian 785-625-6577

www.tmp-m.org



## Sunday, November 20, 2022 ~ The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Nov 20	8:00 am	L/D Elmer & Aletha Hertel fam
Wed. Nov 23	7:30 am	L/D Tony & Wilma Seib family
Sun. Nov 27	8:00 am	Dec'd K of C Members
Wed. Nov 30	7:30 am	+Mary Lou Pfannenstiel

### SERVERS

Sunday, Nov 20	Ahnalyn Leiker & Trenton Staley
Sunday, Nov 27	Valerie Dome & Makailyn Leiker

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, Nov 20	Ken Richmeier & Peggy Richmeier
Sunday, Nov 27	Nathan Leiker & Bea Suppes

### LECTORS

### OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun. Nov 20	Natalie Oborny	Hertel Family
Sun. Nov 27	Brian Pfannenstiel	David & Claudia Leiker

### GREETERS

Sunday, November 20	Randy & Michelle Werth
Sunday, November 27	Darold & Evelyn Younker

### COLLECTION TEAM

#### Sunday, November 20

Ernie Binder, Rexton Leiker, Kenny Pfannenstiel, Tony Staley

#### Sunday, November 27

Larry Koirth, David Leiker, Jeff Richmeier, Trenton Staley

### TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, November 20	Glenn & Rhonda Stramel
Sunday, November 27	Ernie & Lilly Binder
Sunday, December 4	Tony & Patty Rohr
Sunday, December 11	Linda Gross

### Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes	\$1,703.00
Loose	\$26.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,729.00</b>



### Ending and Beginning A Liturgical Year

We find ourselves in the midst of another autumn. Leaves fall, plants wither, days get shorter as darkness seems to be victorious, and the chill in the air tells us that winter is near. Long ago the Church accommodated these yearly seasonal changes to its own pattern of worship and belief. The growing darkness and increasing cold tell us in parable about the darkness and cold of sin and death. The starkness of the season tells us about the need to be prepared for the winter; to have provisions for our spiritual households. Just as we yearn for spring, so the Church yearns for the Light that is Christ and for the Easter of Springtime that brings us hope of eternal life. And over-arching all of this is the promise of Jesus that he will return again.

The scriptures of our Sunday liturgies appropriately tell us, often in the form of warnings, that we ought to be prepared for the second coming. On the thirty-third Sunday of Ordinary Time the prophet Malachi shouts, "Lo, the day of the Lord is coming, blazing like an oven..." On the following Sunday the Church fittingly celebrates the end of the Church year with the feast of Christ the King. At that liturgy Paul writes that God "has rescued us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of his beloved Son." The same sentiments overflow into the new liturgical year that begins the following week with the first Sunday of Advent, although with more emphasis on hope and light. The prophet Isaiah calls us to "Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord," and Jesus warns that "the Son of Man will come at the time you least expect."

We know about the changes of the seasons, their power and their predictability. Thus it is no surprise to Christians to learn that the origins of the Advent weeks and the Christmas festival are anchored in nature's cycle of darkness and light. Indeed, the winter solstice (the moment when suddenly the days begin to get longer) sets the stage for the feast of Christmas. After all, the solstice tells that we are not overcome with darkness, and that the cold, gray and bleakness that seem to have captured all of nature will most certainly be overcome with light and warmth. In other words, the sun will be victorious. It was easy enough in history to make the fully appropriate analogy to our spiritual lives and the life of the Church. The darkness of sin and death can never be victorious. In the end, the Son conquers. In the end, sin and darkness and death are vanquished by Christ who is the light of the world.

The coming Advent season attempts to help the Christian community set aside preoccupations in order to prepare for the celebration of Christmas. It also calls us to a deeper awareness of the Lord's second coming at the end of time, the Lord whose presence among us we continue to recognize and ritualize each time we gather for the celebration of the Eucharist. Following Advent, the liturgical spirituality of

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the Christmas season once again calls the Christian to remember the birth of the Savior, and transformed by the power of that memory and by the many ways the Lord is manifest to us in history, to look forward with joy to his return in glory.

...Fr. Jan Larson

**Religious Education:** NO CLASS—Thanksgiving Break

**K of C Meeting,** Monday November 28th 7:00 p.m.

### Family Perspective ...by Bud Ozar

Because the Kingdom of God already began Jesus could promise the thief at Calvary "today you will be with me in Paradise." We only need to look at the love and forgiveness in families to see signs of this Kingdom unfolding in your life. This Thanksgiving give thanks for the signs of the Kingdom in your family.

**Special collection to benefit the 2nd Mile Fund** which is collected through the Ellis County Ministerial Alliance (ECMA) and are administered by First Call for Help. All funds stay in Hays and the Ellis county area. The funds are used to aid transients traveling through Hays with gas, food, and occasionally a night stay at a motel. The funds also assist local families with utilities, rent, and occasional food vouchers in a time of need. If you would like to contribute to the 2nd Mile fund please mark check or envelope "2nd Mile Fund" and place in the collection. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



**2023 Mass Intentions** are now being accepted.

Please limit to 3 requests.

Stipends \$10.00 per Mass.

**Contact Lilly to schedule ~ 623-8000**

### Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

Please consider and pray to commit to one hour of Adoration or be a substitute for those who have an hour. Contact Bob & Carol Feauto at 785-628-1429.

**HOURS OPEN:** Monday 2PM-3PM

Friday 9AM-10AM

Saturday 10AM-11AM



**Prayer List:** Rick Werth, Carol Legleiter, Special Intentions, Helen Werth, Becky Robben, Maya Gottschalk, Stan Herrmann, Jerome Herrmann, Carla Meier, Terry Hauschel, Theo Leiker, Chris Brull, Carol Carter, Parishioners in Health Care Facilities.

Drop requests in the collection basket or let Lilly know.

*Let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.*

## EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND

**Thanksgiving Meal.** Sponsored by Ellis County Ministerial Alliance will be held at St. Nicholas Church on Thanksgiving Day beginning at 12:00 noon.



**Divine Mercy Care-a-thon** Divine Mercy Radio invites you to tune in every day from 7am to 6pm beginning Tuesday, November 29 through Friday, December 2. You will learn more about your Catholic Faith, and win great prizes throughout the week! They look forward to hearing from you!

**Join Us ~** Each Tuesday this Advent Season at 7:00 p.m. at St. Nicholas of Myra Parish for one hour of:

*Live Advent/Christmas/Worship Music  
Reflection ~ Adoration ~ Confession*

November 29th — Hope

December 6th — Love

December 13th — Joy



**Salvation History:** Want to understand God's bigger plan in scripture? Wondering how the stories in the bible apply to your life? If so, this scripture study is for you. There are two main goals: That all participants understand the narrative story in the Bible and that each learn their unique place in God's plan. Open to all adults November - April 6:30 p.m. Wednesday's—while school is in session at the Kennedy Cafeteria. We will be using 'The Real Story' by Edward Sri & Curtis Martin. Copies are available at the St. Joseph Parish for \$3.00

**Holiday Home Tour ~** The Victoria Community Coalition (VCC) will be hosting a Holiday Home Tour on Sat., Dec.3, from 5:00-9:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 4, from 3:00-7:00 p.m. Opening their homes for the tour are Danny and Mary Kay Schippers (Sunday only), Chad and Andrea Schmidtberger, Joe and Brenda Dreiling, Austin and Sheena Gagnon, Shane and Stephanie Broyles, Leroy and LeeAnn Schmidtberger, Sam and Marilyn Braun, and Frank and Brenda Dreiling. Tickets for the event will be \$20 advance and \$25 at the door. Those purchasing an admittance ticket will receive one free raffle ticket. Extra raffle tickets will be available one for \$5 or 5 for \$20.

**Stars & Stripes Breakfast** will be on Sunday, December 11th from 7:30am – Noon, Hays VFW, 22nd & Vine. A portion of the ticket sales go to the Ladies Guild of St. Nicks, but only if you buy them before the event from Jenny Holmgren at 785-650-7270. Enjoy an All You Can Eat Breakfast!

*We don't need more to be thankful for.  
We need to be more thankful.*



*Happy Thanksgiving*

**MARCH FOR LIFE:** The annual pilgrimage to Washington D.C. for the March for Life is set for Friday, January 20th, 2023. The pilgrimage will begin with prayer and blessing of the buses in the chancery parking lot at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, January 18th with a departure for D.C. set for 10:30 A.M. and expected return on Sunday, January 22nd at 4:00 P.M. The 2023 March is MORE IMPORTANT than ever

**St. Joseph Sacred Heart Room** Do you have statues, palms, rosaries, prayerbooks, medals or relics that were given to you or that were your parents' and you just don't know what to do with them? Don't throw them away! Bring them in and let us take care of them. Broken rosaries will get repaired and find a new home, palms and other non repairable items will be buried. Many items will find a new home.

**PRAYER FOR RAIN:** O God, our Creator, you are the source of all life. We pray to you who calms the raging waters and commands the wind, to provide us sufficient rain to quench our parched land. We pray for rain that will sustain our crops and land. Help us always be good stewards of your creation and to care for the many resources of this earth. We ask for these blessings through the intercession of Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth. Amen

St. Isidore, Patron of Farmers and Farm Life—Pray for Us.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



### HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal  
(785) 625-3131

- Nov. 21 4th Gr. Gifts in A Jar Fundraiser
- Nov. 23-25 NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break
- Nov. 28 Advisory Council Mtg 5:15

You can support HFE by recycling your aluminum cans in our trailer across the street North of the school/church in the small gravel parking lot on 19th! Simply bring by a trash bag of them to drop off anytime! Try the new BoxTops for Education app on your phone or devices! You have 2 weeks to scan your store receipts to earn our school points \$\$ automatically, just from your phone! We can give your pulltabs to HHS for the Ronald McDonald Houses of America! Thanks for your continued support!!!



### THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

Bob Leikam, Jr. High Assistant Principal  
(785) 625-6577

- Nov. 23-25 NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break
- Nov. 25 4 - 8 pm Late Night at Al Billinger Fieldhouse

### Theotokos Catholic Homeschool Co-op

If you have questions or need to RSVP (all events require RSVP) contact Samantha Baker at 785-639-3285 or 13sjbaker@gmail.com.

Nov. 21: Thanksgiving Craft 10:00 am

Shells Partially Donated by Northwestern Printers.

### **Mission Statement:**

*St. Francis of Assisi Parish is built on a foundation of faith. We continue that spirit by welcoming all people to participate in our spiritual growth. As we are called to love God and and be examples of his teachings, we strive for unity through fellowship and participation in all areas of the Catholic faith.*



# Tony Melendez in Concert



Sunday, November 20, 2022

Immaculate Heart of Mary  
Church

3:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

6 Recording Albums

*Never Be The Same*

*Ways of The Wise*

*El Muro se Callo*

Originally from Rivas, Nicaragua, born without arms and a clubbed foot due to the drug, Thalidomide. Tony's mother was prescribed this drug for morning sickness by her doctor and had no idea how it would affect her unborn son. At the age of one Tony's family immigrated to the USA so Tony could have corrective surgery on his left foot in order for him to walk.

Tony travels with his brother Jose and together they share with young and old their message of hope, encouragement, and faith. Tony's message and story are presented with music and his personal life stories. As they continue to travel they focus on young people by going into elementary, Jr. high schools, high schools, colleges and universities.

Tony moved from California and now resides in Branson with his wife Lynn and two kids, Marisa and Andres. Despite all the travel over the last 31 years, Tony continues to resist the siren song of stardom, hoping only to develop his musical career and share his God given gifts. "I don't feel like a celebrity," he says with a smile, "I just feel like me!"



# 2022 - Advent/Christmas Schedule - 2023

Our Lady Help of Christians - Antonino  
St. Anthony - Schoenchen

St. Joseph - Hays  
Immaculate Heart of Mary - Hays

St. Francis of Assisi - Munjor  
Comeau Catholic Campus Center - Hays

## November 29, 2022 (Tues.)

St. Nicholas - Advent Prayer Service & Confessions - 7:00pm

## December 2, 2022 (Fri.)

St. Joseph - Devotions to the Sacred Heart - 12:00pm  
St. Nicholas - Adoration 8:00am - 4:00pm

## December 4, 2022 - Second Sunday of Advent

IHM - Communal Penance Service - 3:00pm

## December 6, 2022 (Tues.)

St. Nicholas - 7:00pm Advent Prayer Service & Confessions

## December 7, 2022 (Wed.) - Immaculate Conception Vigil

Antonino - 7:00pm  
IHM - 5:30pm (English)  
Schoenchen - 7:00pm  
St. Joseph - 5:30pm  
St. Nicholas - 6:15pm

## December 8, 2022 (Thurs.) - Immaculate Conception

Antonino - 7:00pm  
Catharine - 7:00pm  
Catholic Campus Center - 5:45pm  
IHM - 8:00am, 5:30pm English & 7:00pm (Spanish)  
IHM - National Night of Prayer for Life (Watch Bulletins)  
Munjor - 6:00pm  
St. Joseph - 6:30am, 12:05pm, & 5:30pm  
St. Nicholas - 12:10pm

## December 9, 2022 (Fri.)

St. Nicholas - Adoration 8:00am - 4:00pm

## December 10, 2022 (Sat.)

St. Joseph - Anointing of the Sick after 5:00pm Mass

## December 11, 2022 (Sun.) - Third Sunday of Advent

St. Joseph-Anointing of the Sick after 7:30am & 10:30am  
Mass

## December 12, 2022 (Mon.) - Our Lady of Guadalupe

IHM - 5:00am Manetas & ass at 7:30pm with Fiesta  
following in AC.

## December 13, 2022 (Tues.)

St. Nicholas - 7:00pm Advent Prayer Service & Confessions

## December 14, 2022 (Wed.)

Munjor - Communal Penance Service 6:30pm

## December 16, 2022 (Fri.)

IHM - Posadas at 7:00 pm in the Church  
St. Nicholas - Adoration 8:00am - 4:00pm

## December 17, 2022 (Sat.)

IHM - Posadas at 7:00 pm in the Church

## December 18, 2022 (Sun.) - Fourth Sunday of Advent

IHM - Posadas at 7:30 pm in the Church  
St. Joseph - Communal Penance Service 3:00pm

## December 19, 2022 (Mon.)

IHM - Posadas at 7:00 pm in the Church

## December 20, 2022 (Tues.)

IHM - Posadas at 7:00 pm in the Church  
St. Nicholas - 7:00pm Advent Prayer Service & Confessions

## December 21, 2022 (Wed.)

IHM - Posadas at 7:00 pm in the Church

## December 22, 2022 (Thur.)

IHM - Posadas at 7:00 pm in the Church

## December 23, 2022 (Fri.)

IHM - Posadas at 7:00 pm in the Church

## December 24, 2022 (Sat.) - Christmas Eve

Antonino - 4:00pm  
IHM - 5:00 pm & 10:00 pm (Bilingual)  
Munjor - 7:00pm  
Schoenchen - 5:30pm  
St. Joseph - 5:00pm, 11:30pm Caroling with Mass at Midnight  
St. Nicholas of Myra - 5:00pm (Family Mass), 9:00pm

## December 25, 2022 (Sun.) - Christmas Day

Campus Center - 9:00am, NO 11:00am & 6:00pm Mass  
Catharine - 9:00am  
IHM - 8:00 am 10:00 am & 12:00pm. (Spanish), NO 6:00pm  
St. Joseph - 7:30am & 10:30am  
St. Nicholas - 9:30am

## December 26, 2022 (Mon.)

IHM - No Masses  
St. Joseph - 6:30am

## December 31, 2022 (Sat.) - Solemnity of Mary Vigil

Antonino - 4:00pm  
IHM - 5:00 pm  
Schoenchen - 5:30pm  
St. Joseph - 5:00pm  
St. Nicholas of Myra - 5:00pm

## January 1, 2023 (Sun.) - Solemnity of Mary

Catholic Campus - 9:00am & 6:00pm, NO 11:00am Mass  
IHM - 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm  
Catharine - 9:00am  
Munjor - 8:00am  
St. Joseph - 7:30am & 10:30am  
St. Nicholas of Myra - 9:30am & 11:00am





# National Night of Prayer for Life

December 8th  
9 PM - 12 AM  
IHM Church

Each hour will be  
led with prayer  
followed by  
silent meditation.

