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



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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday - 8:00 am
Tuesday - 8:00 am
Thursday - 8:00 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 625-3131

www/hfehays.org

Thomas More Prep-Marian 625-6577

www.tmp-m.org



MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Jan 26 8:00 am +Martin Staab
 Tue. Jan 28 8:00 am Verlin & Elaine Pfannenstiel
 Th. Jan 30 8:00 am L/D Mark & Dora Leiker family
 Sun. Feb 2 8:00 am +Nick & Almeda Stecklein
 Tue. Feb 4 8:00 am +Tony & Vera Rohr
 Th. Feb 6 8:00 am L/D Henry & Regina Leiker family



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SERVERS

Sunday, Jan 26 Alec Gerstner & Daunte Younker
 Sunday, Feb 2 Benjamin Dome & Ahnaly Leiker

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, Jan 26 Ernie Binder & Jill Moeder
 Sunday, Feb 2 Mark Leiker & Glenn Stramel

LECTORS

Sun. Jan 26 Lilly Binder
 Sun. Feb 2 Valerie Dome

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Donovan Richmeier
 Jeff & Wendy Richmeier

GREETERS

Sunday, Jan 26 Jason & Rose Carter
 Sunday, Feb 2 Jason & Kacy Gerstner

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, January 26

Aaron Dome, John Oborny, Randy Werth, Brandon Zimmerman

Sunday, February 2

Jason Carter, Herman Leiker, Ken Richmeier, Rich Ruder

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, Jan 26 Wilbert Gross
 Sunday, Feb 2 Ernie & Lilly Binder
 Sunday, Feb 9 Kenny & Ann Pfannenstiel
 Sunday, Feb 16 Aaron & Kolleen Dome

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes \$1,320.00
 Loose \$75.00
 Candles \$14.00
TOTAL \$1,409.00

FATHER JARETT'S ~ Q & A

Divine Logic vs. Human Logic...

A few years back, after marching for life in Washington D.C. I went to Union Station in our nations Capital to find a bite to eat. As I was preparing to leave, I was stopped by a middle-aged man wondering who all these people were and where they were from. I informed him that they were men and women, young and old, from all over the country who had come to Washington to protest the Supreme Court decision of Roe vs. Wade that legalized abortion 47 years ago. He paused, and an interesting conversation ensued.

We discussed some of the topics he felt might be cause for concern for us "pro-lifers." We talked about science vs. faith and how science has finally had the opportunity to search for so many important cures and advancements without religious or moral obstruction, which have restrained science for centuries. We talked about abstinence vs. contraception, and how abstinence-based teaching is not successful and that the real way to decrease unwanted pregnancies is a larger and wider distribution of contraception. Finally, we discussed abortion, and how nobody really wants abortion, but it's not our place to impinge upon women's rights and what would we do with all the unwanted babies? With each case he posed the human logical side of the argument. Human logic is attractive, convincing and if left unchecked by anything beyond itself it can have an appearance as the only responsible, rational choice.

However, in the history of humanity, human logic, when left unchecked by something outside of itself, so often leads to evil and destruction. How much evil has been justified through the convincing arguments of human logic? (i.e. Slavery and the Holocaust.)

If we apply some form of divine logic however, we see there is a greater purpose and the presence of the divine shines light where our vision is clouded. We come to see that science and faith are not at odds. Science is the study of our physical reality, but it must be guided by the spiritual so as not to cause harm to our spiritual being. Similar to the idea that human beings are created with body and spirit, if we allow ourselves to be governed by our physical bodies with no concern for the spiritual, the result will be spiritual destruction. If we pay attention only to the spiritual to the neglect of the physical, the result is physical destruction. One balances the other.

Contraception when exposed through divine logic shows us that sex is created with a two-fold effect.

(Bonding & Openness to Life) When one or the other is removed from sex, it no longer is what God created it to be, in some sense it becomes destructive.

Contraception takes an amazing gift from God created to be free, total, faithful, and fruitful and can twist it into becoming free, partial, faithless, and fruitless. Young people realize the failure of the sexual revolution (human logic) and are looking for a deeper meaning, a deeper theology of our bodies (divine logic). Are we willing to give it to them, or just hand them contraceptives because it takes less effort and they can't be trusted with their own bodies?

Human logic says if we have contraception to keep pregnancy "when" and "how" we want it, then it is also necessary to have abortion, for a final resort, when contraception fails. Divine logic says, through the instrument of Blessed Mother Theresa, "It is a poverty that a child must die so that you may live as you wish." Who can we trust? Who should we follow? Praise God that the Catholic Church was not founded or left to be guided solely by the power of human logic or we would have perished centuries ago. Anytime human logic has been left unchecked by Divine logic in the history of the Church evil and sin have been the result within the Church.

When looking for a leader, in whom to place our trust, it is imperative that we make sure he has human logic balanced and guided by Divine logic which will ensure the wellbeing of ourselves and our loved ones, body and soul, for eternity. Let us pray for a greater openness to following Jesus Christ as he leads us and guides us through the sometimes dangerous and turbulent struggles of life.

In Christ's Loving Service
Your Pastor,

Fr. Jarrett

Questions of Clarifications?

Email Fr. Jarrett at father.konrade@eaglecom.net



Special thanks to all who attended the appreciation lunch last Sunday. To you, and those unable to attend who volunteer in various capacities in our parish, **Thank you for your gifts of time and talents.** We are grateful for your commitment and ongoing dedication to our parish.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Joint Council Meeting: Tuesday, February 4th, 6:30 p.m.

VFW Stars & Stripes Breakfast Sun, Feb. 9th 7:30 – noon. **All you can eat buffet ~ Great Menu.** Tickets must be purchased in advance to benefit DREAM Inc., to help send children to summer camp. Adults: \$8.50; Children 5-12 \$3.50; under 5 free. For tickets contact Jane Younger 259-3374 or Dolores Pfannenstiel 625-6452.

Thanks to all who have replied regarding sharing your cell phone numbers. If you have not already done so, please let Lilly know one of the following options or if you have any questions.

- **YES - It is okay to share my cellphone number.**
 - **NO - I wish my number to remain private.**
 - **I(we) still have a landline phone.**
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Soup Luncheon – Sunday, January 26 ~ 10:30 – 1:30
Sponsored by Gorham D of I. Menu: Homemade Chili, Chicken & Noodle, Green Bean & Dumpling Soups, desserts and drinks. Adults \$8.00; 5 – 10 years \$4.00; 4 and under free. Carry outs & Country Store. Held at the Senior Center in Gorham.



IHM MARDI GRAS!

Saturday, February 22nd. Social Hour 6:00pm

Catered Meal begins at 6:45

Dance & Entertainment by Tim Schumacher(Solitaire)

\$25 Ticket Includes Open Bar.

Must be 21 to enter.

Only 150 tickets will be sold; pickup at IHM Office.



Genita Hughes, Special Intentions, Curt Brungardt, Charlie Munsch, Carole Carter, Natalie Armbrister, Stan Herrmann, Jack Harwood, Jerry Barnes, Parishioners in Health Care Facilities.

Drop requests in the collection basket or let Lilly know.

Let Lilly know when the intention should be removed.

JANUARY - Keep those who are trafficked in your prayers and remember that together we can empower one another as leaders in the fight against human trafficking. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking.

Valentine's Day Dance will be on Sunday, Feb. 9, from 2 to 5pm, at the VFW, 248 Bob Dole Dr., Russell, KS. Craig Stevens will provide the music. Cost is \$8.00. Snack bar included. Everyone is invited. Sponsored by the Sunflower Polka Club.

Heartland Catholic Women's Conference - Leap with your whole heart, will be held on Saturday, Feb. 29, from 8am to 3:15pm, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 1805 Vine St. Doors open at 7:30am. Featured speaker is Sheri Wohlfert. Sheri is a Catholic wife, mom, speaker and teacher. She uses her great sense of humor and her deep faith to help others discover the joy of being a child of God. Conference includes a catered lunch, speaker, Mass, confession, music, Adoration, breakout session, fellowship, and more. Cost is \$20. Register online at www.ihm-church.com or registration forms are available in the gathering space. For information, call 785-625-7339. Deadline to register is Feb. 12.

Abby Johnson Leading the way to a culture of life - Former Planned Parenthood director and accomplished author Abby Johnson who inspired the movie Unplanned, will be at the Century 2 Convention Center in Wichita, Kansas on May 2. Tickets are \$10 per person, children 12 and under free. Tickets are on sale at www.century2.org. All proceeds benefit pro-life causes.

Adoration Chapel needs someone to cover the hours of 12 to 1pm, on Saturdays and 3 to 4am, on Thursdays. If interested, please contact Bob Feauto at 628-1429.

FORMED

Free Catholic Videos, Movie, eBooks, MP3's
www.formed.org – Parish Code: JZ3DPK



Join Fr. Jarett Konrade, Cody Marintzer, and Bill Meagher as we learn and grow in our faith: Jan. 29, Feb. 5, 12, and 19, at the library of the Kennedy Building.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal
625-3131

Holy Family Elementary School Annual Chili Supper and Silent Auction Sunday, Jan. 26, 4 to 7pm Holy Family Elementary School, 18th and Vine MENU: chili, hot chicken sandwiches on homemade bun, relishes, desserts, coffee and tea. Meal tickets are \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children (ages 4- 12). Tickets are available in advance at the school or at the door.

- Jan. 26 Catholic Schools Week begins
HFE Chili Supper & Bazaar 4:00-7:00 p.m.
 - Jan. 31 All School Mass w/ Bishop, 10:00 a.m. at IHM
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THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal
Bob Leikam, Jr. High Assistant Principal
625-6577

State of Our Catholic Schools Address All are invited to the annual State of Our Catholic Schools address on Monday, Feb. 3, at 6:30pm, at IHM church. The program offers a detailed overview of our Hays Catholic schools. As a major mission supported by our Heartland Catholic Parishes, this is an important way to find out the great things happening in OUR Catholic schools.

TMP Singers will be presenting their Annual Dinner Theater and tickets are now available. Shows are on Feb. 7, 8 and 9. Friday, Feb. 7, at 7pm, \$10.00 Reception to follow Saturday, Feb. 8, at 6:30pm, \$20.00 with a formal meal Sunday, Feb. 9, at Noon, \$20.00 with a formal meal Meal consists of: Tossed salad, grilled chicken Fettuccini Alfredo, garlic bread, strawberry and lemon poke cake For tickets call Kathy Amrein 785-650-4371

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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.