

# St. Francis of Assisi Church

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



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David Leiker 623-0094

## CHRISTIAN MOTHERS PRESIDENT

Michelle Werth 623-3003

## 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. Nov 8 8:00 am L/D Marvin & Mary Jo Braun family  
 Wed. Nov 11 7:30 am +Steve & Aaron Pfannenstiel  
 Sun. Nov 15 8:00 am L/D Edward J. Ruder family  
 Wed. Nov 18 7:30 am +Jory Konrade

**SERVERS**

Sunday, Nov 8 Cali Richmeier & Rafe Richmeier  
 Sunday, Nov 15 Valerie Dome & AhnalyN Leiker

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Sunday, Nov 8 Wendy Richmeier & Michelle Werth  
 Sunday, Nov 15 Ernie Binder & Lauren Moeder

**LECTORS**

Sunday, Nov 8 Seyona Roda  
 Sunday, Nov 15 Joanne Steinert

**COLLECTION TEAM**

**Sunday, November 8**

Larry Koirth, David Leiker, John Oborny, Glenn Stramel

**Sunday, November 15**

Wilbert Gross, Mark Leiker, Tony Rohr, Darold Younker

**TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS**

Sunday, Nov. 8 Aaron & Kolleen Dome  
 Sunday, Nov. 15 Darold & Evelyn Younker  
 Sunday, Nov. 22 Linda Gross  
 Sunday, Nov. 29 Herman & Rosie Leiker

**Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure**

Envelopes	\$1,865.00	Oktoberfest	\$225.00
Loose	\$170.00	Mission Sun	\$50.00
Candles	\$144.00	All Saints Env	\$313.00

**Total \$2,767.00**

**Contributions can also be mailed to the Parish Office:**  
**St. Francis Church**  
**883 Moscow St.**  
**Munjor, KS 67601**

**REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN:**

Wisdom: 6: 12-16  
 Thessalonians 4: 13-18  
 Matthew 25: 1-13

In Kenny Chesney's 2008 country song "Everybody Wants to Go to Heaven", the listener hears the preacher say to "start living right". After hearing the need to quit the women and whiskey, the person in the song says he desires heaven, but doesn't want to go today because he's not ready. The song says it all! We all want heaven, but we don't want to go today because we're just not ready. All three Scripture readings today confront us with our need to be prepared...to be ready when God calls.

In the first reading from the book of Wisdom, Lady Wisdom is this lovely person who is intimately related to God. All who seek God want to be in the presence of Wisdom. For she is the great treasure for all who desire union with God. And she makes herself available at the city gate, the place where commerce and knowledge would be found. But those who seek her must keep vigil. They must be waiting and watchful. In the letter to the Thessalonians, Paul encourages us to live hopefully in anticipation of Jesus' final coming when both those who have died and those still living will be taken up into heaven. Then in Matthew's Gospel Jesus relates the parable of the ten virgins waiting for the bride to come. Five of them were ready for the bridegroom with plenty of oil in their lamps, and five were unprepared with no extra oil to light the way for the groom. In Jesus day the bride and her wedding party waited while the men bargained to gain the largest dowry. Because this bargaining would drag on into the night, it was common that weddings would take place in the evening or midnight. The only difference between the wise and foolish virgins is that wise ones were prepared for whatever came next.

So how might we get prepared for his coming? I think we must know that there are two comings to prepare for. The first coming is our death...the second is His daily coming into our lives. In every respect, the two go hand in hand. We prepare to meet our maker by living our daily lives aware of his presence. We sometimes miss the daily opportunities to meet our God. God comes to us through other people first and foremost. What are our relationships like with other people? Are we giving and forgiving with others? Or are we self-centered and always worrying about me. Secondly do we find God in our work and the daily routines of our life? Do we see our work as

cooperating with God in building up His kingdom? Finally, do we see God's presence in nature...events in history.... in the world?

What changes will we need to make to get ourselves ready and prepared? I think we have to have some practice to make us aware of the Divine. Awareness starts with solitude and reflection. Everyday we have to rest in the recesses of our heart. We have to make time for quiet and silence so we can discern where God is acting in our lives. Along with solitude, we need a daily examination of consciousness. This daily practice requires us to ask these two questions. Where was God present in my life today? And secondly where did I miss God's presence in my life today? How did I fail to see God acting in my work, my family, and my surroundings? Awareness, solitude, and an examination of consciousness will lead us to know God's presence and be prepared for each of his comings into our lives.

*Deacon Steve...*



**2021 Mass Intentions** are now being accepted. Due to current schedule of two Masses per week, please limit to 3 intention requests. Stipends remain \$10.00 per Mass. **Contact Lilly to schedule ~ 623-8000.**

Religious Formation: Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

**Volunteers Needed** for our Religious Formation Program  
If you would like to occasionally help as a substitute teacher please contact Joe Pfannenstiel at 259-2762.



Appreciation Dinner Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup> beginning at 5:00 p.m. for the many volunteers in our parish. We invite anyone/everyone who helps with Mass ministries, Religious Ed, mows and maintains church grounds, building upkeep etc.

Please RSVP by November 12<sup>th</sup> to Lilly (623-8000)

*Blessed are the ears that catch the secret  
whisperings of Jesus, and pay no  
heed to the murmurings of this world.*

“My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, next weekend is the **Catholic Charities Annual Appeal – Together, We Can!** Our diocese is blessed to have Catholic Charities working as the hands and feet of Jesus. Let us unite with joy and gratitude for the gifts God has given us and reach out in love to those who are less fortunate. For the first time ever, anonymous donors have offered a donation match for the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. They are challenging each of us to step up and help our brothers and sisters. A letter and a donation envelope from Catholic Charities will be mailed to you this week and envelopes are available today at mass. You can also make a donation online at [ccnks.org](http://ccnks.org).” For questions, please contact Jeanie Warner at 785-825-0208 x215 or [jwarner@ccnks.org](mailto:jwarner@ccnks.org).

**The Register** and **FAITH Magazine** are the only places to find this much news and stories about the Diocese of Salina, its parishes and the universal Church. Every registered family receives the award-winning Register once a month and the new FAITH Magazine once a quarter. Instead of subscriptions, we ask for a \$25 donation to cover printing and mailing costs. Your Oct. 23 issue of The Register and the November issue of FAITH magazine will include a donation envelope, or you may mail your donation check to The Register, P.O. Box 1038, Salina, KS 67402, or contribute online at [salinadiocese.org](http://salinadiocese.org).

**Prayer:** *We pray for our Kansas state legislators and the successful passage of the Value Them Both Amendment for life, so that Kansas can better protect both unborn children and their mothers from the harms of the abortion industry, we pray to the Lord*

KMDG 105.7 on the air! Divine Mercy Radio has launched a new Hays Catholic radio station. If you would like a bumper magnet to help spread the word, they are available at Divine Mercy Radio's office, 108 E. 12<sup>th</sup> St. in Hays.

**NOVEMBER** – Join us as we work to end the scourge of human trafficking. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. ([www.sistersagainsttrafficking.org](http://www.sistersagainsttrafficking.org)). a 501© 3 organization. 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131.



Special Intention, Ramona Weigel, Curt Brungardt, Carole Carter, Stan Herrmann, Jerry Barnes, Parishioners in Health Care Facilities.

Drop requests in the collection basket or let Lilly know.  
*Let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.*

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

**Dominican Sisters of Peace Sisters and Associates in Mission** will have a Great Bend Raffle-Only Bazaar on Nov. 14, benefiting their Mission in Nigeria and the economic poor. *Raffle only, no in-person bazaar due to COVID-19* Tickets \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Prizes Include:

- Bracelet (valued at \$1,900)
- Ring (valued at \$1,400)
- Hand-Stitch Quilt
- 4 Quarters of Beef
- Hand-Sculpted Santa, an original
- Hand-Turned Wooden Bowl, an original
- Fender Guitar
- 2 Gift Baskets containing homemade items
- Homemade Wooden Child' Rocker
- Two \$75 Cash Prizes
- Three \$50 Cash Prizes
- Two \$50 Walmart Gift Cards

**Raffle!**

*Purchase raffle tickets securely online at [opeace.org](http://opeace.org)*



**HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY**

Rachel Wentling, Principal  
625-3131

Cajetan Cash is a fundraising raffle that benefits Holy Family Elementary. Cajetan comes from Saint Cajetan, which is the patron saint of good fortune. Tickets are available for purchase thru Nov. 20. One winner will receive 50% of the proceeds (up to \$10,000). The suggested donation is \$10 per ticket. Contact any HFE student or visit [hfehays.org](http://hfehays.org) to purchase your tickets. Drawing will be held LIVE on the HFE Facebook page at 3pm, on Nov. 24. Thank you!

Holy Family Elementary is seeking temporary part-time help in TWO areas! We need extra hands assisting our school cooks AND our school custodians! For more info contact the school at 625-3131 or stop by between 7:30 - 4:00.



Suicide prevention workshop to be held at FHSU The Kelly Center at Fort Hays State University will hold "Light in the Dark Suicide Prevention and Resiliency Training" from 7 to 8:30pm, on Thursday, Nov. 12, in the Black and Gold Room of the Memorial Union. The workshop is designed specifically for those involved with FHSU campus ministries, according to a news release. "We want to provide FHSU campus ministries with a practical, Christian faith-based training opportunity so you can feel prepared to have these difficult, yet essential, conversations. Additionally, we will discuss how to promote resilience within your ministry groups, as growing resilience is one of the best protective factors to prevent suicidal thoughts from taking root in the first place," the news release stated. The workshop is free and will be presented by Kelly Center staff members Jessica Albin and Sadie Spurlock. Face masks will be required of all attendees, and social distancing will be observed. More information is available from [jkalbin@fhsu.edu](mailto:jkalbin@fhsu.edu) or [sespurlock@fhsu.edu](mailto:sespurlock@fhsu.edu).



**THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN**

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

**Bierock/Cookie Dough Sales** The annual bierock and cookie dough sale was a huge success last week. Thank you to everyone who purchased and to the over 70 volunteers that helped prepare almost 390 dozen bierocks! This fundraiser is crucial to our transportation budget and keeping the fleet safe for all of our Catholic school students, coaches, faculty and staff.

**NEEDED: In-Person Subs at Our Catholic Schools.**

If you are interested please contact either Chad Meitner at [meitnerc@tmpmarian.org](mailto:meitnerc@tmpmarian.org) or Rachel Wentling at [rwentling@hfehays.org](mailto:rwentling@hfehays.org). A per diem is offered.

**31 Days of Cash:** When you purchase a 31 Days of Cash ticket from a student at TMP-Marian or online at [tmp-m.org](http://tmp-m.org) you are eligible to win cash prizes twice daily every day of December!

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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.*