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



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David Leiker 623-0094

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS PRESIDENT

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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

Sunday, January 12, 2020 ~ Baptism of the Lord



MASS INTENTIONS



Sun. Jan 12 8:00 am +Cody Younger
 Tue. Jan 14 >>> NO MASS <<<
 Th. Jan 16 8:00 am +Jory Konrade
 Sun. Jan 19 8:00 am +Albert & Felicitas Zimmerman
 Tue. Jan 21 8:00 am +Harlan Boor
 Th. Jan 23 8:00 am L/D Marvin & Mary Jo Braun family



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SERVERS

Sunday, Jan 12 Rexton Leiker & Daunte Younker
 Sunday, Jan 19 Logan Leiker & Cali Richmeier

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, Jan 12 Jill Moeder & Wendy Richmeier
 Sunday, Jan 19 Ken Richmeier & Peggy Richmeier

LECTORS

Sun. Jan 12 Joanne Steinert
 Sun. Jan 19 Ernie Binder

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Jeanette Pfannenstiel
 Kenny & Ann Pfannenstiel

GREETERS

Sunday, Jan 12 Glenn & Rhonda Stramel
 Sunday, Jan 19 Brandon & Brandi Zimmerman

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, January 12

John Moeder, Brian Pfannenstiel, Tony Staley, Darold Younker

Sunday, January 19

Jerry Gross, Nathan Leiker, Kenny Pfannenstiel, Gary Staab

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, Jan 12 Seyona Roda
 Sunday, Jan 19 Darold & Evelyn Younker
 Sunday, Jan 26 Wilbert Gross
 Sunday, Feb 2 Ernie & Lilly Binder

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes \$2,385.00 Candles \$16.00
 Loose \$163.00

TOTAL \$2,564.00

New Years - \$925.00

FATHER JARETT'S ~ Q & A

Why do Catholics "shake hands" with the people around them part way through the Mass. Wouldn't it be more appropriate to do this at the beginning of Mass?

What is the significance of this gesture in the Catholic liturgy? St. Matthew testifies in his Gospel account, "If you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift" (Mt 5:23-24). The sign of peace is not simply an opportunity to socialize with family or to say hello to the people around you, offering a kind word before receiving communion. It is based upon this scriptural passage from St. Matthew, which calls us to reflect upon our relationships before approaching the altar of sacrifice to receive Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

Clearly, this passage from the Gospel does not reference our Catholic belief in the Eucharist, but it does speak of this idea of being reconciled before offering gifts, which in the Hebrew mindset were gifts to be offered on the altar to be sacrificed to God as their religious ritual.

Some time ago, in my answer to a question, I referenced a quote by St. Justin Martyr, an early Christian disciple who described the experience of the Christian liturgy around the year 150 A.D. This is a small excerpt from that quote: "When the prayers are concluded we exchange the kiss. Then someone brings bread and a cup of water and wine mixed together to him who presides over the brethren. He takes them and offers praise and glory to the Father of the universe, through the name of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and for a considerable time he gives thanks that we have been judged worthy of these gifts (Apologia, chapter 67).

Notice, immediately after exchanging "the kiss," the gifts are brought forth from the community. Even in the early church, a sign of peace, in reference to St. Matthew's Gospel, was being used. For centuries, what we know as the sign of peace was called the kiss of peace, as this gesture would have been a more appropriate custom of harmony with one another than a handshake. (In fact, in many cultures to this day, a kiss on one or both cheeks is the culturally accepted method of greeting, even among strangers.) Nonetheless, we notice that even in the early Church, this gesture was not exchanged while the community was gathering as a form of greeting but before they felt worthy to approach the altar to receive the blessed bread and wine.

In imitation, at Mass we are called to shake hands (as an appropriate sign according to our local custom) and as the sacramentary tells us, "offer each other the sign of peace."

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When you share this gesture, are you looking around to see who is at Mass this week? Are you wondering if you are going to catch cold from the germs? It's easy to get distracted. First, we are called to be gracious and attentive to those we are offering this sign. Nevertheless, the Church and the Gospel call us to also keep in mind those in our lives with whom we need reconciliation and to offer this sign as a symbol of our desire for reconciliation in order to prepare our heart and our body to receive the Body and Blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

It's a pretty significant part of the Mass when we allow ourselves the opportunity to think about the meaning of the action we are performing.

In Christ's Loving Service
Your Pastor,

Fr. Jarett

Questions of Clarifications?
Email Fr. Jarett at father.konrade@eaglecom.net



Appreciation Luncheon Sunday, January 19th beginning at 12:30 for the various volunteers in our parish. We invite anyone/everyone who helps with Mass ministries, mows and maintains church grounds, building upkeep etc.

Please RSVP by Friday to Lilly (623-8000)

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



Dr. Andrew Swafford
ST. POPE JOHN PAUL II
LOVE & RESPONSIBILITY
JANUARY 12-15 | 7 P.M.- 9 P.M.
COMEAU CATHOLIC CAMPUS
CENTER CHAPEL

This event is open to the public!
Please join us! If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Brian Lager | comeauccc@yahoo.com



There are still some 2020 boxed envelopes in the vestibule. Please pick up if you have not already done so. Thank You!



As you are probably aware, many families are opting to eliminate their landline phones and using cellphones as their primary contact phone. In light of this trend, searching for phone numbers is becoming more and more difficult. I am witnessing this first hand as I am frequently asked, by a parishioner, for a cellphone number of another parishioner when the number has been disconnected and they are not able to find it in a phone-book. **I do not share this information without first contacting the other parishioner.** To help simplify this process, I am asking for your permission to share your cellphone number, when I am asked. If you wish your number to remain private, that will certainly be honored.

Your number(s) will never be shared with marketing sites or shared/sold for any other purpose.

Please let Lilly know one of the following options.

- **YES - It is okay to share my cellphone number.**
- **NO - I wish my number to remain private.**
- **I(we) still have a landline phone.**

Stars and Stripes Breakfast, Sunday, Jan. 12, from 7:30 am to noon, at VFW, Hays. Proceeds go to HHS Chamber Singers. Contact a HHS Chamber Singer for tickets.

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.

The Catholic Diocese of Salina is seeking to hire a person in the Stewardship and Development office at the Chancery. This position is a key member of the team and will help create a culture of philanthropy.

• **Annual Gifts and Event Manager** will be responsible for the annual gift program of the diocese, as well as events that lead to gift support or steward existing donors. Qualified candidates for this position will be willing and able to support the mission of the Catholic Diocese of Salina by supporting the directives of the Bishop.

To apply, review the position descriptions with qualifications on the diocesan website at

<https://salinadiocese.org/offices/humanresources/employment>.

Then, send cover letter, application and resume to Fr. Keith Weber CFRE, P.O. Box 980, Salina, KS 67402 or e-mail information to keith.weber@salinadiocese.org

SAVE THE DATE (IHM) MARDI GRAS 2020
Saturday, February 22nd, 2020 6:00pm Dance &
Entertainment by Tim Schumacher(Solitaire)
Immaculate Heart of Mary, Hays.



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

Drop requests in the collection basket or let Lilly know.

Let Lilly know when the intention should be removed.

RIGHT TO LIFE event in Topeka is taking place on Wednesday, Jan. 22, at the Topeka Performing Arts Center. There will be speakers and music from 9 to 11am, with the Roe V. Wade Mass taking place at 11am. There will then be a Right to Life March to the steps of the Capitol building.

“Cursillo in Christianity” is a movement within the Catholic Church which attempts to give life to essential Christian truths in the creativity of each person. Each person in turn becomes the joyful good news that Christ is alive in His people today, just as surely as He was 2000 years ago. (National Cursillo website) Salina Diocese weekends are being planned now. Men's weekend, March 5-8, 2020; women's weekend March 12-15, 2020. Please contact Patricia Dusin at 785-302-1220 for more information.

JANUARY - January 11 is “National Human Trafficking Awareness Day.” 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.

FORMED

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

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 go on sale beginning January 1, 2020 at www.century2.org. All proceeds benefit pro-life causes.

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.



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 Immaculate Heart of Mary. This one-hour long program offers a detailed overview of the health and vitality 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. Attendance is required by at least one parent of every child enrolled in Holy Family Elementary or TMP-Marian.

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-MATTHEW 5:14

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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.