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



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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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Nov 17 8:00 am +David Hertel
 Wed. Nov 20 7:30 am L/D John G. Befort family
 Sun. Nov 24 8:00 am Deceased K of C Members
 Wed. Nov 27 7:30 am Josh & Tina Waddell

SERVERS

Sun Nov 17 Cali Richmeier & Rafe Richmeier
 Sun Nov 24 Ahnalyn Leiker & Reylyn Leiker

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sun Nov 17 Amy P, Glenn S, Rhonda S, Michelle W.
 Sun Nov 24 John M, Tony S, Josh W, Tina W.

LECTORS OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun Nov 17 John Moeder Josh & Tina Waddell
 Sun Nov 24 Lauren Moeder Glenn & Rhonda Stramel

GREETERS

Sun Nov 17 Brandon & Brandi Zimmerman
 Sun Nov 24 Jason & Rose Carter

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, November 17

Ernie Binder, Mark Leiker, Donovan Richmeier,
 Sid Steinert

Sunday, November 24

John Moeder, Tony Rohr, Trenton Staley, Neal Younger

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes	\$1,611.00
Loose	\$110.60
Total	\$1,721.60



FROM THE DESK OF CODY MARINTZER

“But the wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament, and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever.”

This past weekend, I had the opportunity to attend the Diocesan CYO convention. The thing that stood out the most to me was the time we had for Reconciliation. I was blessed to be able to help direct the lines and that is where I saw a beautiful sight. The hallway we were in had 6 priests down by me and 2 at the other end. When we started, the 2 lines were so long, they went clear around the corner and down the other hall. People were stacked next to each other and I couldn't tell if the line was going to end. In the end, I think we went for 2 hours of confessions. Seeing so many young people eager to receive the loving Mercy of God was absolutely awesome!

You may be asking what this has anything to do with the quote from today's reading above. Well, here is what else I noticed. We had priests that drove to Salina just to help hear confessions for the youth of our Diocese. We had priests in the confessional that stayed as long as they possibly could, but then had to run out so they could make it back to their home parish a couple of hours away to say Mass. At 3:00, we were down several priests already and we were supposed to have Fr. Andy stop his line to go do Benediction. As I went to get him, he came out, saw the line and said "let me see if we can delay for a little while longer so I can hear some more confessions." He talked to Bill Meagher (head of the convention) and they agreed that hearing these young people's confessions was more important than being "on time." So, father Andy hopped back into his confessional and the people in line were stoked that they would be able to make it to confession that day.

It is in the confessional that we see how the Justice and Mercy of God work together and I think this quote from St. Therese of Lisieux puts it perfectly: *“Though one must be exceeding pure before appearing in the sight of the All-Holy God, still I know that He is infinitely just, and this very Justice which terrifies so many souls is the source of all my confidence and joy. Justice is not only stern severity towards the guilty; it takes account of the good intention, and gives to virtue its reward. Indeed, I hope as much from the Justice of God as from His Mercy. It is because He is just, that He is compassionate and merciful, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy. For He knoweth our frame, He remembereth that we are dust. As a father hath compassion on his children, so hath the Lord compassion on us.” Psalm 103*

Within our Hays community and our Diocese, I believe we are blessed with wise priests who are leading many to Justice. I see this as I watch our priests hop in the confessional before every Mass, waiting to give their flock the gift of God's Mercy before they receive Him in the Eucharist. I see this when I am working and I watch Father Damian leave to go to the hospital and minister to the sick and dying on a regular basis. I have witnessed this many times as I thank a priest for their time and they respond with "that's why I am a priest. It is my vocation." They don't look at it as a chore, but as a parent does with their child. They are there to help heal their children and give them new life in the Sacraments.

Please take time to pray for our priests, for more vocations to the priesthood from your own families and those in our Diocese and to thank our priests for fulfilling their vocation, for they are the ones leading us into the Just arms of our Father. May they continue to shine brightly in our community and in our Diocese.

Christian Mothers Meeting following Mass this morning.

K of C Meeting Monday, November 18th 7:00 p.m.



Expressions of Sympathy are extended to the family of Virgil Pfannenstiel. May he and all the souls of the faithfully departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

Perpetual Adoration Chapel openings: Saturdays, 8pm; Tuesdays, 10am (Needs second adorer); and Thursdays, 3am. Contact Geri Rupp 785-639-5588.

FINANCE LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Hays is accepting resumes for the position of Business/Office Manager.

The Business Manager directs and oversees all financial activities for a very busy parish. This role is responsible for monthly financial reporting, providing analysis of reports and data, audits, internal controls, asset management and advising the Pastor and Finance Council in financial matters. Prefer 5 – 7 years of business office/HR related experience. Is able to demonstrate knowledge and skills in financial analysis, report preparation, and budgeting. Healthcare contract experience preferred. Experience/knowledge of Catholic organizations, non-profits, parish and clergy strongly preferred. To submit a resume, request a full job description or to ask questions about this opportunity, please email Kim Hoelting, HR Director at kim.hoelting@salinadiocese.org.



2025 Mass Intentions are now being accepted. Please limit to 3 requests. Stipends \$10.00 per Mass. Contact Lilly to schedule ~ 785-623-8000



Mike & Bea Suppes, Special Intentions, Becky Robben, Maya Gottschalk, 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.

Please let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.

EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND

The “Healing Hearts Memorial Tree Dedication” will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 23, at the Hays Public Library. At this event, grief support group members will place ornaments on a special Christmas tree remembering children they have lost. Each child’s name will be read aloud as the ornaments are placed on the tree. The public is welcome to attend. Individuals may simply watch, or they may bring their own special ornaments to remember a child they have lost. The group will provide a free ornament to anyone who wants one.



The **St. Joseph Thanksgiving Bazaar** will be Sunday, November 24th from 11:00am to 2:00pm in the old Kennedy school building. Dinner tickets are available at the St. Joseph’s Church Office.

National Night of Prayer

Asking each of you to pray to the Holy Spirit discerning your degree of involvement in the National Night of Prayer for Life. This is held across our nation on December 8th. The focus of our prayer will be asking Our Blessed Mother to protect Life and the Family, to renew the Church, establish Peace, and inspire Courage in the soul of our nation. This is a tri-parish and Comeau Catholic Campus Center event being held at St. Nicholas this year. It will start with Eucharistic Exposition at 7pm, and continue with prayer and praises, hymns, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the Rosary, prayer to St Michael, and more. This event spans all four time zones uniting our country in prayer. The evening will end with Benediction at 10pm.

Ellis County Ministerial Alliance

Thanksgiving FEAST

November
28
11AM - 1PM

Looking to volunteer?
Call 785-623-2800 to sign-up!

FREE MEALS!
No reservation needed!
We will serve until we run out of food!

Kansas National Guard
200 Main St. - Hays

If you are elderly, homebound, or disabled you may register for delivery by calling 785-623-2800 (M-F 8:00-12:00 & 1:00-4:30 PM) Limited delivery spots available.

Every household in attendance will be sent home with a bag of groceries!

www.ourecoma.com

Tax Deductible Donations can be sent to
ECMA
PO Box 173
Hays, KS 67801

Feast of the Immaculate Conception. As the Feast of the Immaculate Conception normally falls on December 8th, this year December 8th will be celebrated as the Second Sunday of Advent. The Feast of the Immaculate Conception has been moved to Monday, December 9th as a Holy Day of Obligation our Mass is 6:00 p.m.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Mandy Meagher Principal
(785) 625-3131

- Nov 18-21 Fall Canned Food Drive
- Nov 21 No School Mass (tearing down IHM basement)
- Nov 25 4th Gr. Gifts-in-a-Jar Fundraiser

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!



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal
Melissa Schoepf, Jr. High Assistant Principal
(785) 625-6577

- Nov 18 (JH) ITBS Testing Week
- Nov 19 High School Retreat
- Nov 20 7:45 am (JH) Opole, Poland Foreign Exchange Project

TMP-Marian Fall Musical ~ BIG FISH. November 17 at 2:00. TMP-Marian's Dreiling Theater. Tickets \$8.00

HAYS CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS

GAME NIGHT

DATE
FRIDAY, NOV 22

TIME
5:30 PM

LOCATION
DEFIANCE TAPROOM
2050 OLD HWY 40

Join us for our November social at Defiance Taproom! Feel free to bring your own snacks. Hard and soft drinks available for purchase on your own tab. Bring a card or board game to share!

BIBLE REFLECTION ~ STEWARDSHIP GOAL

“And then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in the clouds’ with great power and glory.” (MARK 13:26) We will all have that day when we are standing before God and our life is played out like a movie. When this happens and God asks each of us, “What have you done with the gifts that I have given you?” How will you respond? The good news – it’s never too late to start living a grateful and generous lifestyle.



Family Perspective ...Bud Ozar

Today’s gospel teaches us UNCERTAINTY is normal. There are some things in life which “no one knows ... only the Father.” Marriage and parenting are full of uncertainty for like the fig tree in the gospel, the people we love grow and change.

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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.