

# St. Francis of Assisi Church

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



## PASTOR

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## PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

Lilly Binder 785-623-8000

## FINANCE/PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Kevin Stramel 785-623-7101

## CHRISTIAN MOTHERS PRESIDENT

Jane Younger 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](http://www/hfehays.org)

Thomas More Prep-Marian 785-625-6577

[www.tmp-m.org](http://www.tmp-m.org)

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun. May 19	8:00 am	+Albert & Felicitas Zimmerman
Wed. May 22	7:30 am	+Donna Leiker
Sun. May 26	8:00 am	L/D Paul & Ruby Binder family
Wed. May 29	7:30 am	+Jerry Koerner

**SERVERS**

Sun May 19	Cali Richmeier & Rafe Richmeier
Sun May 26	Reylyn Leiker & Trenton Staley

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Sun May 19	Ken R, Peggy R, Wendy R, Michelle W.
Sun May 26	John M, Lauren M, Amy P, Tony S.

**LECTORS                      OFFERTORY GIFTS**

Sun May 19	John Moeder	Frank & Paulette Seib
Sun May 26	Natalie Oborny	Sid & Joanne Steinert

**GREETERS**

Sun May 19	Jason & Kacy Gerstner
Sun May 26	Jerry & Sylvia Gross

**COLLECTION TEAM**

**Sunday, May 19**


Ernie Binder, Mark Leiker, Neal Younger, Darold Younker

**Sunday, May 26**

John Oborny, Rich Ruder, Sid Steinert, Brandon Zimmerman

**TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS**

Sunday, May 19	Mark & Dora Leiker
Sunday, May 26	Ernie & Lilly Binder
Sunday, June 2	Herman & Rosie Leiker
Sunday, June 9	Darold & Evelyn Younker

<b>Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure</b>		
Envelopes	\$2,20600	
Loose	\$405.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,611.00</b>	

**FROM THE DESK OF CODY MARINTZER**

**“Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit”  
Pentecost and Confirmation.**

In the Old Testament, God sent His spirit upon only a few chosen individuals. These were the Priests, Prophets, and Kings who were sent to lead God’s people to Himself and guide them back when they strayed. The Apostles in the New Testament were the next group of people to receive His Spirit to then go forth proclaiming the Gospel message of Christ. This same spirit is now imparted upon all who receive the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. We can see in the following what the Catechism teaches us on this:

*1302 It is evident from its celebration that the effect of the sacrament of Confirmation is the special outpouring of the Holy Spirit as once granted to the apostles on the day of Pentecost.*

*1303 From this fact, Confirmation brings an increase and deepening of baptismal grace:*

- it roots us more deeply in the divine filiation which makes us cry, "Abba! Father!"
- it unites us more firmly to Christ;
- it increases the gifts of the Holy Spirit in us;
- it renders our bond with the Church more perfect;<sup>118</sup>
- it gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith by word and action as true witnesses of Christ, to confess the name of Christ boldly, and never to be ashamed of the Cross:

In this sealing, we see we are strengthened in the gifts of the Holy Spirit. These gifts are Wisdom, understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety, Fear of the Lord.

Wisdom is both the knowledge of and judgment about “divine things” and the ability to judge and direct human affairs according to divine truth.

Understanding is penetrating insight into the very heart of things, especially those higher truths that are necessary for our eternal salvation—in effect, the ability to “see” God.

Counsel allows a man to be directed by God in matters necessary for his salvation.

Fortitude denotes a firmness of mind in doing good and in avoiding evil, particularly when it is difficult or dangerous to do so, and the confidence to overcome all obstacles, even deadly ones, by virtue of the assurance of everlasting life.

Knowledge is the ability to judge correctly about matters of faith and right action, so as to never wander from the straight path of justice.

Piety is, principally, revering God with filial affection, paying worship and duty to God, paying due duty to all men on account of their relationship to God, and honoring the saints and not contradicting Scripture.

Fear of the Lord is, in this context, “filial” or chaste fear whereby we revere God and avoid separating ourselves from him—as opposed to “servile” fear, whereby we fear punishment.

(Catholic.com What are the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit, and why do they matter? [FRANK X. BLISARD • 6/10/2019](#))

So, the sealing of the gift of the Holy Spirit is not a stopping point in our faith life, but is the beginning of living out our prophetic call to its full. It is receiving God's Spirit in such a way that we can now heroically go forth and proclaim the goodness of Christ to this fallen world.

*"O Lord Jesus Christ, Who before ascending into heaven did promise to send the Holy Spirit to finish Your work in the souls of Your Apostles and Disciples, deign to grant the same Holy Spirit to me that He may perfect in my soul the work of Your grace and Your love. Grant me the Spirit of Wisdom that I may despise the perishable things of this world and aspire only after the things that are eternal, the Spirit of Understanding to enlighten my mind with the light of Your divine truth, the Spirit on Counsel that I may ever choose the surest way of pleasing God and gaining heaven, the Spirit of Fortitude, that I may bear my cross with You and that I may overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose my salvation, the Spirit of Knowledge that I may know God and know myself and grow perfect in the science of the Saints, the Spirit of Piety that I may find the service of God sweet and amiable, the Spirit of Fear that I may be filled with a loving reverence towards God and may dread in any way to displease Him. Mark me, dear Lord with the sign of Your true disciples and animate me in all things with Your Spirit. Amen."*

**Christian Mothers Meeting** Sunday, May 19th following Mass. This will be the last meeting until September.

**Knights of Columbus Meeting** Monday, May 20th 7:00 pm.

**It's Time For A New Pictorial Directory.** "Just a friendly reminder that our pictorial directory photo dates are fast approaching! We will be having family photography on Tuesday, June 4th & Wednesday, June 5th 2:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Appointment times are filling up so hurry and schedule your time if you haven't already done so. Just for participating you will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a church directory. You will view your images right away and have the chance to purchase family portraits for your own memories and to give as gifts. Call Lilly (785) 623-8000 to schedule.

*Sign up sheets will also be available in the vestibule at Sunday Masses.*

**2024 Annual Mission Cooperation**

Dear Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi Church:

Thank you for your warm welcome and generous support for the SOLT missions. May God bless you for all the ways you witness Christ to others and encourage those around you to live their faith. Thank you for welcoming me and supporting the work of SOLT through your prayers, consideration of a volunteer opportunity and financial help. Be assured of my prayers for you.

*In the hearts of Jesus and Mary,  
Fr. Larry Tucker, SOLT*

**EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND**

**ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY** (Hays) maintenance men will be preparing the cemetery for mowing and trimming. Please remove any items that are not attached to the monument in order for the staff to mow the cemetery. We ask that you pick up all items by Monday, May 13th. Thank you!



**Those who have lost children are invited to a ceremony.** Parents who have lost a child of any age, including miscarriages and stillbirths, are invited to attend an annual ceremony honoring those children. The "Avenue of Pinwheels" will take place at 7pm, Tuesday, May 21, in the children's area of Mt. Allen Cemetery. It is being sponsored by the Healing Hearts grief support group at the Center for Life Experience. Grandparents, aunts, uncles, siblings, teachers, and friends are also invited. After the ceremony, participants are invited to the center, 103C E. 27<sup>th</sup> St., for refreshments. In case of inclement weather, the event will be rescheduled for 7pm, Thursday, May 23, at the cemetery.

**Corpus Christi Procession**

St. Joseph Parish will host the annual Corpus Christi procession on Saturday evening, June 1, following the 6pm Mass. We will process out of Mass and into the neighborhood surrounding St. Joseph. We will stop at three altars before returning to the church for final Benediction and closing prayers. Please join us as we celebrate this wonderful gift of the Eucharist.

**The Perpetual Adoration Chapel openings:** Sundays, at 1am and 11am; Saturdays, at 2pm; and Thursdays, at 8am (Need for a prayer partner). Contact Geri Rupp 785-639-5588.

**Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas will be conducting their 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Baby Bottle Campaign** from Mother's Day weekend, May 11-12<sup>th</sup> to Father's Day weekend, June-15-16<sup>th</sup>. This campaign provides support to mothers in our communities facing economic struggles, giving them access to critical resources so they can provide for their babies. Your contributions support: Pregnancy Services That Include Emergency Assistance, Counseling Support, Adoption Guidance. All money stays local and helps people who need our services the most.



Larry Roda, Kenny Pfannenstiel, 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.*

**Hiring** - Full Time Maintenance Supervisor at St. Joseph Parish, Hays. Responsibilities: repair for the rectory, church campus, buildings and cemeteries; oversees two team members. Hours M-F 7am - 4pm, occasional night and weekend hours. Salary range is \$41,000.00 - \$46,000.00. For more information contact Ann Pfeifer, Parish Business Administrator at 785-625-7356. Applications accepted until position is filled.

**Rachel's Vineyard™** is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can reconcile past abortion pain and begin the process of restoration.

Next Retreat will be May 31-June 2.

1-877-447-4383

[rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org](mailto:rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org)

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#### BIBLE REFLECTION ~ STEWARDSHIP GOAL

*"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone." - 1 Corinthians 12:4-6*

All of us are blessed, regardless of our own individual circumstances. God has given each of us many gifts. How we use those gifts is our gift back to God. For God's plan to work, each must do what we are called to do. Guess what? We are not all called to do the same thing! For God's plan to work you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do.

#### BISHOP GERALD VINCKE'S 25th JUBILEE

Please join us Sunday June 9th to celebrate Bishop Vincke's 25th Jubilee. Mass will be held at 3 P.M. at The Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria. An open house reception will be held from 4-6 P.M. at the Victoria Elementary School gymnasium. RSVP to [corrina.hudsonpillar@salinadiocese.org](mailto:corrina.hudsonpillar@salinadiocese.org) or 639-2100. We hope you can join us for this celebration

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



### HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Mandy Meagher Principal

(785) 625-3131

- July May 17 - Summer Break  
Aug 18 Have a Great Summer!
- May 27 - 31 School Closed
- July 1 - 5 School Closed
- July 17 Uniform Sale 11:00 - 2:00 pm L.T.

HFE Job Openings for 2024-2025 Physical education teacher, full-time school cook, full-time school custodian, and part-time paras! We also need several After School Care workers to begin helping us out in the 24-25 school year. Applications can be turned in at the front office or emailed to Mrs. Meagher at [mmeagher@hfehays.org](mailto:mmeagher@hfehays.org)



### THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

Melissa Schoepf, Jr. High Assistant Principal

(785) 625-6577

- May 19 Baccalaureate Mass at St. Nick's 1:00pm  
Graduation at Fieldhouse 3:00pm  
Project Graduation 9:00pm

#### Band and Vocal Music Teacher

Thomas More Prep-Marian Jr/Sr High School (2A co-ed Catholic school, enrollment 280) is seeking a band and vocal music teacher to inspire students to become proficient in their musical endeavors.

A successful candidate will have a minimum of a Bachelor's degree in Music, Music Education or related field and be certified (or able to obtain certification) in Kansas. A Masters degree is preferred and will command a higher salary, as will teaching experience.

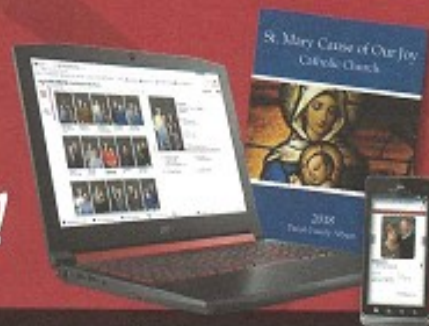
If you are a serious educator ready for the opportunities that a Catholic school can offer, please consider applying with a cover letter, resume, and three references to Principal Chad Meitner at [meitnerc@tmpmarian.org](mailto:meitnerc@tmpmarian.org).

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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.*

*Dear Church family,  
It's time for a New Directory!*



*Celebrating faith.  
Connecting families.  
Sharing hope.*

When people enter the doors of our church they are looking for a place to belong. Our directory brings us together to develop new relationships, connect with our own families, and reconnect with those we haven't seen in a while. Join us for this "Connections Event" and be part of what God is doing right here at our church!

*Directory Committee*

## Connections Event

*Our church directory will not be complete without you. Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album.*

- Schedule your professional photography session when you stop by the sign-up table at the church or simply go online and follow the instructions below. If we don't see your name on our list of appointments, you will receive a phone call inviting you to participate.
- Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory!
- Universal provides a complete professional portrait studio right here at our church! You'll enjoy a variety of poses, backgrounds, portrait sizes, finish and framing options AND have the opportunity to purchase portraits to give to family and friends.

**Set your appointment with Universal today!**



*Gathering families,  
Connecting generations.*



### PICTURE TIMES

Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> - 2:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup> - 2:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
Signup sheets in vestibule on Sunday's or  
call Lilly 785-623-8000

Sunday, May 19, 2024 ~ Pentecost Sunday

YOU ARE INVITED

TO THE CELEBRATION OF  
BISHOP GERALD VINCKE'S

25<sup>TH</sup>

ANNIVERSARY  
OF PRIESTHOOD

MASS AT 3PM

THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS  
601 10TH STREET VICTORIA, KANSAS 67671

COME & GO RECEPTION  
4:00PM-6:00PM

VICTORIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYM  
602 10TH STREET VICTORIA, KANSAS 67671



JUNE 9, 2024

KINDLY RSVP BY MAY 27 AT [BIT.LY/BISHOPS25TH](https://bit.ly/bishops25th) OR  
CALL CORRINA HUDSONPILLAR AT 785-639-2100