

ST. MARY'S PARISH

703 Monroe St., Ellis, KS 67637

March 5, 2017
First Sunday
of Lent



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Website

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Diocese: <http://salinadiocese.org>

Mass Schedule

Tuesday-Friday 8:10 a.m.
Monday 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday 10:00 a.m. (EGSC)
Saturday 5:30 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Sunday 11:00 a.m. (Cedar Bluff, Memorial Day-Labor Day)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30 p.m.-5:15 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Anytime by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday 9:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline

Noon on Wednesday

Baptism

By appointment. Contact the Pastor

Weekly Readings

Mar. 6 - 12
Mon: Lev 19L:1-2,11-18; Matt 25:31-46
Tue: Isa 55:10-11; Matt 6:7-15
Wed: Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 11:29-32
Thu: Esth C:12,14-16,23-25; Matt 7:7-12
Fri: Ezek 18:21-28; Matt 5:20-26
Sat: Deut 26:16-19; Matt 5:43-48
Sun: Gen 12:1-4a; Matt 17:1-9

Parish Personnel

Pastor	Fr. Dana Clark
Pastoral Associate	Sr. Doris Flax
Parish Secretary	Mrs. Amy Hudson
School Principal	Mrs. April Pfeifer
Pastoral Council President	Mr. Ken Kohl
Liturgy Chairperson	Mrs. Donna Honas
Education Chairperson	Mr. Darin Reed
Building & Maintenance	Eldon Jerauld, Ron Amrein, Mike Augustine
Finance Council President	Mr. Jeff Augustine
School Council President	Mrs. Amanda Shannon
Home & School President	Mrs. Sarah Eck
Director of Religious Education	Mrs. Lucia Bain

Marriage

Contact the pastor at least six months prior to the anticipated wedding date. No wedding will be scheduled without premarital instruction.

Mass Intentions

Sat	Mar. 4	5:30 p.m.	Albert & Bertha Bieker+
Sun	Mar. 5	9:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Mon	Mar. 6	5:30 p.m.	Eddie & Fidelia Honas+
Tues	Mar. 7	8:10 a.m.	Joe (anniv) & Anna Koster+ Fam (liv/dec)
Wed	Mar. 8	8:10 a.m.	Dennis Schoenthaler+ Fam (liv/dec)
	EGSC	10:00 a.m.	EGSC Residents
Thu	Mar. 9	8:10 a.m.	Betty Waldschmidt+
Fri	Mar. 10	8:10 a.m.	Alvin Augustine+
Sat	Mar. 11	5:30 p.m.	Gene Schoenberger+; Marilyn King+ Fam (liv/dec)
Sun	Mar. 12	9:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners

Ministries Mar. 11 & 12

Ministry	5:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Eucharistic Ministers	Barney Boos Sheila Boos Peggy Waldschmidt Randy Augustine Amanda Shannon	Mike Augustine Linda Augustine Julie Gottschalk Cindy Hertel Clint Bain
Lector	John Zody	Doris Collins
Offertory Procession	Clarence Rupp Margaret Metzler	Mark & Sarah Eck Family
Cantor / Musician		Emily Mattheyer Jaylinn Pfeifer
Servers	Lexi Rome Alyssa Rome Taegan Shannon	Taylor Honas Sam Honas Toby Honas
Ushers & Greeters	Jamison & Amy Miller Family Lance & Marnie Kohl Family	Eric & Kristen Gaschler, Jerome & Jennifer Gottschalk Family, John & Pam Gnad Family

Other Ministries

Communion to Homebound	Mar. 10 (Fri)	Amy Hudson
Ellis Good Samaritan	Mar. 12 (Sun) 10:15 a.m.	Peggy Waldschmidt
Rosary Leaders	Mar. 11 (Sat) 5:30 p.m. Mar. 12 (Sun) 9:00 a.m.	Peggy Waldschmidt Ken Augustine
Children's Liturgy	Mar. 12 (Sun) 9:00 a.m.	Roberta Augustine

Meetings & Events

Sun	Mar. 5	10:30 am - Cantor/Musician Meeting 2 pm - Parish Rosary/Intercessions
Wed	Mar. 8	6:45 am - Lenten Breakfast at the Methodist Church
Thu	Mar. 9	9 am - 6 pm Eucharistic Adoration

Prayer List

Please Remember in Prayer

Manny Befort, Shawna LaBarge, Tanner Sullivan, Josephine Werth, Melba Engel, Emily Siercks, Joe Weber, Lucille Kuhn, Josephine Urban, Star & Sky Dinkel, Lucille Flax, Michael Allen Augustine, Lee Boos, Tom Jabara, Diane Boos, Lila Margreiter, Dean Dinkel, Martin LaBarge, James Newton, Rose Egger, Celeste Johnson, Frank Landess, Debbie LaBarge and the residents of Ellis Good Samaritan Center. If anyone has names they would like added to the list they may call the rectory at 726-4522.

Miscellaneous

- Trafficking today is a continuation of the Transatlantic Slave Trade with the sophistication of technology making the buying and selling of persons convenient and globally efficient. SUPPORT U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (sistersagainstrafficking.org)

Liturgy Notes for March & April

- March 8: 6:45 am Lenten Breakfast
Methodist Church at Methodist Church
- March 15: 6:45 am Lenten Breakfast
St. Mary's Church at K of C Hall
- March 22: 6:45 am Lenten Breakfast
Christ Lutheran at Christ Lutheran
- March 29: 6:45 am Lenten Breakfast
St. John's Lutheran at K of C Hall
- April 8 - 9: Palm Sunday - Meet at the school gym before Mass for blessing of palms.
4 pm - Communal Confessions
- April 13: 7 pm - Holy Thursday Mass
- April 14: 3 pm - Good Friday Service
- April 15: 8:30 - Holy Saturday Services
- April 16: 9 am - Easter Sunday Mass

Note from the Pastor

Website. Our parish website is close to being launched. We are uploading and entering information now. Hopefully, within the next two weeks it will be ready. Once launched our parish representative from Solutio, inc (the Catholic website company setting up and hosting our website) will be setting up advertising for the year. Letters will be sent out to area businesses providing them with an opportunity to place an ad on the website. The revenue from the ads is what makes the website at no cost to the parish. An ad will be a great way to get your name in front of the families in the parish. Advertisements may be purchased for a business, family memorial, or you can sponsor an ad supporting Catholic Charities, Knights of Columbus, Vocations, etc. Please give these ideas some thought. If you are interested or just curious as to prices and want more information, please contact 785.672.9458 or Sponsorship@SolutioSoftware.com. If you don't receive a letter for some reason and want to place an ad on website, you can call the number above. Again the letters will not go out until after the website is launched, so you can see the website before deciding to place an ad on it.

Sound System. We are moving forward with the installation. If you would like to make a contribution or pledge to help cover the cost of the system, you can bring it to the parish office or drop it in the collection basket. Also the special item at the auction will go toward the sound system, which will be another opportunity to donate. I'm pledging an initial \$1,000 of my money to help with the cost and will donate another \$1,000 at the auction. We will be using money from a restricted account we have with the diocese for church restoration to cover the installation, so we won't have to delay installation in order to raise the money. Money donated will be placed into a restricted account for future use.

CCAA. Next weekend is the "in-pew" solicitation weekend. This will be another opportunity for those who haven't donated to do so. Pledge cards will be in the pews. After the homily you will be given time to fill it out.

FORMED.org: The Catholic Faith on Demand. You may wish this Lent to check out a program called *Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession*. It is the latest addition to the Augustine Institute's library of sacramental preparation programs. Our Parish Code is: WM6YPG.

Reminders.

Stations of the Cross – Fridays of Lent at 5:30 p.m.

Symbolon Class continues Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the school library.

Lenten Rice Bowls are available in the back of the church for you to use.

Have a good week! Fr. Dana

Miscellaneous

- Salina Diocese Men's Conference, Register Online Beginning April 1, 2017! The Diocese of Salina is sponsoring the Sixth Annual Diocesan Men's Conference, "Men on a Mission" on Saturday, August 12 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays. Please attend and bring your sons who are high school age and up. Two nationally known speakers, Dr. Ray Guarendi, host of "The Dr. Is In" and "Living Right With Dr. Ray", and Fr. John Lager national chaplain of FOCUS and cofounder of Marked Men for Christ, are this year's speakers. To register online or for more information go to www.salinadiocese.org/family-life or call 785-827-8746, Ext. 17.
- Bible study Wednesday, March 8th, 7:00 pm at Peggy's house. They will be studying gospel of Matthew Chapter 12.
- Victoria K of C will have a Fish Fry on the Friday's of Lent. March 17th, and 31st. 5:00pm to 7:30 pm. NEW LOCATION: VICTORIA VFW HALL. Adults - \$10. Children - \$5. Children under 5 - free.
- **Is it a Scam?** Ellis Chief of Police Taft Yates presents: How to be safe and recognize when you are getting into a scam by phone calls, emails, daily mail and with people knocking on your door. March 9, 2017, 6:30 pm in the Ellis High School Auditorium.

"As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst... 'Repent and believe' Jesus tells us. What are we to repent? Our indifference, our hardness of heart. What are we to believe? Jesus thirsts even now, in your heart and in the poor -- He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you."

-- Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

Parish Organizations

- Knights of Columbus pinocle dates are March 8th & 22nd and April 12th & 26th all are at 8 pm at the Knights Hall.
- D of I March Meeting will be held Thursday, March 9th at 7:00 p.m. Potato bar begins at 6:30 p.m.

Parish Offering: Feb. 25 & 26

Loose \$828.26.00 (Budget \$885.00)

Envelope \$4,070.00 (Budget \$4,808.00)

For this weekend the collection was short \$(794.74)

School News

- Wed., March 8: 9:55 EHS Ag students to 5th and 6th grades
Thurs., March 9: Spring pictures
Fri., March 10: AR points due
2:30 Stations of the Cross (5th grade)
Sun., March 12: 1:00 First Communion Meeting

- St. Mary's School is having a Box Tops Challenge! If our goal of 3000 box tops is met by **March 10th**, we will have a free dress day. In order to encourage participation, students can use their box tops to show their support for Kansas City Chiefs or Denver Broncos. If you would like to help out, please send your box tops in an envelope labeled either Chiefs or Broncos. Thank you for your support!



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- The 4th Grade class will again be collection aluminum cans during the Lenten season. The proceeds will be donated to St. Jude's Children Hospital. If you would like to donate cans for this project, please contact a 4th grader or call the school office at 726-3185.

Miscellaneous

- "Cursillo in Christianity is an encounter with self, Christ, and others. It is a method to develop, live and share spirituality in any area of human life where Christians want to dedicate their lives to God. If you are interested in a means of personal growth in living what is fundamental for being a Christian, and encouraging one another in proclaiming the best news of the best reality that God in Christ loves us, please prayerfully consider attending. The next weekend events: Men's weekend March 16-19, 2017; Women's weekend July 27-30, 2017. Location: Victoria, Kansas, Spitiural Life Center. For more information contact Patricia Dusin at 785-302-1220, or patriciad@ruraltel.net."
- 11th Annual Women's Spirituality Conference "Finding God in Everything" will be March 11, 2017 from 8:30 am - 3:30 pm at St. Thomas More Parish Center, 2900 Kimball Ave, Manhattan, KS with world renowned presenter and speaker Sr. Edith Prendergast. Using her skilled knowledge of scripture and the saints she will encourage us all to live lives as messengers who are called to serve one another in our churches, communities and in the world. For more information please go to: info@womensspiritualconference.org

Holy Humor

Back in the day, Catholics would live in neighborhoods surrounding their parish in what were called Catholic ghettos. In one of these ghettos filled with the Catholic faithful there lived a man who was not Catholic, but a Methodist. This posed no problem at all since he got along quite well with all of the Catholics and they felt the same about him.

But then came the first Friday of Lent. Late in the afternoon the sound of big juicy steak was heard as it sizzled after landing on a hot grill. Before long, everyone in the neighborhood began to smell the alluring scent of steak emanating from the Methodist's backyard. As the tempting smell traveled throughout the neighborhood, the Catholics were just dying to get their hands on a big juicy steak. But it was Lent, after all, so they persevered through the temptation.

This went on for many years until one Lent the Catholics had had enough. They loved their Methodist neighbor, but this was just too much! They decided the only way out was to pray for the Methodist's conversion. So they prayed and prayed, novena after novena, until one day the Methodist said "You know, I like you people and hanging out with you. I might as well worship with you on Sunday too". So a Catholic he became. The priest blessing him with holy water said, "A Methodist you were born and a Methodist you were raised, but now you are a Catholic!" And the people rejoiced and praised God.

Well, the next Lent rolled around and on that first Friday the sound of a steak hitting the grill was once again heard. Perplexed, the others in the neighborhood wanted to see what was going on. As they looked through a hole in the fence they could see the newly christened Catholic sprinkling holy water on his steak saying, "A cow you were born and a cow you were raised, but now you are a fish!"

Auction News

- Let's Tailgate!: Our 23rd Annual St. Mary's Auction is just around the corner! Mark your calendars for April 1st for an fun football inspired evening! The auction team is planning a fine night of food, fellowship and fundraising.
- In order to have your auction item in the main book and not the addendum, please have all items & form turned into the rectory by **Monday, March 6**. After that date, your auction item will be included in the addendum.
- Auction tickets will go up to \$45 each after March 11th so get your tickets now!!!