

# ST. MARY'S PARISH

703 Monroe St., Ellis, KS 67637

**November 26, 2017**  
**Our Lord Jesus Christ,**  
**King of the Universe**



## Phone #s

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## Website

Parish: [www.stmarysofellis.org](http://www.stmarysofellis.org)  
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## 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-thru 2 weeks  
after Labor Day)

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

## Eucharistic Adoration

Thursdays 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

## Bulletin Deadline

Noon on Wednesday

## Baptism

By appointment. Contact the Pastor

## Weekly Readings

Nov. 27 - Dec. 3

Mon: Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20; Luke 2:1-4

Tue: Daniel 2:31-45; Luke 21:5-11

Wed: Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Luke 21:12-19

Thu: Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22

Fri: Daniel 7:2-14; Luke 21:29-33

Sat: Daniel 7:15-27; Luke 21:34-36

Sun: Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7; Mark 13:33-37

## Parish Personnel

Pastor	Fr. Dana Clark
Pastoral Associate	Sr. Doris Flax
Parish Secretary	Mrs. Emily Mattheyer
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	Nov 25	5:30 p.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	Nov 26	9:00 a.m.	Paul & Jerome (annv) Flax+ Fam (liv/dec)
Mon	Nov 27	5:30 p.m.	Ignatz & Elizabeth Flax+ Family (liv/dec)
Tues	Nov 28	8:10 a.m.	Bernice & Rinda Windholz+ Fam. (liv/dec)
Wed	Nov 29	8:10 a.m.	Leonard Weisner+
	<b>EGSC</b>	10:00 a.m.	For the residents (liv/dec)
Thu	Nov 30	8:10 a.m.	Jake & Regina Schuster+ Fam. (liv/dec)
Fri	Dec 1	8:10 a.m.	D of I Members (liv/dec)
Sat	Dec 2	5:30 p.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	Dec 3	9:00 a.m.	Flora Ricke+ & Carol Schell+

## Ministries Dec. 2 & 3

Ministry	5:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Perry Mick Barney boos Sheila boos Peggy Waldschmidt Randy Augustine	Diana Kohl Ken Kohl Peggy Seibel Josita Dreiling Wade King
<b>Lector</b>	Allen Weber	Melvin Augustine
<b>Offertory Procession</b>	John & Andrea Zody	Mark & Bernice Karlin
<b>Cantor / Musician</b>	LuAnn Pfeifer Sandy & Grace Beisner	Eck Girls
<b>Servers</b>	Aaron Windholz Lacy Windholz Taegan Shannon	Taylor Seibel Brendon Seibel Addison Kohl
<b>Ushers &amp; Greeters</b>	Clarence Rupp Kathy Sherfick Verla Seibel Darrell Augustine Jake Dreiling	Corey & Amy Burton Family Chris & Brandy Becker Family

## Other Ministries

<b>Communion to Homebound</b>	Dec. 1 (Fri)	Fr. Dana Clark
<b>Ellis Good Samaritan</b>	Dec. 3 (Sun) 10:15 a.m.	Barney Boos
<b>Rosary Leaders</b>	Dec. 2 (Sat) 5:30 p.m. Dec. 3 (Sun) 9:00 a.m.	Ginger Schoenathler Peggy Seibel
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Dec. 3 (Sun) 9:00 a.m.	Roberta Augustine

## Meetings & Events

Mon.	Nov. 27	Parish Council Meeting @ 7:00pm
Thurs.	Nov. 30	Eucharistic Adoration 9am-6pm
Sun	Dec. 3	D of I Christmas Party @ 12 Noon Parish Rosary @ 1:30pm Communal Penance Service @ 2:00pm

## Parish Announcements

- **2018 Catholic Wall Calendars are now available!** They are on a table in the back gathering space. We invite each family to take one home.
- **Reminder Prayer List Requests:** Names on our Parish Prayer List will be cleared after this weekend. If you would like to keep your name or have some one to add to the list, please call the rectory.
- **Daughters of Isabella** will hold their annual Christmas Party on Sunday, Dec. 3rd @ 12noon. All members are invited to join us for finger foods, fellowship and fun! An optional gift exchange will be held with a \$10 limit. Hope to see you there!
- **Thanksgiving Dance:** Please help us invite everyone for a Thanksgiving dance featuring: **Candice & the Business Casual, Saturday, Nov. 25th** at the Ellis K of C Hall. Doors open at 7:00pm, Dance is 8-11pm. This wife and husband duo sing a wide variety of music! Advance tickets \$5.00 each. Cash bar only. Tickets are available for purchase by calling Leonard Schoenberger @ 726-1278, Wade King @ 785-656-3377, or Dava Gaschler @ 785-259-0237. Candice is the granddaughter of Luella and the late Earl Lambrecht. Proceeds from the dance will help renovations of the Knights Hall.
- **SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE:** Daughters of Isabella are now accepting scholarship applications for the Kansas Daughters of Isabella 2018 Scholarship! Those eligible are to be a graduating senior who is a member of St. Mary's Parish. This scholarship is intended to help the student finance her or his freshmen year at a post-secondary school. Those applicants' whose mother or grandmother is a Daughter of Isabella member will be given special consideration. Please contact Marion Ptaschek for an application @ 726-3352.
- **THANK YOU** to everyone who supports St. Mary's Garage Sale and for cash donations! We were able to donate \$350.00 to St. Mary's Church & School from recent sales. Keep donations coming - that's what makes Sale a success. To my help: Barbara King, Donna Honas, Michelle Erberle & George Bongartz. We will try to have a Sale in December; TBD! God Bless! ~ Lillian 785-726-1319 © or 3319 (h)

## Note from the Pastor

**Word Among Us.** The Word Among Us has donated 50 copies of their Advent booklet. They are available in the back of the church. Also, copies of *The Catholic Devotional* booklets are available. Feel free to take copies of these booklets.

**Mission Coop Collection.** The Mission Coop collection was taken up this Sunday. You can still donate. Just place your donation in next week's regular collection. An envelope was included in last week's bulletin. Extra envelopes are available in the back of the church.

**2018 Calendars** are available. Check the table or bookshelves in the back of the church.

**Communal Penance Services (Confessions).** We are planning our parish *Communal Penance service* for Advent for Sunday December 3 at 2:00 p.m.

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception.** Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. This is a holyday of obligation. Masses on that day will be at 8:10 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**Annual National Night of Prayer for Life.** As we did the last year, we will participate in the *Annual National Night of Prayer for Life*. This is four hours of Eucharistic Adoration beginning Friday December 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m. and ending at 12:00 a.m. Saturday morning. The purpose is to unite our prayers with Catholics throughout the country in an effort to help bring back the world to Christ and to bring about an end to abortion (a bulletin insert will be included next week).

**YDisciple.** Our third session for our YDisciple high school program will be this Wednesday (November 29) starting at 6:45 with a meal, followed by group sessions at 7:15 in the basement of the newly remodeled rectory basement. I invite and encourage our high school youth (juniors and seniors) to come and check it out.

**Year-end Gifts.** The end of the year is approaching fast. Keep the support of our parish in mind as you plan for your end of year giving.

### **Some Upcoming Events to take note of:**

December 3 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

December 3 Communal Penance Service

December 8<sup>th</sup> Immaculate Conception (Holyday of Obligation)

December 8<sup>th</sup> National Night of Prayer (8:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m.)

*Have a good week! Fr. Dana*

## School Announcements

**Thursday, Nov. 30 - - -** 4th Grade Book Lunch

**Friday, Dec. 1- - -7:35am** Dominic Savio hot chocolate

- **BoxTop Challenge Report:** We have collected **2,341** box tops thus far. Help us reach our goal of 3,000 for an Extra Recess or Free Dress Day! Keep a watch for those BoxTops!!! We appreciate your support!
- **Holiday Food Box:** We are collecting non-perishable food items for the Ellis Food Pantry until Christmas break. Our goal is 400 items! We are at 130! Help us make a difference in our community!
- **Happy Birthday, Jesus!** party is planned for Dec. 19th. Last year the students made fleece blankets for Mary Elizabeth Maternity Home in Hays. We would like to do this again in which we are looking for donations of fleece material. We are asking for 2 yards for the front + 2 yards for the back side. These make a nice sized blanket to go with the babies when they leave MEMH. We would welcome any donations of fleece until the end of November.

## Congratulations to:

**Sarah Aschenbrenner & Doyle Pletcher** who were united in marriage on Nov. 25th!

**Noah Joe Schield** was baptized in our church on Nov. 25th. Son of Peter & Jennifer Schield!

## **Prayer List**

### **We offer our condolences:**

Alvin "Al" Surmeier who died on Nov. 14th. May he and all the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

### **Please Remember in Prayer**

George Crawford, Kelly Beisner, Gilbert Kinderknecht, Pam Burgardt, Kenny & Kathy Wolf, Lucille Kuhn, Rose Egger, Lee Boos, Debbie & Martin LaBarge, Tom Jabara, Betty Clark, JoAnn Hohman, Michael Allen Augustine, Frank Landess, Tanner Sullivan, Mary Ann Legleiter, Dean Dinkel, James Newton, Emily Siercks, Lila Margreiter, Elaine Werth, Josephine Urban, Ron Donner, Lucille Flax, Shawna LaBarge, Diane Boos, Joel Rivera, and the residents of Ellis Good Samaritan Center. If any one has names they would like added to the list they may call the rectory at 726-4522.

## **Parish Offering: Nov. 16 & 17**

Loose \$612.00 (Budget \$885.00)

Envelope \$3,519.00 (Budget \$4,808.00)

### **For this weekend the collection was short (\$1,562.00)**

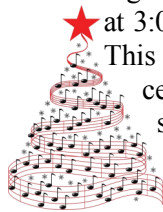
**Did you know** if you attend Mass at any church of the Heartland Parishes: Hays, WaKeeney, Victoria and you put your SMC envelope in their collection it will be sent to SMC? In the future, if you find yourself attending Mass at another parish in the area, it would be safe to say your tithing envelope will make it back to SMC during the week via the mail or hand delivery.

## Community Announcements

- Created for a Purpose.** Tune in to Divine Mercy Radio Nov. 28 - Dec. 1 for KVDM's Fall Care-a-Thon. \*Chance to win prizes play Catholic Trivia, here from local guests\*. For a complete schedule of local guest, visit [dvmercy.com](http://dvmercy.com). Here are guests of interest particularly from St. Mary's:

+ **Wed., Nov. 29 @ 5pm - George & Alyssa Crawford**

+ **Friday, Dec. 1 @ 4 to 6 pm - Straight Talk with Fr. Fred**  
(Time to call in and ask any question about the Catholic Faith. Call in number: 785-621-5061.)
- 5th Quarter @ Ellis United Methodist Church** on Dec. 1st after the home basketball game until 11:45pm. FREE to all High School students. Enjoy Good Food! Win Prizes! Play all sorts of games!
- 4th Annual Festival of Nativities:** Members of Palco United Methodist Church and Red Line Church of God, Palco, and St. Joseph Catholic Church in Damar invite you to Palco United Methodist Church (804 E. 1st St, Palco) on **Friday & Saturday, Dec. 1 & 2 @ 10a-4p, Sunday, Dec. 3rd @ 10-11:30a.** to view over 100 Nativity sets from many different countries and variety of materials, while enjoying a cup of warm cider, and getting into the Christmas spirit! Questions: contact Tammy Steeples 785-737-4536 or [tsteeples@hotmail.com](mailto:tsteeples@hotmail.com).
- Ellis Food Pantry Christmas Boxes:** Sign up for your Christmas box by Dec. 9th. You may stop by on open pantry nights OR call Leonard @ 726-1278. This is for all families in the USD 388 School district, in Ellis. Christmas Boxes will be delivered Dec. 20th.
- Mark Your Calendars:** CROSSROADS of Hays will be giving their final concert, after 20 years of singing together as a music ministry, on Sunday, December 10 at 3:00p at the First United Methodist Church in Hays. This is free to the public. We hope you join us in celebrating the Christmas Season with music and saying "farewell" and "thank you" for the many years of support the community and surrounding towns have given us! ~ Emily M.



**ST. MARY'S CHURCH**  
**COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE**  
 We invite you to our parish for our  
*Communal Penance Service* for Advent on  
 Sunday, December 3 at 2:00 p.m.  
**Parish Rosary will begin at 1:30 p.m.**

## St. Mary's Gift Giving Trees

*A Little Hope Goes a Long Way*  
 Gift Giving Trees will be in the entrance of the church.

The **Warming Heart Tree** is for Ellis community members who are in need of clothing this holiday season. There will be the age and gender of whom is need. Please use your best judgment to gift them BRAND NEW clothing, such as hats, gloves, mittens, coats, socks, or even blankets for smaller children. No Used Clothing will be excepted! You may take your gift to the Ellis Food Pantry or leave them in the entrance of Church and we will deliver them. Monetary gifts are also welcome, please contact Leonard S. @ 726-1278.



**Deadline to return gift(s) is Dec. 15th.**

The **Angel Tree** is for the residents of the Ellis Good Samaritan Center as a gift from parishioners on Christmas Day. There may be many items on the list, but you only need to choose one. You may take your fit to the Good Sam or leave them in the entrance of Church and we will take them there.



**Deadline to turn in gift(s) is Dec. 22nd.**

### Holy Humor: Bible Jokes

**Why did the hawk sit on the church steeple?**  
 Because it was a bird of pray.

**What do they call pastors in Germany?**  
 German Shepherds

**What's a missionary's favorite type of car?**  
 A convertible.

**What's a dentist's favorite hymn?**  
 Crown him with many crowns.

**When is medicine first mentioned in the Bible?**  
 When God gave Moses two tablets.

**When is the first tennis match mentioned in the Bible?**  
 When Joseph served in Pharaoh's court.

**Why did God create man before woman?**  
 Because He didn't want any advice on how to do it.

**How do you know Peter was a rich fisherman?**  
 By his net income.