

ST. MARY'S PARISH

703 Monroe St., Ellis, KS 67637

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

January 1, 2023



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Mass Schedule

Monday 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday-Friday 8:10 a.m.

Wednesday 10:00 a.m. (EGSC)

Saturday 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 7:00 a.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Sunday 11:00 a.m. Cedar Bluff, May 21 - Sept. 10

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. - 5:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline

By 4:30 p.m. Wednesday

Baptism

By appointment. Contact the Pastor

Weekly Readings

January 2 - January 8, 2023

Mon: 1 John 2:22-28; John 1:19-28

Tue: 1 John 2:29-3:6; John 1:29-34

Wed: Philippians 2:1-11; Luke 2:21-24

Thu: 1 John 3:7-10; John 1:35-42

Fri: 1 John 3:11-21; John 4:3-51

Sat: 1 John 5:5-13; Mark 1:7-11

Sun: Isaiah 60:1-6; Matthew 2:1-12

Parish Personnel

Pastor	Fr. Dana Clark
Parish Secretary	Mrs. Emily Mattheyer
School Principal	Mrs. Patti Park
Pastoral Council President	Mr. John Zody
Liturgy Chairpersons	Ruth Bollig and Alyson Johnson
Finance Council President	Mr. Melvin Augustine
School Council President	Mr. Matt Fondoble
Home & School President	Mrs. Stephanie Johnson
Director of Religious Education	Mrs. Judy Schuler

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	Dec 31	5:30 p.m.	Ted & Delores (anniv) Begler+
Sun	Jan 1	7:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	Jan 1	9:00 a.m.	Frank & Gladys Kirkham+ Family (liv/dec)
Mon	Jan 2	5:30 p.m.	Frank+ & Juanita Augustine Family (L/D)
Tues	Jan 3	8:10 a.m.	Otto Berens+ (anniv) Family (liv/dec)
Wed	Jan 4	8:10 a.m.	Ray & Lorine Kohl+
	EGSC	10:00 a.m.	Joe (anniv) & Thersia Flax+
Thurs	Jan 5	8:10 a.m.	Daughters of Isabella (liv/dec)
Fri	Jan 6	8:10 a.m.	Joe (anniv) & Thersia Flax+
Sat	Jan 7	5:30 p.m.	Don R. Younger+
Sun	Jan 8	7:00 a.m.	Adair & Josephine Ptaschek+
Sun	Jan 9	9:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners

Ministries for January 7 & 8

Ministry	5:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lector	Cindy Zervas	Nicole Carroll
Presentation of Gifts	Rick & Nancy Cunningham	Craig & Becky Seibel
Eucharistic Minister(s)	Duane Dorzweiler Sharon Bittel	Sarah Eck Josita Dreiling Peggy Seibel
Servers	Aiden Aschenbrenner Rylan Aschenbrenner	Dominic Fondoble Isabelle Fondoble Toby Honas
Cantor / Musician	Guitar Choir	Mindi Mader Brad Deines
Ushers & Greeters	Pat & Diane Kuhn Gary Luea Duane & Karen Dorzweiler	Gordon & Geri Augustine Preston Browning Greg Augustine

Other Ministries

7:00am Lector	Jan. 8 (Sun) 7:00a.m.	Sharon Bittel
Communion to Homebound	Jan. 6 (Fri)	Fr. Dana Clark
Ellis Good Samaritan	Jan. 8 (Sun) 10:15a.m.	Josita Dreiling
Rosary Leaders	Jan. 7 (Sat) 5:30p.m. Jan. 8 (Sun) 9:00a.m.	Roberta Augustine Peggy Seibel

Meetings & Events

Sun	Jan. 1	Happy New Year! Mass at 7:00am & 9:00am
Mon	Jan. 2	Parish Office Closed
Wed	Jan. 4	School is back in Session CCD Classes @ 7:00pm No YDisciple
Thurs	Jan. 5	Eucharistic Adoration 9am-5pm
Fri	Jan. 6	Feast of the Epiphany
S/S	Jan. 7-8	Blessing of the Homes 20+C+M+B+23
Mon	Jan. 9	Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Parish Announcements

- **Parish Office will be closed** on through Monday, January 2, 2023 in observance of the New Year's Day holiday.
- **2023 Calendars are still available!** There are some at each of the entrances of the church!
- **CCD Classes in 2023:** We will begin classes on Wednesday, Jan. 4th at 7:00pm. The *YDisciple* students will return on Jan. 11th.
- **Eucharistic Adoration will begin on January 5, 2023.**
- **Epiphany Blessing of Your Home, January 8, 2023:** Containers of holy water and a piece of chalk will be available next weekend for you to take and bless your home. Sprinkle holy water around your home, each room and write 20+C+M+B+23 above your entrance door. The CMB means "May Christ bless the house," the "+" signifies the cross, and the number for the year 2023.
- **Mark your calendar for the Second Sunday, Coffee & Donuts!** On Sunday, January 8 after 7am & 9am Masses, be sure to stop by the church basement to enjoy an assortment of tasty pastries: donuts, cinnamon rolls and more; paired perfectly with coffee and orange juice!

Parish Offering: Weekend of December 24 & 25

Weekly Budget Fiscal Year 2021-22: \$7,154.49

Dec. 17-18...Offertory Loose Plate.....\$951.75

Dec. 17-18...Adult Envelopes.....\$3,119.00

Total Giving this week.....\$4,070.75.

For last weekend the collection is below by \$3,083.74.

Dec. 24-25...Offertory Loose Plate.....\$2,716.00

Dec. 24-25...Adult Envelopes.....\$7,484.00

Total Giving this week.....\$10,200.00.

For this weekend the collection is above by \$3,345.51.

Notes from the Pastor

Feast of Epiphany—Chalking the Door. We will have containers of holy water with a piece of chalk taped to it available next weekend. It is for each family to take home to bless their home. The blessing of homes, as part of the celebration of the Feast of the Epiphany, is a custom that many people have adopted. The family gathers together to ask God's blessing on their home and on those who live in or visit the home. It is an invitation for Jesus to be a daily guest in our home, our comings and goings, our conversations, our work and play, our joys and sorrows.

A traditional way of doing this blessing is to use chalk to write above the home's entrance, 20 + C + M + B + 23. The letters C, M, B have two meanings. They are the initials of the traditional names of the three magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. They also abbreviate the Latin words that mean: "May Christ bless the house." The "+" signs represent the cross and the two numbers are the year 2023. Holy Water can then be used to sprinkle door and rooms in the home.

Priest Renewal Days. Our annual Priest's Days of Renewal are scheduled for Monday, January 16 thru Thursday, January 19. Consequently, there will be no Masses that week on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (January 17-19). The Mass on Monday, January 16 will be at 8:10am instead of 5:30pm, as I need to be in Wichita by 4:00pm.

Catholic Trivia – The Holy Eucharist

278. Who is the minister for the celebration of the Eucharist? The celebrant of the Eucharist is a validly ordained priest (bishop or priest) who acts in the Person of Christ the Head and in the name of the Church. *Further reading: CCC 1348, 1411*

279. What are the essential and necessary elements for celebrating the Eucharist? The essential elements are wheat bread and grape wine. *Further reading: CCC 1412*

280. In what way is the Eucharist a memorial of the sacrifice of Christ? The Eucharist is a memorial in the sense that makes present and actual the sacrifice which Christ offered to the Father on the cross, once and for all on behalf of mankind. The sacrificial character of the Holy Eucharist is manifested in the very words of institution, "This is my Body which is given for you" and "This cup is the New Covenant in my Blood that will be shed for you" (Luke 22:19-20). The sacrifice of the cross and the sacrifice of the Eucharist are one and the same sacrifice. The priest and the victim are the same; only the manner of offering is different: in a bloody manner on the cross; in an unbloody manner in the Eucharist. *Further reading: CCC 1362*

These excerpts are from the Compendium of the CCC.

Have a good week! Fr. Dana

Parish Organizations

- **Kansas Daughters of Isabella 2023 Scholarship Application:** To be eligible for the Kansas Daughters of Isabella Scholarship you must be a Kansas resident enrolled or planning to enroll as a full-time student in an accredited college, university, or post-secondary school no later than Sept. 1, 2023, be a Catholic, and be a member, or a daughter/step, granddaughter/step, great granddaughter/step, or niece of a local member in Kansas. *Please contact Margie for more information and an application at 785-726-1280. Applications have to be postmarked by Jan. 31, 2023.*

Community Announcements

- **Time to Think Snow** and plan ahead for winter. **Snow removal Services** are offered by friends of Ellis Senior Advisory Committee! If you would like help by shoveling your driveway and/or sidewalks when Old Man Winter comes, call Leonard, the Ellis Sr. Advisory Rep, at 726-1278 to get on the list!

Thank You...

The families who receive a Food Box from the Ellis Food Box Pantry, along with the volunteers would like to sincerely thank all who have donated to the Pantry over the past year and who purchased gifts from the Warming Heart Tree this Christmas.

We are grateful for the thoughtfulness of each and one of you!

~The Ellis Food Pantry

Prayer List

Please Remember in Prayer

Gilbert Augustine, Juanita Augustine, Mary Bauer, Janice Collins, Ken Collins, Rose Egger, Sister Doris Flax, Sally Flax, David Fox, Sr., Robert Gerhart, Debbie Haas, Joseph Harriman, Edna Hejny, Nathan Hively, Rob Hrabec, Gilbert Kinderknecht, Doug Kingsley, Lucille Kuhn, Irene LaBarge, Kevin LaBarge, Martin & Debbie LaBarge, Shawna LaBarge, Holly Metzler, Riley Moore, Fernando Naceda, Elizabeth Newton, Jeanna Plante, Megan Ptaschek, Bernie & Laura Schoenberger, Leonard Schoenberger, Roger Schuster, Sharon Sommers, Bernette Stadelman, Tonya Sterling, Tanner Sullivan, Charlie Waldschmidt, Kathy Wolf, Brandy Womack, and the residents of EGSC.

If any one has names they would like added to the list, they may call the rectory at 726-4522.

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Prayer Chain Warriors

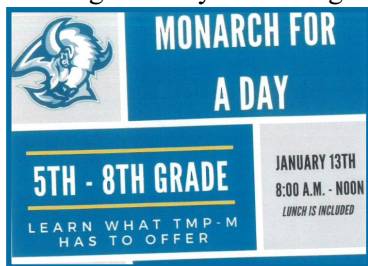
If you or someone you know needs extra prayers, we have a group of Prayer Warriors ready to pray!

Call Agneta K. at 785-639-0641 to add to the prayer list or to become a Prayer Warrior!

School Announcements

SCHOOL RESUMES: January 4, 2023

- **A note from the Home & School Association:** Hello all! January is here, which means colder weather is here and soup is on the menu! We are planning to host our annual St. Mary's Home & School Soup Fundraiser at the end of the month to kick off Catholic School's Week! We are also planning to bring the Carnival back! You read that right, the Carnival will be returning in the school at the end of Catholic Schools week, in February. More details about each of these events will be published later but in the meantime, we are **Collecting Raffle Items!** We are asking for donations for items to be raffled off at the Carnival. If you would like to donate, we ask that all items are brand new and delivered to the school by January 16th. If you have any questions, please contact Beck Seibel (785-639-1654) or Annie Bollig (785-259-2774). We can't wait to see you at this year's Carnival!
- **Be a Monarch for a Day!** Thomas-Moore Prep in Hays invites students in the 5th-8th grades to come visit their school to learn what TMP-M has to offer on Friday, January 13th from 8:00am-12:00 (noon). Lunch will be served! Transportation is available upon request. Please register by emailing Mrs. Melissa Schoepf at schoepfm@tmpmarian.org. By attending "Monarch for a Day, students will get free admission and popcorn to the TMP-M vs. Ellis Basketball game that evening beginning at 4:30pm.



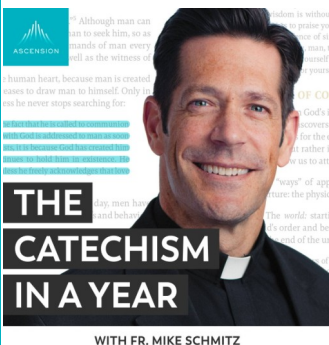
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(with Fr. Mike Schmitz)

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- Encounter God's plan of sheer goodness
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Christmas Flowers In Memory of...

- Jacob Wildeman, Leonard & Tillie Augustine by Mike & Linda Augustine • LaVerne Dinkel and David Dinkel by Janice Dinkel & Family
- A. A. & Clara Herman & Family by Nitzi Vontz • Don C. Staab by Gertie, Amy, Karl & Deb, Audrey & Morgan Staab • Daughters of Isabella
- Clara Kuhn from Lucille Kuhn • Larry M. Cox by Lisa Cox Family • Rudolph & Agnes Waldschmidt, Ernest Jr. & Muriel Fink by Erinie & Connie Fink
- Irvin L. Werth by Dave & LuAnn Pfeifer Family • David Seibel, Mark Seibel, Ed & Emma Seibel by Verla Seibel & Family • Marion & Leslie Dorzweiler and Harold Bittel by Dennis Bittel Family
- Marion & Leslie Dorzweiler, Joe & Anna Dreiling, Leo & Mary Dorzweiler by Rose Dorzweiler
- Phillip & Anna Flax by Their Daughters & Family • Al Weber by Vicki Weber • Nicole Diane Kuhn, Kaden Lee Shannon, Clarence & Alice Honas, John & Bernadine Kuhn, and David F. Kuhn by Pat and Diane Kuhn Family • Marian Dorzweiler, Tom & Tillie Windholz by Duane & Karen Dorzweiler Family
- Albert & Jenny Pfeifer by Eldon & Charlotte Pfeifer • Theresa Rupp and Arlene Rupp by John Rupp & Family
- Mark Honas and John & Frances Honas by Norbert & Donna Honas • Oscar Honas, Julie Honas, John & Rosie Gaschler, and Ed & Agnes Honas by Betty Honas • Paul & Irene Boos by Their Family
- Gary Lynn, John, Marge, Larry & Sybil Lua, and Mildred Jinks by Gary & Shyrl Lua
- Francis H. Flax, Marjorie Flax, and Jonathan Flax by Their Family • Jim & Agnes Wannamaker, Jennifer Simpkins, Doris & Adair Shubert, and Rosalie Shubert by Bruce & Jackie Shubert • Fred, Theresa and Mary Weimer by Donna Hays • Ralph & Julie Honas, Pete & MaryAnn Karlin, Marcellus & Agnes Pfannenstiel by Mark & Bernice Karlin • Don R. Younger by Rita Younger & Family • Earl & Luella Lambrecht, Greg Lambrecht, and Martha & Fritz Dreiling by Dave & Gail Dreiling.

JAN. 8, 2023

Join us for coffee, orange juice, an assortment of donuts, and fellowship!

After 7:00am & 9:00am Masses