

ST. MARY'S PARISH

703 Monroe St., Ellis, KS 67637

**August 20, 2023
20th Sunday
in Ordinary Time**



Phone #s

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Website

Parish: www.stmarysofellis.org
Diocese: <http://salinadiocese.org>

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, 2023

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

August 21 - August 27

Mon: Judges 2:11-19; Matthew 19:16-22

Tue: Judges 6:11-24a; Matthew 19:23-30

Wed: Judges 9:6-15; Matthew 20:1-16

Thu: Revelation 21:9b-14; John 1:45-51

Fri: Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Matthew 22:34-40

Sat: Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Matthew 23:1-12

Sun: Isaiah 22:19-23; Matthew 16:13-20

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. Jenni Bongartz
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	Aug 19	5:30 p.m.	Jeannie Rome+ (anniv)
Sun	Aug 20	7:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	Aug 20	9:00 a.m.	Alfred & Josephine Urban+
Mon	Aug 21	5:30 p.m.	Eugene Durler+ (anniv) Family (liv/dec)
Tues	Aug 22	8:10 a.m.	James & Aileen Bailey+ Family (liv/dec)
Wed	Aug 23	8:10 a.m.	Kyle Urban+
	EGSC	10:00 a.m.	Mary Schuster+
Thurs	Aug 24	8:10 a.m.	Joseph & Mary Weber+
Fri	Aug 25	8:10 a.m.	William Joseph Reiter+
Sat	Aug 26	5:30 p.m.	Jake & Regina (anniv) Dreiling+
Sun	Aug 27	7:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	Aug 27	9:00 a.m.	Frank+ & Juanita Augustine Family (liv/dec)

Ministries for August 26 & 27

Ministry	5:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lector	Barney Boos	Brian Serpan
Presentation of Gifts	Brian & Michelle Frickey Family	Darin & April Reed Family
Eucharistic Minister(s)	John & Andrea Zody	Peggy Seibel Jackie Flax Curtis Weber
Servers	Kinzie Sunley	Jocelyn & Olivia Eck
Cantor / Musician	Nancy Cunningham Alyson Johnson	Emily Mattheyer Amy Staab
Ushers & Greeters	James & Sandy Rome Family Pat & Diane Kuhn	Craig & Becky Seibel Family

Other Ministries

7:00am Lector	August 27 (Sun) 7:00a.m.	Eldon Pfeifer
Communion to Homebound	August 25 (Fri)	Mindy Eck
Ellis Good Samaritan	August 27 (Sun) 10:15a.m.	John Gnad
Rosary Leaders	August 26 (Sat) 5:30p.m. August 27 (Sun) 9:00a.m.	Ginger Schoenthaler Josita Dreiling

Parish Offering: Weekend of August 12 & 13

Weekly Budget Fiscal Year 2023-24: \$7,433.34

Offertory Loose Plate.....\$649.00

Adult Envelopes.....\$4,929.00

Cedar Bluff Loose Plate.....\$421.00

Total Giving this week.....\$5,999.00

For this weekend the collection is under by \$1,434.34.

Meetings & Events

Sun	Aug. 20	Parish Auction Planning Meeting @ 10am
Mon	Aug. 21	Last Day to order Colby CYO Fruit SMS Teacher In-Service
Tues	Aug. 22	SMS Meet the Teacher Night @ 7pm
Thurs	Aug. 24	First Day of School - Dismiss at 12:40pm Eucharistic Adoration 9:00am-5:00pm
Mon	Aug. 28	Parish Council Meeting @ 7pm

Parish Announcements

- **Last Chance to Order Colby CYO Fruit:** If you would like to place an order for fruit (peaches, pears, or apples), please call the Parish Office on Monday, Aug. 21st before 4:30pm. Orders must be paid for in advance before pick up on Sept. 5th!
- **Deadline EXTENDED to submit Parish Council Nominations!** If you have nominations for the Parish Council and haven't submitted a nomination form, you have until Wednesday, Aug. 23rd to get them to the Parish Office!!!
- **First Day of School!** Please keep our students, teachers and staff in your prayers this week as they begin the new school year on Thursday (some of our college students have already begun)! We will be posting daily prayers on the church website and facebook page each day leading up the first day of school! We invite you the join in!
- **Attention ALL High School Youth!** YDisciples will be "Kickin' It with Jesus" on Wednesday, August 30th at 6:30pm in the church basement! Come join us as we roast hot dogs, make s'mores and enjoy a friendly game of Kickball! Bring a friend!
- **Mass Intentions 2024:** Thank You to those who have already scheduled masses for 2024 and adjusted to the new changes. We still have a few dates open and would like help filling them. If you would like to have a few more dates for family members, please stop by the parish office. ***We are going to continue with the (4) date rule (3 week days + 1 weekend/holiday).*** Masses scheduled on a *first come, first serve basis*.
- **How can I spend an hour with Jesus?** Please consider and pray to commit to one hour of Adoration or be a substitute for those who already have an hour. If you would like to sit with Jesus on Thursday's, please contact Roberta at 785-726-4991. ***I Thirst For You...*** Eucharistic Adoration Thursdays, 9:00am-5:00pm (after morning mass until closing).

Notes from the Pastor

Maintenance Update:

- *School Playground Fence* on north side of the playground is almost finished. Posts were dug and set. Thank you, Cletus, for your help in digging and setting the posts. The concrete foundation was laid by Eck and Eck Construction this past Thursday. The chain link fencing will be installed this week, right before school starts. Matt Fondoble is heading up the installation.
- *The Gazebo (this year's Race for Education project)*, is beginning to take shape. It is located a little south of the school playground equipment. Check it out when you have a chance. Eck and Eck Construction is doing all the work!

School Beginning! It is hard to believe summer vacation is coming to an end. School will be starting this Thursday, August 24. I am looking forward to meeting and spending time with all the children.

Parish Auction. Our parish auction is October 14, only eight weeks away! Our auction is one of two fundraisers we currently have that helps support our parish mission, which, of course, includes our school. The other fundraiser is #iGiveCatholic, held in November. This year's auction website will be created this week, so you can begin checking out items as they are entered and purchasing raffle tickets. Admission tickets are also on sale now by visiting the parish office! The deadline for donating items is September 15th, so we can begin organizing all items. We don't need the items in-house by then, but just an idea of what the item may be donated. Reach out to your friends and relatives and invite them to attend this year's auction. Watch the bulletin and bulletin inserts for more information and "teasers"!

Reminders:

YDisciple/Youth Program. Our high school youth program, YDisciple, will start soon. Invitation letters to parents and high school students (9th-12 grades) have been mailed out. We are looking for mentors (both male and female) to help lead the groups that will be formed. A kick off fun day is planned for Wednesday, August 30 at 6:30pm. A BBQ and kickball game is planned.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). I'm planning to offer a RCIA class, starting after Labor Day. If you know of someone that may be interested, let me know and I'll send them a personal letter explaining RCIA and inviting them to attend. This is also an opportunity for those Catholics who are interested in updating their knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith to attend. RCIA classes are planned to be on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm.

Have a good week! Fr. Dana

Parish Organizations

- **Daughters of Isabella August Meeting:** The D of I will be meeting on Thursday, August 24th at the Ellis Knights of Columbus Hall. A light snack will be provided at 6:30pm with meeting to follow at 7:00pm. It will be good to see you all!
- **Religious Education Classes begin in 2 Weeks! Time to get your student(s) enrolled!** Religious Education Classes begin on Wednesday, September 6th at 7:00pm, and registration is happening now! Forms are available on the church website or at the Parish Office. **Please register by Thursday, August 31st**, so we can make sure we have enough materials ordered for each classroom! These classes are open to students who are not currently attending St. Mary's School and are entering the 1st-8th grades. **We are also seeking volunteers to be a catechist or a classroom helper! Contact Emily in the parish office, if interested.**

Community Announcements

- **Art Walk in Ellis!** Make plans to attend the Ellis Art Walk on **Saturday, Sept. 16th!** They are currently looking for artists to display their work for the community to view! If you or someone you know may be interested, call the Ellis Chamber of Commerce to get signed up! Find more information on back page.
- **Stars & Stripes Breakfast in Hays, Sunday, Sept. 10th:** Come on out to the Hays VFW (22nd & Vine, Hays) for All You Can Eat Breakfast! Advanced tickets are \$10.50 for adults and \$5.50 for children 5-12yrs (Free for 5 and under). Enjoy: Pancakes, Sausage, Bacon, Scrambled Eggs, Hash Browns, Biscuits & Gravy, Toast, Coffee, Orange Juice!!! To get your tickets: Call Leonard S. at 785-726-1278! A portion of the pre-sold tickets go to help the local Sunflower Chapter of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia!

Prayer List

Please Remember in Prayer

Dean Augustine, Gilbert Augustine, Juanita Augustine, Mark Boos, Ken Collins, Janice Collins, Rose Egger, Sister Doris Flax, Robert Gerhardt, Debbie Haas, Edna Hejny, Nathan Hively, Rob Hrabe, Gilbert Kinderknecht, Doug Kingsley, Clifford Kreutzer, Lucille Kuhn, Irene LaBarge, Kevin LaBarge, Joey LaBarge, Shawna LaBarge, Martin & Debbie LaBarge, Holly Metzler, Riley Moore, Elizabeth Newton, Jeanna Plante, Megan Ptscheck, Toyna Sterling, Tanner Sullivan, Marlene Tribble, 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.

School Announcements

meet the
teacher
night

Tuesday,
August 22

Meet Your Teacher and drop off school supplies in your classroom to lighten your load on the first day of school! There will be a brief gathering in the school cafeteria before dismissed to visit the classrooms! There will also be an opportunity to sign up with the Home & School Association to help throughout the year for different events!

First
DAY OF
School

Thursday,
August 24

Doors Open at 7:30am

(Breakfast served 7:30-7:50am)

First Bell at 7:55am

School Starts 8:00am

First Day Dismissal at 12:40pm

REMINDER: All students will need to wear their uniforms on the first day of school!

A Back to School Prayer

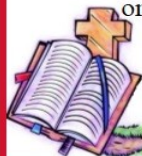
God of wisdom and might, we praise you for the wonder of our being, for mind, body and spirit. Be with our students as they begin a new school year. Bless them and their teachers and staff. Give the strength and grace as their bodies grow; wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding; and peace and zeal to their hearts. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

ST. MARY'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

2023-2024

Open to students entering the 1st - 8th Grades and who are not currently attending St. Mary's School.

Sign up TODAY by filling out the registration forms on the church website or stop by the Parish Office!



First Class is Sept. 6th @ 7pm

Kickin' it with Jesus



Attention ALL High School Students!
You are invited to come join us on
Wednesday, August 30th at 6:30pm
as the YDisciples will be "Kickin' It with Jesus"!
Roasting Hot Dogs, Making Smores,
and a playing a friendly game of Kickball!
Bring a Friend!!!

(Please RSVP to the Parish Office by August 29th if you plan to attend)

Event Sponsored by the Ellis Chamber of Commerce

PO Box 275, Ellis, Ks. 67637

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www.ellischamberofcommerce.com

**Downtown
Ellis
Art Walk**

**Saturday
September 16
9AM-1PM**

**We are looking for businesses
and artists to make
this year's Art Walk a success!**

**If you are an Artist
who would like to feature your
creations or a Business
who would love to participate
by pairing with an artist,
please contact the Ellis Chamber
Commerce!**

free registration

Mail entry form to:
Ellis Chamber of Commerce
PO Box 275
Ellis, KS 67637

For Questions please call the
Chamber office at
785-726-2660 or email us at
ellischamber@eaglecom.net

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