

ST. MARY'S PARISH

703 Monroe St., Ellis, KS 67637

**August 27, 2023
21st Sunday
in Ordinary Time**



Phone #s

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Website

Parish: www.stmarysofellis.org
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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, 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 28 - September 3

Mon: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8b-10; Matthew 23:13-22
Tue: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Mark 6:17-29
Wed: 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:27-32
Thu: 1 Thessalonians 3:7-13; Matthew 24:42-51
Fri: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-; Matthew 25:1-13
Sat: 1 Thessalonians 4:9-11; Matthew 25:14-30
Sun: Jeremiah 20:7-9; Matthew 16:21-27

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 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)
Mon	Aug 28	5:30 p.m.	Gay Henderson+ (anniv)
Tues	Aug 29	8:10 a.m.	Julius & Dorothy Urban+
Wed	Aug 30	8:10 a.m.	Janet Augustine+ (anniv)
	EGSC	10:00 a.m.	Regina Schuster+
Thurs	Aug 31	8:10 a.m.	Ray & Lorine Kohl+
Fri	Sept 1	8:10 a.m.	Elmer & Norma Brungardt+
Sat	Sept 2	5:30 p.m.	For the Past & Present Service Personal
Sun	Sept 3	7:00 a.m.	Pat Fisher+ (anniv) Family (liv/dec)
Sun	Sept 3	9:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners

Ministries for September 2 & 3

Ministry	5:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lector	Cindy Zervas	Melvin Augustine
Presentation of Gifts	Verla Seibel Gary Luea	Danny & Lacie Haas Family
Eucharistic Minister(s)	Richard Bollig <i>NEED VOLUNTEER</i>	Geri Augustine Paula Wasinger Mindy Eck
Servers	Alyssa Rome	Tyler Bongartz Adam Bongartz
Cantor / Musician	Trilogy Amy Staab	Guitar Choir
Ushers & Greeters	Clarence Rupp Bob & Margie Mickelson Gary Luea	Cody & Megan Honas Family

Other Ministries

7:00am Lector	Sept. 3 (Sun) 7:00a.m.	April Pfeifer
Communion to Homebound	Sept. 1 (Fri)	Fr. Dana Clark
Ellis Good Samaritan	Sept. 3 (Sun) 10:15a.m.	Geoff & Mindy Eck Fam.
Rosary Leaders	Sept. 2 (Sat) 5:30p.m. Sept. 3 (Sun) 9:00a.m.	Cindy Zervas Craig Seibel

Meetings & Events

Mon	Aug. 28	Parish Council Meeting @ 7pm
Wed	Aug. 30	YDisciple's BBQ & Kickball Game @ 6:30pm
Thurs	Aug. 31	Eucharistic Adoration 9:00am-5:00pm
Mon	Sept. 4	Labor Day Parish Office Closed
Tues	Sept. 5	Fruit Orders to be Picked Up TBD

Parish Announcements

- **Parish Council Meeting, Monday, Aug. 28th:** We invite any parishioners who may be interested in joining the council to Monday evening's meeting at 7:00pm in the Rectory.
- **Religious Education Classes begin in 1 Week!** Have you enrolled your student(s)? Religious Education Classes (CCD) 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! ***We are needing a volunteer to teacher 1st grade! Contact Emily in the parish office, if interested.***
- **"Kickin' It with Jesus" on Wednesday, Aug. 30th!!!** YDisciples invite ALL High School youth to join us on Wednesday at 6:30pm in the church basement! We'll be roasting hot dogs, making s'mores and enjoying a game of Kickball to start the school year off! Bring a Friend!!!
- **Parish Office Closed** in observance of Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 4th.
- **The 29th Annual Parish Auction** is set for October 14th! Save the Date Now To Attend!!! We are accepting donations (items and monetary), taking admission ticket orders and selling raffle tickets! Stop by the Parish Office or visit the church website under the Auction tab to download order forms OR use the auction website to purchase tickets online! If donating an auction item, we ask that you please let us know what you are donating no later than Sept. 15th.
- **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*.

Notes from the Pastor

Maintenance Update:

- *School Playground Fence* is finished. Thanks Matt, Dom, and Adam for helping with the finishing touches!
- *The Gazebo* is almost completed. We are waiting for metal roof material to finish it off.

Reminders:

- **YDisciple/Youth Program.** Our high school youth program YDisciple will start soon. A kick off fun day is planned for August 30. A cook out and kickball game is planned.
- **Religious Education: CCD & 8th Gr. Confirmation.** We are planning to start as scheduled, Wednesday, Sept. 6. We will start the first week with Mass, after children have checked in with their teachers. Parents are encouraged to come to Mass and pray along with their children.
- **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. Day and time of classes will be Thursday evenings at 7:00pm.

Parish Auction. Our parish auction is October 14, only seven weeks away! The auction website is up and going. Feel free to visit to view items as they come in, purchase admission tickets and raffle tickets. This year's auction website is charityauction.bid/stmarysauction2023. Once items are entered, they will be divided between silent and live items. Right now, they aren't in any particular order. Auction items this year can only be purchased in-person, (no online bidding). Reserve your seat at this year's auction by purchasing an admission ticket! You may also purchase admission tickets and raffle tickets online with the use of a credit card or you can stop by or call the Parish Office to purchase them!

If you wish to donate an item, the deadline we set to have them in is September 15th. This will help us make sure we get them organized and into the auction book in a timely manner. We don't need the items in house, necessarily by that the deadline, but an idea of what the item is to be donated so we can get it accounted for.

Reach out to your friends and relatives and invite them to the auction. Watch the bulletin and bulletin inserts for "teasers" and more information.

Auction Special Item. The Wiesner Educational Foundation is challenging us to raise money that will be matched with their grant donation for updating and remodeling the four school bathrooms.

The Foundation is, also, interested in helping to fund other capital improvements projects for the school. Next year we will talk with the Foundation directors about paving the school parking lot (behind the school). So, next year's special auction item is tentatively to pave the school parking lot with matching funds for the Wiesner Educational Foundation.

Have a good week! Fr. Dana

Parish Organizations

- **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).
- **In Search of Assistant Director:** The Divine Mercy Radio is looking for an assistant director. Must embrace the mission of Divine Mercy Radio, be outgoing and able to perform a variety of duties. For a full job description, go to dvmercy.com. The position begins January 1, 2024.

Prayer List

Please Remember in Prayer

Congratulations, Josh Becker and Brooke Leiker
who were married here on August 5th.

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Congratulations, Charles Stewardt and Brandi Zimmerman
who were married here on August 19th.

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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, Toyona 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.*

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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!

Parish Offering: Weekend of August 19 & 20

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

Offertory Loose Plate.....\$1,503.00

Adult Envelopes.....\$3,352.00

Cedar Bluff Loose Plate.....\$316.00

Total Giving this week.....\$5,171.00

For this weekend the collection is under by \$2,262.34.

Did you know if you attend Mass at any church of the Heartland Parishes:
you can put your SMC envelope in their collection and it will be sent to SMC?
In other words, 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!

School Announcements

We are so excited to have our students and staff in the building for another great year!

We invite you to keep watch on the School website and School Facebook page for all school information and latest happenings at St. Mary's School!



www.stmarysofellis.org/school



St. Mary's School - Ellis



- **Home & School Sponsorship Drive is wrapping up!** If you would like to make a donation towards the annual Sponsorship Drive, please mail or drop it off to the school office by **Thursday, August 31st!** As always, we cannot say Thank You enough for all of the continued support we get for our school!

Sign up by Aug. 31

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

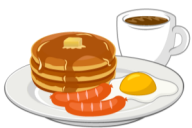
Kickin' it with Jesus



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)

Community Announcements



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!

- **Mark your Calendars:** Ellis Food Box Pantry will be open on Monday, Sept. 11th! More details coming next week.
- **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, 785-726-2660 or email: ellischamber@eaglecom.net.
- **Hospice Volunteer Training:** Dying is an experience each of us will face eventually. Hospice is a program designed to provide comfort to individuals during the dying process. Hospice utilizes volunteers in a variety of roles. Hays Med is offering Hospice Volunteer Training on Wednesday, Sept. 20th, 8:00am-4:30pm. Registration is due by Friday, Sept. 8th. Contact Hospice at Hays Medical Center at 785-623-6200 or 1-800-248-0073 for further information!