

ST. MARY'S PARISH

703 Monroe St., Ellis, KS 67637

March 3, 2024
Third Sunday of Lent



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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 19 - Sept. 8, 2024

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

March 4 - March 10

Mon: 2 Kings 5:1-15b; Luke 4:24-30

Tue: Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Matthew 18:21-35

Wed: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Exodus 17:1-7

Thu: Jeremiah 7:23-28; Luke 11:14-23

Fri: Hosea 14:2-10; Mark 12:28-34

Sat: Hosea 6:1-6; Luke 18:9-14

Sun: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23; John 3:14-21

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	Mar 2	5:30 p.m.	Terry & Evelyn Kohl+ Family (liv/dec)
Sun	Mar 3	7:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	Mar 3	9:00 a.m.	Mike Honas+
Mon	Mar 4	5:30 p.m.	Armellia Reiter+
Tues	Mar 5	8:10 a.m.	Donnie & Christine Aschenbrenner Family
Wed	Mar 6	8:10 a.m.	Lucille Kuhn
	EGSC	10:00 a.m.	For the Residents & Families (liv/dec)
Thurs	Mar 7	8:10 a.m.	Eddie & Fidelia Honas+
Fri	Mar 8	8:10 a.m.	Richard Flax+ (anniv)
Sat	Mar 9	5:30 p.m.	Fred Taylor+ Family (liv/dec)
Sun	Mar 10	7:00 a.m.	Carl Steckline+ Family (liv/dec)
Sun	Mar 10	9:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners

Ministries for March 9 & 10

Ministry	5:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lector	Andrea Zody	Kiedra Hickert
Presentation of Gifts	Clarence Rupp Gary Luea	Craig & Becky Seibel Family
Eucharistic Minister(s)	Richard Bollig Duane Dorzweiler	Lacie Haas Sarah Eck Peggy Seibel
Servers	Alyssa Rome	John Hickert Jocelyn & Olivia Eck
Cantor / Musician	Guitar Choir	Emily Mattheyer Amy Staab
Ushers & Greeters	Duane & Karen Dorzweiler Clarence Rupp Bob & Margie Mickelson	Mark & Sarah Eck Family

Other Ministries

7:00am Lector	March 10 (Sun) 7:00 a.m.	Colton Metzler
Communion to Homebound	March 8 (Fri)	Diane Kuhn
Ellis Good Samaritan	Mar. 10 (Sun) 10:15 a.m.	Barney Boos
Rosary Leaders	March 9 (Sat) 5:30 p.m. March 10 (Sun) 9:00 a.m.	Rita Younger Connie Fink
Monthly Money Counters	March	Janice Dinkel Helen Fisher
Coffee & Donut Hosts	March	Allen & Kim Weber

Meetings & Events

Sun	March 3	Eucharistic Revival Session #3 @ 2:00pm
Thurs	March 7	Eucharistic Adoration 9am-5pm
Fri	March 8	SMS Stations of the Cross @ 2:30pm Ellis Knights Fish Fry 5-7pm
Sun	March 10	Coffee & Donuts after 9am Mass Eucharistic Revival Session #4 @ 2:00pm
M-F	Mar 11-15	SPRING BREAK

Parish Announcements

- **Did you Miss Last Week? Still Time to Join us for “Jesus and the Eucharistic”:** Our parish is hosting a 7-session study on the Eucharist during the Lenten Season. Did you miss the first session? No worries, we have room for you to join us this Sunday at 2:00pm as we continue on with the second session in the church basement! This study will be held on Sunday afternoons from 2:00-4:00pm.
- **Second Sunday—Coffee & Donuts:** Make plans to join us on Sunday, March 10 after 9am Mass in the church basement for coffee, donuts, orange juice and fellowship! We’ll have a variety of donuts available!
- **Mass Intentions for March & April:** I have a few dates open in March & April that we wish to fill. If you have someone you would like to have a mass said for, please call the Parish Office. Masses will be scheduled on a first come, first service basis.
- **YDisciples!** Come start anew this Wednesday, March 6th with the Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession and Holy Hour!! Meal at 6:30pm with Sacrament to follow.
- **Mark Your Calendars for March 19:** Bishop Vincke will be visiting our parish on Tuesday, March 19 to celebrate the Year of Mercy with parishioners of St. Mary’s Parish. His visit will include celebrating Mass, visiting our school, spending time with parishioners and speaking about Mercy! The plans for the day are still being finalized, but we do plan to host a meal with him in the evening and YOU all are invited!!! *Make plans to attend!* More information will be available in next week’s bulletin.

Parish Offering: Weekend of February 24 & 25

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

Offertory Loose Plate.....\$1,190.00

Adult Envelopes.....\$3,460.00

Total Giving this week.....\$4,650.00

For this weekend the collection is below by \$2,783.34.

Notes from the Pastor

Seven Session Study on “Jesus and the Eucharist”. Our third session study of the Eucharist continues this Sunday, 2:00pm in the church basement. The topic for this session is: “Am I Saved?”

Stations of the Cross. Stations of the Cross next Friday at 5:30pm. Knight of Columbus will be hosting their fish fry from 5:00-7:00pm.

Catholic Relief Services Collection. Will take place next weekend March 9 and 10. This collection offers funding for Catholic Relief Services to help with response to any international relief efforts.

Bishop’s Year of Mercy Visit (Tuesday, March 19). In 2023 our Bishop declared a Year of Mercy for the Diocese of Salina. It is a time to reflect on and be reminded of God’s mercy. Mercy is an attribute of God’s love; it flows from his love. Mercy is God’s desire to withhold punishment for our sins through his forgiveness. His mercy gives us hope of being loved despite our sinfulness.

The Bishop’s goal is to visit and to spend time with each parish in the diocese. He would like to listen to our goals and dreams, our struggles and concerns. He is scheduled to visit our parish on Tuesday, March 19. He will be here the entire day. The primary focus in the morning and afternoon will be with the school. Then in the evening we will turn our focus on the parish.

The morning will begin with Mass with the school students, followed by Mass at the Good Samaritan Center, lunch with the school students, and visits to the classrooms. The evening session with the parish will begin with a special Mass at 5:30pm, followed by supper with the bishop, discussion, and a talk on Mercy given by Bishop Vincke. Supper will be planned and provided by the parish council.

Everyone is welcome to attend. See next week’s bulletin for a detailed agenda.

Tax Credit Scholarship: The Scholarship Granting Fund for the Catholic Diocese of Salina is accepting donations and is able to offer a 75% tax credit. This school year, over \$119,000 was awarded to schools for 96 students in the Salina Diocese. Please email Katie Platten, CEO for Catholic Foundation at katie.platten@salinadiocese.org for more info.

Some Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Date	Event
03/03 (Sun)	Session 3 – Study on Eucharist @ 2:00pm
03/19 (Tue)	Bishop’s Year of Mercy visit.
03/21 (Thu)	Chrism Mass 11:30 Salina (Cathedral)
03/24 (Sun)	Communal Penance Service @ 1:00pm
03/30 (Sat)	Easter Vigil. (Tentative Time: 8:30pm)
03/29-04/06	Divine Mercy 9 Day Novena
04/07 (Sun)	First Communion during 9:00am Mass
04/07 (Sun)	Divine Mercy Prayer Service @ 3:00pm
05/01 (Wed)	Confirmation Mass @ 7:00pm

Have a good week! Fr. Dana

Parish Organizations

- **Ellis Knights of Columbus Fish Fry:** Supper will be served at the Ellis Knight Halls on Friday, March 8, beginning at 5:00-7:00pm (or until they run out)! Meal includes: fried fish, baked fish, scalloped potatoes, noodles & beans, coleslaw and drinks! Adults cost \$15.00, Children 6-12 years are \$8.00 and Children under 5 are Free! Come and Enjoy, all you can eat!
- **Daughters of Isabella Monthly Meeting:** Make plans to attend the Daughters monthly meeting at the Knights Hall on March 14 at 6:00pm with a potato bar followed by business meeting at 6:30pm.
- **Accepting Scholarship Applications:** The Daughters of Isabella, Circle 323, in Ellis is now accepting applications to award a \$200 scholarship. Applicants must be a member of D of I, a daughter, granddaughter, or a niece (of member). Applicants must be a senior in high school or attending an accredited college. For more information or an application form, please contact Lisa Morton at 785-726-1090. **Applications due by April 15.**
- **Trip to France:** Join the Sisters of St. Joseph (Concordia, KS), friends, family, former students, parish friends and alumni from Marymount College on a 12-day journey to France, Sept. 20-Oct. 1, 2024! We are bringing together those that have a special place in their heart for Marymount and the Sisters. We’ll be visiting beautiful French cities, along with LePuy, where the Sisters of St. Joseph began their spiritual journey. Scan the QR code or visit the Marymount College of Kansas Alumni page on Facebook or visit www.pentecosttours.com (tour #40920)! 

Parish Prayer List

Please Remember in Prayer

Congratulations! **Lynn Olivia Lesser**, who was baptized here by her grandfather, Fr. Frederick Lesser on February 24. Daughter of Evan & Codi (Bliss) Lesser.

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Juanita Augustine, Rose Brack, Janice Collins, Clarence Denning, Rose Egger, Sister Doris Flax, Robert Gerhardt, Debbie Haas, Edna Hejny, Nathan Hively, Ken Honas, Jeannie Keller, Doug Kingsley, Gilbert Kinderknecht, Agneta Kuhn, Donald Kuhn, Lucille Kuhn, Irene LaBarge, Kevin LaBarge, Joey LaBarge, Shawna LaBarge, Martin & Debbie LaBarge, Holly Metzler, Riley Moore, Elizabeth Newton, Maddux Pfeifer, Tanner Sullivan, Bernie & Laura Schoenberger, Skylar Wands, 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

**Monday, March 4:** Home & School Meeting @ 6:45pm

**Friday, March 8:** Stations of the Cross @ 2:30pm

**March 11-15: SPRING BREAK**

- **Home & School Meeting:** All parents/guardians are invited to attend our next meeting on Monday, March 4 at 6:45pm in the school office. We will be reviewing the carnival and future plans for it, along with planning out the rest of the school year!



**Stations of the Cross:** The 2nd & 3rd Graders will be leading the Stations this Friday, March 8th at 2:30pm. We invite you to join us!



**St. Mary's School Scholarship Application:** We are opening the opportunity to any former St. Mary's School graduate that is now graduating from high school who will further their education by means of higher education to a \$500 Scholarship from St. Mary's Home & School Assn. Applications are available by calling the School Office or emailing Mrs. Park at [ppark@stmarysofellis.org](mailto:ppark@stmarysofellis.org)! **Applications are due by April 2, 2024!**

- **Restock the Carnival Closet:** Our school carnival was a big success in January! And it couldn't have happened without YOU! We are already starting to plan for next year and gathering prize donations! We are in need of restocking our stuff animals for game prizes and any items for Prize Central! If you would like to help us, feel free to drop off any donations to the school office any time during the school year! We ask that items for Prize Central be brand new! Thank You for your continued support to our school!

~St. Mary's Home & School Assn.

## Community Announcements



**Sybil Luea Scholarship Announced:**

The Community Foundation of Ellis is now accepting scholarship applications for the 2024-25 school year. The Sybil Luea

Scholarship is awarded annually to a graduating Ellis High School senior and/or to an EHS Alumni attending any postsecondary education, in Kansas, pursuing a degree in an agricultural field. Scholarship amounts vary depending on the degree/program the recipient is seeking and continues as long as the recipient pursues an agriculture degree program.

**Application deadline is March 31.** For more info and/or an application, please visit the EHS counselor's office, download at [www.ellisfoundation.net](http://www.ellisfoundation.net) or visit the Alliance Office.

- **Retreat for Children dealing with Grief:** The *FREE* event for children ages 6-12 will take place from 10am-3pm on Saturday, March 23, at the Hays Senior Center, 2450 E 8th Street. This retreat offers a variety of activities through which children learn that there are multiple ways to grieve. They will learn positive ways to honor the person who has died and create lasting memories that can provide comfort. Among the planned activities are creating, special keepsakes, drawing and writing, a balloon launch, and more! Each child is matched with a trained adult "buddy", who helps guide and support the child throughout the day! Since spaces are limited, we urge parents to register their children ASAP! Registration for both children and volunteers is available by calling Allen at 785-259-6859 or by emailing [laura@cflhope.org](mailto:laura@cflhope.org). Lunch will be included at no cost. The retreat is sponsored by the Center for Life Experience in Hays.

### YOU'RE INVITED TO BE A PART OF A CARD SHOWER

Sr. Doris Flax's 75th Anniversary of  
Religious Life is near.

Please send a card with memories dear,  
Send your well wishes, a photo or two,  
Or words of gratitude, it's all up to you!  
Let's shower her with love and cheer  
And make her day extra special this year!



*Please Mail Your Card by March 12 to:*

Sister Doris Marie Flax  
Nazareth Motherhouse  
P.O. Box 279  
Concordia, KS 66901

*Thank you for helping us make this milestone jubilee one she will never forget!  
Her anniversary is March 19, 2024!!!*