

ST. MARY'S PARISH

703 Monroe St., Ellis, KS 67637

March 10, 2024
Fourth 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 11 - March 17

Mon: Isaiah 65:17-21; John 4:43-54
Tue: Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; John 5:1-16
Wed: Isaiah 49:8-15; John 5:17-30
Thu: Exodus 32:7-14; John 5:31-47
Fri: Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22; John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Sat: Jeremiah 11:18-20; John 7:40-53
Sun: Jeremiah 31:31-34; John 12:20-33

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 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
Mon	Mar 11	5:30 p.m.	Johnny & Wilma Landauer+, John Kevin Landauer+ and Barry Landauer+
Tues	Mar 12	5:30 p.m.	Ted Begler+
Wed	Mar 13	8:10 a.m.	Henry & Bertha Haas+, Ken Haas+, Don & Orië Haas+, and Robert Haas+
	EGSC	10:00 a.m.	For the Residents & Families (liv/dec)
Thurs	Mar 14	8:10 a.m.	Donnie & Christine Aschenbrenner Family
Fri	Mar 15	8:10 a.m.	Mark Honas+
Sat	Mar 16	5:30 p.m.	Thomas & Tillie Windholz+ Family (liv/dec)
Sun	Mar 17	7:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	Mar 17	9:00 a.m.	The Clark Family (liv/dec)

Ministries for March 16 & 17

Ministry	5:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lector	Allen Weber	Melvin Augustine
Presentation of Gifts	Peter & Jennifer Schield Family	Matt & Jessica Meagher Family
Eucharistic Minister(s)	John & Andrea Zody	Curtis Weber Mindy Eck Paula Wasinger
Servers	Aiden & Chase Aschenbrenner Maverick Swagerty	Dominic & Isabelle Fondoble
Cantor / Musician	Emily Mattheyer	Trilogy Amy Staab
Ushers & Greeters	Duane & Karen Dorzweiler Clarence Rupp Bob & Margie Mickelson	Mark & Sarah Eck Family

Other Ministries

7:00am Lector	March 17 (Sun) 7:00 a.m.	April Pfeifer
Communion to Homebound	March 15 (Fri)	Barney Boos
Ellis Good Samaritan	March 17 (Sun) 10:15 a.m.	Geoff & Mindy Eck Family
Rosary Leaders	March 16 (Sat) 5:30 p.m. March 17 (Sun) 9:00 a.m.	Allen Weber Craig Seibel
Monthly Money Counters	March	Janice Dinkel Helen Fisher

Meetings & Events

Sun	March 10	Coffee & Donuts after 9am Mass Eucharistic Revival Session #4 @ 2:00pm
Thurs	March 14	No Eucharistic Adoration
Fri	March 15	Stations of the Cross @ 5:30pm Lenten Soup Supper @ 6:00pm
Sun	March 17	Eucharistic Revival Session #5 @ 2:00pm
Tue	March 19	Bishop Vincke visits St. Mary's

Parish Announcements

- This week we take up **The Catholic Relief Service Collection** to *reveal Christ's love* to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection provides food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people, both here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.
- Mass Intentions for March & April:** I still 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.
- Religious Education (CCD) & YDisciples!** March 13th is Spring Break. We will NOT be having classes! See you on Wednesday, March 20! Enjoy and Be Safe!
- No Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday, March 14.**
- Last Lenten Soup Supper:** Our last Lenten Soup Supper of the season will be Friday, March 15th following Stations of the Cross. You are in for a real treat—The Ellis Daughters of Isabella will be providing the soups with breads, veggies, fruits and dessert! We invite you to come enjoy a meal with us! ***Stations of the Cross*** begin at 5:30pm. March 15—Soup Supper
March 22—K of C Fish Fry
March 29—No Soup Supper (Good Friday)
- Bishop Vincke Visits St. Mary's on March 19:** Bishop Vincke will be visiting our parish on Tuesday, March 19 to celebrate the Year of Mercy with the parishioners of St. Mary's Parish. He'll be spending time with our school students and residents of the Good Sam in the morning, but invites each of YOU and your families to join us for Mass and Supper in the evening. Even if you can't make Mass, we welcome you to join us for supper and discussion with the Bishop in the church basement. The Special Mass will begin at 5:30pm, followed by Supper (around 6:00pm), concluding the evening around 8:00pm. *Please make plans to attend!* Though the event is free to attend, we please ask that you ***RSVP to the Parish Office by Sunday, March 17*** to ensure our capacity to seat all guests for supper!

Notes from the Pastor

Seven Session Study on "Jesus and the Eucharist". Our fourth session study of the Eucharist continues this Sunday at 2:00pm in the church basement. The topic for this session is: "Why a Church?"

Mass Time Change for Tuesday. I'll be attending the funeral for my first cousin in Abilene on Tuesday, the 12th. I'll be back in time to offer a 5:30pm Mass. So, no 8:10am Mass on Tuesday.

Stations of the Cross. Stations of the Cross next Friday at 5:30pm. We will be hosting a soup supper in the basement of the church. All are welcome to join us.

Bishop's Year of Mercy Visit (Tuesday, March 19). The Bishop's Year of Mercy visit is a week from Tuesday. See the bulletin insert for his agenda. If you plan to attend the supper with the Bishop, please RSVP. See insert for a form that you can fill out and drop in next Sunday's collection or drop by the office. You can also just call the office. We would like to have a number who will attend, so we can set up enough tables and chairs.

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 katie.platten@salinadiocese.org.

Some Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Date	Event
03/10 (Sun)	Session 4 – 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 Session 5 – Study on Eucharist @ 2:00pm
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 Divine Mercy Prayer Service @ 3:00pm

Have a good week! Fr. Dana

Parish Prayer List

Please Remember in Prayer

Juanita Augustine, Rose Brack, Janice Collins, Rose Egger, Clarence Denning, Sister Doris Flax, Robert Gerhardt, Debbie Haas, Edna Hejny, Nathan Hively, Ken Honas, Jeannie Keller, Doug Kingsley, Agneta Kuhn, Donald Kuhn, Gilbert Kinderknecht, Lucille Kuhn, Irene LaBarge, Joey LaBarge, Kevin LaBarge, Martin & Debbie LaBarge, Shawna 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.

Parish Organizations

- **Ellis Knights of Columbus hosts Exemplification (Installation for 1st Degree Members):** If you are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, we will be having an installation ceremony on **Wednesday, March 13th at 7:00pm** at the Knights Hall, followed by our monthly meeting! All members are encouraged to attend. Please call Gordon Augustine at 785-259-2194 or Greg Augustine at 785-726-3778 or ask any Knights member for more information!

- **Daughters of Isabella Monthly Meeting, March 14:** Join us on Thursday for our monthly meeting at the Knights Hall at 6:00pm with a potato bar followed by business meeting at 6:30pm.

- **\$200 Scholarship Available:** The Ellis Daughters of Isabella, Circle 323, is 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.**

- **Our Lady of Fatima** is visiting Ellis for a little while. If you would like to stop by and pray the rosary, give Leonard S. a call at 785-726-1278.



- **We Have Exciting News!** After months of hard work, Fr. Dana has our new parish library room completed and ready to fill with wonderful resources for all to use. This room is in the church basement and materials will be checked out on the honor system. We currently have some Bibles and some good Catholic books to place on the shelves. We will be purchasing a number of children's books, saint books, books on the Catholic faith and Christian living, and so much more. Here is YOUR opportunity to help stock the shelves for the entire parish! We are asking for your donations for this new venture--any amount, big or small, will be appreciated to help purchase the new books. For your convenience, you can place your donation in an envelope and mark it "Church Library" and place it in the collection basket. Also, if you have Catholic/Christian books in **good** condition that you might want to donate, please bring them to the parish office for Father Dana's consideration. Thank you for any help you can give for this worthwhile project!

Parish Offering: Weekend of March 2 & 3

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

Offertory Loose Plate.....\$1,535.00

Adult Envelopes.....\$6,128.00

Total Giving this week.....\$7,663.00

For this weekend the collection is above by \$229.66.

School Announcements

March 11-15: Enjoy Your Spring Break!



Graduating Seniors!!! We have a Scholarship For You: If you are a former St. Mary's School graduate that is graduating from high school and plan to further their education by means of higher education, then you are eligible to apply for a \$500 Scholarship from St. Mary's Home & School Association. Applications are available by calling the School Office or emailing Mrs. Park at ppark@stmarysofellis.org! **Applications are due by April 2, 2024!**

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

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

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



Her anniversary is March 19, 2024!!!

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 or visit the Alliance Office.

- Senior Citizens & Friends: We invite you to enjoy lunch at the Ellis Nutrition Center (Mealsite):** We offer home cooked, well-balanced meals every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 11:30am for a price of \$3.75 per meal for guests over 60 years of age! Guests under 60 are welcome too, though you must pay the full cost of a meal, which is \$6.75. Can't beat those prices for a delicious meal!!! We offer Carry Out and Delivery services as well! Carry out meals are ready to pick up by 10:45am each day of business! We ask that you kindly call to give us a notice that you'd like a meal a day ahead of time, whether its Dine-In, Carry Out, or Delivery by calling Donna Huff, our cook at the Nutrition Center, at 785-726-3388 during business hours 7:30am-12:30pm or leave a message! What's on the menu for the week? Check out the *Ellis Review* or ask for a monthly menu at the Mealsite!



Diocese of Salina Announcements

- "Creating Your Catholic Legacy: A Guide to Estate Planning for All Ages":** Join the Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina for a **free** seminar on Catholic estate planning and learn more about: •Why you should have a plan in place – regardless of your age, •What is included in having a plan, •How to ensure your final wishes are carried out, •Ensure your Catholic legacy with a gift to your parish, Catholic school or other Catholic ministries, and much more! Four opportunities to attend this free seminar in Hays, KS:

Saturday March 16th @ 2:00pm

Immaculate Heart of Mary – Activity Center

Sunday March 17th following 9:30am Mass

St. Nicholas of Myra – Parish Hall

Wednesday April 10th – 6:30pm

TMP-Marian Learning Commons

Sunday April 14th – 2:00pm

St. Joseph – Parish conference room

Resources and refreshments available. For more info, contact the designated parish office or Corrina Hudsonpillar at 785-639-2100.

- Holy Thursday - 7 Altar Devotion:** This is the third Young Adult Ministry event for the Diocese of Salina! Young Adults ages 18+ are welcome to attend and meet other young adults from around the diocese. This event will be a Holy Thursday - Seven Altars devotion. In this special tradition, Catholic pilgrims adore Christ in seven different altars of repose while praying and reflecting on the passion of Christ! Schedule: Meet at 5:45pm for Holy Thursday Mass at Comeau Catholic Campus Center in Hays, KS; at 7:15pm we will head to begin our pilgrimage to 7 different churches in Ellis County. By 10:00pm, our final church stop should be over. Please RSVP for this event at salinadiocese.org/office/young-adult-ministry/.
- Tractor For Sale:** We have a donor who would like to support the Diocese of Salina seminarians via the sale of a 1978 White 2-105 Tractor. The tractor will be available for sale starting Monday March 11th, 2024. The 1978 White 2-105 Tractor, overhauled, PTO, 2 sets Hyd, 2 wd, 3 pt, cab, hp 105. Asking Price is \$13,000.00. For more information or to purchase, please call G&R Implement in Durham, KS at 620-732-3245.





YEAR OF MERCY CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SALINA

TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2024

Bishop Vincke will be visiting our parish on **Tuesday, March 19** to celebrate the **Year of Mercy** with the parishioners of St. Mary's Parish. He'll be spending time with our school students and residents of the Good Sam in the morning, but invites each of **YOU** and your families to join us for Mass and Supper in the evening. Even if you cannot make Mass, we welcome you to join us for supper and discussion with the Bishop in the church basement. A full schedule of the day is below.

Please make plans to attend!

- 8:10am** **Mass w/ School Students**
- 10:00am** **Mass w/ Residents at Ellis Good Sam.**
- 11:15am** **Lunch w/ School Students & Teachers**
- 12-2:00pm** **Visiting the Classrooms**
- 5:00pm** **Confessions**
- 5:30pm** **Mass for Parishioners & Families**
- 6:00pm** **Supper Served & Fellowship (in church basement)**
Mercy Presentation by Bishop Vincke

The evening will conclude around 8:00pm

This event is free to attend!

RSVP by Sunday, March 17 to ensure our capacity to seat all guests for supper by returning the bottom portion of this flier or by calling the Parish Office (785-726-4522).



Year of Mercy Supper with the Bishop

Family Name: _____

Number attending: _____

Please call or return this slip to the Parish Office or Collection basket by Sunday, March 17th!