

# ST. MARY'S PARISH

703 Monroe St., Ellis, KS 67637

**August 4, 2024  
18th Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**



## **Phone #s**

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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 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**

August 5 - August 11

Mon: Jeremiah 28:1-17; Matthew 14:13-21

Tue: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Mark 9:2-10

Wed: Jeremiah 31:1-7; Matthew 15:21-28

Thu: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Matthew 16:13-23

Fri: Nahum 2:1, 3, 3:1-3, 6-7; Matthew 16:24-28

Sat: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26

Sun: 1 Kings 19:4-8; John 6:41-51

## **Parish Personnel**

|                                 |                                |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Pastor                          | Fr. Dana Clark                 |
| Parish Secretary                | Mrs. Emily Mattheyer           |
| School Principal                | Mrs. Patti Park                |
| Pastoral Council President      | Mr. Brian Serpan               |
| 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 3       | 5:30 p.m.  | John & Frances Honas+ Family (liv/dec)                 |
| Sun   | Aug 4       | 7:00 a.m.  | For the Parishioners                                   |
| Sun   | Aug 4       | 9:00 a.m.  | Bramdon Augustine+ (anniv)                             |
| Mon   | Aug 5       | 5:30 p.m.  | Richard Geschwentner+                                  |
| Tues  | Aug 6       | 8:10 a.m.  | Lucille Kuhn+                                          |
| Wed   | Aug 7       | 8:10 a.m.  | John Jacob+ and Lucy Schoenberger+ Family (liv/dec)    |
|       | <b>EGSC</b> | 10:00 a.m. | For the Residents and Families (liv/dec)               |
| Thurs | Aug 8       | 8:10 a.m.  | Lucille Kuhn+                                          |
| Fri   | Aug 9       | 8:10 a.m.  | Clarence William & Katherine Dreiling+ and Ken Riedel+ |
| Sat   | Aug 10      | 5:30 p.m.  | Jodi Patton & Rodger Kingsley Families (liv/dec)       |
| Sun   | Aug 11      | 7:00 a.m.  | Tillie Augustine+ (anniv)                              |
| Sun   | Aug 11      | 9:00 a.m.  | For the Parishioners                                   |

## Ministries for August 10 & 11

| Ministry                       | 5:30 p.m.                       | 9:00 a.m.                                                 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Lector</b>                  | Allen Weber                     | Kiedra Hickert                                            |
| <b>Presentation of Gifts</b>   | Brain & Michelle Frickey Family | Danny & Lacie Haas Family                                 |
| <b>Eucharistic Minister(s)</b> | Terry & Cindy Zervas            | Paula Wasinger Eldon & Stephanie Jerauld                  |
| <b>Servers</b>                 | <i>Need Volunteer(s)</i>        | John Hickert Dayson & Ryalin Moeder                       |
| <b>Cantor / Musician</b>       | Nancy Cunningham Kinzie Sunley  | Amy Staab Isabella Eck                                    |
| <b>Ushers &amp; Greeters</b>   | <i>Need Volunteers</i>          | Matthew & Jessica Meagher Family Geoff & Mindy Eck Family |

## Other Ministries

|                               |                                                    |                             |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>7:00am Lector</b>          | Aug. 11 (Sun) 7:00 a.m.                            | Sharon Bittel               |
| <b>Communion to Homebound</b> | Aug. 9 (Fri)                                       | Diane Kuhn                  |
| <b>Ellis Good Samaritan</b>   | Aug. 11 (Sun) 10:15 a.m.                           | Paula Wasinger              |
| <b>Rosary Leaders</b>         | Aug. 10 (Sat) 5:30 p.m.<br>Aug. 11 (Sun) 9:00 a.m. | Cindy Zervas<br>Connie Fink |
| <b>Monthly Money Counters</b> | August                                             | Bob & Margie Mickelson      |
| <b>Coffee &amp; Donuts</b>    | August                                             | Rick & Nancy Cunningham     |

## Meetings & Events

|       |           |                                                                                           |
|-------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sun   | August 4  | St. Mary's School Pool Party 6:30pm                                                       |
| Thurs | August 8  | Eucharistic Adoration 9:00am-5:00pm<br><i>The Chosen</i> viewing at 6:30pm at K of C Hall |
| Sat   | August 10 | Spread the Mulch at 9:00am                                                                |
| Sun   | August 11 | Coffee & Donuts after 9am Mass                                                            |

## Parish Announcements

- **Eucharistic Adoration** will resume on Thursday, August 8th, 9:00am-5:00pm.
- **Second Sunday Coffee & Donuts:** Be sure to join us on Sunday, August 11th after 9am Mass in the church basement for delicious donuts, coffee and orange juice! A great place for fellowship!
- **Bulletin Board:** Be sure to check out the big bulletin board in the back of church for a recap on the goodness Prayer & Action did while in Ellis!
- **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** is on Thursday, August 15th. This is a holy day of obligation. Fr. Dana will be offering Mass at 7:00am, 8:10am and 7:00pm. Ministries for these Masses will be volunteer.
- **Get enrolled in Religious Education:** Emails have been sent out as a reminder to families who have participated in CCD in the past years. If you are new to the program, be sure to sign up your student(s)! These classes are open to students who are not currently attending St. Mary's School and are entering the 1st-8th grades. You can find the registration form on home page of our church website or under "Faith Formation" or by contacting the Parish Office! ***Please prayerfully consider helping out our religious education program by being a catechists in one of our classrooms this year. We are also searching for classroom helpers for all grades. Contact Emily in the parish office if interested.***
- **Church Library is Open:** Be sure to stop by the Church Library in the church basement to check out the shelves of books for your next reading material!

## Parish Offering: Weekend of July 27 & 28

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

**Offertory Loose Plate.....\$934.00**

**Adult Envelopes.....\$8,050.02**

**Cedar Bluff.....\$204.00**

**Total Giving this week.....\$9,188.02**

**After this weekend the collection is above by \$1,754.68**

## *Notes from the Pastor*

### *Maintenance Updates*

**School Bathrooms.** Completed! Check out pictures of the before and after on the back page of this bulletin!

**North Stairwell Addition.** Starting to sand. Hopefully, will have it painted this week. Once painting is done, a porcelain floor will be installed and then the vinyl covering for the steps.

**Handicap Ramp.** Pouring of the cement base for the ramp will done next week. Once the cement is poured and set, the Knights of Columbus will install the ramp.

**Rubber Mulch.** Mulch has arrived! Enough to add 2" to the existing playground already covered with mulch. We will need and asking for volunteers to help spread the 400 40lb bags. ***We are planning to spread it next Saturday, August 10, starting at 9:00am.*** It may be a good time for father and son bonding!

**Financial Update:** Our budget, based on expected income and expenses for the past six fiscal years has been a deficit of between \$50,000-\$100,000. For the five fiscal years from 2018-2023, the excess we received from the damage to the school in 2018, the two SBA loans we received because of COVID for the 19-20 & 20-21 fiscal years, and the good auction we had in 21-22, covered the budget deficits for six years. This last fiscal year, 2023-2024, we started out with a \$97,000 deficit. We ended with a deficit of \$40,000. Unfortunately, that amount hasn't been covered. Currently, I donate to the parish my retirement income I now receive from the diocese, plus a little extra amounting to \$2,300 per month. I'll donate another \$1,000 this month to help cover the \$40,000 deficit for the last fiscal year. Is there anyone who is capable of matching that? An extra \$1,000 for the year to cover last year's budget? If not, we will need to borrow money to cover it. Prayerfully consider it! Thanks for all you do!

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA).** I'm planning on offering 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: TBD (probably Thursday evenings at 7:00pm).

*Have a good week! Fr. Dana*

## *Parish Organizations*

- **Last Chance to Watch *THE CHOSEN*** will be on Thursday, August 8 at the Ellis K of C Hall beginning at 6:30pm with light refreshments. Free for anyone to attend! (*NOTE: This series is Not Rated. Some content may not be suitable for young children. Recommended not for children under the age of 9 without parent/guardian.*) This event is sponsored by the Ellis D of I.
- **Cemetery Volunteers Requested:** The St. Mary's Cemetery Maintenance Crew are seeking volunteers to help keep the cemetery looking great! Volunteers to run weed eaters would be much appreciated! Please contact Gary L. at 785-259-6310 if you are willing to help out!
- **Folding Tables Needed:** The Good Hope Quilters are in need of some square folding tables. If you have some that are stashed away taking up space and are no longer in use, they'd be happy to take them off your hands. These tables will be used for sewing machines! Please contact Gini Augustine at 785-726-1257 if you can help!
- **Colby CYO Fruit Sales:** Colby CYO is hosting their fruit sales again this year! If you'd like to support this youth group, I will be taking orders until August 12th here at St. Mary's! Fruit will be picked up on August 27th (more details to come). **Freestone Peaches = \$42/full box; \$24/half box** or **Bartlett Pears = \$32/full box; \$19/half box** ***There will not be Gala Apples this year due to a freeze.*** Call Emily at the Parish Office to place your order. Please make checks out to Colby CYO!

## *Parish Prayer List*

### *Please Remember in Prayer*

Our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends in the loss of ***Janetta Heroneme***, who passed away July 27.

May the peace of God surround you during this time of sorrow.

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Juanita Augustine, Rose Brack, Holly Dinkel, Joe Erbert, Sr. Doris Flax, Gary Flax, Robert Gerhardt, Edna Hejny, Steve Hejny, Nathan Hively, Gilbert Kinderknecht, Agneta Kuhn, Irene LaBarge, Joey LaBarge, Kevin LaBarge, Martin & Debbie LaBarge, Shawna LaBarge, Indiana Landess, Elizabeth Newton, Riley Moore, Brandon Schoenthaler, Joe Sloan & Family, Bernie & Laura Schoenberger, Tanner Sullivan, Fr. Charlie Steier, 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**

- **Back-2-School Pool Party:** St. Mary's Home & School Association invites all St. Mary's School families to our Pool Party on **Sunday, August 4 @ 6:30-8:30pm** at the Ellis Pool!
- **Need School Uniforms:** Gone Logo has set up an online store at <https://stmarysschool24.itemorder.com/shop/sale/>. If you are needing any new uniforms and/or spirit shirts, please place your order by **August 11** or a late fee may apply. You can place your orders by entering your email address on the site! **REMINDER:** We do have our "School Closet" for you to shop polos, t-shirts, sweatshirts, jackets, spirit shirts and khaki pants/shorts for a sweet deal of \$2.00 each!



**All Hands On Deck! Calling For Volunteers! Home & School Association Meeting:** We invite all parents/guardians of St. Mary's School to come to our monthly meeting on **Monday, August 12 at 6:00pm!** We'll be discussing Fall Fundraiser, upcoming fundraisers, and more!

- **March Your Calendar:** St. Mary's Home & School Association is hosting **Meet the Teacher Night** on **Tuesday, August 20th** that 6:30pm! This is a great evening for students to bring their school supplies to their classroom and say hello to their teacher before the first day! Don't forget to grab a popicle before you leave!
- **School Supply Drive for Local Ellis School:** The Ellis Police Dept. is hosting a School Supply Drive for all Ellis schools for the next school year! If you are able to donate items from the list, please drop them by in the designated box in the back of our church, at Ellis Hometown Foods, Equity Bank, Golden Belt Bank or the Police Station by August 15th! The supplies donated will then be distributed to our schools!
- **THANK YOU** to Mr. Cletus, Mr. Kinderknecht, Plumb Simple Crew and Fr. Dana who started the last day of school to remodel the student bathrooms upstairs! The project is now complete! Check out these before and after photos! When you see these guys, be sure to give them a big THANK YOU!

## **School Bathroom Remodel**



## **Community Announcements**

- **Ellis Food Box Panty is Open, August 12th!** Mark your calendars to stop by the Ellis Food Box Pantry on Monday, August 12th from 3:00-6:00pm to collect a food box. These boxes are for those who may need some extra help keeping the food stocked in the pantry. Open to anyone in the USD 388 district. No income restrictions! You are welcome to pull up in our drive thru for easy pick up!
- **Divine Mercy Radio's 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Appreciation Banquet** will take place in two locations: **Saturday, Sept. 7 at 6:00pm** at The Rose Garden Banquet Hall **Hays** and **Sunday, Sept. 8 at 5:00pm** in the City Limits Convention Center, **Colby**. Cost is \$55 if purchased on or before Aug. 18. After Aug. 18, if tickets are still available, the cost is \$60. The cost includes appetizers and drinks including adult beverages. Guest speaker is the entertaining and informative Joe Heschmeyer, staff apologist for Catholic Answers Live. He will be talking on "Pope Peter" in Hays and "What's the Big Deal about Mary?" in Colby. To purchase tickets, send your check, along with which banquet you will attend (Hays or Colby) to: Banquet Reservations, Divine Mercy Radio, 108 E. 12<sup>th</sup> St. Hays, KS 67601, or call, 785-621-4110, or visit [dvmercy.com/banquet](http://dvmercy.com/banquet). No tickets sold after Sept. 1.

