

ST. MARY'S PARISH

703 Monroe St., Ellis, KS 67637

November 3, 2024
31st Sunday
in Ordinary Time



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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

November 4 - November 10

Mon: Philippians 2:1-4; Luke 14:12-14
Tue: Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 14:15-24
Wed: Philippians 2:12-18; Luke 14:25-33
Thu: Philippians 3:3-8am; Luke 15:1-10
Fri: Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 16:1-8
Sat: Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; John 2:13-22
Sun: 1 Kings 17:10-16; Mark 12:38-44

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	Nov 2	5:30 p.m.	Poor Souls Novena
Sun	Nov 3	7:00 a.m.	Poor Souls Novena
Sun	Nov 3	9:00 a.m.	Poor Souls Novena
Mon	Nov 4	5:30 p.m.	Poor Souls Novena
Tues	Nov 5	8:10 a.m.	Poor Souls Novena
Wed	Nov 6	8:10 a.m.	Poor Souls Novena
EGSC		10:00 a.m.	Poor Souls Novena
Thurs	Nov 7	8:10 a.m.	Poor Souls Novena
Fri	Nov 8	7:00 a.m.	Poor Souls Novena
Sat	Nov 9	5:30 p.m.	Poor Souls Novena
Sun	Nov 10	7:00 a.m.	Poor Souls Novena
Sun	Nov 10	9:00 a.m.	Poor Souls Novena

Ministries for November 9 & 10

Ministry	5:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lector	Roberta Augustine	Paula Wasinger
Presentation of Gifts	Pat & Diane Kuhn	Jordan & Emily Mattheyer Family
Eucharistic Minister(s)	Barney Boos Richard Bollig	Mindy Eck Gordon & Geri Augustine
Servers	Rylan & Chase Aschenbrenner Maverick Swagerty	Brendan & Sophie Seibel
Cantor / Musician	Nancy Cunningham Cristi Werth	Haas Girls
Ushers & Greeters	Peter & Jennifer Schield Family	Geoff & Mindy Eck Matthew & Jessica Meagher Family

Other Ministries

7:00am Lector	Nov. 10 (Sun) 7:00 a.m.	Becky Metzler
Communion to Homebound	Nov. 8 (Fri)	Diane Kuhn
Ellis Good Samaritan	Nov. 10 (Sun) 10:15 a.m.	Sharon Bittel
Rosary Leaders	Nov. 9 (Sat) 5:30 p.m. Nov. 10 (Sun) 9:00 a.m.	Diane Kuhn Connie Fink
Monthly Money Counters	November	Janice Dinkel Helen Fischer
Coffee & Donuts Hosts	November	John & Andrea Zody

Meetings & Events

Sat.	Nov. 2	All Souls Day
Sun	Nov. 3	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS Cemetery Prayer Service @ 10am Remembrance Prayer Service @ 4:00pm
Tues	Nov. 5	Election Day
Wed	Nov. 6	YDisciples @ 6:30pm CCD @ 7:00pm
Thurs	Nov. 7	Eucharistic Adoration 9:00am-5:00pm SMS Picture Day! Box of Joy due back to the school or parish office!
Fri	Nov. 8	SMS No School (Diocesan Teacher In-Service)
Sun	Nov. 10	Coffee & Donuts after 9am Mass

Parish Announcements

- **Cemetery Prayer Service** is this Sunday, November 3rd, following 9:00am Mass out at the Cemetery. All are welcome to join us.
- All are invited to attend our annual **Remembering Prayer Service** is this Sunday, November 3 at 4:00pm in the church for all parishioners and families who have lost a loved one in the last year.
- **YDisciples!** Come hear what Catholic Tigers from Fort Hays State University have to share about their faith journeys! They will be joining us for our meal at 6:30pm followed by panel! Bring a friend!
- **Box of Joy Due Back by Nov. 6th:** Thank You to all who have filled a box thus far! Please return filled boxes by Wednesday, Nov. 6th to either the box in the back of church or the Parish Office! *If you rather make a monetary donation, you may either visit boxofjoy.org to make a \$9 donation for each gift box, or give a donation to St. Mary's Parish Office to help with shipping of each box.*
- **Coffee & Donuts Next Sunday, Nov. 10th:** Make plans to join us after 9:00am Mass in the church basement for coffee, Daylight Donuts and OJ!
- **SAVE THE DATE for #iGiveCatholic 2024!** St. Mary's Church & School are proud to announce that we will be participating in the worldwide campaign again this year! More information should be reaching your mailbox very soon! Advanced Giving Days begin on Nov. 18th with the actual Giving Tuesday on December 3rd! We've got some exciting news on how your donations can be MATCHED! Be sure to pick up a bulletin next week!

Notes from the Pastor

Cemetery Prayer Service. The cemetery prayer service that we traditionally have every year is this Sunday, November 3. It will be held after our 9:00am Mass.

Remembering Prayer Service. Our Remembering Prayer Service is this Sunday, November 3, at 4:00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend whether you are remembering a loved one or not.

National Vocation Awareness Week. National Vocation Awareness Week is being celebrated in our country this week, November 3-9. "Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of vocation. Amen."

Box of Joy. The Catholic Schools along with parishes within the Diocese are participating in Cross Catholic Outreach's Box of Joy service project. Each Box of Joy contains around \$20 worth of items, and will also include a rosary, that will be shipped to children in need throughout the world. We may have a few boxes left in the back of the church for parishioners to participate, if not, call the Parish Office. Deadline to turn filled boxes in is Wednesday, November 6th. Thanks for those who have picked up a box.

#iGiveCatholic. Our #iGiveCatholic campaign will be begin shortly. Letters have been sent out. Also watch the bulletin for more details.

Auction 2025. The kick-off meeting for the Procurement Committee was last Tuesday. We had a good turn-out! We have about 12+ people who are interested in participating. At this first meeting, I gave a presentation to the group about the purpose and some of the responsibilities (or tasks) of a Procurement Committee. I also presented a few unique fundraising ideas to consider that seem to be popular in auctions, along with a "Procurement Committee Notebook" with a lot of information about the procurement of items and stats from our previous auctions (e.g., items that sold above value and what they sold for). This will help get the juices flowing to begin brainstorming more ideas. **Our next meeting is this Tuesday, November 5 at 7:00pm in the church basement. Anyone interested in joining this committee, you are welcome to attend.** At this meeting, we'll be brainstorming ideas and trying to finalize a letter to go out to businesses toward the end of November.

The next committee that we will like to form is what I'm calling the "Audience Development Committee." This committee will focus on bidders. This committee will be responsible for building a competitive audience of bidders to attend the auction. We will begin inviting people to be on this committee and will schedule a meeting in the near future. If interest in participating on this committee and helping in any way for the auction, let us know.

Have a good week! Fr. Dana

Parish Organizations

- **Ellis Knights of Columbus Stag, Friday, Nov. 8th:** The Ellis Knights of Columbus Annual Stag is set for next Friday, November 8 beginning at 5:30pm. Everyone is invited to attend! Cost is \$15.00/person! Come enjoy time a delicious meal, drinks, and try your chances in the raffle drawing!
- **Tickets Still Available for Chris Stefanick in Colby, KS!** You are invited to attend his **REBOOT** presentation on November 20th at 7:00pm at the Colby Event Center! Tickets are still available, ranging \$33-37 per person! You may purchase your ticket(s) online at <https://auctria.events/reboot>. There are a limited number of tickets available so don't wait too long to get yours!
- **Ellis K of C Council Christmas Cash Drawing** is happening again this year! TEN DAYS of Winnings! The Ellis Knights are hosting a cash raffle for 10 days in December. Daily drawings for cash prizes will begin December 1 through December 10. Three (3) winning tickets will be drawn each day at the Knights Hall at 5:30pm. Winning tickets will be returned in the hopper for future drawings! Get your ticket(s) today for a donation of \$20.00 per ticket. Contact a Knight to get your tickets! All proceeds will go to the Ellis Council. For more information contact Gary Kohl (785-726-1400) or Allen Weber (785-249-8543 or 785-726-3113). The drawing will also be LIVE streamed from the Knights Hall on the Ellis Knights of Columbus Facebook page each day!

Parish Prayer List

Please Remember in Prayer

Juanita Augustine, Rose Brack, Austin Carbajal, Holly Dinkel, Joe Erbert, Sr. Doris Flax, Gary Flax, Robert Gerhardt, Debbie Haas, Edna Hejny, Steve Hejny, Nathan Hively, Gilbert Kinderknecht, Doug Kingsley, Agneta Kuhn Tim Kingsley & Family, Irene LaBarge, Joey LaBarge, Kevin LaBarge, Martin & Debbie LaBarge, Shawna LaBarge, Indiana Landess, Joani Neufeldt, Elizabeth Newton, Riley Moore, Brandon Schoenthaler, LaVerne Schuster, Joe Sloan & Family, Bernie & Laura Schoenberger, Tanner Sullivan, 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 Offering: Weekend of October 26 & 27

Weekly Budget Fiscal Year 2024-25: \$6,641.73

Offertory Loose Plate.....\$1,456.00

Adult Envelopes.....\$3,950.00

Total Giving.....\$5,406.00

After this weekend the collection is below by \$1,235.73.

School Announcements

Thursday, November 7—Fall Picture Day!

—Box of Joy due back to school

Friday, November 8—NO SCHOOL



Picture Day is Scheduled for November 7: Don't forget to wear your school polo and smile on this day!

- **Please Return your Box of Joy!** Reminder that if you haven't returned your filled Box of Joy back to school, please do so no later than Thursday, November 7th. If your family chooses *not* to participate this year, please send your empty box back to the school. **THANK YOU** for helping to make a child's Christmas extra special.
- **Students collecting food for the Ellis Food Pantry.** SMS Students are currently taking donations for the Ellis Food Pantry. We ask that you deliver items to the school office and/or send with your student(s). We will continue to take items until Friday, November 15. Some items that are needed are cereal, Mac & Cheese, rice & pasta, sauces to go with pastas, canned meats (chicken, tuna, corn beef, etc), peanut butter and jelly, canned soups, canned vegetables and fruits, instant mashed potatoes, pancake mix & syrup, fruit juices, condiments, or any non-perishable food items. Please check items to be sure they have not expired, dented or bloated. We appreciate any help you can provide!



St. Mary's
Students & Staff
prayed the **Pumpkin Prayer**
during a special
prayer service on
Wednesday, October 30th.

Game Night at Good Sam

YDisciples spent the evening with their friends at Ellis Good Sam playing games and sharing stories!



Community Announcements

- **Mark Your Calendars—Ellis Food Box Pantry Open in November:** The Ellis Food Box Pantry will be open on November 4th from 3:00-6:00pm for those who need what a box provides. This is also the last opportunity to sign up for a Christmas Box if you choose to receive one.
- **Election Day:** Tuesday, November 5 is Election Day. Be sure to get out and exercise your right to vote. You may vote in Ellis at the Ellis VFW (813 Jefferson) from 7:00am—7:00pm.



Annual Hunter's Meal: Make plans to attend the annual Hunter's Meal hosted at Christ Lutheran Church on Saturday, November 9 from 11:00am-1:30pm. Eat in or Take Out: Chicken Noodle Soup, Taco Soup, Chili, Green Bean Dumpling Soup, Grilled Cheese or Pulled Pork Sandwiches and assorted pies!!! All Are Welcome!!!

- The Ellis VFW and Auxiliary are selling tickets for the **Stars and Stripes Breakfast on Sunday, Nov. 10th** at the Hays VFW! All pre-ticket sales come back to the Ellis VFW and Auxiliary! Advanced Tickets are \$11.50 for Adults and \$6.50 for Children 5-12yrs, Free for 5 and under). Breakfast is served from 7:30am-12:00pm. All You Can Eat: Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Bacon, Hash Browns, Biscuits & Gravy, Toast, OJ & Coffee! Contact Jenni Holmgren at 785-650-7270 or Taft Yates at 785-693-1006.
- **ERC's Thanksgiving Dinner:** Nothing feels more like Thanksgiving than good food, good friends, good fellowship and entertainment! The Daughters of Isabella are preparing a Thanksgiving meal with all the fixings on Wednesday, November 20th at the Ellis Knights Hall. This Dinner is open to senior citizens! Admission is (3) non-perishable food items. Reserve your seat by November 6th by calling the ERC Office, 785-726-3718! Doors open at 11:30am with Dinner served at 12:00pm. Food donations will benefit the Ellis Food Box Pantry.