

ST. MARY'S PARISH

703 Monroe St., Ellis, KS 67637

January 19, 2025
2nd 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 18 - Sept. 7, 2025

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

January 20 - January 26

Mon: Hebrew 5:1-10; Mark 2:18-22

Tue: Hebrews 6:10-20; Mark 2:23-28

Wed: Hebrews 7:1-3, 15-17; Mark 3:1-6

Thu: Hebrews 7:25-8:6; Mark 3:7-12

Fri: Hebrews 8:6-13; Mark 3:13-19

Sat: Acts of Apostles 9:1-22; Mark 16:15-18

Sun: Neh. 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Luke 1:1-4; 4:1-14-21

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	Jan 18	5:30 p.m.	Mike Murphy+ (anniv)
Sun	Jan 19	7:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	Jan 19	9:00 a.m.	Twila Riedel+
Mon	Jan 20	5:30 p.m.	Simon & Alma Davignon+ Family (liv/dec)
Tues	Jan 21	8:10 a.m.	Andy & Clara Kuhn+ Family (liv/dec)
Wed	Jan 22	8:10 a.m.	Henry & Mary Weigel+ and Frank+ & Juanita Augustine Families (l/d)
EGSC		10:00 a.m.	For the Residents & Families (liv/dec)
Thurs	Jan 23	8:10 a.m.	Fred Taylor+ (anniv)
Fri	Jan 24	8:10 a.m.	For the Poor Souls
Sat	Jan 25	5:30 p.m.	Kolten Schmidt+
Sun	Jan 26	7:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	Jan 26	9:00 a.m.	Twila Riedel+

Ministries for January 25 & 26

Ministry	5:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lector	Richard Bollig	School Children
Presentation of Gifts	Brian & Michelle Frickey Family	School Children
Eucharistic Minister(s)	John & Andrea Zody	Sarah Eck Geri Augustine Jackie Flax
Servers	Caleb, Landon, Mason Schield	School Children
Cantor / Musician	Nancy Cunningham Cheryl Lang	Emily Mattheyer School Children
Ushers & Greeters	Bob & Margie Mickelson Gary Luea Duane & Karen Dorzweiler	School Children & Gordon & Geri Augustine Preston Browning Greg Augustine

Other Ministries

7:00am Lector	Jan. 26 (Sun) 7:00 a.m.	April Pfeifer
Communion to Homebound	Jan. 24 (Fri)	Mindy Eck
Ellis Good Samaritan	Jan. 26 (Sun) 10:15 a.m.	John Gnad
Rosary Leaders	Jan. 25 (Sat) 5:30 p.m. Jan. 26 (Sun) 9:00 a.m.	Cindy Zervas Peggy Seibel
Monthly Money Counters	January	Helen Fisher Lisa Weber

Meetings & Events

Sun	Jan. 19	Musicians Planning Meeting @ 10:00am
Mon	Jan. 20	No School (Teacher In-Service) Parish Office Closed
Thurs	Jan. 13	Eucharistic Adoration 9:00am-5:00pm
S-S	Jan. 26-Feb. 1	Catholic Schools Week
Sun	Jan. 26	School Carnival & Soup Lunch 10am-2pm

Parish Announcements

- **Parish Prayer List:** We will be refreshing our list after this weekend. Please notify the parish office to keep or add your loved one's name to it.
- **Parish Office Closed Monday:** The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, Jan. 20th in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Mass will still be celebrated at 5:30pm.
- **YDisciples:** What did C.S. Lewis mean when he said, "Next to the Blessed Sacrament itself, your neighbor is the holiest object presented to your senses."? Come find out on Wednesday, Jan. 22 at 6:30pm for a meal and discussion to follow. Bring a friend!
- **School Carnival-Sunday, January 26:** We invite you to join us in the school gym next week Sunday as we share the excitement of Catholic Schools Week with our students, teachers and staff! One kind reminder: Please utilize the church parking lot and surrounding side streets to park for the event. There will only be Handicap Parking available behind the school.
- **February Mass Intention Openings:** There are a few dates open in February (and others dates throughout the year) for Mass Intentions. If you would like to schedule more in 2025, please call the Parish Office to see what is available. A stipend of **\$10.00 per Mass** is suggested. Masses are scheduled on a *first come, first serve basis*. Please be prepared to follow the Mass Intentions Guidelines when scheduling.
- **2024 Year-End Parish Tithing Reports** will be provided upon request from parishioners. If you wish to have a copy of your yearly report, call or email the Parish Office. We are able to print, mail and/or email it to you! Review the information and let us know if your records do not agree.

Parish Offering: Weekend of January 11& 12

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

Offertory Loose Plate.....\$1,697.00

Adult Envelopes.....\$5,175.84

Total Giving.....\$6,872.84

After this weekend the collection is above by \$231.11!

Notes from the Pastor

Catholic Schools Week begins next Sunday. The theme this year is: “Catholic Schools: United in Faith & Community.” It is January 26 – February 1. Our school will participate in this annual celebration with activities for students, families, parishioners. Everyone is invited to come to the School Carnival on Sunday to kick off the week! Soup Luncheon, Carnival Games and Raffle Prizes!

Auction Update: Save the Date for our 30th Annual Parish Auction on Saturday, March 29, 2025!

- *Letters to Businesses* were sent out at the end of November. Our Procurement Committee (of nine members) will be contacting these businesses over the next few weeks to solicit their support.
- *Letters to Parishioners and Guests:* A guest list (including parishioners) is being finalized and a letter to be sent has been drafted. Tentatively, the letters will be mailed next week. The letter will provide more details about the big event.
- The *Food Committee* is working on finalizing the menu for the auction dinner. Gella’s Diner will be providing the meal.
- We are working on organizing *committees* (looking for volunteers) to help at the night of the auction. This includes: data entry clerks (i.e., someone to record sales and manage bidder files); runners (someone to collect and deliver bid sheets to the data entry clerks and to close down silent auction areas); salespeople (someone to sale chances for the variety of games and special raffles we will have); check-in and check-out clerks; live auction helpers; table waiters, etc. We will need someone to help manage all these volunteers! Let us know, if you can help.
- *Training sessions* for data entry and check-in & check-out clerks will be provided about a month before the auction.
- We *need volunteers* to help with setting up and decorating the auction site.
- The *auction website* is in its final design phase and being tested out. It should be ready by the time you receive your invitation letter. You will be able to view items as they are entered, purchased admission tickets and raffle tickets online, and make a donation online.

Have a good week! Fr. Dana

Parish Organizations

- **RESCHEDULED - Daughters of Isabella January Meeting:** Due to the winter weather on January 9th, we have *RESCHEDULED* our gathering for Thursday, January 23 beginning with a soup supper at 6:00pm followed by a brief meeting at 6:30 and a game or two of Bunco!!! All members are encouraged to attend!
- **The Mission of Family Video Series:** The Office of Family Life presents “Knights of Columbus: The Mission of Family” Video Series - Men and women, young and old, strengthen and grow in your faith for your families with five short videos produced by the Knights of Columbus called the “Mission of The Family”. <https://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html>

Community Announcements

- **Pancake Fundraiser:** Let your local Ellis Fire Department cook dinner for you on Wednesday, January 29th!!! There will be Pancakes, Sausage and Drinks at the Ellis Knights Hall beginning at 5:00-7:30pm! Free will donation!!!
- **National Hot Chocolate Day Celebration:** The Ellis Recreation Commission is hosting a Hot Chocolate Bar with a variety of delicious hot chocolate flavors and toppings on Friday, January 31st from 8:00am-3:00pm! Come in and enjoy a cup of cocoa and share your ideas for new programs you’d like to see in the future at the ERC! In conjunction with the event, they are having a **Youth Mug Class** where students can create they own custom mug for a small fee of \$12.00/person. Contact the Ellis Rec Office to sign up!
- **Groundhog Supper:** St. John Lutheran Church is hosting their annual Groundhog Supper on Sunday, February 2nd from 5:00-7:00pm in their church (north of Ellis on the blacktop road). Stay and Savor or Grab and Go! Free Will Offering! Sponsored by the St. John Women.

Parish Prayer List

Please Remember in Prayer

Juanita Augustine, Rose Brack, Austin Carbajal, John Cersovsky, Holly Dinkel, Pamela Dreiling, Cory Eberle, Joe Erbert, Beverly Elliot, Sr. Doris Flax, Gary Flax, Robert Gerhardt, Debbie Haas, Edna Hejny, Steve Hejny, Nathan Hively, Doug Kingsley, Tim Kingsley & Family, Gilbert Kinderknecht, Agneta Kuhn, Irene LaBarge, Joey LaBarge, Kevin LaBarge, Shawna LaBarge, Martin & Debbie LaBarge, Indiana Landess, Marge Metzler, Riley Moore, Joani Neufeldt, Elizabeth Newton, Doug Rohr, Brandon Schoenthaler, Joe Sloan & Family, Tanner Sullivan, Bernie & Laura Schoenberger, Kathy Wiesner, 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, January 20...NO SCHOOL: Teacher In-Service

SAVE THE DATE



ST. MARY'S SCHOOL
CARNIVAL

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2025
10:00AM - 2:00PM

Soup Luncheon: 10:00am - 1:00pm
Carnival Games: 10:00am - 2:00pm



ST. MARY'S SCHOOL GYMNASIUM | 605 MONROE, ELLIS, KS

Catholic Schools Week 2025: We invite you to help us kick off Catholic Schools Week with Mass on Sunday, January 26th at 9:00am featuring our students in the ministries! Following Mass, head on over to the school gym for our annual School Carnival! Soup Luncheon and Carnival Games will begin at 10:00am! Soup menu is Chicken & Noodle, Green Bean Dumpling and Chili, along with a Cinnamon Roll and fresh veggies! There will be all sorts of games going on in the gym for all ages! **Purchase your game tickets early: (5) tickets for \$1.00 before Friday, Jan. 24th in the school office or the day of for 25 cents each!** Don't forget to purchase your chances to win a Raffle prize! We have included a sheet of them in this week's bulletin for you to fill out and return to the carnival! Tickets are (1) for \$1.00 for (6) for \$5.00! Kountry Kitchen Concessions will also have good things for purchase to help soothe your thirst or appetite throughout the day! Don't forget to check our **Special Carnival Prices on Chocolate Bars!** We can't wait to see you at the Carnival!

- ★ **Sunday: Celebrating Our Parish**
- ★ **Monday: Celebrating Our Community**
- ★ **Tuesday: Celebrating the Nation**
- ★ **Wednesday: Celebrating Our Students**
- ★ **Thursday: Celebrating Vocation**
- ★ **Friday: Celebrating Faculty, Staff & Volunteers**
- ★ **Saturday: Celebrating Families**

Diocese of Salina Announcements

- **March for Life 2025:** Please pray for our pilgrims who will be attending the 2025 National March for Life in Washington D.C. The Salina Diocese has two groups attending the March for Life: one group will take a bus to Washington D.C. while the other will fly. All pilgrims will be Marching on Capitol Hill on the anniversary of the Supreme Court's 1973 Roe v. Wade ruling which legalized abortion in all 50 states. Please pray for the protection of the unborn!
- **IGNITE RALLY - Topeka March For Life:** Join us as we gather in Topeka for our state-wide March for Life on January 29th, 2025, in Topeka in recognition of the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. Please go to <https://archkck.org/prolife/activities/ignite/> for more information.
- **Monthly Neighbors Near and Neighbors Far.** With our Holy Father's focus on hope during this jubilee year, we want to place focus on bearing hope to our brothers and sisters from many corners and many walks of life. A different group will be featured in this section every month. Some months will have collections that are new to our diocese- these are optional collections! Parishioners, you can participate by simply adding the special collection name to the memo of your check, or by writing the special collection name on an envelope and dropping it in our weekend collection. There is not an online giving option available at this time, but is in the planning stage, so stay tuned!

NEIGHBORS NEAR & NEIGHBORS FAR:

Church in Latin America

Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean lack access to church programs and ministries because of a rising secular culture, rugged rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity enables our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ.

To Give: _____
Anytime during the month of January, place an envelope in your Parish Collection labeled "Church in Latin America", or simply add it to the memo line of a check!



TOGETHER, LET US BE DISCIPLES OF JESUS ON MISSION!