

ST. MARY'S PARISH

703 Monroe Street, Ellis, KS 67637

June 15, 2025 The Most Holy Trinity

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen



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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

June 16 – June 22

Mon: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10; Matthew 5:38-42

Tue: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9; Matthew 5:43-48

Wed: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thu: 2 Corinthians 11:1-11; Matthew 6:7-15

Fri: 2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30; Matthew 6:19-23

Sat: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10; Matthew 6:24-34

Sun: Genesis 14:18-20; Luke 9:11b-17

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	June 14	5:30 p.m.	Augustine Family Reunion Members (l/d)
Sun	June 15	7:00 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Nick Dinkel+ Family (liv/dec)
Sun	June 15	9:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	June 15	11:00 a.m.	John & Andrea Zody Family (liv/dec)
Mon	June 16	5:30 p.m.	James Werth+ Family (liv/dec)
Tues	June 17	8:10 a.m.	Robert & Faye (anniv) Kehr+
Wed	June 18	8:10 a.m.	Larry Brack+
	EGSC	10:00 a.m.	For the Residents & their Families (liv/dec)
Thurs	June 19	8:10 a.m.	Tim Augustine+
Fri	June 20	8:10 a.m.	Simon & Alma Davignon+ Family (liv/dec)
Sat	June 21	5:30 p.m.	Patten & Kingsley Families (liv/dec)
Sun	June 22	7:00 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Nick Dinkel+ Family (liv/dec)
Sun	June 22	9:00 a.m.	Fred Taylor+
Sun	June 22	11:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners

Ministries for June 21 & 22

Ministry	5:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lector	Allen Weber	Brian Serpan
Presentation of Gifts	Brian & Michelle Frickey Family	Danny & Lacie Haas Family
Eucharistic Minister(s)	John & Andrea Zody	Paula Wasinger Jackie Flax Curtis Weber
Servers	Brecklynn Fischer (Need a Volunteer)	Emily Broadway Emma Flax
Cantor / Musician	Kinzie Sunley Mindi Mader	Guitar Choir
Ushers & Greeters	Bob & Margie Mickelson James & Alyssa Rome	Wesley & Lindsay James Family

Other Ministries

7:00am Lector	June 22 (Sun) 7:00a.m.	Mike Augustine
Communion to Homebound	June 20 (Fri)	Barney Boos
Ellis Good Samaritan	June 22 (Sun) 10:15 a.m.	Paula Wasinger
Rosary Leaders	June 21 (Sat) 5:30 p.m. June 22 (Sun) 9:00 a.m.	Cindy Zervas Josita Dreiling
Monthly Money Counters	June	Bob & Margie Mickelson

Meetings & Events

Sun	June 15	Happy Father's Day TRUTH Bible Study Gathering @ 4pm
Thurs	June 19	Eucharistic Adoration 9:00am-5:00pm
Mon	June 23	Parish Council Meeting @ 7pm

Parish Announcements

- **Baby Bottles:** Please return your baby bottles back to the church or parish office as soon as you can so we can return our donations to Catholic Charities!
- **2026 Mass Book Opens Soon:** The 2026 Mass Book will be opening soon to schedule your Mass intentions. More information will be provided next week.
- **One Month until Totus Tuus Week:** It's not too early to start planning to join us for the week: July 13-18! Registration is open to students who are entering 1st-12th grades. Visit the church website under Faith Formation > CCD to download the registration for or there are some available on table under the big bulletin board! **We are in need of a few volunteers to make the week a success:**
 1. **Host Families:** Since our team is "on the road" in this ministry, we are looking for two (2) "host homes," one for the men and one for the women, that will provide sleeping arrangements and a light morning continental breakfast for the week. If you would be interested, please call the Parish Office for more information.
 2. **Meals:** We are looking for volunteers to provide Lunch and/or Supper for the team members for the week! Lunch is as simple as a buffet style warm meal or a quick sack lunch. Supper is hosted in your home (or if you wish to take them out to eat at your cost). A sign up sheet will be in the back of church or you may call the Parish Office.
 3. **Thursday Fun Night:** The JH/HS session ends their week with a fun fellowship night, usually with supper and dessert, followed by games or fun at the park. If you would like to provide supper and/or be a volunteer in helping plan a fun evening for our students & team, please call the Parish Office for more info!

- **MARK THE CALENDAR: Meet & Greet with Totus Tuus and Parishioner Potluck Breakfast, July 13!** We invite you and your family to join us after 9:00am Sunday Mass on July 13th for a Potluck Breakfast! It will be a great opportunity to welcome our Totus Tuus Team to St. Mary's and gather as a church family! Coffee, orange juice, water and paper goods will be provided. If you are able, we ask that you please bring a breakfast or brunchy-type dish to share! More information to come as date gets closer.

Notes from the Pastor

Mission Coop Weekend. Our Mission Coop weekend, which was planned for this weekend, has been rescheduled for the second weekend in July. The original plan of the missionary organization was to send out two speakers to cover Victoria and Ellis; they were not available to come, so they asked if they could reschedule for us.

School Bathroom Project. Cletus is making good progress on the remodeling of the two bathrooms in the school cafeteria. Also, we will be updating the heating systems in the preschool classroom and library, which tie into the two bathrooms. Money will be anonymously donated for updating the heating system.

North Sacristy (Flower Room) has a new look. The outside door, that I understand as not been used for maybe 40+ years, was removed and "boarded up." The north window was also boarded up. The door and window were always blocked with items and really were not serving their purpose. The room was always extremely cold during the winter, probably due to the draft from the north door and the windows. I was always concerned about the water pipes to the sink freezing. The hope is that by removing the door, boarding it up, and insulating the space will help keep the room warmer. Since the two east windows were covered with cardboard and blocked with shelving, I decided to board up and insulate those as well. While doing those updates, we decided to install a drop ceiling and add more lighting to the space. For those interested in the process, see the insert with some pictures that were taken as changes were made.

Bat Problems. Bats have shown up in the school and church during the winter months, leaving some droppings in the school, mainly the gym. The bats at the church seem to be confined to the attic, as long as the access covering to the attic is closed. We are not sure how big the problem is. I did a lot of research and found a company in Macksville, KS that does bat removal. He came down to check out the facilities. He is a Catholic man! His approach is the right approach; right in line with my research. I didn't know what the cost would be. I figured around \$10,000. His proposal for church and school was \$55,000!!! I told him that was way beyond what we could afford. The problem, I don't think, is that great to warrant raising and spending that kind of money. I did find a Catholic church online that was spending \$22,000 for their bat removal, so the \$55,000 for two buildings may not be totally out of line.

Have a good week! Fr. Dana

Parish Offering: June 7 & 8

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

Offeratory Loose Plate.....\$986.00

Adult Envelopes.....\$3,760.00

Cedar Bluff Collection.....\$327.00

Total Giving.....\$5,073.00

This weekend's collection is under by \$1,568.73.

Parish Organizations

- **T.R.U.T.H. Bible Study Gathering This Sunday, July 15 @ 4:00pm:** We invite all parishioners to our newest Bible Study! Come see how you can enter deeply into the living Word of God with the heart of a disciple and the mind of the Church. We are not merely reading Holy Scripture—we are encountering Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, through prayer, reflection and the guidance of Sacred Tradition. Our first gathering will be on Sunday, June 15th at 4:00pm in the Church Basement (there may be snacks available)! No need to RSVP—just show up! For more info or questions, please contact Alissa Rehmert (one of our newest parishioners of St. Mary's) at 417-967-6671!
- **Serving on Parish Council:** We are in the process of selecting a couple new parish council members! The Parish Council is asking parishioners to nominate people for discernment whom they consider to be suitable members for the Pastoral Council. You can nominate more than one person, and you can nominate yourself. Nominees will be invited to attend the next Parish Council meeting to learn more about the Council. A nominee must be a registered parishioner, a practicing Catholic, and be at least 18 years of age. Please send in, call or stop by the Parish Office with your nominations.
- **Quilting Needs:** The Good Hope Quilters are busy in beginning to make quilts for the Christmas Season to deliver to the Samaritan House in Colorado. We are asking for donations of a few items -- choose one thing or many from this list--anything would be SO appreciated! We need: 1.) someone to come help repair a couple of our sewing machines 2.) old blankets for "middles" 3.) nice sheets for backs. If you or someone you know may be able to help us with a repair, we would greatly appreciate their expertise or if you have items to donate, or if you have any questions, please call Gini Augustine, 785-726-4257 (h.) or 785-726-1257 (c.) Thanks you!

Parish Prayer List

Please Remember in Prayer

Juanita Augustine, John Cersovsky, Henry Dinkel, Cory Eberle, Joe & Arlene Erbert, Sr. Doris Flax, Gary Flax, Robert Gerhardt, Michelle Goldsberry, Debbie Haas, Edna Hejny, Steve Hejny, Nathan Hively, Doug Kingsley, Tim Kingsley & Family, Agneta Kuhn, Gilbert Kinderknecht, Irene LaBarge, Joey LaBarge, Kevin LaBarge, Shawna LaBarge, Martin & Debbie LaBarge, Norma Lang, Marge Metzler, Joan Neufeldt, Elizabeth Newton, Bernie & Laura Schoenberger, Tanner Sullivan, Kathy Wiesner, and the residents of EGSC.

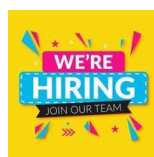
If any one has names they would like added to the list, they may call the rectory at 726-4522.

School Announcements



St. Mary's Home & School Sponsorship Drive Underway: This Sponsorship Drive provides two benefits at once—the monetary benefit to the school to allow our students to thrive in the future and the philanthropic benefit to the donor! Because of the success of the Sponsorship Drive in previous years, we are asking for monetary donations from businesses and individuals again who wish to partner with St. Mary's Home & School Association so that we are able to provide the necessary resources to teachers, staff and students. *All donations made to the Sponsorship Drive are tax-deductible!* If you wish to take part in the Sponsorship Drive, you may complete the form mailed to you or pick one up from the School bulletin board in the back of church and return it to the school/parish office OR stop by either the School or Parish Office to give your donation! We appreciate your support towards St. Mary's School!

- **St. Mary's Discount Cards are still available!** These discount cards are good beginning now through June 2026! Grab you one today and start saving money at the participating businesses! They are just \$20.00 each! Call the School Office to place your order!
- **Restock the Carnival Closet:** Our school carnival was a HUGE Success in January! And it couldn't have happened with YOU! We are starting to plan for next year's 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 or parish office any time during the summer! We ask that items for Prize Central be brand new! Thank You for your continued support to our school!



We're Hiring! We are looking for an *Assistant School Cook* to join our team! This position follows the school calendar, working 9:00am-1:00pm each day, with additional hours offered throughout the week. Come be a part of the wonderful team! Food service experience is helpful but not required! Applications available at the School Office (785-726-3185) or by going to the school website, click on "Forms" and then "Non-Certified Employee Application Form."

ALL ARE WELCOME TO

T.R.U.T.H

BIBLE STUDY

First Meeting: **June 15, 2025 @ 4:00 PM**
St. Mary's Church Basement



Contact Alissa Rehmer
for more information
(417) 967-6671

"The Word of God is a light to the understanding and a fire to the will."
— St. Francis de Sales



Save the Date for

TOTUS TUUS

2025

WHERE:
St. Mary's Parish, Ellis

WHEN:
July 13-18, 2025

FORMS:
<https://stmmarysofellis.org/faiith-formation/ccd>

LEARN MORE:
<https://salinadiocese.org/office/office-of-religious-education/totus-tuus/>

REGISTER BY JULY 9, 2025

DAYTIME PROGRAM
Entering 1st—6th Grade
Monday-Friday 9:00am-3:00pm
Cost: \$15/student \$40/Family of 3+

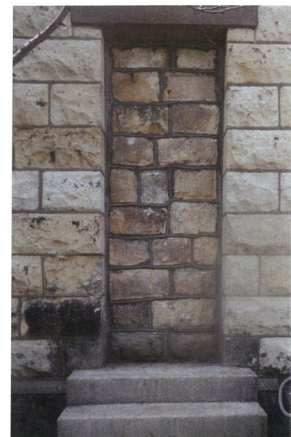
EVENING PROGRAM
Entering 7th—12th Grade
Sunday-Thursday 7:00-9:00pm
Cost: \$15/student \$40/Family of 3+



Backpack for Kids 2025-2026: From now until July 29th, students in Pre-K through High School in Ellis County can register to received a FREE backpack filled with grade-appropriate school supplies and a hygiene kit to help them start the new school year right. First Call for Help is hosting their annual Backpack for Kids Drive! Your contributions can have a significant impact on lives of students

in our community! Whether it's a financial donation or purchasing backpacks, school supplies, or hygiene items, every contribution counts! If sending a check, please indicate "B4K" or "backpacks For Kids" in the memo line. There is a Collection Box in the back of our church to place donations. If you are one who is need of a backpack for the upcoming school year: Registration is open until July 29th. You may also register online or by calling 785-623-2800. Thank you for your support in making a difference in Ellis Co.

North Sacristy (Flower Room) – A New Look



North door

(1) Removed; (2) Framed and Boarded; (3) Insulated; (4) Limestone installed
(Sheetrocked picture not shown)



North Window

After, framed,
insulated, and
sheetrocked

One of the East Windows

(1) Before picture; (2) Privacy film installed and framed; (3) Insulated.
(Boarded picture not shown – there were two windows)



Drop Ceiling With Lights



North Wall Finished & New Floor