

ST. MARY'S PARISH

703 Monroe St., Ellis, KS 67637

May 10, 2026
Sixth Sunday of Easter

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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 17 - Sept. 13, 2026

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

May 11 - May 17

Mon: Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26-16:4a

Tue: Acts of the Apostles 16:22-34; John 16:5-11

Wed: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; John 16:12-15

Thu: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; John 15:9-17

Fri: Acts 18:9-18; John 16:20-23

Sat: Acts 16:23b-28; John 16:23b-28

Sun: Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11; Matthew 28:16-20

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
School Council President	Mrs. Sarah Fischer
Home & School President	Mrs. Megan Honas
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	May 9	5:30 p.m.	Clifford "Cliff" Kreutzer+
Sun	May 10	7:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	May 10	9:00 a.m.	Donna Honas+ Family (liv/dec)
Mon	May 11	5:30 p.m.	Helen & Joe Schuler+ Family (liv/dec)
Tues	May 12	8:10 a.m.	Clarence Honas+
Wed	May 13	8:10 a.m.	Betty Clark+ (anniv)
	EGSC	10:00 a.m.	For the Residents & their families (liv/dec)
Thurs	May 14	8:10 a.m.	Carolyn Gatschet+
Fri	May 15	8:10 a.m.	Dennis Schoenthaler+ (anniv) Family (l/d)
Sat	May 16	5:30 p.m.	Clarence & Alice Honas+ Family (liv/dec)
Sun	May 17	7:00 a.m.	Duane Fisher+ (anniv) Family (liv/dec)
Sun	May 17	9:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	May 17	11:00 a.m.	For the Cedar Bluff Lake Visitors

Ministries for May 16 & 17

Ministry	5:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lector	Andrea Zody	Megan Honas
Presentation of Gifts	Duane & Karen Dorzweiler	Eric & Kristen Gaschler Family
Eucharistic Minister(s)	Barney Boos Richard Bollig	Sarah Eck Peggy Seibel Jackie Flax
Servers	Aschenbrenner/ Swagerty Siblings	Hannah & Luke James
Cantor / Musician	Alyson Johnson Emily Mattheyer	Nancy Cunningham Isabella Eck
Ushers & Greeters	Duane & Karen Dorzweiler Roberta Augustine	Wesley & Lindsay James Family

Other Ministries

7:00am Lector	May 17 (Sun)	Eldon Pfeifer
Communion to Homebound	May 15 (Fri)	Marilyn Kroeger
Ellis Good Samaritan	May 17 (Sun) 10:00 a.m.	John Gnad
Rosary Leaders	May 16 (Sat) 5:30 p.m. May 17 (Sun) 9:00 a.m.	Clarence Rupp Connie Fink
Monthly Money Counters	May	Helen Fischer Lisa Weber

Meetings & Events

Sun	May 10	Happy Mother's Day
Mon	May 11	Home & School Members Meeting @ 6pm School Council Meeting @ 7pm
Wed	May 13	SMS 6th Gr. Promotion Mass @ 8:10am
Thurs	May 14	SMS Awards Assembly @ 8:30am Eucharistic Adoration at 9:00am—5:00pm SMS Dismiss at 11:40am
Fri	May 15	Feast of St. Isidore ...Blessing of Seed, Water & Soil at 8:10am Mass
Sun	May 17	Confirmation Mass @ 9am Mass at Cedar Bluff Lake @ 11am

Parish Announcements

- **15th Annual Baby Bottle Campaign Begins:** Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas will be conducting their 15th Annual Baby Bottle Campaign now through to Father's Day weekend, June-20-21st. This campaign provides support to mothers in our communities facing economic struggles, giving them access to critical resources so they can provide for their babies. There are baby bottles available at each of our four church entrances for you to take home with you. Your contributions support: Pregnancy Services that include Emergency assistance, Counseling Support, Adoption Guidance. *All money stays local and helps people who need our services the most.*
- **Feast Day of St. Isidore** will be celebrated at Mass on **Friday, May 15th at 8:10am.** All are invited to attend. See Fr. Dana's Notes for more information.
- **Cedar Bluff Lake Masses** for the summer begin on Sunday, May 17th at 11:00am. All are welcome.
- **Fr. Dana Celebrates 25 years!** On May 19, 2026, will be Fr. Dana's 25th Anniversary of Ordination to Priesthood. You are invited to fill his mailbox by helping him celebrate this milestone by sending a note and/or card to the Parish Office.
- **Parish Directory:** We still have Parish Directories available if you haven't already picked one up. We are asking for a donation of \$10.00 to help cover the print cost. Donation envelopes are on the table with the Directories or you can stop by the Parish Office.



Notes from the Pastor

Mother's Day. Today is Mother's D, a day in which we celebrate the beauty and gift of motherhood. I would like to wish all mothers a Happy Mother's Day!

6th Grade Promotion Mass. This special Mass for our 6th Grade students will be this Wednesday, May 13 at 8:10am. Everyone is welcome to join.

The Feast of St. Isidore. The Feast of St. Isidore is on Friday May 15. We will celebrate it at our 8:10am Mass. The celebration will include: a blessing of water that will be used to bless seeds to be planted (or a sampling of seeds to be planted) and any soil that is brought in; a blessing of a container of potting soil from which you can take some home to add to your field, garden or yard; praying the litany of Saint Isidore. *We will have a table setup for anyone to bring seed to be blessed. You don't have to attend Mass, just bring your seed sometime before Wednesday Mass and place it on the table and then pick it up later. After Mass, there will be blessed water and soil available to take home.*

Confirmation. Confirmation for our 8th Grade class is next Sunday, May 17 at 9:00am Mass with Bishop Vincke. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Lake Masses. Masses at the lake for the summer will begin on Sunday, May 17. Mass time will be 11:00am.

Auction Final Numbers. Below is the breakdown of the auction. It was the best auction ever! Thanks to all who helped make it a success: Donors, Participants, Committees, and Volunteers.

Auction 2026 Income Summary		
Account	Amount	Description
Donor Donations	\$32,950.00	Sponsorships, Banners, Cash Donations
Won Bids	\$52,375.00	Silent & Live Auction Items
Participant Cash Donations	\$3,521.00	Extra Donations Received by Participants
Special Item	\$36,549.00	
Adm. Ticket Sales	\$18,020.00	
Raffle Ticket Sales	\$20,950.00	
Other Purchases	\$5,510.00	Table Purchases, Wine Pull, Head & Tails, Reverse Bingo, Left Over Food
Credit Card Fees Paid	-\$564.48	
Expenses	-\$18,249.52	Includes Cash Raffle Prizes, Food Catering, Postage, Printing, Banners, Supplies, Misc.

Net Income **\$151,061.00**

Have a good week! Fr. Dana

Parish Organizations

- **Knights of Columbus Last Members Meeting before Summer:** All members are invited to attend on Thursday, May 13th at 7:00pm in the Knights Hall.
- **Cemetery Mowing Begins:** With recent rains and in preparation of Memorial Day weekend, our Cemetery Maintenance volunteers will be out mowing and trimming the Cemetery grounds. Please help them by cleaning up any decorations that may not be mounted in vases or secure to gravesites ASAP. Otherwise, they may be discarded in order to keep the cemetery tidy. Thank you!
- **SAVE THE DATE for Christmas in July Craft Fair!** The Daughters of Isabella are hosting a festive and fun-filled day on July 11th from 9:00am-2:00pm. Explore a wide variety of handmade crafts, unique gifts and local creations! They are currently taking Booth Reservations for any vendors wanting to participate! Contact Nicole M. via phone or text at 785-259-5696! Spaces are limited and are only allowing one vender per direct sales company, who ensure a variety for all participants! Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to shop local, support small business, and get into the holiday spirit—just a little early!

Parish Prayer List

Please Remember in Prayer

Denice Allen, Juanita Augustine, Henry Dinkel, Dianne Durler, Joe & Arlene Erbert, Cody Fisher, Cheryl Noles, Sr. Doris Flax, Gary Flax, Debbie Haas, Edna Hejny, Steve Hejny, Nathan Hively, Nathan Honas, Tim Kingsley & Family, Gilbert Kinderknecht, Agneta Kuhn, Kevin LaBarge, Shawna LaBarge, Martin & Debbie LaBarge, Norma Lang, Marge Metzler, Riley Moore, Dean Neuberger, Elizabeth Newton, Ramona Patten, Ralph & Shirley Pitner, Cathy Sherfick, Bernie & Laura Schoenberger, Leonard Schoenberger, Tanner Sullivan, Jill Urban, 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.

Parish Offering: May 2 & 3

Weekly Budget Fiscal Year 2025-26: \$6,845.00

Offertory Loose Plate.....\$1,365.73

Adult Envelopes.....\$4,857.00

Total Giving.....\$6,222.73

This weekend's collection is under by \$622.27.

School Announcements

Monday, May 11

SMS Cemetery Clean Up Day
Home & School Meeting @ 6:00pm
School Council Meeting @ 7:00pm

Wednesday, May 13

6th Grade Promotion Mass @ 8:10am
6th Graders sign "The Wall"

Thursday, May 14

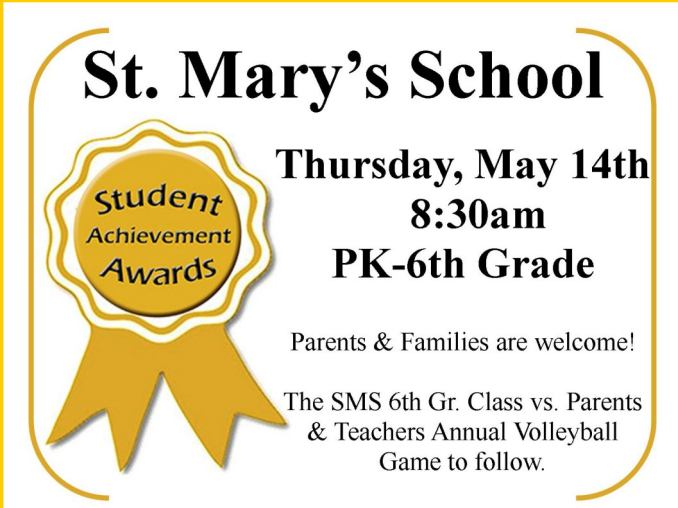
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

All-School Awards Assembly @ 8:30am
6th Gr. VS Parents/Teachers Volleyball Game
School Dismisses at 11:40am

- **Home & School Meeting, Monday, May 11** will be held at 6:00pm in the school office! We ask for as many parents/guardians to attend as possible. This meeting will consist of Election of Officers and discussion for next year's events!
- **School Year 26-27 Pre-Registrations due:** If you haven't already paid your pre-registration fees to the School Office, we suggest that you get them turned in before May 13th, please!
- **St. Mary's 6th Grade Promotion Mass** will be on Wednesday, May 13th at 8:10am Mass! Come celebrate with us and their families on all of their accomplishments! *Students can wear regular Wednesday uniform. 6th Graders may wear dress clothes.*
- **St. Mary's Awards Assembly** for all of our students, will be on Thursday, May 14th beginning at 8:30am in the school gym. All are welcome to celebrate our students and their accomplishments. Following will be the Annual Volleyball Match between the 6th Grade Class, their parents and teachers!
- **SMS LAST DAY OF SCHOOL** is Thursday, May 14th, with dismissal at 11:40am led by our 6th Graders ring the bell of St. Mary's School. Reminder—No buses on this day. Please make arrangements to drop off and pick up your child(ren).



The poster features a blue border with white stars. At the top is a circular logo with a blue cross and a banner that reads "St. Mary's". Below the logo, the text "6th Grade Promotion Mass" is written in large, bold, black letters. Underneath, "Wednesday, May 13, 2026" is in a blue box, followed by "8:10 AM" and "St. Mary's Church". At the bottom, in smaller text, it says "A light reception will follow for the 6th Grade students and their families."



The poster has a yellow border. On the left is a gold ribbon award with the text "Student Achievement Awards". To the right, "St. Mary's School" is in large black letters, followed by "Thursday, May 14th 8:30am PK-6th Grade". Below this, it says "Parents & Families are welcome!" and "The SMS 6th Gr. Class vs. Parents & Teachers Annual Volleyball Game to follow."

Community Announcements

- **Ellis Food Box Pick Up:** The Ellis Food Box Pantry will be open on Monday, May 11th from 3:00-6:00pm for those who need extra help with groceries.



Ride for the Wall Comes through Ellis on Sunday, May 17th. The annual Run for the Wall riders will leave Oakley, after lunch and fueling, at 1pm and head east on I-70. Estimated time to pass through Ellis is as early as 1:45pm. Usually there are about 15 'scout riders' ahead of the large group of riders. Bring your kids, grandkids, friends and flags to show your support as these riders head to Washington DC.

- **Don't Miss Out—Summer Food 4 Kids Program Enrollment Ends May 20!** Be sure to sign up in time to take advantage of this important program. Enrollment is quick and easy-stop by in person or call the Alliance Office at 820 Washington or 785-726-2660.