

ST. MARY'S PARISH

703 Monroe St., Ellis, KS 67637

August 9, 2026
19th 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 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

August 10 - August 16

Mon: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26
Tue: Ezekiel 2:8-3:4; Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wed: Ezekiel 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Matthew 18:15-20
Thu: Ezekiel 12:1-12; Matthew 18:21-19:1
Fri: Ezekiel 16:1-15, 60, 63; Matthew 19:3-12
Sat: Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Luke 1:39-56
Sun: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7, Matthew 15:21-28

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	Aug 8	5:30 p.m.	Irene LaBarge+ Family (liv/dec)
Sun	Aug 9	7:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	Aug 9	9:00 a.m.	Ron Herl+ Family (liv/dec)
Sun	Aug 9	11:00 a.m.	Cory Eberle+ Family (liv/dec)
Mon	Aug 10	5:30 p.m.	Marvin King+
Tues	Aug 11	8:10 a.m.	Edward & Bertha Riedel+, Troy Riedel, and Duane Riedel, Families (liv/dec)
Wed	Aug 12	8:10 a.m.	Rose Dorzweiler+
	EGSC	10:00 a.m.	For the Residents & their families (liv/dec)
Thurs	Aug 13	8:10 a.m.	Ignatz & Elizabeth Flax+ Family (liv/dec)
Fri	Aug 14	8:10 a.m.	Clifford "Cliff" Kreutzer+
Sat	Aug 15	5:30 p.m.	William & Rose Augustine+ and Ken Augustine+
Sun	Aug 16	7:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	Aug 16	9:00 a.m.	Patten & Kingsley Families (liv/dec)
Sun	Aug 16	11:00 a.m.	No Mass Intention

Ministries for August 15 & 16

Ministry	5:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lector	Barney Boos	Nicole Carroll
Presentation of Gifts	Ethan & Britny Cox Family	Alex & Kelsi Broadway Family
Eucharistic Minister(s)	Terry & Cindy Zervas	Peggy Seibel Lacie Haas Curtis Weber
Servers	Aschenbrenner/ Swagerty Siblings	Hunter, Breckyn, Brielle Honas
Cantor / Musician	Alyson Johnson Nancy Cunningham	Emily Mattheyer Sophie Seibel
Ushers & Greeters	Darren & Alyson Johnson Family	Bailey Dinkel Family Brad & Tava Deines

Other Ministries

7:00am Lector	August 16 (Sun)	Becky Metzler
Communion to Homebound	August 14 (Fri)	Diane Kuhn
Ellis Good Samaritan	August 16 (Sun) 10:00 a.m.	John Gnad
Rosary Leaders	August 15 (Sat) 5:30 p.m. August 16 (Sun) 9:00 a.m.	Allen Weber Connie Fink
Monthly Money Counters	August	Bob & Margie Mickelson

Meetings & Events

S-S	Aug 8-9	Seminarian Collection
Sun	Aug 9	Second Sunday, Coffee & Donuts at 10am Bible Study @ 10:30am
Mon	Aug 10	National S'mores Day!
Tues	Aug 11	Pick up Peaches Orders St. Mary's Home & School Assn. Meeting @ 6pm St. Mary's School Council Meeting @ 7pm
Thurs	Aug 13	Eucharistic Adoration, 9am-5pm
Sat	Aug 15	Assumption of Blessed Mary Mass @ 8:10am

Parish Announcements

- **Second Sunday Coffee & Donuts:** Be sure to join us in the church basement after 9am Mass on August 9th to catch up with family and friends before school year starts! We will have donuts, orange juice, coffee and a special treat to celebrate National S'mores Day!
- **Support the Seminarians:** We invite you to participate in the annual Seminary Collection, this weekend, August 8-9. Every contribution makes a significant impact, regardless the size!
- **Fruit Delivery, Tuesday, August 11:** On Tuesday, August 11th, Emily will be making the trip to Colby to pick up the fruit in the afternoon! Goal is to be back in Ellis before 5:00pm. She will call those who placed an order to let them know a more accurate estimated time of arrival when she leaves Colby! Thank you for your continued support to the young people in Colby CYO!
- **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mother** feast day is August 15. This feast is not a holy day of obligation this year. However, Fr. Dana will be celebrating Mass at 8:10am on Saturday morning for those who wish to attend in celebrating the special feast day. Ministries will need to be filled in by volunteers.
- **Time to Enroll in Religious Education (CCD)!** As a new school year begins, so does a new year of learning more about the Catholic faith for our young parishioners! St. Mary's Religious Education (formally known as CCD) is open to students who are not currently attending St. Mary's School and are entering 1st-8th grades. You can find the registration form on the church website, under "Faith Formation", the back of church, or by contacting the Parish Office! There will be some changes happening in the schedule of Sacraments as we adjust to the Restored Order, more information to come about this.

Notes from the Pastor

School Parking Lot Project. The project is complete! We will open it up to the public at the end of the week in order to give the final pouring sufficient time to cure.

The Feast of the Assumption. On Saturday, August 15, is the Feast of the Assumption. Since it falls on a Saturday it is not a holy day of obligation this year. However, since it is an important Marian feast day, I will offer a morning Mass at 8:10am for those interested in celebrating this feast day.

School Beginning! It is hard to believe summer vacation is coming to an end. School will be starting Thursday, August 21. I am looking forward to meeting and spending time with all the children.

Religious Education: Restored Order. As you may know the Diocese is transitioning to what is called the Restored Order of the Sacraments of Initiation. In the Restored Order, infant Baptism is first, followed by Confirmation, and concluding with the Eucharist (First Holy Communion) in the third grade. Children will receive Confirmation and First Communion together during the same Mass.

The transition to Restored Order also requires those who will be in third grade thru eighth grade this year to be confirmed. We have a plan for preparing and confirming this group.

We will be holding an informational meeting to present the plan for parents tentatively on Wednesday, September 2 after the CCD Mass. A letter will be sent out to parents (and parishioners) with information about the restored order prior to the meeting.

YDisciple/Youth Program. Our high school youth program YDisciple will start soon. We are planning to send out letters of invitation to parents and high school students (Freshmen thru Seniors) soon. Tentatively, the first meeting date is Wednesday, September 2. More details will be given in the letters of invitation.

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 in joining the Catholic Church, let me know. This is also an opportunity for those Catholics who are interested in updating their knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith to attend. The class is tentatively planned for Thursday evenings at

Have a good week! Fr. Dana

Parish Offering: August 1 & 2

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

Offertory Loose Plate.....\$894.50

Adult Envelopes.....\$6,379.00

Cedar Bluff Collection.....\$478.08

Total Giving.....\$7,751.58

This weekend's collection is above by \$906.58

Community Announcements

- **YDisciples "Family Dinner" Kick-Off Night, August 26th:** We invite the high school students to join us on Wednesday, August 26 at 6:00pm for a "Family Dinner" & Fun! This family style meal is something new! It will simply be us making a meal together and enjoying it with one another around the table. We are asking for help in providing the ingredients for this shared meal. YDisciple parents and St. Mary's Parish parishioners are welcome to take part in donating the items. There is a sign up sheet with all items needed for our "Family Dinner" in the back of church. Please take a look at it and sign up to provide any and all that you wish! Please be sure to bring the items with you the night of the kick off or make arrangements to drop off at the parish office with Emily by August 24th! Thank you for your support! Looking forward to having a "Family Meal" and Fun with YDisciples! *Other listed items on our shopping list are for activities/events planned later in the semester!*
- **YDisciples Meal Train:** We are excited to welcome new and returning High School students to YDisciples this school year! The group meets every Wednesday evening in the church basement from 6:00-7:45pm (note: the new times)! With the expectation of having a group of 20-25 students again this year, we are asking for help from the Parish to help us with meals each week! We gather together for a light meal before breaking into group discussion. If you can and are willing to donate toward or provide a meal for the group and mentors, please contact Emily at the Parish Office to see which dates are available! Your support will be greatly appreciated!

Parish Prayer List

Please Remember in Prayer

Our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends in the loss of **Timothy Kingsley**, who passed away July 22, 2026. May the peace of God surround you during this time of sorrow.

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Denice Allen, Juanita Augustine, Emma Brouk, Preston Browning, Ed Collins, Henry Dinkel, Dianne Durler, Joe & Arlene Erbert, Sr. Doris Flax, Gary Flax, Bob Gabel, Brandon & Jordan Gabel Family, Debbie Haas, Edna Hejny, Steve Hejny, Nathan Hively, Nathan Honas, Gilbert Kinderknecht, Agneta Kuhn, Kevin LaBarge, Shawna LaBarge, Martin & Debbie LaBarge, Norma Lang, Marge Metzler, Riley Moore, Elizabeth Newton, Cheryl Noles, Ramona Patten, Shirley Pitner, Cathy Sherfick, Bernie & Laura Schoenberger, Leonard Schoenberger, Keric Smith, Lee Stueve, Tanner Sullivan, Jill Urban, Shirley Wagner, Dale Wasinger, Karla Weimer, Kathy Wiesner, Leon Wiesner, Brandy Womack, 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**

**Tuesday, August 11th - Home & School Association Meeting  
- School Council Meeting @ 7:00pm**

**Wednesday, August 12 - Gone Logo Uniform Orders DUE**

**Thursday, August 14 - Last Day for EPD's School Supply Drive**



**St. Mary's School Apparel:** Show your pride for St. Mary's School by wearing some of our school apparel! We have two vendors to choose from for ordering. *All St. Mary's Kindergarten-6th grade students are required to wear St. Mary's polo shirts and t-shirts throughout the school year.* To place an order, enter your email address at either site! Take note of each vendors deadline. Orders placed after the designated date could have a late fee.

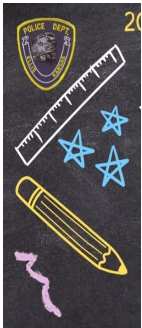
★Gone Logo = <https://stmarysapparel26.itemorder.com/> (*Orders must be placed by August 12th*)

★Hays Tees = [https://haystees.printavo.com/merch/ellis\\_stmarys/](https://haystees.printavo.com/merch/ellis_stmarys/) (*Orders must be placed by August 23rd*)

*Orders placed at Hays Tees by August 10th, should be ready to be picked up at Meet the Teacher Night!*

*All orders need to be placed by August 24th in order to have them completed by August 31st!*

REMINDER: St. Mary's School does have a "School Clothes Closet"! All items from the closet are \$2.00 each.



**2026 Ellis Police Department School Supply Drive:** We are excited to announce our 2026 School Supply Drive, **July 27th - August 14th!** Last year was insanely successful and resulted in approximately 120lbs of school supplies being donated to schools in our community. Every donation stays local and directly benefits students and teachers! At the end of the supply drive, officers will divvy up the donations evenly between St. Mary's School and Washington Elementary and deliver the supplies during in-services, the week of school starting. This year, donations can be dropped off at the Ellis Public Library and the City of Ellis Clerk's Office during normal business hours. A few items are in high demand this year, such as: Thick-tipped Washable Markers, Expo Markers (Black or Dark Blue), 5" Scissors, Colored Pencils, Jumbo Glue Sticks, Big Pencil Erasers, and Sandwich Bags, but ANY school supply item(s) received will be graciously accepted and used! Thank you all in advance for helping us equip students & teachers for success during the 2026-2027 school year!

### ***SAVE THESE DATES:***

The school year begins in a short 2 weeks!  
Mark your calendars for these upcoming events!  
You sure don't want to miss them!



**Tuesday, August 18**  
**Meet the Teacher Night @ 6:00pm**



**Thursday, August 20**  
**First Day of School**  
**(Dismiss at 12:40pm)**

**Saturday, August 22 @ 6:30pm**

**Happy 125th Birthday, St. Mary's School!**

We are excited to share this special event with you!  
Help us spread the news to all St. Mary's School families,  
past & present and of course, friends of St. Mary's too!



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