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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

March 25 - March 31

Mon: Isaiah 42:1-7; John 12:1-11
Tue: Isaiah 49:1-6; John 13:21-33, 36-38
Wed: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Matthew 26:14-25
Thu: Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14; John 13:1-15
Fri: Isaiah 52:13-53:12; John 18:1-19:42
Sat: Genesis 1:1-2:2; Mark 16:1-7
Sun: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; John 20:1-9

Parish Personnel

Pastor	Fr. Dana Clark
Parish Secretary	Mrs. Emily Mattheyer
School Principal	Mrs. Patti Park
Pastoral Council President	Mr. John Zody
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	Mar 23	5:30 p.m.	Doug Egger+ (anniv)
Sun	Mar 24	7:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	Mar 24	9:00 a.m.	Armellia Reiter+
Mon	Mar 25	5:30 p.m.	Henry & Mary (anniv) Weigel+ Family (l/d), LaVerne & Olie Weigel+, Jay Weigel+ and Brenda Gabel+
Tues	Mar 26	5:30 p.m.	LaVerne Dinkel+, David Dinkel+ and Nick & Leoba Dinkel+
Wed	Mar 27	8:10 a.m.	Sister Doris Marie Flax
	EGSC	10:00 a.m.	For the Residents & Families (liv/dec)
Thurs	Mar 28	7:00 p.m.	Ginger Schoenthaler
Fri	Mar 29	3:30 p.m.	<i>No Intention—Good Friday</i>
Sat	Mar 30	5:30 p.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	Mar 31	7:00 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Nick Dinkel+ Family (liv/dec)
Sun	Mar 31	9:00 a.m.	Eddie & Fidelia Honas+

Meetings & Events

S/S	Mar. 23/24	Palm Sunday
Mon	March 25	Parish Council Meeting @ 7pm
Wed	March 27	CCD/YDisciples Resume
Thurs	March 28	No Eucharistic Adoration Holy Thursday Mass @ 7:00pm
Fri	March 29	Parish Office Closed Good Friday Service @ 3:00pm Stations of the Cross at 5:30pm
Sat	March 30	Holy Saturday Vigil @ 8:30pm
Sun	March 31	Easter Sunday Masses @ 7am & 9am
Mon	April 1	No School & Parish Office Closed

Ministries for Holy Week: Holy Thursday—Easter Sunday: March 28—31

Ministry	Holy Thursday 7:00pm	Good Friday 3:00pm	Holy Saturday 8:30pm	Easter Sunday 7:00am	Easter Sunday 9:00am
Lector	Perry Mick Cindy Zerfas	Megan Honas Allen Weber	Sharon Bittel Richard Bollig	Mike Augustine	Megan Honas
Offertory Procession	Roberta Augustine Gary Luea	XXX	Matt & Bailey Dinkel Family	<i>Volunteers</i>	Megan & Cody Honas Family
Eucharistic Ministers	Peggy Seibel Mindy Eck	Peggy Seibel Mindy Eck	Richard Bollig Sharon Bittel	<i>Volunteers</i>	Lacie Haas Paula Wasinger Curtis Weber
Cantor / Musician	Guitar Choir	Emily Mattheyer Alyson Johnson	Nancy Cunningham Volunteer Singers	<i>Volunteers</i>	Guitar Choir
Servers	Brendon & Sophie Seibel Need (2) Volunteers	Hunter, Breckyn & Brielle Honas	Dayson & Ryalin Moeder Need (2) volunteers	<i>Volunteers</i>	Addalyn & Ainsley Haas
Ushers & Greeters	Duane & Karen Dorzweiler Clarence Rupp Bob & Margie Mickelson	<i>Volunteers</i>	Duane & Karen Dorzweiler Clarence Rupp Bob & Margie Mickelson	<i>Volunteers</i>	Mark & Sarah Eck Family

Parish Prayer List

Please Remember in Prayer

Congratulations! Thaddeus Lynn Lambert, who was baptized here on March 17th. Son of Taylor & Madeline (Singleton) Lambert.

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Juanita Augustine, Rose Brack, Janice Collins, Dianne Durler, Rose Egger, Sister Doris Flax, Robert Gerhardt, Debbie Haas, Edna Hejny, Nathan Hively, Ken Honas, Jeannie Keller, Brynlee Kingsley, Doug Kingsley, Agneta Kuhn, Donald Kuhn, Gilbert Kinderknecht, Lucille Kuhn, Irene LaBarge, Joey LaBarge, Kevin LaBarge, Martin & Debbie LaBarge, Shawna LaBarge, Holly Metzler, Riley Moore, Elizabeth Newton, Maddux Pfeifer, Tanner Sullivan, Bernie & Laura Schoenberger, Skylar Wands, 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 Announcements**

- **THANK YOU** to all of you who were able to join us on this past Tuesday with Bishop Vincke's Year of Mercy visit to St. Mary's! Check out the insert for a recap from the day! More pictures on our Facebook page!
- **Volunteers for Washing of the Feet (Holy Thursday):** We are needing (12) volunteers to have their feet washed for Holy Thursday Mass at 7pm. Please call the Parish Office.
- **No Eucharistic Adoration on Holy Thursday.**
- **Holy Saturday Choir Members Needed:** We invite any voices who would like to sing for the Easter Vigil to a practice on Sunday, March 24 at 4:00pm at the church. If you have questions, please contact Nancy at 785-726-1096.
- **Holy Land Collection:** We will be taking up a special collection for the Holy Land on Good Friday.
- **Lenten Rice Bowls:** Remember to drop off your Rice Bowls this week. Place them in the box near the musicians area.
- **Easter Lilies:** We invite you to make a minimal donation to the parish for Easter Lilies. If you wish to have flowers "in memory" of loved ones, please include their name(s) with your donation. Put into the collection basket or drop by the Parish Office. Please note *EASTER FLOWERS* on envelope. If you wish to purchase your own flowers, we ask that you deliver them close too, but no later than Saturday, March 30 at 9:00am.
- **YDisciples!** Come support the St. Mary's School Students by participating in their Music Stations of the Cross this Wednesday, March 27th! Meal served at 6:30pm with Stations to follow! What a great Lenten activity!
- **Pray the Divine Mercy 9 Day Novena:** You are invited to pray the Divine Mercy Novena with us beginning Good Friday at 5:30pm in the church. Father Dana will pray the Novena each day at 5:30pm with the exception of Monday, April 1 at 6:00pm and Saturday, April 6th at 5:00pm. See Novena schedule on insert. Everyone is welcome to attend! We will also have each of the nine days posted on our church website home page and Facebook page with different intentions daily at 3:00pm! Divine Mercy Sunday is the Sunday after Easter, April 7th; a special prayer service will be held at 3:00pm.
- **Mass Intentions for April:** I still have a few dates open in April that we wish to fill. If you have someone you would like to have a mass said for, please call the Parish Office. Masses will be scheduled on a first come, first service basis.

## **Notes from the Pastor**

**Lenten Confessions.** Our Parish Communal Penance Service is this Sunday, March 24, at 1:00 p.m.

**Seven Session Study on "Jesus and the Eucharist".** Our sixth session study of the Eucharist continues this Sunday, 2:00pm in the church basement. The topic for this session is: "The Story of the Eucharist."

**Good Friday Collection.** On Good Friday, all Christians are united in a special way to the Holy Land. Pope Francis has asked all Catholics to support the Christians in the Holy Land by preserving the past – shaping the future of the Holy Land.

**Divine Mercy Novena and Divine Mercy Sunday.** Divine Mercy Sunday is the Sunday after Easter April 7. There is a nine-day novena starting on Good Friday that leads up to Divine Mercy Sunday. I will be praying this novena at Church for those who would like to gather as a group, at 5:30pm, except the Monday and Saturday when we have 5:30pm Mass, which will be at another time. We will, also, have a special prayer service on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7, beginning at 3:00pm, with Confessions heard from 1:00pm to 2:30pm, so mark your calendar. See bulletin insert for more details.

**Transitional Deacon Ordination** for Kade Megaffin, Jesse Ochs and Adam Urban is scheduled for April 6, at 10:00am in Salina at the Cathedral. Everyone is welcomed. Please pray for them.

**First Communion.** First Communion is April 7 at the 9:00am Mass. Please keep our 2nd Graders in your prayers as they prepare for this sacrament.

### ***Some Upcoming Dates to Remember:***

| Date        | Event                                                                        |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 03/24 (Sun) | Communal Penance Service @ 1:00pm<br>Session 6 – Study on Eucharist @ 2:00pm |
| 03/30 (Sat) | Easter Vigil @ 8:30pm                                                        |
| 03/29-04/06 | Divine Mercy 9 Day Novena                                                    |
| 04/07 (Sun) | First Communion during 9:00am Mass<br>Divine Mercy Prayer Service @ 3:00pm   |

*Have a good week! Fr. Dana*

### **Parish Offering: Weekend of March 16 & 17**

**Weekly Budget Fiscal Year 2023-24: \$7,433.34**

Offertory Loose Plate.....\$1,163.00

Adult Envelopes.....\$3,391.00

**Total Giving this week.....\$4,554.00**

**For this weekend the collection is below by \$2,879.34.**

## Parish Organizations

- **Knights of Columbus Cards Night** is set for Wednesday, March 27 beginning at 7:00pm at the Knights Hall!



**Ellis Daughters of Isabella \$200 Scholarship Available:** The Ellis Daughters of Isabella, Circle 323, is accepting applications to award a \$200 scholarship! Applicants must be a member of D of I, a daughter, granddaughter, or a niece (of member). Applicants must be a senior in high school or attending an accredited college. For more info or an application form, please contact Lisa Morton at 785-726-1090. *Applications due by April 15.*

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## School Announcements

**Wednesday, March 27—6th Gr. Musical Stations**

**Friday, March 29—No School** (Good Friday)

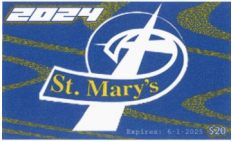
**Monday, April 1—No School** (Easter Monday)

**Tuesday, April 2—Classroom Easter Parties**



**6th Grade Musical Stations of the Cross:** If you were unable to join the 6th Grade Class this past Friday, they will be praying our Musical Stations of the Cross again on *Wednesday, March 27th at 7:00pm.*

- **Discount Cards:** Students and Staff are selling discount cards for \$20.00 each to raise money to install new basketball goals on the playground and purchase other PE equipment! These cards can be used over and over at all the locations on the card until June 2025! Call the School Office to place your order—this is a great way to support St. Mary's School and save money while you are at it!



**Race for Education 2024** is officially underway! You may have received a donation flyer in your mailbox from a student or staff member. IF you didn't, and would like to donation, there is still plenty of time to do so if you wish! Donations will go towards a new walking trail around the school playground/church grounds. You may drop off your donation to the school office, parish office, mail it in, or you can use the school website to give a donation online! The Race Day is schedule for Friday, April 26th at 9:00am!

- **Graduating Seniors!!! We have a Scholarship For You:** If you are a former St. Mary's School graduate that is graduating from high school and plan to further their education by means of higher education, then you are eligible to apply for a \$500 Scholarship from St. Mary's Home & School Association. Applications are available by calling the School Office or emailing Mrs. Park at [ppark@stmarysofellis.org](mailto:ppark@stmarysofellis.org)! *Applications are due by April 2, 2024!*

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## Community Announcements



- **ERC's Ellis High School Students ONLY Easter Egg Hunt** is scheduled for Wednesday, March 27 at 8:30pm SHARP at the K-18 Baseball Field! Come join the fun and don't forget your flashlight!
- **Ellis Chamber of Commerce Easter Egg Hunt** will be held at the Ellis Good Samaritan Center on Saturday, March 30th beginning at 11:00am. There will be goodies for ages 0-14! Times begin with youngest ages first, and all times are staggered to allow parents to help and watch multiple children in the different age groups! Hunts go *FAST!* Don't Be Late!!!

- **Ellis Food Boxes:** Curbside Pick Up at 210 Madison is on *April 1st* from 3 to 6pm. Free food boxes for those living in USD 388 who feel the need! No sign up. No income restrictions. No walking or carrying boxes. Just come to our convenient drive-thru!
- **Sybil Luea Scholarship Applications Due March 31st:** The Sybil Luea Scholarship is for a graduating Ellis High School senior and/or an EHS Alumni attending any postsecondary education, in Kansas, pursuing a degree in an agricultural field. Applications are due *March 31st!* For more info and/or an application, please visit the EHS counselor's office, download at [www.ellisfoundation.net](http://www.ellisfoundation.net) or visit the Alliance Office.
- **"We Believe in Music"** is the theme for this year's 56th Anniversary Hays High Plains Barbershop Chapter AO22 Show on Saturday, April 6th in the Beach-Schmidt Performing Arts Center at FHSU. There will be two shows at 2:00pm and 7:00pm. Joining the Hays High Plains Chorus on stage will be the Tumbleweed Chorus from Colby and local chapter quartets! The headline quartet will be "After Hours," an American barbershop quartet that won the 2018 Barbershop Harmony Society International Quartet Championship held in Orlando, FL, with an overall score of 94.7%. They are the highest rating quartet to win since the change in scoring in 1993! "After Hours" has preformed for a variety of barbershop shows all across United States and strives to simply bring joy to all types of audiences through their music. Tickets for the show may be purchased for \$15 in advance from any chorus member or at the following locations: Walgreens, CERV's (Vine St.), Hays Convention & Visitors Bureau, Couture for Men, all in Hays, KS or you can order online at <http://rb.gy/8743sx>. If you've never attended one of our shows or are one of our faithful fans, this is a "must see" event!!!



# Divine Mercy Sunday

April 7, 2024

***A Day of Extraordinary Graces, a Day of Mercy, An Opportunity to help sinners to come back into full union, with Christ and His Church.***

On that day ***“the very depths of My tender Mercy are open...”***

## ***The Promise to All Souls Observing Divine Mercy Sunday***

On one occasion, I heard these words: **My daughter, tell the whole world about My Inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. *The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.* On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. [Diary 699]**



## ***Plenary Indulgence Granted for Divine Mercy Sunday.***

On June 13, 2002 Pope John Paul II granted a plenary indulgence for Divine Mercy Sunday.

### ***Conditions given for this plenary indulgence:***

1. Sacramental Confession (preferably before Divine Mercy Sunday)
2. Reception of Holy Communion (on Divine Mercy Sunday)
3. Prayer for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff (Our Father, Hail Mary, and a Glory Be.)
4. Participation in the prayers and devotions held in honor on Divine Mercy\*\*

 on Divine Mercy Sunday,  
 in any church or chapel,  
 ***in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin.***

\*\* Instead of participating in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy, a person, who in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g., Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!);



## ***Divine Mercy Novena***

We will pray the novena as a parish (see schedule below) leading up to Divine Mercy Sunday. The Novena can be prayed at home. The Novena will be prayed, starting on Good Friday (March 29), at 5:30 p.m. each day, except the Monday (April 1) & Saturday (April 6). On Monday we will pray the Novena after the 5:30 p.m. Mass, on Saturday we will pray it at 5:00 p.m. before Mass.

|   | Day                    | Time                         |
|---|------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1 | Good Friday            | 5:30 p.m.                    |
| 2 | Holy Saturday          | 5:30 p.m.                    |
| 3 | Easter Sunday          | 5:30 p.m.                    |
| 4 | Monday after Easter    | 6:00 p.m. (after 5:30 Mass)  |
| 5 | Tuesday after Easter   | 5:30 p.m.                    |
| 6 | Wednesday after Easter | 5:30 p.m.                    |
| 7 | Thursday after Easter  | 5:30 p.m.                    |
| 8 | Friday after Easter    | 5:30 p.m.                    |
| 9 | Saturday after Easter  | 5:00 p.m. (before 5:30 Mass) |

## ***Divine Mercy Sunday***

*1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Confessions (an opportunity for the fallen away to return)*

*3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Sunday Prayer Service. Service will include:*

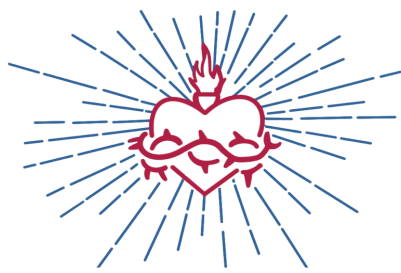
- ✙ Readings from Scripture
- ✙ Readings from the diary of St. Faustina
- ✙ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- ✙ Chaplet of the Divine Mercy (Sung)
- ✙ Litany in Praise of the Divine Mercy
- ✙ Prayer of Entrustment
- ✙ Veneration of the Image of Divine Mercy
- ✙ Benediction

For more information about the Divine Mercy go to the following websites:

[www.thedivinemercy.org](http://www.thedivinemercy.org)  
[www.divinemercyfilm.com](http://www.divinemercyfilm.com)  
[www.feastofmercy.net](http://www.feastofmercy.net)

JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU





**YEAR OF MERCY**  
CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SALINA

**TUESDAY, MARCH 19**

**What a Beautiful day we had  
with Bishop Vincke!**

**Here are some highlights from the day!**



**Mass with the students**

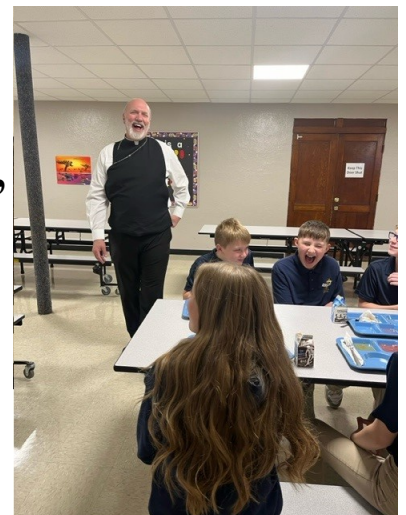


**Mass with the Ellis Good Samaritan Residents**

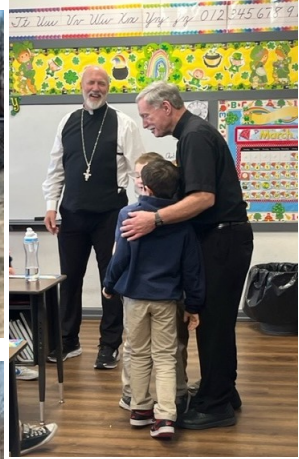
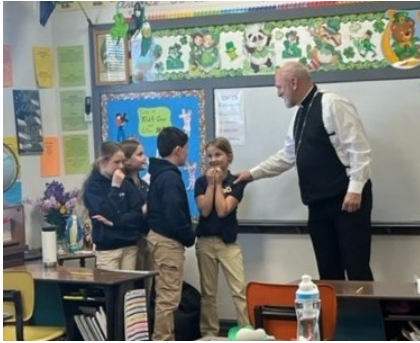


**Met our "Principal of the Day",  
Miss Werth and  
shared laughter with  
students during Lunch.**

More on the back!







**Visiting the Classrooms and getting in on a good game of Football at recess.**



**Mass for the Parishioners, followed by Supper and Stories of Mercy with time to reflect.**

