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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

April 8 - April 14
Mon: Isaiah 7:10-14; 8-10; Luke 1:26-38
Tue: Acts 4:32-37; John 3:7b-15
Wed: Acts 5:17-26; John 3:16-21
Thu: Acts 5:27-33; John 3:31-36
Fri: Acts 5:34-42; John 6:1-15
Sat: Acts 6:1-7; John 6:16-21
Sun: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Luke 24:35-48

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	April 6	5:30 p.m.	Mary Ann Flax+ Family (liv/dec)
Sun	April 7	7:00 a.m.	Jacob Wildeman+ (anniv)
Sun	April 7	9:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Mon	April 8	5:30 p.m.	Edgar & Rosemary Bittel+, Elaine Bittel+ and Wayne King+
Tues	April 9	8:10 a.m.	Don R. Younger+
Wed	April 10	8:10 a.m.	John & Alice Gabel+ Family (liv/dec)
	EGSC	10:00 a.m.	For the Residents & Families (liv/dec)
Thurs	April 11	8:10 a.m.	Betty Koerner+
Fri	April 12	8:10 a.m.	Ignatz & Rosa (anniv) Lang+, John M. & Clara (anniv) Augustine+ and Lawrence+ & Norma Lang Families (l/d)
Sat	April 13	5:30 p.m.	Duane Riedel+
Sun	April 14	7:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	April 14	9:00 a.m.	Richard Geschwentner+

Ministries for April 13 & 14

Ministry	5:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lector	Richard Bollig	Brian Serpan
Presentation of Gifts	Pat & Diane Kuhn	Danny & Lacie Haas Family
Eucharistic Minister(s)	Duane Dorzweiler Barney Boos	Gordon & Geri Augustine Lacie Haas
Servers	Kinzie Sunley	Hunter, Breckyn & Brielle Honas
Cantor / Musician	Emily Mattheyer	Brad Deines Amy Staab
Ushers & Greeters	James & Alyssa Rome Roberta Augustine Pat & Diane Kuhn	Cody & Megan Honas Family

Other Ministries

7:00am Lector	April 14 (Sun) 7:00 a.m.	Joe Hertel
Communion to Homebound	April 12 (Fri)	Diane Kuhn
Ellis Good Samaritan	April 14 (Sun) 10:15 a.m.	John Gnad
Rosary Leaders	April 13 (Sat) 5:30 p.m. April 14 (Sun) 9:00 a.m.	Diane Kuhn Peggy Seibel
Monthly Money Counters	April	Bob & Margie Mickelson
Coffee & Donuts Host	April 14th	Craig & Becky Seibel Family

Meetings & Events

Sun	April 7	Divine Mercy Sunday First Holy Communion at 9am Mass Divine Mercy Prayer Service @ 3:00pm
Wed	April 10	Last YDisciple gathering at 6:30pm
Thurs	April 11	Eucharistic Adoration @ 9am-5pm
Sun	April 14	Coffee & Donuts after 9am Mass Last Lenten Parish Session at 2:00pm
Mon	April 15	No School

Parish Announcements

- **Divine Mercy Sunday Prayer Service:** You are invited to a special prayer service this Sunday, April 7th at 3:00pm.
- **YDisciples - Last Gathering!** Come join in on our last fling for the school year-complete with cookout, scavenger hunt and more! See you this Wednesday, April 10th at 6:30pm!!!
- **Second Sunday Coffee & Donuts:** We invite you and your family to join us in the church basement after 9:00am Mass on Sunday, April 14th for donuts, coffee and orange juice! A great opportunity for fellowship and being together with your parish family!
- **Reminder for Last Lenten Parish Study:** We will close out or Lenten Parish Study on “Jesus and the Eucharist” on Sunday, April 14th at 2:00pm.
- **Due to Lack of Space:** The **Easter Lilies** names will be printed in the bulletin next weekend. Our apologies to keep you waiting.
- **Return Your Lenten Rice Bowls:** There is still time to drop off your Rice Bowls to the Parish Office or place them in the box near the musicians area.
- **Prayer & Action coming this Summer:** We are excited to announce that St. Mary’s Parish is one of the locations for the Salina Diocese’s Prayer & Action this summer! The group is looking forward to serving the Ellis community the month of July! If you or someone you know may need some help on a project this summer (painting, cleaning, yard work or other meaningful tasks, for the poor, handicapped and the elderly), please let the Parish Office know so we can add it our list! **High School Students:** Want to make a difference in your community? Join us this summer! Talk to Emily at the Parish Office on how to sign up for an incredible week serving and growing deeper in your faith!
- **Totus Tuus is returning in July:** Mark your calendars now to join us the week of July 14-19 for Totus Tuus! This program is open to students entering 1st-12th grades! More information to come as we draw closer!

Notes from the Pastor

Divine Mercy Sunday. Divine Mercy Sunday is this Sunday, April 7. We will have a special prayer service beginning at 3:00pm. I will be hearing confessions from 1:00–2:30pm.

Seven Session Study on “Jesus and the Eucharist”. Our seventh and last session study of the Eucharist is next Sunday, April 14 at 2:00pm in the church basement. The topic for this session is: “Bread for the Journey.”

From the Office of Education: Tax Credit Scholarship: The Scholarship Granting Fund for the Catholic Diocese of Salina is accepting donations and is able to offer a 75% tax credit. This school year, over \$119,000 was awarded to schools for 96 students in the Salina Diocese. Please email Katie Platten, CEO for Catholic Foundation, at katie.platten@salinadiocese.org.

Catechism Trivia

455. What does the fourth commandment require?

It commands us to honor and respect our parents and those whom God, for our good, has vested with his authority. *Further reading:* CCC 2196-2200, 2247-2248

456. What is the nature of the family in the plan of God? A man and a woman united in marriage form a family together with their children. God instituted the family and endowed it with its fundamental constitution. Marriage and the family are ordered to the good of the spouses and to the procreation and education of children. Members of the same family establish among themselves personal relationships and primary responsibilities. In Christ the family becomes the domestic church because it is a community of faith, of hope, and of charity. *Further reading:* CCC 2201-2205, 2249

459. What are the duties of children toward their parents? Children owe respect (filial piety), gratitude, docility and obedience to their parents. In paying them respect and in fostering good relationships with their brothers and sisters, children contribute to the growth in harmony and holiness in family life in general. Adult children should give their parents material and moral support whenever they find them.

These excerpts are from the Compendium of the CCC.

Some Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Date	Event
05/01 (Wed)	Confirmation Mass @ 7:00pm
05/05 (Sun)	Senior Graduation Mass @ 9am
05/14 (Tues)	6 th Grade Promotion Mass @ 8:10am
05/15 (Wed)	Feast of St. Isidore (patron saint of farmers) Mass at 8:10am – Blessing of Seeds and Soil

Have a good week! Fr. Dana

Parish Offering: Weekend of March 30 & 31

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

Offertory Loose Plate.....\$2,683.00

Adult Envelopes.....\$3,954.00

Total Giving this week.....\$6,637.00

For this weekend the collection is below by \$796.34.

Parish Organizations

- **Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting** will be Wednesday, April 10 beginning at 7:00pm with Cards to follow! Everyone is welcome!
- **Daughters of Isabella Monthly Meeting:** It's Cook's Choice Potluck this month! Join us at 6:00pm with your favorite dish to share, followed by meeting at 6:30pm at the Knights Hall on Thursday, April 11!
- **Fourth Degree Spring Social:** You are invited to attend this special event on **Saturday, April 13**. We will gather for Mass at 5:30pm, wearing formal attire (not required, but requested), followed by a Social beginning at 6:30pm and Supper at 7:00pm at the Ellis Knights of Columbus Hall. There will be a meeting and cards following! Please **RSVP no later than April 8th** to Greg A. at 785-726-3778 or Tom B. at 785-743-8265!
- **Ellis Daughter of Isabella Scholarship Applications due April 15th:** Seniors in high school or students attending an accredited college, if you are a member of D of I, a daughter, granddaughter, or a niece (of member) then you are eligible to be awarded a \$200 scholarship! Applications due on Monday, April 15th.
- **Spring Cleaning for Good Hope Quilters:** The Good Hope Quilters are hard at work creating more beautiful quilts for Samaritan House. While you're doing spring cleaning, we could use some quilt batting or blankets to use as middles! Your donation would be greatly appreciated! Please contact Gini Augustine at 785-726-1257 for more information!
- **Church Library:** Thank you to all who have shared your books with us or have made a monetary gift thus far! We are working at stocking the shelves with wonderful resources for all to use. We currently have some Bibles and some good Catholic books on the shelves but would love to have MORE!!! We are looking for children's books, saint books, books on the Catholic faith and Christian living, and more. We do plan to purchase some but want to see what you all have to share before doing so! If you wish to make a donation for this new venture--please bring your Catholic/Christian books/resources that are in **good** condition to the Parish Office for Fr. Dana's consideration! If you rather donate monetarily, any amount, big or small, will be appreciated to help purchase the new books. Please place your donation in an envelope and mark it "Church Library" and place it in the collection basket. Thank you for any help you can give for this worthwhile project! *The Library isn't quite ready for visitors yet, but we will be sure to let you know when it opens!!!*

School Announcements

Monday, April 8—School Council Meeting @ 7pm
Thursday, April 11—Birthday Mass & Lunch
4th Gr. attending HAC Program
Monday, April 15—No School (Teacher In-Service)



St. Mary's Cereal Drive: Help us make a Dominos train in our school gym by donating boxes of cereal between now and April 26th! The class that collects the most boxes will win a prize! Then on Friday, April 26th we will set up a dominos train in gym and watch as knock it down! All donations will go to the Ellis Food Pantry! A collection box is in the back of church for parishioners who would like to help us in this fun event!

- **Home & School Association Officer Positions Open:** There are two officer positions open for nominations for next school year: Vice President and Secretary. These positions are open to any St. Mary's School parent or a member of the Ellis community who has had a student attend St. Mary's School. Nominations are due by April 22nd! We will be voting at the May 6th Meeting.



Race for Education 2024: We are still accepting donations towards our Race for Education project of a new walking trail around the school playground/church grounds! If you wish to make a donation, you may do so dropping it off to the school office, parish office, mail it in, or you can use the school website to give a donation online! Our Race Day is scheduled for Friday, April 26th at 9:00am and you are welcome to come join us or cheer us on!

Community Announcements



Celebrate your Birthday at the Ellis Nutrition Center & Mealsite! Come celebrate your birthday with us at the Ellis Nutrition Center on April 18th! If you celebrate your birthday in the month of April, we want to celebrate with you! RSVP for a dine-in meal prior to Thursday, April 18th and you may receive a FREE meal on us! This offer is good for Dine-In Meals Only on April 18th!!! The Ellis Nutrition Center serves meals for senior citizens in the Ellis community on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays! We invite the aging Ellis residents to join us at 11:30am for affordable, well-balance meals for a cost of \$3.75 (60 yrs & up) or \$6.75 (under 60)! Good food, good company and entertainment in one place! Simply call one day in advance with your RSVP! Oh, the Ellis Nutrition Center & Mealsite offers Meals on Wheels and Pick-up too! Call for details at 785-726-3388 or to reserve your seat in the dining hall of the basement of the Bukovina Society (use south entrance)!



Two Days of Dancing Fun! The Sunflower Polka Club presents Julie Lee & Wes Windholz on Saturday, April 20 and April 21 at the Rose Garden Banquet Hall in Hays! Dancing begins on Saturday at 1:00pm until 7:00pm. On Sunday, there will be a Polka Mass at 11:15 with Fr. Harvey Dinkel (free to the public)! Dancing will continue beginning at 1:00pm with Julie Lee. Admission: Saturday Only = \$15, Sunday Only = \$10, Both Days = \$20! Doors open at Noon on Saturday and 10:15 on Sunday! Food and Drinks will be available for purchase both days at the ballroom. Call 620-897-7778 to reserve your ticket or if you have any questions!

Diocese of Salina Announcement

- **"Creating Your Catholic Legacy: A Guide to Estate Planning for All Ages":** Join the Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina for a **free** seminar on Catholic estate planning and learn more about: •Why you should have a plan in place – regardless of your age, •What is included in having a plan, •How to ensure your final wishes are carried out, •Ensure your Catholic legacy with a gift to your parish, Catholic school or other Catholic ministries, and much more! Four opportunities to attend this free seminar in Hays, KS:

Wednesday April 10th – 6:30pm @ TMP-Marian Learning Commons

Sunday April 14th – 2:00pm @ St. Joseph – Parish Conference Room

Parish Prayer List

Please Remember in Prayer

Congratulations! Maraia Werth who was baptized and received Confirmation & First Communion and **Bailey Dinkel** who made a Profession of Faith in the Roman Catholic Church and received Confirmation and Holy Communion at Easter Vigil on March 30!

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Please keep our 2nd graders in your prayers as they receive their Holy First Communion this Sunday, April 7:

Hayden C., Brecklynn F., Brenne H., Dean H., Adaler K., Oliver M., Olivia N., and Kinsley P.

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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.**