



ST. MARY'S PARISH

703 Monroe St., Ellis, KS 67637

March 23, 2025
Third Sunday of Lent

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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

March 24 - March 30

Mon: 2 Kings 5:1-15b; Luke 4:24-30
Tue: Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10; Luke 1:26-38
Wed: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Matthew 5:17-19
Thu: Jeremiah 7:23-28; Luke 11:14-23
Fri: Hosea 14:2-10; Mark 12:28-34
Sat: Hosea 6:1-6; Luke 18:9-14
Sun: Joshua 5:9a, 10-12; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

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

Sun	Mar 23	7:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners
Sun	Mar 23	9:00 a.m.	Frank & Anna Schuster+ Family (liv/dec)
Sun	Mar 23	4:00 p.m.	For the Confirmation Students
Mon	Mar 24	5:30 p.m.	Alvin Augustine+ (anniv) and Rudolph & Regina Augustine+
Tues	Mar 25	8:10 a.m.	Simon & Alma Davignon+ Family (liv/dec)
Wed	Mar 26	7:00 a.m.	Ernest Schoenthaler+
	EGSC	10:00 a.m.	For the Residents & their Families (liv/dec)
Thurs	Mar 27	8:10 a.m.	Darryl Schuler
Fri	Mar 28	8:10 a.m.	Alfred & Josephine Urban+
Sat	Mar 29	4:00 p.m.	John Rupp+ Family (liv/dec)
Sun	Mar 30	7:00 a.m.	Eurnice Berland+
Sun	Mar 30	9:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners

Ministries for March 29 & 30

Ministry	4:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lector	Roberta Augustine	Geri Augustine
Presentation of Gifts	Brian & Michelle Frickey	Brad & Tava Deines
Eucharistic Minister(s)	Terry & Cindy Zervas	Jackie Flax Eldon & Stephanie Jerauld
Servers	Caleb, Landon, Mason Schield	Theodore & Oliver Meagher
Cantor / Musician	Abby Serpan Cheryl Lang	Isabella Eck Amy Staab
Ushers & Greeters	Pat & Diane Kuhn Darren & Alyson Johnson Family	Eric & Kristen Gaschler Family Danny & Lacie Haas Family

Other Ministries

7:00am Lector	March 30 (Sun) 7:00a.m.	Mike Augustine
Communion to Homebound	March 28 (Fri)	Mindy Eck
Ellis Good Samaritan	March 30 (Sun) 10:15 a.m.	John Gnad
Rosary Leaders	March 29 (Sat) 4:00 p.m. March 30 (Sun) 9:00 a.m.	Clarence Rupp Peggy Seibel
Monthly Money Counters	March	Helen Fischer Lisa Weber

Meetings & Events

Sun	March 23	Confirmation Mass @ 4:00pm Faith Formation Session @ 7:00pm
Mon	March 24	Parish Council Meeting @ 7:00pm
Tues	March 25	Auction: Online Pre-Bidding Begins
Thurs	March 27	Eucharistic Adoration 9:00am-5:00pm Auction: Online Pre-Bidding Closes
Fri	March 28	NO SCHOOL Stations of the Cross @ 5:30pm
Sat	March 29	Mass at 4:00pm 30th Annual Parish Auction @ 5:00pm

Parish Announcements

- **Confirmation, this Sunday, March 23, at 4:00pm!**
We invite you come celebrate with our Confirmation Students and Bishop Vincke with Mass at 4:00pm!
- **Lenten Faith Formation “The Search”** continues to meet on Sundays at 7:00pm in the church basement!
- **Auction Week!!!** We still have Admission Tickets available if you haven’t already purchased them! We’d love to have to come celebrate 30 years with us! Cash Raffle, Wine Pull, Games, and more! A night you don’t want to miss! **Online Pre-Bidding** on the Silent Auction Items ONLY will begin at 6:00am on Tuesday, March 25th and close on Thursday, March 27th at 10:00pm. See Fr. Dana’s column for more information!
- **Auction Night—Saturday, March 29:** Just a reminder that Mass will be at 4:00pm this evening! Please plan to park in the church parking lot and the surrounding streets. The back parking lot behind the school will be blocked off for Handicap Parking Only!
- **Religious Education, CCD!** We will resume classes on Wednesday, March 26th at 7:00pm.
- **YDisciples!** Come carb load with a spaghetti dinner followed by community service for the St. Mary’s auction!!! See you this Wednesday at 6:30!!

Parish Offering: Weekend of March 8 & 9

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

Offertory Loose Plate.....\$1,157.00

Adult Envelopes.....\$4,182.84

Total Giving.....\$5,339.84

After this weekend the collection is under by \$1,301.89.
Parish Offerings from Weekend March 15 & 16 will be published in next week’s bulletin.

Notes from the Pastor

Confirmation. Confirmation is this Sunday, March 24 at 4:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.

Lenten Faith Formation Opportunity. We will be watching and discussing Session #3 of the “Search” series. Meeting time is Sunday at 7:00pm in the church basement.

Stations of the Cross. Stations of the Cross next Friday is at 5:30pm. There will not be a soup supper afterwards as we prepare for the Auction.

Auction Update. Our parish auction is next Saturday! Doors open at 5:00pm. Admission tickets, for those who have purchased one, are available for pick up. Auction books are also available. You can pick up your admission tickets and books at the Parish Office this week or at the Check-In Table the night of the auction. We ordered a few extra meals, so if haven’t you purchased a ticket, we may still be able to accommodate you.

Online Pre-Bidding begins Tuesday, March 25, at 6:00am. It ends on Thursday, March 27 @ 10:00pm. Pre-Bidding allows guests, or those not able to attend, to preview and bid on the Silent Auction Items Only. To pre-bid, sign-in to the auction website with your email address or Access Code. You can begin bidding on items. If you did not purchase an Admission Ticket, you will need to register before you can pre-bid. If you have purchased an Admission Ticket, you are already registered.

After the Pre-Bidding time period, bidding continues the night of the auction for those attending in-person. The last online pre-bid amount for an item will then be the starting bid for the night of the auction.

If you are not attending in-person (i.e., you didn’t purchase an Admission Ticket), you can have someone who is attending bid for you. Or, you can use the “Buy-it-Now” option, and you automatically win the item. Most Buy-it-Now amounts are around 1.5 times the value of the item, a few are a little lower. You can consider the extra amount paid over the value as a convenience fee or as an extra donation.

Auction website: charityauction.bid/stmarysauction2025

Have a good week! Fr. Dana

Parish Organizations

- **Daughters of Isabella** will meet on Thursday, March 27 at 6:00pm for a Social Gathering! We will be playing Bunco and enjoy some light snacks. Come and join us, Ladies!! You do not have to be a D of I member to enjoy the fun!
- **The Last Tuesday with the Diocese:** You are invited to join adults from the Dioceses of Dodge City and Salina for adult formation to grow deeper in your faith on March 25 at 6:00pm-8:00pm! Connect via ZOOM using your own device. To sign up– and receive the link, go to dcdiocese.org/af. **March 25: Second Vatican Council The Universal Call of Holiness** with Fr. Frank Coady. *Vatican II pointed out that all baptized people are called to holiness of life, not just clerics and vowed religious. How do the laity live that out, in prayer and in practice?*
- **Sybil Luea Scholarship Application:** The Community Foundation of Ellis is now accepting applications for this scholarship. This opportunity is not just available for 2025 seniors, it’s open to all EHS alumni pursuing further education in an agricultural field up to the amount of \$1,000. **Applications due by March 31st.** Applications available at the Ellis Alliance Office, EHS Guidance Counselor, NCK Tech Enrollment Management or at www.ellisfoundation.net.

Parish Prayer List

Please Remember in Prayer

Our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends in the loss of **Gayle Ernest**, who passed away March 12th. May the peace of God surround you during this time of sorrow.

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Juanita Augustine, John Cersovsky, Coleen Dinkel, Pamela Dreiling, Cory Eberle, Joe & Arlene Erbert, Beverly Elliot, Sr. Doris Flax, Gary Flax, Robert Gerhardt, Debbie Haas, Edna Hejny, Steve Hejny, Nathan Hively, Doug Kingsley, Tim Kingsley & Family, Gilbert Kinderknecht, Agneta Kuhn, Irene LaBarge, Joey LaBarge, Kevin LaBarge, Shawna LaBarge, Martin & Debbie LaBarge, Indiana Landess, Annette Lang, Michael Lang, Norma Lang, Marge Metzler, Joan Neufeldt, Elizabeth Newton, Jodi Patten, Doug Rohr, Bernie & Laura Schoenberger, Brandon Schoenthaler, Darryl Schuler, Joe Sloan & Family, Tanner Sullivan, Jim & Jill Urban Family, 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.

The 30th Annual Parish Auction at St. Mary’s School!

\$10,000 Cash Raffle

Cash Raffle Drawing Tickets are \$50.00 each (220 out of 450 remain)
You could be a lucky winner to take home CASH the night of the auction!

School Announcements

Monday—Thursday, March 24-27

State Assessment begin for Grades 3-6

Thursday, March 27

AR Reward Movie

Friday, March 28

No School—Auction prep
No SMS Stations of the Cross

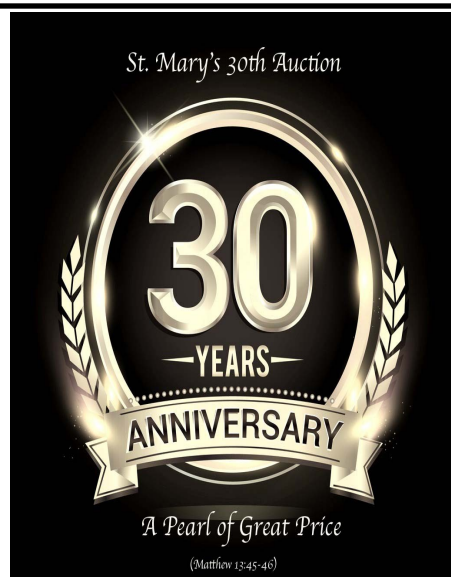
- **Race for Education 2025:** We are gearing up for our Race for Education 2024 in April! Donations are being accepted now up to Race Day for a new camera system within and outside of the school! You may visit with a student and/or check out the school website for more information. Donations may be made by mail or stopping by the school office, placed in the church collection (marked “Race for Education”) or by PayPal on the school website! Race Day is Friday, April 11th at 9:00am! We hope you’ll come join us!
- **Discount Cards:** Students and Staff are selling discount cards again this year for \$20.00 each to raise money to install a new basketball court on the east side of the playground equipment! These cards can be used over and over at all the locations until June 2026! 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!

Participating Businesses and Discounts: *Papa Murphy* - \$2 off any large pizza; *Cancun* – 50% off app. w/purchase of an entree; *Lomato’s Pizza* – Free 32 oz. drink w/purchase of a pizza; *The Fort* – One free 30 min bowling or ax throwing per card holder; *Burger King* - (TBD); *Ellis Hometown Foods* – Free candy bar w/\$25 purchase; *Billy Sims* – 10% off total purchase (Excludes Packs/Caters); *Thirsty’s* – 10% off total purchase (Excluding Alcohol); *DQ* – 10% off total purchase; *A&W* (Ellis) – Free meal w/purchase of a meal; *Pizza Hut* – Free breadsticks w/purchase of a large pizza at regular price; *Golden Q* – 10% off total purchase (Excludes Alcohol); *IHOP* – 10% off total purchase; *Godfathers @Loves* (Ellis) – 10% off total purchase; *Love’s* (Ellis) – 10% off Love’s Fresh Kitchen. *Subway @ Love’s* (Ellis) – 10% off total purchase; *Fitness Factory* - \$10 off monthly membership or \$2 off a class; *McDonalds* (Hays, WaKeeney, Russell) – Free medium fries w/purchase of lg. sandwich; *Salon 816* – 15% off a product purchase; *JR’s Brickhouse* – 10% off total purchase; *Domino’s Pizza* – Buy 1 pizza @ regular price, get 1 free.



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 your 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 contacting the School Office or Mrs. Park at ppark@stmarysofellis.org! **Applications are due by April 7th, 2025!**

- **Needing Easter Chocolate for your Easter baskets?** Remember to shop at St. Mary’s School for your chocolate needs! We have all flavors still in stock: Milk, Dark, Almond, Caramel, Crisp, Peanut Butter. \$2.00 bars each or buy a box of 36 bars! Stop by or Call the School Office to place an order!



\$10,000
Cash Give Away

Grand Prize: \$5,000
2nd Prize: \$2,500
3rd Prize: \$1,500
4th Prize: \$1,000

\$50 per chance

St Marys Auction

WINE PULL

\$25 per ticket

CHEERS!

WIN a bottle of wine valued between \$20-\$200

★ 30 YEARS AND COUNTING ★

Online Pre-Bidding for Silent Auction Items ONLY

Opens Tuesday, March 25 @ 6:00 a.m. | Closes Thursday, March 27 @ 10:00 p.m.

If you have purchased an Admission Ticket, you are already registered using your email address provided upon order or the Access Code at the top of your bidding ticket.

If you have not purchased a ticket, you will need to sign in with your email address!
Call the Parish Office if you have any questions or need help getting access to online!