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*Lord make me an
instrument of peace...*



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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday - 8:00 am
Tuesday - 8:00 am
Thursday - 8:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sunday - 7:30 am

BAPTISMS - Preparation class
required for first time parents
and inactive Catholics.
Contact Lilly to schedule.

MARRIAGES - Couples anticipating
marriage must contact Lilly at least
6 months prior to wedding date.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Family Elementary 625-3131
www/hfefhays.org

Thomas More Prep-Marian 625-6577
www.tmp-m.org



MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. May 31 8:00 am +Les & Lynette Callahan Gross
Wed. June 3 7:30 am +Paul & Ruby Binder
Sun. June 7 8:00 am +Joseph & Clara Unrein
Wed. June 10 7:30 am +Farron Leiker

Mass Intentions:

Due to one weekday Mass, one of the current scheduled intentions (see below) will be sent to St. Nicholas. Father Jarett will remember in his Mass intention at St. Nicholas.

Mass Int: L/D Marvin & Mary Jo Braun family will be at St. Nicholas on Thursday, June 11.

FYI: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 7:00 a.m. Masses will continue to be livestreamed from St. Nicholas.

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes \$1,170.00
Loose \$21.00
History Items \$14.00
Total \$1,205.00



If you are not comfortable attending Mass at this time, you can still mail your church contributions to the Parish Office:

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883 Moscow St.
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Farewell potluck for Fr. Jarett is scheduled for Sunday, June 7th beginning at 12:30. Each family is asked to bring a covered dish. Meat, table settings, and drinks will be provided. Hope to see you there!

FATHER JARETT'S ~ Q & A

This is the second of a 10-part series "Faith and Reasons Behind the Mass."

Why is it that almost every Catholic Church has steps in front? It almost seems anti-elderly and/or anti-handicap accessible.

Naturally, as with all things Catholic there is rich symbolism in the design of the traditional church structure being built "up." The reason we climb upward to enter into most Catholic churches is that the church is to physically and spiritually draw our souls out of our everyday lives and lift our eyes and spirits upward. Medieval churches were even built with gargoyles and beasts on the outside holding the symbolism of the conflict and turmoil of the world outside, while the interior is to draw our spirits to the peace of our final end. Most importantly we physically climb out of this world to celebrate Mass, the liturgy where heaven meets earth.

Once within the church structure we enter the narthex. In the early centuries of Catholic churches this is the space where the non-baptized would gather to listen to the words of the liturgy and is also a reason why the narthex is the most appropriate place for the baptismal font. Baptism is the sacrament that initiates us into the family of God and therefore it is fitting that we pass through the site of baptism on our way into the House of God. In Churches without a baptismal font in the narthex the symbolism of passing through baptism is communicated with the holy water font. When we enter the sanctuary or nave of the church, we dip our hands in the waters of salvation as we sign ourselves, as was done at our baptism, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. What a wonderful gift for which to thank God the next time we enter our church.

On our way to the pew we bend a knee to the ground (genuflect) as a sign of reverence for the real presence of Jesus in the Tabernacle. In medieval times, a genuflection was used upon entering the throne room of the king, and so we fall to our knees in the presence of the Eternal King. In a sense, we take St. Paul's words very seriously, "At the name of Jesus every knee should bow." (Phi. 2:10) If we should genuflect at His name, then it is most certainly appropriate to genuflect in His presence.

What should we do in the pew? I heard it best described that as the candles of the sanctuary are lit for the celebration of the Eucharist, so too we gather before mass in silent prayer to "light the candle of our hearts," in preparation for what is about to take place. What exactly is about to take place?

The *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* from Vatican II states that "the liturgy is the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed; at the same time, it is the fountain from which all her power flows." Without the



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<https://www.facebook.com/MunjoyKS/>

Mass, we as Catholic Christians would be cut off from God's life-giving stream. Let us never take for granted this most precious gift; the Mass.

In Christ's Loving Service

Your Pastor,

Fr. Jarett

Questions of Clarifications?

Email Fr. Jarett at father.konrade@eaglecom.net

~~~ Still Airing ~~~

Watch livestream Masses celebrated by Father Jarett ~  
Sunday's at 9:30 a.m. and weekdays at 7:00 a.m.  
*Found on parish Facebook Page.*

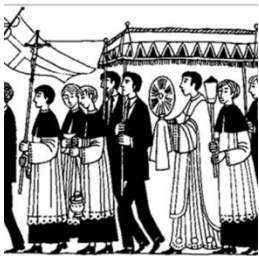


**Parish Council Election in June.**

If you would like to serve or nominate someone to serve on the council, give the name to a council member; Ernie Binder, David Leiker, Landon Leiker, Brian Pfannenstiel, Cathy Pfeifer, Gary Staab, Glenn Stramel, Michelle Werth or Brandi Zimmerman. You can also drop the name in the collection basket, mail to parish office or give to Lilly.

We are asking for at least one man and woman to fill terms that will be up at the end of June.

First Communion has been scheduled for Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>.



**Heartland Parish *Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession***

St. Nicholas of Myra is host of this year's Annual Heartland Parishes Corpus Christi Procession on Sunday, June 14, at 2pm. The Procession will start at St. Joseph's Church and end at Immaculate

Heart of Mary Church. All the faithful are invited to join us with Our Lord in the most holy Blessed Sacrament.

**Changed  
DATE!**

**Notice New Date:** Travel with Fr. Jarett to the Holy Land for 11 days from **Sept. 16-26, 2021**. Travel to Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Cana, Galilee, Capernaum, Gethsemane, Dormition of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Nativity Church, Last Supper, Via Crucis, and Tel Aviv. Cost: \$4,099.00. For more information contact Pauletta Niernberger at 785-625-7633 or Proximo Travel (855) 842-8001.

First Responders Appreciation BBQ, Saturday, June 6th from 11am to 2 pm. Sponsored by all Ellis County Knights of Columbus Councils. For all active and retired responders and their families. Frontier Park East shelter house. Serving hamburgers, hot dogs, brats and refreshments.

**MAY** – Working together to combat human trafficking is the only way to end it. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. ([www.sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://www.sistersagainstrafficking.org)).



Amy Moeder, Curt Brungardt, Charlie Munsch, Carole Carter, Stan Herrmann, Jack Harwood, Jerry Barnes, Parishioners in Health Care Facilities.

**Drop requests in the collection basket or let Lilly know.**

*Let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.*

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**[www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) – Parish Code: JZ3DPK**

**Salina Diocese Men's Conference, Register Today!**

The Diocese of Salina is sponsoring the Ninth Annual Diocesan Men's Conference on Saturday, August 15th at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Hays. Please attend and bring your sons who are in Junior High, High School or College. This year's conference will feature talks by special guest Patrick Coffin and Fr. Andy Hammeke; Mass with Bishop Vincke and Fr. Gale Hammerschmidt returns as Master of Ceremonies. To register online or for more information go to [salinadiocese.org](http://salinadiocese.org); email [familylife@salinadiocese.org](mailto:familylife@salinadiocese.org); or call the Office of Family Life and NFP at 785-827-8746.



**HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY**

Rachel Wentling, Principal  
625-3131

May 18 - Aug 14 **NO SCHOOL – Summer Vacation!**  
June & July Office Open 9 - noon & 1- 4 Tues-Thurs

And all of them  
were filled  
with the  
Holy Spirit  
Acts 2:4



### ***The timing and origins of Pentecost***

Pentecost always occurs 50 days after the death and resurrection of Jesus, and ten days after his ascension into heaven. Because Easter is a moveable feast without a fixed date, and Pentecost depends on the timing of Easter, Pentecost can fall anywhere between May 10 and June 13.

The timing of these feasts is also where Catholics get the concept of the Novena - nine days of prayer - because in Acts 1, Mary and the Apostles prayed together "continuously" for nine days after the Ascension leading up to Pentecost. Traditionally, the Church prays the Novena to the Holy Spirit in the days before Pentecost.

The name of the day itself is derived from the Greek word "pentecoste," meaning 50th.

### ***What happens at Pentecost?***

In the Christian tradition, Pentecost is the celebration of the person of the Holy Spirit coming upon the Apostles, Mary, and the first followers of Jesus, who were gathered together in the Upper Room.

A "strong, driving" wind filled the room where they were gathered, and tongues of fire came to rest on their heads, allowing them to speak in different languages so that they could understand each other. It was such a strange phenomenon that some people thought the Christians were just drunk - but Peter pointed out that it was only the morning, and said the phenomenon was caused by the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit also gave the apostles the other gifts and fruits necessary to fulfill the great commission - to go out and preach the Gospel to all nations. It fulfills the New Testament promise from Christ (Luke 24:46-49) that the Apostles would be "clothed with power" before they would be sent out to spread the Gospel.

### ***Where's that in the bible?***

The main event of Pentecost (the strong driving wind and tongues of fire) takes place in [Acts 2:13](#), though the events immediately following (Peter's homily, the baptism of thousands) continue through verse 41.

### ***Happy Birthday, Church***

It was right after Pentecost that Peter, inspired by the Holy Spirit, preached his first homily to Jews and other non-believers, in which he opened the scriptures of the Old Testament, showing how the prophet Joel prophesied events and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

He also told the people that the Jesus they crucified is the Lord and was raised from the dead, which "cut them to the heart." When they asked what they should do, Peter exhorted them to repent of their sins and to be baptized. According to the account in Acts, about 3,000 people were baptized following Peter's sermon.

For this reason, Pentecost is considered the birthday of the Church - Peter, the first Pope, preaches for the first time and converts thousands of new believers. The apostles and believers, for the first time, were united by a common language, and a common zeal and purpose to go and preach the Gospel.

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### ***Mission Statement:***

*St. Francis of Assisi Parish is built on a foundation of faith. We continue that spirit by welcoming all people to participate in our spiritual growth. As we are called to love God and and be examples of his teachings, we strive for unity through fellowship and participation in all areas of the Catholic faith.*