

# St. Francis of Assisi Church

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



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David Leiker

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## CHRISTIAN MOTHERS PRESIDENT

Michelle Werth

623-3003

## 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](http://www/hfefhays.org)

Thomas More Prep-Marian 625-6577  
[www.tmp-m.org](http://www.tmp-m.org)





## MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Sept 13 8:00 am +Farron Leiker

Wed. Sept 16 >>> NO MASS <<<

Sun. Sept 20 8:00 am L/D Alois & Mary Schumacher fam.

Wed. Sept 23 7:30 am +James Leiker

## SERVERS

Sunday, Sept 13 Benjamin Dome & Rexton Leiker

Sunday, Sept 20 Braydon Binder & Trenton Staley

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, Sept 13 Lilly Binder & Peggy Richmeier

Sunday, Sept 20 Mark Leiker & Deacon Steve

## LECTORS

Sunday, Sept 13 Gene Gottschalk

Sunday, Sept 20 David Leiker

## COLLECTION TEAM

### Sunday, September 13

Ernie Binder, Greg Pfannenstiel, Kenny Pfannenstiel, Glenn Stramel

### Sunday, September 20

Herman Leiker, John Oborny, Jeff Richmeier, Brandon Zimmerman

## TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, Sept. 13 Ken & Peggy Richmeier

Sunday, Sept. 20 Seyona Roda

Sunday, Sept. 27 Tony & Patty Rohr

Sunday, Oct. 4 Glenn & Rhonda Stramel

## Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes \$2,565.00

Loose \$115.00

Candles \$5.00

**Total \$2,685.00**



Contributions can also be mailed to the Parish Office:  
St. Francis Church  
883 Moscow St.  
Munjor, KS 67601

## REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN:

*Sirach 27:30 – 28:7*

*Romans 14: 7-9*

*Matthew 18: 21-35*

In the 1970 film "Love Story" this classic line was spoken, "Love means never having to say you're sorry." How absurd that thought! How far-fetched from the Christian Scriptures and the Gospel way of life. Today's readings reveal just the opposite. True love is all about forgiveness and healing and wanting to make right one's relationship with others. Anger and wrath are to be set aside in favor of pardon and peace. Admitting you have hurt another is the beginning of reconciliation and the foundation for true lasting love. Saying you're sorry and asking for forgiveness is the sign of mature Christian love.

In today's first reading, the author Jesus Ben Sirach is ahead of his time in espousing not an eye-for-eye justice but forgiveness and mercy. Sirach says death and decay will surely come so set aside hatred and ill will. Or else one day you will realize that it is too late because the person who you had ill feelings towards has died. Then Jesus in the Matthew's Gospel tells Peter he must not forgive just seven times with seven being the perfect number signifying completeness. He must forgive seventy-seven times or without stopping. Then Jesus drives home his teaching with a parable about a servant who owes the king an enormous debt. This servant pleads with the king and says he will pay it back. The king moved with compassion releases him from the enormous debt. This servant then goes out and finds a fellow servant who owes him a mere pittance of what he owed the king, but unlike the king this first servant is unwilling to forgive and shows no compassion.

So, we know what we must do, but doing it is the hard part. Forgiving is tough and forgetting the offenses committed against us is equally as tough. The readings especially the Gospel lay out this scenario for reflection. If God forgave us this huge debt which none of us could ever repay by Jesus's death on the cross, what should be our response to our brothers and sisters but forgiveness and reconciliation. Our God show us first how it must be done by wiping away our offenses. We must follow in the path of Jesus and do the same. Yet one caveat is necessary to understand this Gospel. Even though we must forgive one another doesn't mean that there aren't consequences for those who hurt us. There are social consequences for certain crimes.

What will it cost us to live out the message of these readings? First, it will demand lots and lots of prayer. Sometimes when we are hurt, the only way we can forgive and start the process of reconciliation is by praying for those who offended us. Second, it will demand real humility on our part not to want to punish our offender but to heal the division. Finally, the longer we harbor grudges and anger the more we are consumed by the hatred. We all have heard stories of people who were deeply harmed, and the hatred and anger they feel just smolders and ruminates in their lives. It's like a cancer that consumes one from the inside out. Through the grace of God when they forgive their perpetrators a tremendous load is removed from their heart. Forgiveness is God's gift to us, and one that we must give back as generously to others.

*Deacon Steve...*

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

>>> **TEACHER'S NEEDED** <<<  
> 1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE. <

For planning purposes, if your child(ren) will be attending our weekly program, please contact Joe Pfannenstiel at 259-2762.

**Classes begin Wednesday, September 16th. 7:00 p.m.**

Also, families with students in the program need to have a current Stewardship Form on file.



Seed Wheat Blessing Today.  
Place containers on the south altar.



### ***Annual Anniversary Mass & Potluck Update.***

Due to ongoing concerns with COVID and how that would impact attendance, the Pastoral Council has decided not to have this annual event this year. As you may remember, this was held the first Sunday in October, celebrating the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, our parish patron.



Reminder: The rosary will be prayed **following** Mass on Wednesday's.  
The rosary will continue to be prayed before Mass on Sunday.

Holy Cross Church in Pfeifer annual Mass in September to commemorate the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

**Due to COVID -19, the Mass this year has been cancelled.**

### ADORATION CHAPEL OPEN HOURS:

**Thursday's noon to 1pm**

**Friday's 1 to 2am, and 10 to 11pm**

**Saturday's 11pm to 12am, and 5 to 6pm.**



The Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel, at 1805 Vine St., IHM Church is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and Jesus is waiting for you. If you wish to sign up for an hour, please call one of the following Archangels: Bob & Carol Feauto 628-1429; Lorraine Brungardt 625-3021; Yvonne Demuth 656-9543; Geri Rupp: 639-5588.

### **A Family Perspective ...by Bud Ozar**

Unable to forgive another, means we are holding onto a past wrong and hoping for a better past. That is not going to happen. We must move on with our life by accepting we were unjustly treated and it will not be corrected. We aren't condoning the injustice. We just don't let it control our lives any longer. Forgiveness is critical to living a healthy life in the present.



Mike Suppes, Special Intention, Ramona Weigel, Amy Moeder, Curt Brungardt, Carole Carter, Stan Herrmann, 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.*

**SEPTEMBER** – Not all children are starting school; some in the world are trafficked for sex and labor. Together we can work to stop this assault on the dignity of children. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. ([www.sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://www.sistersagainstrafficking.org)). USCSAHT is a 501(c) 3 organization. 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131



**Grandparents hold our tiny hands  
for just a little while, but our hearts forever.**



**Exaltation of the Holy Cross.  
September 14<sup>th</sup>.**

*We adore thee, O Christ, and we  
praise thee, because by your Holy  
Cross you have redeemed the world.*



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**HFE Christ's Cupboard:** A great ministry is being offered at Holy Family called **Christ's Cupboard!** "Christ's Cupboard" will provide supplemental food/snacks to students in need to take home on weekends to sustain their nutritional needs. At this time, we are happily accepting monetary donations for costs to purchase food items! We will also accept any donated food items, such as granola bars, fruit cups, juice boxes, etc. Monetary donations can be mailed to the school at 1800 Milner or placed in the collection basket in an envelope marked, "Christ's Cupboard." We thank you in advance for your generosity! For any questions about this ministry, you can contact Mrs. Maddy Quimby at [mquimby@hfehays.org](mailto:mquimby@hfehays.org) or call the school!

*"The future is in your hearts, in your minds, and in your hands. You are called to build a more beautiful Church and a better world." ~ Pope Francis*

*Accept* what is,  
let go of what was, and  
have *faith* in what will be.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**



**HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY**

Rachel Wentling, Principal  
625-3131

Sept 14 Home & School Mtg. 7:00p.m. in LT  
Sept 17 Fall Picture Day (all grades, in uniform)  
Sept 22 End of Red Wheel Sales

Holy Family Elementary is in need of substitute teachers! If you are interested, please stop by the school office with a copy of your sub license & credentials between 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday – Friday. We are NOT part of the 489 Aesop system, so please call us if you'd like to be on our list, too! Call 625-3131 if you have questions! Thank you!



**THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN**

Chad Meitner, Principal  
Bob Leikam, Jr. High Assistant Principal  
625-6577

**Volunteers Needed**

With the restrictions in place to safely welcome back our students, many additional volunteers are needed to help serve lunch each day. If you are able to volunteer a bit a time each week or multiple times each week to help in the TMP-M dining hall, please contact Sandy Losey in the Advancement office at (785) 621-5414 or [loseys@tmpmarian.org](mailto:loseys@tmpmarian.org). Thank you in advance!

**Open Position** - Administrative Assistant, Front Office TMP-M is in search of a front office full-time Administrative Assistant. It is most important to provide a welcoming and positive presence in the front office as a point of first contact between the school and its stakeholders. An exceptional candidate will be organized, calm under pressure, and a problem-solver. Possible summer hours can be negotiated depending on the interests and needs of the candidate. Experience with school programs such as student vaccinations, sports physicals, and/or the Federal Lunch Program is a plus as is experience working in a school environment. The successful candidate will also have good writing skills and the ability to compile and organize information for a twice weekly newsletter. Interested candidates should submit their cover letter and resume to principal Chad Meitner at [meitnerc@tmpmarian.org](mailto:meitnerc@tmpmarian.org) or 1701 Hall Street, Hays, KS 67601

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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 be examples of his teachings, we strive for unity through fellowship and participation in all areas of the Catholic faith.*