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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/hfehays.org

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

FROM BISHOP VINCKE:

Until further notice, all public celebrations of the Holy Mass in the Diocese of Salina are cancelled except for funeral Masses.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. April 26 +Henry & Loretta Stecklein

Tue. April 28 +David Hertel

Th. April 30 L/D Frank & Pauline Younker family

Sun. May 3 +Edward & Pearl Mary Leiker
Tue. May 5 +Danny Pfannenstiel, Jr.

Th. May 7 +Hank & Sally Austerman

Mass Intentions will continue. Father Jarett will include in his live streaming Mass that can be viewed at https://www.facebook.com/MunjorKS/ OR https://www.facebook.com/StNicksHays/

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure Envelopes \$595.00



Until Masses resume, please mail your church contributions to the Parish Office:

St. Francis Church 883 Moscow St. Munjor, KS 67601



St. Francis of Assisi Parish is now on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/MunjorKS/

FATHER JARETT'S ~ Q & A

"Why is the priest called Father? Doesn't Jesus say, "Call no man Father?" (Matt. 23:9)

All of scripture must be interpreted within the context of when, where, and to whom it was written. The Gospels are no different. What is the context of Jesus' words and what is his meaning? In Matthew's Gospel Jesus says, "Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven." In this passage we understand that Jesus is making a point that all truth and authority should be rooted in God, not in man. These words of Jesus are not literal. If they were, then how many of us would be disobeying God's command in calling the man who biologically cooperated in giving life to us father? If you read just one verse earlier, St. Matthew also says, "As for you, do not be called teacher. You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers." I'm pretty sure every one of us has broken that command at some point in our life if we take these verses literally.

No, the truth is that throughout scripture men are referred to as fathers and teachers and even those who have no biological connection to those to whom they speak. Even St. Paul referred to many of the early Christian communities as his spiritual children. Let's look at St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians as one example. "I am writing you this not to shame you, but to admonish you as my beloved children. Even if you should have countless guides to Christ, yet you do not have many fathers, for I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel." (1 Cor. 4:14-15) One verse later, he says, "For this reason I am sending you Timothy, who is my beloved and faithful son in the Lord." If Jesus meant that we as Christians are to literally refrain from calling men father, then even St. Paul was in direct violation of that command as he wrote in more than one place in his letters. (See also: 1 Thess 2:11, 1 Tim 1:2, and Tit. 1:4)

In the same way St. Paul has just described, the priest is called father, because he is truly a spiritual father of all within his parish. He is called to guide, protect, and nourish his spiritual children with only what is spiritually good for their souls by preaching the Gospel and administering the sacraments to them. Sadly, many of our priest's spiritual children and your brothers and sisters in the Lord are starving or even choking on the spiritual garbage our world has to offer, and we do not concern ourselves, because we live in a world whose motto is "live and let live." Let us pray that we may become better spiritual children while our priests and bishops throughout the Catholic Church

become better spiritual fathers that we may grow together in becoming God's family as Christ intends. In Christ's Loving Service Your Pastor,

Fr. Jarett

Questions of Clarifications? Email Fr. Jarett at father.konrade@eaglecom.net

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.

If you would like to follow along this Sunday:

Songs for May 3

Entrance: # 187 Be Joyful Mary Mass Parts: Mass of Renewal

Responsorial Psalm Refrain: The Lord is my shepherd, there

is nothing I shall want

Presentation Song: # 457 Shepherd Me O God Communion Song: # 606 Like a Shepherd Recessional Song: # 564 The Strife is O'er

An Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

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<u>Special Collections</u>: Holy Land and Rice Bowls donations can still be mailed to the parish office, if you have not already done so. Thank you for our generous support.

St. Joseph Cemetery, Hays, maintenance staff will be preparing the cemetery for Memorial Day, beginning on Mon, May 4th. We ask that you remove any floral arrangements or decorations that you wish to keep, with the exception of those in containers or vases attached to the monument by Sunday, May 3rd. Items not picked up which interfere with the mowing and trimming will be removed and disposed of by the cemetery staff. Your cooperation will be appreciated!



FAITH IN ACTION! Listen to Divine Mercy Radio Spring Care-a-Thon April 28 – May 1

Radio @ 88.1 – Phone app – Echo -- @dvmercy.com

Tuesday, April 28

- 2 pm Chad Meitner TMP-Marian
- 4 pm Fr. Donald Calloway St. Joseph for our Times
- 5 pm Fr. Jarett Konrade Personal Holiness in an Unholy World

Wednesday, April 29

8 am – Dr. Pat Castle – Becoming a Gate Voter

- 9 am Brian McCaffrey Vocation & Deacon
- 2 pm Rachel Wentling Holy Family Elem.

Thursday, April 30

8 am – George Toman – Driven into becoming an apologist

10 am – Bishop Gerald Vincke – How to Live like the Apostles

Friday, May 1

7 am – Cody Marintzer – The Domestic Church

VBS Cancelled May 31st – June 4th (Immaculate Heart of Mary)

Hoping to hold it later in the summer if possible. Questions? Contact S. Bev srbevcarlin@ihm-church.com

Drayer Request

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.

APRIL: "We are all called to combat every form of slavery and build fraternity—all of us, each one according to his or her own responsibility" (Pope Francis). Human trafficking demands our attention—let's work together to end it. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. (www.sistersagainsttrafficking.org).

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