

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

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Mass Schedule: Sunday Morning 10:00 AM

Friday morning 8:30AM

Marriage: Contact priest 6 Months before - Baptism Call Father Ed at 336-6464

Confession: First Friday mornings 7:45AM TO 8:00AM before mass

February 17, 2013--FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



Regular Mass Schedule:

BAILEYVILLE---Saturday 7:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 am
Weekday masses at 8:30 a.m.

ST. BENEDICT---Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Fridays, 8:30 a.m.

Mon.--Feb. 18--Liv/Dec. George & Rita Holthaus

Tues.--Feb. 19--Vocations to the Priesthood

Wed.--Feb. 20--Fr. Bill Dineen

Thurs.--Feb. 21--@ 7:00PM--Reva Olberding

Fri.--Feb. 22--Janice Schmitz

Sat.--Feb. 23--Bernie & Edi Deters--50th Anniversary

Sun.--Feb. 24 --Liv/Dec. Frank & Mary Reinecke Family

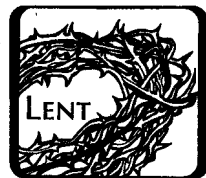
Sun.--Feb. 24--Ferdie & Marlene Deters-

50th Anniversary

COLLECTIONS for February 10, 2013--Plate: \$225.00,
Envelopes: \$1406.00, Stipends: \$135.00, Rent: \$75.00,
Memorial: \$40.00, African Seminarians: \$500.00, Dona-
tion: \$50.00, Black & Indian Mission: \$15.00, Central &
Eastern Europe: \$15.00, Total: \$2461.00

ANNUAL EUCHARISTIC DAY will be on Sunday,,
March 3 from 11:00am to 4:00PM. There will be a closing
procession and Benediction at 4PM. Please sign up for an
half hour of adoration at the back of church.

ELEMENTARY CCD --Wednesday, February 20 after
school.



LENTEN DEVOTIONS--Stations of
the Cross on Wednesday, February 20
at 7:00PM. Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament & Rosary.
Stations Leader & Exposition Coordi-
nator: Paul Strathman

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE--During
Lent the priest of our Archdiocese will have private recon-
ciliation from 6:00 to 7:00PM on Wednesday nights. Rec-
onciliation at Baileyville will be on February 20, March 6,
March 20, and March 27. Reconciliation at St. Benedict
will be on February 27 and March 13.

BAILEYVILLE BENEFIT TOURNAMENT is this
weekend. Please come and support this worthy cause for
the Jordan Sudbeck, son od Matt & Kim Sudbeck and Dyl-
an Bronkow, son of Scott & Sherri Bronkow. The auction
is Sunday at 6:00PM, after the last game.

THE AXTELL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS greatly
appreciate your support of the baby shower. The generous
donations of diapers, clothing, blankets and child care prod-
ucts will be put to good use. Thank You!

CHOIR will sing on February 24 for the 50th Anniversary
celebration for Ferdie and Marlene Deters.

EASTER FLOWERS: If you would like to make a dona-
tion towards this year's Easter Flowers please mark it and
put your donation in the collection basket by Sunday,
March 24th. You may also purchase a Easter Lily or Mum
as a memorial for a loved one by placing their name and
\$15.00 per flower in the collection by March 24th. Thank
you.

SPECIAL COLLECTION-Aid to the Church in Central
and Eastern Europe (Ash Wednesday, February 13) and
Black & Indian Missions--February 17. Please put these
envelopes in the collection on Sunday, February 17. Please
give generously to these collections.

Ministries for February 24 2013--Second Sunday of Lent

Cross: Trevor Holthaus

Servers: Nate Deters & Kirsten Lortscher

Eucharistic Ministers: Kevin Sudbeck, Tony Sudbeck, Carol
Schmitz, Wayne Schmitz, Betty Bergman

Lector: Linda Lortscher

Commentator: Elmer Ronnebaum

Ushers: Mike Deters & Alan Deters

Offertory: Dylan Lortscher, Finn Deters,
Emily Wilhelm, Madison Lortscher

Rosary: Dan Tangeman

Organist: Marilyn Holthaus

Cantor: Stan Murphy & Adult Choir



Remember in your prayers those who are sick, taking treat-
ments, hospitalized or still recovering: Donna Hulsing, Elijah
James Ruegge, Michelle (Damian) Buessing, Odelia Sudbeck,
Jackie Olberding, Leroy Tangeman, Nancy Deters, Martha
Engelken, Brad Bowhay, Margie Miller, Greyson Murphy
(grandson of Stan & Cindy Murphy), Melvin Bergman, Max
Rusche, Shirley Claas, Ben Niehues, Ivan Rottinghaus, Gilbert
Schmitz, Mary Lintner.

ALTAR SOCIETY NOTES

BINGO FOR LIFE CARE NURSING HOME--FEBRUARY
2013--Every 3rd Wednesday at 1:30PM

Christina Stallbaumer, Beth Deters, Eileen Sudbeck, Mindy Sud-
beck, Patty Stallbaumer, Jenny Nordhus, Linda Lortscher

CALL TO SHARE--Your pledge is appreciated! As we look at
our lives and the many ways God has blessed us, let us give back
a proportionate gift to the Archbishop's Call to Share to share the
joy of believing. Our archdiocesan family is truly an extension
of our parish life. We are grateful to those who take part in this
effort! Our parish goal is \$7637.87. To date 29%of our parish-
ioners have made pledges of \$5320.00, which is 70% of our
goal.. Once we reach our goal, 25% of each dollar raised over the
goal will be returned to our parish. Thank you for your generous
gifts in support of the ministries of the Church in Northeast Kan-
sas!

RICE BOWL--You're invited to participate in CRS Rice Bowl!
Our parish will be participating in CRS Rice Bowl, Catholic Re-
lief Services' Lenten Program, as a way to encounter Jesus
through other, especially through the most vulnerable in our
world. Rice Bowls are available in the back of church. Please
be sure to take one home and use the easy and fun resources to
deepen your family's Lenten experience. Your prayers, fasting
and almsgiving this Lenten season will help Catholic Relief Ser-
vices continue to provide life-saving assistance in nearly 100
countries. CRS works on our behalf to care for the poorest in our
world and to end poverty.

ST. BENEDICT'S 13TH ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY
CELEBRATION is scheduled for March 23, 2013. The theme
for this years St. Patrick's Day parade ins St. Benedict, Kansas
is..."Dublin the Fun." If you are from Nemaha County, used to
live in Nemaha County or ever visited Nemaha County, and you
are a twin, or have twins, or expecting twins, or even if your oth-
er half is waiting to see you again in the here after, listen up!
This year we are asking all twins to come to the parade dressed
alike. Whether that be in a costume or just wearing the same
color. If your other half has already passed, maybe bring a 8X10
photo to carry with you. Hope to have the largest gathering of
twins ever recorded in Nemaha County.

CAFETERIA is spoken for on these dates: 2013--Feb. 17-24-March 17, 24, 31, April 21, Sept. 1, June 12, 16 thru 24, Aug. 4, Dec. 8.

Donations can be given toward the cost of supporting seminarians in Africa where Father Felix is from. Mark your donations. There are many seminarians but funds for education are needed.

DVD'S of THERESA RETTELE'S Tour of St. Mary's Church is available at the Rectory for the cost of \$10.00.

150th Anniversary Books continue to be a popular item. There are copies remaining for purchase. No additional copies will be printed. Orders can be placed online through the church website at www.stmstb.org or picked up at the Kansas Rural Water Association office west of Seneca. Phone: 336-3760.

CANDLES available for home use. Anyone wanting some call the rectory. 336-3174. The glass container are red, blue and green now. Cost of candles are now \$5.00

CATHOLIC ITEMS FOR THE HOME--There is a display of Catholic items on the table in the back of church. You can order from Donnelly or from Soul Provider at Seneca.

B&B SENIOR CLASS PANCAKE BREAKFAST--Sunday, Feb. 24, 2013 from 7:30AM to 12:30PM at Sacred Heart Church Hall. Serving pancakes, eggs and sausage. Freewill donation.

AXTELL COMMUNITY FISH FRY on Friday, February 22 at the Axtell American Legion from 5:30 to 8:30PM. There will be a silent auction.

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH, CORNING will host a pancake breakfast on Sunday, March 3, 2013 from 7AM to 1PM at the Corning Community Center serving pancakes, sausage and eggs. A freewill offering will be collected. There will also be a country store and raffles.

"I THIRST-THE CRUCIFIXATION STORY" will be presented at Sts. Peter & Paul Parish, Seneca, on Sunday, March 17th at 2PM in the new SPPS gym, by Tajci. Tajci's concerts have been featured on EWYN, XM Radio and numerous local and nationwide television and radio stations. She has performed at nearly 1000 churches nationwide with her breathtaking music that engages the audience into a deep spiritual and personal experience on one's Faith. Many priests, bishops and Christian ministers have recognized the importance of her program. This spiritual concert is for all faiths and all ages, whether your faith is strong...or struggling. Please bring your family and friends to experience the Crucifixion as never before. There is no admission fee but a freewill offering will be taken. Videos, CD's and T-shirts will be available following the performance. Please join us for a beautiful moving experience for the whole family! If you would like to view a video clip of Tajci please go to idobelieve.co, click on multimedia and then click on "I Thirst". The clip can also be found on www.saintspeterandpaul-senec.com.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE will be on Friday at the Community Building in Seneca. The hours are 8AM to 2PM. Thank you to the donors who have donated the gift of life at past blood drives and new donors are needed. Blood and Blood products used at the Seneca Hospital are obtained from the Omaha Blood Bank. Walk-ins are welcome or appointments can be made with Marilyn at 336-3360.

PASSING THE TEST--"Test" is a four-letter word. Spelling tests, driving tests, SATs, all bring a knot to the stomach. Tests are something we would rather forgo, but also something we must undergo. Lent, too, is a four-letter word and is also a kind of test, for the only way to Easter is to *pass* through Lent.

Today's reading from Deuteronomy commends Israel for its faith in the God who saves. No matter the tribulation, Israel's faith enables it to persevere. This faith/test theme also appears in the reading from Romans. Paul boldly asserts that faith in Christ will see the believer through any trial.

The Gospel passage makes it clear that even Jesus was tested. It describes a test, a struggle between good and evil, that dramatically demonstrates Jesus' faith in the power of God's life in him. This power enables him to overcome temptation. This power is with all of us who celebrate the test of Lent, a power enabling us to pass with flying colors.

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AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

LIVING IN LOVE RETREAT--The Archdiocese is setting up another **LIVING IN LOVE** retreat for married couples at Sts. Peter & Paul Parish, Seneca, the weekend of March 2nd & 3rd, for the Year of Faith. Please register as soon as possible by going online at www.archkck.org/faith/livinginlove. If you have any questions please call the Sts. Peter & Paul parish office at 785-336-2128.

ANNUAL CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION will be held on Sunday, June 2, 2013 at St. Joseph Church, Shawnee. Mass at 12PM, which will be celebrated by Archbishop Naumann. Eucharistic Holy Hour following Mass. Sacrament of Reconciliation available during the Holy Hour. Procession forms at 2PM. Benediction in the church concludes the procession. Social reception follows.

REGIONAL MISSIONS offered by the Archdiocese! The missions will be led the Apostles of the Interior Life are designed for adults and youth 12+ and will enliven your faith and prayer life, help you share your faith with family and friends, grow your relationship with Christ. Please consider attending one of the sessions listed below:

St. Gregory's (Marysville) on March 11th and 13th at 7PM
Sacred Heart (Sabetha) on April 16th and 18th at 7PM
Christ the King (Topeka) on February 18th and 19th at 7PM.

PROTECT LIFE AND LIBERTY POSTCARD CAMPAIGN--The U.S. Bishops have asked Catholics in every state to send postcards to their two U.S. Senators and U.S. House Representatives asking them to respect life and religious freedom by supporting and strengthening laws that: 1) prevent federal funding and support of abortion: 2) protect the rights of consciences in health care. **All are encouraged to participate in this very important campaign.** Cards and literature will be in back of church. You can either mail the cards yourself or put them in back of church on the back table and the parish will mail them.

Send Postcards to: Representative Lynn Jenkins
Senators Pat Roberts and Jerry Moran

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: 59th Annual, U.S. National Rosary Pilgrimage June 27--July 6. Departure from Kansas City. Accompanied by Clergy and a Medical Staff to assist the needs of the pilgrims. Reservations deadline is March 25, 2013. For details contact Mark Riddle at m.riddles05@gmail.com or the Lourdes Pilgrimage office at 1-877-276-7279 or email lourdespilgrimageoffice@comcast.net

HOY HUMOR

A mother was concerned about her kindergarten son walking to school. He didn't want his mother to walk with him. She wanted to give him the feeling that he had some independence but yet know that he was safe.

So she had an idea of how to handle it. She asked a neighbor if she would please follow him to school in the mornings, staying at a distance, so he probably wouldn't notice her. She said that since she was up early with her toddler anyway, it would be a good way for them to get some exercise as well, so she agreed.

The next school day, the neighbor and her little girl set out following behind Timmy as he walked to school with another neighbor girl he knew. She did this for the whole week.

As the two kids walked and chatted, kicking stones and twigs, Timmy's little friend noticed the same lady was following them as she seemed to do every day all week. Finally she said to Timmy, "Have you noticed the lady following us to school all week? Do you know her?"

Timmy nonchalantly replied, "Yeah, I know who she is."

The little girl said, "Well, who is she?"

That's just Shirley Goodnest, "Timmy replied, and her daughter Marcy."

"Shirley Goodnest? Who is she and why is she following us?"

"Well, Timmy explained, every night my Mom makes me say the 23rd Psalm with my prayers, "cuz she worries about me so much. And in the Psalm, it says, "Shirley Goodnest and Marcy shall follow me all the days of my life", so I guess I'll just have to get used to it?"