

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

May 12, 2013--SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER--ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Regular Mass Schedule:

BAILEYVILLE---Saturday 7:00PM and Sunday 8:30AM

Weekday masses at 8:30 a.m. Monday thru Thursday

ST. BENEDICT---Sunday 10:00AM

Fridays, 8:30AM

Mon.--May 13--Liv./Dec Clemens & Cyrilla Sudbeck

Family

Tues.--May 14--No Mass at Sacred Heart--Mass at Life

Care @ 11:00AM--Alice Payne

Wed.--May 15--Donald Meyer

Thurs.--May 16--Henrietta Broxterman

Fri.--May 17--Agnes Holthaus

Sat.--May 18-- Audrey Feldkamp

Sun.--May 19--For the People of the Parishes

Sun.--May 19--Liv./Dec. Clemens & Cyrilla Sudbeck

Family

COLLECTIONS for May 5, 2013--Plate: \$223.25, Envelopes: \$1252.50, Stipends: \$5.00, Tour: \$50.00, Anniversary Book: \$52.00, Total: \$1582.75.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY to all you mothers! We thank you for your faith, hope, love, sacrifices and good example towards your children and spouses. We pray that you will continue to fill this world with your love, kindness, patience and understanding. May God bless you in every way.

REMEMBER ODELIA SUDBECK in your prayers. Her funeral was on May 6, at St. Mary's Church. May the Lord grant her eternal life. Sympathy to daughter Marlene and sons Larry and Eldon.

THE EASTER SEASON will end next Sunday with the Feast of Pentecost. This will be the last Sunday for the sprinkling with holy water and singing of the Gloria. The Sequence is sung on Pentecost. Easter and Pentecost are the two biggest feasts in our liturgical cycle.

REMINDER--If you are interested in going to Father Quentin's First Mass and Dinner on May 26, please send or call in your reservations to Giles or Roxie Schmitz. No gifts please. Your presence and prayers are all he request. First Mass for Father Quentin Schmitz is on May 26 at 11:00AM at Sacred Heart Church at Baileyville.

THE QUILTS for the 2013 Church Picnic are posted on the St. Mary's Church Website. Click on the banner at the bottom of the homepage and then on the "New Games-Old Friends-Beautiful Quilts" on the next page.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE for May 26 will be as follows:

9:00AM at St. Mary's, St. Benedict

11:00AM at Sacred Heart, Baileyville

HALL KEY--Hall Key is missing from the parish house. Please return as it is needed every Thursday.

ROSARY--Starting May 8 there will be a rosary at the Grotto every Wednesday night starting at 7:00PM.

SPECIAL COLLECTION--Sunday, May 19--Catholic Communication Campaign.

MOTHERHOOD--Mothers hold their children's hands for a short while, but their hearts forever.

--Anonymous

Ministries for May 19, 2013--PENTECOST SUNDAY

Cross: Shayla Heiman

Servers: Trevor Holthaus & Corey Heiman

Eucharistic Ministers: Charity Henry, Joyce Schmitz, Kevin Sudbeck, Janelle Schmitz, Albert Olberding

Lector: Don Lueger

Commentator: Cindy Murphy

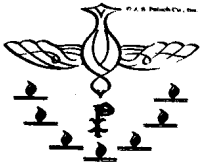
Offertory Gifts: Larry & Rosemary Sudbeck Family

Ushers: Wayne Rottinghaus & Norman Schmelzle

Rosary: Dan Tangeman

Organist: Kayla Sudbeck

Cantor: Julie Sudbeck



Remember in your prayers those who are sick, taking treatments, 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, Max Rusche, Shirley Claas, Ben Niehues, Ivan Rottinghaus, Gilbert Schmitz, Leonard & Clara Krogman, Aiden Berkhart, Ann Lintner, Mary Lintner, Lyle Rottinghaus, Rosella Bergman, Dale Meyer (father of Mindy Sudbeck)

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

BINGO AT LIFE CARE NURSING HOME is every 3rd Wednesday at 1:30PM. May 2013--Lisa Holthaus (Brian), Debbie Tangeman, DeAnn Wullschleger, Sharon Tangeman, Arlene Holthaus, Celene Haverkamp.

THE ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY will pass out picnic work lists, chance books and goody bags after mass on May 12th and May 26th. Also, to avoid a shortage of chicken, you will be asked if you intend to fry your chicken for the picnic, or if you will be donating money. Please bring \$15.00 to pay for your chance books and \$50.00 if you will not be frying your chickens. Thanks

NEEDED--Altar Society is needing glassware for this year's picnic. If you have any extra glassware, please leave in the back of church.

LADIES: Sometimes we have trouble reaching you! If you have changed your phone number recently, please contact Cindy Murphy with your new number so that she can update our Circle Lists. Also, if it is easier to reach you at a different number than the one listed, such as a cell phone number, just let her know. Call by June 1 so that the new number will be on next year's Circle List.

Call Cindy at 336-6078-if not at home, please leave a message on the answering machine. Thank you!

ALTAR SOCIETY is needing approximately 30-35 ice cream buckets w/lids to freeze ice chunks for this year's picnic. If you have some of those, please leave in the back of Church. Thanks. **DISHES LEFT** from this week's funeral are in back of church. Please pick up as soon as possible.

GRADUATION RECEPTION will be held after next Sunday's Mass in the Church Hall for the high school seniors. The June circle is in charge of the reception.

CHOOSE LIFE--On Mother's Day, the following observation is most relevant: "Children, and those who are dependent on us due to disability or age, offer us the opportunity to grow in patience, kindness and love. They teach us that life is a shared gift, not an encumbrance." Who knows this better than a mother?

Hall & Church is spoken for on these dates for 2013:

- May 25--Rottinghaus/Henry Wedding-Church
- May 26--Olberding Reunion
- May 28--Church Tour--Brewster Place--Topeka
- June 1--Haug /Moore Wedding-Church
- June 2--Schmitz Family Reunion Mass--Afternoon
- June 12--Hall Cleaning
- June 16 thru 24--Church Picnic
- July--Church Tour
- July 8--Finance Council Meeting at 7:00PM
- Aug.4--Schmitz Reunion
- Sept. 1--Strathman Reunion
- Sept. 7--Haug/Whiting Wedding
- Sept. 28--Bergman /Droge Wedding-Church
- Oct. 19--Stallbaumer Wedding-Church
- Nov. 28--Scott Thanksgiving
- Dec. 8--Osterhaus Reunion
- Dec. 21--Bergman Reunion
- Dec. 25--Scott Christmas
- 2014--Aug. 23--Schmitz Wedding
- Oct. 11--Rottinghaus/Haverkamp Wedding

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 form Donnelly or from Soul Provider at Seneca.

COME, LORD JESUS

The first reading today may seem somewhat out of place. Doesn't the "feast of Stephen" evoke memories of the Christmas season, rather than Easter? But it is most relevant for the days after the Ascension. Jesus Christ, the Son of Man, stands at his Father's right hand to welcome Stephen into heaven. Indeed, that is why Jesus has gone before us—to welcome us into God's house.

In the second reading the focus on heavenly reward continues: the new day coming with its hope and expectation. There is also an echo here of Advent, but it is now the fulfillment of those hopes, the resolution of all questions and difficulties.

John's Gospel today is part of the section known as the "high priestly prayer" of Jesus. It was his prayer at the Last Supper as he prepared for his roles as priest and victim. But it is also his prayer as the glorified and ascended high priest, the giver of glory, the center of faith, and the master of his destiny and ours.

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HOLY HUMOR

Studying our wedding photos, my six-year-old asked, "Did you marry Dad because he was good-looking?"

"Not really," I replied.

"Did you marry him for his money?"

"Definitely not," I laughed. "He didn't have any."

"So," he said, "you just felt sorry for him."

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Seventh Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day
- Monday: Our Lady of Fatima
- Tuesday: St. Matthias
- Wednesday: St. Isidore; Shavuot (Jewish observance)
- Saturday: St. John I; Armed Forces Day; Vigil of Pentecost

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

God is Calling, are you listening?

The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration invite single women, ages 18-47, who are considering religious life to come to a MONASTIC EXPERIENCE at their monastery in Tucson, AZ May 23-29 or in Clyde, MO. July 20-27. It's a chance to experience contemplative monastic life, learn about discernment and prayer, and meet others who are discerning a call to religious life. For more info visit WWW.BENEDICTINESISTERS.ORG. To register contact Sr. Ruth Starman at 660-944-2221, ext. 127 or email vocation@benedictinesisters.org.

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION at the Cathedral of St. Peter is on Sunday, June 23 at 2:30PM. Archbishop Naumann invites couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2013 to a Golden Anniversary Mass in their honor. To receive your invitation from Archbishop Naumann, call Mary Beth at 336-3174 or 336-2870.

CATHOLIC BASEBALL CAMP--The Catholic Baseball Camp of Kansas City is being hosted June 4-6 by former Royal Mike Sweeney. For the first time in Kansas City, boys ages 8-15 can experience an authentically Catholic camp with instruction from former Major League Baseball players and coaches. Guest include George Brett, Frank White, Jeff Montgomery and many more. Each day will include Mass, opportunities for confession and speakers.

This year's camp will be held at the Mid-America Sports Complex in Shawnee. Cost is \$300. To learn more or register, visit www.cyojws.org/catholicbaseballcamp.html or call 913-384-7377. Space is limited, so register today!

THANKSGIVING TO GOD, we would like to announce the men called to orders. For the Priesthood the following men will be ordained Saturday, May 25 at St. Matthew in Topeka. The time of ordination will be 10:30AM: Lawrence Bowers, Nathan Haverland, Daniel Schmitz, Quentin Schmitz. The following men will be ordained to the Diaconate Saturday, May 18 at Most Pure Heart of Mary, Topeka at 10:30AM: Mark Ostrowski, Anthony Saiki, Adam Wilczak, Jaime Zarse.

POWER RETREAT--Single men 16 and over are encouraged to register for a one night "power retreat" on Wednesday, May 22 at Savior Pastoral Center. The retreat includes a casual reception for 7-8PM to meet most of our 30 seminarians. At 8PM guests will have a powerful hour of adoration to prayerfully support the four men to be ordained priests a few days later. Then you stay for a focused retreat with seminarians overnight and conclude the next morning with Mass at 8AM. To register see

kckvocations.com or Facebook Fr. Mitchel Zimmerman. There is no cost.

16TH KELLY YOUTH RALLY is on Saturday, August 17, 2013. The event will begin at 4:00PM. Mass will be at 8:30PM.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The paschal candle, blessed at the Easter Vigil, carried in procession into the darkened church, and aflame with the light of Christ to be passed hand to hand to renew our baptism, burns for the fifty days of Easter whenever we gather as Christ's risen body. In the last fifty years, we have grown to see this candle as the sign of Christ's enduring presence with us. Before then, it was often seen more as a kind of signpost pointing backwards to events in Christ's life. Therefore, in some places, on the fortieth day after Easter, in order to portray the disappearance of Jesus at the Ascension, the candle was hidden.

Now we see the paschal candle as a sign of the great baptismal season of grace and it remains in a prominent place throughout the entire fifty days. We do know of some churches that did not hide the candle after the Ascension. In England before the Reformation, the candle was left in place for fifty days, since on Pentecost Eve there was a vigil, and the candle was used to consecrate the waters of the font. In Salisbury cathedral, the candle was thirty-six feet high, and in Westminster Abbey weighed over three hundred pounds. On Pentecost, the candles were melted to make tapers for the funerals of the poor.

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Reverend Father Daniel Schmitz

and

Reverend Father Quentin Schmitz

will be concelebrating the

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Sunday, the second of June

Two thousand and thirteen

one o'clock in the afternoon

St. Mary's Church

St. Benedict, Kansas

You and your family are invited to join in the celebration which
will be followed with a Corpus Christi Procession and Benediction

A luncheon reception for the newly ordained priests

Will be held following Mass at the

Knights of Columbus Hall

211 Knights of Columbus Drive

Seneca, Kansas

RSVP by May 20

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