

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

January 12, 2014--THE BAPTISM 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

Weekday mass---Friday 8:30AM

Mon.-Jan 13--Baileyville--Walter Tlusty

Tues.-Jan 14--Baileyville--Mass @ Life Care @ 11AM-

No Mass at Baileyville--Rita & Nick Holthaus

Wed.-Jan. 15--Baileyville--Ryan Sextro

Thurs.-Jan. 16--Baileyville--Richard Dalinghaus

Fri.-Jan. 17--St. Benedict-8:30AM--Seneca K of C #1769

Sat.-Jan. 18--Baileyville--Kayla Strathman

Sun.-Jan. 19--Baileyville--People of the Parishes

Sun.-Jan. 19--St. Benedict--Rosella Bergman

COLLECTIONS for January 5, 2014--Plate: \$55.00, Envelopes: \$1,135.00, Solemnity of Mary: \$10.00, Anonymous Donation Building Fund: \$2,000.00, K of C Religious Education Donation: \$325.00, Memorial: \$95.00, Crib Money: \$9.42, Total: \$3629.42.

REMEMBER LAWRENCE BOECKMAN in your prayers. His funeral was on January 4, 2014. May he rest in peace. Sympathy to his sister Arlene Schmitz and Mary Ann Schmitz and other relatives.

CCD CLASSES--January 22, 2014 Grades 9-12 Normal CCD Classes. Grades 6-8 Confessions with Father in Church.

ELEMENTARY CCD--Wednesday, January 15 --No Class.

THE NEXT INQUIRY CLASS will be Sunday, January 12 at 7PM.

PARENTS OF FIRST COMUNICANTS will meet with Father Ed in Sacred Heart Church at 7:30PM on Wednesday, January 15.

AXTELL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will again have a baby crib in the back of church, collecting baby supplies for local families in need of assistance. Baby clothes, diapers, baby wipes, shampoo, formula or any other baby supplies are appreciated. **Baby Crib will be there until February 8.** Thank You!

ST. MARY'S CHURCH will be featured on U.S Farm Report in the church salute segment. It is scheduled to air the weekend of January 25th-26th, 2014. It will appear on RFD TV Channel 64 on cable in Seneca at about 3:45 on the program called U.S. Farm Repot which airs at 3PM Sunday afternoon. On DIRECTV it is on Channel 345 at 3PM on Sunday. If you are unable to view on TV you can go to the website www.usfarmreport.com.

B & B FALCONS BOOK--Older forms for the book "B & B Falcons--Our Legacy" are available in the back of church. The book will include photos of all B & B graduates and information about each year's activities and events. The book is all color and 256 pages in length. The cost is \$50 if you want to pick it up from one of the book committee members or \$58 if you want it shipped to your home. See book committee members for more details: Cheryl Deters, Dottie Deters, Laurie Niehues, Deb Schmitz and Rosalyn Stallbaumer. Expected delivery date is Sept. 1, 2014.

Ministries for January 19, 2014

Cross: Devon Siess

Servers: Luke Holthaus & Trevor Holthaus

Eucharistic Ministers: Anita Schmitz, Brianna Uphaus, Betty Olberding, Dylan Schmitz, Maurice Feldkamp

Lector: Elmer Ronnebaum

Commentator: Lisa Holthaus

Offertory Gifts: Wayne & Carol Schmitz

Ushers: Wayne Rottinghaus & Norman Schmelzle

Rosary: Paul Strathman

Organist: Marlene Deters

Cantor: Megan Sudbeck



UPCOMING ALTAR SOCIETY EVENTS

St. Mary's Annual Soup Day will be held Sunday, February 2, 2014. Serving will be from 11AM to 2PM. Circles 3 & 4 are in charge. We will be serving chili, vegetable beef, and chicken noodle soup along with pies and relishes. Free Will Offering. If any one would like to donate an item for the Chance Table, please contact Cindy Murphy at 336.6078 or any Altar Society Officer.

Saturday, February 1st--Officers come at 8AM and Circle Leaders 3 & 4 come at 8:30AM to prepare food and set up the hall.

Sunday, February 2nd--- Officers come at 6:30AM and Circle Leaders 1, 2, 3, 4 come at 9AM to work Soup Day.

CYO--JUNIORS and FRESHMAN come from 10:30AM to 12:30PM. **SENIORS and SOPHOMORES** come from 12:30PM to the end. All of your help is GREATLY appreciated.

BINGO AT LIFE CARE NURSING HOME is every 3rd Wednesday at 1:30PM. January 2014--Mary Ann Schmitz, Heidi Holthaus, Shawn Hulsing, Susan Lueger, Mary Jane Fleming, Karen Holthaus (K), Beth Siess, Kim Sudbeck.

Remember in your prayers those who are sick, taking treatments, hospitalized or still recovering: Donna Hulsing, Elijah James Ruegge, Michelle (Damian) Buessing, Jackie Olberding, Leroy Tangeman, Nancy Deters, Martha Engelken, Brad Bowhay, Margie Miller, Ivan Rottinghaus, Gilbert Schmitz, Leonard & Clara Krogman, Aiden Berkhart, Lyle Rottinghaus, Monica Olberding Countryman, Anna Marie Kuckelman, Brad Hammes, Arlene Schmitz, Rupert Rethman.

2014 BAILEYVILLE BENEFIT TOURNAMENT is for Madelyn McCarthy, 15 month old daughter of Joe & Megan (Feldkamp) McCarthy and Calin Strathm, 4 year old son of Kevin & Trudy (Terpening) Strathm and Molly Motto, 4 month old daughter of Rob and Marsha (Bloom) Motto. It is scheduled for February 22 and 23 with the auction to start 6:00PM on Sunday. A volunteer sign up sheet is in the back of church if you would like to donate your time. You may also bring in donations of food (i.e. pies, cinnamon rolls, cookies, etc.) to the concession stand Saturday morning to sale throughout the tournament. **Hamburger is also needed but will need to have before the tournament.** Donations for the chance stand, auction or wheel are also very much welcome and appreciated. If you have any questions or items for donations, please contact Kenny Schmitz at 336.6252 (email kdschmitz@bbwi.net) or Danny Broxterman at 336.3913.

CERTAINTY--The Son of God died; it is by all means to be believed because it is absurd. And he was buried and rose again; it is certain because it is impossible.

Hall & Church is spoken for on these dates for 2014:

- Jan 2 thru 31—Facelift for church hall
- Feb. 1-2--Soup Day--Hall
- Feb. 15--Robert Rottinghaus--Hall
- March 1--Shane Roever & Wendy Strathmam--Church
- March 21--Haverkamp Wedding Rehearsal Dinner--Hall
- March 22--Celene Haverkamp--Holthaus Wedding--Church
- March 23--George Holthaus 95th Birthday Party--Hall
- March 29--Jesslyn Deters & Dustin Gillickson--Church
- April 5--St. Patrick Day Parade--IRISH FEST--Hall
- May 18--Huerter Graduation--Hall
- June 11--Annual Hall Cleaning
- June 20--23 Annual Picnic--Hall
- June 21--Mitchel Schmitz & Marissa Mosqueda--Church
- June 28--Rachel Holthaus-Adam Ronnebaum Wedding--Church
- Aug. 3--Schmitz Reunion--Hall
- Oct. 11--Jill Rottinghaus/Haverkamp Wedding--Church
- Oct. 17--Sudbeck Rehearsal--Hall
- Oct. 18--Mark Sudbeck & Kristina Krones--Church
- Dec. 20--Bergman Christmas--Hall

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 and purple now. Cost of candles are now \$5.00. Inserts are \$3.00.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

Jan. 19, Feb. 2, 16, March 2, 16, April 13, May 4, 11, 2014

SENECA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOUP DAY will be Sunday, January 12th from 10AM to 2PM in the Sts. Peter & Paul parish hall. Serving chili, chicken noodle & vegetable soups, sandwiches, desserts, coffee and tea. The free will offering proceeds will go to support seminarians and religious vocations.

SENECA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will host a Free Throw Contest on January 12th in the Sts. Peter & Paul gymnasium. Boys and girls ages 9-14 can participate. The contest will begin at 1PM and the gymnasium will open at 12:30PM. The contest is free of charge and open to the public.

BAILEYVILLE CYO BREAKFAST will be Sunday, January 12 at the church hall. Serving pancakes, eggs and sausage from 7:30AM to 12:30PM. Freewill donation.

BAILEYVILLE K OF C'S will hold their annual basketball free throw contest in the B & B gyms on Sunday, January 12 at 1PM. Boys and girls 9-14 old are invited to participate.

ST. ANN ALTAR SOCIETY PANCAKE BREAKFAST on January 26, 2014 at Sts. Peter & Paul Cafeteria, Seneca, Ks. Serving from 7AM to 1PM. Free will donation.

CONTRIBUTIONS STATEMENTS are in back of church this Sunday. Please pick yours up. It is required by the Archdiocese to have theses available even if you don't use them. What is not picked up will be mailed.

CATHOLICISM: The New Evangelization Workshop—Annunciation Frankfort is on Sunday, February 16 at 2PM. This is an exciting new video series and workshop by Fr. Robert Barron of Word on Fire Catholic Ministries and creator of the Catholicism Series. The class will be led by Theologian and DRE, Nicholas Moragues (St. Bernard's, Wamego) and assisted by Fr. Pat Sullivan. Please visit www.annunciationfrankfort.org to register and for more information call 785.562.6055. Registration deadline is Sunday, February 9.

UNITY
Unity is vision; it must have been part of the process of learning to see.

NATIONAL SHRINE'S CHARITY AND SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAM for High School Seniors is to encourage and honor charity and social service among our youth. The Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas invited high school seniors to submit a video, single student video or group video, demonstrating their outstanding corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Please send us your videos by April 11, 2014 to youthadmin@archkck.org. The Office of Evangelization and Catholic Formation for Youth will then submit the nominee videos to the National Shrine's Charity and Social Service Program for submission.

CAMP KATERITEKAKWITHA 2014 registration for youth residential and family camp forms in back of church. Grades 5-12. If you are interested please pick a form.



CALLED TO SERVE--The status of God's beloved Son is not one he clings to. It is one he shares. All of us are called to be sons and daughters of God. In Jesus, we can all claim God's favor. The second reading makes this clear. Here we read of the baptism of Cornelius and his household. Peter's speech recalls the anointing of Jesus by the Holy Spirit and the great power that swept through Israel and onto the doorstep of the Gentile Cornelius.

As for his household, so for us. There is an end to our work on earth, to our baptismal vocation and the honorable work we do. But there is no end to the saving life given to us through baptism. There is no end to the life of the children of God; there is no end to God's compassion, which we know in Christ Jesus. There is no end to our status as chosen and beloved people of God. Because of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, we are forever among those on whom God's favor rests.

A member of the church, who previously had been attending services regularly, stopped going. After a few weeks, the pastor decided to visit him. It was a chilly evening. The pastor found the man at home alone, sitting before a blazing fire. Guessing the reason for his pastor's visit, the man welcomed him, led him to a comfortable chair near the fireplace and waited. The pastor made himself at home but said nothing. In the grave silence, he contemplated the dance of the flames around the burring logs. After some minutes, the pastor took the fire tongs, carefully picked up a brightly burning ember and placed it to one side of the hearth all alone then he sat back in his chair, still silent. The host watched all this in quiet contemplation. As the one lone ember's flame flickered and diminished, there was a momentary glow and then it's fire was no more. Soon it was cold and dead. Not a word had been spoken since the initial greeting. The pastor glanced at his watch and realized it was time to leave. He slowly stood up, picked up the cold, dead ember and placed it back in the middle of the fire. Immediately it begun to glow, once more with the light and warmth of the burning coals around it. As the pastor reached the door to leave, his host said with a tear running down his cheek, "Thank you so much for your visit and especially for the fiery sermon. I will be back in church next Sunday." We live in a world today, which tries to say too much with too little. Consequently, few listen. Sometimes the best sermons are the ones left unspoken.

A Sunday school teacher asked her class, "What was Jesus' mother's name?"
One child answered, "Mary."
"Who knows what Jesus' father's name was?" the teacher asked next.
A little boy replied, "Verge."
"Verge?" the teacher asked. "Where did you hear that?"
"Well," the boy said, "you know they're always talking about Verge 'n' Mary."

On a beautiful fall morning, a Sunday school class was taking a nature walk/ "Isn't God amazing?" the teacher said. "Look at all the beautiful colors on the leaves!"
"I don't mean to criticize God," a fourth grader said, "but wouldn't He have enjoyed it more if He made the leaves fall up?"