

## ST.MARY'S CHURCH

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Bulletin announcements need to be in by Noon on Thursdays.

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 7:45A1VI TO 8:00AM before mass

MAY 17, 2015—ASCENSION OF THE LORD



### Masses for the Week



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. May 18 Baileyville**-Art Heiman

**Tues. May 19 Baileyville**—Liv/Dec. Ray & Rita Floersch

Family

**Wed. May 20 Baileyville** -Vocations to the Priesthood &

Religious Lie

**Thurs. May 21 Baileyville** -Gene Heiman

**Fri. May 22 St. Benedict** Faithful Departed

**Sat.--May 23 Baileyville** Liv/Dec. Lester Hunninghake

Family

**Sun.-May 24—Baileyville**-People of the Parishes

**Sun.-May 24-St.Benedict**-Ambrose Schmitz

**COLLECTIONS for May 10, 2015:Plate:\$ 70.00, Envelopes; \$1,485.00, Stola: \$50.00, Nepal Collection: \$65.00, Total: \$1,670.00.**

**CONGRATULATIONS to** all 2015 graduates on the college, high school and grade school levels from our parish. Graduation marks the end of formal education but does not mark the end to learning. No matter how old we get, there is always more to learn about God, ourselves, others and the world. I pray that all graduates will continue to grow in wisdom and understanding in the years ahead.

*Father Ed*

**MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES**-The American Legion will be at St. Mary's Cemetery on Monday May 25 at 8:30AM and at Sacred Heart at SAM.

**ROSARY--Wednesday, May 20 at 7PM** there will be rosary at the grotto. Weather permitting.

**ATTENTION MUSICIANS-** During the Easter season the priest will sprinkle Holy Water on the assembly. Be prepared to sing an appropriate hymn. The Gloria will be sung on weekends till May 24.

**CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN**-Today, we will take up the Collection for the Catholic Communications Campaign. This collection communicates the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through podcasts, TV, radio and print media. Remember, half of your donations are staying in our archdiocese to support local communications needs. To learn more about the important work supported by this collection, please visit [www.usccb](http://www.usccb).

**WOMEN'S DAY OF SPIRITUAL RENEWAL**-A great way to begin summer- Tuesday, June 9 at Sacred Heart, Baileyville from 8AM to Noon. Speaker will be Meg Hunter-Kilmer. Visit [niercehands.com](http://niercehands.com) to learn more about her ministry. **Please email Roxie Schmitz at [gschmitz@bluevalley.net](mailto:gschmitz@bluevalley.net)** to register or call 336--1108 for more information.

**THANK YOU** for the donations of hamburger and monetary donations to Bailey ville summer ball program Also a special thanks for the help in preparing the meat and to the boys and girls for cleaning the ball field.

*Gloria & Deann*

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING** will be at Seneca on Monday, May 18 at 7:30PM at Sts. Peter & Paul Parish.

### Ministries for May 24, 2015-PENTECOST SUNDAY

Cross: Ella Sudbeck

Servers: Amanda Stallbaumer & Bailey Schmitz

Eucharistic Minister: Connie Huerter, Robert Engelken, Wayne Schmitz, Carol Schmitz, Sara Nordhus

Lector: Brianna Uphaus

Commentator: Don Lueger

Ushers: Darren Holthaus & Kevin Holtbaus

Gift Bearers: Will & Charity Henry Family

Rosary Leader: Don Lueger

Organist: Marilyn Holthaus

Cantor: Megan Sudbeck

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### UPCOMING ALTAR SOCIETY EVENTS

**BINGO AT LIFE CARE NURSING HOME** is every 3rd Wednesday at 1:30PM. May-2015-Heidi Holthaus, Shawn Hulsing, Susan Lueger, Mary Jane Fleming, Karen Holthaus (K), Beth Siess, Kim Sudbeck, Marissa Schmitz.

**CHANCE BOOKS**-Picnic work lists and chance books will be handed out after Mass on May 24. \$15 per chance book and \$50 if not planning to fry chicken will be collected at that time.

**PICNIC**-If anyone would like to donate an item(s) for the church picnic auction or chance book, please contact Lois Enneking at 336-2315 or 294-0027, or any of the other Altar Society Officers (Deb Koelzer, Dana Bradley or Donna Sudbeck)

**ANNUAL HALL CLEANING** is June 17, 2015.

**ANNUAL HALL SETUP** is on June 26, 2015.

**ANNUAL PICNIC** is on June 28, 2015.

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**Remember in your prayers those who are sick, taking treatments, hospitalized or still recovering:** Elijah James Ruegge, Leroy Tangeman, Nancy Deters, Brad Bowhay, Margie Miller, Ivan Rottinghaus, Gilbert Schmitz, Clara Kroginan, Aiden Berkhart, Lyle Rottinghaus, Monica Olberding Countryman, Anna Marie Kuckelman, Brad Hammes, Elaine Ronnebaum, Laura Schmelzle, Karsyn Aylward, Nancy Broxterman, Cyril Tangeman, Ambrose Martin son of Larrissa Nordhus Martin, Eldon Kriley (brother in law of Stan & Cindy Murphy), Francis Sudbeck.

**TEEBALL** for ages 3,4 and 5 years old-Baileyville ball field on Wednesday, June 3, 10, 17 and 24 at 6:30 until 7:30PM. Parents are encouraged to attend and your help, if needed, would be appreciated. Please call Nichelle Koch at 336-4047 with questions.

**PARISH MISSION**-Annunciation Church, Frankfort-June 7, 8 and 9 from 7 to 8PM. No registrations, no charge. For more info contact Marilyn Hazen at 785-292-9462 ext 14.

**LIVING IN LOVE EVERY DAY** weekend will be held on Saturday and Sunday, June 13 & 14 at Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Hall, Seneca. All married couples who have already completed a Living in Love course are invited to attend. If anyone is interested in working with engaged couples, this is required course to be certified. Times are Saturday from 8:30AM to 4PM and Sunday from 10AM to 3PM. For registration and info, contact Kristen Tangeman at 336-1804 or Sts. Peter and Paul Office at 336-2128.

**18th ANNUAL KELLY YOUTH RALLY** is Saturday, August 15, 2015. Event starts at 4PM with Mass beginning at 8:30PM.

**LABOR**-Without labor nothing prospers.

HALL & CHURCH is spoken for on these dates for 2015:  
May 23-Huerter-Hall  
May 30-Spencer Walters & Kelsey Haug Wedding  
May 31-Bergman-Hall  
June 8-Parish Council Meeting-8PM  
June 17-Annual Hall Cleaning  
June 20--Danielle Osterhaus & Brad Green Wedding  
June 26-Picnic Setup-Hall  
June 28-Annual Church Picnic  
July 27-Finance Council Meeting @7PM  
Aug. 2--Schmitz Hall  
Aug. 9-Haverkamp-Hall  
Sept. 4—Haverkamp-Hall  
Sept.5-Holthaus-Hall  
Sept 5--Craig Haverkamp & Sheriden Hanzlik Wedding  
Oct 10-Jerad Enneking & Stephanie Havericamp Wedding  
Fall 2015-Confirmation at St. Mary's  
Nov. 22-Schmitz-Hall  
Nov. 26-Scott-Hall.  
Nov. 27-Gudenauf Reunion-Hall  
Nov. 28-Engelken-Hall  
December 6--George Holthaus Christmas-Hall  
Dec. 12-Rusche-Hall  
Dec. 13-Rottinghaus-Hall  
December 19-Bergman Christmas-Hall  
Dec. 20--Stallbaumer-Hall  
Dec. 24-01berding-Hall  
Dec. 25-Scott-Hall  
HALL & CHURCH is spoken for on these dates for 2016:  
June 4-Abby Olberding & Austin Stallbaumer Wed-Church  
Dec. 17--B ergman Christmas

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 are still available. 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](http://www.stmstb.org) or picked up at the Kansas Rural Water Association office west of Seneca. Phone: 336-3760.

CANDLES available for home use. Cost of candles are now \$5.00. Inserts are \$3.00.

GENEALOGY--The parish has acquired genealogy information on many families of the parish including Bergman ,Boeckman, Deters, Engelken, Fangtaan, Grosser-Holthaus, Haug, Haverkamp, Heiman, Grobe-Holthaus, Holthaus, Huerter, Lierz, Kramer, Krogman, Mohrnaan, Olberding, Retbman, Ronnebaum, Rottinghaus, Sextro, Strathman, Strathman B, Stegeman, Sudbeck, Wichman Suggested donation is \$20.  
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MARRIED COUPLES-It has been said that the greatest gift you can give your children is two parents very much in love with each other. Polish up on this gift and put a bow on it at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. You deserve the best and your children need to see you reaching for it. The next weekend in the Kansas City area is on June 26-28, 2015. For more information about a weekend, please visit the web-site at [wnae4youandme.org](http://wnae4youandme.org) or call Tony and Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066 or email [tonybarbz@prodigy.net](mailto:tonybarbz@prodigy.net).

ARCHDIOCESAN 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION will be on June 14, 2015 at 2:30PM at Cathedral of St. Peter. To receive your invitation from Archbishop Naumann please call the parish office at 336-3174. Please do this as soon as possible.

BAPTISM-To offer his personal support for those couples open to raising larger families, Archbishop Joseph Naumann has offered to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism of the third or greater child of any family eligible. He is coming to Sts. Peter & Paul Church on Sunday, July 5th, and will baptize these infants at the 11AM Mass. Please let the Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Office know by calling 785-336-2128. If you are eligible and would like to have your baby baptized by the Archbishop.

SUMMER SOCIALS IN THE AREA

ST. JAMES CHURCH PICNIC & AUCTION will be on Sunday, June 14, 2015. Roast Beef & Ham Dinner served family style from 4:30-?? Adults \$8, Children 10 years to 4 I years \$5 and Children under 3 years are free. Auction will be at 8 PM in the hall. Games for all ages on the grounds

ST. MALACHY'S CHURCH PARISH PICNIC will be on June 14, 2015. Supper will be served from 5 to 7:30PM. Beef Brisket or Pork Barbecue or Plain. Adults \$8, Children 10 and under \$4. Bingo, games, quilts, country store and raffle. Auction at 8PM.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH in Axtell will be holding its annual Summer picnic on Sunday, June 21, 2015. Come and enjoy a meal with roast beef and ham in an air-conditioned hall. Serving will be from 5 to 8PM. Cost for the meal will be \$8 for adults, \$5 for children 12yrs and under\_ There will also be games for all ages, bingo, chance book drawings and an auction at 9PM. Come and Celebrate Father's Day in Axtell!!!

Everybody knew the church roof was leaking, but the parish kept putting off replacement because repairs would cost tens of thousands of dollars. Finally, when the ceiling began to sag, the parish council called an emergency meeting of the entire congregation. A wealthy parishioner stood up and pledges \$300 toward fixing the roof. Just then a small piece of the ceiling fell and hit him on the head. Somebody in the back of the church said, "Hit him again, Lord!"

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Seventh Sunday of Easter; World Communications Day  
Monday: St John I  
Wednesday: St Bemardine of Siena  
Thursday: St. Christopher Magellanes and Companions; Julian Calendar Ascension  
Friday: St. Rita of Cascia  
Saturday: Vigil of Pentecost; Shavuot (Jewish observance) begins at sundown

dear **Padre**

May 17, 2015

**Why does God give grace to those who don't deserve it?**

Our priest says we can't earn God's grace, that God just gives it to us. That is so unfair. I've put in many hard, deliberate hours being generals, considerate, and understanding. The undeserving and unworthy are just that, yet God continues to give to them. Why?

*Grace is a* theological word that describes God's giving us a share in his own divine life. It's a gift of his abundant love. Or, as the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says, "Grace is a participation in the life of God... .It depends entirely on God's gratuitous initiative... .It surpasses the power of human intellect and will" (1997-1998).

If you've already put in many hours of hard work being good, you're already living the effects of grace operating in you.

As for those you consider "undeserving" or "unworthy," the Lord is generous and loving to all. He excludes no one. Even calling a sinner to repentance is God's grace, but the sinner needs to accept the grace being offered.

St. Augustine knew that even the *preparation* of a person to receive God's grace is God's grace. Quoted in the *Catechism*, he said, "Indeed we also work, but we are only collaborating with God who works, for his mercy has gone before us....[W]ithout him we can do nothing" (2001).

FR. DON KIRCHNER, CSSR  
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