

ST.MARY'S CHURCH

Father Edward Oen, C.PP. S. Pastor

9208 Main Street St. Benedict, KS. 66538

Father Edward Oen: Residing at 357 3rd St., Baileyville, KS 66404 Phone: 336-6464

St. Mary's Church Phone: 785-336-3174. Website: www.stmstb.org

Secretary's email: tahaverkamp@bbwi.net

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 7:45AM TO 8:00AM before mass

JANUARY 10, 2016—THE BAPTISM 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.-Jan. 11-Baileyville-Elmer Henry

Tues.-Jan. 12-Baileyville-No Mass @ Baileyville-Mass @ Life Care @ 11AM-Intention Richard & Sue Koehler

Wed.-Jan. 13-Baileyville-Leonard B. & Henrietta Broxterman

Thur.- Jan. 14-Baileyville-Kayla Strathman

Fri.-Jan. 15-St. Benedict-Garry Wichman

Sat.- Jan. 16-Baileyville-Liv/Dec. Leonard Kramer Family

Sun.- Jan. 17-Baileyville-People of the Parishes

Sun.-Jan.17-St. Benedict-Edwin Kramer& Elaine Ronnebaum

COLLECTIONS for January 1, 2016: Plate: \$39.00, Solemnity of Mary: \$335.00, Stipends: \$20.00, Candles: \$3.00, Crib: \$21.93, Total: \$418.93. **January 3, 2016:** Plate: \$71.00, Envelopes: \$1,206.00, Solemnity of Mary: \$10.00, Total: \$1,287.00.

CHURCH LAND FOR RENT-St. Mary's Church owns 7 acres more or less for rent. It is east and north of the ball field. If you would like to rent it for a 3 year period, please put your bid and check for the first year in an envelope and send it to the parish or give it to David Huerter or Danny Tangeman by Sunday, Feb. 7. The bids will be opened after Mass on Feb. 7.

SANCTUARY LIGHT-Have you missed the Sanctuary Light? As you notice the light is gone. It was taken down last Thursday to be cleaned and polished and will be returning soon.

ST. MARY'S NIGHT AT THE WILLOWS: On Monday, January 18, from 5:00 - 9:00 PM, The Willows Restaurant will donate 10% of food sales to St. Mary's Parish as their donation toward our picnic. (Meals purchased with gift cards will not be included.) Come join us and support our parish.

HIGH SCHOOL CCD-January 13, 2016-Normal CCD Classes.

ELEMENTARY CCD-January 13-Classes after school.

THE NEXT INQUIRY CLASS will be on Tuesday, January 19th at 6:30PM.

MEETING for parents of second graders will be held at 7:30PM, today Sunday, January 10 in Sacred Heart Church. Parents from St. Mary's and Sacred Heart are invited to come for classed on First Confession. Parents with children in SPPS will not have to attend since their children have already received First Reconciliation.

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING on Monday, January 11, 2016 at 7PM.

BAILEYVILLE CYO BREAKFAST is today, Sunday, Jan. 10, 2016 at Sacred Heart Church Hall. Serving Pancakes, eggs and sausage from 7:30AM - 12:30PM. Freewill donation.

BAILEYVILLE K of C's will hold their annual basketball free throw contest in the B & B Gym on Sunday, January 10 at 1PM. Doors will open at noon. Boys and girls are invited to participate.

SOUP DAY - Seneca K of C's - Today, January 10 at Sts. Peter and Paul Hall - 10:00AM - 2:00PM - Everyone welcome.

THANK YOU to all who came out to support the Sacred Heart and St. Mary's parishes New Year's Eve dinner for Catholic Heart Work camp.

Ministries for January 17, 2016-Second Sunday of Ordinary time

Cross: Emma Stallbaumer

Servers: Faith Henry & Amber Blume

Eucharistic Ministers: Kyle Haverkamp, Will Henry, Diane Schmitz, Laurie Strathman, Paul Strathman

Lector: Connie Huerter

Commentator: Nancy Sudbeck

Ushers: Tom Haverkamp & Will Henry

Gift Bearers: Tom & Mary Beth Haverkamp Family

Rosary Leader: Cindy Murphy

Organist: Marilyn Holthaus

Cantor: Stan Murphy

UPCOMING ALTAR SOCIETY EVENTS & NEWS

BINGO AT LIFE CARE NURSING HOME is every 3rd Wednesday at 1:30PM. January, 2016-Deanna Wullschlegler, Sharon Tangeman, Arlene Holthaus, Celene Haverkamp, Lisa Holthaus, Judy Osterhaus, Debbie Tangeman.

ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY will host a Soup Day Feb 7th from 11:00 am- 2:00 p.m. at St Mary's church cafeteria. Chili, Chicken noodle and vegetable beef soup with be served with relishes, and pie. Free will offering! Everyone is welcome.

Feb 6th Prepare Hall for Soup Day-Officers come at 8:00 am and Circle leaders form 3&4 come at 8:30AM.

Feb 7th-Officers come at 6:30 am and All circle leaders come at 9:00AM, officers husband come at 9:30. CYO waits tables.

There are several items that have been left at the hall over the past months they are in the back of church. Please collect your pans and miscellaneous items. After a period of time we will take items not picked up to the Mission.

Thank you! St Mary's Altar Society

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS those who are sick, taking treatments, hospitalized or still recovering: Leroy Tangeman, Brad Bowhay, Margie Miller, Ivan Rottinghaus, Clara Krogman, Aiden Berkhart, Lyle Rottinghaus, Monica Olberding Countryman, Anna Marie Kuckelman, Brad Hammes, Laura Schmelzle, Karsyn Aylward, Nancy Broxterman, Cyril Tangeman, Ambrose Martin son of Larrissa Nordhus, Martin, Eldon Kriley, Mary Lally, Dorothy Pearl Murphy, Kenny Olberding, Mary Ann Schmitz.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE: Jan. 10-24, Feb. 7 & 21, March 6 & 20, April 10 & 24 and May 8.

HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE and the American Red Cross are hosting an upcoming blood drive.

Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today! Highland Community College, 313 Nemaha St, Baileyville, KS, 66404, on Monday, Feb. 1, 2016 from 1 to 6PM, at the gym. The Medical Office Assistants will be coordinating this event. We look forward to seeing you. The need for blood is constant and only volunteer donors can fulfill that need for patients in our community. Nationwide, someone needs a unit of blood every 2 to 3 seconds and most of us will need blood in our lifetime.

"LIVING IN LOVE" retreat at Sacred Heart Parish in Sabetha, January 16-17, 2016. Register online at www.archkck.org/LivingInLove or contact Mary Anne Kierl at the Archdiocese at 913-647-0345 for information.

TEMPER AND PRIDE-Temper is what gets most of us into trouble. Pride is what keeps us there.

HALL & CHURCH is spoken for on these dates for 2016:

- Jan. 11-Finance Council Meeting at 7PM.
- Feb. 6-Set up for Soup Dinner-Hall
- Feb. 7-Soup Dinner-Hall
- Feb. 13-Holthaus_Hall
- Feb. 21-Lueger-Hall
- March 6-Welcome Reception-Hall
- April 1-Huerter-Hall
- April 2-Drew Huerter & Chelsey Rottinghaus Wedding
- April 23- Julie Holthaus & Andrew Sneed-Wedding
- May 1--Lueger-Hall
- May 21-Huerter-Hall
- June 4-Abby Olberding & Austin Stallbaumer Wedding
- June 20-27-Picnic Set up & Take down.-Hall
- June 26-ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC-Hall
- July 1-Huerter-Hall
- July 2-Marissa Lueger & Ryan Huerter Wedding-Church
- July 9-Jason Haug & Chloe Hall-Church
- Sept. 3-Holthaus-Hall
- Sept. 17-Brett Holthaus & Anna Groppoli Wedding-Church
- Nov.19-Ashley Schmelzle&Baylen Edelman Wedding-Church
- Nov. 26-Gudenauf Reunion-Hall
- Dec. 10-Rottinghaus-Hall
- Dec. 17--Bergman Christmas-Hall
- Dec. 18-Sudbeck-Hall
- Dec. 25-Engelken-Hall

HALL & CHURCH is spoke for on these dates for 2017:

- May 27-28-29-St. Benedict Alumni-Hall
- Aug. 6-Schmitz-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 are still available. The book provides the unique story of St. Mary's Parish from its founding. The family photos are sure to be cherished in decades to come. Copies available for pickup at the Rectory; leave a message at 336-3174 or email to Mary Beth at tahaverkamp@bbwi.net. Copies also are available through the Kansas Rural Water Association office located west of Seneca. Your grandchildren or great-grandchildren will appreciate having a copy.

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, Fangman, Grosser-Holthaus, Haug, Haverkamp, Heiman, Grobe-Holthaus, Holthaus, Huerter, Hulsing, Lierz, Kramer, Krogman, Mohrman, Olberding, Rethman, Ronnebaum, Rottinghaus, Sextro, Strathman, Strathman B, Stegeman, Sudbeck, Wichman . Suggested donation is \$20.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING--Prescription for a Long and Happy Life”, an evening with Dr. Laurie Heap: This introduction to NFP takes an intellectually honest look at the medical benefits of natural fertility management systems and how they enhance the married relationship. Our next event is Saturday, Jan 30 from 6 – 9:30 PM at Savior Pastoral Center (12601 Parallel Parkway, KCK, 66109). Wine, appetizers, dessert, and coffee will be served. If you are engaged, this fulfills your Archdiocesan requirement for NFP introduction in Marriage Preparation. Interested married couples also welcome. For more info, contact Brad DuPont in the Archdiocesan Office of Marriage and Family Life at bdupont@archkck.org or 913.647.0301. To register or to see future dates, go to www.archkck.org/prescription (\$35/couple).



GUARDIAN ANGELS DO MORE THAN JUST “GUARD US”

—Most of us grow up believing as children that we each have a guardian angel. But what exactly is the angel guarding us from—Demons? Our own sinful inclinations?

Yes, yes—and so much more. It turns out that guardian angels not only protect us from ourselves and others, they also do everything from pray for us to help us better understand divine truths. Indeed, if all life is a journey towards God in heaven, Aquinas says we can imagine guardian angels are assigned to protect us along the path, in much the same way that guardians might protect a medieval pilgrim on a country road.

Here are just a few things that guardian angels do for us:

- 1. Moral guidance:** While it is up to God to fill us with grace and virtue, it is left to reason to “discover the proper methods to make perfect the good of virtue,” according to Aquinas. It is in this regard that guardian angels assist us by bringing us the precepts of God.
- 2. Enlighten us:** Aquinas says that angels can enlighten us to divine truths. There are several ways our guardians can do this: they can cause an imaginative vision or dream and they can also affect how our senses perceive the world around us.
- 3. Affect our will:** Changing the will from within is God’s sole prerogative, but angels can still indirectly affect our will through our intellect, according to Aquinas.
- 4. Intercessors on our behalf:** Guardian angels also act as intermediaries between us and God. As the Baltimore catechism puts it, “they offer our prayers, good works and desires to God.”

Truly, guardian angels are not something to be taken for granted. Rather, they are our “special servants and faithful friends” assigned to guard us throughout our lives. So make sure you take a moment today to thank God for such a great gift he has bestowed upon us out of the endless bounty of His Love. **STEPHEN BEALE**

dearPadre

January 10, 2016

Long-distance god parenting . My two-year-old god-daughter’s mom has taken a job in another city. I’m heart-broken. How can I be a good godparent when I’m 2,000 miles away?

There’s never been a better time to be a longdistance god-parent. Inexpensive mobile and data plans, email, social networking, and camera phones make keeping in touch easy. Your goddaughter is very young, so when you can’t visit in person, regular video chats are your best bet for making sure she knows who you are. Keep them short; forcing her to sit still too long will make your time together an ordeal. And don’t be hurt if she’d rather be doing something else. Just say hello, tell her you love her, and let her go. You can also send a picture of yourself to display and a box of preaddressed, stamped envelopes so her parents can send you her artwork. If they do, hold it up to the camera and admire it. And don’t forget to celebrate her baptismal birthday or patron saint’s feast with a card or gift of Christian books, stickers, and other activities. As your goddaughter gets older, you’ll communicate in more sophisticated ways— phone conversations, handwritten letters, emails, texts, and whatever else has been invented by that time. But the important thing isn’t how you keep in touch. It’s that you keep in touch regularly and build a faith-filled relationship that will last a lifetime. FR. RICK POTTS, CSsR sundaybulletin@liguori.org.

MANIFESTING THE SPIRIT--The Christmas season closes this Sunday with the Baptism of the Lord. This feast is a sister to last week’s feast of the Epiphany. Each of them celebrates an “epiphany,” or a manifestation of the Spirit of God in Jesus—first in his birth, and now at his baptism.

The divine Spirit is manifested in all of the scriptures for this feast. Psalm 104 highlights the Spirit of God creating and renewing the earth, while the reading from Isaiah describes God restoring Israel. In Luke’s account of the baptism of the Lord the Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus. And the letter to Titus reminds us that the Holy Spirit was “richly poured out” on us also, through the “bath of rebirth” (Titus 3:5, 6). Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TURNING THE TIDE--When everything goes against you, till it seems as though you could not hold on a minute longer, never give up then, for that is just the place and time that the tide will turn.

—Harriet Beecher Stowe