

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 7:45AM TO 8:00AM before mass

JANUARY 24, 2016—THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



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. 25-Baileyville-Special Intention of Brian Koehler

Tues.-Jan. 26-Baileyville-No Mass

Wed.-Jan. 27-Baileyville-No Mass

Thur.- Jan. 28-Baileyville-Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life

Fri.-Jan. 29-St. Benedict-Liv/Dec. Seneca K of C #1769

Sat.- Jan. 30-Baileyville-Lester Hunninghake

Sun.- Jan. 31-Baileyville-People of the Parishes

Sun.-Jan. 31-St. Benedict-Liv/Dec. Ferdinand & Dora Steinlage Family

COLLECTIONS for January 17, 2016: Plate: \$59.00, Envelopes: \$1,995.00, Stipends: \$180.00, Other: \$46.78, Total: \$2,280.78.

A PRECIOUS BLOOD priests' meeting will be held at Marillac Center, Leavenworth from January 25-27. Fr. Ed plans to attend this meeting.

REMEMBER Dorothy Pearl Murphy in your prayers. She passed away on January 14 at Life Care in Seneca. May she rest in peace. Our sympathy to her son Stan and Cindy Murphy and family.

THANK YOU for the prayers for Dorothy Pearl Murphy. She passed away peacefully on January 14. She appreciated the prayers and well wishes she received these past months. Stan and Cindy Murphy

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.

HIGH SCHOOL CCD-January 27, 2016-Normal CCD Classes.

ELEMENTARY CCD-January 27-Classes after school.

THE NEXT INQUIRY CLASS will be on Tuesday, February 2, at 6:30PM.

THE AXTELL K of C will again have a baby crib in the back of church to collect baby supplies for the less fortunate families of the community. Much needed items include: burp cloths, diapers (newborn to 2), baby towels, washcloths and wipes. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

STATEMENTS-End of year statements are in the back of church for each parishioners who donated toward the church. Please pick up, whenever possible. If not pick up by the end of January, they will be mailed.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM-February 17: Noon - 1 PM, the Catholic Bishops of Kansas and others concerned about the future of religious freedom will be hosting a **Rally for Religious Freedom** inside the Kansas State Capitol Building under the dome. A large turnout is needed to demonstrate to Kansas lawmakers that support for religious freedom in Kansas is strong. Let's make this as successful as the rally in 2012, which garnered national attention and was broadcast live on EWTN. We will have outstanding speakers including Ryan Anderson of the Heritage Foundation. For more information please visit www.kscathconf.org.

WINTER WARMTH—One kind word can warm three winter months.—Japanese proverb

Ministries for January 31, 2016-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cross: Addy Holthaus

Servers: Brayden Uphaus & Amber Blume

Eucharistic Ministers: Maurice Feldkamp, Sara Nordhus, Brian Holthaus, Lisa Holthaus, Ferdie Deters

Lector: Brianna Uphaus

Commentator: David Huerter

Ushers: Darren Holthaus & Kevin Holthaus

Gift Bearers: Matt & Kim Sudbeck

Rosary Leader: Brianna Uphaus

Organist: Marlene Deters

Cantor: TBD

UPCOMING ALTAR SOCIETY EVENTS & NEWS

BINGO AT LIFE CARE NURSING HOME is every 3rd Wednesday at 1:30PM.

UPCOMING ALTAR SOCIETY EVENTS-St. Mary's Annual Soup Day will be held Sunday, February 7, 2016. Serving from 11:00am till 2:00pm. Circles 3 & 4 are in charge. We will be serving chili, vegetable beef soup and chicken noodle soup along with pies and relishes. Free Will Offering. If anyone would like to donate an item for the Chance Table, please contact Donna Sudbeck at 336-2265 or 336-1140 or any Altar Society officer.

Saturday, February 6-Officers come at 8:00am and Circle Leaders 3 & 4 come at 8:30am to prepare food and set up the hall.

Sunday, February 7-Officers come at 6:30am and Circle Leaders 1, 2, 3, 4 come at 9:00am to work Soup Day.

CYO- JUNIORS and SENIORS come from 10:30am to 12:30pm. **FRESHMAN and SOPHOMORES** come from 12:30pm to end. All your help is GREATLY appreciated!

Note: If anyone has any extra whipped topping and especially ice cream bucket containers, please feel free to donate them to Altar Society. Containers can be left in the back of church or at the rectory house on the back porch. Thank you.

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, Kenny Olberding, Mary Ann Schmitz.

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA will be taken up this weekend (January 24-25). Your gifts to the collection will fund catechesis, pastoral programs, marriage and family life projects, seminarian education and many other necessary programs in Latin America and the Caribbean. Please support the Church in Latin America and be generous in today's collection.

CALL TO SHARE – Recently you received a letter from Archbishop Naumann asking for your generous support of the Archbishop's Call to Share. The 2016 ACTS theme "Rich in Mercy" reminds us that the "balm of mercy" is for everyone to share. Once we have been blessed, we must extend this compassion and mercy to others. Your gift to the Archbishop's Call to Share is such an act and helps bring the mercy of Jesus to every corner of Northeast Kansas. Please give prayerful consideration to how you can respond as Jesus' disciple by filling out your pledge card and returning it to the collection next weekend. Our parish goal is \$6,597.00. Please give generously to support the ministries of the Church in Northeast Kansas!



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

- 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
- March 27-Scott-Hall
- April 1-Huerter-Hall
- April 2-Drew Huerter & Chelsey Rottinghaus Wedding
- April 3-First Communion
- April 11-Finance Council Meeting @7PM.
- April 22-Church Tour at 10AM
- 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. 24-Scott-Hall
- Nov. 26-Gudenkauf 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.

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 2016 BAILEYVILLE BENEFIT is for Jacob Schilling, 14 yr old son of Lisa (Noland) Schilling, Tim Sack, Jane Burdiek and Paul Kramer. It is scheduled for February 27th & 28th at Nemaha Central High School with the auction to start 6:00pm on Sunday. Donations for the auction, chance stand, or wheel are very much welcome and appreciated! You may also bring in donations of food (i.e. pies, desserts, cinnamon rolls, cookies, etc) to the concession stand Saturday morning to sale throughout the tournament. If you have any questions or would like to donate in any way (including volunteering to work a couple of hours), please contact Kenny Schmitz at 336-6252 (e-mail kdschmitz@bbwi.net) or Danny Broxterman at 334-3913.

MEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION-Kansas City's Catholic Conference is scheduled on February 13, 2016 at the Church of the Ascension, 9510 W. 127th, Overland Park, Ks. , from 6:30am to 3:30pm. Register at www.ksmuc.org. Tickets are \$35. More information in the back of church for signing up.

CORNING NM COUNTY #2 FIRE DEPT & EMS BENEFIT BREAKFAST will be on Sunday, January 24, 2016 starting at 7AM. Free Will Donation. Serving Fresh Ground Sausage patties, French Toast, Pancakes, Biscuits and Gravy and fresh fried eggs. Hope to see you there!!

ST. ANN'S ALTAR SOCIETY PANCAKE BREAKFAST will be on Sunday, January 31, 2016, serving from 7 AM to 1PM at Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Hall, Seneca.

CAMP TEKAKWITHA registration opens up on January 26 for High School and Family Camps, February 2 for 7th and 8th grade, and February 9 for 5th and 6th grade camps. Camp registration and information can be found at <http://www.archkck.org/camp>. Many videos are available on our YouTube Channel that show the activities and facilities. We look forward to sharing a very special part of the summer together and to having your child grow in faith, make some new friends and to have an extremely fun time at Camp Tekakwitha.

Natural Family Planning - Introduction to the Creighton Model System—A free introductory session providing an overview of the method, reproductive anatomy and physiology and how to track and monitor your cycle will be held in the Sts. Peter and Paul church basement on February 20th at 9am. To register for the class please call/text Susie Lueger at 336-1934 or register online at <http://annunciationfrankfort.org/nfp>

MARRIAGE MINUTE - Is someone you love away from the faith? It may be your spouse, your son or daughter, or it may be an extended family member. Some couples are even rejected by family for being "too religious." If this is you, take heart in this Sunday's readings. Jesus returns to his home town, shares the good news of salvation and is almost run off a cliff. This must have broken his heart! He certainly understands your pain for nobody knows rejection like Jesus. He also gives us a good point of advice. "No prophet is recognized in his native place." If our faith is evident to our fallen-away family, it often does no good to continue to "preach" to them, which so often is perceived as "nagging." Instead, we can take our cues from the second reading where Paul prescribes the remedy to win souls for Christ through patience, kindness, and rejoicing in the truth. This can be an examination of conscience for us in our relationships. When our loved one comes back to the faith, will they see our actions as resembling this kind of love? If not, what kind of practical changes can we make? Finally, a word of encouragement in this year of mercy: "Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things, Love never fails." Know in great confidence that every act of patience, every act of kindness, every act of service, and every prayer for our family bears fruit in God's Kingdom.

dearPadre January 24, 2016

Broadcasting our beliefs We're supposed to spread the Good News every chance we get, but what about on bumper stickers, clothing, social media, and other places? I see religious street art and think it's disgraceful, but my son says you have to get people's attention any way you can. What do you think?

Decorum and respect have their lines and limits, but sometimes it's hard to say exactly where they are. Years ago there was an outrage over a clothing manufacturer that stitched Jesus' words on the seat of their line of blue jeans: "Come, follow me!" We should enjoy our freedoms of speech and religious expression in morally and legally acceptable ways. I think the wearers of T-shirts and the drivers of cars with Christian words on them are sincere. In fact, it takes some nerve to publicly display "I love Jesus." Surely many of the eyes that see this quietly say, "I do, too." And what do we do: leave the field of messaging to people who corrupt our eyes with lies and indecency? Just remember: Before shirts and stickers, it is God who converts people, very often through those who live and breathe the words — those who really, quietly, and clearly know and love Jesus. He has always relied on flesh-and-blood witnesses to lovingly share his name. This is what it really means to bear witness to Jesus Christ. FR. JOHN M. HAMROGUE, CSsR sundaybulletin@liguori.or.

A TEACHER was telling her Sunday school class that God makes trees and vegetables and sunshine and rain. "God makes everything," said the teacher. "Well He doesn't make my bed!" shouted one little boy.

WANTING-Our chief want in life is somebody who shall make us do what we can.

St. Mary's Parish Finance Council Minutes
January 11, 2016

Father Ed Oen opened the quarterly Finance Council meeting with a prayer at 7 pm. Members present were Fr. Ed Oen, Dave Huerter, Gary Schmitz, Mary Beth Haverkamp, Evelyn Rottinghaus, John Haug and Leon Holthaus. Danny Tangeman, President of the St. Mary's Parish Council was also present.

Dave presented the council with the bank account balances as of 01/11/2016. Also presented were a semi-annual comparison of income and expenses and a cash flow comparison from 07/01/2014 through 01/11/2015 and 07/01/2015 through 01/11/2016. Income was still running ahead of expenses.

The council agreed to move funds from our checking account to our savings account with the Diocese. The money in the savings account with the Diocese is our money, and we are able to access the money as needed.

Brad Lueger had a conference call with representatives from Catholic Mutual Insurance Company regarding the church roof. Kent Francis, an architect, suggested that we should come up with some specifications on the roof so that everyone was bidding on the same project. A rough estimate from Roof Masters was \$180,000. They discussed possibly using copper on the apse on the east side of the church.

Ben McKinley will be repairing the crack on the wall when weather permits. A tax credit is available for both this project and the roof project.

The west side project is on hold for the time being.

Dave Huerter discussed the insurance premium that the parish had received from The Catholic Mutual Relief Society of America. He indicated that he would like to contact them and review some of the areas of the policy with them. Further discussion regarding the policy would be reviewed at the next meeting.

Mary Beth Haverkamp indicated that the signature card at the bank needed to be updated. The Council indicated that there should be two signatures on the card. Father Ed Oen and Dave Huerter will be the authorized signers on the St. Mary's Parish checking account.

In other business, the church owns approximately 7 acres of land east and north of the ball field. The Parish Council will be taking bids to rent the land for a three year period. Bids and a check for the first year should be placed in an envelope and sent to the parish or given to Dave Huerter or Danny Tangeman by Sunday, Feb 7th. The bids will be opened after Mass on Feb. 7th.

The next meeting of the Finance Council was scheduled for April 11, 2016 at 7:00 pm. Father closed the meeting with a prayer. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.