

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

FEBRUARY 7, 2016—FIFTH 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.-Feb. 8-Baileyville-Frank Wessel

Tues.-Feb. 9-Baileyville- No Mass @ Baileyville-Mass @ Life Care @ 11AM-Audrey Feldkamp

Tues.-Feb. 9-St. Benedict-Ash Wednesday Mass @7PM- Leo Mohrman

Wed.-Feb. 10-Baileyville-Ash Wednesday Mass @ 8:30AM Ray & LaVerne Lierz

Wed.-Feb. 10-Baileyville-Ash Wednesday Mass @ 7:30PM- For the People of the Parishes

Thur.- Feb. 11-Baileyville-Joe Walter

Fri.-Feb. 12-St. Benedict-Greg & Henrietta Holthaus

Sat.-Feb. 13-Baileyville-Liv/Dec. Elmer Heiman Family

Sun.- Feb. 14-Baileyville-For the People of the Parishes

Sun.-Feb. 14-St. Benedict-Ronald Steinlage & Jordan Sudbeck-(3rd year Anniversary)

COLLECTIONS for January 31, 2016: Plate: \$79.00, Envelopes: \$1,510.00, Latin America: \$25.00, Stipends: \$60.00, Memorial Donation: \$500.00, Candle: \$24.22, Hall Rent: \$50.00, Total: \$2,248.22.

GOD'S NEW CHILD-Amelia Grace Larkins, daughter of Levi & Katrina Larkins, was washed in the saving waters of Baptism on January 31, 2016, here. Godparents are Lucas Sudbeck, and Nicole Sudbeck. Congratulations!

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

Tuesday, February 9 -7:00PM - St. Benedict

Wednesday, February 10 - 8:30AM - Baileyville

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LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE - During Lent the priests of the Archdiocese will have private reconciliation from 6:00-7:00PM on Wednesday nights. Reconciliation at St. Benedict will be on February 24, March 9 and March 23. Reconciliation at Baileyville will be on February 17, March 2 and March 16.

LENTEN REGULATIONS - Ash Wednesday (Feb. 10) and Good Friday (March 25) are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast, that is, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs but they together should not equal another full meal.

The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat (ages 14-100).

The obligation to fast commences at eighteen (18) years of age and ends at fifty-nine (59) years of age.

Although the faithful enjoy freedom in consciences to excuse themselves for a just cause from these mitigated laws of fast and abstinence, the obligation to do penance is a serious one and no Catholic should lightly excuse himself/herself from this obligation in the Lenten season.

ANNUAL EUCHARISTIC DAY will be on Sunday, February 21 (9:30AM-4:00PM)at Baileyville and at St. Benedict on February 28 (11:00AM-4:00PM). There will be a closing procession and Benediction at 4:00PM.

THE NEXT INQUIRY CLASS will be on Tuesday, February 16, at 7:00PM.

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

PLEASE pick up a copy of The Joy of Mercy-Forgiving and Forgiven by Father Joe Kempf, in the back of church.

Ministries for February 9, 2016-Ash Wednesday-Mass at 7PM on Tuesday.

Cross: Karly Tangeman

Servers: Brad Schmitz & Kirsten Lortscher

Eucharistic Ministers: Marsha Korber, Arlene Holthaus, Leon Holthaus

Lector: Elmer Ronnebaum

Commentator: Cindy Murphy

Ushers: David Huerter & Nick Huerter

Offertory Gifts: Steve & Donna Sudbeck Family

Rosary Leader: Paul Strathman

Organist: Marlene Deters

Cantor: Stan Murphy

Ministries for February 14, 2016-World Marriage Day

Cross: Hailey Nordhus

Servers: Garrett Randel & Shayla Heiman

Eucharistic Ministers: Janelle Schmitz, Troy Nordhus, Anita Schmitz, Kristina Sudbeck, Evelyn Rottinghaus

Lector: Gabriella Sudbeck

Commentator: Connie Huerter

Ushers: Dennis Koelzer & Bob Macke

Offertory Gifts: Jerry & Brianna Uphaus Family

Rosary: Don Lueger

Organist: Marilyn Holthaus

Cantor: Tammy Holthaus

UPCOMING ALTAR SOCIETY EVENTS & NEWS

BINGO AT LIFE CARE NURSING HOME is every 3rd Wednesday at 1:30PM. February-Connie Huerter, Tammy Holthaus, Donna Scott, Joanie Holthaus, Theresa (Eldon) Sudbeck, Dawn Feldkamp, Kate Ronnebaum

ST. MARY'S ANNUAL SOUP DAY is today, Sunday, February 7. Serving will be from 11:00am to 2:00pm. Free Will Offering. We will be serving chili, vegetable beef soup, and chicken noodle soup along with pies and relishes.

Officers come at 6:30am and Circle Leaders 1, 2, 3, & 4 come at 9:00am. CYO JUNIORS and SENIORS come from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and FRESHMEN and SOPHOMORES come from 12:30 p.m. to end. All of your help is greatly appreciated!

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.

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-February 10, 2016-No CCD-Ash Wednesday.

ELEMENTARY CCD-February 10, 2016-Class from 3:45 to 5:45PM.



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

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 3-Schmitz-Hall
April 11-Finance Council Meeting @7PM.
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
Dec. 31-Lueger-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.

CORNING K of C will be sponsoring a Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, February 12, 2016 at Corning Community Center. Serving from 5 to 7:30pm. Pollock, cheesy potatoes, cole slaw and green beans, rolls, coffee, tea and water. Free Will Offering.

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.

SPPS PTO 3RD ANNUAL ADULT TRIVIA NIGHT – Saturday, February 20 – K of C Hall, Seneca (7:00-11:00PM). Contact Jill Hammes 785-294-1360 if you would like to sign up a team.

BENEFIT FOR PAM KOCH will be on Sunday, February 21 at 11:30 at Sacred Heart, Sabetha, Ks. Pulled Pork Benefit and bake sale for Pam Koch who recently diagnosed with breast cancer.

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>.

WHEN church service is over, our service begins!

THE 2016 BAILEYVILLE BENEFIT is for Jacob Schilling, 14 yr old son of Lisa (Noland) Schilling, Tim Sack, Jane Burdick 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.

CALL TO SHARE – The response of our parishioners to this year's Archbishop's Call to Share has been so generous to date. The Archbishop's Call to Share funds over 40 ministries of the Archdiocese, serving parishes and individuals all over 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. To date our parishioners have made pledges of \$2,840.00. Please give generously to support the ministries of the Church in Northeast Kansas!

THE COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE will be taken up this weekend. It illuminates the way for the people of the region by helping Catholic organizations provide affordable shelter and training so seminarians, in addition to providing pastoral care and catechesis. Your donations today helps **restore the Church and build the future** in the aftermath of Soviet rule. Please be generous.

BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION will be taken up next weekend. Please give generously to this collection.

RALLY FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM--February 17: Noon - 1 PM. The Catholic Bishops of Kansas and others concerned about the future of religious freedom in Kansas, will be hosting a **Rally for Religious Freedom** inside the Kansas State Capitol Building in the 2nd Floor Rotunda. 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. Free parking at the Kansas Expocentre and round-trip shuttle to and from the Capitol is available from 10:30 A.M until 2:00 P.M. We will have outstanding speakers including Ryan Anderson of the Heritage Foundation. For more information please visit www.ksathconf.org.

DEAR PADRE--February 7, 2016

What is Church teaching on fasting and abstaining? With Lent so early [Ash Wednesday is on February 10], I want to be prepared. Could you clarify the Church's teaching on fasting and abstinence?

Lent, the most prominent period of penitential practice, is not the only time when penance and/ or self-denial are encouraged. For example, every Friday is a day to perform a penance, sacrifice, or mortification in memory of Christ's death. The Code of Canon Law (1249–53) cites the meaning of fasting and abstinence. It explains that penance is a human response to divine law. Christians have a responsibility to practice penance. And observing "the days of fasting and abstinence" is a Church precept (Catechism of the Catholic Church 2043). Abstinence from meat is required on all Fridays of Lent for those who have completed their fourteenth birthday. Abstinence and fasting are required on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting is binding on adults from age eighteen until fifty-nine. The exact meaning of fasting is not explained by the code, and this has led to varying degrees of emphasis and attention to detail as well as some unusual and extreme practices. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops states: "When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but not to equal a full meal." I praise you for approaching these traditions as a means of growth and improvement rather than a burden. FR. TOM SANTA, CSsR sundaybulletin@liguori.org.

HOW many choir directors does it take to change a light bulb? Nobody knows. Nobody ever watches the choir director.

St. Mary's Church Improvement Project: Refinishing of Sanctuary Light

February 7, 2016

Have you noticed that an important fixture in our church has been missing the last several weeks? Yes, the sanctuary light was removed by members of the maintenance committee and parish council for some needed restoration and cleaning. It was reinstalled this past Friday evening.

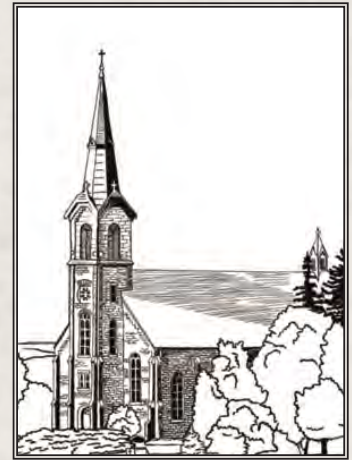
Christian churches often have at least one lamp continually burning before the tabernacle, not only as an ornament of the altar, but for the purpose of worship. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal in the Catholic Church, states (in 316): "In accordance with traditional custom, near the tabernacle a special lamp, fueled by oil or wax, should be kept alight to indicate and honor the presence of Christ." The sanctuary lamp, also called a chancel lamp, is placed before the tabernacle in Roman Catholic, Old Catholic, and Anglican churches as a sign that the Blessed Sacrament is present.

This tradition has influence from Judaism. In the Old Testament, God told Moses that a lamp filled with the pure oil should perpetually burn in the Tabernacle (Ex 27:20-21). This is the precedent for the Catholic Church's custom of burning a candle (at all times) before the tabernacle – the gold house where the Eucharistic Body of Christ is reserved under lock and key.

Sanctuary or tabernacle lamps are often colored red, though this is not prescribed by law. This serves to distinguish this light from other votive lights within the church. Red is widely used in the Catholic Church and is here at St. Mary's. The lamp may be suspended by a rope or chain over the tabernacle or near the entry of the sanctuary, or it may be affixed to a wall; it is also

sometimes placed on a ledge beside the tabernacle or on an individual stand placed on the floor. Oil lamps or candles may be used within the church.

It was reported in the February 11, 1909 *Courier-Tribune* that the sanctuary light at St. Mary's Church was purchased for \$300 through the generous



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donations of parishioners. This equates to a cost of more than \$7,200 today according to www.govspot.com/ask/inflation.htm. However, it is also unlikely to find a lamp as intricate as that at St. Mary's, much less a light with the suspension system that allows it to be lowered. The sanctuary light is made of brass. Some of the ornamentation is silver plated. The entire lamp and supporting pipes have been clear-coated to prevent future tarnish or corrosion.

A special thank you to the memorial of Teresa Stallbaumer and to Joyce and Cyril Schmitz for bringing our sanctuary light back to same brightness and shine it had when first installed over a century ago. And thanks to all those who helped see that this project was completed.

Future projects will be showcased in a similar manner as this so that

parishioners and others might better appreciate the history of St. Mary's Parish and our church.

Courier-Tribune, February 11, 1909

Last Sunday Father Anthony O.S.B. announced that since January 1st he has received the following donations for the church from various members of the parish. A sanctuary lamp which will cost over \$300.00, an altar for the basement, 3 pair of funeral candlesticks and a crucifix for the catafalque and 3 pair of funeral candlesticks, and a crucifix for the high altar. These candlesticks are of metal in ebony finish with nickel plated trimmings and looked very attractive. He received also a catafalque and a cover made of black velvet with inch thick silk embroidery. Also a rich vestment and cape which are elaborately adorned with silk trimmings. These donations amount to \$852. Fr. Anthony O.S.B. suggested that he would like to get a purple antependium for funerals and 3 pair of candlesticks enameled in white with gold plated trimming for funerals of children and young people.

"To preserve this that your fathers built, in their great faith in your future." - Joe Oswald, 1980