

**ST.MARY'S CHURCH**

**Father Arul Carasala-Parochial Administrator**

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Bulletin announcements need to be in by Noon on Thursdays.

Mass Schedule: Sunday Morning Mass at 10:00 AM with Father Jonathan Dizon

Friday evening Mass at 7:00PM with Father Arul Carasala

Marriage: Contact parish 6 Months before - Baptism Call 785-336-3174 or 336-2870

MARCH 26, 2017—FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Unless specified below Mass times are as listed.  
**ST. BENEDICT**---Sunday 10:00AM  
Weekday Mass---Friday evening at 7:00PM  
**BAILEYVILLE**---Saturday 7:00PM and Sunday 8:30AM  
Weekday Mass---Thursday evening at 7:00PM  
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**Wednesday-March 29-Baileyville**-8:30AM-Prayer Service  
**Wednesday-March 29-St. Benedict**-7PM-Stations of the Cross/Rosary/Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
**Thursday-March 30-Baileyville**-Stations at 6:30PM-Mass at 7:00PM-Elmer Feldkamp  
**Friday-March 31-St. Benedict**-Stations at 6:30PM-Mass at 7:00PM-Leo & Esther Schmelzle  
**Sat.-April 1-Baileyville**-Mass at 7PM-Liv/Dec. Clarence & Eileen Olberding Family  
**Sun.- April 2-Baileyville**-Mass at 8:30AM-People of the Parishes & Regis & Mary Jane Schmitz (50th Anniversary)  
**Sun.- April 2-St. Benedict**-Mass at 10AM-Elaine Ronnebaum

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**FOR YOUR INFORMATION** – Daily Mass schedule at **Sts. Peter & Paul's** is: Tuesday 6:00PM, Wednesday and Friday 8:00AM, Thursday 7:00AM and Saturday 7:30AM – Confessions Saturday 2:30 – 3:30PM and Wednesday 6:00-7:00PM. Stations: Friday 2:00PM, Divine Mercy Chaplet Thursday 7:00PM. **St. Michael's, Axtell:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00AM, Confession Saturday 3:45-4:15PM.

**COLLECTIONS for March 19, 2017:** Plate: \$230.00, Envelopes: \$1,860.00, Rice Bowl: \$184.00, Easter Flowers: \$30.00, Candle: \$12.00, Roof Fund: \$1,500.00, Total: \$3,816.00.

**GOD'S NEW CHILDREN**– Kallen Henry Schmitz son of Kyle and Paige Schmitz will be washed in the saving waters of Baptism today, after the 10AM Mass. Godparents are Jodi Schmitz and Blake Savage. Congratulations!

**HIGH SCHOOL CCD CLASSES**—**March 29**-Normal CCD Class. **April 5**-Stations of the Cross & Chaplet of the Divine Mercy-Report in front of church.

**ELEMENTARY CCD**-March 29-3:45 to 5:15PM.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE:** April 2 & 30 and May 8.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be on March 29 at 7PM. Station Leader and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary will be Arlyn & Joanie Holthaus.

**AREA RECONCILIATION SERVICES**

Corning---March 26 at 3PM  
Kelly---March 26 at 7PM  
Wetmore---March 26 at 7PM  
Marysville---April 2 at 3PM  
Frankfort---April 2 at 7PM  
Axtell---April 2 at 7PM  
**St. Benedict**---April 7 after 7PM Mass  
Seneca---April 9 at 3 PM  
Sabetha---April 9 at 7PM  
Baileyville---April 9 at 7PM



**HOLY WEEK and EASTER SERVICES**

**HOLY THURSDAY**-April 13th-5PM Mass at Baileyville & 7PM Mass at Sts. Peter & Paul. **No Mass at St. Benedict.**

**GOOD FRIDAY**-April 14th-Passion of the Lord at Sts. Peter & Paul at 3PM and St. Benedict at 6PM-**No services at Baileyville.**

**HOLY SATURDAY**-April 15th-Easter Vigil Mass at Sts. Peter & Paul at 7PM. **No Easter Vigil Mass at Baileyville.**

**EASTER SUNDAY**-April 16th-Easter Sunday at St. Benedict will be at 10AM and at Sacred Heart in Baileyville will be at 8:30AM. Easter Sunday Masses in Sts. Peter & Paul will be at 6:30AM-8:00AM-9:30AM-11:00AM.

**BE** interested in the future—you'll spend your life there!

**Ministries for April 2, 2017-Fifth Sunday of Lent**

**Cross:** Elijah Ruegge

**Servers:** Joseph Stallbaumer & Amber Blume

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Craig Haverkamp, Mary Schmitz, Anita Schmitz, Paul & Laurie Strathman

**Commentator:** Joanie Holthaus

**Lector:** Danny Tangeman

**Ushers:** Kenny Sudbeck & Kevin Sudbeck

**Offertory:** Cyril & Joyce Schmitz Family

**Rosary:** David Huerter

**Organist:** Marilyn Holthaus

**Cantor:** Staci Haug

**Money Counters for April 2:** Joyce & Marsha

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**ALTAR SOCIETY EVENTS & NEWS**

**April 2017**-Annual Altar Society Meeting-Election of new officers.

**June 14**-Annual Hall Cleaning

**June 25**-Annual Church Picnic

**BINGO AT LIFE CARE NURSING HOME** is every 3rd Wednesday at 2:00PM. **April 2017**-Donna Stallbaumer, Trisha Engelken, Carol Bergman, Rosette Randel, Betty Ruegge, Annette Rottinghaus, Betty Roeder

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**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** those who are sick, taking treatments, hospitalized or still recovering: Brad Bowhay, Ivan Rottinghaus, Clara Krogman, Aiden Berkhart, Lyle Rottinghaus, Monica Olberding Countryman, Brad Hammes, Laura Schmelzle, Karsyn Aylward, Ambrose Martin son of Larrissa Nordhus, Martin, Eldon Kriley, Mary Lally, Kenny Olberding, Dennis Bergman, Greg Fangman, Jed Henry, Tim Sack, Victor Holthaus, Paul Kramer, Sara Conroy, Joyce Koch, Kathleen Ronnebaum, Tanner Strathman, Kristi (Mike) Meyer, Father Edward Oen, Vivianne Marousek.

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**RAISE THE ROOF FUND**

<b>PROJECT GOAL</b>	<b>\$60,000.00</b>
<b>83 DONATIONS</b>	<b>\$55,086.10</b>
<b>2 PLEDGES</b>	<b>\$450.00</b>
<b>REMAINING GOAL</b>	<b>\$4,463.90</b>



**CALL TO SHARE** –Thank you to all who have responded to the needs of our Church in northeastern Kansas through the 2017 *Archbishop's Call to Share* appeal. Our parish goal is \$7,256.00. Our parish donation so far is \$8,979.00, with 34% participation..

**EASTER FLOWERS:** If you would like to make a donation towards this year's Easter Flowers please mark it and put your donation in the collection basket by Sunday, April 9. You may also purchase a Easter Lily as a memorial for a loved one by placing their name and \$15.00 per flower in the collection.

**50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** will be on Sunday, June 4 at 2PM at the Church of the Nativity, in Leawood. Please call Mary at 336-3174 on Thursday or at home at 336-2870 to receive your invitation from Archbishop Naumann.

**FINANCE COUNCIL** Meeting is scheduled for April 10 at 7PM.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who helped clean up, picked up and level off the north side of the church where the sidewalks once were. It was very much appreciated.

**TO** trust in the light is nothing, but trust in the dark—that is faith.

**HALL & CHURCH is spoken for on these dates for 2017:**

- March 26-Schmitz Baptism after 10AM Mass
- April 1-St. Patrick's Parade-Hall
- April 9-Easter Egg Hunt-Hall
- April 10-Finance Council Meeting at 7PM
- April 16-Hall-Scott
- May 7-May Crowning-Church
- May 7-Senior Recognition Mass
- May 27-28-29-St. Benedict Alumni-Hall
- May 27-James Smith-Church-First Mass
- June 10-Stallbaumer & Edelman Wedding-Church
- June 11-Evans & Talley Baptism after 10AM Mass
- June 14-Annual Hall Cleaning
- June 25-Annual Church Picnic
- July 9-Stallbaumer Hall
- Aug. 6-Schmitz-Hall
- Sept. 30-Bergman-Hall
- Nov. 23-Scott-Hall
- Dec. 9-Hall-Halley/Rottinghaus
- Dec. 23-McKinley-Hall
- Dec. 25-Scott-Hall
- Dec. 30-Sudbeck-Hall

**HALL & CHURCH is spoken for on these dates for 2018:**

- June 9-Nolte & Koch Wedding-Church
- July 7-Hasenkamp & Steinlage Wedding-Church

**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 tmhave1991@gmail.com or stmarys9208@gmail.com, 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.

**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, Hueter, Hulsing, Lierz, Kramer, Krogman, Mohrman, Olberding, Rethman, Ronnebaum, Rottinghaus, Sextro, Strathman, Strathman B, Stegeman, Sudbeck, Wichman. Suggested donation is \$20.

**FATHER ED OEN**-- His new address will be: St. Charles Center, 2860 U.S. Route 127, Celina, OH 45822.

**WORSHIP FOR WINDOWS**--On Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> (Laetare Sunday) from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM, there will be a concert, "Worship for Windows" at Sts. Peter & Paul Church. Organized for her Senior Project, Mary Hemman has arranged for a generous number of area singers and artists to perform and sing praises to God from 2:00 to 3:30 PM. A wonderful Lenten event for a Free Will donation at the door, this will help pay for the new stain glass Church windows. Come and enjoy the music!

**BENEFIT DINNER AND AUCTION FOR ROBERT "MAC" MCNALLY**---When: April 2nd, 2017 from 11:00 till ??? Where: Corning Community Center. Serving Pulled Pork, Cheesy Potatoes, Baked Beans, Pasta Salad and Desserts !!! Robert "Mac" McNally is battling Stage 4 Mucinous Adenocarcinoma (Appendix) cancer. The Corning Knights of Columbus will be having a pulled pork dinner and auction to help support the family in this time of need. If you would like to donate an item for the auction, please call Nickie Haverkamp @ 785-294-0744, Bill Holthaus @ 785-364-7026 or Laurie Kramer @ 785-294-1163.

**17TH ANNUAL ST. BENEDICT'S ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION**--The theme of the parade is "I'm Irish-No Foolin" being as it falls on April 1, April Fools Day this year. Immediately after the parade there will be a tour of the church and some Irish songs sung, accompaniment by Marlene Deters with the organ.



**CONCEPTION COLLEGE SEMINARY VISIT** Young men high school juniors to 25 are invited to visit an active college seminary April 1 - 2 at Conception in Missouri. This is both a college visit and a discernment retreat. Join other guys like yourself to see how active seminary life is, and meet seminarians who are seeking God's will for their life. There is no charge. Vocation director Fr. Scott Wallisch will provide transportation and accompany visitors, leaving Sat. afternoon and returning Sunday. For details go to ewgc.org.

**ADOPTIVE PARENTS NEEDED!!!** St. Joseph Adoption Ministry is in need of more prospective parents. They could place more babies if they had more prospective parents!! And the average wait time for couples to adopt a baby is only seven months. This is wonderful news for those considering adoption. For more information call St. Joseph Adoption Ministry at 913-2995222 or go to their web site at [www.CatholicAdoptionMinistry.org](http://www.CatholicAdoptionMinistry.org). Please spread this good news!! **NOTE:** St. Joseph Adoption Ministry is located in our archdiocese in Kansas City, Kansas and is a ministry of the Congregation of St Joseph.

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING - INTRODUCTION TO THE CREIGHTON MODEL SYSTEM**--The Creighton Model is a natural method of fertility regulation, enabling a woman, through recording daily observations, to better understand and maintain her reproductive health and fertility. Introductory sessions providing an overview of the method, reproductive anatomy and physiology and how to chart your cycle are held monthly at Sts. Peter and Paul in Seneca. To find out more on the class or session dates please contact Susie Lueger at [susielueger@gmail.com](mailto:susielueger@gmail.com) or 785-336-1934.

**DEAR PADRE MARCH 26, 2017**  
What are social or communal sins? Do I need to confess them?

To answer this question properly, we must first make a number of distinctions. First, we are social beings. We act not only as individuals but also as groups, and we are capable of sinning each way. Sin is an analogous concept with nuances, depending on context. There are original, personal, and social sins. There are also both mortal and venial sins. When we sin as individuals, we commit a personal sin. When we sin in a group, we commit a social sin. As with personal sin, some social sins are more serious than others. Societies that enshrine laws promoting abortion, euthanasia, and in many countries, capital punishment are involved in serious social sins. Our degree of culpability in such sins depends on the level of our participation in the group. The key distinction is whether we are actively (formally) or only accidentally (materially) cooperating in the evil. For example, if you actually voted for a law enshrining one such evil, then you are formally cooperating in the evil. If you voted against it but are paying taxes that fund such practices, then you are only materially cooperating in it. Formal cooperation in a serious offense against God's will should be confessed. Material cooperation lessens the degree of blame, sometimes to the point of eliminating it. It is important to examine the nature of the social evil, study the teachings of the Church on the issue, determine your level of participation, and form your conscience accordingly.  
Dennis J. Billy, CSsR [sundaybulletin@liguori.org](mailto:sundaybulletin@liguori.org).

**MARRIAGE MINUTE MARCH 26, 2017**  
This weekend's readings are about seeing clearly. While few people experience physical healing like the blind man in the Gospel, many of us can recall times when God has allowed us to see a situation from a new perspective—with equally miraculous results.  
If you and your spouse keep running up against the same conflict or difficulty, perhaps you are in need of a new perspective. • Pray specifically for God to "open your eyes" to a new way of seeing your spouse and his or her perspective. • Seek counsel from a couple whose marriage you respect who may have traveled through similar difficult circumstances in the past. • Gain new insights and skills from a marriage enrichment such as Living in Love or Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Other practical marriage tips can be found at [www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com](http://www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com).

**LOST** on a rainy Friday night, a priest stumbles into a monastery and requests shelter there. Fortunately, he's just in time for dinner and was treated to the best fish and chips he's ever had. After dinner, he goes into the kitchen to thank the chefs. He is met by two brothers, "Hello, I'm Brother Michael, and this is Brother Francis." "I'm very pleased to meet you. I just wanted to thank you for a wonderful dinner. The fish and chips were the best I've ever tasted. Out of curiosity, who cooked what?" Brother Michael replied, "Well, I'm the fish friar." Father turns to the other brother and says, "Then you must be...." "Yes, I'm afraid I'm the chip monk..."