

ST.MARY'S CHURCH

Father Arul Carasala-Parochial Administrator

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Bulletin announcements need to be in by Noon on Thursdays.

Secretary in the office only on Thursday from 8:30AM till 1:30PM

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

APRIL 16, 2017— EASTER SUNDAY



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

Wednesday-April 19-Baileyville- 8:30AM Prayer Service

Friday-April 21-St. Benedict- 8:30 AM Prayer Service

Sat.-April 22-Baileyville - Living & dec Lester & Wilma Hunninghake Family

Sun.- April 23-Baileyville-Mass at 8:30AM People of the Parishes & Leonard Deters - Clarence & Jane Nordhus (55th Anniv)

Sun.- April 23-St. Benedict-Mass at 10AM-Ernest Haug

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 April 9, 2017: Plate: \$73, Envelopes: \$1975, Stipends: \$100, Candle: \$15, Roof Fund: \$1980, Easter Flowers: \$100, Hall Rent \$50, Total: \$4293

HAPPY EASTER TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

God has given us the gift of hope when He Died and Resurrected on Easter. Let us remind ourselves of this great gift and keep a positive outlook in life. We will always be blessed with prosperity in all things through Him. A Blessed Easter!

PRAYER SERVICE– While Fr. Arul is gone, there will be a prayer service held Friday mornings at 8:30am.

NOTE FROM FR. ARUL- Dear Parishioners, I will be in India after Easter for few days and Fr. Jonathan will help us while I am gone. I will be participating in our Diocesan Jubilee and Priestly ordination during my visit. We spent these days of lent praying, “We Trust in the Lord always”. It has been beautiful experience to be able to Trust in the Lord in all that is happening in our life. I wish and pray during this Easter Celebrations to bless all the families and our friends to be able to Trust in Him and cherish the joy of His Resurrection. I want to thank you for working with the new arrangements for the parishes for masses and sacraments. I will try my best to make all things possible. Please do not hesitate to contact me for any needs or suggestions to serve our parishes in the best way. Please continue to pray for Frs. Ed and Albert during Easter for their good health. God Bless you all!

GOD'S NEW CHILDREN– Alexander Edward Lueger son of Bradley and Susan Lueger will be washed in the saving waters of Baptism today, after the 10AM Mass. Godparents are Ryan and Marissa Huerter. Congratulations!

GOD'S NEW CHILDREN– Xavier James Gage Schmitz son of Mitchel & Marissa Schmitz will be washed in the saving waters of Baptism today, after the 10AM Mass. Godparents are Ethan Schmitz and Egypt Leishing. Congratulations!

THANK YOU to the Ervin Bergman family for the donation made towards the church roof project and cemetery.

FLOWER IN FRONT OF CHURCH—Please contact Danny Tangman if you would like to volunteer to plant/maintain flower in front of church.

FIRST COMMUNION will be Sunday, April 23rd.

HIGH SCHOOL CCD CLASSES-April 19-7:30PM Chastity Program at Sacred Heart-meet in the school building.

ELEMENTARY CCD-April 19-3:45 to 5:15PM.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE: April 30 and May 8

**Ministries for April 23, 2017-2nd Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday**

Cross: Hailey Nordhus

Servers: Joseph Stallbaumer & Amber Blume

Eucharistic Ministers: Diane Schmitz, Kenny Schmitz, Will Henry, Troy & Sara Nordhus

Lector: First Communicants

Commentator: Brenda Rottinghaus

Ushers: Jeff Stallbaumer & Brian Wullschlegler

Offertory: First Communicants

Rosary: Kenny Schmitz

Organist: Marilyn Holthaus

Cantor: Stan Murphey & choir

Money Counters: Joyce & Nancy



ALTAR SOCIETY EVENTS & NEWS

April 30- Altar Society Meeting-Election of new officers

June 14-Annual Hall Cleaning

June 25-Annual Church Picnic

November 12-Pancake Breakfast

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

PICNIC – Altar Society Officers will pass out picnic worklists, etc. before and after Mass on May 7 and May 14. We are going to try something new this year and have Farm Fresh Fried Chicken prepared fresh during the picnic instead of having everyone bring chicken in earlier that day. We are asking for each family of the parish to contribute \$60.00 and each single parishioner to contribute \$30.00 to cover the cost of the chicken and supplies. If you could please bring the chicken money along with \$15.00 to pay for your chance book, we would greatly appreciate it.

The fish pond game is very popular, so we will have additional Goin' Fishin' bags if you would like to fill extra.

If you are planning to bring an item for the auction this year and you have not informed an officer yet, please let us know. Contact Staci Haug (336-1106), Leanna Rottinghaus, Beth Deters or Christina Stallbaumer.

Please continue saving glassware for the dime toss. You can leave it on the back porch of the parish house or in the back of church.

If you have a picnic table that we could borrow, please let one of the officers know.

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, Leon Holthaus.

RAISE THE ROOF FUND	
PROJECT GOAL	\$60,000.00
93 DONATIONS	\$57,916.10
2 PLEDGES	\$ 450.00
REMAINING GOAL	\$ 2083.90



HAPPY EASTER

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



- April 16-Hall-Scott
- April 16-Schmitz Baptism-Church
- April 30-Alter Society Meeting & Elect. of Officers
- May 7-May Crowning-Church
- May 7-Senior Recognition Mass
- May 9-Parish Council Meeting at 7PM
- 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. 12-Pancake Breakfast
- Nov. 15-Annual Church Cleaning
- 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:

- Feb. 4-Soup Supper
- Apr. 8-Alter Society Meeting & Election of Officers
- June 9-Nolte & Koch Wedding @ 1PM-Church
- June 9-Hasenkamp & Steinlage Wedding @ 4PM-Church
- June 13-Annual Hall Cleaning
- June 24-Annual Church Picnic

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.

FATHER AL HAUSER-- is in the hospital in Topeka. 1500 SW 10th Ave., Stormont Vail Hosp., Topeka, KS 66606

2nd ANNUAL CRUISIN' FOR A CURE will be Sunday, April 30, 2017. Registration starts at 1:00 PM at Koch's Service on Main Street, Baileyville KS. Cruisin' starts at 1:30 PM FREE WILL OFFERING. All proceeds will be donated to Nemaha County Relay For Life. T-shirts/Bake Sale/Luminaria sales during registration. There will be food available for a donation after the cruise at Koch RV Park--served until 6 PM For information, contact Deb Koch 785-294-0347.

BENEFIT FOR BERT--A benefit to help Bert Morrison with cancer treatment expenses will be Saturday May 6th at the Corning Community Center . There will be a pulled pork meal (free will offering) from 4 to 7 pm, followed by an auction. If you would like to donate something for the auction, or desserts, or money, it can be dropped off at Koch's Service in Baileyville, CMT DeSigns, Nemaha Valley Motors, or Nemaha County shop in Seneca. For more information, email Deb-Koch @ djkoch721@yahoo.com, or Gena Swart @ toddandgena@hotmail.com .Thank you in advance!

IN RECOGNITION of the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima, the St. Bede's Spiritual Renewal Committee is hosting a retreat on Sunday May 7 at 2:00 PM at the St. Bede's Church Basement in Kelly. The Blessed Virgin Mary appeared six times to three shepherd children near the town of Fatima, Portugal between May 13 and October 13, 1917. The movie "13th Day" which is based on the memoirs of one of the visionaries, Sister Lucia Santos and other eye-witness accounts, will be viewed at the retreat. Men and women are invited to attend. There will be refreshments and door prizes. No need to RSVP.

Faith is to know that God is with you!

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD: For those interested in becoming a catechist or bringing Catechesis of the Good Shepherd to your parish, a course for adults will begin this summer at Sts. Peter & Paul School. Dates are June 8-11 and July 6-9, 2017. If you are already certified in Level 1, a Level 2 course will be offered on those dates as well. Please contact Angie Hammes at 785-294-0442.

ST. MARY'S will host the first Mass of a newly ordained priest on Saturday, May 27. The Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. and will be sung by the Rev. James M. Smith, FSSP, who is scheduled to be ordained on May 26 in Lincoln, Nebraska, for the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter (which is known by its Latin acronyms FSSP). After the Mass, lunch will be served out by church, and all interested parishioners are invited to attend the Mass and stay for lunch. RSVP by May 14. If you intend to come, please sign up and indicate how many you expect in your party. Sign up sheet will be in back of church on the bulletin board. The Rev. Mr. Smith is from Buckland, Massachusetts, where he grew up on his family's fifth-generation dairy farm. He grew up as a Baptist and attended Wheaton College in Illinois where he studied political science. After college he moved to Washington, where he discovered Catholicism, and spent 12 years working in politics on Capitol Hill and in the Middle East. He wanted to say his first Mass at St. Mary's because of the great beauty of the church, and is very grateful for the chance.

SMOKED PORK CHOP DINNER at Annunciation Parish in Frankfort on Sunday, April 23, 2015 from 11AM to 1:30PM. Adults: \$10 and Children 10 and under \$5.00. All proceeds will benefit the Annunciation Parish.

GROUND BEEF NEEDED -- Anyone wishing to make a ground beef donation or a monetary donation towards the purchase of ground beef for the ball field concession stand, please contact Gloria Heiman 336-6734.

WORK NIGHT to prepare the meat for the concession stand is Wed. April 26 at 5:30PM in the Church Hall.

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 \$10,029.00, with 40% participation.

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.

MARRIAGE MINUTE-- After the sacrifice of Lent and the gloom of Holy Week, we can sometimes arrive at Easter like someone who has just finished a dreaded chore. Hooray, we made it! Now, pass the jelly beans. But if this is our approach, the Resurrection of Jesus becomes no more than a happy ending to a scary story, and we miss the gift it can be for our marriages. The first message of the Resurrection is "Don't be afraid!" This phrase is proclaimed to all who approach the empty tomb, and to us as married people as well. We should not be afraid: • ... of serious illness, financial or relationship problems. He has conquered even death, so He can bring good out of any evil we face. • ... of facing our own or our spouse's sin. He loved his disciples after they abandoned Him- He can help us love each other with that same love.

NCYC -The National Catholic Youth Conference will be Nov 19-21 in Indianapolis. Come join our Archdiocese for a Pilgrimage to Encounter a bigger Church with over 22,000 youth and grow into a deeper relationship and understanding of our Catholic Faith. The deadline is extended to May 1st.

NEW CATHOLIC TELEVISION PROGRAM--Daily 7:30am , DIRECTV Ch 371, DISH Ch 258, AT&T UVERSE Ch 565, VERIZON FIOS Ch 288

St. Mary's Parish Finance Council Minutes
April 10, 2017

Fr. Arul Carasala opened the quarterly meeting of the Finance Council with a prayer at 6:58 PM. Members present were Fr. Arul Carasal, Gary Schmitz, Bob Rottinghaus, Ed Mohney, Mary Beth Haverkamp and Evelyn Rottinghaus. Unable to attend was John Haug.

Gary presented the council with the account balances as of 03/31/17. Also presented was an itemized category comparison for the first quarter of 2017 with the first quarter of 2016. A cash flow comparison for the first quarter of 2016 and 2017 was also included. He noted that collections are down and we are running about \$1,000 behind our expenses each month. Envelope collections are down about \$3,000 from the first quarter of 2017 in comparison to the first quarter of 2016. Gary indicated that we average about \$7,400 per month for envelope and other church asset income (excluding the Capital Fund Drive). There are 149 families currently registered in the parish.

Fr. Arul asked how often we published a financial statement for the parish and Mary Beth indicated that we had only been publishing it annually in July. He also asked if we prepared a budget and she indicated that we had not, but that was one of the things that the auditor from the Archdiocese brought up during a recent audit.

It was decided to have Fr. Arul request that \$70,000 be moved from the Archdiocese account to our parish checking account.

Father indicated that Rob Peschel of Marysville was working on the 3D rendering of the landscape project. He suggested that when it was complete that there be a meeting with the parish to go over the project.

Mary Beth inquired about having University Bindery of St. Louis restore the church's record books. Fr. suggested that we have one book restored and see how it turns out and then decide if we want to proceed with having the others redone.

Fr. closed the meeting with a prayer at 7:28 PM. The next meeting of the Finance Council will be scheduled at a later time.