

**ST.MARY'S CHURCH**

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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 John Riley till June 28.

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

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

**JUNE 4, 2017-PENTECOST 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**

**Wednesday-June 7-Baileyville-Prayer Service at 8:30AM**

**Thursday-June 8-Baileyville-No Mass**

**Friday-June 9-St. Benedict--Mass @ 7PM-Leonard Krogman**

**Sat.-June 10-St.Benedict-Wedding at 3PM-Kyle Stallbaumer & Kortney Edelman**

**Sat.-June 10-Baileyville --Jeanette Holthaus**

**Sun.- June 11-Baileyville-People of the Parishes & Liv/Dec. Lawrence & Rachel Deters Family**

**Sun.-June 11-St. Benedict-Mass at 10AM-Liv/Dec. Ed & Agnes Holthaus Family**

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**COLLECTIONS for May 28, 2017:** Plate: \$361.00, Envelopes: \$1,124.00, Other: \$376.00, CCC: \$163.00, Stipends: \$80.00, Ascension: \$75.00, Candle: 24.00, Hall Rent: \$100.00, Photo Donation: \$5.00, Total: \$2,308.00.

**SPECIAL THANKS**-Special thanks to Father Jonathan, who endured great sacrifice and given that extra measure to bring each of us closer to Christ while he was here at St. Mary's. We wish him well and a safe trip back to the Philippines for his visit with his family.

**WEDDING BELLS**-Kyle Stallbaumer, son of Dale and Jacque Stallbaumer and Kortney Edelman, daughter of Dwight & Vicki Edelman will be married here on June 10 at 3PM. Congratulations!

**GOD'S NEW CHILD**-Loretta Debra Bergman, daughter of Brad & Alicia Bergman will be washed in the saving waters of baptism today, June 4, after Mass. Sponsors are Loren Haug and Emily Brown. Congratulations!

**PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION**-Parish Council upcoming election will be in 2 weeks. Those running for parish council election are Justin Schmitz, Jeff Stallbaumer, Brent Lortscher, Troy Nordhus.

**ROSARY**-The rosary will be prayed at the grotto Wednesday June 7, at 7:30 pm.

**TEACHERS NEEDED**-We are in need of 2 teachers for the elementary CCD program at Baileyville. Our CCD program for both grade and high school has now moved over to Baileyville. Please take the time to consider volunteering as it will benefit our kids here at St. Mary's. They would like them filled by the end of June. Contact Roxie Schmitz at 336-1108.

**KIDS T-BALL** will start on June 7 at 6:30PM at the Baileyville Ballfield. Ages 3 and up. Plans are to play every Wednesday in June, same time, same place. Any questions contact Scott Holthaus at 294-1113.

**SOFTBALL & BASEBALL SCHEDULE**

**GIRLS**-June 5 at Frankfort

June 8 at Corning

**BOYS**-June 6 at Baileyville with Kelly

June 9 at Centralia

**SUMMER BALL/SERVER PARTY** will be on July 23 at Seneca City Park on 11th street. Will have a barbeque and go swimming after. For more information call Gloria Heiman at 336-1703.

**ST. MARY'S CEMETERY** would appreciate if the wreaths and other decorations be removed by the end of this week, otherwise they will be put in the dumpster. They are a hindrance when it comes to mowing and trimming. Thank you for your cooperation.

**THE GIFT**-Ask nothing of God, then, but this gift of divine Love, that is, the Holy Spirit.—Walter Hilton

**Ministries for June 11, 2017-The Most Holy Trinity**

**Cross :** Lilly Engelken

**Servers:** Hannah Scott & Nate Deters

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Brian & Lisa Holthaus, Craig Olberding, Evelyn Rottinghaus, Janelle Schmitz

**Commentator:** Diane Schmitz

**Lector:** Connie Huerter

**Ushers:** Galen Bergman & John Bergman

**Offertory:** Dave & Lori Sudbeck Family

**Rosary:** Dan Tangeman

**Organist:** Nicole Sudbeck

**Cantor:** TBD

**Money Counters:** Deb & Nancy

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**ALTAR SOCIETY EVENTS & NEWS**

**BINGO AT LIFE CARE NURSING HOME is every 3rd Wednesday at 2:00PM. June 2017-Tammy Holthaus, Donna Scott, Joanie Holthaus, Theresa Sudbeck€, Dawn Feldkamp, Kate Ronnebaum, Connie Huerter.**

**PICNIC – If you have not received your worklist, please contact Christina Stallbaumer at 294-8189.**

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, Shirley Schmitz.

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**SUMMER SOCIALS**

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** 1st Annual Summer Social Event. Sunday, June 4th. \*Serving Fried Chicken & Ham with all the fixings from \*(New time!) 11 AM-1:30 PM\*. **NEW LOCATION:** Pottawatomie Fairgrounds in Onaga. Air conditioned 4-H building, handicap accessible. Games for all ages. Come join us for the good food, company, and fun from 11 into the afternoon!

**ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH**-Axtell will be holding its annual Summer Picnic on Sunday, June 4, 2017. Come and enjoy a meal with roast beef and ham. Serving will be from 5 to 8PM. Cost for the meal will be \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children 12 yrs. and under. There will also be games of all ages.

**ST. MALACHY CHURCH**, Beattie, Sunday, June 11th. Beef Brisket or pork dinner serving from 5 to 7:30PM. Adults \$10, children \$5. Games for all ages. Auction at 8:00PM.

**ST. JAMES CHURCH**, Wetmore, Sunday June 11th. Roast beef and ham dinner starting at 4:30PM. Adults \$10, Children \$5. Games for all ages. Auction at 8PM.

**ST. MARY'S CHURCH PICNIC** will be on June 25. Serving Fresh Fried Chicken and ham dinner.



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

- June 4-Baptism-Bergman
- 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
- Aug. 19-Kelly Youth Rally
- Sept. 30-Bergman-Hall
- Nov. 10-11-12-Pancake Breakfast
- Nov. 15-Annual Church Cleaning
- Nov. 23-Scott-Hall
- Nov. 24-25-Rusche-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. 2-3-4-Soup Supper
- Apr. 8-Altar Society Meeting & Election of Officers
- April 21-Rottinghaus & Engelken Wedding-Church
- March 25-Easter Egg Hunt-CYO
- May 6-May Crowning
- 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, Huerter, Hulsing, Liening, 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.

**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:** Saturday mass 5:00 PM. Sunday mass 10:15 AM.

**SUMMER BLOOD DRIVE**-Nemaha Central Blood Drive will be on Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at the Seneca Community Building from 12PM to 6PM. For appointment call Sara at 294-0223 or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). **Hope begins with you!**

**MARRIAGE MINUTE** June 4, 2017 (Pentecost Sunday) One of the gifts given by the Holy Spirit at Pentecost was the grace for the Apostles to speak in different languages so that the Gospel of God's love could be heard by all people. This act was truly a miracle! We married couples can receive a similar grace to communicate love more effectively. One of the very practical ways we can enhance our married relationship is to learn to express our love for our spouse in their preferred "love language." According to Gary Chapman, author of "The Five Love Languages," spouses will increase their level of happiness within their marriage by learning to communicate more effectively through Gifts, Quality Time, Acts of Service, Words of Affirmation, or Physical Touch depending on the preferred "love language." What is your spouse's love language? This and other topics will be explored at the Everyday In Love Date Night Workshops this June. Register at [www.archkck.org/everyday](http://www.archkck.org/everyday) or see other offerings at [www.JoyfulMarriageproject.com](http://www.JoyfulMarriageproject.com).

**FAITH** is like Wi-Fi...It's invisible but has the power to connect you to what you need!

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to the Catholic Church! Happy birthday to you, who are the body of the Church!

We're all familiar with our own birthdays, and we celebrate them because they mark the day of the year in which we entered into this life. But did you know you have a second birthday?

Because you are part of the body of the Church, Pentecost is the Church's birthday, and yours as well. And like any birthday, it's a cause for celebration.

The word Pentecost is Greek and it means "50th day." Fifty days after Easter Sunday, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and their followers, and the beginning of their Earthly ministry to make disciples of all nations.

Pentecost is also a Jewish holiday, which the Jews use to celebrate the end of Passover. Jews celebrate the gift of the law to Moses at Mt. Sinai on this day. But we, as Catholics celebrate the birth of our Church.

At Pentecost, the Apostles and their followers were gathered in a room. Jews from all over the world were gathered with Peter, the leader of the Apostles and the Eleven. At this time, a great wind blew and a flame appeared as a tongue of fire, which split itself into many individual flames above the heads of all those present. The Holy Spirit came upon these people and each began to speak in tongues. Despite the fact many had no common language, they were perfectly able to understand one another.

Others who were not so blessed, accused those speaking in tongues of being drunk, but Peter arose and addressed the crowd, explaining that it was only 9 o'clock, and that this phenomenon was not intoxication, but rather this was the work of the Holy Spirit, prophesized in the scripture.

Peter then called all those present to be baptized and about three thousand people were baptized that day.

These people were among the first Catholics, and Peter is the first pope of the Catholic Church.

The symbols of Pentecost are the flame, wind, and the dove, which represents the Holy Spirit. The color of Pentecost is red and the priest wears red vestments on this day. Parishioners are also invited to wear red on this day. Red decorations as well as celebrations are appropriate, similar to any other birthday. Special prayers are often said just for Pentecost.

**DEAR PADRE JUNE 4, 2017** Why don't Catholics recognize confirmations from other Christian churches if we accept their baptisms? Baptism signs us with an indelible mark, it defines our character. It can never be repeated. A baptism is always held to be valid if a person is baptized with water using the Trinitarian formula (CCC 1256). If a priest is unsure of the validity of a person's baptism, he would baptize the person conditionally, recognizing the earlier baptism if it happened and was valid. The minister of baptism is usually an ordained minister, but in necessity anyone can baptize, including a non-Christian if he intends what the Church intends. Confirmation also leaves an indelible mark, as does holy orders, and they also cannot be repeated. What makes confirmation different from baptism is that the minister of confirmation is ordinarily the bishop because this expresses the Apostolic Unity of the Church (CCC 1312). If someone was confirmed in a Church that has apostolic succession, her confirmation would be considered valid. But if she was not confirmed in a church with apostolic succession, the Catholic Church wouldn't recognize the confirmation as valid, and she would have to be reconfirmed. All Christian churches have a common understanding of what the sacrament of baptism is, but while other churches might have Communion, confirmation, and even ordination, their celebration of the sacraments may not include all the requirements necessary for the Catholic Church to consider them valid. Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR.

**AFTER** Sunday school a one morning, one of the parents invited the teacher over for dinner along with several other families from the church. At the table, she asked her six-year-old daughter to say the blessing for the meal.

"I don't know what to say," she replied.

"Just say what you hear Mommy say," her mother said.

The little girl bowed her head and said, "Dear Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"

**GOD** loves you! Get the sad look off!