

**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 & Fridays at 8:30AM  
 Marriage: Contact parish priest 6 months before Baptism: Contact parish priest  
**OCTOBER 1, 2017-RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY**

Unless specified below Mass times are as listed.  
**ST. BENEDICT**---Sunday 10:00AM  
 Weekday Mass---Tuesday 7:30AM and Friday 8:30AM  
 Confession-Friday from 8:00AM to 8:30AM  
**BAILEYVILLE**---Saturday 7:00PM and Sunday 8:30AM  
 Weekday Mass---Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:30AM  
 Confession-Saturday from 6:30PM to 7PM  
 Sundays from 8:00AM to 8:30AM

**Sun. Oct. 1-St. Benedict** +Rosella Bergman  
**Tues.-Oct. 3-St. Benedict** +Melvin, Zita & Daniel Bergman  
**Tues. Oct. 3-Baileyville** -Liv/Dec. Kenneth Reaser Family  
**Wed. Oct. 4-Baileyville** + Gilbert Koelzer  
**Wed. Oct. 4-Mass at Crestview at 10AM**-James Macke  
**Wed. Oct. 4-Confirmation at Baileyville at 7PM**  
**Thurs. Oct. 5-Baileyville** +Glen Meyer  
**Fri. Oct. 6- St. Benedict** +Ferdinand & Rose Deters  
**Fri. Oct. 6-Baileyville**-Liv/Dec. Merlin Deters Family  
 (50th Anniversary)-Mass at 10:30AM  
**Sat. Oct. 7-Baileyville**+Georgann Rottinghaus  
**Sun. Oct. 8-Baileyville**-People of the Parishes  
**Sun. Oct. 8-St. Benedict** +Ernest Haug and +Joe Haug

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**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMANDS:**

This Wednesday, October 4, will be one of the holiest days of the year for the people of Sacred Heart and St. Mary's for that day at 7pm Mass, Archbishop Joseph Naumann will be conferring the Sacrament of Confirmation on 18 of our young people: **Amber Blume, Nicolas Engelken, Savannah Engelken, Addyson Holthaus, Gage Palic, Rachel Schmitz, Ella Sudbeck** (St. Mary's); **Hannah Buessing, Malissa Deters, Nicole Hammes, Colton Hasenkamp, Kari Heideman, Preston Koch, Hannah Macke, Evan Schmitz, Mia Schmitz, Ashlyn Steinlage** (Sacred Heart). On this very day, the Archbishop will call upon the Holy Spirit to descend upon these young people, empowering them with those powerful gifts of the Spirit, and send them forth into the world to proclaim the Good News by the way they live their lives! This great group of young people has spent the last year preparing for this day. May our prayers be with them, for they live in challenging times in their schools and in their lives. May we pray that our Confirmands be people who are proud of the Gospel they profess and thus become beacons of the Gospel. Our special thanks to Michelle Buessing (Sacred Heart) and Diane Schmitz (St. Mary's) and all those who assisted them throughout the year in their preparation.

**COLLECTIONS for September 24, 2017**-Total: \$1,526.00.  
 Hurricane Harvey Relief: \$2,069.00. Catholic University: \$421.00.

**Welcome!**  
 We joyfully welcome and congratulate the newly-baptized **Haylee Louise Sudbeck**, child of Tony & Amber Sudbeck and **Gavin Lee Stallbaumer**, child of Austin & Abby Stallbaumer to St. Mary's Parish family. They were baptized on Sunday, September 24. *May God bless them, and their families!*

**CONFIRMATION PRACTICE** will be on Sunday, October 1, 2017 at 4PM, at Sacred Heart, Baileyville. Sponsors will need to be present, if available. Confession for the confirmation students will be at 3PM.

**PARISHIONERS** of St. Mary's are invited to sing with Sacred Heart in the choir for Confirmation on October 4. Please plan to attend practice on Sunday, October 1 at 7:00PM. If you have any questions call Nichelle at 336-4049.

**Ministries for Oct. 8—27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Cross:** Joseph Stallbaumer  
**Servers:** Savannah Engelken & Dylan Lortscher  
**Candle Holders:** Elijah Sudbeck & Nathaniel Stallbaumer  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Betty Bergman, Paul & Laurie Strathman  
**Choir EME:** Robert Engelken  
**Lector 1:** Joanie Holthaus  
**Lector 2:** Dan Tangeman  
**Ushers:** Dennis Rottinghaus & Wayne Rottinghaus  
**Offertory:** Kevin & Karen Holthaus Family  
**Rosary:** Paul Strathman  
**Organist:** Kayla Sudbeck  
**Cantor:** Betty Ruegge

**Money Counters:** Marsha & Evelyn  
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**ALTAR SOCIETY EVENTS & NEWS**

**DISHES**-Please pick up dishes on the parish house back porch. Thank you!

**OCT. 2017-(3RD TUESDAY)-CRESTVIEW at 2PM)**-Marilyn Rottinghaus, Joyce Schmitz, Brianna Uphaus, Melinda Stallbaumer, Diane Lueger

**OCT. 2017-(3RD WEDNESDAY)-LIFE CARE at 2PM)**-Charity Henry, Kristina Sudbeck, Linda Schmitz, Sara Kramer, Kim Sudbeck

The Treasurer will order prize items from Ray's Applemarket and give a reminder call to the first member on the list to call the other ladies. The lady at the top of the list is also responsible for picking up the prize items at Ray's Applemarket (**Life Care Only**) unless other wise instructed by the Treasurer. Please find a substitute if you cannot attend and let them know the day/nursing home.

**NOVEMBER 12, 2017 -St. Mary's Pancake Breakfast**  
 Serving will be from 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Free will Donation. Circles 1 & 2 are in charge. If anyone would like to donate eggs, butter, etc. or if you have and item for the chance table, please contact Beth Deters at 336-1725 or any Altar Society Officer.

**RENTAL AGREEMENT**-When renting the hall we have updated the rental agreement instead of "Sweep and scrub as needed" it has been changed to "Sweep and Scrub" the hall after use of the facility. Thank you!

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**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** those who are sick, taking treatments, hospitalized or still recovering: Brad Bowhay, Ivan Rottinghaus, Clara Krogman, Aidan 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, Sara Conroy, Joyce Koch, Kathleen Ronnebaum, Kristi (Mike) Meyer, Father Edward Oen, Vivianne Marousek, Leon Holthaus, Shirley Schmitz, Larry Sudbeck, Jayla Nolte, Joyce Holthaus, Jerry Lueger.

*P.S. These names will remain on the list for two months, if you want to include the names again please call (336-3174) or email at stmarys9208@gmail.com.*

**PRO-LIFE BREAKFAST** will be on Sunday, October 1 at SPPS parish Hall. Sponsored by the Seneca K of C.

**PRO-LIFE CHAIN** - Sunday, October 1 - Meet at Sts. Peter and Paul parking lot at 1:45PM for prayer, to get your sign and to proceed to the Highway. Prayers for our nation, for people in crisis and for an end to abortion. Join the cause, bring your whole family.

**ELEMENTARY CCD** will begin on Wednesday, Oct. 4, at Sacred Heart, Baileyville.

**A SMILE:** The magic language that even a baby understands!



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

Sept. 30-Bergman-Hall  
Oct. 4-Confirmation at Baileville  
Oct. 14-Stallbaumer-Hall  
Oct. 14-Church tour at 10AM with Confirmation Class from Topeka.  
Oct. 19-Finance Council Meeting at 7PM  
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. 24-Olberding-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 14-Huerter Wedding-Church  
April 21-Rottinghaus & Engelken Wedding-Church  
March 25-Easter Egg Hunt-CYO  
May 6-May Crowning  
May 27-Rottinghaus-Hall  
June 9-Hasenkamp & Steinlage Wedding @ 4PM-Church  
June 13-Hall Cleaning-No renting of hall until after picnic  
June 16-Sudbeck Wedding-Church  
June 22-23-24-25-Annual Church Picnic  
Aug. 5-Schmitz Reunion/Niehues-Hall  
Sept. 1-DeMint & Lemons 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, Huerter, Hulsing, Liening, Lierz, Kramer, Krogman, Mohrman, Olberding, Rethman, Ronnebaum, Rottinghaus, Schmitz, Sextro, Strathman, Strathman B, Stegeman, Sudbeck, Wichman. Suggested donation is \$20.

**SCHMITZ HERITAGE BOOK**--The John and Mary Schmitz genealogy book is available at St. Mary's parish office for \$10. The money towards this book will be donated to St. Mary's Parish. There will be a book in the back of church to view. If you have any questions you can call the parish office.

**HOLY FAMILY FALL BAZAAR**, Summerfield, Ks will be on Sunday, October 1. Serving from 4:30PM to 8PM. Adults \$10 and under 12 is \$5. Proceeds to the church restoration. Everyone welcome!

**HIGHLAND COMMUNITY** College Blood Drive will be on Oct. 2, 2017 from 1PM to 6PM. It will be held at Highland Community College, 313 Nemaha Baileyville. Call Jolie McDaniel for an appointment.

**ST. BEDE'S ANNUAL SOUP SUPPER** and auction will be on Sunday, October 8, 2017 at Kelly. Ks. Serving from 4 to 7PM. Serving chicken noodle soup, vegetable beef soup, ham sandwiches, hotdogs, pie and cakes. Free will donation.

**ST. MARY'S PARISH, PURCELL** will have their pancake luncheon on Oct. 8 from 11AM to 1PM. Serving pancakes, sausage, eggs and pies. Freewill offering.

**ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH** in Axtell is pleased to be hosting this year's Axtell Ecumenical Christmas Cantata on December 10, 2017. Rehearsals will be on Sunday evenings, at 7:30PM, beginning on October 1st, at St. Michael's. The rehearsals last about an hour and a half. This year we are singing *The Promise of a King* by Lloyd Larson and Joseph Martin, directed by Stan Murphy. For more info call Amy Schmitz at 785-736-2226 or schmitz@bluevalley.net.

A young mother was visiting church at Christmas time as the guest of a neighbor. In his message, the priest described the wise men bringing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to the infant Jesus. The visitor leaned over to her host and whispered, "A wise women would have brought diapers."

**2017 PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE**--Our Nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. In the historic year of the Fatima Centennial (1917-2017), we ask God to save America through Rosary of His Most Holy Mother. PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR OUR NATION ON OCTOBER 14, 2017 AT 12 NOON. The local public square rosary will take place at the Seneca North City Park. Bring a lawn chair if you would like. Please contact Arlene Holthaus at 336-2641 for more information.

**LIFE CARE FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** is in need of supplies. Items that are needed: stuffed animals--that are clean and not dirty or torn, little cars, musical instruments, puzzles, jump ropes, school supplies such as: pencils, pens, crayons, notebooks, coloring books, colored pencils, hats, socks, sunglasses, hair bands, stickers, picture books, small tools, tape measures, sewing kits, fabric squares, deflated balls with pumps, solar calculators, rulers, scissors, shirts. The donations could be dropped off any time at Life Care and if anyone wants to volunteer to wrap shoe boxes or fill shoe boxes feel free to call Tracie at [785-336-0723](tel:785-336-0723)

**MARRIAGE MINUTE- OCTOBER 1, 2017**

"Complete my joy by being of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart, thinking one thing."  
This sounds great until your spouse attempts to load the dishwasher and does it wrong, or dresses your toddler in clashing patterns for Mass! Fortunately, we don't have to have the same approach to things in order to live this out. We can be "of the same mind" by developing a couple value. To do this: • Understand the value behind your spouse's behavior • Make that value important to you, since it's important to him/her • Ask yourself, "What course of action will bring us closer as a couple?"

The skill is taught in detail in the Living in Love suite of programs. Register today! [www.Joyfulmarriageproject.com](http://www.Joyfulmarriageproject.com).

**DEAR PADRE—OCTOBER 1, 2017**

Why do we offer Mass for a specific intention? Aren't Masses offered for the intentions of all present?  
The Eucharist makes present, in this moment, the memorial sacrifice of Christ; the source of the Church's life and the focus of the Church's prayer (see the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy [Sacrosanctum Concilium], 10). Mass always includes the intentions of a local community as well as the needs of all people throughout the world. In the eucharistic prayer, we pray for the community and those "scattered throughout the world." What does a renewed liturgical practice mean for specific Mass intentions? Canon law speaks of applying the Mass for anyone living and dead (see Canon 901). The practice also has roots in history, especially during medieval times, when participation at Mass was at a low. Asking the priest to remember an intention kept people active and connected their needs to those of the wider Church. Vatican II stressed active participation in its liturgical renewal, so asking specific intentions needs a renewed understanding. Special intentions provide a value—we become aware of others' needs and troubles. If we are aware of how these troubles affect a member of our parish, we can not only pray for that person but reach out and help. However, the Eucharist does not give grace only to those named in special intentions. The grace God gives through the Eucharist is meant for the whole Church. God's grace builds us up in holiness. Since people find special intentions important, the response from pastors is important in helping people understand how God's grace affects everyone. —Fr. John Schmidt, CSSR

**ORGANISTS FROM NOTRE DAME IN PARIS** – From October 18-21, the organ department at the University of Kansas in Lawrence is providing an unprecedented (in the United States) opportunity to hear concerts by all three organists from Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, plus other noted French organists.

These concerts are Wednesday at 8:00pm (An Improvised Mass performed "in Alternatim" between choir and organ); Thursday at 4:00pm (Shin-Young Lee) and 8:00pm (Olivier Latry); Friday at 4:30pm (Michel Bouvard) and 8:00pm (Phillippe Lefbvre); and Saturday morning at 11:00am (Vincent Dubois). All performances will take place at the Bales Organ Recital Hall, and are open to the public. You may obtain tickets through the Lied Center Ticket Office, 785-864-2787 or online at [www.lied.ku.edu](http://www.lied.ku.edu).

**MARCH FOR LIFE**--Registration is now open for both Archdiocesan sponsored March for Life Pilgrimages, for Youth and for Young Adults. We would love to have you join us! Please go to [www.archkck.org/march4life](http://www.archkck.org/march4life).