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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
 Marriage: Contact parish priest 6 months before Baptism: Contact parish priest
MARCH 18, 2018-FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Unless specified below Mass times are as listed.
ST. BENEDICT---Sunday 10:15AM
Weekday Mass---Tuesday and Fridays at 8:30AM
Confession-Friday from 8:00AM to 8:30AM
BAILEYVILLE---Saturday 7:00PM and Sunday 8:30AM
Weekday Mass--- Wednesday, Thursday 8:30AM
Confession-Saturday from 5:15PM to 5:45PM
 Sundays from 8:00AM to 8:15AM

Sun. March 18-St. Benedict +Clemens & +Cyrilla Sudbeck
Tues.-March 20-St. Benedict +Melvin, Zita & Daniel Bergman
Wed. March 21-Baileyville +Gilbert Koelzer
Thurs. March 22-Baileyville -Liv/Dec. Kenneth & Alice Hammes Family
Fri. March 23- St. Benedict +Rosella Bergman
Sat. March 24-Baileyville-Mass @ 7PM +Norbertine Miller
Sun. March 25-Baileyville -People of the Parishes
Sun. March 25-St. Benedict +Ervin Bergman

COLLECTIONS for March 11, 2018: \$1,497.00.

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,
 I am glad to report that our Parish has reached the Archbishop's Call To Share goal of 7075.00. Thank you to all who have responded to the needs of our Church in our Archdiocese through this appeal. May God bless you abundantly!
 As the Holy Week is fast approaching, please mark your calendars for the wonderful liturgies of the week. Holy Week is a significant time for us as we are following Christ. From Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, to the Passover meal and betrayal by Judas on Maundy Thursday, to the crucifixion on Good Friday, to the stillness of the tomb on Holy Saturday, we have the opportunity to walk with the disciples through this challenging week. These celebrations invite us to move ever closer the heart of our faith. Join us this Holy Week as we meet Jesus in these celebrations. God bless!

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE (Mark your calendars)

Maundy Thursday (March 29)

5:00 pm : The Lord's Supper at St. Mary's
 7:00 pm : The Lord's Supper at Sacred Heart
 (Eucharistic Adoration until midnight in both parishes)

Good Friday (March 30)

5:00pm : Good Friday Service at Sacred Heart
 7:00pm : Good Friday Service at St. Mary's

Holy Saturday (March 31)

8:00pm : Easter Vigil Service at Sacred Heart

Easter Sunday (April 1)

8:30 am : Easter Mass at Sacred Heart
 10:15 am : Easter Mass at St. Mary's

Lenten penance Services

Sunday, March 18—3:00pm - Seneca & 6:00pm - Sabetha

Stations of the Cross

Wednesdays 7:00p.m. at St. Mary's
 Fridays 7:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart.
 The stations will be followed by a short adoration to the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.

Ministries - March 21 - Blessed Sacrament & Benediction

Pianist: Marlene Deters
Stations Leader: TBD

Ministries - March 25-Palm Sunday
Cross: Rachel Schmitz
Servers: Madison & Dylan Lortscher
Candle Holders: Emmery Schmelzle & Hallie Holthaus
Eucharistic Ministers: Evelyn Rottinghaus, Kevin Nordhus, Janelle Schmitz, Troy Nordhus, Duana Huerter
Choir EME: Mary Haverkamp
Lector 1: Nancy Sudbeck
Lector 2: Joanie Holthaus
Narrator: Paul Strathman
Speaker: Dave Huerter
Ushers: Scott Holthaus, Dave Huerter, Drew Huerter
Offertory: Eldon & Theresa Sudbeck Family
Rosary: Cindy Murphy
Organist: Marilyn Holthaus
Cantor: TBD & Adult Choir
Money Counters: Marsha & Joyce

Thank You-A very appreciative Thank You to Brian Holthaus, Jeff Stallbaumer, Richard Engelken, and Kenny Sudbeck for cleaning and preparing the Church basement to be painted. Also to Tammy Holthaus, Charity Henry, Julie Sudbeck, Kristin Tangeman, Mary Beth Haverkamp, Diane Lueger, Annette Rottinghaus, Judy Osterhaus, Susan Lueger, Alicia Bergman, Beth Siess, Deb Bergman, and Kenny Sudbeck for priming and painting the walls of the basement.

CYO Easter Egg Hunt-The Annual CYO Easter Egg Hunt will be Sunday, March 25th, immediately following the 10:15 AM mass. The age groups will be as follows: 0 to 3 years, 4 years to Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd grades, and 3rd & 4th grades. Please sign up in the church hall after mass that Sunday.

Choir Practice will be on Monday, March 19th at 7PM. We will be practicing for Holy Week and Easter. New voices welcome!!

Mark your calendar!-Come, join us for the Living Stations of the Cross enacted by the youth of Sacred Heart and St. Mary's, on Wednesday, March 28 starting at 7:30pm at Sacred Heart Church, Baileyville. Each year this is a moving reminder by our children of the power of the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. Parishioners from both the parishes are encouraged and invited to attend.

Bible Study - This week

St. Mary's: Acts chapters 11-14
 Sacred Heart: Acts chapters 9 & 10
 Tuesdays 7pm at St. Mary's; Thursdays 7pm at Sacred Heart.

First Holy Communion--The First Holy Communions will be celebrated on Sunday, April 15. Sacred Heart Church at the 8:30am Mass and St. Mary's at the 10:15am Mass. There will be a rehearsal on Wednesday, April 11, 7pm (For Sacred Heart) and Friday, April 13 at 6pm (St. St. Mary's). All those involved, please mark your calendar.

Remember Tyler Hammes, son of Brad & Glenda Hammes in your prayers, who passed away on March 12. Funeral was on Thursday, March 15 at Sacred Heart. Sympathy to Francis & Eileen Sudbeck, Dave & Lori Sudbeck and Maurice & Nancy Feldkamp. May Tyler rest in peace.

REMEMBER those who are sick or taking treatments, hospitalized or still recovering: Brad Bowhay, Monica Olberding Countryman, Eldon Kriley, Tim Sack, Victor Holthaus, Sara Conroy, Joyce Koch, Kathleen Ronnebaum, Vivianne Marousek, Shirley Schmitz, Jerry Lueger, Eric Holthaus, Frank Hulsing, Dennis Bergman.

HALL & CHURCH Dates for 2018:

March 25-Easter Egg Hunt-CYO
April 1-Scott-Hall
April 7-Lueger Hall
Apr. 8-Altar Society Meeting & Election of Officers
April 14-St. Patrick's Parade -Hall
April 15-First Communion @ St. Benedict
April 18-Church Tour-St. Mary's, Ks.
April 21-Rottinghaus & Engelken Wedding-Church
April 25-Finance Council Meeting at 7PM
May 6-May Crowning
May 27-Rottinghaus-Hall
June 9-Hasenkamp&Steinlage Wedding @ 4PM-Church
June 13-Hall Cleaning-No renting of hall-after picnic
June 16-Sudbeck Wedding-Church
June 22-23-24-25-Annual Church Picnic
Aug. 5-Boeckman Reunion-Hall
Aug. 11-Matthew Nordhus & Oliva Hoopes Wedding-Church & Hall
Aug. 25-Bergman-Hall
Sept. 1-DeMint & Lemons Wedding-Church
Sept. 8-Lukas Koch-Church-Wedding
Nov. 22-Scott-Hall
Dec. 8-Rottinghaus_Hall
Dec. 16-Schmitz-Hall
Dec. 25-Scott-Hall
Dec. 29-Lueger



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.

Children's Church Dates- March 18, April 15 & 29 & May 6.

BERN FIRE DEPARTMENT BBQ PORK DINNER will be on Saturday, March 17 from 5:30 to 8:30PM at the Bern Community Building. Sponsored by Nemaha County Fire Dist. #4.

ST. MICHAEL'S, SOUP SUPPER. Axtell will be on Sunday, March 18 (5:00-8:00pm). Homemade soups, bread and pies. Games, country store and auction.

BOILED SHRIMP, SMOKED PORK CHOPS AND FROG LEGS DINNER - Saturday, March 24 at the Axtell Legion Bldg. (5:00:30PM)- Adults \$15.00 in advance or \$17.00 at the door – Children \$7.00 or \$8.00. Proceeds to benefit various charities. Sponsored by the Axtell K of C.

The retired priest was in his 80's and moved into a nursing home before he was ready to admit he was getting old. What finally persuaded him?

ALTAR SOCIETY EVENTS & NEWS

MARCH--(CRESTVIEW-3RD TUESDAY) at 2PM)- Alicia Bergman, Zena Schmelze, Joyce Sudbeck, Shauna Engelken

MARCH--(LIFECARE-3RD-WEDNESDAY)-at2PM- Laurie Strathman, Tammy Rottinghaus, Deb Bergman, Tina Palic, Ellen Hanzlicek

ST MARY'S CHURCH PICNIC- June 24, 2018-We will begin working on the picnic work list in the near future. Please contact one of the officers if you will have a conflict or a medical issue that will limit your ability to work. Beth Deters (336-1725) Christina Stallbaumer (294-8189), Lisa Holthaus (336-1254) or Charity Henry (294-0936)

A Walk Through the Mass -A Five-Minute Catechesis on the Liturgy of the Mass (*A step by step explanation of the Mass*) is being offered before the weekend Masses. Please make a Lenten resolution to arrive 10 minutes early for Mass. Those who lead the Rosary before the Mass, please finish the rosary 10 minutes before the Mass.

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS - Easter offers us a special way of remembering our loved ones who are deceased. Place your intentions in the envelope marked "Easter Flower Memorial" and drop it in the collection basket at weekend masses. The intentions will be remembered at the Easter Masses and your donations will be used towards the decoration of the sanctuary with Easter Lilies.

PROTECT ADOPTION CHOICE- Vulnerable Kansas kids need us to fight to preserve the right for people of faith to collaborate in the legal process of adoption. Please visit and take action through the Kansas Catholic Conference of Bishops' website www.ProtectAdoptionChoice.org

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEK-END—April 20-22, 2018 in Kansas City. See website for information: www.wwme4youandme.org or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066 or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net

Marriage Minute March 18, 2018 Have you ever pleaded with God to "Create in me a clean heart." What does that look like in our marriages? Consider something else we clean often: the kitchen. • A clean kitchen isn't cluttered. A clean heart prioritizes marriage over the busyness of life. • We wipe up spills quickly before they stick to our countertops. We are quick to ask for and grant forgiveness with our spouse. • Keeping a kitchen clean takes daily routines and periodic deep scrubbing. Our marriages need daily routines and an annual retreat or workshop. • A clean kitchen is the heart of the home, a welcoming place for family to gather. Our marriages should be the same warm place to show God's love!

Silent Retreat-Women of all states of life and vocations, ages 18 and up, are invited to "A Woman's Call to Spiritual Motherhood Silent Retreat" directed by The Fathers of Mercy. Retreat held at The Sisters of St. Francis in Independence, MO...Friday evening, June 29th thru Sunday afternoon, July 01st. Cost is \$140, which includes lodging, meals, and cost of retreat. Space is limited. For more information or to register please contact jmjvocationretreat@gmail.com.

Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be on June 10, 2018 at 2PM at the Church of the Nativity in Leawood, Kansas. To receive your invitation from Archbishop Naumann, please call the parish office at 336-3174 and give us your name, address, phone number and date of your wedding. Please do as soon as possible.

CRS-Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for helping **Jesus in disguise**. Your contributions will make a difference for the poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on the "How to Give" link on the left.