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 Secretary in the office only on Friday from 8:30AM till 1:30PM
 Marriage: Contact parish priest 6 months before Baptism: Contact parish priest
MAY 13, 2018-THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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. May 13-St. Benedict +Angela DeVillier
Tues.-May 15-St. Benedict -Liv/Dec. Ed & Agnes Holthaus Family
Wed. May 16-Baileyville +Gilbert Broxterman
Thurs. May 17-Baileyville -Liv/Dec. Merlin Deters Family
Fri. May 18- St. Benedict -Liv/Dec. Brad & Glenda Hammes Family
Sat. May 19-Baileyville -People of the Parishes
Sun. May 20-Baileyville +Alice Schmitz
Sun. May 20-St. Benedict +Leonard Krogman

From the Pastor's Desk:
 Dear Parishioners,
 This Sunday we celebrate the feast of the Ascension – Jesus ascending into heaven. Even though it falls on Thursday, most of the dioceses around the world celebrate this feast on the following Sunday.
 The Ascension is a feast of great joy for us. The graces and benefits of this feast are many:
 When Jesus ascended and sat down at the Father's right hand, the Father verified the accomplishment of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus and confirmed that the final payment for sin had been made (Heb. 10:11-14).
 When Jesus ascended, the intercessory work of Jesus on behalf of His people began. In this ministry, we are assured that we will always have access to the Father forever (1 John 2:1).
 When Jesus ascended, His eternal reign over all began. As Peter wrote, "Now that He has gone into heaven, He is at God's right hand with angels, authorities, and powers subject to Him" (1 Pet. 3:22).
 Finally, when Jesus ascended, the church was empowered to accomplish its mission. In Ephesians 1:22-23, writing about Jesus' resurrection and ascension, Paul said, "[God the Father] put everything under His feet and appointed Him as head over everything for the church, which is His body, the fullness of the One who fills all things in every way."
 The Ascension of Jesus transformed his disciples' lives. Up to the moment that Jesus ascended to heaven, the disciples seemed to be scared and confused, trying to figure it all out. But after the ascension, they traveled back to Jerusalem with great joy. Joy, hope, and mission are three consistent responses of the disciples to Christ's resurrection and ascension. They should be ours too as we approach the end of the Easter season.

A Walk Through the Mass
 The **Five-Minute** Catechesis on the Liturgy of the Mass if offered 5 minutes before the Mass on weekends. Come 10 minutes early and join us and gain helpful insights for getting the most out of every Mass, and much more! This is sure to renew your faith and deepen your devotion to the Eucharist.

Ministries - May 20 –Pentecost Sunday
Cross: Kirsten Lortscher
Servers: Ella Sudbeck & John Siess
Candles: Emery Schmelzle & Alexis Spring
Eucharistic Ministers: Kristina Sudbeck, Connie Huerter, Robert Engelken, Briana Uphaus, Tory Nordhus
Choir EME: Craig Haverkamp
Lector 1: Dan Tangeman
Lector 2: Connie Huerter
Ushers: Ray Lee Schmitz, Wayne Schmitz, Mike Scott
Offertory Gifts: Mike & Beth Deters Family
Rosary: Cindy Murphy
Organist: Marilyn Holthaus
Cantor: Staci Haug
Money Counters: Evelyn & Marsha



ALTAR SOCIETY EVENTS & NEWS
MAY--(CRESTVIEW-3RD TUESDAY) at 2PM)-Arlene Holthaus, Celene Holthaus, Lisa Holthaus, Sharon Tangeman
MAY-(LIFECARE-3RD-WEDNESDAY)-at 2PM-Judy Osterhaus, Debbie Tangeman, Deanna Wullschleger, Jill Haverkamp, Maggie Sudbeck
ALTAR SOCIETY officers will be handing out picnic work lists before and after mass on May 13th."

Low-gluten Hosts Available
 Dear parishioners, we have now low-gluten hosts (001% or 10ppm gluten) available for parishioners who have wheat-related allergies or intolerances. If you or your child have not been receiving communion because of gluten levels in the hosts you can now request low-gluten hosts at our weekend masses. Please see the priest or the sacristan before Mass to make arrangements. At Communion time, please join the line for the Priest-celebrant of the Mass. He will be holding the container of low-gluten. When you approach him, after you bow to the Blessed Sacrament, request a gluten-free host. The priest will then open the container and allow you to take the host yourself (so there is no cross-contamination with wheat) and receive communion.

CCD needs Volunteers!!!
 Dear Parishioners, as we plan for the 2018-2019 CCD year, we are looking for teachers to share their faith with our youngest parishioners. To keep the CCD program running, we need teachers from both of our parishes. You do not have to be a professional teacher. The most important qualification is a desire to share your Catholic faith with the children of our parish. Materials available to teachers are: computer projector, DVD's & players, white/wipe boards, and text books with teacher manuals. Our greatest needs are: 1 teacher for 9th grade
 1 teacher for 10th & 11th grades
 JR/SR High classes are Wednesday evening 7:30-8:30pm; at Sacred Heart (south building). CCD Year starts on the 1st Wednesday in September and ends on the last Wednesday in April. Please give a prayerful consideration to this parish need and contact Fr Regie frregie@gmail.com (785-3366464) or Alicia Keegan pandakeegan@bbwi.net (785.336.6519).

COLLECTIONS for May 6, 2018: \$1,922.00.

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, Alision Steinlage.

HALL & CHURCH Dates for 2018:

May 19-Tangeman-Hall
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
Oct. 6-Laura Sudbeck & Derek Steinlage Wedding
Nov. 22-Scott-Hall
Dec. 8-Rottinghaus_Hall
Dec. 16-Schmitz-Hall
Dec. 25-Scott-Hall
Dec. 29-Lueger

HALL & CHURCH Dates for 2019:

April 21-Scott-Hall
August 4-Schmitz-Hall
Nov. 28-Scott-Hall
Dec. 25-Scott-Hall

Children's Choir (Grades 4-8) will sing on Sunday, May 13 at the 10:15am Mass, for Mothers Day.

Rosary at the Grotto- on Wednesday, May 16, at 7:30PM

2018 Pictorial Directory:

Plans for the 2018 Pictorial Directory are underway! Please mark your calendars for portrait sessions.

- St. Mary's: July 18, 19, 20 & 21
- Sacred Heart: August 2, 3, 4 10 & 11.

Look for more details in May bulletins regarding signing up for a specific time slot. If you cannot make it on one of those days in your own parish, there might be a chance to attend the photo session in the other parish.

Totus Tuus! Save the date!

June 17 – 22 (Sun thru Fri). *Venue: Sacred Heart Church*
Totus Tuus is a week-long summer camp / Vacation Bible School for children and youth (Grades 1st through 12th) being held at our parish for the first time. "Totus Tuus" is a Latin phrase meaning "totally yours", made popular as the Papal motto of Saint John Paul II. It demonstrates that one can be a faithful Catholic and still have fun. Totus Tuus includes sacraments, skits, songs, games, crafts, inspiring & interactive teaching & LOTS OF FUN!

The day program (grades 1st-6th) runs from 9:00 am until 2:30 pm Monday-Friday. We are looking forward to seeing your children at this exciting summer camp. Though the Totus Tuus Team handles the teaching aspect, there will still be a need for a number of our wonderful volunteers to help make this a success. Please mark your calendar for this event. The registration will start in June. Thank you in advance.

T-Ball will run the four Wednesdays of June in Baileyville. 3, 4 and 5 year olds welcome. We will start at 6:30pm. If there is a conflict with the field we will be down by the park.

St. Malachy's Church, Beattie, Ks. Church picnic will be on Sunday, June 10. Supper served from 5 to 7:30pm. Beef Brisket or pork barbecue or plain will be served. Adults \$10 and children ages 4-10-\$5. Bingo, games, quilts, country store and raffle. Auction at 8:30pm.

Coins for a Cause is having its 10th Annual 5K Run /Walk on Saturday, May 26th at 9:00 am. Forms to enter are available at Seneca Variety or you may register that morning when gathering at 5th & Main. If you are unable to attend but would like to donate, send donations to Julie Strathman at 709 S. 8th St, Seneca, or call her at 336-8360. All proceeds are distributed within a 20 mile radius of Seneca. Join the fun and help the cause.

Pentecostal Healing Mass As Sts. Peter and Paul parish is participating in the new evangelization program through the Archdiocese, we are offering a Pentecostal Healing Mass on **Thursday, May 17 at 6.00 pm**. There will be anointing of the sick during mass for any one preferring to be anointed. In preparation for the healing mass, all are requested to pray a novena to the Holy Spirit for 9 days starting **May 12th to 20th**. Novena prayer cards are available at all the parishes. Pray to the Holy Spirit for Healing.

Come and See! A Photojournalist's "Journey into the World of Mother Teresa" will be presented on Monday, May 14, 2018 at Mother Teresa Church, 2014 NW 46th Street, Topeka, Kansas, in the parish hall. There will be a Taco Bar meal at 5:30 p.m., with a presentation at 7:00. There is no cost for this event, but a free-will offering will be accepted.

Marriage Minute May 13, 2018 Famous Last Words
Before ascending into heaven, Jesus told his disciples to "Go out into all the world and tell the Good News." As married couples, we have a very specific piece of good news to proclaim: that lifelong love is possible! In our current culture, this is a message that young people desperately need to hear. Since married love is meant to image Christ's love for the Church, our message is the very heart of the Gospel! Here are some simple ways to share it: • Talk to your spouse about hurts between you rather than your friends. • Invite other couples over to cultivate couple-friendship(even if it's pizza and the house isn't clean)! • Volunteer together by mentoring the engaged or starting a parish marriage ministry.

Thanks for your Prayers and your Advocacy The Kansas Legislature Approved the Adoption Protection Act

The Kansas House of Representatives and Senate have both approved the Adoption Protection Act. Governor Colyer has promised to sign the bill into law when it reaches his desk. This legislation will protect religiously motivated adoption providers like Catholic Charities from attack by hostile government agencies and political activists, which has unfortunately happened in other states. Faith based adoption providers in Kansas will now be protected in their work serving the common good. This moment would not have been possible without the efforts of the many people who contacted their legislators over the last several months. Thank you to all who participated in this campaign. For more information visit: www.protectadoptionchoice.org

*Mothers
hold their
children's hands
for a while,
but their hearts
forever.*



My Teacher is Thankful
Son: "Mom, teacher was asking me today, if I have any brothers or sisters who will be coming to school."
Mom: "That's nice of her to take such an interest in you. So what did she say when you told her that you're the only child, my dear?"
Son: She just said "Thank goodness!"