

Sunday, August 12, 2018: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FR. JARETT'S CATHOLIC Q & A

Is it true that the Catholic Church teaching on the Assumption of Mary wasn't formally taught until the 20th century?

The teaching that Mary was bodily Assumed into heaven was solemnly defined as Catholic Dogma on November 1, 1950 by Pope Pius XII. Was that the first time it was formally taught as Catholic theology? Definitely not. At one point in the early centuries of the Church it was argued whether Mary actually died or whether she went to sleep at the end of her earthly life. (The dormition of Mary) Either way, the consistent teaching from the early centuries of the Christianity is that Mary's body did not experience the corruption of deterioration and decay and that she was raised, body and soul, into heaven by the power of God. The actual Dogma of the Assumption does not make a claim to whether Mary died or fell asleep it simply says, "Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life..."



While we have no reliable written record of the Assumption until the 6th century, it is very evident in these writings that this was not some new belief. Bishop Theoteknos of Livias (c. 550- 650) delivered one of the most comprehensive recorded early sermons concerning the Assumption: "For Christ took His immaculate flesh from the immaculate flesh of Mary, and if He had prepared a place in heaven for the Apostles, how much more for His mother; if Enoch had been translated and Elijah had gone to heaven, how much more Mary, who like the moon in the midst of the stars shines forth and excels among the prophets and Apostles? For even though her God-bearing body tasted death, it did not undergo corruption, but was preserved incorrupt and undefiled and taken up into heaven with its pure and spotless soul."

Even certain 16th century writers spoke of Mary in such a way that stated she was not treated as any other human being, but that she had a special role in God's plan of salvation. "She, the Lady **above heaven and earth**, must have a heart so humble that she might have no shame in washing the swaddling clothes or preparing a bath for St. John the Baptist, like a servant girl. What humility! It would surely have been more just to have arranged for her a golden coach, pulled by 4,000 horses, and to cry and proclaim as the carriage proceeded: 'Here passes the woman who is **raised far above** all women, indeed **above** the whole human race.' (Martin Luther - Feast of the Visitation - July 2, 1532 – At age 49)

Much of Catholic teaching on Mary in reference to scripture is based upon typology. Typology is the biblical equivalent of analogical thinking in connecting the Old Testament writings to New Testament theology. For example, part of the Catholic tradition for calling Mary the Ark of the Covenant comes from the similarities of the reception of the Ark by David in Jerusalem (2 Sam. 6:9) and the reception of Mary by her cousin Elizabeth in the Gospel of Luke (Lk. 1:43). (Read these passages the similarities are amazing and beautiful.) This is typology and it's not something invented by the modern Catholic Church, but is widespread in reference to Mary in the writings of the early Church Fathers. The scriptural reference to Mary as Queen of heaven and earth, residing in heaven is in part the description of the book of Revelation of "the woman clothed with the sun" and "on her head a crown of twelve stars".

This article has only scratched the surface of the dignity and beauty of Mary's role in God's plan of Salvation and the Catholic teaching on the Assumption, but hopefully it has encouraged us to think and to continue seeking God's will in the role of Mary in our lives and the life of every Christian. If you have further questions or would like some suggested reading be sure to contact me.

In Christ's Loving Service
Your Pastor,
Fr. Jarett (father.konrade@eaglecom.net)

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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tithing: Your Gift to God

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019

Collection for the week of Aug. 5 \$ 9,720
 Weekly Collection to meet Fiscal Budget: \$ 15,924
 Fiscal Year Budgeted: \$828,059
 Collected Year to Date: \$ 81,849

Aug. 12 Jared & Ashley Bauck & Kathy Stenzel
 Aug. 19 Mike Morley, Tasha Werth, & Rebecca Brady
 Aug. 26 Clint & Marie Froelich & Nancy Duffy
 Sept. 2 Neil & Sondra Klaus & Tammy Lawson

Readings for Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, August 13

(St. Pontian & St. Hippolytus)

Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c / Mk 17:22-27

Tuesday, August 14 (St. Maximilian Kolbe)

Ez 2:8-3:4 / Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday, August 15

(The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

Rev 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab / 1 Cor 15:20-27 / Lk 1:39-56

Thursday, August 16 (St. Stephen of Hungary)

Ez 12:1-12 / Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday, August 17

Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63 / Mt 19:3-12

Saturday, August 18

Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32 / Mt 19:13-15

Sunday, August 19

Prv 9:1-6 / Eph 5:15-20 / Jn 6:51-58



Wednesday, Aug. 15, is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation. St. Nicholas will offer Masses on Tuesday, Aug. 14, at 5:30pm and Tuesday, Aug. 15, at noon. St. Francis of Assisi, Munjor, will have Mass on Wednesday, at 5:30pm.

The Parish Office will be closed Wednesday, Aug. 15, in observance of the feast, Assumption of the Virgin Mary.

**SCHOOL YEAR PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
 Monday thru Friday: 8:00am to 3:30pm**

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Masses, Intentions & Services

Sat. Aug. 11 5:00 p.m. + Clayton & Carolyn Engel
 Sun. Aug. 12 9:30 a.m.+ Frank Flax
 11:00 a.m. People of the Parish
Tues. Aug. 14 5:30 p.m.+ Lenora & Mary Lang & Barbara Randa
Wed. Aug. 15 12:00 p.m. People of the Parish
 Fri. Aug. 17 7:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Gene & Theresa Flax Family
 Sat. Aug. 18 5:00 p.m.+ Marcellus & Marcella Ruder
 Sun. Aug. 19 9:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of Julie Koerner Family
 11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR August 18 & 19

Saturday, 5:00 P.M. Mass

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| EMHC | Lectors | Hospitality |
| Alan Hoffman | Eileen Roberts #1 | Victor Winter |
| Deacon | Marie Froelich #2 | |
| Celina Beilman | | Sacristan |
| Glen Gabel | Altar Servers | Marilyn Gabel |
| Jo Good | Abigail Filak | |
| Gracemary Melvin | Gannon Winter | Gift Bearers |
| Sunday Swartzman | Kassidy Winter | Kent Werth |

Sunday, 9:30 A.M. Mass

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| EMHC | Lectors | Hospitality |
| LeRoy Lang | Jessica Hoffman #1 | Kevin Lang |
| Deacon | Jamie Dreher #2 | |
| Paula Flesher | | Sacristan |
| Jim Krob | Altar Servers | Andrea Carmichael |
| Kelton Stecklein | Brett Dreher | Gift Bearers |
| Keri Veach | Bradyn Dreher | Kyle Bahr |
| Iris Lang+ | Riley Dreher | |

Sunday, 11:00 A.M. Mass

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| EMHC | Lectors | Hospitality |
| Melissa Schoepf | Hannah Keil #1 | Deenna Dreiling |
| Deacon | Patty Stull #2 | |
| Deborah Schmidtberger | | Sacristan |
| Sarah Cain | Altar Servers | Sarah Cain |
| Jayme Clark | Abby Heimerman | |
| Stephanie Hagans | Lakyn Zimmerman | Gift Bearers |
| Monica Seib | Jaxon Zimmerman | Dianna Koerner |

If you are interested in purchasing HFE bucks during the summer months, please call or text Courtney Brady at 639-5094. Thanks!



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The Sacrament of Confirmation for St. Nicholas of Myra Candidates, due to the renovations and the absence of a bishop (Bishop Vincke will be ordained on Aug. 22), we are moving this year's confirmation ceremony to 1pm, Aug. 12, at St. Francis of Assisi Church in Munjor. (Yes, there is A/C). Thank you for your flexibility and patience in this matter.



The following young people will receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit:

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| Kaden Ashbaugh | Maggie Baalman |
| Margaret Brull | Emma Dinkel |
| Kaleigh Dreiling | Kali Hagans |
| Nicholas Helget | Jessica Herrman |
| Nicholas Herrman | Matthew Hess |
| Marissa Hoffman | Connor Jacobs |
| Carson Kieffer | Emma Kuhn |
| Lance Lang | Gage May |
| Michaela Medina | Caroline Robben |
| Ryan Schuckman | Graysen Smith |
| Ashton Thomas | Mindi Veach |
| Bryson Werth | Gannon Winter |
| Samantha Zimmerman | |



Have you ever felt that God is calling you to join the Catholic Church? Or have you been baptized but would like to be in full communion with the Catholic faith. Please join us in the faith journey starting on Sept. 6, at 6:30pm, at St. Nicholas in the conference room. This journey is called RCIA or Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. We will gather to pray, reflect, and study the Catholic faith. If interested contact Deacon Steve at 785-650-2931

RELIGIOUS ITEMS - If you or a family member have religious material such as statues, holy water bottles, rosaries, prayer books, and palms that you want to get rid of, but just can't throw them away, bring them to the St. Joseph Parish Service Center and we will either offer them to people who would like them or dispose of them in a respectful manner.



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Anyone interested in singing with the choir for our Rededication Mass on Sept. 1, at 5pm, please contact Cheryl at snomusicdirector@gmail.com. Choir practice for the Rededication Mass will be Wednesday, Aug. 22, (choir and pianist/organist only) and Wednesday, Aug. 29, (choir pianist/organist and other instrumentalists). Both rehearsals will be at 7pm, in the church. Join us as we celebrate this exciting time at St. Nicholas of Myra Church.



Adoration Chapel needs someone to cover the hour of 2 to 3pm, on Thursdays. If interested please contact Bob Feauto at 628-1429.

The Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel, at 1805 Vine St., IHM Church is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and Jesus is waiting for you. If you wish to sign up for an hour, please call one of the following Archangels: Bob & Carol Feauto: (12am to 6am), 628-1429; Lorraine Brungardt, (6am to 12 pm), 625-3021; Yvonne Demuth: (12pm to 6pm), 656-9543; Geri Rupp: (6pm to 12am), 639-5588.

Fr. Fred's Bible Basics

We are studying St. Paul's Captivity Letters this year; the letters he wrote while he was imprisoned: Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, & Philemon. The same class is taught twice on Thursdays at noon, in the Kennedy Cafeteria on the St. Joseph Parish Campus and again at 8pm, at the Campus Center. Sign-up will be Thursday, Aug. 23, at noon, in the Kennedy Cafeteria and at 8pm, at the Campus Center. The textbook and note packet will cost around \$25.00. All are welcome and no previous Scripture Study experience is necessary. The first class will be Thursday, Sept. 6.



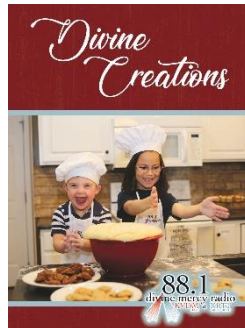
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Manna House of Prayer open house, 323 East 5th St., Concordia, KS, on Sunday, Aug. 26, from 2 to 5pm. Come celebrate their 40th Anniversary. Enjoy tours, door prizes and refreshments. Win a quilt and other handmade articles by the Sisters.

“Divine Creations” is now available! This cookbook contains over 370 recipes from the Divine Mercy Radio family, many with personal notes, as well as a recipe for salvation by Fr. Fred Gatschet. This hard cover cookbook with a 3-ring binder can be purchased for \$20 at the studio, 108 E. 12th St., or can be shipped for an additional \$7 per book. 785-621-4110. Purchase one for yourself and additional books as gifts! Cookbooks can also be purchased at ABC Seamless Siding and Messenger Catholic Books, Gifts and Sacramentals.



Ellis County Health Department
2507 Canterbury Drive
Hays, KS 67601
(785)628-9440 Fax-(785)628-0804

The **Ellis County Health Department** is now located at 2507 Canterbury Drive. In addition to the many community services provided at the ECHD, we are now offering care from nurse practitioner Maren Moody. We provide child, men and women's healthcare and can make referrals when needed.

Please call for more information at (785) 628-9440
M-Thru. 7am – 12 noon 1pm – 5pm
Friday, 7 – 11am

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“Healing After Loss of Suicide” is an organization offering family members and friends of those who have lost a loved one to suicide a place to connect with others who are dealing with this highly specialized grief recovery process. The group will eat supper at 5pm, Wednesday, Aug. 15, at Gutch's Bar & Grill, 109 W. 7th St., Hays. They will then gather at 6:30pm, in The Center for Life Experience, 2900 Hall Street, Hays. For information, contact Ann Leiker at 785-259-6859 or email ccfpc@ruraltel.net.



Parishioners Helping Parishioners Because God created and instructed

us to serve one another:

Purpose: to raise awareness of St. Nicholas parish families who are going through difficult times

Donations: Will be distributed anonymously at the discretion of Fr. Jarett to a St. Nicholas family in need.

Suggestions: Because it is sometimes difficult to identify those in need, it is essential that members of St. Nicholas of Myra assist in this process. We ask that our entire parish community contribute in making us aware of persons in need.

**Please utilize this “Parishioner Helping Parishioner” lock box for both donations and suggestions of those who may appreciate receiving an anonymous donation. **Contact Gracemary Melvin, Evangelization Commission social awareness chair, (785-259-6251).

Do you want to be a part of our prayer chain or know of someone who needs lifted up in prayer?

St Nicholas's prayer chain is currently being developed and expanded by the prayer chain subcommittee of the Evangelization commission. Members of St Nicholas parish who are in need of prayers for themselves or their loved ones should contact Ramona at St Nicholas during working hours, or Terri Braun, subcommittee chair, at 785-650-2307 when the church office is closed. Anyone who is willing to be a part of this prayer chain and pray for God's will should contact Terri Braun at the same number. If you know anyone who needs prayed for or if you are in need of prayer please don't hesitate to call. The prayer chain members are ready and willing to assist.

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<http://stn-church.com/>.



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go to www.faithdirect.net. Our parish code is **KS870**

SALINA DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

August – The internet is the 21st century auction block to buy and sell men, women, and children. LEARN about internet exploitation in the trafficking business. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking - sistersagainstrafficking.org.

Be Not Afraid: Catholic Women's Conference. The Salina Diocese Council of Catholic Women will host a conference featuring writer, author, and Catholic Radio Host Hallie Lord. The conference will be held at the Courtyard Marriot, 310 Hammons Drive, in Junction City on Aug. 18. Cost of the event is \$25 which includes lunch. Online registration will be available beginning July 1, 2018 at salinadiocese.org.

Are you interested in meeting Jesus at a deeper level? Come join us at Sacred Heart Parish, Plainville, Kansas on Saturday, Oct. 6, from 8:30am to 4:30pm, where you will recognize Christ in your experience, and use the tools you receive through this encounter with Christ to reach out and share your faith with other families.

SALINA DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reboot! A life changing event featuring internationally acclaimed speaker, author, and TV host Christ Stefanick will be hosted at The Brown Grand Theater in Concordia - Wednesday, Nov. 14. Tickets are available for purchase now at RealLifeCatholic.com/reboot.

Anniversary Masses - The Diocese of Salina wishes to honor all couples who are celebrating 1st Anniversaries and ALL other Anniversaries ending in 0 or 5. Masses with Bishop Gerald L. Vincke are planned at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Salina, at 3pm, Sunday, Oct. 21, and Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Hays, at 3pm, Sunday, Oct. 28. If you would like to participate in one of these celebrations, please complete the registration form located on the table in the gathering space or online at salinadiocese.org/family-life, or call the Office of Family Life at 785-827-8746. Each couple wishing to attend an Anniversary Mass must register with the Family Life Office (paper registration, online or by calling the Office of Family Life). If you have questions, please contact familylife@salinadiocese.org or 785-827-8746. DEADLINE for reservations is Oct. 7.



This weekend is the 2018 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal – Together ... Providing Help. Creating Hope. – Pledge cards and remittance envelopes are available here at mass. Please complete a pledge card and use the remittance envelope to place your donation in the parish offering today or mail it directly to Catholic Charities. By making a contribution, you are partnering with Catholic Charities to provide a safety net for struggling individuals and families. Your support offers hope to people in desperate situations, so thank you for prayerfully considering a gift. All support is greatly appreciated! If you have any questions, please contact Development Director, Eric Frank, at 785-825-0208 or efrank@ccnks.org.

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FAITH FORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Faith Formation Enrollment

- The enrollment letter has been sent out and the deadline to enroll is Aug. 20.
- Information needed to enroll is on the website at <https://stn-church.com/> Please go to the faith formation tab of the website.
- Enrollment Packets and Faith Formation Calendars are available in the office and the gathering space.

THE DAYS AHEAD

- Aug. 15** – Single and Beyond Food & Fellowship 6pm, Taco Shop, 333 W. 8th St.
- Aug. 16** – “Sunday Scriptures with Fr. Reggie”, 7pm
- Aug. 18** – Men of Myra, 7:30am
– Rosary in the St. Nicholas Church 4:30pm
- Aug. 19** – Rosary in the St. Nicholas Church, 9am

CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Family Elementary

-- Don't forget to recycle your aluminum cans in our trailer which is now permanently located in the gravel parking lot across the street on 19th next to the storage garage! Be sure to collect your Boxtops over the summer! Thank you for your continued support of our school in these ways! ☺

-- For more information go to www.hfehays.org



CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS



7th Grade Parent Orientation

- Aug. 13 – New Student/Parent Orientation, 7pm
- Parents will meet in the Auditorium – this is for parents of students who have never attended TMP-Marian (grades 7-12)
 - 7th Grade and other NEW Jr. High Students will meet in the Dining Hall
 - NEW High School Students that did not attend TMP-Marian Junior High will meet in a location to be announced that evening

Orientation

Aug. 16
High School – 8 to 11am
Junior High - Noon to 3pm

First Day of School

Aug. 17

Volunteer Opportunity

TMP-Marian is looking for volunteers to help serve lunch to the students during the school year. No food prep is involved. You can help occasionally, monthly, whatever your schedule might allow. Please contact Sandy Losey at 785-621-5414, for more specifics if you might be interested.

2018 Homecoming Information

Check out <https://tmp-m.org/homecoming-2018/> for all things Homecoming!! There you will find the schedule of events from Thursday, Sept. 20, through Saturday, Sept. 22. In addition, you can also purchase Banquet Tickets online this year!! However, you can still purchase tickets by order form out of the Monogram or in the Alumni Office. We hope to see you there!!!

-- To access up to date information for activities and events, please visit the webpage at www.tmp-m.org/calendar/