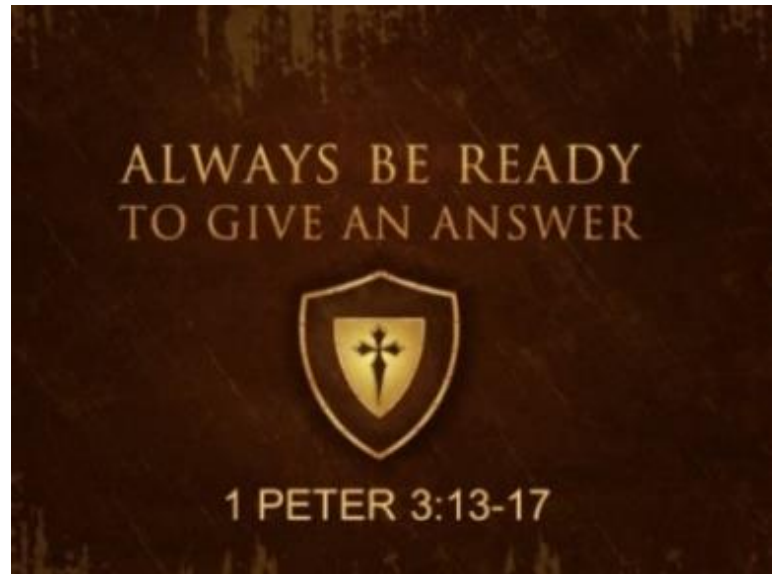


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FR. JARETT'S CATHOLIC Q & A

What draws men and women to priesthood and religious life?

The easy answer to the question of what draws men and women to religious vocations is God. However, I also want to talk about another element in this vocational picture, something I think Pope John Paul II was closely in tune with. The attractiveness of a call to holiness. In the book, *The Meaning of Vocation*, a compilation of Pope John Paul II's words on vocation he says, "I turn especially to you, boys and girls, young and not so young, who find yourselves at the decisive moment of choice...I would like to ask each one of you: What will you do with your life? What are your plans? Have you ever thought of committing your existence totally to Christ? Do you think that there can be anything greater than to bring Jesus to people and people to Jesus? Do not be afraid of the radicalness of his demands, because Jesus, who loved us first, is prepared to give himself to you, as well as asking of you. If he asks much from you, it is because he knows you can give much."



Over recent years there has been a failing attempt to draw men and women to religious vocations by describing the "what" of a vocation. Join our religious order because you can teach or work with the sick, or help run religious education programs. Become a priest because you get to run or govern a parish or counsel people. In light of these possibilities the logical question becomes, "Why would I give up marriage, sex, family, and wealth to do something that I can do without ordination or vows?" The true draw of a religious vocation is not the "what," but the "who." Follow Christ's call because you will be conformed to Jesus Christ in a way that cannot be explained in human terms, but that when lived out in cooperation with His grace will inspire others and help them to recognize their need for God. Now, that's pretty cool!

The reason why men and women are drawn to a vocation to priesthood or religious life is because every human being deep down wants to do something extraordinary and wants to be someone extraordinary. Priesthood or Religious life is a way to live a life of commitment in an uncommitted world, it is a life of sacrifice in a world that fears pain, it is a life of trust in a world that asks, "Who can we really trust?" It is the path of truth in a world that says, "We cannot know truth." This is the heroic virtue of religious life that is attractive and is drawing men and women to live a life completely committed to Jesus Christ.

The world hears such things; commitment, sacrifice, holiness and laughs and mocks at such people who would throw their lives away in such pursuits. Interestingly, the world reacted the same way to Jesus Christ. Pray that young men and women continue to be drawn to a life that inspires us all to follow Christ more faithfully.

In Christ's Loving Service

Your Pastor,

Fr. Jarett (father.konrade@eaglecom.net)

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Tithing: Your Gift to God

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

Collection for the week of Jan. 27	\$ 7,843
Faith Direct Collection for the week of Jan. 23	\$ 11,757
Weekly Collection to meet Fiscal Budget:	\$ 15,924
Fiscal Year Budgeted:	\$828,059
Collected Year to Date:	\$489,463

Feb. 3	Jared & Ashley Bauck & Kathy Stenzel
Feb. 10	Jerry & Marilyn Luetters, Derek & Vanessa Schumacher
Feb. 17	Clint & Marie Froelich & Tammy Dreiling
Feb. 24	Neil & Sondra Klaus & Tasha Werth

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Masses, Intentions & Services

Sat. Feb. 2	5:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased of Edward & Anita Karlin Family
Sun. Feb. 3	9:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	11:00 a.m.+	Leo & Dorothy Schmidt Family
Wed. Feb. 6	7:00 a.m.	Stella Ann Bloom
Fri. Feb. 8	7:00 a.m.+	Luella Schumacher
Sat. Feb. 9	5:00 p.m.+	Brenda Sue Gabel
Sun. Feb. 10	9:30 a.m.+	James & Marian Rajewski
	11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish

Readings for Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, February 4

Heb 11:32-40 / Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, February 5 (St. Agatha)

Heb 12:1-4 / Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, February 6

(St. Paul Miki and Companions)

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15 / Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, February 7

Heb 12:18-19-, 21-24 / Mk 6:7-13

Friday, February 8

(St. Jerome Emiliani & St. Josephine Bakhita)

Heb 13:1-8 / Mk 6:14-29

Saturday, February 9

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21 / Mk 6:30-34

Sunday, February 10

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8 / 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11 / Lk 5:1-11

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR February 9 & 10

Saturday, 5:00 P.M. Mass

EMHC	Lectors	Hospitality
Celina Beilman	Eileen Roberts #1	Victor Winter
Deacon	Keith Dreiling #2	
Tammy Dreiling		Sacristan
Whitney Ford	Altar Servers	Jessica
Alan Hoffman	Dakota Normandin	Normandin
Tamra Leiker	Carter Normandin	Gift Bearers
Gracemary Melvin	Kenney Normandin	Jared Bauck
Cantor/s	Accompanist	
Caitlin Leiker	Curtis Sander	
Bernice Kaiser		

Sunday, 9:30 A.M. Mass

EMHC	Lectors	Hospitality
Dustin Dreher	Rick Rajewski #1	Joe Dreiling
Deacon	Jamie Dreher #2	
Sara Humphrey		Sacristan
Deb Kraus	Altar Servers	Paul Kraus
Pat Lang	Jace Dreher	
LeRoy Lang	Brett Dreher	Gift Bearers
Ramie Wasinger +	Elizabeth Dreiling	Doug Bruggeman
Cantor/s	Accompanist	
Jennie Kirk	Paula Beck	
Denise DeBoer		

Sunday, 11:00 A.M. Mass

EMHC	Lectors	Hospitality
Mary Hickman	Patty Stull #1	Wes Leiker
Deacon	Cheryl Glassman #2	Mike Leiker
Deborah Schmidtberger		Sacristan
Jayne Clark	Altar Servers	Jenni Leiker
Jayne Inlow	Bryce Hickman	
Jenni Leiker	Nathan Leiker	Gift Bearers
Laura Monroe	Jessica Leiker	Eric Zweifel
Cantor/s	Accompanist	
Brull Family	Angie Meagher	



Please extend a warm welcome to the newest members of our parish family:

*Bryn Benoit;
Brandon & Nicole Legleiter & Family;
Leo & Rose Storm, III;
Todd & Kay Taylor;
Megan Zeman*



COFFEE & CONVERSATION – Feb. 10, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Hosted by the Family Life Committee. Come join us!

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WE WELCOME IN BAPTISM

Brynlee Fern Zimmerman, daughter of Casey & Molly Zimmerman. She will be baptized on Saturday, Feb. 2.



BINGO & RAFFLE Please join us for a fun family event! The Ladies Guild will be holding our annual Bingo and Raffle on March 17. Please join us from 1 to 3pm, in the Parish Hall.

Daughters of Isabella members are reminded to please pay your 2019 dues if you haven't already done so. Please send your \$25 dues to Peggy Feltis, 2912 Hillcrest Dr., Hays. Our next monthly meeting will be coming up on Feb. 12, at 7pm, in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Activity Center. Hope to see you there.

Adoration Chapel needs someone to cover the hours of 11am to 12pm, on Fridays and 12 to 1pm, on Sundays. If interested please contact Bob Feauto at 628-1429.



Knights of Columbus, St. Nicholas Council, has just formed a volunteer, outreach service called Knights of Service. Purpose: to offer hands-on service to St. Nicholas parish members (elderly, disabled/temporarily laid up, and veterans) in need. Assistance types: yard cleanup/tree trimming, gutter clean-out and other ladder work, light bulb/fixture detail, basic door/window fix-up, etc. Jobs requiring a city permit or trade license are not included. For information or to schedule assistance contact Grand Knight Justin Baalman or Bill Heimann, 623-4737.



Looking for a treat for your sweetheart or friends for Valentine's Day? HCT (Hays Community Theater) presents "Murder Can Be Habit Forming," a whimsical comedy. A busload of people are stranded at a convent during a blizzard. Mayhem ensues as the sisters and passengers try to solve a murder. Directed by Cheryl Glassman. Meal catered by Hickock's. Tickets \$20 per person and must be purchased in advance. Show dates Feb. 15 & 16 at 7pm. Go to www.hctks.com for tickets or contact Cheryl at 785-650-1589!

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEARTLAND PARISHES PARISH MISSION

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish
Is this Year's Host Site

Please Join Us As We Welcome
National Radio Host
Author & Speaker

"Gus Lloyd"

Feb. 24, 25 and 26

7pm, Each Evening in the Church

Mission Theme:

"Loving, Learning and Living Your Faith"

Join us in running the way of love! Waiting for a scheduled date? Wait no longer! Pick your own date! Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration invite single women, ages 18 - 40, who are considering religious life to visit for a weekend, for a weeklong Monastic Experience or for a personal discernment retreat at our monastery in Clyde, Missouri. It's a chance to experience the daily rhythm of our life where you can join us in singing the divine office, attend daily Mass, spend time in personal prayer, and open your heart to God's call by learning about discernment and prayer. There is no cost to attend and more details can be found at www.benedictinesisters.org. To register, contact Sr. Maria Victoria at (660) 944-2221 ex. 127 or e-mail vocation@benedictinesisters.org.



Walk with a Doc is a walking program for everyone interested in taking steps for a healthier lifestyle. What better way to start your weekend than on your feet making strides to improve your general health? While you walk at your own pace, you'll have the opportunity to ask questions to a local physician. The first Walk with a Doc Event will be held on Saturday, Feb. 23, at 9am, at the HaysMed Fitness trail (meet at shelter house behind HaysMed), 2500 Canterbury Dr., Hays. No registration required. For more information on this event and future dates please call The Center at 785-623-5900 or check out our website at www.haysmed.com/the-center.

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Valentine's Day Dance will be on Sunday, Feb. 10, from 1 to 5pm, at the VFW 248, Bob Dole Dr., Russell. Hot Shots Band providing the music. \$8.00 per person. Snack-bar included. Sponsored by the Sunflower Polka Club. Everyone is invited.



St. Catherine German Mardi Gras is on Feb. 16, at the Unrein Building at the Fairgrounds. Cost is \$17.50 a person. Doors open at 4pm, dinner at 6pm, dance to Wes Windholz Polka Band from 6 to 10pm. Raffle prizes. Please call 650-1746 for tickets.



Immaculate Heart of Mary Mardi Gras: Come celebrate and have a good time at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Mardi Gras on Saturday, Feb. 23,

starting at 6pm, in the IHM Activity Center. A fully catered meal from FHSU Chartwells, Open Bar and Music and Entertainment from Tim Schumacher aka Solitaire! The IHM Evangelization Team would like everyone to come out for this awesome event. Tickets to this event are being sold in the IHM Parish Office for \$25.00 per person. Only 150 tickets will be sold, come early!

Gorham D of I proudly presents the Mardi Gras Party & Fundraiser for St. Mary's Church, Gorham, on March 2, at the Gorham Senior Center. Adults only \$10 per ticket. Music and karaoke provided by Parsons Productions. Social hour from 6 to 8pm. Finger food and cash bar. Music and Karaoke from 8pm to 12am. All proceeds benefit St. Mary's Church improvement project. To get your tickets in advance call Michelle Brown at 785-735-4676 or Jacquelyn Stoffel at 785-483-0463.

Scripture Study Group will meet on Saturdays from 7:30 to 8:30am at south McDonalds. Women are invited to just drop in or come in and join them weekly. For more information call Mary Schlyer at 785-623-3885.

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St. Mary's Parish in Ellis is hosting their 6th Annual Valentine's Dance on Saturday, Feb. 23, in the *NEW* remodeled St. Mary's School Gym! It is a great night out and a way to support our parish. Come and enjoy a nice dinner, music, and dancing! If you are not a dancer, come anyway to enjoy the meal and entertainment by Jimmy Dee & the Fabulous Destinations. Tickets are available now for \$25.00 at St. Mary's Parish Office and various other outlets (see below).

MUST BE 21 & Older to ATTEND!!!

This year there is a Raffle being held with (2) prizes to giveaway!! Raffle Tickets are 2 for \$5.00, 6 for \$10.00.

FIRST PRIZE (no need to be present) - 7" Samsung Galaxy Tablet.

SECOND PRIZE (need to be present at the dance) - 50/50 Raffle!!!

So be sure to buy your chance at these prizes whether or not you plan to attend the dance, you still have a chance to win! They are available at the same outlets.

Ticket Outlets:

- St. Mary's Church Parish Office
- Divine Mercy Radio – Hays
- Equity Bank - Ellis and Hays
- Gibson's Health Mart – WaKeeney
- Golden Belt Bank – Ellis
- Weber's Service – Ellis

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ADULT FAITH FORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are excited to bring back adult faith formation starting at 6:15pm, in the Kennedy building. Come to the third floor. Sessions will be every Wednesday through Feb. 27. Challenge yourself to make as many as you can.

Let's discuss the Ten Commandments. Do you see them as barbed wire fences around the prison or lane markers and road signs helping us get to Heaven? Join us as we talk about how each commandment guides us to happiness and holiness in this life and eternity with God in the next.

FAITH FORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Dates

Feb. 6 – Classes at Kennedy 6:15 to 7:15pm

Feb. 13 – Classes at Kennedy 6:15 to 7:15pm

Feb. 20 – Classes at Kennedy 6:15 to 7:15pm

THE DAYS AHEAD

Feb. 5 – Sunday Scripture Session with Fr. Reggie, 6:30pm

Feb. 7 – RCIA Meeting, 6:30pm

Feb. 9 – Men of Myra, 7:30am
– Rosary in the St. Nicholas Church 4:30pm

Feb. 10 – Rosary in the St. Nicholas Church, 9am

CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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



Come and enjoy a night of fine dining and entertainment!! The TMP Singers under the direction of Kathy Amrein, present: Dancing in the Street The annual dinner theater will be on Feb. 2, at 6:30pm, and Feb. 3, at 12pm. (Over long before the Super Bowl starts) Reserved tickets are \$20 and available from Kathy Amrein at 785-650-4371 Meal includes: Coleslaw, Pulled Pork, Smoked Brisket, Smokey Baked Beans, Cheesy Ranch Bacon Potatoes, Dinner Roll, Dessert, Coffee, Tea and Water (Meal catered by Helping Hands of God)

CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

State of Our Catholic Schools Address

The time has arrived! The State of Our Catholic Schools Address will take place on Feb. 4, at 6:30pm, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish. All parents of TMP-Marian and Holy Family Elementary students are required to attend this important event. Information covered includes funding, projects, new courses, any and all updates and projections for the future.

In addition to inviting you to join us at the State of Our Catholic Schools Address, we need your pictures... all pictures of your students attending TMP-M or HFE. These are the photos that will greet you on Feb. 4, at 6:30pm, as you enter the event. Please upload all the serious, interesting and funny pictures you have captured this year to the below link. <https://tmpmarian.smugmug.com/upload/vHtghX/2019/StateofCatholicSchools>.

Be a Monarch-4-a-Day on Feb. 27! If you are the parent of a 5th or 6th grade student, consider having your child attend Monarch-4-a-Day at Thomas More Prep-Marian Catholic Junior High on Wed. Feb. 27th. The event is for any future or potential student to learn more about the culture of our local Catholic school. Attendees will meet current students, learn about technology and STREAM curriculum, celebrate a Mass, and eat lunch together. Dismissal is at noon so that attendees can return to their current school for half of the day. There is no cost to attend. Register by completing a simple and easy form at www.tmp-m.org. Your contact information will only be used for this event. This is more than a shadowing experience. Come feel the energy and excitement of the TMP-Marian Junior High faith community!

Monarch-4-a-Day Schedule

7:15-7:55 a.m. - drop off and greeting (NE corner of school building)

8:00-8:45 a.m. - Junior High Mass

8:50-9:15 a.m. - Welcome Activities

9:20-11:15 a.m. - Student activities, sample of technology and curriculum

11:20-11:50 a.m. – Lunch

Noon - Pick-up (NE corner of school building)

Transportation may be available for out-of-town students whose parents cannot bring them on Feb. 27. Contact Mrs. Theresa Clark (clarkt@tmpmarian.org) to find out if transportation is available for your area.

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**St. Nicholas Ladies Guild Raffle
2901 East 13th Hays, KS 67601**

**March 17, 2019
1:00pm-3:00pm**

1	Fire TV Stick	7	\$60 Gift Certificate Warren's Meat Market
2	RCA 10 Viking Pro Laptop Tablet	8	7 piece Cookware Set
3	One of a kind purse donated by Leo Groff	9	5 piece Luggage Set
4	Cross Picture Frame donated by Jim Brockleman	10	Quilt
5	4 - \$50 Cash Prizes donated by the K of C	11	Kids Prize - Multi piece art set
6	Recliner donated by Wolf's Furniture Gallery		

Suggested Donation 13 for \$10.00/ 6 for \$5.00/ \$1.00 each *****PLEASE INDICATE WHICH PRIZE BOX YOU WANT EACH INDIVIDUAL TICKET PLACED IN*****		Name _____
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