ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

We are home for the Roman Catholic family of Geary County, forming missionary disciples according to the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus Christ.

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HOLY MASS

Saturday: Vigil Mass at 5:15 pm *Sunday:* 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am *Weekdays:* Tues & Wed - 5:30 pm Thurs - 8:00 am Fri - 8:30 am

These are our regular Mass times. Please refer to daily Mass schedule inside on Page 2 for any changes to Mass times for this week.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday: 6:00 pm Tues - 1:00 am Wed *Thursday:* 8:30 am to 8:00 pm *Friday:* 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE *Tuesday:* 6:00 pm following the Mass *Friday:* 9:00 am following the Mass *Saturday:* 4:00 - 5:00 pm

You may also contact the Parish Office to set an individual appointment with Father.

31 Mar 2024

PARISH OFFICE STAFF

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Welcome to our Parish

"Sanctify yourself, Sanctify society." St. Francis Xavier

PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR PMR - Parish meeting room OLPH - Our Lady of † - Deceased Perpetual Help Room							
DATE	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION	PARISH EVENTS			
Sunday 31 Mar 2024	8:00 am 9:30 am 11:00 am	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	Pro populo † Charles & Isabelle Fiffe † Ed O'Connor				
Monday 01 Apr 2024		No Mass		Youth Adoration, 6-7 pm Boy Scout mtg, Bldg C			
Tuesday 02 Apr 2024	5:30 pm	Holy Mass	† Marina and Auguster Davis	Adoration 6:00 pm until 1:00 am Knight of Columbus mtg, 7:00 pm, KofC hall			
Wednesday 03 Apr 2024	5:30 pm	Holy Mass	† Paul Lee and Ann Kwon	St. Xavier Men's Group, 6:30 pm, OLPH Religious Education Class and Confirmation Rehearsal, 6:30pm, Bldg C			
Thursday 04 Apr 2024	8:00 am	Holy Mass	Deceased members of the Ruth and Junior Cook family	Men's SOS Group, 6:15 am, KofC Hall Adoration, 9:00 am until 8:00 pm CALLED, 7:00 pm, OLPH			
Friday 05 Apr 2024	8:30 am	Holy Mass	† Vicente Alog	Women's Prayer Group, 6:30 am, via Zoom Adoration, following Mass until 2:00 pm Muliebris Sancti Prayer Group, 9:15 am, OLPH			
Saturday 06 Apr 2024	8:00 am 5:15 pm	1st Saturday Mass Sunday Vigil Mass	† Ed O'Connor † Sonya Risetter	Adoration; 8:30 am until noon Confession, 4:00-5:00 pm			

On behalf of Father Kerry and the Parish staff...we wish each of you a very happy Easter.

May all your prayers be answered and may you feel the Lord's presence near you not only for Easter but always.

HAPPY EASTER:

Easter is such an interesting feast. First of all, the word Easter is interesting. It has no reference to Christ or to a biblical or liturgical event. The best thought is that Fr. Kerry Ninemire it is based on the sun coming up from the east. As the sun rising each morning gives



us new hope each day, so an early tradition was that when Christ returned, he would come from the east. In other languages, the word is often a variation of the word "passover." For instance, in Spanish and Italian it is Pascha. As we heard last Sunday in Mark's passion narrative, Jesus gathered with his twelve to celebrate the passover. The first followers would have thought of themselves as celebrating the Passover and Christ the new lamb. As the Christian faith evolved in time and spread to other continents, new words arose to try to capture the magnificence of the feast.

I would leave you with this quote from St. Augustine:

"The season before Easter signifies the troubles in which we live here and now, while the time after Easter which we are celebrating at present signifies the happiness that will be ours in the future. What we commemorate before Easter is what we experience in this life; what we celebrate after Easter points to something we do not yet possess. This is why we keep the first season with fasting and prayer; but now the fast is over and we devote the present season to praise. Such is the meaning of the Alleluia we sing."

God bless us all, Father Kerry

TITHES & OFFERINGS

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Giving	Dollars	If ever you miss Mass due to weather or out of town, please feel comfortable to include the absent week's tithing in the collections the following week.
Online Giving	285.00	
Envelopes/loose check/cash	9,725.75	
Children's Tithing	24.00	
Memorials and Gifts	180.00	
Ash Wednesday	15.00	
Holy Thursday	50.00	
Good Friday	50.00	
Total for 23/24 Mar	\$10,319.75	WCCK.

Amount needed to meet our Mar 2024 Parish \$87,632.50 ** operating budget (23-24 FY) Mar Tithing/Offering collections to date \$38,908.88 Balance needed to meet our Mar needs: \$48,723.62

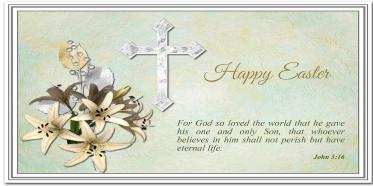
Mar 2024 G&D collected to date\$4,237.51

** - This amount is determined by the Parish Finance Council. It is based on the annual cost of Parish operations.

Thank you for the privilege of your generosity

and support. Need 2024 tithing envelopes...see Cindy in the **Parish Office!**





Parish Hall Committee There will be a meeting of the Parish Hall Committee on Monday, April 8 at 5:30 pm in the OLPH Room. All members are encouraged to attend.



Please pray for the intentions and needs of the following:

Steve Matthews **Benjamin Grelk** Elizabeth Bunce Wilma Schoendaller Cooper Holloway Jude Fairchild Manny Pasquil Ryleigh Joos Sandy Dietrich Pat Weber



PRAYER REQUEST

Bruce Piava

Rachel Moore

Jami Ann Bird Elizabeth Clark Mary Bolette Ralph Schmedemann Julie Taylor Judy Rosa Shirley Oaks James DeCarlo Karen Morris Marissa Graham

Mary Baker PeggyWawrzyniak Mike Obermeyer Marty Perta John Cooner Marty Potter



Prayer for Strength and Healing Lord, we pray for those who are sick and in need of healing. We ask that you would give them the strength to endure their illness, and that you would bring them healing and restoration. May they feel your presence with them, and may they be comforted by your love. We pray that you will grant them peace and rest, and that they will be restored to full health. Amen.



Saint Xavier Parishioners would like to welcome new parishioners to our Parish family. We are pleased to welcome the following family:

Justen and Brittany Bleau and their three children, Rowen, Patton and Evelyn

Please take a minute to say a prayer of thanksgiving for God sending this family to celebrate with us.

Wherever you came from, wherever you are going...you are welcome here with us!



Memorial Mass for Parents Who Have Lost a Child

There will be two Masses held this year to better accommodate those wishing to attend. Masses will be on May 7th at St. Thomas More in Manhattan and on May 8th Sacred Heart in Plainville, starting at 2:00 pm, both celebrated by Bishop Vincke. A reception will follow

both Masses. Registration is now available online at the Diocesan website. Registration is not required but does help with the planning of the events.



Youth currently grades 8-12 are invited to sign u for the SPARK Kenosis Youth Retreat. The retreat is being held April 20-21 at Prairie Star Ranch. Activities





include rope course, Adoration, games, campfire and more. The cost for this retreat is \$30.

Please contact Sharon Engstrom or attend one of the SPARK meetings held on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm in Bldg C for more details.





God, who is the source of all the good in our lives, we ask You to bless us. We gather at this table as family and friends, united in love of You. We are filled with gratitude for the gift of this meal and the many gifts you've given us. May we carry with us

tomorrow the joy that we feel today, sharing Your love and building Your kingdom here on earth. Amen.

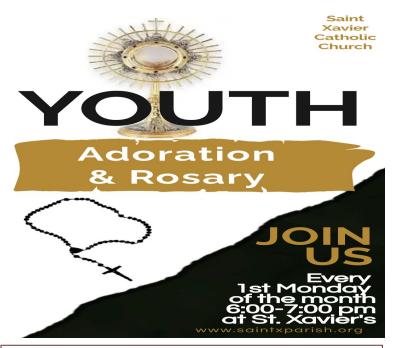


Jesus I Trust In You

Divine Mercy Sunday calls the faithful to rejoice in the merciful love of God as it is most profoundly manifested in the Paschal Mystery of Jesus Christ.

Join the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Adoration on next Sunday, 07 Apr 2024 at 2:00 pm.

The feast of Divine Mercy, then, is a continuation of the celebration of Easter; it is, as Pope John Paul once said, Christ's "Easter gift" to the world.





Are you an estate planning attorney, accountant, financial planner, wealth manager, insurance advisor, etc.? The Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina is currently developing a list of resources for members of our diocese to help in creating their Catholic legacy. If you are one of these trusted professionals, please send us an email –

development@salinadiocese.org – with your contact information so we can include you on this list of professionals that are aligned with Catholic values and beliefs.

Rachel's Vineyard

"I have never been more convinced that God moves powerfully to love His wounded people back to life than that weekend at the Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. It was a mountain top experience!"

- Testimony after a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™

Healing and hope are awaiting you on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat[™].

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats 1-877-I-GRIEVE (1-877-447-4383) <u>rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org</u>

The next weekend will be, May 30-June 2, 2024



CALLED is a group for young adults (over the age of 18) to gather for faith formation, to serve our community and in fellowship. God calls us all to worship, so join



us for our next meeting on April 4th at 7:00 pm at the Our Lady of Perpetual Help room followed by Adoration!

> April 4th - Adoration April 18th - Diving into the Gospels If you have any questions contact Cayley at 785-307-4164.



Eucharistic Revival A core group of St. Francis Xavier parishioners and Fr. Kerry Ninemire completed the series of the guided video presentation "Jesus and the Eucharist". It is the scriptural and theological proof of Jesus' real presence. The videos are sponsored by the USCCB* as part of a 3-year program called EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL. Several additional parishioners completed the series online where it is still available on Formed or the Salina Diocese website.

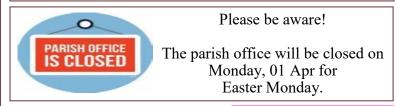
*USCCB - United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

4/3 - Class/Confirmation Rehearsal 4/10 - Confirmation Celebration at 5:30 pm/NO CLASS



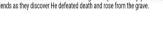
- 4/17 Class/Parent Meeting First Communion
- 4/24 Class/ First Communion Rehearsal





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He is Alive! | Laugh and Grow Bible for Kids Why can we have hope? Because we know how the story ends ... with the most incredible miracle ever follow along and experience the joy of Jesus' friends as they discover He defeated death and rose from the grave.



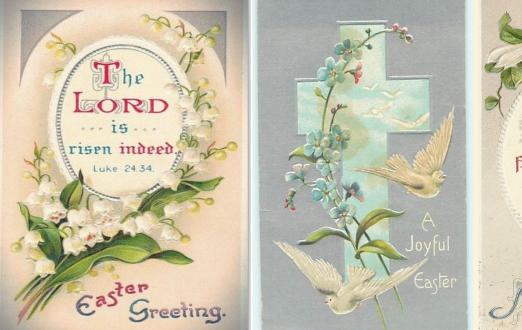
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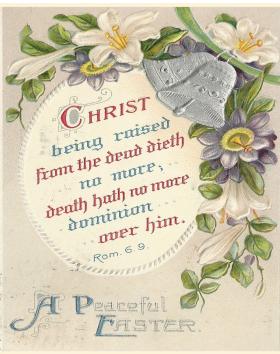


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Educating for eternity through faith and reason

Enrollment is underway for the 2024-25

school year at St. Francis Xavier Catholic

School. Registration packets are available

online at saintxrams.org, can be picked up

in the school office Monday-Friday from

School Office Hours: Mon-Fri: 7:50am - 3:50pm

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☆	SCHOOL STAFF				
☆	Principal				
☆	Shawn Augustine				
☆	principal@saintxrams.org				
☆ ☆	School Business Administrator Carol Tomson				
☆	business-admin@saintxrams.org				
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teacher, Activities Director, K-12 Counselor, and substitute teachers for the 2-24-25 school year. For more information or to apply contact principal Shawn Augustine at principal@saintxrams.org.



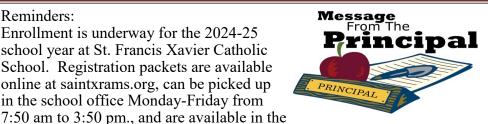
2024 Itemless Item

ST. XAVIER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Give the gift of a Catholic education by donating to the itemless item at the 2024 St. Xavier School Auction. Your contribution to the St. Xavier Scholarship Fund will assist families in need with tuition costs helping to make a Catholic education possible for those in our community. Together we can provide children with the invaluable opportunity to expand their knowledge, explore their passions, create community, strengthen their sense of self, and come to know God.



St. Xavier Forensics Congratulations to the St. Xavier Forensics team who did an outstanding job at the Hays Forensics/Drama Tournament! Tobias G. placed 2nd in Humorous Solo, Miguel W. placed 5th in Humorous Solo, and Sierra S. and Crissy S. placed 2nd in Duet Acting.



entryway of the church. Enroll early to save on registration fees. St. Francis Xavier Catholic School will be having an open house for prospective families on Monday, April 8th from 6:30 pm-8:00 pm in the school cafeteria. Refreshments will be provided, followed by a meet and greet, question and answer session, prize raffles, and a tour of the school. RSVP for this event by calling the school office at 785-238-2841 or by sending an email to principal@saintxrams.org by April 5th.

Reserve your seats today for the St. Xavier School Auction. This event is planned for April 20th, from 5:00 pm-9:00 pm in the school gymnasium. The auction will consist of a catered meal from Hog Wild Pit BBQ, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, raffles, and the opportunity to bid on silent and live auction items. Plan to join us for an evening of entertainment to support our parish school! Tickets are \$60, a table of 6 is \$300, and a table of 8 is \$420. Tickets can be purchased in the school office M-F from 7:50 am to 3:50 pm.

Shawn Augustine

St. Xavier School Auction WAYS TO DONATE

Not able to attend the St. Xavier School Auction on April 20th? There are other ways you can support the event! Consider giving a monetary donation toward the auction or to the itemless item. Four contribution levels are available- Major Donor (\$1000 and above), Gold Donor (\$500-\$999), Silver Donor (\$100-\$499), and Patron (\$99 and under). Monetary donations are welcome and can be dropped in the collection basket at St. Xavier Church or brought/mailed to the St. Xavier School office at 200 N. Washington Street, Junction City, KS 6644I. We appreciate your support!



Preschool Enrollment

Enroll now to reserve your child's spot in the St. Francis Xavier School preschool program! The 2024-25 school year options include PreK3 and PreK4 full day classes where students are prepared socially and academically for their future in education. Class times run from 8:20-3:25pm, Monday-Friday at a cost of \$650 per month. Aftercare is available from 3:30-5:30pm. For more information call the school office at 785-238-2841 or email principal Shawn Augustine at principal@saintxrams.org.

Respect Life Ministry – "From Womb to Tomb" Join us in Saint Xavier's Respect Life Ministry Tom Hollis 785.717.5896

"You are called to stand up for life! To respect and defend the mystery of life always and everywhere, including the lives of unborn babies ...You are called to work and pray against abortion" – Saint John Paul II, in New York 1995

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

If you are interested in hosting the statue of Our Lady of Fatima for a week, please contact Colleen Henney at 785-238-2618 to be included.

Statute Schedule:

- 31 Mar Mario and Margie Langas
- 07 Apr Colleen Henney
- 13 Apr Janet Hahn
- 21 Apr Sr. DJ Rak and Diane Ussery

28 Apr - Mario and Margie Langas

Dear God, there are many hurting today. Please bring them comfort and let them know the embrace of your loving arms. Fill them with peace and remind them of the hope that lies before us. I love you. Amen.





ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

EDUCATING FOR ETERNITY THROUGH FAITH & REASON

2024

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6:30pm - Refreshments

7:00pm - Meet & Greet

7:15pm - Q & A Session

7:30pm - Prize Drawings

7:35pm - Campus Tour

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OPEN HOUSE FOR PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES

Prospective families interested in Pre-K through 12th grade are invited to experience St. Francis Xavier Catholic School during our open house event from 6:30pm to 8:00pm on April 8th. The evening will include refreshments, a meet and greet with staff, a question and answer session, prize drawings, and a campus tour.

We hope you will join us to learn more about the exceptional educational opportunities available. Let St. Francis Xavier School be a part of your family's faith journey for the 2024-25 school year! Please RSVP by April 5th to principal Shawn Augustine at 785-238-2841 or principalesaintxrams.org.

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785-238-2841

06/07 APR 2024	SATURDAY, 06 APR 2024 5:15 PM	SUNDAÝ, 07 APR 2024 8:00 AM	SUNDAY, 07 APR 2024 9:30 AM	SUNDAY, 07 APR 2024 11:00 AM	
Lector	Susan Kamphaus	Cindy Lamberty	Randy Testa	Margie Langas	
Extraordinary Ministers	Eric Page Jodean Tieyah Courtney Boehm	Jane Handlos Joe Handlos Richard Striggow	Knights of Columbus	Nanette Lamb John Lamb Chris Breidenstein	
Gift Bearers	Diane Ussery	Hausauer Family	Knights of Columbus	Langas Family	
Altar Servers with server assignments	Hannah Nguyen - 1 st Declan Boehm - 2 nd - 3 rd	Lyla Liebau - 1 st John Hausauer - 2 nd Lucas Liebau - 3 rd	Kim Davis - 1 st Ivan Abolo - 2 nd Ryan Davis - 3 rd	Landon Berry - 1 st Grant Slough - 2 nd Ava Cruz - 3 rd	
Musician and Cantor	Sandi Adams Living Water Ministry	Anita Hernandez Diane Heerman	Anita Hernandez Knights of Columbus	Shawn and Heather Augustine	
Ushers	Buz Bruzina Teddy Tieyah George Heard Josh Boehm	Mike Boeh Kellie Boeh Neal Patry AnnMarie Striggow	Larry Kramer Knights of Columbus	Mario Laqngas Paul Rosell Mary Ann Vieyra Inga Klusa-Curit	
Tithing Counters	Shirley Allen, Margie Langas and Charlene Ross				



Sign up for bulletins sent directly to your email weekly at www.saintxparish.org on the home page.

you would like tithing envelopes for 2024. Blank sets are still available for 2024 and we can get you assigned an envelop number for printed ones for next year!