

# 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.*

218 N. Washington St., Junction City KS 66441  
Parish Office 785-238-2998 [www.saintxparish.org](http://www.saintxparish.org)

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School Office: 785-238-2841 [www.saintxrams.org](http://www.saintxrams.org)



## 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 until 1:00 am Wed

**Thursday:** 8:30 am to 8:00 pm

**Friday:** 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

**Parish Holy Hour:** Second Thursdays at 6:00 pm, Adoration and Benediction

## 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.*

Bulletin articles or notices must be submitted by noon on Tuesdays for following weekend. Please submit to [office@saintxparish.org](mailto:office@saintxparish.org)  
Sign up for bulletins sent directly to your email weekly at [www.saintxparish.org](http://www.saintxparish.org) on the home page.

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### Pastor

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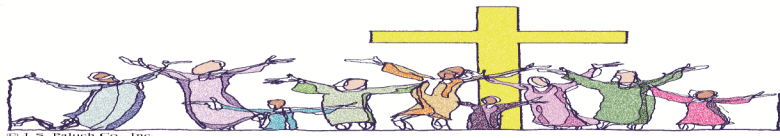
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# Welcome to our Parish

"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
<i>Sunday, 01 Oct 2023</i>	8:00 am 9:30 am 11:00 am	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	† John Dowling Pro populo Diane White and † Charles and Isabelle Fiffe	OCIA, 1:00 pm, Bldg C, Rm 239
<i>Monday, 02 Oct 2023</i>		No Mass		Boy Scout mtg, 7:00 pm, Bldg C, Rm 239
<i>Tuesday 03 Oct 2023</i>	5:30 pm	Holy Mass	† Ricky Hahn	Adoration, 6:00 pm until 1:00 am Knights of Columbus mtg, 7:00 pm, Knights' Hall
<i>Wednesday 04 Oct 2023</i>	5:30 pm	Holy Mass	† Clyde William Gardner	Adult Choir Practice, 6:00 pm St. Xavier Men's Group, 6:30 pm, OLPH Made for More, 7:00 pm, School Gym
<i>Thursday 05 Oct 2023</i>	8:00 am	Holy Mass	† Paul V. Hibberd	Men's SOS Group, 6:15 am, KofC Hall Adoration from 9:00 am until 8:00 pm
<i>Friday 06 Oct 2023</i>	8:30 am	Holy Mass	† Tony Nardella	Women's Prayer Group, 6:30 am, via Zoom Muliebris Sancti Prayer Group, 9:15 am, OLPH Adoration, following Mass until 2:00 pm
<i>Saturday 07 Oct 2023</i>	8:00 am 5:15 pm	1st Saturday Mass Sunday Vigil Mass	† Deceased members of Circle 4 † Auguster and Marina Davis	Confession, 4:00-5:00 pm



## LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY

Heritage Park, Sunday, 01 Oct  
2:00-3:00 pm

Please bring a chair if you will need one.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT

07-08 OCT 2023	SATURDAY, 07 OCT 2023 5:15 PM	SUNDAY, 08 OCT 2023 8:00 AM	SUNDAY, 08 OCT 2023 9:30 AM	SUNDAY, 08 OCT 2023 11:00 AM
<i>Lector</i>	Ryan Rosauer	Mary Effland	Knights of Columbus	Margie Langas
<i>Extraordinary Ministers</i>	Jodean Tieyah Susan Kamphaus Ricardo Gutierrez	Maureen Gustafson Tom Hollis Cindy Lamberty	Knights of Columbus	Deb Breidenstein Jessica Breidenstein Mario Langas
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	Miriam Davis Family	Effland Family	Knights of Columbus	Moreland Family
<i>Altar Servers with server assignments</i>	Hannah Nguyen - 1 <sup>st</sup> Declan Boehm - 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ian Effland - 1 <sup>st</sup> Nolan Effland - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sheldon Effland - 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Levi Engstrom - 1 <sup>st</sup> Henry Engstrom - 2 <sup>nd</sup> John Engstrom - 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Janis Curit - 1 <sup>st</sup> Noah Cruz - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ava Cruz - 3 <sup>rd</sup>
<i>Musician and Cantor</i>	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
<i>Ushers</i>	Buz Bruzina Shar Boland George Heard Josh Boehm	Pat and Angela Beavers Richard Gustafson Ellen Westerhaus	Don Haffner Knights of Columbus	John Hagerty Inga Klusa-Curit Humberto Cruz Correa Ray Felix
<i>Money Counters</i>	Shar Boland, Murleen Jones and Ana Davis			

# STEWARDSHIP of TREASURE

## Tithes and Offerings

**Due to the early bulletin submissions, the tithing totals will be update in Oct. Please notice that as of the 17 Sep collections, we are still in need of \$50,166.27 to meet our operating expenses for the month of September.**

Amount needed to meet our Sep 2023 Parish operating budget (new amount for 23-24 FY) \$87,632.50 \*  
**Sep Tithing and Offering collections to date \$37,466.23**  
**Balance needed to meet our Sep needs: \$50,166.27**

Sep 2023 G&D collected to date .....\$4,386.35

\* - This amount is determined by the Parish Finance Council. It is based on the annual cost of Parish operations for the parish year, 01 Jul thru 30 Jun. The annual cost includes items such as the maintenance for our buildings, utilities, all Mass and church supplies, salaries for staff, support for the school...everything right down to the Kleenex provided in the church. The annual amount is then divided by the 12 months in a year to establish the monthly amount necessary. The tithing collections offered by our parishioners each week, our only income, is reported in the spirit of transparency for all. When we fall short in our collections for the needed monthly operating expenses, the difference must be pulled from investments or savings to cover the operating expenses. This impairs our sustainability to 'grow' our parish programs and services in the future.

**Don't forget to teach our children how to submit their envelopes weekly! Take one with you to fill out for the following weekend if that is of help instead fixing one on the way into Mass.**

*Thank you for the privilege of your generosity and support..*



Please pray for the intentions and needs of the following:

Deb Chaudary	Marissa Graham
Sandy Dietrich	Steve Matthews
Benjamin Grelk	Bruce Piava
Elizabeth Clark	Rachel Moore

Lindy Grant-Rubash	Elizabeth Bunce	Ralph Schmedemann
Cooper Holloway	Julie Taylor	Peggy Wawrzyniak
Jude Fairchild	Manny Pasquil	Shirley Oaks
Ryleigh Joos	Pat Nicholson	Mary Bolette
Judy Rosa	John Cooner	Marty Perta
Diane Ussery	James DeCarlo	

**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 on October 10th at 7 pm in the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Room for a shot meeting followed by Adoration.



### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Oct 10 - Adoration  
 Oct 24th - Join us as we dive into Isaiah



### Homebound Ministry

Please contact the Parish Office if you know of someone who is unable to attend Mass and would like to have Holy Communion brought to their home.

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Fr. Kerry Ninemire

**OCTOBER: RESPECT LIFE MONTH** – all life! This last point is well made by the display on Washington Street in front of the parish rectory with the slogan: "Respect Life: Womb to Tomb." The display emphasizes the vulnerability at the beginning of life on the south end with the statues of a young family and the vulnerability of life at the end of life with the older couple (with cane) on the north end. (The parish thanks Angela Beavers for her keeping the area clean of weeds and enhancing it with the addition of live flowers.)

October begins with prayers for the unborn and the rally on October 1. During the month the Knights of Columbus will distribute tootsie rolls as a way to collect for the Olympics of the mentally challenged. This month is also a time we remember that the Catholic Church opposes the death penalty. We also remember the poor, especially the young parents doing their best to provide a living for their new life.

I will close with the following quote from the diocese of Los Angeles: "The catholic church in the United States celebrates respect life month every October. As Catholics we are called to embrace, proclaim, and defend life. Every life is precious and must be loved and protected from conception until natural death. As children of God made in his image, every person has a sanctity and dignity that cannot be diminished by illness or disability, and cannot be limited by race, age, sex, or social condition."

May God bless us all.  
 Father Kerry



Today is the National Life Chair Sunday. The Life Chain is the largest prayerful, pro-life, public witness in the world. Life Chains will be held throughout the US and Canada. Local pro-life people will be at Heritage Park for the Life Chain.

Please join in **Sunday, October 1 from 2-3 pm** to stand up for Life! Let us all do our part to defend preborn babies!

I am a  
**CHILD**  
 of God.  
 I know it. I live it. I love it.

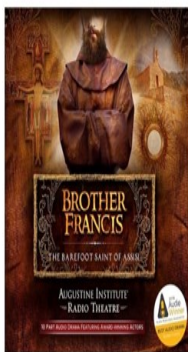


#iGIVECATHOLIC

### WHAT IS #IGIVECATHOLIC?

#iGiveCatholic is an annual giving day for the faithful across the nation (and the globe!) to come together and raise as many charitable dollars as possible for Catholic parishes, schools, and ministries in participating dioceses. Last year, #iGiveCatholic raised more than \$18.5 million for 1,675 organizations in 42 dioceses across the United States.

Advanced Giving Days: 13 Nov - 27 Nov 2023  
 Giving Tuesday: 28 Nov 2023



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### First Reconciliation



Together in Jesus

### Sacramental Preparation

There will be meetings for parents of those seeking First Reconciliation on Wednesday, October 11th and October 25th at 6:30 pm in the Parish Meeting Hall.

Report allegations of the abuse of a minor to the Department of Children and Families

800.922.5330

KBI Crime Hotline

800.572.7463

If you suspect abuse of a minor by church or school personnel, in addition to contacting civil authorities, the diocese provides a confidential Hotline: 866.752.8855 ext.1067  
Website: [reportandprotect.com](http://reportandprotect.com)

Email: [reportabuse@salinadiocese.org](mailto:reportabuse@salinadiocese.org)

Reports will be responded to promptly by the Victim Assistance Coordinator

To report an incident of sexual abuse and related misconduct by a Bishop or Religious Superior currently or in the past, the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Services provides a confidential Hotline: 800.276.1562  
Website: [reportbishopabuse.org](http://reportbishopabuse.org)

The Diocese of Salina complies with Kansas laws regarding reporting suspected abuse to civil authorities and cooperates with civil authorities investigating reports of suspected abuse by all persons, including but not limited to Church Personnel.

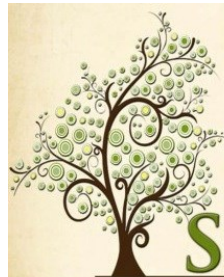


Questions regarding reporting should be directed the Safe Environment Office  
Diocese of Salina -785.827. 8746

*"God is light; and in him there is no darkness. If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another."*  
1 John 1:5-7



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*Time, Talent and Treasure*

## STEWARDSHIP

MAXIMIZING GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR HIS GLORY

September is stewardship month in our Catholic faith. Need a way to give back to God for your many blessings...volunteer to help with our liturgies!

Your parish family needs Altar Servers, Lectors, Ushers, Extraordinary Ministers and folks to bring the gifts of our parish to the altar in celebration of the Mass. These stewardship ministries are very simple and you are going to be at Mass weekly anyway, right? Participating in these ministries won't take you any more time and there are no dues involved. Sound attractive...keep reading!

So, you want to know what is involved? Here are the details:

1. Once a month you will respond via email to those who schedule these ministries as to your availability so that the schedule for all can be prepared.

2. Attend the training for each ministry on how Father would like to have them done in accordance with Canon Law. This is a one-time training with refreshers as liturgical requirements change.

3. When life happens and you are unable to meet your assigned time and function, find a substitute and let the ministry lead know of the change.

So ask yourself...is there really any reason why you can't step up and help celebrate the liturgy with your Parish family? Contact the ministry leads on the front of the bulletin or the Parish Office.

*All phone lines are open!*

WE WAIT IN *hope* FOR THE LORD;

HE IS OUR HELP AND OUR SHIELD.  
IN HIM OUR HEARTS REJOICE,  
FOR WE TRUST IN HIS HOLY NAME.  
MAY YOUR UNFAILING LOVE  
BE WITH US, LORD,

EVEN AS WE PUT OUR *hope* IN YOU.

- PSALM 33:20-22

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

10/4 - NO CLASS - Made for More Event  
10/11 - Class/Parent Meeting for First Reconciliation  
10/18 - No Class - Catechists Formation  
10/25 - Class/Parent Meeting First Reconciliation



### 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 in the schedule.

Statute Schedule:

01 Oct - Michelle and Birlyn Carter  
08 Oct - Colleen Henney  
15 Oct - Debbie Gose  
22 Oct - Susan and Ray Kamphaus  
29 Oct - Janet Hahn



If you or someone you know who was never baptized or were baptized in another Christian tradition and want to become members of the Church, please contact Amber at the Parish Office for more information.

Classes are on Sundays in Building C, Room 239 at 1pm.



## Educating for eternity through faith and reason

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

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Thank you for coming to the St. Xavier Activities Taco Tuesday. With your help, we raised \$492.03! We enjoyed seeing you and appreciate all of your support toward our school athletic and academic programs.

Come join us on Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 4:30 in the St. Francis Xavier Bradley Gym to cheer on both the Lady Ram middle school and high school volleyball teams as they compete against Smoky Valley Home Educators. The cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$4.00 for non-St. Xavier students. Concessions will be available.

Shawn Augustine




WELCOME

Welcome Niuafolau Pua! Mr. Pua is the latest addition to the St. Xavier staff. He will be teaching 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> math and science classes in addition to 6<sup>th</sup> grade religion. He will also be coaching middle school boys basketball. St. Xavier with 12 years of teaching education consists of an Associates of Community College, a Bachelors of Science as well as a Bachelors and Masters in Education at the University of Hawaii Manoa. Mr. Pua delights in working with students and their families and friends and says that school and teaching is his joy in helping guide young minds and lives. St. Xavier is a school where each teacher that is filled with great blessing



**Geary Community**  
 **Match Day**

**Geary Community**



**Match Day**

Join St. Francis Xavier School in raising funds on October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 during Geary Community Match Day hosted by the Greater Geary Community Foundation! Geary Community Match Day holds incredible opportunity for St. Xavier School to secure 50% matching funds on donations given during the event. Visit the school website on [saintxrams.org](http://saintxrams.org) to find the link to our Match Day page.

Thanks to all of those that supported the school trash bag fundraiser this year. Trash bag orders made at the school office will be available for pick up beginning October 19<sup>th</sup>. Please call ahead and we will have your order ready. Office hours are from 7:50am-3:50pm on Monday – Friday. Office number: 238-2841. Forget to place an order before the deadline? No problem! We have extra rolls for sale. Call or stop by to get yours today.



Join in cheering on the Lady Rams at our final home volleyball game on October 12th! **GO LADY RAMS!!!**





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## Knights of Columbus

Meetings 1<sup>ST</sup> Tuesday  
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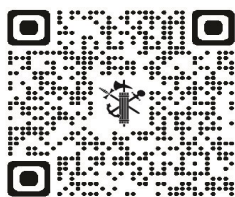
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