

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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For God so *loved* the world
that He gave His only *Son*
-John 3:16



Fourth Sunday in Lent
10 Mar 2024

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.

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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</i> <i>10 Mar 2024</i>	8:00 am 9:30 am 11:00 am	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	Elaine Becker † Jerry and Celina Vincent Pro populo	Bible Study, 9:30 am, Bldg C, Rm 239 OCIA, 1:00 pm, Bldg C
<i>Monday</i> <i>11 Mar 2024</i>		No Mass		<i>Year of Eucharist</i> , 7:00 pm, Bldg C, Rm 239 Boy Scout mtg, Bldg C
<i>Tuesday</i> <i>12 Mar 2024</i>	5:30 pm	Holy Mass	† All souls in Purgatory	<i>Year of Eucharist</i> , 10:00 am, OLPH <i>Stations of the Cross following Mass then</i> <i>Parish Soup Supper in Bldg C basement</i> (Confessions will be during the Stations) Adoration 6:00 pm until 1:00 am
<i>Wednesday</i> <i>13 Mar 2024</i>		No Mass		St. Xavier Men’s Group, 6:30 pm, OLPH
<i>Thursday</i> <i>14 Mar 2024</i>		No Mass		Men’s SOS Group, 6:15 am, KofC Hall Adoration, 9:00 am until 8:00 pm Circle I, 2:30 pm, OLPH Circle IV, 7:10 pm, OLPH
<i>Friday</i> <i>15 Mar 2024</i>		No Mass		Women’s Prayer Group, 6:30 am, via Zoom Adoration, following Mass until 2:00 pm Muliebris Sancti Prayer Group, 9:15 am, OLPH <i>Stations of the Cross</i> , 2:55 pm
<i>Saturday</i> <i>16 Mar 2024</i>	5:15 pm	Sunday Vigil Mass	† Ruth and Junior Cook	<i>St. Xavier Community Luncheon, 11-1 pm,</i> <i>KofC hall; All are welcome!</i> Confession, 4:00-5:00 pm



Join in the Lenten Penance Service on next Sunday, 17 Mar 2024 at 3:00 pm.
At 2:00 pm, Fr. Frank Coady will provide the presentation on liturgical space and
in particular, discuss our Sanctuary renovations for the new altar.
Please be attentive to your Confession schedule as
Holy Week begins the following Sunday, 24 Mar 2024, Palm Sunday.

On Sunday, March 3, at the direction of the diocese, I read the following statement at the weekend Masses.



"As some of you may have heard, our parish and school are struggling financially. We are having to dip into savings to pay bills each month. The parish finance council and pastoral council are monitoring the parish and school finances and have told me we cannot continue deficit spending.

The school held a meeting on Wednesday evening, February 28, to discuss its current financial situation. Soon, committees will be formed to research and implement strategies that could help keep the school open for years to come.

Let me be clear, the school is a vital ministry at this parish. No one is talking about closing the school. However, one option being discussed is decreasing the grade levels offered at the school. Five of the schools in the Salina Diocese operate only a K-5 or a K-6 model, and that keeps costs down significantly. We are going to have to think hard about what we want as a parish family and what we can support financially. A Pre-K-12 school, or a PreK-5/6 School.

I thank you for your continued financial support of the parish and school, it is needed now more than ever. I am also asking all of you to please pray about the future of our parish and our school. We cannot continue to operate the way we have. "

TITHES & OFFERINGS

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

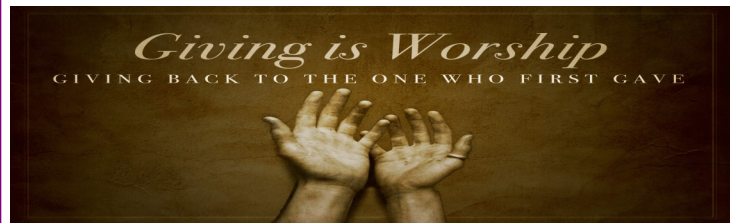
<i>Giving</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	If ever you miss Mass due to weather or out of town, please feel comfortable to include the absent week's tithing in the collections the following week.
Last week's online giving	280.00	
Online Giving	1,100.00	
Envelopes/loose check/cash	14,408.88	
Children's Tithing	23.25	
Ash Wednesday	50.00	
Holy Thursday	25.00	
Good Friday	25.00	
Total for 02/03 Mar	\$15,912.13	

Amount needed to meet our Mar 2024 Parish operating budget (23-24 FY) \$87,632.50 **
Mar Tithing/Offering collections to date **\$15,912.13**
Balance needed to meet our Mar needs: **\$71,720.37**

Mar 2024 G&D collected to date\$3,667.51

** - 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.



Saint Xavier parishioners mourn the loss of Clarence "Sonny" Hubert Ehm, Jr. Sonny passed away on 24 Feb 2024. His funeral Mass was held on Saturday, 02 Mar followed by burial at St. Mary Cemetery.

*Eternal rest grant unto Sonny, O Lord
 And let your perpetual light shine upon him.*



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Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.

Please pray for the intentions and needs of the following:



Steve Matthews	Jami Ann Bird	Bruce Piava
Benjamin Grelk	Elizabeth Clark	Rachel Moore
Elizabeth Bunce	Mary Bolette	Mary Baker
Wilma Schoendaller	Ralph Schmedemann	
Cooper Holloway	Julie Taylor	Peggy Wawrzyniak
Jude Fairchild	Judy Rosa	Mike Obermeyer
Manny Pasquil	Shirley Oaks	Marty Perta
Ryleigh Joos	James DeCarlo	John Cooner
Sandy Dietrich	Karen Morris	Marty Potter
Pat Weber	Marissa Graham	

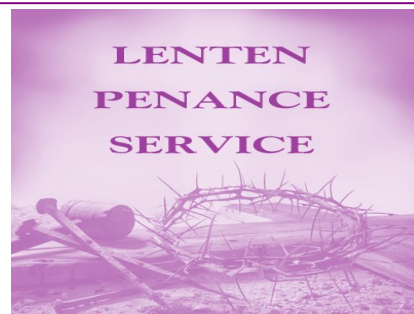


Prayer for Strength and Healing
 Lord, we pray for those who are sick and in need of healing. We ask that you would give them the strength to endure their illness, and that you would bring them healing and restoration. May they feel your presence with them, and may they be comforted by your love. We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

Parish Lenten Penance Service

17 Mar 2024 at 3:00 pm

**SAVE THE DATE!!!
 MAKE THE TIME!!!**



Pray for families who have to sell their children to be able to eat and for those who are tricked into sending their children with traffickers with the promise of education and a better life. Alliance to End Human Trafficking - founded by US Catholic Sisters
 757 Grand Rive Ave 1-1009,
 Brighton MI 48114



NEW ALTAR LITURGICAL SPACE PRESENTATION



The Bishop has directed that our present altar be lowered for safety purposes and more fitting to the modern liturgy. For more understanding, all are invited to a presentation by Fr. Frank Coady on **Sunday, March 17, at 2:00 pm**. He will speak about liturgical space in general, a focus on the new altar and general thoughts on Lenten Paschal Mystery. This would be very good for all our liturgical ministers, i.e., ushers, lectors, and Extraordinary Ministers.

Respect Life Ministry – “From Womb to Tomb”
Join us in Saint Xavier’s Respect Life Ministry
Tom Hollis 785.717.5896

“The greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion, which is a war against the child. The mother doesn’t learn to love, but kills to solve her own problems.”

– Saint Mother Teresa



Trip to France
Join the Sisters of St. Joseph (Concordia, KS), friends, family, former students, parish friends and alumni from Marymount College on a 12-day journey to France, September 20 – October 1, 2024! We are bringing together

those that have a special place in their heart for Marymount and the Sisters. We’ll be visiting beautiful French cities, along with LePuy, where the Sisters of St. Joseph began their spiritual journey.

Visit www.pentecosttours.com (tour #40920) or visit the Marymount College of Kansas Alumni page on Facebook.



The parish soup suppers will again be held on Tuesday evenings during Lent following Mass and the Stations of the Cross. Parishioners are invited to come to the basement of Bldg C to enjoy soup, bread, dessert and fellowship. When Father is not leading Stations, he will hear confessions.

If you could help with soup for 19 Mar or 26 Mar...those weeks need your soup! Contact Cindy in Parish Office.

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Adoration
& Rosary



JOIN
US

Every
1st Monday
of the month
6:00-7:00 pm
at St. Xavier's

www.saintxparish.org

You're invited...

Please join St. Francis Xavier parishioners and the Junction City community for a free luncheon on Saturday, March 16th from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Luncheon will be served at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 126 W. 7th Street, Junction City KS.

You can help with this function by:

1. Donating! Signup sheets will be in the back of the Church on the week-ends of March 2nd and 9th. Non-perishable items can be dropped off any time at boxes at the sign up table. Items can also be dropped off at the Knights Hall the day of the function.

2. Praying for the event.

3. Joining us to have lunch and welcome others who come out to join in.

Please prayerfully consider any or all three of these ways to reach out and help during this Lenten season.

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Saturday, March 16 from 11 AM - 1 PM
at the Knights of Columbus Hall
126 West 7th Street,
Junction City



Manna House of Prayer

Serving God and the dear neighbor from our home in Concordia, Kansas

Join the Sisters of Manna House of Prayer as they present a six week Lenten Series via Zoom.

Date and time: Wednesday evenings, 6:30-7:30 pm

February 21, 28, March 6, 13, 20 and 27

Cost: \$15.00/ session or \$75.00 for all six sessions

For more detailed information go to mannahouse.org or call 785-243-4428.

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 March 21 at 7:00 pm at the OLPH room!

March 21 - Diving into the Gospels

April 4th - Adoration

If you have any questions contact Cayley at 785-307-4164.

Eucharistic Revival Series

Good news!

Good news!

Good news!



NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

If you missed one or any of the 1st to 4th sessions you are **NOT** too late to hear the Eucharist focus sessions 5 to 7. Come join your fellow parishioners for 1-1/2 hour session on Monday evenings at 7:00pm or repeated on Tuesday morning at 10:00 am in the OLPH. You will be informed, amazed and inspired! If you are not able to attend in person you can view the entire video series at your convenience online at:

1. Formed - search "Jesus in the Eucharist"
2. Catholic Diocese of Salina - Eucharistic Revival

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

3/13 - NO CLASS SPRING BREAK

3/20 - Class/Spanish speaking First Communion Parent mtg

3/27 - Class/1st Communion Retreat

4/3 - Class/Confirmation Rehearsal



Salina Diocese Seminarian



Come MEET OUR SALINA SEMINARIANS at a potluck on Friday, April 5th, at 6:30 pm at the Sacred Heart Cathedral Hall of Bishops in Salina. The event is free and families are welcome. Please bring a dish to share. Table service, drinks and dessert will be provided. Following the potluck, there will be an hour of Adoration in the Cathedral to pray for our three seminarians who will be ordained as transitional deacons on April 6th at 10 am- also at the Cathedral. We hope to see you at all three events! For more information, please call or text 785-819-3033.



NATIONAL Eucharistic Pilgrimage

SAVE THE DATE!

The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will accompany Jesus from city to city, lighting hearts on fire along the way from four different routes with pilgrims walking for 60 days. Each of these flames carried along the way of their route will come together at the National Eucharistic Congress at Indianapolis, IN in July 2024 to blaze together.

We can participate by joining the pilgrims for a 2 mile Eucharistic Procession from St. Michael's to St. Cecilia's in Hastings, NE. St. Cecilia is scheduled as a stop on the National Eucharist Revival Pilgrimage on Tuesday, 18 Jun 2024. Pilgrimage begins at 12:30 with Adoration at St. Michael's for 30 minutes, then walk to St. Cecilia's through Hastings for Adoration and Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00.

Overview of routes, events and registration can be found at the following:

<https://events.blackthorn.io/en/DnDCa1K7/g/serra/serra-route-diocese-of-lincoln-5a2PDn1pa8Z/overview>



St. Michael's Catholic Church, 715 Creighton Ave, Hastings NE
St. Cecelia Catholic Church, 301 W. 7th St, Hastings NE

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Auction Dessert Donations

Delicious desserts are needed to serve at the auction dinner on April 20th. Any donations are welcome, but a few suggestions include cupcakes, cookies, and pies. Dessert items can be

dropped off Friday, 19 Apr 24, after 4pm through Saturday, 20 Apr 24, before 4pm. Please deliver items to the Building B gym entrance (in the main parking lot). Help is also needed with dessert prep and clean up on the night of the event. If you are willing to donate desserts or volunteer, please contact Jaime Richling: 785-238-3240 or jaimewahle@gmail.com. Thank you!

St. Xavier School Auction

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SATURDAY

APRIL 20TH

5PM • ST. X GYM

TICKETS

\$60

\$300 TABLE FOR 6

\$420 TABLE FOR 8

Includes: open bar, dinner, silent, and live auction



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School Auction

The St. Francis Xavier School Auction is a little over a month away. This week you will receive an auction mailing that includes an informational letter, donor and seating forms, information on this year's itemless item, and raffle tickets. There is a return envelope to place all forms and money in to. Please contact the school at 785-238-2841 if you look forward to having you at this event.

Spring Break

The school office will be closed for Spring Break March 11th-15th. School and office hours will resume on Monday, March 18th. Enjoy a restful break with family and friends.

Shawn Augustine

Message From The Principal



Congratulations to our teacher of the month, Ms. Hagge! Parents appreciate that Ms. Hagge has great communication when it comes to helping students be successful. In addition, she serves on different school committees to help organize projects as well as provides staff with professional development leadership. Way to go, Ms. Hagge!

Our middle school student of the month is 8th grader, Irelyne Smith! Teachers say that Irelyne has really grown over this past year, continuing to gain confidence when it comes to academics and getting involved in school activities. Irelyne has also been an integral part of the school concert band and played in the pep band throughout basketball season. Keep up the good work, Irelyne!

The high school student of the month is sophomore, Kassidy Jahnke! Teachers say that Kassidy has been a fantastic student all year long. She is a caring person who looks out for others. She is very conscientious about not only her grades but learning. Kassidy had a fantastic volleyball season and demonstrated faith and strength as she was able to persevere through the injury she suffered in basketball. Her faith never appeared to waver. Nice job Kassidy!

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All Are Welcome
 Come and join us for a delicious lunch.
 Hope to see you there.

Sponsored by St. Francis Xavier Parish



Open enrollment for PreK-12 at St. Francis Xavier School will begin on Monday, March 18th. Registration packets are available online at saintxrams.org or can be picked up in the school office Monday-Friday from 7:50

am to 3:50 pm. Enroll early to save on registration fees. We invite new families to visit our campus and consider the exceptional educational program that we offer. We look forward to serving your family's educational needs for the 2024-25 school year. Contact the school at 785-238-2841 for additional information.



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:

10 Mar - Tina Lorandau
 17 Mar - Sr. DJ and Diane Ussery
 24 Mar - Virlyn and Michelle Carter
 31 Mar - Mario and Margie Langas



STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT

16-17 MAR 2024	SATURDAY, 16 MAR 2024 5:15 PM	SUNDAY, 17 MAR 2024 8:00 AM	SUNDAY, 17 MAR 2024 9:30 AM	SUNDAY, 17 MAR 2024 11:00 AM
<i>Lector</i>	Eric Page	Mary Effland	Delores Vollenweider	Margie Langas
<i>Extraordinary Ministers</i>	Sandy Leistner Ricardo Gutierrez Jodean Tieyah	Maureen Gustafson Betsy Liebau Tom Hollis	Sierra Jackson Kristy Haden Brenda Dacus	Nanette Lamb Patrick Gannaway Jason Crawford
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	Diane Ussery	AnnMarie Striggow Family	Coffman Family	DeLaCruz Family
<i>Altar Servers with server assignments</i>	Levi Engstrom - 1 st Henry Engstrom - 2 nd John Engstrom - 3 rd	Lucas Liebau - 1 st Lyla Liebau - 2 nd Liam Simon - 3 rd	Kim Davis- 1 st Dana Davis - 2 nd Ryan Davis - 3 rd	Janis Curit - 1 st Noah Cruz - 2 nd Ava Cruz - 3 rd
<i>Musician and Cantor</i>	Katie Wiley Barbie Campbell	Diane Heerman	Sandi Adams Choir	Sandi Adams Barbie Campbell
<i>Ushers</i>	Buz Bruzina Teddy Tieyah George Heard Shar Boland	Cindy Lamberty Richard Gustafson Joshua Pittman Neal Patry	Bob Catalo Larry Kramer Don Haffner Jeanie Wolford	Mario Langas Ray Felix Josh Lichtensteiger Mary Ann Vieyra
<i>Tithing Counters</i>	Shar Boland, Murlene Jones and Ana Davis			



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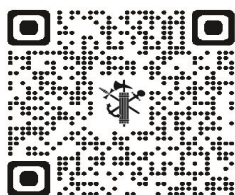
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Bulletin articles or notices must be submitted by noon on
Tuesdays for following weekend.

Please submit to office@saintxparish.org

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

TITHING ENVELOPES

Please contact Cindy in the Parish Office if
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!

