

Sunday, May 17, 2009: Sixth Sunday of Easter

FAITH CORNER

GOD LOVES EVERYONE

We are called to love all people.

Our new life in Christ has no room for partiality. God's love is for all people. Christians are to love all people just as God does. That love must be shown in our lives, even in laying down one's life for another.

National Catechetical Directory

Ecumenical activity with other Christians and with non-Christians aims at growth in mutual understanding.

(#80, see also #95)

Catechism of the Catholic Church

God takes the initiative of universal redeeming love.

By giving up his own Son for our sins, God manifests that his plan for us is one of benevolent love, prior to any merit on our part: "In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins." God "shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us." (#604)

At the end of the parable of the lost sheep Jesus recalled that God's love excludes no one: "So it is not the will of your Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish." He affirms that he came "to give his life as a ransom for many"; this last term is not restrictive, but contrasts the whole of humanity with the unique person of the redeemer who hands himself over to save us. The Church, following the apostles, teaches that Christ died for all men without exception: "There is not, never has been, and never will be a single human being for whom Christ did not suffer." (#605)

FAITH SHARING QUESTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

ADULTS: Concretely, how do you show love to others?

YOUTH: Jesus commanded us to love one another. Who is most in need of your love and kindness right now? How can you be more loving to those most in need this week?

CHILDREN: In what ways do you experience God's love, offered to you through family, friends, and teachers?

STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL FORMS: Has your form been returned? Presently we have received 215 of the 489 forms mailed.

"Crownpoint Mission"

The trucks will be loading on Thursday evening, June 4, at 6:30pm, help is needed. Also, donations are needed to help cover cost of trucks and fuel.

Fr. Daryl will be out of the office from May 19 thru 21. He will be attending Good Leaders/Good Sheperds. Please keep him in your prayers.

Masses, Intentions & Services

Sat.	May 16 5:00 p.m.+	Tom & Mildred Brungardt
Sun.	May 17 9:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	11:00 a.m.+	Herbert Leiker & Martina Walters
Wed.	May 20 7:30 a.m.+	Leo & Robert Orth
Fri.	May 22 7:30 a.m.	Living & Deceased of Mildred Walters Family
Sat.	May 23 5:00 p.m.+	Albinus Weigel
Sun.	May 24 9:30 a.m.+	Leonard & Regina Bruan
	11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION will be observed on Sunday, May 24, 2009.

Catholic Charities of the Salina Diocese is celebrating our 50th Anniversary this year. Please mark your calendars and join us for The Kansas Prairie Celebration at the Ramada Inn (formerly the Holiday Inn Holidome) in Salina, Sunday July 26, at 5:30pm. The event will include dinner, dancing, silent and live auction, and short video celebrating 50 years of charitable work in the Salina Diocese. Tickets are available now by calling 825-0208 and placing your order. In the past year we provided services to 4,148 people in need throughout the Diocese. Proceeds from the Kansas Prairie Celebration help to continue the work of Catholic Charities.

Volunteers for Meals on Wheels Needed

St. Nicholas will be responsible for delivering Meals on Wheels to the homebound **June 8 through June 12**. We are in need of a driver and helper for 3 different routes. You would be responsible for picking up the meals prepared at Hays Medical Center and delivering them as designated on your route. This is a wonderful and rewarding service to the community. These individuals look forward to seeing the volunteer as it may be their only contact for the day. Please contact Cathy Pfeifer ASAP at 621-2085 or 623-1780.

Church Repairs

To Date \$51,107

Tithing: Your Gift to God Our 2008/2009 fiscal year started July 1, 2008

Week Collection of May 10	\$ 19,480
Budgeted Weekly Collection	\$ 11,663
Collection Year to Date	\$598,768
Budgeted Collection Year to Date	\$536,498
As of May 10, 2009 we are over/(under) budget	\$ 62,270

MONEY COUNTERS

May 17	Henrietta Haselhorst, Linda Braun & Judith Zerr-Schamberger
May 24	Tim & Tina Zimmerman
May 31	Scott & Terri Braun
June 7	Melvin & Karen Bruggeman

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Readings for Days in the Easter Weekday

Monday, May 18 (St. John I)

Acts 16:11-15; Psalm 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b;
John 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday, May 19

Acts 16:22-34; Psalm 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8;
John 16:5-11

Wednesday, May 20 (St. Bernardine of Siena)

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Psalm 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14;
John 16:12-15

Thursday, May 21

(Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord)

Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6);
Ephesians 1:17-23 or 4:1-13 or 4:1-17, 11-13;
Mark 16:15-20

Friday, May 22 (St. Rita of Cascia)

Acts 18:9-18; Psalm 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; John 16:20-23

Saturday, May 23

Acts 18:23-28; Psalm 47:2-3, 8-9, 10; John 16:23b-28

Sunday, May 24

Acts 18:23-28; Psalm 47:2-3, 8-9, 10; John 16:23b-28

Faith Formation News

Winner of Spring Fling Candy jar guessing game was David Moeder with an exact guess of 160. **CONGRATULATIONS, DAVID!!**



Confirmation Candidates - Bi-weekly summer packets will be mailed to you beginning with Pentecost (May 31). Work on these throughout the summer to continue your personal preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation on Aug. 2. Please put all papers in your binder and write responses or reflections in your notebook. Continue to work on your service projects. Service **Form D** is **due July 15**. Have a Blessed Summer!

Heartland Parishes

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Registration and Planning in progress. Rising kindergarten –rising 5th grade can enroll by calling Martha at 625-7356. **VBS** to be held Tues., May 26 -Friday, May 29, from 9am-

12pm, in the Kennedy Middle School Gym. **Adult Volunteers Needed as shop keepers and family leaders.** **Youth-** grade 6 and older, needed as assistants. Call Kathy 628-1446, if you would like to be part of this fun filled experience. **Supplies needed** - 8" aluminum pie plates, yarn, clean sheets (any color), burlap. Need to **borrow** green, brown & grey tarps.

ADULTS: SUMMER INSTITUTE COURSES

May 31-June 4, 2009

Heartland Center for Spirituality - Great Bend

Open to any adult interested in an intensive experience of learning, community, and spiritual retreat. Participants can take up to two complete courses for college credit or for personal/professional enrichment. Morning and Afternoon classes. Room & Board available.

Courses being offered:

Morning – Introduction to the New Testament (Mr. Wayne Talbot), Ministry and Marriage (Fr. Barry Brinkman), Parish Pastoral Councils (Fr. Bob Schremmer)

Afternoon – Liturgical Year (Fr. Frank Coady), Introduction to the Psalms (Ms. Elizabeth Nagel), Workshop - Parish Administration (Ms. Rosie Rundell)

Pre-registration Due by May 15 - Contact Kathy at the parish office at 628-1446, for a registration form or further information.

Catholic Websites

Adult- Catholic Culture –Month of May – Mary

http://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/overyears/months/05_1.cfm?

Parents – Theology of the Body

<http://www.theologyofthebody.net/>

Youth – Paths of Love

<http://www.pathsoflove.com/>

Children - My Friend Catholic Online Magazine for kids

<http://www.daughtersofstpaul.com/paulinekids/index.html>

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION When you get to heaven, Jesus will spend all eternity thanking you and loving you for your fidelity in spending one specific hour with Him in the Blessed Sacrament each week. This is why He says: "Blessed are they who do not see and yet believe." (Jn 20:29) The Adoration Chapel is open 24/7 and if you find it difficult to make a commitment, call Lil at 625-7474 and she'll be glad to help you decide on a day and hour.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR MAY 23 & 24

Saturday, 5:00 P.M.

EM	Proclaimer	Hospitality
Jeanie Munsch	Carolyn Ehr #1	Ruban Schuckman
Sr. Vivian Kleinsorge	Karen Aten #2	
Laurie Konz		Sacristan
Mike Konz		Glen Gabel
Charlie Munsch	Altar Servers	
Kathy Rome	Sarah Gottschalk	
Larry Rome	Alexis Ralph	Gift Bearers
	Albany Schaffer	Craig Stoecklein

Sunday, 9:30 A.M. Mass

EM	Proclaimer	Hospitality
Joe Glassman	Rick Rajewski #1	John Dopita
Paula Flesher	Terry Lang #2	
Linda Glassman		Sacristan
Teresa Heimann		Andrea Carmichael
Kristi Newell	Altar Servers	
Michael Reif	Kara Hunziker	
Bob Wasinger+	Korey Hunziker	Gift Bearers
	Jenna Lang	Alexius Leiker

Sunday, 11:00 A.M. Mass

EM	Proclaimer	Hospitality
Kathy Taylor	Troy Hickman #1	Mike Leiker
Gerilyn Allen	Jorge Vazquez #2	Wes Leiker
Mary Hickman		Sacristan
Sara Humphrey		Nolan Allen
Janet Kohl	Altar Servers	
Mary Lou Mastin	Emma Humphrey	
Rose McFarland	Brett Leiker	Gift Bearers
	Emily Leiker	Jeff Weilert

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Holy Family Elementary

-- Preschool: Incorporating daily and spirit day shirts for up-coming school year. (bottom attire your choosing.) Samples available in Preschool Room and at enrollment this summer. Prices \$5.50 and \$6.00 for sizes youth x small- Adult XL. (XXL \$2.00 more.) Orders will be taken at enrollment, August 4th. Any questions please contact Director of Preschool, Karen Bieker at 785-625-3131 or kbieker@hfehays.org

May 19 - 6th Grade Recognition Mass, 8am; reception following in Little Theatre for 6th Grade students & families. 6th Grade students are dismissed following reception.

May 20 - Last Day of School for Kdgn. through 5th Grade; dismissal 11am.

-- Nestle "Go Play" Campaign has ended. We will no longer collect Nestle Water Labels. 26,600 points will be redeemed for PE Equipment. Thank you so much.

-- School Office will be closed May 25 through June 8. Summer Schedule for June and July will be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 9am to 4pm. Lunch Hour, 11am to 12:30pm.



-- **Join us for free homemade cinnamon rolls** on Sunday, May 17, from 8:30 a.m. to noon. Come through the main door of the Parish Service Center and use the inside staircase.

-- **Cup a Joe** will be **closed** on May 25, Memorial Day

-- **Cup a Joe** will go to Summer Hours on June 1, The hours are as follows: **7:00 – 9:30 a.m. (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday mornings)**

-- **Cup a Joe** will normally be closed on Thursday evening. Watch bulletin for special classes that will be run on some Thursday evenings throughout the summer.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The following scholarship applications are now available through the parish office. Marymount Memorial Educational Trust Scholarship (new and renewal application available). Eligibility requirements include being an active registered member of a Catholic parish in the Diocese of Salina; must attend a Catholic college as fulltime student. Monsignor Clement Kruse Scholarship Fund: applicant must be an active registered member of a Catholic parish in the Diocese of Salina. Deadline for both scholarships is July 1.

Vocations

"God sent His only Son into the world so that we might live through Him." Are you open to the call to be sent into the world as a priest or consecrated religious, that others might live in Christ? If you think God may be offering you this grace, call Father Jarett Konrade 785-827-8746 or e-mail at vocations@salinadiocese.org



An Excellent Opportunity

Thomas More Prep - Marian High School, Hays, and KS is looking for Resident Advisors for both resident programs. Qualified men and women could earn room, board and salary. Opportunities for college credit also a possibility. Must possess good judgment skills, patience, discipline, a professional attitude and a willingness to work as a valued team member. Resident Advisors assist in the supervision, discipline, organizing activities and transportation of students from all over the world. For more information about these positions please contact: Michelle Fairbank @fairbankm@tmp-m.org or 785-432-1212.

TMP-Marian Boys Basketball Camp

-- Cost of each session \$30.00 for grades 3 & 4, \$35.00 for grades 5 & 6, and \$45.00 for grades 7 & 8.

-- Date: Monday, June 8, Thru Thursday, June 11, for grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 (next year)

-- Times: 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM Grades 3-4 (next Year)

10:30 AM to Noon Grades 5-6 (next Year)

1:00 PM to 3:30 PM Grades 7-8 (next Year)

High School Boys Basketball Camp

-- Date: Monday-Friday June 15-19

-- Incoming Freshman 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

10th - 12th grade 9:00 AM - Noon

-- I will be sending out a letter to all pre-enrolled incoming Freshman

-- Place: Old Hays High 322 West 13th Street (because of remodeling being done at Al Billinger Fieldhouse)

Contact: Joe Hertel Phone 625-8696

Dillons Coupons will be available this weekend after all Masses, May 16 & 17.

Summer Astronomy with Fr. Fred

Fr. Fred Gatschet is offering a six-session summer astronomy class to anyone interested. Topics include: learning the summer constellations and stars, the mechanics of the night sky, how to use a star map, how to safely observe the sun, and simple observing with binoculars. We will also be using a large professional grade telescope, and will explain how to find the right telescope for you. The cost for the class will be less than \$10, which is the cost of the star map. The class is open to adults and families. Young people who have completed 6th grade may attend without an adult, but need parent's permission. Our first organizational meeting will be Thursday, May 28, at 8pm, at the Comeau Catholic Campus Center, and then every Thursday in June.

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Catholicism: Stewardship of the Church

The New Covenant, effected by Christ, forms a new community: the new People of God, the Body of Christ, the Church. The unity of this people is a precious benefit to be cherished, preserved, and built up by lives of love. Stewardship fosters unity.

Seniors Card Bingo, Friday May 29

Mark your calendar for Friday May 29, at 2:30pm, in the St. Nicholas of Myra Parish Hall. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome. Our seniors really enjoyed this at the inaugural Card Bingo event. And it is as easy as regular bingo. Prizes too!

Next First Friday Respect Life Mass – June 5

We are in times when life is being despised, debased, and destroyed. Mass, adoration, and prayers are our strongest weapons in the battle to return mankind to sanity. **Please join us** for our Heartland Parishes monthly Respect Life Mass on Friday, June 5, at 5:30pm, at St. Joseph Parish. It is preceded by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 4:55pm, and the Rosary at 5pm. Pray the Rosary. Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Pray, pray, pray!

Deacon Joshua Werth becomes Priest, June 6, Celebrate with Us!

Deacon Josh Werth, a Schoenchen native, will be ordained to the priesthood on June 6, at 10am, at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina. His first Mass will be the next day, Trinity Sunday, June 7, at 10:30am, at St. Anthony Church in Schoenchen. Upon ordination, he will be assigned to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Hays. All are welcome and encouraged to join us for both or either of these celebrations.

Join Us for Seniors Sharing Bunko

Our next Bunko Session is Thursday, June 11, at 2:30pm, St. Nicholas of Myra. The location may change as we may also try to do the Seniors Sharing Barbeque with this. So please pay particular attention to upcoming bulletin announcements for the next four weeks. This is a great opportunity to play Bunko and have fun with other seniors. Bunko takes about five minutes to learn and we just have you learn as you go. All are invited; you don't have to be a senior to have fun! For more information, call Laura Sadeghi at 635-3323.

Sacred Shroud of Turin/Divine Mercy Images

Recent optical imaging has shown a link between the image on the Sacred Shroud of Turin and the original Divine Mercy Image. Join us Thursday, June 18, from 2:30 to 3:30pm, at the St. Joseph Parish conference room for video clips of this phenomena and discussion. Refreshments will follow. Contact Mark Roberti for more information at 625-7356. We can also show this one evening should people be interested.

Heartland Parish Wallet

Mass/Confession Schedules:

For your convenience, we've created some Heartland Parish Mass/Confession schedules that will fit in your wallet. They are in on pads in the back of the churches. Just tear one off, fold it up, and keep it in your wallet.

Formula for Accomplishing God's Will

80% prayer and worship, 20% your action.

The Heartland Parishes Vocations Commission Wants You!

The Heartland Vocations Commission seeks to identify and encourage men and women to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life. Identifying and encouraging candidates is the responsibility of all our parishioners. We have a small budget but could sure use additional resources to do more for such things as radio spots, posters, Internet, social events to attract candidates, etc. If you are interested in helping, send a check payable to Heartland Vocations Commission, P.O. Drawer 1000, Hays, 67601. For more information, contact Pam Windholz, at 625-9712.

Single and Beyond – May Activities

This is an ecumenical Christian social group for single, divorced, widowed people located in/near Hays, Kansas. Email: singleandbeyond@yahoo.com or call Nancy 628-3347, Judy 625-7871.

- **May 20 - Food, Fellowship & June Planning Meeting**
Meet at 6pm, at Gutierrez Mexican Restaurant, 1106 E. 27th.

- **May 25 - Victoria Fidelisfest** - www.stfidelischurch.com - The morning begins with visits to the 5 local cemeteries – Emmeram, Walker, Pfeifer, Vincent & Victoria – followed by an 11am Mass at the “Cathedral of the Plains”, St. Fidelis Church. After mass, the festivities begin with a German Wedding style dinner until 2pm. The Country Store will have homemade baked items. There will be a gift shop, a beer garden, hamburger and brat stand, games, musical entertainment throughout the day, a drawing with BIG CASH prizes and an auction of new items donated by businesses and parishioners.

- **May 30 - Putt-Putt at Precision Valley** - 1500 W. 27th. 7pm.

THE DAYS AHEAD

May 19 Community Assistance Center Garage Sale
12th & Oak St., 8 to 11am.

-- St. Nicholas Prayer Group Meeting, 1pm

May 20 Rosary for Family Life, Adoration Chapel, 9pm

May 21 Religious Education Meeting, 7pm

May 23 Men of Myra, 7:30am

May 24 Rosary in the St. Nicholas Chapel, 9am