

Immaculate Conception Parish, St. Marys

Holy Cross Church, Emmett

St. Stanislaus Parish, Delia/Rossville/Silver Lake



Epiphany of the Lord

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet:

And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the

place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

Matthew 2: 1-12

The Epiphany of the Lord

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm – Immaculate Conception
7:00pm—St. Stanislaus
Sunday 8:00am—St. Stanislaus
11:00am—Immaculate Conception

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday – Saturday 8:00am—Immaculate Conception
Alternate Thursdays 4:00pm—Rossville Valley Manor
4:00pm—St. Marys Manor

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION Saturdays 3:15pm—Immaculate Conception
Sundays 7:15am—St. Stanislaus

BAPTISMS You must be registered in one of the above parishes or have the permission of the pastor where you live. Required preparation classes are held monthly for both parents and godparents. They are encouraged to attend prior to the birth of the child. Please contact Peg at the office, 437-2408, ext. 8, for further information.

MARRIAGE You must contact the pastor **at least six full months** prior to the desired date of marriage and before making any other arrangements. Please contact the church office for a copy of the up-dated wedding policy or view online at www.marytownyouth.com.

The Epiphany: The Manifestation of God

Every human person will find meaning in life by being open to God. The three kings were not Jewish. They came from the Orient.

The Three Kings are men unsatisfied by their possessions of wealth, fame and power, and search for the only one who can satisfy the deepest aspirations of the human heart.

After a long and difficult search, they discover the place where He lays, and they encounter the One who has come to redeem us and fulfill our intense longings. They know who He is because they bring Him the most appropriate gifts: gold for a king, frankincense for a priest and myrrh for a victim. They know that he is the Messiah, Jesus the Christ, the only one through whom salvation can be found.

Thornton Wilder's famous novel, *The Bridge of San Luis Rey*, ends with these words, "There is a land of the living and a land of the dead, and the bridge is love, the only survival, the only meaning.

Love is the why.

And behold the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the Child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the Child with Mary His Mother. (*Matthew 2: 10-11*)

The quest of the Magi reminds us that God is truly with us. Sometimes during our journey, clarity disappears and we begin to doubt. Let us remember that Jesus is always with us. Like the shining star, He is present in the tabernacle, just as He was present in the manger of Bethlehem.

In Christ, Fr. Gerard Senecal, O.S.B., Pastor

The Solemnity of Epiphany is not only about the three wise men that visited the manger. Instead, this Biblical event speaks to us about the plan of God for the entire human race. **"Lord, every nation on earth will adore you."**

Weekly Schedule

(Jan. 5 to Jan. 12)

Sat.	01-04	8:00am	IC	Grace & Leo McKenzie (++)
		5:00pm	IC	Gary Smith (+)
		7:00pm	SS	Parishioners
Sun.	01-05	8:00am	SS	Winifred Minnis (+)
		11:00am	IC	Jim Aubert & Nathan Bertels (++)
Mon.	01-06	8:00am	IC	Joe Seitz (+)
Tues.	01-07	8:00am	IC	Jim Aubert & Charles Aubert(++)
Wed.	01-08	8:00am	SS	Bernard Richstatter (+)
Thurs.	01-09	8:00am	IC	Ed & Anita Ingenthron (++)
		4:00pm	RVM	Mary Anne Pfannenstiel (+)
Fri.	01-10	8:00am	IC	Michelle Cowger (+)
Sat.	01-11	8:00am	IC	Dec. Mem. of the Wayne Ogle Family
		5:00pm	IC	Joe Flanagan & Bobby Flanagan (++)
		7:00pm	SS	Clint Kerwin (+)
Sun.	01-12	8:00am	SS	John Peavler (+)
		11:00am	IC	Parishioners

Upcoming Events

Sun.	01-05	Epiphany of the Lord		
		9:15am	SS	Rel. Ed
		6:00pm	IC	Youth Group
Mon.	01-06	7:00pm	IC	RCIA
Tues.	01-07	7:30pm	IC	K of C Meeting
Wed.	01-08	6:30pm	IC	Rel. Ed
		7:00pm	SS	Rosary & Chaplet-in Church
		7:00pm	SS	Youth Group Mtg.
Thurs.	01-09	4:00pm	RVM	Mass
Sun.	01-12	Baptism of the Lord		
		9:15am	SS	Rel. Ed
		6:00pm	IC	Youth Group



Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 8:00am to Noon and 1:00 - 3:00pm
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Dec. 24th & 25th and Dec. 29th: Contributions:
Plate-\$242.
Env.-\$5,214.
Cath. Charities 1,693.
Christmas Gift-\$2,963.
Total-\$10,112.

Thank you for your stewardship and generous support of our parish!

Reminder ~

The Rosary is recited daily and every Sat. night and Sunday morning before Mass.

Minister Lists ~ The Minister lists for January, February and March are in the vestibule. Please pick up the lists/list that pertains to you. Thank you.

Thank You to the crew from J.B. Pearl for snow removal around the church grounds last Thursday.

Religious Education Workshop ~

On Saturday morning, January 18, 2014, Dr. Mark Zia, Associate Professor of Theology at Benedictine College, Atchison, will be doing a workshop for the Religious Education teachers at Immaculate Conception beginning at 9:00am, and ending with Mass at 11:00am. We extend an invitation to our neighboring parishes' Rel. Ed. teachers to attend the workshop with us. Call 785-437-2408 for more information or e-mail unity_reled@oct.net.

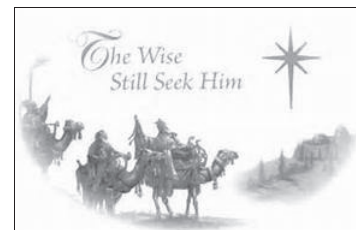
K of C Pro-Life Info ~ January is Pro-Life month and the Knights of Columbus #657 are once again collecting donations of baby items and/or money in support of our pro-life activities. A baby bassinet will be in the back of church to collect baby items. Good and clean used items are accepted. Your donations will go directly to local organizations supporting pro-life.

Taking Down of Christmas Decoration ~ We will be taking down the Christmas decorations in the church on January 11th after 8am Mass. Many hands make the load lighter. Would appreciate all the help we can get.

Calendars ~ The calendars for 2014 are in church. Thank you to the K of C for sponsoring our calendars.

Rel. Ed.—Old Christmas Cards ~

If you would like to discard your Christmas cards in a useful way, the Rel. Ed. Department will recycle them. Please cut the fronts off and bring them to the church office.



St. Stanislaus, Rossville / Silver Lake/Delia

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Christmas: Contributions ~
Plate-\$550; Env.-\$635; Immaculate Conception-\$37; Christmas offering for Parish-\$2,121; Catholic Charities-\$330; Total-\$3,673.

Dec. 28-29 Collection:
Plate-\$129; Envelopes-\$530.
Total-\$659.
Building Pledge-\$3,145.

Thank You for your stewardship and generous support of our parish! (Please write a separate check for the building pledge donations, as we have to do a separate deposit.)

What a Blessing! ~ If you wish to make a cash donation please put it in an envelope marked "Poor & Needy" and drop it in the collection.

K of C Pro-Life Info ~

*The Knights of Columbus is holding a baby shower during the month of January. Baby clothes (new or clean used) and other baby items may be placed in the bassinet which is in the narthex of the church. Money may be placed in the container. All donations will go to Birthright and Mary's Choices.

***St. Stanislaus Knights of Columbus Council #10755** will hold their Council Free Throw Contest at Rossville Grade School on Sunday, January 19th at 1pm. All boys and girls ages 9 thru 14 are eligible to participate. Entry forms can be picked up in back of church, or either Rossville or Silver Lake Grade Schools.

On Epiphany we announce the list of movable feasts in the coming Church year, all determined by the date of Easter, and highlighting the infinite life-giving importance of the Resurrection of Christ.

Let us recall the year's culmination, the Easter Triduum of the Lord: his last supper, his crucifixion, his burial, and his rising, celebrated between the evening of April 17 and the evening of the April 19, Holy Saturday. From Easter on April 20, 2014, we reckon all the days we keep holy. Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, will be on March 5. The Ascension of the Lord will be celebrated on May 29, 2014, though the Solemnity is transferred to the following Sunday, June 1, 2014. Pentecost, the joyful conclusion of the Easter season, will be celebrated on June 17. The First Sunday of Advent will be on Nov. 30. Likewise, the pilgrim Church proclaims the Passover of Christ in the feasts of the holy Mother of God, in the feasts of the Apostles and Saints, and in the commemoration of the faithful departed. To Jesus Christ, who was, who is, and who is to come, Lord of time and history, be endless praise forever and ever. Amen!

Services Provided Parishes and Communities:

Perpetual Adoration:	Please contact the office if you wish to participate in this beautiful and prayerful devotion.
Religious Education:	Contact Peg Wehner (IC and HC), 437.2408 or Connie Fischer (SS) [cfischer@amcplus.com], 785-584-6262
Youth Group:	Contact Gerry Lou Marstall, (IC) 437-2295 or Angie Bittner(SS) 785.478-6803
St. Marys Food Pantry:	Please contact Mary Poell @ 437-2448 or Tina Roth @785-584-6466 for assistance.
Ministry to the Sick:	Parish contacts are: Betty Aubert, IC (437-6118) Janet Wehrly, HC (535-8021); Colette Peel, SS (582-5846).
Hall Rentals:	For rental information at any parish, please contact the parish office: 437-2408 or: for SS --Colette Peel (584-6612); for IC --e-mail to unity_general@oct.net ; or for HC --Galen Rezac (535-2482).
Prayer Chain Coord.:	Holy Cross -Janet Wehrly (535-8021), St. Stanislaus -Darlene Berry (584-6258), Immaculate Conception -Mary Ellen Reese (437-6163) or Marj Guerich (437-2473).
SS Music Ministry	(Youth Choir) Angie Bittner, 221-2644 or Jen Womack, 969-5882 (Adult Choir) Helen Lytle, 584-6335 or June Burgett, 584-6080

WILL YOU PLEASE HELP?



Adorers of the Holy Eucharist:

- ✦ Sun., 8-9am;
- ✦ Mon., 10-11am.
- ✦ Fri., 8-9pm(temporary)
- ✦ Sat., 12-1pm; 8-9pm; 9-10pm.

Call Mary Ellen (437-6163) or Mary Alice (437-2408).

O, come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Picture Books and CD'S ~ The picture books from the Abbot are on sale now for \$35.00 a book and the Abbot's CD's are \$15.00. They are available at the IC church office.

Parishes' Wedding Policy Available On-Line: The parish wedding policies for Immaculate Conception and St. Stanislaus churches are available to view/print at: www.marytownyouth.com

We must pray without tiring, for the salvation of mankind does not depend on material success; nor on sciences that cloud the intellect. Neither does it depend on arms and human industries, but on Jesus alone. -
- St. Frances Xavier Cabrini



Adoration

Please call these coordinators for assistance:

Mary Ellen Reese: Mon. thru Fri, 6pm to 6am. 437-6163

Joe Mulford: 6am to Midnight on Saturdays and Sundays. 456-3009

Mary Alice Hutley: 6am-6pm Monday thru Friday. 437-2408 or 437-2752

We need someone to take the 8-9pm hour (temporarily) on Friday evenings until the first of March. If someone could help out, please call Mary Alice, 437-2408 or Mary Ellen, 437-6163.

RCIA-Becoming a Catholic ~ Mon., Jan. 6- Topic: Mother of Christ & Church, Communion of Saints..

Registering In Your Parish

~ If you are 18 years of age or older, and live in the parishes of Immaculate Conception or St. Stanislaus, **please make sure you are registered at the appropriate parish office.** This will be important if you are asked to be a sponsor for a Confirmation, or a godparent for a Baptism, or if you plan to be married in any of those churches.



ST. MARYS FOOD PANTRY Any food or monetary donations would be greatly appreciated.

We are in continuous need of: peanut butter, jelly, applesauce, canned fruit, tomatoes, tomato sauce, corn, tuna, mac & cheese, spaghetti and sauce, egg noodles, cream soups, cereal, pancake mix and syrup, soda crackers, pork & beans, peas, green beans, toothpaste, dish soap, laundry detergent, T-paper, shampoo, bar soap. Send monetary gifts to Community Food Pantry, 503 N. 5th Street, St. Marys, KS 66536. Thank you for helping meet these needs.

Please save your Best Choice labels for the Food Pantry. Thanks

Feast Days for the Week

Sun.,	Jan. 05,	The Epiphany
Mon.,	Jan. 06,	St. Andre' Bessette
Tues.,	Jan. 07,	St. Raymond of Penyafort
Weds.,	Jan. 08,	Christmas Wk Day
Thurs.,	Jan. 09,	Christmas Wk Day
Fri.,	Jan. 10,	Christmas Wk Day
Sat.,	Jan. 11,	Christmas Wk Day

Natural Family Planning ~

This New Year, resolve to drop the burden of contraception and embrace the freedom of **Natural Family Planning!** To help with your resolution, classes in the Symptothermal Method of **Natural Family Planning** are offered for a reasonable course fee at the Topeka & Shawnee County Public Library, 1515 SW 10th Ave, beginning Sun., Jan. 19, 1pm. Call Dana or Eric Runnebaum at 785-380-0062 or the Couple to Couple League of Kansas City at 913-894-3558 for more info. **Online registration required at www.ccli.org**

