

Immaculate Conception Parish, St. Marys

Holy Cross Church, Emmett

St. Stanislaus Parish, Delia/Rossville/Silver Lake



John The Baptist's Testimony to Jesus

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.' I did not know him, but the reason why I came baptizing with water was that he might be made known to Israel." John testified further, saying, "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him. I did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God."

John 1: 29-34

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 19, 2014

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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.

Our prayer is that "they may all be one; even as you, Father, are in me, and I in you" (Jn 17: 21).

The Feast of the Conversion of St Paul, Jan. 25, 2014, is the day before the 3rd Sunday in ordinary time. This feast brings us once again into the presence of this great Apostle, chosen by God to be a "witness for him to all men" (Acts 22: 15). For Saul of Tarsus, the moment of his encounter with the Risen Christ on the road to Damascus marked a decisive turning point in his life. His total transformation, a true and proper spiritual conversion, was brought about at that very moment.

By divine intervention, the relentless persecutor of God's Church suddenly found himself blind and groping in the dark, but henceforth with a great light in his heart, which was to bring him a little later to be an ardent Apostle of the Gospel. The awareness that divine grace alone could bring about such a conversion never left Paul: "I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God which is with me" (I Cor 15: 10).

A week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins on Monday, Jan. 20, 2014, the Birthday of Martin Luther King, who gave his life for the cause of racial equality. He was the youngest man ever to receive the Nobel Peace Prize. Standing before the Lincoln Monument in Washington, D.C. King proclaimed, "I have a dream!"

During this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Jan. 20-25, 2014, we are conscious that the task of uniting all people, which demands all our energy and efforts, is infinitely above our own possibilities.

On Wednesday, Jan. 22, Benedictine College representatives will lead the parade of demonstrators for life to the front of the U.S. Supreme Court Building, while Archbishop Joseph Naumann will lead prayers for life on the front steps of the Kansas Capitol Building.

Unity with God and with our brothers and sisters is a gift that comes from on high, which flows from the communion of love between Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It is not in our power to decide when or how this unity will be fully achieved. Only God can do it!

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

May we all share in this week of prayer for racial equality, for respect for human life from birth to natural death and for the unity of all people in glorifying the God who made us all.

Weekly Schedule

(Jan. 19 to Jan. 26)

Sat.	01-18	8:00am	IC	Tricia Clark (+)
		5:00pm	IC	Jean Deiter (+)
		7:00pm	SS	In Thanksgiving
Sun.	01-19	8:00am	SS	Parishioners
		11:00am	IC	Veronica Arington (+)
Mon.	01-20	8:00am	IC	Al & Lucile Fox (++)
Tues.	01-21	8:00am	IC	William LeBlanc (+)
Wed.	01-22	8:00am	IC	M/M Matt Rodenbaugh (++)
Thurs.	01-23	8:00am	IC	Pat Dohrman (+)
		4:00pm	RVM	Clint & Winnie Kerwin (++)
Fri.	01-24	8:00am	IC	Mary E. Homan (+)
Sat.	01-25	8:00am	IC	Marikay Fox (+)
		5:00pm	IC	Steve Deiter (+)
		7:00pm	SS	Robert & Jo Copeland (++)
Sun.	01-26	8:00am	SS	Leonard Schmitz (+)
		11:00am	IC	Parishioners

Upcoming Events

Sun.	01-19	9:15am	SS	Rel. Ed
		1:00pm	IC	Free Throw Contest
		1:00pm	SS	Free Throw Contest
		6:00pm	IC	Youth Group
Mon.	01-20	7:00pm	IC	RCIA
Wed.	01-22	10:00am Pro-Life Mass in Topeka at PAC followed by Rally on Capitol Steps.		
		6:30pm	IC	Rel. Ed
		7:00pm	SS	Rosary & Chaplet-in Church
		7:00pm	SS	Youth Group Mtg.
Thurs.	01-23	4:00pm	RVM	Mass
Sun.	01-26	9:15am	SS	Rel. Ed
		2:00pm	IC	Parish Survey Meeting
		6:00pm	IC	Youth Group



Behold, children are a gift of the LORD, The fruit of the womb is a reward.

Psalm 127:3

"Before I formed you in the womb And before you were born I conceived I have appointed you a prophet to..."

-Jeremiah 1:5

Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 8:00am to Noon and 1:00 - 3:00pm

Friday 9:30am to Noon and 1:00-3:45pm

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Jan. 12th Contributions:
Plate-\$306.; Env.-\$2,839; Needy-\$145; Latin Am-\$155; Argentina-\$65. Total-\$3,510.
January Faith Direct:
Envelopes-\$2,293; Latin Am.-\$35; Soleminity of Mary-\$25. Total-\$2,353.

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

K of C #657 Stew Dinner ~

Serving from 5-7pm on Sat., Jan. 18th at the Cent. Bldg. In support of Pro-Life activities!

K of C #657 January Family of the Month is the Jim and Lisa DeDonder family. Jim DeDonder has been selected as the Knight of the Month. Congratulations!

2nd Grade Family Mass ~ Sun., Jan 26, at 11am Mass. Students with their families please sit in reserved pews on the east side of the church.

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.

Free Throw Championship ~ The K of C #657 will hold their Free Throw Championship this Sunday, January 19th at 1:30pm at the St. Marys Grade School. Boys and girls ages 9 thru 14 are eligible to compete (age is as of Jan. 1st). Note this is the first year for the 9 year olds.

Parish Meeting ~

On Sunday, January 26th, there will be a parish meeting at 2:00pm in the Centennial Bldg. to discuss the results of the surveys which were sent out in December. Please attend if at all possible.

Thank You ~ to all those who helped take down the Christmas decorations. Your help was greatly appreciated.

Please Pray ~for the repose of the soul of John Bryan. May his soul rest in peace.

Welcome to the Parish ~

Michael Andrew Fox, son of Kevin and Jolene Wegman Fox, who was baptized Sunday, January 12, 2014.

Envelope for the Needy ~

We had a question about the green envelope for "The Needy" that is in our packet of envelopes. They were wondering where that money goes. We send that money to the Community Health Ministry in Wamego. When someone from our community needs financial help, (to pay for utilities, prescription drugs and other needs) Community Health helps them with those needs. The office at Immaculate Conception can put you in contact with Community Health.

Thank You From Didde Catholic Campus Center To Those Who Donated ~

Thank you for sponsoring Caroline Trausch and Eric Wietharn. Giving \$750.00 to the 42nd Annual Kansas Catholic College Student Convention. shows your support of this year's convention. Your financial contribution will help fund the costs of the convention and allow us to keep the fee to attend as low as possible. **Fr. Ray May**

St. Stanislaus, Rossville / Silver Lake/Delia ksgardner43@aol.com

Jan. 12th Collection:

Plate-\$281; Envelopes-\$2,128; Soleminity of Mary-\$200; LEAVEN-\$18; Various Accounts-\$348. Total-\$2,975.20. Building Pledge-\$6,894.80; Bldg. Fund Donation-100.

Faith Direct:

Env.-\$782; Bldg. Fund-\$895.

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.)

Thank You to the many parishioners who use the blue envelope for their Building Fund Pledges and for others wanting to donate to our new church. A number of families donate thru automatic with drawl using Faith Direct for both weekly support and to the building fund. If you are interested in using Faith Direct, please contact the office for forms or details.

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 this 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.

Mark Your Calendar ~Bingo fundraiser. Sun., Feb. 9th from 2-4pm in Dekat Hall. Win a "Pot of Gold". Watch for drawing details on Jan. 26th. Questions: call June Burgett, 584-6080.

Reminder: Please fill out and return the Parish Survey by January 25th, either by mail or by placing it in the basket provided in church. Thanks!

Thank You ~ to the Parishioners who assisted with the removal and storage of the Christmas decorations. God Bless!

Benefit for Karen Crow ~ Karen (Floersch) Crow, was recently diagnosed with stage 4 pancreatic cancer and has started chemotherapy. To help with medical expenses, a benefit raffle is being held in which all proceeds will go to Karen. The raffle tickets are \$5 a piece, and the winning prize is \$1,000. The drawing will take place on Tuesday, February 4th during halftime of the St. Marys Varsity Boys basketball game at Rossville. If you would like to purchase tickets, please feel free to contact Kenzie (Cordt) Olejnik via text/call at: 913-909-2751. You may also mail raffle ticket payments and/or donations to: Dane & Kenzie Olejnik, 104 W. Park Avenue, St. Marys, KS 66536. Please make checks payable to Karen Crow and put "medical fund" in the memo). **Prayers are greatly appreciated.** Thank you very, very, much for your support.

Please check Benefit info on back page.....

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.
- ✦ Sat., 12-1pm; 8-9pm; 9-10pm.

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

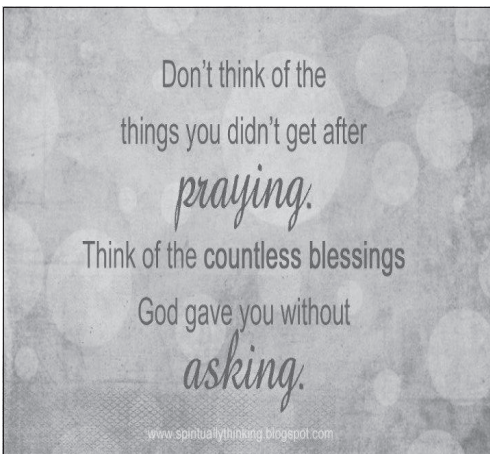
O, come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

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

Pro Life Rally (Topeka) ~

The yearly Pro Life Rally in Topeka will be held January 22, 2014. There will be a 10am Mass at the Performing Arts Center, 214 E. 8th St.. The rally will be held on the steps of the Capitol Building. About noon, sandwiches will be served in the basement of Assumption Church, on your own.



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

RCIA-Becoming a Catholic ~ Mon., Jan. 20- Topic: Liturgical & Sacramental Life of the Church.

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.

Chili/Soup Fundraiser for Karen Crow ~

Tuesday, Feb. 4th at Rossville Jr./Sr. High School. Will be held 4 to 8pm. The Delia 4-H Club and Sacred Heart Oratory will be serving chili, potato soup and pie at the basketball game. There will also be a silent auction going on for different types of gift baskets, (K-State, Valentine's, etc), K-State and KU wreaths, too. Come on in and put a bid on these items.

You can also buy raffle tickets for \$1,000 at the game or contact Kathy, 969-9515 or Cheryl, 640-1764 or Kenzie Olejnik at 909-2751.

RESPECT



LIFE



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. 19,	Second Sunday of Ordinary Time
Mon.,	Jan. 20,	St. Fabian; St. Sebastian
Tues.,	Jan. 21,	St. Agnes
Weds.,	Jan. 22,	Seasonal Wk Day
Thurs.,	Jan. 23,	St. Vincent; St. Marianne
Fri.,	Jan. 24,	St. Francis de Sales
Sat.,	Jan. 25,	The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

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



Martin Luther King Day
January 20, 2014