



Immaculate Conception Parish, St. Marys

Holy Cross Church, Emmett

St. Stanislaus Parish, Delia/Rossville/Silver Lake

**MEMORIAL DAY**

Memorial Day began as an occasion to honor and celebrate Union Soldiers, who died serving their country during the American civil war. Memorial Day was inspired by the way people honored their dead in the southern States. After the end of World War I, Memorial Day was extended to include all American men and women who died serving their country in any military action or war.

Memorial Day was initially known as Decoration Day. The present name for this special day didn't come into use until the end of the Second World War. Decoration Day used to be celebrated on May 30, despite of the day of the week on which it fell. In the year 1968, the Uniform -Holidays-Bill was passed as part of an act to use federal public holidays to create 3 day weekends. This meant that, from the year 1971, Memorial Day has been legally observed on the last Monday in May of every year. Nevertheless, it took quite a longer period of time for all American States to observe the new date.

*Put your America flag up and then fly it at half mast from dawn until midday.*

***GOD BLESS ALL THOSE WHO ARE SERVING, HAVE SERVED AND HAVE DIED FOR OUR COUNTRY!***



**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**May 25, 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](http://www.marytownyouth.com).

**The Feast of the Ascension  
(Celebrated June 1, 2014)**

There are two gifts dwelling within us. One is love. The other is the Holy Spirit. They are mysterious and can be known only in their outward expression. Love is not simply a nice feeling, a sentiment, a warm emotion. Affection is an emotion. Love becomes real in decisions made and in the actions that follow. It is in activity that love is demonstrated.

The words, "I love you", can be the most beautiful and powerful words in a person's life. Husbands must tell their wives they love them. Wives must tell their husbands they love them. Children must hear words of love from their moms and dads, along with lots of hugs. Friends should not be ashamed to let each other know that they care for and love one another.

Jesus knew of the power to change the whole world, telling us even to love our enemies and that if we truly did, the world would be changed. Jesus went on to prove what He believed in the way He died for us, in the way He died to redeem our world by His love for all of God's children. Jesus went on to say: "The one who has my commandments in his heart and keeps them is the one who loves me."

The Holy Spirit, the third Person of the Blessed Trinity who is Love personified, acts internally within each one of us. The Holy Spirit is the Consoler, the Advocate, the Sanctifier, and the Paraclete. The Holy Spirit protects and defends us against our Ancient Enemy, who is always accusing us as being rotten, no good, and damned by God.

The gifts of the Holy Spirit are Wisdom, Understanding, Knowledge, Counsel, Reverence for the Lord, Strength, and Courage. The Holy Spirit tells us that even when we have sinned we can repent and be forgiven. The devil preaches disillusionment, discouragement, depression, defeat, despair, and death.

And just like love, we discern the Holy Spirit's presence within us when external things happen - when we act and engage others and engage life.

**Fr. Gerard Senecal, O.S.B., Pastor, IC & SS Churches**

Jesus ascended into heaven that he might send us the Holy Spirit. By the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus was raised from the dead into new life. By the power of that same Holy Spirit we also can be raised into a new, better, and higher life. Receive the Holy Spirit and share His presence with those around you.

**Weekly Schedule  
(May 25 to June 1)**

Sat.	05-24	8:00am	IC	Clifford & Kathryn Denton (++)
		5:00pm	IC	Mary T. Ogle (+)
		7:00pm	SS	Sp. Int. for our Seminarians
Sun.	05-25	8:00am	SS	Mary Cowan (+)
		11:00am	IC	Parishioners
Mon.	05-26	8:00am	IC	Dec. Mem. of IC & SS Parishes
Tues.	05-27	8:00am	IC	John & Grace Cowan (++)
Wed.	05-28	8:00am	IC	Effie Heim (+)
Thurs.	05-29	8:00am	IC	Jared Cheek (+)
		4:00pm	RVM	Robert & Jo Copeland (++)
Fri.	05-30	8:00am	IC	Gary Denton (+)
Sat.	05-31	8:00am	IC	Bernadette Schmitt (+)
		5:00pm	IC	Lucile Fox (+)
		7:00pm	SS	Thanksgiving for Fr. Gerard's 60th Jubilee
Sun.	06-01	8:00am	SS	Parishioners
		11:00am	IC	Joe Flanagan & Bobby Flanagan (++)

**Upcoming Events**

Sun.	05-25	8:00am	SS	60th Jubilee reception for Fr. Gerard after Mass
		11:00am	IC	60th Jubilee get together for Fr. Gerard after Mass
Mon.	05-26			<b>Offices Closed</b>
		8:00am		<b>Memorial Day Mass</b>
Wed.	05-28	7:00pm	SS	Rosary & Chaplet
Thurs.	05-29	4:00pm	RVM	Mass
Sun.	06-01			<b>Ascension of the Lord (Moved from Thursday the 29th)</b>

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**Bulletin Deadline**

Please have your bulletin announcements and fliers for inserts to the office by Noon on Wednesdays. Thanks.

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**TOTUS TUUS**

**Totus Tuus** will be coming to our parish, June 15-20. This is open to all students, entering 1<sup>st</sup> grade-12<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Session times are:** 9-3 Mon.-Fri., 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade  
7-9 Sun.-Thurs., 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade

**Please check Immaculate Conception section for more information.**

<b>Office Hours:</b>			
Monday through Thursday	8:00am to Noon and 1:00 - 3:00pm		
Friday	9:30am to Noon and 1:00-3:45pm		
<b>Main Office Phone Number:</b>		785-437-2408	Extension
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**May 18, Contributions:**

Plate-\$160; Env.-\$2,962; The Needy-\$40. Total-\$3,162.  
Cath. Comm.-\$375; Argentina-\$65.

**Please Pray** for the repose of the soul of Margaret Tomson, mother of Linda Acker, St. Marys; Carol Kincaid, Olsburg and Gary Tomson and Lloyd Tomson of Rossville and sister, Delores Floersch of Rossville. May her soul rest in peace.

**Note ~** There is an abundance of dishes, pie plates, etc. left at the Cent. Bldg. from funerals and other functions. They are in a cupboard in the Mini Kitchen. The space is needed. Please call Glenda Peters, 437-2945 if you need help in finding yours.

**Eucharistic Ministers ~**

Since we are having the Precious Blood we need two extra ministers for each Mass. If anyone would be willing to help out please let Mary Alice know at 437-2408. Thanks.

**Totus Tuus**

Totus Tuus volunteer sign up sheets are in the back of church. Please take time to sign up to help. Registration forms are on the tables. Parents please fill one out for each child attending. Put in the collection basket with a check or drop off at the office. **Parents reminder:** Please bring 1 dozen cookies on Monday morning for each child attending.

**Parish Meetings on Renovation ~**

There will be two open meetings (questions and answers) to discuss the steps renovation in front of the church. The first will be Wed., June 4th at 7pm and the second will be Sunday, June 8th after 11am Mass. Bring your concerns to these meetings. Both will be at the Cent. Bldg.

**Front Renovation ~**

Please remember to turn in your pledge cards for the renovation of the front of the church. If you missed the presentation, there are pledge cards in the pews and in the back of church. There are also copies of the presentation given last week in the back of church.

**Front Entrance Renovation Report ~**

So far the pledge to date is: \$37,290.00.  
Payments to date: \$15,460.00.

**Fr. Gerard Senecal, O.S.B. 60th Anniversary to the Priesthood (May 29, 1954-May 29, 2014) ~**

Sunday, May 25th, at the 11am Mass we will be celebrating Fr. Gerard's 60th Jubilee. Followed by a luncheon/reception immediately after Mass in the Cent. Bldg. Everyone is welcome to join us for lunch. Please come to congratulate Fr. Gerard on 60 years of being a priest and serving God's people.

**St. Stanislaus, Rossville / Silver Lake/Delia**

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**May 18, Collection:**

Plate-\$211.  
Envelopes-\$1,104.  
Cath. Communications-\$50.  
Ascension-\$10.  
Mission Co-op-\$5.  
Total-\$1,380.  
Bldg. Fund-\$645.

**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.)

**Totus Tuus**

Fliers are in back of church. Sign up sheets are available in back of church.

**Reception for Fr. Gerard's 60th**

**Jubilee ~ Happy 60th Jubilee to Fr. Gerard Senecal, OSB. Thank you for your faithful service and love of the Catholic Faith. We appreciate all you have done for our parishes and manors. God Bless You!** Following Mass on Sunday, May 25th we will serve coffee, juice and sweet rolls/breads to celebrate the **60th Anniversary** of Fr. Gerard Senecal, OSB. Fr. Gerard was ordained on May 29, 1954 in Atchison, KS Everyone is welcome!

**Congratulations ~**

The recipient of the \$500 St. Stanislaus Scholarship is Macy Gillum. She will attend Emporia State University. Two, \$250 "Award of Merit" went to: Nicolette Womack who will attend Washburn University and Ashely Womack who will attend Allen County Community College.

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**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).  
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;
- ✠ Wed. 12am-1am Alternating; 2-3pm.
- ✠ Fri., 6-7pm.
- ✠ Sat., 8-9pm. 9-10pm.

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

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

**Beginning Experience ~ "Coping With Life Alone"** is a grief support program that meets once a week for seven weeks.

The program helps those who have lost a love relationship due to death, divorce, or separation. Move through the experience of grief and loss into a future with renewed hope. The sessions focus on the grief process, changes in family and other relationships, and coping with memories of your deceased spouse/dealing with your ex-spouse. The next program will be meeting on Thursday evenings between June 5 and July 24 from 6:30-9:00pm at Holy Trinity in Lenexa, KS. To register, or for additional information, please email: gcdeb@aol.com or visit [www.beginningexperience.org](http://www.beginningexperience.org).

**Registration for TEC** ~ Registrations are now being accepted for TEC (Teens Encounter Christ). If there are any teens or adults interested in this Pascal Mystery retreat, register at <http://www.archkck.org/TeensEncounterChrist>. Cost is \$30 per person. For more information and questions contact the Youth Office at [youthadmin@archkck.org](mailto:youthadmin@archkck.org)

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE INTENTIONS REQUESTED THROUGH OUR PRAYER CHAIN**

Contacts: Mary E. Reese: 437-6163

Anita Marstall: 437-6117

Shannon Marstall

Sp. Int. for an Anonymous Person

Beth Riley

**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**

**Mobile Emergency Assistance Resource Bus (Sponsored by Catholic Charities ~**

A Mobile Emergency Assistance Resource Bus will be at the Community Health Ministry in Wamego from 9:30am-11:30am and 1pm-2pm on June 9th. (Space limited!) Contact Lorena at 785-456-7872 to make appointments. **MUST HAVE AN APPOINTMENT! MUST HAVE ALL FINANCIAL DOCUMENTATION.** Extra information sheets are in back of the church.

**St. James Church Picnic and Auction (Wetmore) ~**

Sunday, June 8th, Roast Beef & Ham Dinner served family style. Serving begins at 4:30 to ??? Adults-\$8; Children 10 yrs-4yrs \$5; Children 3 yrs and under, Free. Auction at 8pm inside the hall. Games for all ages on the grounds.

**Sacred Heart (Paxico) Chicken Dinner ~** Sunday, June 8, 2014. Buffet Style Serving: 12 Noon to 5pm. Bingo and Games 12:30pm. Silent Auction. Adults-\$8; Ages 4 thru 12-\$3.50; Ages 3 and under free.

**Courage** ~ is a spiritual support group helping Catholic men and women live chaste lives in accordance with the Catholic Church's teaching on same-sex attraction and/or behaviors. Through participation in the Sacraments, prayer, fellowship and moral support, **Courage** members strive to develop lives of interior chastity in union with Christ and His Church.

**Courage** meets in the Kansas City area weekly in the Archdiocese and in the Diocese of Kansas City/St. Joseph. **Encourage** is a separate spiritual support group for family members and friends of loved ones with same-sex attraction. If you, your child or loved one struggles with same-sex attraction and wants **confidential** Catholic support, call the **Courage information line (913) 428-9893**

**Reminder:** The IC Church Picnic will be held August 17th this year. It is the closest Sunday to August 15th.

**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.,	May	25,	Sixth Sunday of Easter
Mon.,	May	26,	St. Philip Neri
Tues.,	May	27,	St. Augustine of Canterbury
Weds.,	May	28,	Easter Week Day
Thurs.,	May	29,	Easter Week Day
Fri.	May	30,	Easter Week Day
Sat.,	May	31,	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Community Health Ministry ~ Tulip Time:**

It is Tulip time. We are in need of workers to get the tulips ready for people to pick them up. Please contact Lorena, 456-7872 or stop by 407 Ash, Wamego. Thank you in advance for your help. Look for info to come about our Tulip fundraiser in the near future.

**Prayers for Healing ~**

Mass with Prayers for Healing will be held at Most Pure Heart of Mary Church, 3601 SW 17th Street, Topeka, on Thursday, May 29th at 7pm. Sponsored by Glory to God Community. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available starting at 6pm. Father Meinrad Miller, OSB, will be our celebrant. Refreshments in O'Connor Hall following Mass and prayers. Any questions call Allan or Vickie Holthaus 862-9738.

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**Did You Know.....**

That if you receive Holy Communion in the hand, your hands should be clean (front and back) and you should use both hands, one on top of the other, to receive?