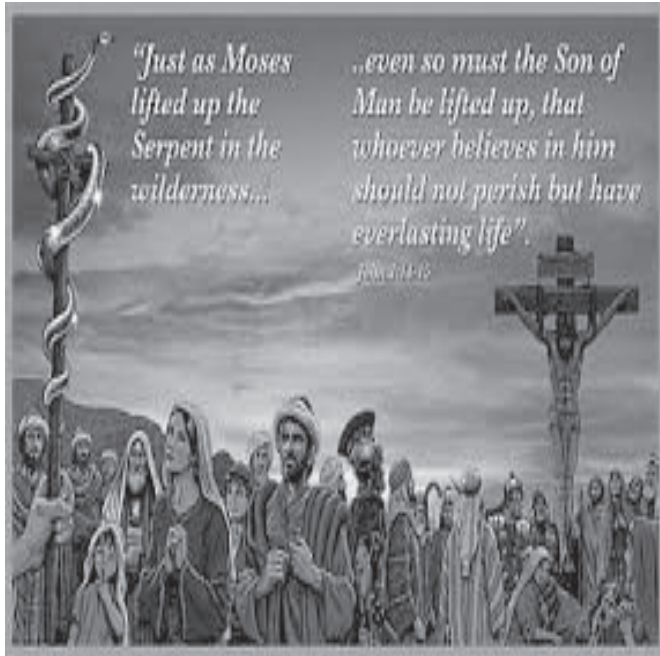




Immaculate Conception Parish, St. Marys

Holy Cross Church, Emmett

St. Stanislaus Parish, Delia/Rossville/Silver Lake



"Just as Moses lifted up the Serpent in the wilderness... ..even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life".
John 3:14-15

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

With their patience worn out by the journey, the people complained against God and Moses, "Why have you brought us up from Egypt to die in this desert, where there is no food or water? We are disgusted with this wretched food!" In punishment the LORD sent among the people saraph serpents, which bit the people so that many of them died. Then the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned in complaining against the LORD and you. Pray the LORD to take the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people, and the LORD said to Moses, "Make a saraph and mount it on a pole, and if any who have been bitten look at it, they will live." Moses accordingly made a bronze serpent and mounted it on a pole, and whenever anyone who had been bitten by a serpent looked at the bronze serpent, he lived.

Reading I [nm 21:4b-9](#)

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross September 14, 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 8:00am ImmaculateConception
Tuesday 12:10pm
Wed.-Saturday 8:00am
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.

History of the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross:

After the death and resurrection of Christ, both the Jewish and Roman authorities in Jerusalem made efforts to obscure the Holy Sepulchre, Christ's tomb in the garden near the site of His crucifixion. The earth had been mounded up over the site, and pagan temples had been built on top of it. The Cross on which Christ had died had been hidden (tradition said) by the Jewish authorities somewhere in the vicinity.

According to tradition, first mentioned by Saint Cyril of Jerusalem in 348, Saint Helena, nearing the end of her life, decided under divine inspiration to travel to Jerusalem in 326 to excavate the Holy Sepulchre and attempt to locate the True Cross. A Jew by the name of Judas, aware of the tradition concerning the hiding of the Cross, led those excavating the Holy Sepulchre to the spot in which it was hidden.

Three crosses were found on the spot. According to one tradition, the inscription *Jesus Nazarenus Rex Iudaeorum* ("Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews") remained attached to the True Cross. According to a more common tradition, however, the inscription was missing, and Saint Helena and Saint Macarius, the bishop of Jerusalem, assuming that one was the True Cross and the other two belonged to the thieves crucified alongside Christ, devised an experiment to determine which was the True Cross.

In one version of the latter tradition, the three crosses were taken to a woman who was near death; when she touched the True Cross, she was healed. In another, the body of a dead man was brought to the place where the three crosses were found, and laid upon each cross. The True Cross restored the dead man to life.

In celebration of the discovery of the Holy Cross, Constantine ordered the construction of churches at the site of the Holy Sepulchre and on Mount Calvary. Those churches were dedicated on September 13 and 14, 335, and shortly thereafter the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross began to be celebrated on the latter date. The feast slowly spread from Jerusalem to other churches, until, by the year 720, the celebration was universal.

In the early seventh century, the Persians conquered Jerusalem, and the Persian king Khosrau II captured the True Cross and took it back to Persia. After Khosrau's defeat by Emperor Heraclius II, Khosrau's own son had him assassinated in 628 and returned the True Cross to Heraclius. In 629, Heraclius, having initially taken the True Cross to Constantinople, decided to restore it to Jerusalem. Tradition says that he carried the Cross on his own back, but when he attempted to enter the church on Mount Calvary, a strange force stopped him. Patriarch Zacharias of Jerusalem, seeing the emperor struggling, advised him to take off his royal robes and crown and to dress in a penitential robe instead. As soon as Heraclius took Zacharias' advice, he was able to carry the True Cross into the church.

For some centuries, a second feast, the Invention of the Cross, was celebrated on May 3 in the Roman and Gallican churches, following a tradition that marked that date as the day on which Saint Helena discovered the True Cross. In Jerusalem, however, the finding of the Cross was celebrated from the beginning on September 14.

Father Ray May, Jr.

Weekly Schedule

(Sept. 14 to Sept. 21)

Sat.	09-13	8:00am	IC	Bill & Mary Homan (++)
		5:00pm	IC	Jared Cheek (+)
		7:00pm	SS	Oscar & Charlotte Bixby (++)
Sun.	09-14	8:00am	SS	Mary Crissman (+)
		11:00am	IC	Parishioners
Mon.	09-15	8:00am	IC	Fr. May's Intention
Tues.	09-16	12:10pm	IC	Jared Cheek & Tricia Clark (++)
Wed.	09-17	8:00am	IC	Jim Schumaker (+)
Thurs.	09-18	8:00am	IC	Eugene McKenzie (+)
		4:00pm	RVM	Rain
Fri.	09-19	8:00am	IC	Conrad Hesse (+)
Sat.	09-20	8:00am	IC	
		5:00pm	IC	Anita Vande Velde (+)
		7:00pm	SS	Rosemary Pauly (+)
Sun.	09-21	8:00am	SS	Parishioners
		11:00am	IC	Lorraine Vande Velde (+)

Upcoming Events

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Sun.	09-14	6:00pm	SS	Finance Council Mtg.
Tues	09-16	7:00pm	IC	RCLIA
Wed.	09-17	6:30pm	IC	First Rel. Ed. Class
		6:30pm	IC	Confirmation Class
		7:00pm	SS	Rosary & Chaplet
		7:00pm	SS	K of C Meeting
Thurs.	09-18	4:00pm	RVM	Mass
Sat.	09-20	9:00am	IC	Virtus Training Session in Cent. Hall
Sun.	09-21			

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catechetical Sunday

8:00am	SS	Commissioning of Teachers
11:00am	IC	Commissioning of Teachers
10:40am	IC	K of C Pro-Life Rosary



Happy Birthday, Father Ray!

Thursday, September 18th.

Come join us at the office to help Father celebrate his birthday.

Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 9:00am to Noon and 1:00 -3:00pm

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

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Sept. 7. Contributions:

Plate-\$393; Env.-\$3,115; The Needy-\$223. Total-5,014. LEAVEN-90.

Sept. Faith Direct: LEAVEN-\$200.

Cath. University-\$60. Envelopes-\$2,258. Total-\$2,518.

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

Theology of the Body for Teens ~

In an effort to provide continuing rel. education for those teens who have been confirmed, Theology of the Body classes started with the 1st boys class on Sept. 3rd. This will be a regular part of the CCD school year. This class is for Juniors and Sophomores and will be separated by gender. Students wishing to participate should pick up a form from the Rel. Ed. office. The schedule for Sept. is as follows:
Sept. 3 was Boys class #1
Sept. 10-No class due to confirmation mtg.
Sept. 17-School Mass. TOB students are

Virtus Training Session ~

A Virtus Training Session has been scheduled for Sat., Sept 20 at 9am in the Centennial Bldg. The facilitator will be Linda Roddencamp from Onaga, KS. Anyone working or volunteering in the Parish, and are around children daily, weekly, or only occasionally, needs to take this session. It is in conformity with the Archdiocesan policies that are in place for all the Parishes. If you have any questions, call 437-2408, ext. 8.

Confirmation-8th & 9th Grades ~

Wed., Sept. 10th is a parent, sponsor, student meeting, 6:45-8pm in the Centennial Hall. Everyone is asked to attend.

The Rel. Ed. and Confirmation class will have a Rosary and Mass on Wed., Sept. 17th at 7pm in the Church. The Rel. Ed. is doing the ministries. All are invited to join us.



Come Join Us for Father Ray's Birthday Celebration ~ When:

Thursday, September 18th; **Where:** IC Church Offices. **Time:** 10am-3pm. Come in and meet Fr. Ray and wish him a Happy Birthday!

Finance Council Minutes are on back of Picnic Results.

Front Entrance Renovation Report ~

So far the pledge to date is: \$46,610
 Payments to date: \$31,181.04.

Liturgy Ministers:

If any one is interested in serving in these ministries—Lector, Ex. Ordinary Ministers, Offertory Gifts, Ushers, Sacristans or Musicians, please sign up on the sheets that are on the table in back of church.

Community Health Ministry Food Pantry Needs ~

The food pantry is in dire need of your help. Due to recent funding cuts, we are in need of help filling the food pantry. If you or your organization can help out by sponsoring a food drive please let them know. **Most needed items are:** Most Cereal, Spaghetti Sauce, Boxed meals (Hamburger Helper, Mac and cheese, etc.), Peanut butter, Canned meat (tuna, chicken), Canned fruit, Garden Vegetables, Frozen meat, and Jelly.

Welcome to the Parish ~

Brigham Michael Heim, son of Wade and Shannon Wild Heim, who was baptized Sunday, September 7th. Congratulations to all!

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Sept. 7. Collection:

Plate-\$181. Envelopes-\$1,762. The LEAVEN-\$90. Cath. University-\$10. Total-\$2,143.

Bldg. Fund-\$3,333.

Sp. Collection-CRS-Iraq-Syria-Gaza-\$469.

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.)

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

Virtus Training ~

Our Rel. Education classes will begin again in early Sept. following the Sunday Mass. All teaching staff, teachers, aides 16 years of age and older **MUST** have taken the mandatory Virtus Training Classes for Protecting God's Children. To register for those classes go to www.virtus.org to sign up for area classes.

Rel. Education Enrollment Forms ~

The forms are located on the table in the entry 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.

CCD Classes ~ Classes begin this weekend at 9:15am.

Healing From The Wounds Of Divorce ~

Are you a Catholic who is going through or has gone through the pain of divorce? Prince of Peace Church is hosting Rose Sweet's 10 week series to help heal from the wounds of divorce. This popular series begins Tues., Sept. 9 and runs every Tues. for ten weeks. Class is from 6 to 7:30pm in the Marian Room in the Prince of Peace school building. The address is 16000 W 143rd St., Olathe, KS 66062. Class is limited! Enrollment is \$50. For more info and to enroll, call Julie Knoche at 913-710-7083. Class is open to all parishioners in the Archdiocese.

K of C Info ~ Pizzas Are Ready!

The Knights of Columbus pizzas that you ordered are made and ready to be picked up. Many extras were made and are available for purchase.

Catechetical Sunday ~

Sunday, Sept. 21st. The Religious Education Teachers and Aides will be commissioned.

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@ameplus.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., 7-8am; 3-4pm; 7-8pm
- ✦ Tues., 2-3am
- ✦ Wed., 12am-1am **Alternating; 2-3pm**
- ✦ Fri., 7-8pm
- ✦ Sat., 8-9pm; 9-10pm

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

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

Wordwide Marriage Encounter Mission statement:

The mission of Worldwide Marriage Encounter is to proclaim the value of Marriage and Holy Orders in the Church and in the world.

Rosary Repair ~ We have someone available who will repair rosaries. (free of charge) Please leave them at the office the first Tuesday of the month before Noon and pick up the 3rd Wed. of the month between 1 and 3pm. **(Correction: leave Rosaries at the office, not at the rectory)**

Teen Encounter Christ Retreat ~

We are accepting registrations for TEC, Teen Encounter Christ Retreat. The next TEC retreat will be Nov. 8-10 at Prairie Star Ranch. If you have an teens or adults interested in this Pascal Mystery retreat, register at: <http://www.archkck.org/TeensEncounterChrist>. Cost is \$110 per person. For more information and questions contact the Youth Office at: youthadmin@archkck.org.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE INTENTIONS REQUESTED THROUGH OUR PRAYER CHAIN

**Contacts: Mary E. Reese: 437-6163
Anita Marstall: 437-6117**

Singles Group Info ~

Check for more info on bulletin board in church.

Pew For Sale ~

A pew from Immaculate Conception Church, St. Marys, is for sale. It is 9ft. 8in. long. Price: \$25.00. Call: 785-582-4628 or 785-230-9468.

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

Please notice hours that have opened up.

RCIA ~ Becoming a Catholic~ Classes will begin on Tues., Sept. 16, 7-8:30pm Rm. 3. Topic: **The Existence of God.**

Deacon Information Night ~

There will be an Deacon information night Thursday, October 23rd at Most Pure Heart of Mary in Topeka at 7pm. Everyone who is interested in learning more about the diaconate and the details of our archdiocesan formation program are welcome to attend. Those who believe that the Lord is calling them to serve the Church as deacons will be given resources to assist in their discernment. The next deacon class will begin formation in 2015. For more info, email diacoonate@archkck.org, call (913) 647-0358 or visit www.archkck.org/deacons

Crisis in Iraq, Syria, Gaza ~

Pope Francis decries, "Christians and other religious minorities have been forced to flee from their homes and witness the destruction of their places of worship and religious patrimony" in Syria and Iraq. Catholic Relief Services is providing humanitarian aid to support refugees who have fled these violent areas and also to support victims of the conflict in Gaza. Much more needs to be done to allow CRS and other Catholic agencies working in partnership with the local Church to meet the most urgent humanitarian needs facing our affected brothers and sisters in the Middle East. We will take up a special collection to assist Catholic aid agencies this weekend of September 13/14. Checks should be made out to the parish. Thank you for your generosity.

St. Dominic's Annual Church

Picnic(Holton) ~ Fried Chicken-Baked Chicken Dinner Sunday, Sept. 21st, St. Dominic's Hall, 11am to 1pm. Served with baked potatoes, salads, baked beans and desserts. **Free will offering.** Sponsored by Holton Knights of Columbus. Proceeds support the Holton Special Ed. Co-op.

Daffinitions ~

Pharmacist: A helper on the farm.
Polynesia: Memory loss in parrots.

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.,	Sept. 14,	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Mon.,	Sept. 15,	Our Lady of Sorrows
Tues.,	Sept. 16,	Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian
Wed.	Sept. 17,	St. Robert Bellarmine
Thurs.,	Sept., 18,	Seasonal Wk Day
Fri.	Sept., 19,	St. Januarius
Sat.,	Sept. 20,	Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon and Paul Chong

Day of Boundless Joy ~

All women of the Archdiocese are invited to the Day of Boundless Joy, Sat., Oct. 4th from 8am-2pm at Prince of Peace Parish in Olathe. Dr. Mulholland from Benedictine College will be speaking on Pope Francis' letter, The Joy of Evangelization. \$25 includes a continental breakfast and lunch. Register at www.eventbrite.com

Memorial Service for Aborted Children ~

On Sat., Sept. 13th, pro-life Americans throughout the country will gather at the gravesites of aborted babies and other memorial sites dedicated in their honor for the second annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children. Solemn vigils will be held at these sites to commemorate the more than 55 million children who have lost their lives to legal abortion since 1973, and to remind our society of the humanity of the unborn child. Please join us for the memorial service: **When:** Sat., Sept. 13th from 1-3pm; **Where:** Heart of America Memorial Wall for the Unborn, 1216 SE Republican, Topeka, KS; **More info:** Call Christians for Life at 785-267-5777. **Bring lawn chairs.** Together let us remember the victims of abortion and pray for a final end to this injustice on our land.

The LEAVEN subscriptions are due. The cost is \$18.00 a year. Please pay your subscription to help defray the cost to the parishes.