



Immaculate Conception Parish, St. Marys

Holy Cross Church, Emmett

St. Stanislaus Parish, Delia/Rossville/Silver Lake



Fourth Sunday of Advent



December Schedules for Christmas

Penance Services

Dec. 18: 3pm Sacred Heart, Paxico
7pm St. Bernard, Wamego

Christmas Mass Schedule

Dec. 23: Chapel Closes at 9am after 8am Mass until Dec. 27th after 12:10 Mass

Dec. 24: 6pm Mass-IC-Father Aaron Peters

6pm Mass-SS-Father Ray

Midnight- SS-Father Ray

Dec. 25: 8am HC- Emmett-Fr. Earl Dekat

9am IC-Father Ray

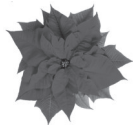
New Years Mass Schedule

Dec. 31: 5pm at Immaculate Conception

7pm at St. Stanislaus

Jan. 1, 2017: 8am at St. Stanislaus

11am at Immaculate Conception



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December 18, 2016



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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 Immaculate Conception

Tuesday 12:10pm

Wednesday-Friday 8:00am

First Saturday -only 8:00am

Alternate Wednesdays 10:00am—Rossville Valley Manor

Alternate Fridays 9:30am—St. Marys Manor

Web Sites:

Immaculate Conception: <http://www.immaculateconceptionstmarys.com>

St. Stanislaus: www.ststanchurch.org

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 Walt at the office, 437-2408, ext. 102, for further information.

MARRIAGE Please call: Father May for an appointment to go over the marriage policy (437-2408)

Minister List for I.C.
Dec. 24, and Dec. 25

Saturday, Dec. 24, 6:00pm

Lector: Mark Poell
 Ex. Ord. Mins: Mick Poell, Jean Poppelreiter, Laura Mulligan
 Servers: Jayla Johnson, Allie Johnson, Cassidy Schoenfeld
 Gifts: Claire Pearl Family
 Ushers: Alex Johnson
 Musicians: I.C. Musicians
 After Mass Volunteer: Donna Perry

Sunday, Dec. 25, 9:00am

Lector: Rick Reese
 Ex. Ord. Mins: Skip Keller, Julie Tooley, Bryan Mehl, (Mike Flerlage)
 Servers: Brianna Marstall, Sean Downey, Brenna Smith
 Gifts: Julie Tooley Family
 Ushers: Jerry Tanking, Jerry Fox
 Musicians: I.C. Singers
 After Mass Volunteer: Kevin Fox

Minister List for St. Stanislaus
Dec. 24-& Midnight

Saturday, Dec. 24, 6:00pm

Lector: Shirley Gustafson
 Ex. Ord. Mins: Cletus Manhart, Damian Dekat, Colette Peel, Ruth Reynolds
 Servers: Holden Hurla, Layne Hurla, Colby Hurla
 Gifts: Mellies Family
 Ushers: Russ Biladeau, Bill Ebert
 Music: Adult or Youth Choir

Midnight Mass

Lector: Christie McKenzie
 Ex. Ord. Mins: Servers: Phyllis Dolechek, Marvin Burgett
 Servers: Rewerts, Rewerts
 Gifts: Volunteer
 Ushers: Nathan Rewerts, Sean Rewerts
 Music: Adult Choir

Holy Cross Ministers for Christmas Morning
December 25th, 8am

Lector: Marla Flanagan
 Ex. Ord. Ministers: Laura Mulligan, Skip Keller
 Servers: Mitchel Flanagan and Trent Mulligan
 Gifts: Marc and Janet Wehrly
 Ushers: Richard Elliott
 Music: Rick and Diane Budden

Weekly Mass Schedule

(December 18-December 25)

Sat.	12/17	5:00pm	IC	Parishioners
		7:00pm	SS	Wilbur & Margaret Tomson (++)
Sun.	12-18	8:00am	SS	Dec. Mem. of the Jacobson Fam.
		11:00am	IC	Marikay Fox (+)
Mon.	12-19	8:00am	IC	Fr Ray's Int.
Tues.	12-20	12:10am	IC	Vincent Wiltz (+)
Wed.	12-21	8:00am	IC	Glennis Sebring (+)
		10:00am	RVM	Duane Reynolds (+)
Thurs.	12-22	8:00am	IC	Joe Flanagan & Bobby Flanagan (++)
Fri.	12-23	8:00am	IC	Larry Schumaker (+)
Sat.	12/24	6:00pm	IC	Tim Deiter (+)
		6:00pm	SS	Mathew Gustafson (++)
		12:00am	SS	Parishioners
Sun.	12-25	8:00am	HC	Dec. Mem. of Holy Cross Parish
		9:00am	IC	Parishioners

Up-Coming Events

Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:15am	SS	Religious Ed
10:40am	IC	K of C Pro-Life Rosary
3:00pm	SH, Paxico	Penance Service
5:30pm	IC	Youth Group
7:00pm	St. Bernard's, Wamego	Penance Service
6:30pm	IC	No Religious Ed.
7:00pm	SS	Youth Night
9:00am	IC	Chapel Closes after 8am Mass
		Offices Closed

Christmas Eve.

6:00pm	SS
6:00pm	IC
Midnight	SS

Christmas Day

8:00am	HC
9:00am	IC
9:15am	SS
5:30pm	IC

Chapel Closed
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 No Rel. Ed.
 No Youth Group
Chapel Closed
 Offices Closed

IC Finances-Fiscal Year 16-17

Month	November
Collection	\$18,541
Year-to-date	91,401
Collection-Budgeted	90,000
Over/(under) Budget	1,401



Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 9:00am to Noon and 1:00 -3:00pm
 Friday 9:30am to Noon and 1:00- 3:00

Religious Ed. Office: Monday thru Thursday 9:00am to noon and 1:00-3:00pm

Main Office Phone Number: 785-437-2408 Extension

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All Parishes

Dec. 11, 2016, Contributions:

Plate-\$385; Env.-\$2,655; Needy-\$115; Immaculate Conception-\$450; Retirement for the Religious-\$360. Total-\$3,965.
Dec. Faith Direct-Env.-\$2,263; Sp. Collections-\$510. Total-\$2,773.

Fellowship Sunday ~ The Fellowship Sunday will be January 8th (this is avoiding New Years Day). Special Menu is pending.

Harvesters Rural Mobile Food Pantry- Distribution is Wednesday, Jan. 25th, in the IC Parking Lot, serving from 10:30-11:30.

MUSICIANS NEEDED ~ I.C. Church has an urgent need for musicians to help out with the music ministry. Prayerfully consider helping out if God has blessed you with a talent of singing, playing the piano, organ or guitar. If you can help out once a month on the weekends-it would greatly be appreciated! Please contact Marty Ronnau at 785-437-6377.

The Endowment Fund ~ The Endowment Fund is a permanent investment of gifts from which the income earned will be used to support our parish. Only the income or interest earned is available for distribution, so the donor's original gift is never spent. As a result, endowed funds provide a perpetual, supplemental source of income for such things as the enhancement of programs and ministries, facilities maintenance, etc. Please consider a donation.

Jesse Tree ~ Please take a tag from the Jesse Tree. Buy, wrap and attach the yellow tag on the outside of your gift. Return your gift to the Jesse Tree. **WE NEED THE GIFTS RETURNED TO THE JESSE TREE BY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18th.** If you would like to make a monetary donation, make your check to IC Social Concerns/Jesse Tree and put in the collection basket. For questions, call Caro Vande Velde at 584-6309 or Judy Lundin at 584-6447.

Memorial Flowers ~ If you would like to purchase a Poinsettia, leave the money at the office or place in the collection basket.

All Hands On Deck (halls with boughs of holly!) ~ Come help us decorate our beautiful church after the 11am Mass this Sunday, Dec. 18th. I hear Pizza will be served after the work is done to those who help.

Please Pray for the repose of the soul of Joe Berroth. May his soul rest in peace.

Dec. 11, 2016 Collections:

Env.-\$2,780; Plate-\$253; Bldg. Fund-\$1,855; Catholic Charities-\$20; Christmas Offering-\$10; Immaculate Conception-\$375; Poor & Needy-\$15; Retirement for Religious-\$115. Total-\$5,423.

Dec. Faith Direct: Env.\$830; Catholic Charities-\$21; Christmas Offering-\$30; Immaculate Conception-\$1; Retirement Fund for Rel.-\$1; Bldg. Fund-\$985. Total-\$1,868.
As of 11-28-16 Bldg. Loan Balance=\$227,160.67.

Jesse Tree ~ The Gifts and Gift Tags from the Jesse Tree need to be returned and wrapped with the tag attached by Sunday, Dec. 18th. If you are taking a gift card it would be best if it were in a small box or gift bag with the tag attached so it doesn't get lost in the shuffle. All non-perishable food/paper products can be put in the box near the tree. Thanks.

Memorial Poinsettia Trees ~ If you'd like to remember a loved one by purchasing a poinsettia please pick up a form in the narthex. Your loved one will be remembered at a Mass in January and their name (s) will appear in the Christmas Eve pamphlet.

Free Throw Contest ~ The Knights of Columbus will hold their free throw contest on January 15, 2017 at Silver Lake Grade School at 1:30pm. Any girl or boy age 9 thru 14 is eligible. The entry forms are in back of church, or at the Silver Lake Grade School and Rossville Grade School.

Christmas Choir Practice ~ Choir practice for Christmas Masses will be on Monday nights, Dec.19 at 6:30pm. New members are always welcome.



St. Peter Canisius, Priest

Dec. 21

Rosary Repair~ Is not available at this time. Will continue at a later date.

SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS ~ The 24th annual "Support Our Seminarians" Benefit Dinner is dedicated to the 100th Annv. of Our Lady of Fatima. It is scheduled for Friday, January 27th, 2017. This event benefits seminarians from the Archdiocese of Kansas City, KS, the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, and Conception Seminary College. It promises to be an evening filled with fun and laughter, celebrating our Catholic faith, dining on wonderful food, and socializing with our priests and seminarians! We have two wonderful speakers this year, Fr. Richard Storey, who is currently the pastor of Cure of Ars Parish in Leawood, KS and Cruz Gallegos, who is a senior at Conception Seminary College. SOS will be held at **Union Station, 30 West Pershing Rd, KS City, MO.** The reservation price is \$175. per person with ten seats per table. To reserve your place, or an entire table, or donate to the marketplace or VIP silent auction, contact: Martha Hodes 913-207-9893 or mmmhsos512@gmail.com. Check out our new website: www.supportourseminarians.com.

K of C Community Blood Drive ~ The St. Marys Community Blood Drive will be December 28th, from 2:30 until 6:00pm at the Centennial Bldg. It is best to make an appointment. Just call or email John Simecka, 437-6123 or simeckaj@kansas.net **You can book your appointment by going to www.esavealifenow.org and entering the Sponsor Code of: stmaryskscmm and then select your desired time. Please call John if you have any issues doing this.**

Thank You ~ The St. Marys Community Food Pantry would like to thank Father Ray and Immaculate Conception parishioners for the offerings taken up for the pantry at the Ecumenical Thanksgiving service and also at the Thanksgiving day Mass. A total of \$716 was donated to the food pantry to help provide for the needs of area families. May God bless you all for your generosity and kindness.



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 Walt Nelson (IC), 437-2408 or Connie Fischer (SS) [cfischer@amcplus.com], 785-584-6262
- Youth Group: Contact Walt Nelson (IC) 437-2408 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--Kathi Rewerts (584-6612); for IC--e-mail to unityreled2@gmail.com; or for HC--Galen Rezac (535-2482).
- Prayer Chain Coord.: **Holy Cross**-Janet Wehrly (535-8021), **St. Stanislaus**-Shirley Gustafson (554-3028), **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:

- † **Sat., 12:00am-1am; 12 Noon-1pm; 6-7pm.**
- † **Sun. 5-6am; 1-2pm**
- † **Mon. 12 Midnight-1am**
- † **Wed. 12am-1am hour;**
- † **Thurs.(2-3am, need a third person to rotate with two other people who are doing it).**

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

For weekend assistance call : Joe Mulford-(456-3009)

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE INTENTIONS REQUESTED THROUGH OUR PRAYER CHAIN

Contacts: Mary E. Reese: 437-6163 Anita Marstall: 437-611

- For Cindy Berry-Healing from breast cancer
- For Paul Martell-Healing from pain of terminal cancer and for support of his family
- For Joanne Murk-Healing of pneumonia
- Ty Poell-For all his needs
- Anonymous Person-Healing of Cancer

Discovering Christ ~ The purpose of Discovering Christ is to expose anyone and everyone-the unbaptized, non-practicing Christians, as well as practicing Catholics to "the beauty of the saving love of God made manifest in Jesus Christ who died and rose from the dead" (Pope Francis, the Joy of the Gospel, 36). . Beginning Jan. 5, 2017 and for six more consecutive Thursdays, come begin a closer relationship with Jesus Christ. Every evening 6pm with a free meal, followed by a 30 minute dvd and discussion afterwards, all in O'Connor Hall at Most Pure Heart. More info or to register online, go to MPH M website: <http://mphm.com/> or call Allan or Vickie Holthaus at 785-862-9738.

Catholic Charities: When you first meet Arvin, a former local business owner, you'll be impressed with his high energy, dry wit and constant grin. After losing his wife to cancer, Arvin became increasingly depressed and somewhat reclusive. When his daughter noticed how her mother's loss had affected Arvin's overall health condition and mental state, she called Catholic Charities. Catholic Charities' Friendly Visitor program was able to match Arvin with Tina, a Friendly Visitors volunteer. Tina has been volunteering for Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas for 2 years. Tina and Arvin have connected as friends who have experienced loss and are mutually supportive. Arvin shares that Tina is "like family." In addition to sharing stories and playing chess during their weekly visits, they go on neighborhood walks and shopping trips. "She calls me daily and visits me weekly. She'll swing by just to check in. We play chess...she's a formidable opponent." Arvin summarizes the value of the Friendly Visitors' program by saying, "I think it provided a way for us to connect with each other. We both feel needed and feel like we have someone to share our daily ups and downs with. It's really a blessing."

Holiday Food Baskets

IT'S TIME AGAIN TO HELP THE FOOD PANTRY FILL THE HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS. We need donations of: Stove Top Dressing, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Cut Green Beans, Whole Kernel Corn, Boxed Jell-O, Boxed Pudding Mixes, Fruit Cocktail, Cake Mixes and Frostings. If you want to donate a turkey or ham, please call Mary Poell, 437-2448, or Tina Roth, 584-6466. Any monetary donations may be mailed to 503 N. 5th St, St. Marys, KS 66536. **ALL FOOD DONATIONS NEED TO BE COLLECTED BY DEC. 11th THIS YEAR. THANK YOU** for making the holidays special for those in need.

Marriage Minute ~

It's almost here, but not yet! This 4th Sunday of Advent is so tough for our children. They can hardly wait to open the gifts that are taunting them under the tree. Children can think, "If only I can open those gifts, I would be so happy." Unfortunately, this attitude fails to recognize that happiness is not dependent upon some future event no matter how far or near in the future it lies or how joyous the particular event will be, and Christmas gift opening is pretty joyous!

Happiness is experienced in the present moment. We married couples can sometimes fall into the same trap. We think that some future event will transform our marriage. "If we had more money, we would be happy" (or something similar).

What if we seized the opportunity for a more joyful marriage by giving the gift of marriage enrichment for Christmas? Discover your blueprint for a more joyful marriage at www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com.

Sunday Funny ~ A cop pulls a guy over for weaving across two lanes of traffic. He walks up to the driver's window and asks, "You drinkin'?" The driver said, "Well, that depends—You buyin'?"

Resolve, Renew, Rejoice!! Ticket sales have begun and can be purchased online at ctktopeka.org through Easy Tithe. Easy Tithe is a safe, private, restricted online method to purchase tickets for the 2017 Women's Retreat on January 14, 2017, 8am-1pm at Christ the King Catholic Church, located at 5973 SW 25th St. All women can Resolve, Renew, and Rejoice! after the busy, holiday season while listening to Hallie Lord, hallielord.com. You may find a speaking sample at the following website: <http://hallielord.com/speaking/> Ticket prices are \$20. High school women and college women are admitted free of charge. Questions, please contact Tonya Campbell at 785-221-8652 or Belinda Flynn at 785-845-6805

Community Health Ministry Food Pantry Needs ~ Peanut butter, Jelly, Spaghetti Sauce, Spaghetti or macaroni noodles, plastic grocery bags, canned corn, hot dogs, canned fruit, tuna, mac & cheese, canned meals (stew, spaghetti, etc.), pork & beans.



Immaculate Conception

Finance Council Members:

Kent Francis (Chair.), Jim Mees, Galen Rezac, Chuck Ronnau, and Keith Aubert, Pat Verschelden

Pastoral Council Members:

Gary Roth (Chair), John Simecka, Donna Perry, Claire Pearl, Marty Ronnau, Doyle Pearl, Dennis Miller, John Flanagan and Kevin Fox.

St. Stanislaus

Finance Council Members:

Rod Cowan, (Chair), Kevin Brokaw, Nathan Bergman, Alexis Ebert and Dan Fischer.

Pastoral Council Members:

Lana Biladeau (Chair), Deidre Michael, Calvin Lytle, Mark Wilt, and Phyllis Dolechek.



Knights of Columbus

St. Marys Council #657:

Grand Knight: Keith Aubert

St. Stanislaus Council #10755:

Grand Knight: Calvin Lytle

Feast Days for the Week

Sun.	Dec. 18,	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Mon.	Dec. 19,	Advent Wk Day
Tues.	Dec. 20,	Advent Wk Day
Wed.	Dec. 21,	St. Peter Canisius, Priest, Doctor of the Church
Thurs.	Dec. 22,	Advent Wk Day
Fri.	Dec. 23,	St. John of Kanty, Priest
Sat.	Dec. 24,	Advent Wk Day
Sun.	Dec. 25,	The Nativity of the Lord

Mass With Prayers for Healing ~

To be held at Most Pure Heart of Mary Church, 3601 SW 17th St. on Thurs., Dec. 29th at 7pm. Sponsored by Glory to God Community. Fr. Greg Hammes, pastor at Most Pure Heart, will be our celebrant. Confessions will be offered from 6pm to 6:50pm. Fr. Hammes will also offer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Refreshments following Mass in O'Connor Hall. Questions? Call Allan or Vickie Holthaus 862-9738.

