



Immaculate Conception Parish, St. Marys

Holy Cross Church, Emmett

St. Stanislaus Parish, Delia/Rossville/Silver Lake



New Years Day Mass Schedules

Dec. 31-5pm, Immaculate Conception

7pm, St. Stanislaus

Jan. 1, 2015-8am, St. Stanislaus

11am, Immaculate Conception

Happy New Year, 2015

The Adoration Chapel will reopen at Noon  
this Sunday, Dec. 28th.

The Chapel will not be closed over New  
Years



**Holy Family of Mary and Jesus (Dec. 28, 2014)**

**Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God**

**(Jan. 1, 2015)**

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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 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](http://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 Peg at the office, 437-2408, ext. 8, for further information.

**MARRIAGE**

Please check web for marriage information.

## Weekly Schedule

(Dec. 28 to January 4, 2015)

### The Holy Family

The most wildly diverse family is the one we celebrate this Sunday. The gap between Him and his Mother is greater than the distance between an archangel and a worm. He is God; she is a creature. Likewise, the difference between Mary and her husband is greater than that between any two human beings. She is sinless, conceived without original sin. Joseph, though certainly among the best of men, was like you and me, a sinner.

Compared to the Holy Family, the diversity among our own families is small. But God wants to weld that diversity into a unity. It requires sacrifice—which is another word for love. I know that it is not easy. When you feel down, discouraged, I ask you to say to yourself, “Jesus, Mary and Joseph.” The devil will flee—and you will again be able to face the great challenge: to love, to become family.

For each of us, the future belongs to the plan of God. He made each of us different to do different parts of his work, and to be saints by different paths.

Parents are given the incredible opportunity to assist God in the creation of an immortal soul. As the late Cardinal Mindzenty said, “Even the angels have not been given such a grace.”

Cardinal Mindzenty went on to say: “The most important person on earth is a mother. She cannot claim the honor of having built the Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral—a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby’s body. What is more glorious than this, to be a mother!

Beginning here today, today, right now, may God grant us the courage to be the women and men he created us to be. May God grant us the courage to love.

May the Newborn Savior bless you,

“Jesus, Mary and Joseph, help us all today!”

Sat.	12-27	8:00am	IC	Angie DeDonder Richardson (+)
		5:00pm	IC	Parishioners
		7:00pm	SS	Mathew Gustafson (+)
Sun.	12-28	8:00am	SS	Francis Deters (+)
		11:00am	IC	Loretta Poell (+)
Mon.	12-29	8:00am	IC	Fr. May’s Intention
Tues.	12-30	12:10pm	IC	Mary Harries (+)
Wed.	12-31		<b>IC</b>	<b>No 8am Mass</b>
		5:00pm	IC	William Rogers (+)
		7:00pm	SS	Parishioners
Thurs.	01-01	8:00am	SS	In Thanksgiving
		11:00am	IC	Marj Guerich (+)
Fri.	01-02	8:00am	IC	Diann Northup (+)
		9:30am	SMM	Manor Residents
Sat.	01-03	8:00am	IC	Conrad Hesse (+)
		5:00pm	IC	Al and Lucile Fox (++)
		7:00pm	SS	Mary Cowan
Sun.	01-04	8:00am	SS	Parishioners
		11:00am	IC	Marikay Fox (+)

## Upcoming Events

### The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Adoration Chapel Opens at Noon

9:15am	SS	No CCD
7:00pm	IC	No RCIA
<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>IC</b>	<b>Mass</b>
<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>SS</b>	<b>Mass</b>
6:30pm	IC	No Rel. Ed. Class
7:00pm	SS	No Rosary & Chaplet
7:00pm	SS	No Youth Group Meeting
<b>Offices Closed</b>		
<b>8:00am</b>	<b>SS</b>	<b>Mass</b>
<b>11:00am</b>	<b>IC</b>	<b>Mass</b>
9:30am	SMM	Mass
<b>The Epiphany of the Lord</b>		
9:15am	SS	No CCD

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## Bulletin Deadline

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



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

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

**Main Office Phone Number:** 785-437-2408 Extension

**Pastor:**

**Office Staff:**

**Secretary**

**Bookkeeper**

**IC Religious Education**

**SS Religious Education**

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## Immaculate Conception, St. Marys/Holy Cross, Emmett unity\_general@oct.net

### Dec. 21, Contributions:

Plate-\$199.; Env.-\$2,089. The Needy-\$135.; Christmas Gift-\$500; Catholic Charities-\$10; Retirement for Religious-\$160; Immaculate Conception-\$25. Total-\$3,118.

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

### Front Entrance Renovation Report ~

So far the pledge to date is: \$47,110  
Payments to date: \$40,281.04.

**Budget Options:** There have been questions about how much each of the options would cost. Both options are \$150,000.00. If you have questions, please call Kent Francis.

**St. Marys Manor Mass—Time Change ~** Fridays, 9:30am when the Manor turn comes up. Please watch the bulletin.

**Please Pray** for the repose of the soul of Theola Bearman, sister of Rita Muckenthaler. May her soul rest in peace.

### IC Confirmation Info ~

Our confirmation class is reading the Book of Matthew for Advent (28 chapters in 24 days). In solidarity with our students, would you please consider reading along with them and sending prayers their way.



**Christmas Flowers ~** Put money for Memorial Christmas Flowers in the collection or drop it by the rectory. Be sure and put who it is in memory of.

**Harvesters ~** The December Harvesters Rural Mobile Food Distribution will be the 31st instead of the 24th due to Christmas.

**Found ~** Cell phone charger found in the parking lot of Immaculate Conception. Call rectory, 437-2408 to claim.

**A Big Thank You** to the Religious Ed. students, their families, the teachers and faculty for the food collected for the Food Pantry. We had over 50 Christmas Food Basket recipients. You have truly shown the Lights of Christ in your giving. May we continue to take care of and pray for each other, not only at Christmas, but ALWAYS.

**Jesse Tree Thank You ~** Thank you parishioners for providing gifts for the Jesse Tree. Special thanks to Karen and Skip Keller and Jane and Dick Elliott for wrapping toys; Tom Walsh and Don Wiltz for helping to distribute the gifts, and our Youth Group for delivering gifts to the shut-ins and Manor residents. We provided gifts for 38 families.

**Carol and Judy**

**Thank You ~** to Tim DeDonder for the donation of the beautiful outside Nativity Scene that is in Father Ray's front yard.

**Pastoral Council Winners ~** The pastoral council winners are Gary Roth, Dennis Miller, John Flanagan, Marty Ronnau, Claire Pearl, Donna Perry, John Simecka, Kevin Fox and Doyle Pearl. Thank you very much to all agreed to run on the pastoral council ballot.

**Thank You ~** The St. Marys Community Food Pantry would like to thank everyone for your generous donations of hams, turkeys, food and money to help fill the holiday food baskets. Your gifts provided a Christmas meal for 49 families. God Bless you for making the holidays brighter for others.

**Thank You ~** to ALL who helped decorate our church last Sunday. Your time and talent in making our church beautiful for Christmas is very much appreciated.

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

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### Dec. 21, Collection:

Plate & Envelopes-\$1,614; Rel. Retirement-\$20; Catholic Charities-\$50; Total-\$1,684.

**Bldg. Fund-\$901.**

**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.)

**A Special Thank You** to all the parishioners who purchased gifts, donated food or money towards the Jesse Tree. Our families are so grateful for the generosity shown by all of you.

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program** is in need of a child's wooden table with 2 chairs. We also need the help of those gifted with woodworking talent for various projects. If you can help, please contact Tonia at 785-640-6783.



**Christmas Flowers ~** Forms to reserve a Poinsettia in memory of a loved one for the Christmas service's are located on the table in the entry of the church.

**CCD Classes** will begin again on Jan. 10th Enjoy a Blessed Christmas Season.



### Virtus "Protecting God's Children" ~

Any adult or youth 16 years of age or older must have attended the mandatory Virtus program for the Archdiocese and filled out the necessary papers before they volunteer working with children. Thanks to the many who attended our session on Oct. 19th. If you were unable to attend this session and wish to attend one, you can log on to [www.archkck.org](http://www.archkck.org) and locate on the right hand side of the screen, the Kansas City, KS sessions held in North East Kansas Parishes. Before Dec. 31st of each year all students will be shown an age appropriate film on child protection given thru the CCD program. Parents not wanting their children to view the film are given an opportunity to "Opt Out". Forms are obtained at the Rel. Ed. Office.

**K of C Free Throw Contest ~**The Knights of Columbus will hold their free throw contest on January 18th at Silver Lake Grade School at 1pm. Any boy or girl age 9 thru 14 is eligible. The entry forms are in back of church.

## 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 <b>SS</b> --Colette Peel (584-6612); for <b>IC</b> --e-mail to <a href="mailto:unity_general@oct.net">unity_general@oct.net</a> ; or for <b>HC</b> --Galen Rezac (535-2482).
Prayer Chain Coord.:	<b>Holy Cross</b> -Janet Wehrly (535-8021), <b>St. Stanislaus</b> -Darlene Berry (584-6258), <b>Immaculate Conception</b> -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., 3-4pm;
- ✠ Tues., 2-3am
- ✠ Wed., 12am-1am Alternating; 3-4am; 11am-12pm
- ✠ Thurs., 5-6pm
- ✠ Fri., (10-11am Temporary)
- ✠ Sat., 4-5am; 12 Noon-1pm; (6-7pm Temporary); 7pm-8pm; 9-10pm

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

**Teen Encounter Christ Retreat ~**

We are accepting registrations for TEC, Teen Encounter Christ Retreat. 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](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
- Bernice Roth-Healing of a Broken Hip

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**Holy Humor**

“Somebody has said there are only two kinds of people in the world. There are those who wake up in the morning and say, “Good morning, Lord,” and there are those who wake up in the morning and say, “Good Lord, it’s morning.”

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**The Holy Family**

**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. We really need help with these hours!!**

~RCIA ~ No Class on Dec. 30th.

**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.

**“Give to Those Who Have Given a Lifetime” ~** This weekend a special collection will be taken for retired religious in the US. Although religious sisters and brothers may serve in a diocese, they are self-supporting. Many religious orders do not have enough working members to support the medical care of their older members. Your contribution will go into a national fund from which 93 cents of every dollar is given in grants to religious communities that request assistance. Money goes for direct elder care and to help orders learn strategies for retirement fund planning and fund raising so they can better provide for their future needs. Thank those who have given a lifetime by using your special envelope to make a small donation.

**Catholic Charities ~**

Every year, the migrant and refugee program offers assistance to more than 600 refugees in Wyandotte and Johnson Counties, including approximately 300 refugees arriving directly from overseas. These refugees arrive with little more than the clothes on their backs and significant needs: housing, employment, and education, as well as social and emotional support. Working with Catholic Charities’ staff, these refugees strive to acclimate to the United States, obtain employment and have the opportunity to raise their families without fear of persecution. In the past year, refugees from Burma, Burundi, Somalia, Bhutan, Iraq and Sudan find employment, largely in meatpacking, warehouses or the service industry. Please be as generous as possible with your donation.



**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.,	Dec., 28,	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Mon.,	Dec., 29,	Fifth Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
Tues.,	Dec., 30,	Sixth Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
Wed.	Dec., 31,	Seventh Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
Thurs.,	Jan., 01,	The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother
Fri.	Jan., 02,	Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
Sat.,	Jan., 03,	The Most Holy Name of Jesus
Sun.,	Jan., 04,	The Epiphany of the Lord

**Parishes’ Wedding Policy Available On-Line:** The parish wedding policies for Immaculate Conception and St. Stanislaus churches are available to view/print at: [www.immaculateconceptionstmarys.com](http://www.immaculateconceptionstmarys.com)

**Natural Family Planning Classes ~**

This New Year, resolve to drop the burden of contraception and embrace the freedom of Natural Family Planning! Classes in the Sympto-Thermal Method of NFP are offered in Topeka for a reasonable course fee beginning Sun., Jan. 18th at 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, including the location of this class. Online registration required at [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org). Learn more at [nfptopeka.blogspot.com](http://nfptopeka.blogspot.com)

