



Immaculate Conception Parish, St. Marys

Holy Cross Church, Emmett

St. Stanislaus Parish, Delia/Rossville/Silver Lake

2011 Advent Penance Services

Sunday, Dec. 11, 3:00pm ~ St. Stanislaus, Rossville

Sunday, Dec. 11, 7:00pm ~ Immaculate Conception, St. Marys

Sunday, Dec. 11, 7:00pm ~ Mother Teresa, North Topeka

Saturday, Dec. 17, 9:30am ~ Most Pure Heart of Mary, Topeka

Sunday, Dec. 19, 3:00pm ~ St. Thomas More, Manhattan

(No confessions at Immaculate Conception on Christmas Eve)



2011 Christmas Mass Schedule

Saturday, Dec. 24th, 6:00pm ~ St. Stanislaus

Saturday, Dec. 24th, 6:00pm ~ Immaculate Conception

Saturday, Dec. 24, Midnight ~ Immaculate Conception

Sunday, Dec. 25th, 7:00am ~ Holy Cross

Sunday, Dec. 25th, 9:00am ~ St. Stanislaus



Third Sunday of Advent

December 11, 2011

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm – Immaculate Conception
7:00pm—St. Stanislaus
Sunday 7:00am – Holy Cross
9:00am – St. Stanislaus
11:00am – Immaculate Conception

Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday – Thursday 8:00am – Immaculate Conception
Alternate Fridays 9:00am—Rossville Valley Manor
9:00am—St. Marys Manor

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION Saturdays 3:15pm – Immaculate Conception
Sundays 6:20am – Holy Cross (1st Sunday of the month only)
8:30am—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.

How Do I Go To Confession???

*Reflect on your actions since your last Confession. An Examination of Conscience, located at the back of the Church, is a helpful way to be able to reflect and to prepare.

*Enter the confessional and either kneel behind the screen or be seated across from the priest. Father will lead you in the sign of the Cross.

*You then say, "**Bless me Father for I have sinned. It has been ___ (amount of time) since my last confession. These are my sins: ___ (name the sins & approximate number of times committed).**"

*After you have completed confessing your sins, Father may give words of counsel. He will then assign a penance. He will ask you to say your Act of Contrition.

Act of Contrition (one example)

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.

**In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good,
I have sinned against you whom I should love
above all things.**

**I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to
sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to
sin.**

Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us.

In his name, my God, have mercy.

*Father will pray the prayer of Absolution... absolving you from your sins. Usually, Father will end with "Your sins are forgiven. Go in peace." You respond, "**Thanks be to God!**" Then go and complete your penance as applicable.

**Rejoice in being forgiven of your sins
through God's grace in the Sacrament of
Penance!**

Weekly Schedule

(Dec. 11 thru Dec. 18)

Sat.	12-10	5:00pm	IC	Cecilia Schumaker (+)
		7:00pm	SS	Jack Bronaugh (+)
Sun.	12-11	7:00am	HC	Agnes Rezac (+)
		9:00am	SS	Ronda Muller (+)
		11:00am	IC	Parishioners
Mon.	12-12	8:00am	IC	No Mass
Tues.,	12-13	8:00am	IC	Arnold & Mary Oestmann (++)
Wed.,	12-14	8:00am	IC	Sp. Int. for IC Sacristans
Thurs.	12-15	8:00am	IC	Eric Hinterweger (+)
Fri.	12-16	9:00am	RVM	Mary Anne Pfannenstiel (+)
Sat.	12-17	5:00pm	IC	Bobby Flanagan
		7:00pm	SS	Eileen St. Louis (+)
Sun.	12-18	7:00am	HC	Ed DeVader (+)
		9:00am	SS	Parishioners
		11:00am	IC	Kristen Morford (+)



Upcoming Events

Sun.	12-11	Third Sunday of Advent		
		10:00am	SS	Religious Education
		3:00pm	SS	Penance Service
		7:00pm	IC	Penance Service
Mon.	12-12	8:00am	IC	No Mass
Tues.	12-13	7:00pm	IC	RCIA
Weds.	12-14	6:30pm	IC	IC/HC Rel. Ed. Class
		6:30pm	IC	Rel. Ed. Penance Service
		7:00pm	SS	Rosary/Chaplet
Fri.	12-16	9:00am	RVM	Mass
Sun.	12-18	Fourth Sunday of Advent		
		10:00am	SS	Religious Education
		10:30am	IC	K of C Rosary
		5:00pm	IC	Jr. High Youth Group

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

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H.C. Cleaners: Dec. 11:Janet Wehrly
H.C. Sacristan: Dec. 18, Karen
Keller

Collection for IC / HC:

Dec. 4: Plate-\$235; Env.-\$4,208;
Christmas Gift-\$25; Holy Day-
\$185.Total-\$4,653.

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

Jesse Tree ~ Please take a tag from the Jesse Tree and wrap your gift. Attach the white tag on the outside of your gift. WE NEED YOUR GIFT RETURNED TO THE JESSE TREE BY DECEMBER 11th. So far we are helping 58 families. If you have questions, call Judy Lundin, 785-584-6447 or Carol Vande Velde, 785-584-6309.

Thank You from Food Pantry-check
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IC Social Concerns will provide Christmas for the needy in our area. Last year 47 families were served. Based on the number of families the Food Pantry is now serving, we are anticipating an increase in the number of families that will need assistance. If you would like to adopt a family please call Judy Lundin at 785-584-6447 or Carol Vande Velde at 785-584-6309. Checks for a monetary donation should be made payable to IC Social Concerns and put in the collection basket.

***Holy Cross Christmas Flowers** ~ Envelopes are in the back of the church for Christmas Memorials. Poinsettias are \$10 each. The money is due by Sunday, Dec. 18th.

***Immaculate Conception Christmas Flowers** ~ Please drop your money off at the office, or put the name of your loved one and money in the collection basket.

Holy Cross Christmas Donations ~ There is a basket in the back of the church for our annual giving fund. Please take a tag if you would like to help out our Food Pantry. The need for food has greatly increased in our present economy.

Decorating of Immaculate Conception Church for Christmas ~ On December 18th, after the 11:00am Mass, we will decorate Immaculate Conception Church for Christmas. Remember, many hands will make light work!

St. Stanislaus, Rossville / Silver Lake/Delia

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Collection for St. Stanislaus:
Dec. 4: Plate-\$109; Env.-\$1,334;
Holy Day-\$10.; Leaven-\$18;
Camp for Human Dev.-\$5. Total-
\$1,476.

Bldg. Pledge Drive-\$6,884.93.
Alum. Cans-\$35.50; Abundant
Blessings-\$160; Cookbooks-
\$1,053.

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.)



Jesse Tree ~ Tags are available with suggested gift items for the families we are adopting. All gifts need to be wrapped with the tags attached and dropped off by Sunday morning the 18th.



Christmas Flowers ~ Forms for a memorial Poinsettia are located on the table at the back of church. Please drop the money and the form in an envelope marked "Flowers" in the collection basket by Dec. 18th.



Adult Choir ~ The adult choir began practice for Christmas on Monday, Nov. 28th at 6:30pm. New members are most welcome to join.

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 Tina Schindler & Reid Downey (IC and HC), or Shelly Buhler (SS) 785.584.6617
 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: 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).

**WILL YOU PLEASE
HELP?**



**Adorers of the Holy
Eucharist:**

- ✠ Sun., 1-2am; 2-3am (alternate) 4-5am; 8-9am; 11am-Noon; 4-5pm.
- ✠ Tues. 12-1am; 1-2am,
- ✠ Wed. 2-3am; 10-11pm
- ✠ Fri., 12 Midnight-1am.; 8-9pm
- ✠ Sat., 12-1am (alternate); 3-4am; 4-5pm; 5-6pm; 7-8pm;

Please call Mary Ellen (437-6163) or Mary Alice (437-2408).

Feast Days for the Week

- Sun., Dec. 11, Third Sunday of Advent
- Mon., Dec. 12, Our Lady of Guadalupe
- Tues., Dec. 13, St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr.
- Weds., Dec. 14, St. John the Cross
- Thurs., Dec. 15, Advent Week Day
- Fri., Dec. 16, Advent Week Day
- Sat., Dec. 17, Advent Week Day

Time For Housecleaning???

Little Johnny was coming home from church one Sunday morning with his mother. His mother noticed that he had a very serious look on his face.

“What’s on your mind, Johnny?” she asked.

“Is it true what Father said about us all coming from dust and turning back to dust?”

“Yes, it is, Johnny,” she said. “Why do you ask?”

“Well, when we get home,” he answered, “You better look under my bed, because someone’s either comin’ or goin’!”

RCIA ~ 7pm Monday, Dec. 13th, Topic: Communion of the Saints.

Thank You ~ to the 5th grade religious education class and their teachers for the \$355 donated to the St. Marys Community Food pantry from their bake sale. Thanks, also, to everyone who patronized the sale. We would also like to thank the IC/HC religious education students and teachers for the large quantity of food donated to the pantry. All of your generous efforts are a blessing to the families served at the pantry.

Indian Taco Supper ~ Dec.

16th at Rossville Jr/Sr High School. Serving from 4:30pm to 8pm. Carry Out Available. Sponsored by: Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Delia. Items are Indian Tacos, Chili, Baked Goods, Tea/Water.

Quo Vadis Retreat ~ Quo

Vadis is a short, challenging retreat held from 8pm, Jan. 1st, to 11am, January 3rd, which helps men ages 18-35 discern their ultimate purpose and vocation in life through a focused look at the Catholic priesthood. Men open to the priesthood are invited to listen to the vocational calls of the Archbishop, vocation director and seminarians. Retreat is free for those who make application before Dec. 21st. Activities include Mass and full Catholic devotions within the Christmas season, a short pilgrimage to the Cathedral, small group discussion and recreation. Registration and more info at www.kckvocations.com



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!

March For Life ~

The March for Life has taken place every year since the first anniversary of Roe V. Wade on January 22, 1974. For those who desire to go to D.C. in January, the deadline is nearing for making the commitment. The cost of the trip is \$530 for 2 in a room, and \$390 for 4 in a room. If interested, please contact Bob Dorst at 272-8673 or 246-1338. The deadline was Oct. 28 for the \$100 registration fee.

Why Should We Put Money in an Endowment Instead of Savings?

To allow donors to leave a legacy gift that will be felt for generations; to create strengthened financial viability for the parish into the future; to plan for increased operation expenses and to protect the assets.

Retirement Fund for

Religious ~ This collection will be taken this weekend. Please be as generous as possible.

