

## Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time — November 15, 2009

### NOTES FROM THE PASTOR:

It is the cold and flu season again. As I understand it, several churches around the area have already suspended the sign of peace. I don't think we need to go quite that far, at least not yet. I would urge people to take up the practice that we took up last year. At the sign of peace, **instead of shaking hands, simply turn toward a person and make an obvious bow** (in other words not just a quick nod of the head). If you are one who prefers to shake hands but the person next to you offers a bow instead, please accept this as a sign of peace and offer them a bow in return. You never know; they might have a slight sniffle or some mild body aches and are not sure if they might be coming down with the flu. They are actually trying to protect you from themselves.

I think most adults understand these precautions; it is the small children who sometimes don't understand why that person wouldn't shake their hand. Parents, please talk with your small children about this before you come to Mass. Explain to them that if a person does not extend a hand to them at the sign of peace, it is not because they are mean or don't like them. They just do not want to pass on a cold or flu bug they might be carrying.

Thank you for your understanding and let us continue to pray for one another, especially the sick.

Peace & Prayers: Fr. Kevin

### Immaculate Heart of Mary Weekly Planner: November 16 — 22, 2009

Date	Mass Times and Intentions	Mass Readings	Parish Events
Monday 16	6:45 a.m. L/D Leon Herrman  <b>Rosary Group Intention of the Week:</b> For all our Seminarians and for those discerning a vocation to the Religious life	1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 Lk 18:35-43	<b>JWJ Classes:</b> 6:30 p
Tuesday 17	8:00 a.m. + Bernice Klaus	2 Mc 6:18-31 Lk 19:1-10	<b>RCIA:</b> 7 p in the Parish Office
Wednesday 18	6:45 a.m. + Ignatius Gross 6:30 p.m. + Frances Schmeidler	2 Mc 7:1, 20-31 Lk 19:11-28	<b>Faith Formation: 6:30-8:00 p</b> <b>Conf. Prep I-Banner Making</b> <b>CYO:</b> ROC session in the Activity Center.
Thursday 19	8:00 a.m. + Kenneth Dinkel	1 Mc 2:15-29 Lk 19:41-44	<b>Weekly Music Practice:</b> 6:30 p <b>Special Advent Practice:</b> 7:15 p Please use south door in church.
Friday 20	6:45 a.m. + Diane McAfee	1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59 Lk 19:45-48	
Saturday 21	3:00 p.m. Britz / Unrein Wedding 5:00 p.m. L/D Edwin H. Wasinger Family	1 Mc 6:1-13 Lk 20:27-40	
<b>Sunday 22</b> <b>Our Lord Jesus</b> <b>Christ the King</b>	8:00 a.m. L/D Al Berens Family 10:00 a.m. + Alvin Leiker 12:00 p.m. People of the Parish	Dn 7:13-14 Rv 1:5-8 Jn 18:33b-37	<b>Wee Words:</b> During the 8 and 10 a masses.

*Visitors: We are happy to worship and share our spiritual lives with you.  
Please register in the Parish Office if you would like to join our Parish family.*

## Stewardship in Our Parish: Sharing Your Time, Talent, and Treasure

<i>Liturgical Ministers</i>	<b>November 21 Saturday 5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>November 22 Sunday 8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>November 22 Sunday 10:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Music Ministers</b>	<b>Cantor:</b> Shawn Demuth <b>Accompanist:</b> Debbie Klaus	<b>Cantor:</b> Bob Dreiling and Dan Leis <b>Accompanist:</b> Linda Lang	<b>Cantor:</b> Gwen Staab and Katrina Staab <b>Accompanist:</b> Billie Jacobs
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Mason Choitz Morgan Choitz Taylor Rueschhoff	Kendrick Basgall Brianna Haselhorst Kolby Haselhorst	Rebecca Channell Heidi Gottschalk Megan Gottschalk
<b>Readers</b>	Gary Wentling Shelley Bryant	Sherrill Ruda Dean Haselhorst	Debby Pfeifer Chris Channell
<b>Gift Bearers</b>	Charles and Lois Albers	Kelly Malleck	Agnes Leiker
<b>EMs</b>	Dave Dunn Joan Dunn Lorena Flesher Sandra Herrman John Patriarca Jane Younger Deacon Tom	Julie Haselhorst Nick Leis Vali Leis Bill Meagher Suzie Nehls Elaine Pfannenstiel Deacon Tom	Gilbert Brungardt Lorraine Brungardt Ted Nowak Tina Nowak Lynette Pfannenstiel Shelton Renz Deacon Tom

### Weekly Budget for 2009-2010: \$28,223.89

Adult Envelopes	26,278.00
All Saints Day	966.00
All Souls Day	160.00
Loose Plate	1,098.75
Children's Envelopes	19.97
<b>Total Giving</b>	<b>28,522.72</b>

#### Fiscal Year July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010

Budgeted offertory as of Sept. 30, 2009	\$ 366,910.45
Actual tithing total as of Sept. 30, 2009	\$ 327,146.33
Fiscal Year Collections on Sept 30- behind	\$ (39,764.12)

<b>Building Fund Donations: 2nd Collection</b>	<b>\$ 617.40</b>
<b>Amount Borrowed for New Church to date:</b>	<b>\$ 825,000.00</b>

### *Money Counters for the Upcoming Weeks*

#### **November 22nd and 29th**

Richard & Pam Windholz and Ed & Deborah Rempe

#### **December 6th and 13th**

Donald & Geraldine Larson and  
Richard & Mallone Normandin

#### *Bulletin Helpers for November 19*

Tina Heier and Sandra Herrman

**Please notify the parish office if you are planning on moving or need to change your registration information. This will help us save money on postage for returned church mail-outs and envelopes.**

## Sunday Readings

**First Reading:** The first reading from Daniel says that at the end of all things, the good will awaken to everlasting life while others will find themselves in a state of horror and disgrace. The reading begins in terror, with "a time unsurpassed in distress," but it ends in hope, for the wise and the just will shine like stars.

**Second Reading:** The letter to the Hebrews continues to show Jesus as the great high priest, whose sacrifice has fulfilled all others, once and for all. With one sacrifice, Jesus has "made perfect forever those who are being consecrated." Now, with us, He awaits the end times, when "his enemies are made his footstool."

**Gospel:** Jesus begins today's Gospel with very powerful images. From perilous sights like the sun, moon, and stars darkening, He turns to the humble image of the fig tree. When we see shoots forming and leaves sprouting, we all know that summer is on its way. In the same way, the end times will be signaled by clear signs. Even Jesus cannot tell when that will be: only the Father knows. The purpose of these vivid descriptions is not to terrify the followers of Jesus into good behavior, but to rekindle the fervor of disciples who, expecting Jesus to come at once, grow weary of waiting. Every time we pray "thy Kingdom come," we should ask ourselves if we are ready for it.

## Faith Formation

### Youth Faith Formation

- ◆ **November 18th—Confirmation Prep. I (7th gr.)**  
**Make Liturgical Banners in Activity Center**  
**6:30 p.m. Parents meet in Activity Center**  
**Students meet in classrooms**
- ◆ **November 25th—Thanksgiving Break-NO CLASSES**
- ◆ **December 2nd—Conf. Prep. II (8th gr.) Parents and/or**  
**Sponsor asked to join student in class.**  
**-1st Reconciliation Students Books are due**
- ◆ **December 6th—Confirmation Prep II (8th gr.)—2nd**  
**Presentation to the Parish-Signing of the Book-**  
**10:00 a.m. Mass**
- ◆ **December 9th—Reconciliation 6A & 6B**
- ◆ **December 13th—Sunday, 1st Reconciliation 3:00 p.m.**
- ◆ **December 16th—Advent/Christmas Prayer—Living**  
**Nativity by 3rd grade.**



### Question of the Week

Did you know the world is going to end in 2012? Well, at least that's what a Mayan calendar supposedly says. (There's even a movie based on it). The world was also going to end in 2000...and 1000. The Seventh Day Adventists began with William Miller predicting the world would end in 1844. Hundreds of cults have been formed based on predictions of the end of the world. In the late 1600s, nearly 20 thousand Russians burned themselves to avoid the trials of the end times, which were supposedly imminent.

The first reading and the Gospel this week also talk about the end times, when Christ will come again in glory. Jesus talks about His return (and the Church includes these readings) to spur us not to fear or the self-violence that accompanies so many doomsday cults, but to hope and self-renewal. We need a reminder that this life is not our end, that we are on a journey to something much greater. We get so busy with our daily lives, that we forget that there is something more. We get so complacent in our sins that we forget that there is a judgment coming. We lose focus, and we need to get it back. We continuously need to strive to follow Christ more fully: to turn away from sin and selfishness and toward God and love.

*Question of the week for adults:*

**What do I need to change in my own life to be ready for Christ's return?**

*Question of the week for children:*

**If I knew Christ was coming back tomorrow, would I act any different today?**

### IHM CYO

**Nov. 18th-7:30 p.m.**-ROC session in the A.C. @ IHM  
**Nov. 19th-8:00 a.m.**-Meet in St. Nick's parking lot to load bus and depart for NCYC at 8:30. Return at 1:00 p.m. on the 22nd.

**Nov. 25th-7:30 p.m.**-Activity Night in the A.C. @ IHM

**Nov. 26th-HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

**Dec. 2nd-7:30 p.m.**-CYO mtg. in the A.C. @ IHM

**Dec. 9th-7:30 p.m.**-ROC session in the A.C. @ IHM

**Dec. 16th-6:30 p.m.**-ROC session in the A.C. @ IHM

The 7th & 8th grade RE students will join us for an Advent Liturgy!

### IHM JR. CYO

**Nov. 22nd-7:00 p.m.**-November activity night! We will have some fun and games and we will also plan a major upcoming service project benefitting the new church! Please bring a canned food item for the Community Assistance Center!

**Dec. 19th-6:30-9:30 p.m.**-Drive by prayers and service activity!

Jr. CYO will meet in the Little Theatre before going out to various locations in Hays to pray for people in need. Following the prayers, we will return to the Little Theatre for hot chocolate and to make Christmas cards for the homebound of our parish. If you know someone in our community in need of prayers, please call the youth office with their name, address, and prayer needs. Prayers can be to ask God for comfort for those suffering from illness, stressful situations, loss of loved ones, and also to thank God for joyous things such as new life, upcoming weddings, etc.

### "Answering the Call"

*"God, come to my assistance, Lord make haste to help me."*  
*These are the opening words to every Liturgy of the Hours prayer. Liturgy of the Hours consists of seven different prayers throughout the day, including morning, daytime, evening, and night prayer. All priests, monks, and religious lay people all over the world are required to say as many of these prayers as possible each and every day. Liturgy of the Hours prayers are also known as prayers for the people and because they are said at different times during the day all around the world there is no moment in time when the people of the church are not being pray for. These prayers are not just for priests and such, they are all the people of the church to participate in so with that in mind the CYO holds night prayer every first Wednesday of the month at 8:15 in church and again every night the week of Dec. 13th at 9:30 p.m. in church. I encourage all of you to join us for these prayers and to go out and get a Christian Prayer book so you can pray all the prayers daily and discover the power of prayer in your life. Michelle Harris, PR*

## Parish and Community Announcements

### The winners of the drawing at the Soup Supper are:


\$200 - Cyrilla Brungardt      \$150 - Thomas Hoffman  
\$100 - Erika Karlin          \$50 - Janice Collins  
Rosary - T J Sander          Quilt - Wilma Braun  
\$50 Gift card to Messenger -Rory Moore  
\$100 Gift Card to Warren's - Jolene Whitehair  
\$100 Gift Card to Warren's - Donnetta Robben  
Wall Hanging Rosary - Joan Heier  
Inspirational Art - Marcia Pfeifer  
Tupperware Storage Set - Kathy Meier

Thank you to all who donated items, to the many volunteers, and to anyone who helped in any way. Thank you to those who attended and participated.

### Thanksgiving Food Blessing


You are invited to bring your Thanksgiving dinner items, such as bread and/ or wine to the Thanksgiving Mass for a blessing during the liturgy. Place them in front of the altar when you arrive. After Mass, pick up your item(s) to take back home to your family meal.

### Advent Retreat

 "In a world that is often too noisy, that encourages neither recollection nor listening to God's voice, we are in such deep need of [silence]. During this season of preparation for Christmas, let us cultivate inner recollection in order to welcome and cherish Jesus in our own lives."

—Pope Benedict XVI

Immaculate Heart of Mary will be hosting an **Advent Retreat the afternoon of Saturday, December 4th**. Join us as we prepare our hearts and minds to receive our Lord anew in the coming Christmas season.

 **If you would like to donate to the Immaculate Heart of Mary's poinsettia fund**, place your contribution in a regular envelope marked for this purpose and drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the parish office. If you want to make this donation in memory of someone, kindly do so by **Wednesday, December 16th**. Thank you for helping to beautify our worship space this Christmas season.

Please call Sr. Mary at the Parish office if you or a loved one are homebound or hospitalized and wish to receive the Eucharist. Under restrictive HIPPA laws, this information is not available to us.

Thank you to all of those who remembered me on Priest Appreciation Day. I enjoyed the visits and reading the wonderful messages written in the cards that I received. May God bless you all and I will remember you in my prayers.  
**-Fr. Carl Kramer**

**IHM will be hosting a blood drive on Friday, November 27th.** The Red Cross will be in charge of this project. Please consider becoming a blood donor, as a person never knows when a loved one may need blood. We have many open appointment times available. Regal audio-video of Hays is giving away a 32" Flat Screen TV. Anyone signing up to donate blood will have a chance to win! Please call Sister Mary at 625-7339 to schedule an appointment. Your help is appreciated.



### Training for New Eucharistic Ministers Monday, November 16 at 7:00 PM - in church

We need to know if you plan to attend! This may be the only training held for a few months. PLEASE "RSVP" to Billie in the parish office by noon November 16th.



### Cantors and Accompanists: Advent Extra Practices

Thursday, November 19th  
Tuesday, November 24th,  
Both at 7:15 PM in church



These immediately follow the weekly music minister group practice. To schedule an individual appointment, contact Billie Jacobs in the parish office

### Midnight Mass Seasonal Choir Practice Schedule:

Tuesday, December 1st  
Thursday, December 3rd (L.T.)  
Thursday, December 10th (L.T.)  
Thursday, December 17th  
Tuesday, December 22nd



- **All at 7:30 p.m. in church unless otherwise noted (use south door)**
- **Each practice will last from 1- 1&1/2 hours**
- **Open to all ages and anyone interested**
- **Vocalists and Instrumentalists Needed!**

**The Perpetual Adoration Chapel** has the following holy hours to be filled: **Tuesdays at 3:00 a.m., Wednesdays at 1:00 a.m. & 3:00 a.m., and Saturdays at 6:00 p.m.** If you can fill one of these hours, call Lil at 625-7474 or Bob Feauto at 628-1429.

**If you or your loved ones need prayers**, call Pat at 628-1138 or Lil at 625-7474.

## Parish and Community Announcements



**St. John Vianney, pray for our priests and seminarians.** You are invited to join us for the Rosary each morning at 7:15 a.m. (after 6:45 Mass) at Immaculate Heart of Mary church.

**Daughters of Isabella** are sponsoring a "Candy Booth" at the St. Joseph's Thanksgiving Bazaar, Sunday, November 22. Members can bring candy after 9:00 AM to the Kennedy Gym.

### St. Ann's Altar Society

#### Annual Thanksgiving Dinner and Raffle

- November 15th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- St. Joseph's Parish Hall Basement, Liebenthal, KS
- Adults—\$7.00, and Children 10 and under—\$3.50
- Raffle tickets can be purchased at the door

### Vocations

"He is able for all time to save those who approach God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them." Are you being called to help others approach the mercy of God as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Jarett Konrade (785) 827-8746, or write: vocations@salinadiocese.org

### Cup a Joe

- **Join us for free homemade cinnamon rolls** on Sunday, November 15 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. **Come through the main door of the Parish Service Center and use the inside staircase.** We will show the movie Interrupted Lives from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- **Tuesday, November 17** – Surprise Movie Night from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Come and see what it is.
- **Tuesday, November 24** – Join us for another opportunity to see Interrupted Lives from 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.



### Food Bingo

Fraternal Order of Eagles #3061  
Sunday, Nov. 22 at 1:30 p.m.  
Eagles Lodge 121 E. 8th St.  
Everyone is Welcome

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual United Way of Ellis County Online Auction

Nov 16<sup>th</sup> – Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> you'll have the chance to bid on a great selection of local merchandise and gift certificates.

Get ready to get while you give, and support your local United Way during the annual online auction.

Visit [www.liveunited.us](http://www.liveunited.us) for link to the auction.

All proceeds go directly to the UW of Ellis County.



### Harlem Globetravelers!

Lamont "Showboat" Robinson and his Harlem Globetravelers will be visiting Hays on **Sunday, November 15th!** The Heartland parishes' CYO units are sponsoring the event in an effort to raise money for travel to and from NCYC and summer mission expenses. Come out on the 15th for good, wholesome entertainment.

### CCHD Collection

For nearly 40 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) has embodied Catholic social teaching through pursuing justice and upholding the dignity of the human person. CCHD funds community projects led by low-income individuals. As more Americans feel the weight of the economic crisis, CCHD needs your support in next week's Collection more than ever. Thank you for your generosity.

## Catholic School News

### HOLY FAMILY

**Nov. 19th-8:00 a.m.**-Thanksgiving Liturgy. Students will also enjoy Thanksgiving Dinner in the cafeteria today.



**Nov. 19th-7:00 p.m.**-*Fall Musical* for 4th, 5th, & 6th grade students at the TMP-Marian Fine Arts Theatre.

**Nov. 25th-27th**-Happy Thanksgiving! No School!

*Thank you for your continued support of HFE by collecting Box Tops, Campbell Food Product UPC bar codes, Aluminum Cans, McDonald Labels, Cartridges, and Pennies. In support of Ronald McDonald House, we are collecting pop tabs for the Hays High DECA Club. Please turn tabs in to the school office.*

### TMP-MARIAN

**Nov. 25th-29th**-Thanksgiving break

**Nov. 30th**-School resumes

**Dec. 17th**-TMP-Marian Christmas Concert

**Dec. 21st-Jan. 5th**-Christmas Break

**Jan. 6th**-School resumes



### Catholic Schools Week!

Clear your calendars now for the many activities during **Catholic Schools Week January 24th-30th, 2010.** Watch upcoming bulletins or go to the TMP-Marian website to see the schedule of events and activities.

## Heartland Parishes Announcements

### Catholicism in America: The Vision

Jesus' invitation to follow him extends to people of every time and condition. We live in a powerful and wealthy nation. We face many issues as a nation. Our very Christian identity is now in question. Who are we as Catholic individuals, families, and a Church, within this nation? What do we truly value? How should we use our resources? The bishops see and encourage stewardship as a way of strengthening – and healing – each individual, our families, our Catholic Church in America, and the United States. They ask us to respond individually and communally – as a Church – to this challenge.



### The Eucharist, “Medicine of Immortality” Talk – Nov 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>

Vatican Council II called the Eucharist the “source and the summit of the Christian life.” This two-part presentation will discuss and explain, in detail, the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist as taught by Our Lord, the Apostles, Scripture, the Fathers and Doctors, and the Church hierarchy since the earliest days of Christianity. It will be presented by Deacon Mark Roberti as parts I and II on Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup> and Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> respectively at 2:30 P.M., and again at 7:00 P.M., in the Upper Room at Immaculate Heart of Mary. You don't want to miss this talk. Feel free to bring family members, friends, and non-Catholic friends so that they, too, will understand the fullness of the Christian faith.

### First Friday Respect Life Mass, December 4<sup>th</sup>

Please join us for our monthly First Friday Heartland Parishes Respect Life Mass. This is a wonderful opportunity to pray for life, our nation, and that all within our nation and the world would respect life from conception to natural death. Mass begins at 5:30 P.M. at St. Joseph Parish, is preceded by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 4:55, then a Rosary at 5:00.

### 20<sup>th</sup> National Night of Prayer for Life December 8/9

The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Prayer for Life will be the evening of December 8/9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 PM to 1:00 AM. at Immaculate Heart of Mary. Please mark your calendar and join us in prayer for the protection of life from conception to natural death.

### Time is Very Short! Remember your Parish for Year End Giving

The IRS deadline for year-end donations is December 31<sup>st</sup>. Our parish is always in need of financial resources for programs, ministries, repairs and renovations. You may also want to consider assisting our Catholic schools and Catholic Charities. All are noble causes and help us promote and strengthen our Catholic Church. Call Father. For guidance with planning giving questions, contact Mark Roberti 625-7356 soon.

### Religious Materials for the Missions

The Heartland Parishioner who led our ministry in sending religious materials and small articles to the troops in Iraq, has found a Catholic missionary order that seeks such materials to distribute in their mission fields through The Institute of the Incarnate Word, a young religious order that was founded in Argentina in 1984. Described as true to the Faith and joyful in its works, it is a missionary order working in the US, Sudan, Argentina, Brazil, Peru, Italy, & Pakistan. The priests & brothers operate parishes, run orphanages, & teach in seminaries. Visit [www.ivevocations.org](http://www.ivevocations.org) for more information. To help with this ministry you can bring Catholic magazines, pamphlets, booklets, etc., and small sacramental items such as rosaries, chaplets, scapulars, Crucifixes, etc., to the St. Joseph Parish Center.

### Single and Beyond

- **November 18 - Food and Fellowship** - Meet at **Imperial Garden** on the Mall, 6:00 PM. We will be planning December activities so bring ideas.

- **November 21 - Movie Night at Mall Cinema.** Meet at 6:45 PM for 7ish movie of choice.

Single and Beyond is an ecumenical Christian social group for divorced, widowed, single people located in/near Hays, Kansas. Our mission is to provide friendship, support, and understanding to one another. **Please note new email address: [singleandbeyond@gmail.com](mailto:singleandbeyond@gmail.com).** **Contact persons:** Nancy 628-3347, Judy 625-7871.

### Don't Forget the Family Rosary!

The best way to do the Rosary is as a family in your home. The Heartland Parishes also has a family Rosary at the Adoration Chapel each Wednesday evening at 9:00 P.M. The time was originally set so either a mother or father within the family could come to pray for your family, for our families, and for all families, including Catholic evangelization in and through the family. Please come any Wednesday evening you want.