

# Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

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Hours: Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. • Friday 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

## Mass Times

**Monday**  
6:45 a.m.

**Tuesday**  
8:00 a.m.

**Wednesday**  
5:30 p.m.

**Thursday**  
8:00 a.m.  
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

**Friday**  
6:45 a.m.

**Saturday**  
4:00 p.m.

**Sunday**  
8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.  
12:00 p.m. (Spanish) & 6:00 p.m.

## Parish Staff

|                                        |                                                                                                      |
|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Pastor</b>                          | Fr. Nick Parker (Ext. 103)<br><a href="mailto:frparker@ihm-church.com">frparker@ihm-church.com</a>   |
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| <b>Music &amp; Liturgy Coordinator</b> | Jazmin Aguilar<br><a href="mailto:jaguilar@hfehays.org">jaguilar@hfehays.org</a>                     |
| <b>Janitorial</b>                      | Ray Wiesner 785-432-2578                                                                             |
| <b>Deadline for Bulletin Items:</b>    | Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.                                                                                |

## Baptism

Baptismal Preparation class is by appointment only and is required for parents with their first child and inactive Catholics. Please call the parish office for more information.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday at 5:00 p.m., Friday at 12:00 p.m., Saturday at 3:00 p.m., & Sunday at 5:00 p.m. or by scheduled appointment.

## Marriage

Please contact the Pastor at least six months before the wedding to participate in marriage preparation.

## Anointing of the Sick

Please call parish office for appointments.

## Pastoral Council

Bryan Church 785-623-6805

## Finance Council

Eddie Perrett 785-259-3087

## Knights of Columbus

Parish Office 625-7339

## Daughters of Isabella

Judy Brummer 623-8880

## Perpetual Eucharist Adoration Chapel

Brian & Michelle DeWitt 625-2481

## Natural Family Planning

Samantha Baker 785-639-3285

## IHM is a Stewardship Parish

"In this period of crisis today, it is important not to turn in on ourselves, burying our own talent, our spiritual, intellectual, and material riches, everything that the Lord has given us; but, rather to open ourselves, to be supportive, to be attentive to others. Set your stakes on great ideals, the ideals that enlarge the heart, the ideals of service that make your talents fruitful. Life is not given to us to be jealously guarded for ourselves, but is given to us so that we may give it in turn."

- Pope Francis,  
to an audience on April 24, 2013



## Twenty — Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time — Sunday, September 20, 2026



### Weather and Prayers for Crops and Livestock

This week, the weather has finally cooled, and God has given us the blessing of rain! Although we constantly pray that God gives us the gift of favorable weather for our crops and livestock, it is always and most important to thank Him for His gifts. Every drop of moisture is an undeserved gift from our Lord, so we thank Him for everything we receive!

I would like to encourage everyone to continue to thank God for His gifts, as well as continue to pray that He continue to bless us with favorable weather for our crops and livestock, which is really for the good of our community and lives as a whole. Prayers are provided below. In addition, as we approach the fall season, if anyone would like to have seed wheat blessed, please do not hesitate to either bring it to Mass or by the parish office, and one of the priests will be happy to bless it either after Mass in the gathering space or anytime during the week.

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

O God, Source and Giver of all things, Who manifests Your infinite majesty, power and goodness in the earth about us, we give You honor and glory.

For the sun and rain, for the manifold fruits of our fields, for the increase of our herds and flocks we thank You. For the enrichment of our souls with divine grace, we are grateful.

Supreme Lord of the harvest, graciously accept us and the fruits of our toil, in union with Christ Your Son, as atonement for our sins, for the growth of Your Church, for peace and charity in our homes, for salvation to all. Amen.

### Prayer for Rain

O God, in whom we live and move and have our being, grant us sufficient rain, so that, being supplied with what sustains us in this present life, we may seek more confidently what sustains us for eternity. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Fr. Nick Parker, Pastor**

## Immaculate Heart of Mary This Week ( September 21 — 27, 2026 )

| Date                                                                                 | Mass Intentions & Other Church Events                                                                                                                                     | Mass Readings                                |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Monday 21<br><b>St. Matthew, Apostle</b>                                             | 6:45 a.m. † Michael Robert Brown                                                                                                                                          | Eph 4: 1-7, 11-13<br>Mt 9: 9-13              |
| Tuesday 22                                                                           | 8:00 a.m. † Leroy Staab                                                                                                                                                   | Prv 21: 1-6, 10-13<br>Lk 8: 19-21            |
| Wednesday 23<br><b>St. Pius of Pietrelcina</b>                                       | 5:30 p.m. L/D Deacon Dave & Susan Kisner Family                                                                                                                           | Prv 30: 5-9<br>Lk 9: 1-6                     |
| Thursday 24                                                                          | 8:00 a.m. † Vernon Ruder Sr.<br>5:00 p.m. Weekly Reconciliation<br>6:30 p.m. † Jesus Maria Ontiveros Ramirez                                                              | Eccl 1: 2-11<br>Lk 9: 7-9                    |
| Friday 25                                                                            | 6:45 a.m. L/D Fred & Sherrill Ruda Family<br>12:00 p.m. Weekly Reconciliation                                                                                             | Ecl 3: 1-11<br>Lk 9: 18-22                   |
| Saturday 26<br><b>Sts. Cosmos &amp; Damian</b>                                       | 8:00 a.m. Daily Mass for Vocations<br>2:00 p.m. <i>Gomez &amp; Velazquez Wedding</i><br>3:15 p.m. Weekly Reconciliation<br>4:00 p.m. L/D Julius & Florence Koerner Family | Eccl 11: 9-12: 8<br>Lk 9: 43-45              |
| Sunday 27<br><b>Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br><b>Priesthood Sunday</b> | 8:00 a.m. † Gerald A. Arnhold<br>10:00 a.m. † Larry Keil<br>12:00 p.m. People of the Parish<br>5:00 p.m. Weekly Reconciliation<br>6:00 p.m. L/D Tim & Sandee Werth Family | Ez 18: 25-28<br>Phil 2: 1-11<br>Mt 21: 28-32 |

## Stewardship of Treasure

|                                                     |                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Budgeted Weekly Income Fiscal Year 2026-2027</b> | <b>\$ 32,403.85</b> |
| Adult Envelopes                                     | \$ 24,201.17        |
| Offertory Loose Plate                               | \$ 1,313.94         |
| <b>Total Giving weekend of September 13</b>         | <b>\$ 25,515.11</b> |
| <b>For this week the collection <i>behind</i></b>   | <b>\$ 6,888.74</b>  |

### @IHM\_donations

Venmo will now be available for donations for visitors or parishioner donations. You can use Venmo for tithing, candles, or capital campaign.

**venmo**



### Unify, Beautify, Glorify: Capital Campaign

|                                         |              |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------|
| Open Loan Balance with Diocese 9/8/2026 | \$ 1,876,000 |
| Total Open Pledges                      | \$ 216,175   |

*Thank You!*

for supporting the local business  
who advertise in our bulletin!



## Stewardship of Time and Talent

| Liturgical Ministers | September 26<br>Saturday 4:00 p.m.                                                                       | September 27<br>Sunday 8:00 a.m.                                                                                    | September 27<br>Sunday 10:00 a.m.                                                                             |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sacristan</b>     | Francis Jacobs                                                                                           | Pam Windholz                                                                                                        | Lester Robben                                                                                                 |
| <b>Cantors</b>       | Jerry Braun & Monica Watson                                                                              | Bob Dreiling                                                                                                        | Ellie Herl                                                                                                    |
| <b>Accompanist</b>   | Curtis Sander                                                                                            | Bob Dreiling                                                                                                        | Linda Lang                                                                                                    |
| <b>Altar Servers</b> | Aydan Church<br>Anthony Church<br>Ava Bloom<br>Atticus Micek                                             | Lawson Fox<br>Weston Unrein<br>Derrick Rudman<br>Callie Rudman                                                      | Abe Meitner<br>Leo Meitner<br>Mason Rozean<br>Brody LaBarge                                                   |
| <b>Lectors</b>       | Donna Lubbers<br>Melissa Dreiling                                                                        | Glenn Braun<br>Marla Braun                                                                                          | Jennie Helget<br>Linda Becker                                                                                 |
| <b>Gift Bearers</b>  | Karen Bieker Family                                                                                      | Bernadette Arnhold Family                                                                                           | Zachariah & Tiffany Albrecht Fam                                                                              |
| <b>Wee Words</b>     |                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                     | Jennie Helget                                                                                                 |
| <b>EMEs</b>          | Amy Church<br>John Patriarca<br>Francis Jacobs<br>Bryan Church<br>Lora Hess<br>Joan Dunn<br>Brad Stramel | Lindsey Fox<br>Sarah Rudman<br>Carol Brull<br>Josh Schroeder<br>Virginia Linenberger<br>Lavonne Finck<br>Chase Berg | Chad Meitner<br>Jessica Seib<br>Gregory Seiler<br>Kris Harris<br>Tammy Klaus<br>Ernie Klaus<br>Lori Applehans |
| <b>Greeters</b>      | Bryan & Amy Church Family<br>Janelle Pfannenstiel/Shirley Scoby                                          | James & Anne Marie Brull<br>Ron & Elaine Adams                                                                      | Nathan & Jessa Zimmerman Fam<br>Darryl & Deanna Wellbrock                                                     |
| <b>Money Count</b>   | September 27, 2026                                                                                       | Becky Claycamp*, Lori Post*, Angela Gross, Dayton Unrein*                                                           |                                                                                                               |
| <b>Rosaries</b>      | Daughters of Isabella                                                                                    | Daughters of Isabella                                                                                               | Daughters of Isabella                                                                                         |

**Diocesan Anniversary Masses:** Our Anniversary Masses are two of my favorite Masses each year. It is wonderful to see couples who have shared so many years of marriage, hear their stories of how they met, listen to the wisdom they have gained along the way, and pray with them in thanksgiving for the gift of their marriage.

October 11 at 2 pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Salina

October 25 at 2 pm at St. Nicholas of Myra in Hays

If you are celebrating your 1st anniversary or an anniversary ending in 5 or 0, we would love to have you join us.

Register online: <https://salinadiocese.typeform.com/to/chEKTqxS?bblinkid=290305657&bbemailid=63096290&bbejrid=-866368634>



## YOUTH / ADULT INFORMATION

Sep 20 – 26, 2026

### HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

|                       |                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Tues, Sept 22</b>  | School Mass at IHM 8:00 a.m.                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Thurs, Sept 24</b> | School Mass at IHM 8:00 a.m. – September Birthday Mass & Lunch                                                                                                  |
| <b>Tues, Sept 29</b>  | School Mass at IHM 8:00 a.m.<br>Advisory Council Mtg. 5:15 p.m. in Lounge                                                                                       |
| <b>Wed, Sept 30</b>   | Fall Sack Lunch Day<br>HFE Pizza Hut Fundraising Day (all day)                                                                                                  |
| <b>Thurs, Oct 1</b>   | School Mass at IHM 8:00 a.m.<br>School Custodian Appreciation Day                                                                                               |
| <b>Fri, Oct 2</b>     | First Friday Adoration<br>Oktoberfest Dancing & Fun<br>Pet Blessing in Playground Parking Lot, 2:40pm<br>(Students may bring a stuffed animal or photo of pets) |
| <b>Tues, Oct 6</b>    | School Mass at IHM 8:00 a.m.                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Thurs, Oct 8</b>   | School Mass at IHM 8:00 a.m.<br>Vision Screenings (KP–2nd Grade)                                                                                                |
| <b>Fri, Oct 9</b>     | Friday Prayer Circles<br>TMP Homecoming Parade & Football Game<br>(students may wear a TMP shirt w/ jean shorts/jeans)                                          |

### TMP-MARIAN JR/SR HIGH

|                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sept 21st</b> | JH Volleyball at Ellis Tri w/Russell 4-7pm<br>HS V/JV Girls Golf at Colby Invitational 1-5pm<br>HS JV Football vs Phillipsburg 4-:30-6pm<br>HS V/JV Volleyball TMP Tri with Oakley & Ellis 4:30-8:30pm                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Sept 22nd</b> | HS V/JV Volleyball TMP Tri with Oakley and Ellis 4:30-8:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Sept 23rd</b> | Sports in Kansas Presentation 9:30-10:30am                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Sept 24th</b> | Finance Advisory Council Meeting 3:30-5:30pm in the Learning Commons<br>HS/JH Cross Country at Norton Invitational 4:30-7:30pm<br>JH A/B/C Volleyball at Smith Center JH<br>JH Football at Smith Center 6-7:30pm                                                                                                              |
| <b>Sept 25th</b> | HS V/JV Volleyball at Larned 5-8:30pm<br>8th Grade Trip to Denver 25th-27th<br>HS Mass in the Chapel 9:30-10:15am<br>HS V Football at Plainville 7-9:00pm                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Sept 26th</b> | Mini Cheer Camp at TMP 9-11am<br>HS JV Volleyball at Great Bend JV Tournament 9am-4pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Sept 28th</b> | JH Volleyball at Oakley Tri with Phillipsburg 4-7pm<br>HS JV football vs Plainville 4:30-6pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Sept 29th</b> | JH Cross Country at Lyons Invitational 4-7pm<br>Jostens Class Ring Meeting with Sophomores in the Dreiling Theatre 9:30am<br>Jostens Graduation Meeting with Seniors in the Dreiling Theatre, 9:50am<br>HS V/JV Volleyball at Trego Quad with Hill City and Phillipsburg<br>HS V/JV Cross Country at Lyons Invitational 4-7pm |
| <b>Sept 30th</b> | FFA Field Trip to Pioneer Hybrid Seed 8am-3pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

### HAYS CYO & Junior CYO

|                                  |                                                                       |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sept 23rd- 7:30 p.m.</b>      | CYO Meeting in IHM Basement                                           |
| <b>Sept 27th- 4:00-5:30 p.m.</b> | Jr CYO Meeting at St. Joe's                                           |
| <b>Sept 30th- 7:30 p.m.</b>      | CYO Meeting in IHM Basement                                           |
| <b>Oct Weekend Masses-</b>       | <b>CYO Donation Wall Fundraiser</b>                                   |
| <b>Oct 7th- 7:30 p.m.</b>        | CYO Meeting in IHM Basement                                           |
| <b>Oct 13th- 6:00 p.m.</b>       | Trick or Treat so Others Can Eat (Tuesday)                            |
| <b>Oct 21st- 7:30 p.m.</b>       | CYO Meeting in IHM Basement                                           |
| <b>Oct 25th- 4:00-5:30 p.m.</b>  | Jr CYO Meeting at St. Joe's                                           |
| <b>Oct 28th- 7:00 p.m.</b>       | IHM Saints or Sweets in HFE Little Theatre<br>(CYO meeting to follow) |

## *Faith Formation K — 8*

### September Faith Formation Schedule

Wednesday, September 23, 2026 at 6:30pm

Wednesday, September 30, 2026 at 6:30pm

Wednesday, October 7, 2026 at 6:30pm

**2026 HOMECOMING Parade**

**BE PART OF A TRADITION. BE PART OF THE PARADE.**

The 2026 Homecoming Parade is just around the corner, and it's time to get involved in one of the most anticipated events of the year!

Whether you're alumni or part of the community, signing up to participate is a wonderful way to showcase your spirit and creativity.

To join the parade, simply fill out the registration form available on our website or call the Alumni Office at **785-625-9434**.

Be sure to register your float, performance, or group activity by **September 30th** to secure your spot.

Don't forget to review the guidelines and safety protocols to ensure a fun and safe experience for everyone.

**Let's make this year's parade the most memorable one yet!**

**OPEN TO ALL**  
Alumni, community groups, businesses, and organizations are all welcome!

**SHOW YOUR SPIRIT**  
Decorate a float, march, perform, or create something unique!

**REGISTER BY SEPTEMBER 30TH**  
Don't miss the deadline to secure your spot!

**SAFE & FUN**  
Please review all guidelines and safety protocols for a great experience for everyone.

Join Us!  
SCAN TO REGISTER YOUR PARADE ENTRY

Scan the QR Code to fill out the parade registration form and secure your place in line!

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## Parish & Community Announcements



**Welcome our newly baptized to our  
Catholic Community of  
Immaculate Heart of Mary!**

**Collin Oliver Mayers**

Son of Jared & Halle Mayers was baptized Saturday, September 12, 2026 by Rev. Nick Parker.

### 2027 Mass Intention Scheduling

The 2027 Mass Book will be opening soon to schedule your Mass intentions on Thursday, October 1st. We will schedule intentions from October 1, 2026 to September 30, 2027. **2** Masses are allowed for each registered parish family unit. You can not schedule no more than two of the same mass intention per Mass book. **6** Masses are allowed for a newly deceased IHM registered parishioner in the first year of their passing. Masses can be placed in our Un-Published Mass intention record. A \$10.00 stipend must be paid in order to have your Mass intentions scheduled.

**BEADS of HOPE**—All grandmothers are invited to join us on Thursday, October 1st, as we celebrate our 2nd anniversary of ministry praying the rosary together for our grandchildren and great grandchildren. We will gather in Immaculate Heart of Mary church after the 8:00am Mass. Fr. Nick will visit with us briefly before we begin the rosary. Special music will be included this month to honor our Blessed Mother. Refreshments will follow in the Parish Hall.

"A grandmother's prayers are powerful, and help plant the seeds of faith in her precious grandchildren".



**Help Needed!**  
**Friday, November 6, 2026**

### Volunteers Needed for Bierock Making!

It's almost time for our annual Bierock Sale, and we need your help! We are looking for volunteers to help make bierocks for this popular TMP-Marian fundraiser. Whether you can help for a few hours or an entire shift, we would love to have you join us!

This is a great opportunity to support TMP-Marian, spend time with fellow parents, alumni, and friends, and help make this fundraiser a success. The Advancement Office will begin taking orders on Monday, September 28. Proceeds from the Bierock Sale will support our TMP-Marian Transportation Fund, helping provide transportation for our students and school activities. Thank you for helping us continue this delicious TMP-Marian tradition!



**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH**

**COFFEE &  
DONUTS**



**IHM PARISH HALL  
AFTER 8AM, 10AM & 12PM MASSES**

**Knights of Columbus Annual Tootsie Roll Drive** has been designated for October 9th—11th. On these days, members of the Kansas Knights of Columbus will be positioned in front of banks, stores and churches handing out "Specially Marked" Tootsie Rolls while seeking donations for people with intellectual disabilities. These funds help support and fund not only the Kansas Special Olympics but also go back to our local organizations such as DSNWK, ARC of Central Plains and Bethesda Place.

\* The whole Kansas State Special Olympics will only be held in Hays in March 2027 like in years past!



### K of C Council 6984 Updates

**Congratulations!!!**

**September Knight of the Month:** Jason Stein

**September Family of the Month:** Tony & Chris Gabel

**Council Events:** Council Meetings are at 7:00pm

**October 8 - K of C Meeting at 7:00pm Knights Room**

\* Any one interested in joining the St. Mary's Knights Council please come to our Degree initiation that will be at 7:00pm at our October meeting, please come by 6:45pm to the Knights Room. We would love for you to join the Knights Order and become part of an honorable fraternal organization.

### October 9—11 K of C Tootsie Roll Campaign

Please help out that weekend for a 2 hour shift or more. Bring your kids and grandkids along to help what a great experience being out in the community.

## Parish & Community Announcements

Did you know . . .

It's Priest Appreciation Day is coming up on Sunday, September 27, 2026!  
We thank Fr. Nick Parker & Fr. Luke Friess for shepherding us and

**Psst!!!**

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Staff invite you to join us in praying and expressing our gratitude to those who also serve our parish through their ordained ministry:

Fr. Alvin Werth  
Deacon Kyle Pfeifer



**Thank You** goes out to the IHM parishioners and the Knights of Columbus whose recent food drive brought in 1462 items to St Joseph Food Pantry and Diaper Closet! We are so grateful for your support, and our patrons are so appreciative of all that they receive. God bless you in His abundance.

Renee Michaud, Coordinator.

### Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel Open Adorer Hours

Saturday 10:00AM      Sunday 1:00AM  
2nd Adorer Needed  
Saturday 2:00PM

Please contact:  
Brian or Michelle DeWitt  
625-2481  
haysadorationchapel@outlook.com



### IHM Parish Baptismal Class

Canon law states that parents should have their children baptized in the first few weeks; as soon as possible after birth (Canon Law 867). For parents needing baptism prep classes, it is recommended that both parents attend baptismal classes **prior** to the baby's birth. Please contact Brad Stramel to begin the process by calling the parish office at 785-625-7339.

Please contact Fr. Luke Friess at the parish office by emailing [frluke@ihm-church.com](mailto:frluke@ihm-church.com) to schedule a baptismal instruction class. Classes are available upon request with Fr. Luke.



*Will you stand for the unborn?*

Oct. 4, 2026  
1:00 - 2:15 p.m.

## Life Chain Event

**Date of Event -**  
October 4, 2026

**Time of Event -**  
1:00pm - 2:15pm

**Place of Event -**  
St. Joseph Cemetery  
Memorial to the Unborn

National Life Chain October 4, 2026, across the U.S. and Canada - will provide a visible and resolute voice for voiceless children who are threatened by the surgical abortionists' cruel instruments or by the deadly chemicals in abortifacient birth controls. The location of the local Hays event will be along Vine Street from 26th Street North.

In this our 41st year of public witness on behalf of rejected Preborns, Life Chain will again fill sidewalks in hundreds of cities and towns. Sign messages will include Abortion Kills Children, Adoption The Loving Option, Jesus Forgives and Heals and other poignant signs will be available.

The event itself will start at 1:00 p.m. at the St. Joseph Cemetery in Hays. All will gather at the Memorial to the Unborn for a brief prayer service, then proceed to Vine Street from 26th Street north for the Life Chain.

Will you stand for the unborn?



**Adoption Mass** on Friday, November 6, at 5:15 p.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina. This special Mass is an opportunity to celebrate the gift of adoption and honor all those whose lives have been touched by adoption. Following Mass, guests are invited to gather in the Hall of Bishops for a soup supper reception, fellowship, and an opportunity to share stories and experiences of adoption.

Whether you are an adoptee, birth parent, adoptive parent, family member, or have been touched by adoption in another way, we invite you to join us for this meaningful evening of faith, fellowship, and celebration. All are welcome!

## Parish & Community Announcements

St. Catherine's Parish

### KATHARINENSTADT'S ESSENZFEST

German Style Cook-Off

#### Details

When: Sunday, October 11 from 11:00 – 12:30

Where: Kennedy Middle School Cafeteria  
1309 Fort St, Hays, KS

Entry Cost: Enter a GERMAN FOOD for a chance to win a Cash Prize! There is no entry fee.

Cash Prize for the top 3 People's Choice Award  
Deadline to register is October 9

Taster Cost: \$5 per person, you can purchase at the door. Taste all entries!

Call/Text Sarah Shubert for registration

Cell: 785-656-2399



There will also be a Bake Sale, Polka Music,  
and a 50/50 Raffle!!

Proceeds will be donated to local charities.

### First Saturdays Devotion—October 3

Please join us at IHM Parish each First Saturday of the month for the following:

- Rosary – 7:30 AM
- Act of Reparation – 7:55 AM
- Mass – 8:00 AM
- Guided 15-minute meditation on the Mysteries of the Rosary immediately after Mass.
- Coffee & donuts following the guided meditation.



### Family Rosary Help Needed

If you are called to pray the rosary before Mass we have an opportunity for you! We are in need of volunteers to pray the rosary before the 8:00am Sunday Mass. To sign up or need more information, please feel free to contact Donetta Robben by email at donetta@dvmercy.com or call 785-656-0150.

### Parish Bulletin Advertisement

IHM Parish is seeking for a new business to be added to our bulletin advertisers. On a first come first serve basis, if your business would be interested in advertising through the bulletin, please contact Brad at the IHM Parish Office for more details.

**NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE:** Mark your calendars for the 2027 pilgrimage to Washington DC for the National March for Life. The March will be held on Friday, January 22nd. Please contact the Respect Life office for more information.

A REFLECTION ON THE  
JOYFUL MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY

## Joyful WOMEN'S RETREAT

ENCOUNTER HIM. BE RENEWED. WALK IN JOY.



HOLY  
MASS



EUCCHARISTIC  
ADORATION



ROSARY



DIVINE  
MERCY



FELLOWSHIP



**WHEN**  
**October 2-3, 2026**

The retreat begins Friday at 6:30 p.m. and  
concludes Saturday at 3:30 p.m.



**WHERE**

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church  
1805 Vine Street, Hays, KS



**SPEAKERS**

**Noelle Garcia &**



Sisters of the  
Immaculate Heart of Mary  
of Wichita



www.ihm-church.com  
COST IS \$40

HOSTED BY:



**8 am - Mass**

**9 am - Coffee & Donuts**

**9:30 am - Fr. Reggie Urban presentation of Fr. Valentine  
Sommereisen (Parish Hall)**

**9 am to 4 pm - Beverage garden, Burger stand, Memorabilia stand**

**10 am to 11 am and 12 pm to 1 pm - Church Tours**

**10 am to 4 pm - Polka Music**

**11 am to 1 pm - Lunch**

**11 am to 4 pm - Activities**

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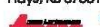
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