

St. Michael's Parish

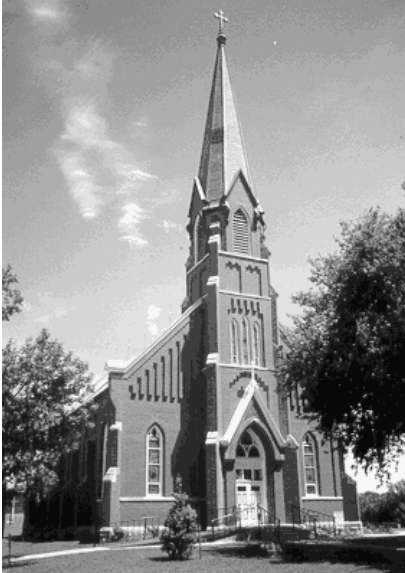
502 6th Street

Axtell, Kansas 66403

Father Mathew Francis

April 7, 2024

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



St. Michael's MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 6 - 5:00 PM Liv/Dec of Leo Buessing Family

Sunday, April 7 - 10:15 AM Liv/Dec of Virgil Ronnebaum Family

Monday, April 8 - NO MASS

The Annunciation of the Lord

Tuesday, April 9 - 8:00 AM +Brian Polson

Thursday, April 11 - 8:00 AM Liv/Dec of Bill & Anna Bishop Family

St. Stanislaus

Friday, April 12 - 8:00 AM +Terry Haug

Saturday, April 13 - 5:00 PM Liv/dec of John & Anna Marie Kuckelman Families

Sunday, April 14 - 10:15 AM +Elizabeth Ronnebaum

Holy Family Mass Schedule:

Wednesday, April 10 - 8:30 AM

Sunday, April 14 - 8:30 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

For Next Sunday Morning

2-3 Year Olds

Amy & Charlotte Heinen

4-5 Year Olds

Sheila & Cole Heinen

SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS

For Last Sunday:

Last Weekend Collection: \$ 1,391.00

Catholic Relief: \$ 50.00

Rice Bowl: \$ 40.00 Good Friday: \$ 616.00

Easter Offering: \$ 571.00

Rosary: Every Wednesday Evening at 7:00PM

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Digital Bulletin: www.axtellks.com

Holy Family: **Rosalie Meybrunn**

rmeybrunn@hotmail.com

Baptisms: Arranged by Appointment Only **Marriage:** Six Month Notice Requested

Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:15-4:45 PM or Anytime by Arrangement

Religious Education: Call Carol Kuckelman at 736-2774

Faith Formation: Call Patty Buessing at 736-2766

Hall Rental: Call Jan Koch at 799-7114

Communion To Shut-Ins: Call Fr. Mathew at 736-2220

Liturgical Ministers for This Weekend

Saturday, April 6, 2024 - 5:00 PM

Lector: Maurice Buessing

Host Min: Donna Heinen

Cup Min: Linda Buessing, Susan Broxterman

Servers: Ethan Ronnebaum, Mason Ronnebaum

Usher: Bob Mathewson

Sunday, April 7, 2024 - 10:15 AM

Lector: Patty Buessing

Host Min: Brian Deters

Cup Min: Mary Jane Deters, Dave Koch

Servers: Avery Buessing, Kandayce Buessing

Usher: Bill Buessing, Dale Buessing

Liturgical Ministers for Next Weekend

Saturday, April 13, 2024 - 5:00 PM

Lector: Mary Jane Deters

Host Min: Jane Koch

Cup Min: Carol Holthaus, Dennis Koch

Servers: Grady Buessing, Claire Buessing

Usher: Pete Porting

Sunday, April 14, 2024 - 10:15 AM

Lector: Roy Buessing

Host Min: Carl Koch

Cup Min: Patty Buessing, Bruce Koelzer

Servers: Kaylee Farrell, Raya Farrell

Usher: Richard Buessing, Stan Broxterman

FAITH FORMATION

Friday, April 12 @ 8:00 AM

Lector: Westley Tremaine **Reading:** Chase Kohake **Response:** Henry Holthaus

Petitions: Charlotte Heinen, Charlee Shaughnessy **Serve:** Oakley Koch, Colson Tynon

Holy Family Parish Sunday Mass time is now 8:30 AM

Blessing of the Homes: Fr. Mathew would like to go around and bless homes of the parishioners during this Easter Season. There will be a sign up sheet for those who would like to have their homes blessed.

Welcome to the parish, **Jack Holthuas**, son of **Matt & JayCee** who was baptized this weekend. May God bless you, Jack.

The **St Michael's Ladies Guild** would like to extend a huge thank you for supporting the **Annual Soup Luncheon!** Net proceeds from the event were \$17,004.40 and we served 381 meals. A full report is available at the back of the church.

ALL YOU CAN EAT BOILED SHRIMP, SMOKED PORK CHOPS AND FROG LEGS on Saturday, *April 6th*, sponsored by the **Axtell Knights of Columbus**. The dinner will be held at the **Axtell Legion/Community Building** from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. Adult tickets are \$22 at the door. Children tickets are \$10 at the door. All Proceeds to Benefit Various Charities. For guests that prefer, we will have 'carry-out' services/supplies available.

The **Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Spring Banquet** will be held on **Sunday, April 14th** in Frankfort at the **Cigna Center**. Happy Hour starts at 5PM, eating around 6PM. Cost is \$15 per person. Reservations need to be made by April 8th to **Tom Rottinghaus** at 785-713-1200.

ST. MICHAEL'S 2024 FIRST COMMUNICANTS:

Landon Anderson Grace Heinen Henry Holthaus Hadley Koch

Logan Kohake Ellie Mathewson Brycen Ronnebaum

Congratulations and May God Bless You!!

++Remember in Your Prayers++:

Please remember those who are sick, taking treatments, or hospitalized:

Kathy Buessing, Nicholas Heiman (Nephew of Brenda Peschel), Tanner Perry (grandson of Dave & Beverly), Narisetty Lilly Pushpa (Fr. Gova's mother), Carol Bishop, Kristi Meyer, Sara McCarn, Marvin Tate, Cynthia Bishop Brown, Annie Severin, Alison Davis (Keith Davis' dgtr-in-law), Jan Tomlinson, Charlie Koch, Tiffany Strohmeier, Maria Steele, Jena (CHWC), Shirley Schmitz, Fr. Ed Oen, Duane Bernasek.

Vocation Thoughts: *"Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. What will it take for you to respond to God's call to priesthood or religious life?" (John 20:19-31)*

Thank you to everyone who donated baked items, purchased items, and to the youth who worked the CYO Easter Bake Sale. We made a profit of \$1385.50! This money will go towards expenses incurred by activities that our young church will attend.

We are looking for another Faith Formation teacher for Friday mornings next school year. Please contact Patty Buessing (785-799-4516) by May 1, 2024 if you feel the Holy Spirit calling you to help form our Catholic faith in the youth of our church.

Axtell Community Vacation Bible School will be June 17-20 for kids entering Kindergarten-5th grade in the 2024-25 school year.

Divine Mercy Sunday: The Novena for Divine Mercy Feast began on Palm Sunday. Please pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet of Novena until the Feast Day on April 7th, 2024.

The Plenary indulgences are granted for praying the full Novena and participating in the Divine Mercy Sunday Service and availing your self for the Sacrament of reconciliation during that time. There will be Divine Mercy Chaplet Sung at Sts. Peter & Paul Church in Seneca with Benediction on April 7th at 3:00 pm. During that time, there will be area priests available for confession in the church.

Prayerfully make a donation to the Archbishop's Call to Share this year. The parish has done very little this year. In the past we have always met our goal. PLEASE do so again. Fr. Jim

ACTS: Jesus did not waste time. While the disciples were still reeling with amazement at his resurrection, Jesus introduced them to their mission: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you" (John 20:21).

The Father sent Jesus into our world to bring hope. On this Divine Mercy Sunday, God's mercy is the greatest hope our broken world has ever known. We have been sent, and it is our job to spread the message. In the coming days, our neighbors need to see our Resurrection joy and be moved by our witness so that they wonder, "Where do they get it?" The answer is, "Jesus." Please support our Archbishop's Call to Share appeal, so that we can make more people curious about Jesus-until His Kingdom comes again in glory. May He bless you and help you know Divine Mercy like never before.

Community Physician Clinic is open at the Axtell Fitness Center (South End). Clinic #: 785-736-2460.

Office Hours: Tues, Wed, Fri mornings from 8AM-noon. Thurs afternoon from Noon -4PM.

We are running very low on Weekday Mass Intentions. If you would like to donate mass intentions, please contact Fr. Mathew or Pam.

EASTER BLESSINGS TO ALL

Good News!

April 7, 2024

*Second Sunday of Easter
(Sunday of Divine Mercy) (B)*

Acts 4:32-35 / 1 John 5:1-6 / John 20:19-31

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Will is a widower, now in his eighties. He calls every once in a while, partly to talk but really wanting to know how he can convince his grown children and grandchildren to come back to church. He tells me they're good people, but he would like them to have faith. It's been a mainstay in his life, he tells me, something that has gotten him through many difficulties. He loves his family but says their life would be so much richer if they had an active faith life. I try to tell Will he can't argue them into faith. At most he can share with them how faith has been a blessing in his life, hoping that it might then spark an interest in them.

The disciples in the Gospel story about "Doubting Thomas" experienced Will's dilemma. They were unable to convince Thomas that the Lord had risen. He insisted that he would only believe when he could put his fingers and hands into Jesus' wounds, which of course is just what happens the next time they are gathered. For Thomas, words were not enough; he needed the experience.

Sometimes that's true for us. We've heard the truth, but we haven't experienced the truth as real or relevant or something we cannot live without. The experience of grave need and then surrendering to God is what many need to remain faithful. Meanwhile, the faithful pray for those who do not believe, especially those we dearly love. ●

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Dear Padre

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What is Divine Mercy Sunday?

Pope John Paul II declared Sr. Faustina Kowalska a saint of the Church on April 30, 2000, and in a decree dated May 23, 2000, the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments stated that "throughout the world the Second Sunday of Easter will receive the name Divine Mercy Sunday, a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that [we] will experience in the years to come."

Saint Faustina was born in 1905 and spent most of her life in Poland, in the Congregation of the Virgin Mary of Mercy. She experienced an extraordinary union with God. She received exceptional graces, revelations, visions, hidden stigmata, the ability to read souls, and the gift of prophecy.

One of the images that was revealed to Faustina was that of the merciful Jesus, touching his Sacred Heart, from which beams of red and white light came forth. This image and her devotion to the divine mercies gathered thousands of supporters throughout the world. We still see the traditional image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in many of our churches today. In some churches, we might see the newer image, inspired by the saint. Saint Faustina Kowalska died in 1938 at the age of thirty-three, leaving an impressive mystical legacy. She is a disciple of God's divine mercy for the twenty-first century. ●

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MONDAY

April 8
*Annunciation
of the Lord*
Is 7:10-14; 8:10
Heb 10:4-10
Lk 1:26-38

TUESDAY

April 9
Easter Weekday
Acts 4:32-37
Jn 3:7b-15

WEDNESDAY

April 10
Easter Weekday
Acts 5:17-26
Jn 3:16-21

THURSDAY

April 11
*St. Stanislaus,
Bishop and Martyr*
Acts 5:27-33
Jn 3:31-36

FRIDAY

April 12
Easter Weekday
Acts 5:34-42
Jn 6:1-15

SATURDAY

April 13
Easter Weekday
Acts 6:1-7
Jn 6:16-21

SUNDAY

April 14
*Third Sunday
of Easter*
Acts 3:13-15,
17-19
1 Jn 2:1-5a
Lk 24:35-48

