

**St. John the Baptist Parish & St. Mary of the Assumption Parish**  
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| MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS |               |           |                  | August 9, 2026          | Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time              |
|------------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Saturday                     | August        | 8         | 5:30 p.m.        | St. John, Clyde         | +Ian Drake by Larry John & Kara Nobert          |
| Sunday                       | August        | 9         | 8:30 a.m.        | St. Mary, Clifton       | All Parishioners                                |
|                              |               |           | 10:30 a.m.       | St. John, Clyde         | +Roxana Marcotte by Stan & Beth Bergstrom       |
| Tuesday                      | <b>August</b> | <b>11</b> | <b>8:00 a.m.</b> | <b>St. John, Clyde</b>  | <b>No Mass</b>                                  |
| Wednesday                    | August        | 12        | 5:30 p.m.        | St. John, Clyde         | +Dave Koch by Dean & Loretta Koch               |
| Thursday                     | August        | 13        | 8:00 a.m.        | St. Mary, Clifton       | +Earl Wiltzius by Stan & Ann Marshall           |
| Friday                       | August        | 14        | 7:00 a.m.        | St. John, Clyde         | Mother Maria Regina, FLM                        |
| Saturday                     | <b>August</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>8:00 a.m.</b> | <b>St. Mary, Kansas</b> | <b>St. Mary Parishioners</b>                    |
|                              |               |           | 5:30 p.m.        | St. John, Clyde         | +Francis & Wilberine Raleigh by Annette Dechant |
| Sunday                       | August        | 16        | 8:30 a.m.        | St. Mary, Clifton       | Yvonne Clairmont by Sharon Bourgo               |
|                              |               |           | 10:30 a.m.       | St. John, Clyde         | All Parishioners                                |

**St. Mary Liturgical Assignments:**

| Date      | Rosary          | Greeters                    | Cross Bearer    | Reader          | EMHC                                         | Servers                       | Gifts Bearers          | Collection                    | Money Counters                         |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| August 9  | Stephen Kieffer | Francis Cox<br>Kayla Darden | Sue Long        | Daniel Deaver   | Deanne Jackson<br>Barb Lange<br>Monica Wurtz | Nellie Fahey<br>Remi Wurtz    | Travis Wurtz<br>Family | Rocky Fahey<br>Travis Wurtz   | Lindsey Leiszler<br>Nicolette Taddiken |
| August 16 | Mike Kantack    | Shawn Taddiken<br>Family    | Annika Wernecke | Stephen Kieffer | Linda Kantack<br>Mike Kantack<br>Barb Lange  | Marci Taddiken<br>Grady Wurtz | Jamie Rogge<br>Family  | Tim Lange<br>Dennis Alexander | Jamie Rogge<br>Kristin Oestrich        |

**St. John Liturgical Assignments:**

| Date      | Rosary           | Greeters                 | Cross Bearer   | Reader       | EMHC                          | Servers                     | Gift Bearer              | Money Counters        |
|-----------|------------------|--------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| August 8  | Stephanie Girard | Scott & Dawn Seifert     | Remy Girard    | Steve Rogers | Bernard Debes<br>Steve Rogers | Cooper Girard               | David Girard<br>Family   |                       |
| August 9  | Choir            | Jeff & Lori Bulleigh     | Ian Bergstrom  | Jeff Koch    | Jennifer Koch<br>Guy Steier   | Ryan LeClair                | Adam Junek<br>Family     | Derek & Dana Sandmann |
| August 15 | Eric Stenberg    | Brady Birdsall<br>Family | Scott Seifert  | Cathy Koch   | Norm Francis<br>Noel Garrison | Cohen Girard<br>Remy Girard | Andrew Seifert<br>Family |                       |
| August 16 | Choir            | Mary Lou & Gary Channell | Beth Bergstrom | Jackie Koch  | Jackie Askren<br>Greg Askren  | Zach Bulleigh               | Douglas Koch Family      | Kenton & Linda Brown  |

**Finance totals:** St. John August 2nd - Plate: \$299.00, Envelopes: \$3,270.00

St. Mary August 2nd - Plate: \$144.00, Envelopes: \$1,663.00

**Homebound Ministry:** Fr. Andrew Rockers

**Eucharistic Exposition/Adoration at St. Mary: No Exposition**

**Eucharistic Exposition/Adoration at St. John: No Exposition**

**Outreach Ministers for August:** Circle Two- Loretta Koch, Pat Pearson & Nicole Drake

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** St. John- 4:15-5:15 p.m. Saturday and 30 mins before daily Mass.

St. Mary -7:45-8:15 a.m. Sunday and 30 mins before daily Mass.

### Pastor Notes

**Formed.org:** Sign up for free access to Formed, an online Catholic educational platform. Formed has 100s of educational videos on the Catholic faith. I will be promoting and using many of the video series on this platform in the future. I strongly encourage everyone to sign up!

Go to <https://formed.org/parishes>. Click on Find your parish subscription. Create an account with your name and email address. Search for our parishes using 66938 (St. John's and St. Mary's are under a shared account). Now you should have access! Contact the parish office for assistance.

**OCIA:** Begin thinking about and encouraging any non-Catholics you know to consider learning more about Catholicism by attending OCIA. They don't have to be committed to becoming Catholic to come and learn. Classes will be Thursday evenings 6:30-7:30, beginning in September.

**Adult Education Classes:** This year in addition to OCIA, I will be offering a similar class for parishioners who want to grow in their knowledge of the faith. This will be a basic overview of Catholic beliefs and practices. We will likely rotate week from week between St. John and St. Mary and the classes will be recorded so it's okay if you miss one from time to time. I encourage everyone to attend! Classes will be Thursday evenings 7:45-8:45, beginning in September.

### Parish News

**Salina Diocese Council of Catholic Women-Biennial Convention** will be Saturday, August 29 at the St. Mary Queen of the Universe Parish Center, Salina, KS. The convention presents Jesse Romero who will discuss topics of spiritual warfare to counter the influence of destructive aspects of modern culture on our families. Registration is \$30 and includes lunch, a silent auction, raffle, door prizes, and vendors. Registration is due August 15th. Forms are located in the entryway.

**St. Mary CCD-** We are looking for a CCD teacher & substitutes. Please contact Susan Bechard at 785-747-7278 if interested.

**Baptism-** Lucy May Williams daughter of Jacob and Olivia Williams was baptized Sunday, June 28th at St. John's. Congratulations to the Williams family and to our newest member of the parish!

**St. John Food Pantry-** The food pantry is running low and we are looking for donations. Suggested items are: Box meals, spaghetti & meat sauce, canned chicken, powdered milk, crackers, peanut butter, jelly and cereal. Items can be dropped off in the kitchen. Thank you for your generosity!

### Parish News (cont.)

The Seminarian Collection- is held in every parish across the diocese and occurs during one of the first weekends in August. Donations to this collection support the tuition, books and board and summer ministry expenses of the seminarians, as well as recruitment of future seminarians. Thank you for your continued prayers and support of our seminarians.

### **Sinking Fear: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings:

1 Kings 19:9, 11-13

Psalm 85:9-14

Romans 9:1-5

Matthew 14:22-33

How do we find God in the storms and struggles of our lives, in the trials we encounter in trying to do His will?

God commands Elijah in today's First Reading to stand on the mountain and await His passing by. And in the Gospel, Jesus makes the disciples set out across the waters to meet Him.

In each case, the Lord makes Himself present amid frightening tumult—heavy winds and high waves, fire and earthquakes.

Elijah hides his face. Perhaps he remembers Moses, who met God on the same mountain, also amid fire, thunder, and smoke (see Deuteronomy 4:10-15; Exodus 19:17-19). God told Moses no one could see His face and live, and He sheltered Moses in the hollow of a rock, as He shelters Elijah in a cave (see Exodus 33:18-23).

The disciples, likewise, are too terrified to look on the face of God. Today's Gospel is a revelation of Jesus' divine identity. Only God treads across the crest of the sea (see Job 9:8) and rules the raging waters (see Psalm 89:9-10). And the words of assurance that Jesus speaks—"It is I"—are those God used to identify Himself to Moses (see Exodus 3:14; Isaiah 43:10).

Even Peter is too overcome by fear to imitate his Lord. His fears, Jesus tells him, are a sign of his lack of faith. And so it often is with us. Our fears make us doubt, make it hard to see His glory dwelling in our midst.

Yet, we should know, as we sing in today's Psalm, that His salvation is near to those who hope in Him. By faith we should know, as Paul asserts in today's Epistle, that we are heirs to the promises made to His children, Israel.

We must trust that He whispers to us in the trials of our lives—that He who has called us to walk along the way of His steps—save us whenever we begin to sink.