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**Classes** are held on

the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each

month, 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room. Call the Parish Office, 785-232-7744, to schedule Baptismal Prep Classes and/or Baptisms.



## MATER DEI PARISH

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**SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2025**

# 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:28-29

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**Pastor - Fr. Matthew Nagle**

**Deacon - Bob Ortiz**

**Assumption Church Mass Times:**

Sunday - 8am & 5pm

Daily Mass: Monday through Friday - 12:00pm

**Holy Name Church Mass Times:**

Sunday - 10:30 am; Saturday - 5:00pm

Daily Mass - Wednesday & Friday - 8:00am

**Holy Hour - Holy Name Church:**

Wednesday, 5:30pm

**RECONCILIATION:**

Holy Name Church - Saturday - 3:00 pm

Assumption Church - Sunday - 4:00 pm

Assumption Church - Tuesday - 11:00 - 11:50am

**Parish Office Hours:**

Monday through Friday, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm



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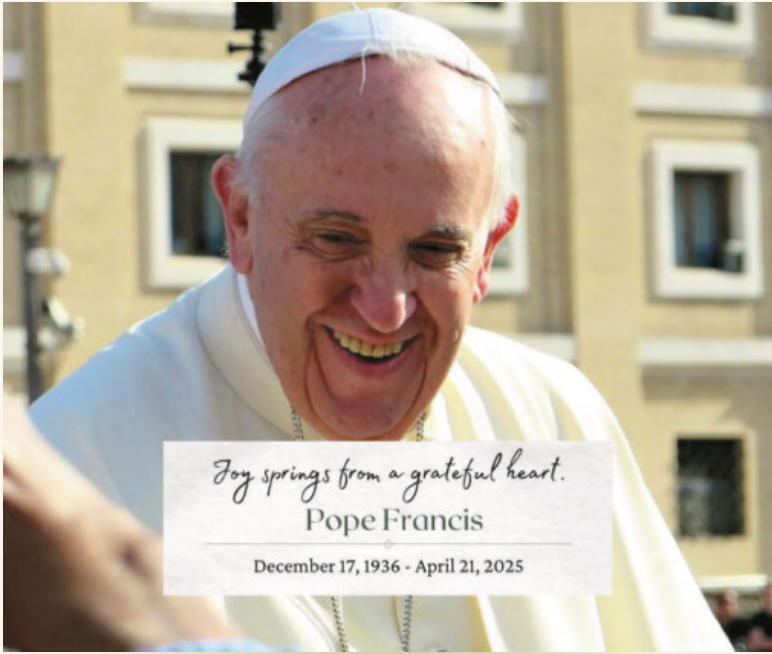


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**Pope Francis Biography**

Pope Francis, born Jorge Mario Bergoglio on December 17, 1936, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, was the first pope from the Americas and the first Jesuit to lead the Catholic Church. Before his election as pope on March 13, 2013, he served as Archbishop of Buenos Aires, where he was known for his humility, simple lifestyle, and dedication to the poor.

Raised in a family of Italian immigrants, he studied chemistry before entering the seminary and joining the Jesuits. Ordained a priest in 1969, he later became the Provincial of the Jesuits in Argentina and played a key role in guiding the Church during a period of economic and social crises in the country. When he was appointed bishop in 1992 and archbishop in 1998, he prioritized evangelization, social justice, and pastoral outreach.

As pope, Francis emphasized mercy, care for the marginalized, and environmental stewardship. His papacy was marked by a call for a "poor Church for the poor," interfaith dialogue, and reform within the Vatican. His teachings focused on compassion, the dignity of every person, and the need for a missionary Church.

On April 21, 2025, Pope Francis passed away, leaving behind a legacy of love, humility, and service.



**OCIA meeting times are Wednesday from 6:30 to 8pm in the Parish Hall.** Following is the upcoming schedule:

04/23/25	Easter Vigil Reflections
04/30/25	Stewardship/Ministries

**THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH**

- Apr. 27 - First Communion, 10:30 Mass, Holy Name Church
- Apr. 27 - Divine Mercy Holy Hour, 3 - 4pm, Assumption Church
- Apr. 28 - Bingo, Hayden High School, Early Bird - 6:30pm, Regular Bingo - 7:00pm
- Apr. 28 - Evangelization Committee Meeting, 6 - 7pm, MD Parish Meeting Room
- Apr. 29 - TMIY, 6 - 7:30am, Parish Hall
- Apr. 29 - Women's Prayer Group, 2 - 3pm, Parish Hall
- Apr. 29 - Holy Hour, 5:30 - 6:30pm, Holy Name Church
- Apr. 29 - OCIA, 6:30 - 8pm, Parish Hall
- May 1 - Light of the World, 5:30 - 7pm, Parish Hall
- May 1 - Bible Study, 7 - 8pm, Parish Hall

**MASS INTENTIONS April 27 - May 4**

- Sun. \*8am Sharon Scheck †
- 10:30am Paul Warfield †
- \*5pm Mater Dei Parishioners
- Mon. \*12pm Brandon Cork †
- Tues. \*12pm Kathy & Lee Schleuder ††
- Wed. #8am Holy Father Pope Francis †
- \*12pm Teresa Omezi †
- Thurs. \*12pm No Mass Intention
- Fri. 8am Fr. Arul Carasala †
- \*12pm No Mass Intention
- Sat. 5pm Mater Dei Parishioners
- Sun. \*8am Bill Bond †
- 10:30am Roxy Nightengale †
- \*5pm Maydean Swoboda †

† Deceased \*Assumption Church  
# All School Mass SI - Special Intentions



- Air Force: Jacob Crawshaw, Jonathan Ward, Christopher Wicker, Tyler J. Wilson
- Air National Guard: Clayton Nettleton, Caleb McCaffrey, Luke McCaffrey, Mason Pakerson
- Army: Ethan Figgs, Jared Koopman, Dylan Treadwell
- Army Reserves: Erin M. Kelley
- Marines: Martin Gray
- National Guard: Branden Addington
- Navy: Schuyler Baum, Ryan France, Eddie Lyons, Peter Oberle, Isaac Schreiner, Garrett Wilson



Adoration at Holy Name Church  
Adorers needed  
Tuesday - 2pm & 5pm  
Thursday - 10am, 11am, 1pm

For more information, please contact the parish office at 785-232-7744 or email Karen Mead, meadkr80@hotmail.com

# We Remember at Easter 2025

The donations in the memory of your family and friends are greatly appreciated. Your donations provide the flowers used to decorate our churches throughout the Easter season.

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Mary Wike



## OCIA

*Order of Christian Initiation of Adults*

### *Congratulations*

*To those receiving sacraments and who were received into full communion  
With the Catholic Church at Easter Vigil, April 19, 2025*

### *Catechumens*

*Jason Allen Large, Shelby Mapes, Alena Marie Jean Raines*

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Brandy Bailey  
Marge Barr  
Anna Barron  
Carolyn Bedell  
Mike Burns  
Amiliana Fulton  
Ora Lee Gish  
Sharilyn Gish  
Joyce Green  
Eldon Handley  
Randy Keplinger  
Claire King

Robb Kuno  
Juan Luna  
Debbie Meyer  
Earl Muller  
Alex Peterson  
Jason Rivera  
Barbara Russell  
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Regina Sebree  
Betty Seitz

Jim Simons  
Rosemary Simons  
Thomas Slusser  
Rick Strecker  
Phillip Teter  
Larry Thrash  
Linda Tritsch  
Casey Virgus  
Hunter Wright  
Bev Wunder  
Mark Wunder  
Bibi Zweig



*On Sunday April 27th Mater Dei Parish will host a Holy Hour in honor of Divine Mercy Sunday beginning at 3pm at Assumption. We will have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with benediction, a recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and confessions starting at 3pm until 4:50pm.*

### **Prayer of Divine Mercy**

O Blood and Water that redeems and saves, have mercy on us!  
O Blood and Water that heals and restores, have mercy on us!  
O Blood and Water that strengthens and renews, have mercy on us!  
Amen.

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## ATTENTION MEN OF MATER DEI

Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God? Be a better husband? Become a more loving father? Build friendships with other like-minded men? And seek to be the best man you can be? Then



Come Join... That Man is You! **Wednesday mornings, 6 to 7:30am, Parish Hall.** Contact: Kyle Mead, 785-438-9131 meadi8r@yahoo.com for additional information.

### Session 26, April 30: Apostles of the New Springtime

Presenter: Steve Bollman and Mark Hartfiel

- ◆ We All Have a Call to Mission
- ◆ Our Call is Revealed in Our Personal Lives
- ◆ The Holy Spirit is Love
- ◆ A New Pentecost of Love
- ◆ Change the World by Embracing Suffering
- ◆ Christ Gives You His Heart
- ◆ Your Heart, Not Your Deeds, is What Saves This World

## ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

**CATHOLIC ADVISORS NETWORK- TOPEKA** - Calling all attorneys, accountants, tax professionals, financial planners, wealth managers, and insurance advisors! Join the Catholic Advisors Network on **April 29, 2025, from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM at Mater Dei Catholic Church in Topeka**, for a FREE lunch and presentation on a Legislative Update from Chuck Weber, Kansas Catholic Conference. Share with a colleague, coworker, or friend who could benefit from this networking and learning opportunity! Register by visiting [www.cfnek.org/events/catholic-advisors-network-topeka-2](http://www.cfnek.org/events/catholic-advisors-network-topeka-2) or by contacting Mitch Nolan at 913-647-3070 or [mnolan@archkck.org](mailto:mnolan@archkck.org).

**MEDICAL SERVICES MANAGER NEEDED** - Thanks for all you do for the People of God. Wyandotte and Olathe Pregnancy Clinics are hiring a Manager of Medical Services. This full-time director will be responsible for the management of the medical staff, including nurses and sonographers, in both clinics. Responsibilities include handling personnel matters, ensuring shifts at both clinics are staffed and providing ultrasounds and other clinic services for patients. This is a critical position to our organization, requiring dedication to the mission and vision of WPC Inc. We are looking for a Registered Nurse and will provide training to the right person to obtain their Sonography certification. Please contact Leah Conner at 913-207-0186 or email [atlconner@wpcnetwork.org](mailto:atlconner@wpcnetwork.org).

**Community Connection Minute** - Join us on a year-long journey to discover the wealth of local support and resources available in our community.

**Fellowship & Faith, Inc.:** Offers food pantry services and other support to low-income individuals and families. They are committed to serving their community and helping those in need. **Phone:** 785-354-7262

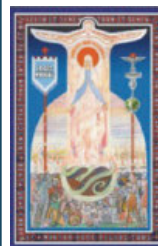
### COLLECTION REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2024 TO JUNE 30, 2025

Receipts for April 5, 2025 - April 11, 2025	Fiscal Year to Date	
White Envelopes	\$8,359.00	\$330,984.27
Banking	\$5,598.44	\$200,014.63
Plate	\$1,191.20	\$48,654.77
Total Collections	\$15,148.64	\$579,653.67
Amount Budgeted for Collections	\$15,980.77	\$655,211.57
Income Over/-Under Budget	-\$832.13	-\$75,557.90

## REGIONAL NEWS

**Annual Card Party - Saturday, May 10, 2025 - St. Matthew Catholic Church, 2700 SE Virginia Ave., Topeka.** Card Games begin at 7:00pm. Doors open for Social Hour at 6:00pm (following 5:00pm Mass). \$10.00 per person entry fee (includes card games, meal & chance at drawing). Games played: 10-point Pitch, Bridge, Hand & Foot, Pinochle. Prizes will be awarded for the card marathon. Sponsored by St. Michael Guild. For more information, please contact Marleen Davis at 785-640-4646.

**Daughters of Isabella** - Our next meeting will be held **Saturday, May 10, 2025** at Assumption Church for **Mary's Holy Hour 10 am. Please arrive by 9:45.** (11:00am Audit) **Nominating Committee for Elections.** If anyone knows of a member or family member of Daughters of Isabella in need of the Circle's prayers call Shirley Gustafson at 785-554-3028 or Chancellor Gen Orozco at 785-230-2473.



### Legion of Mary Meeting Invite at Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish

**When:** Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm

**Location:** Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish, 3601 SW 17th St, Parish Hall, Lower Level, Rm 8

**Purpose:** Provide parishioners of Mater Dei an opportunity to experience a legion meeting.

### Questions: Contact:

Gus Torrez: [785-224-5460](tel:785-224-5460)/[gjtorrez@cox.net](mailto:gjtorrez@cox.net), or  
John Grabauskas: [785-250-2744](tel:785-250-2744)/[johng736@gmail.com](mailto:johng736@gmail.com)

**Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2025**  
**Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration**  
**June 1st, 2025, 2:00 pm**  
**Church of the Nativity/Leawood**  
To receive your invitation from Archbishop Naumann, please call the parish office, 785-232-7744, and give us your name, address, phone number and date of your wedding.

**Deadline is May 1<sup>st</sup>**

*Please do this as soon as possible.*

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE**  
**May 3 - 4 - Third Sunday of Easter**

	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Sacristan</b>	<b>Altar Server</b>
<b>Sunday, 8:00 AM</b> (MDA)	Alan Conroy	Mark Baum Luciano Marcelo	Katherine Woods	Grace B. Ellison D. Riley D.
<b>Sunday, 10:30 AM</b> (MDHN)	Jane George	Paul Niland Ben Stanton	Melanie Good Addington	Liam S. Adelynn S. Alma S.
<b>Sunday, 5:00 PM</b> (MDA)	Devona Peralta	Terry Marlin Michael Morstorf	Elizabeth Morstorf	Timothy M. Olivia Mor.



**Mater Dei  
Child Care  
Center**

*Exciting News!*

*We have one spot opening up in our  
younger toddler room!*

*Schedule a tour and become  
part of our school family!*

*We can't wait to welcome you!*

*Call 785-232-1603*

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*Funeral Meals*

Thank you to Kay Stanton, Brenda Simons, Darian Hillebert, Jane George, and Ann Leiker for preparing the reception for the family and friends of Rose Diehl. Cookies and brownies were donated by Jodi Spindler, Monica Guilfoyle, Holly Stuart, Mary Tritsch, Sybil Gearhart, Nancy Cina, Merrill Befort, Monika McCaffrey, and Diane Oelke.



Celebrate the special woman in your life! **Beautiful flowers will be available for purchase after all the Masses on Saturday May 10 and Sunday, May 11.** All proceeds support Boy Scout Troop 26. Thank you for your support.




**LENTEEN DINNERS**

We would like to thank the Altar Society, Knights of Columbus, PTO, Cub Scout Troop 26, Parish and Finance Councils that supported the Lenten Dinners this year by providing volunteers and desserts. The dinners were very successful with a standard menu each week and some of the organizations provided a little extra to the menu (such as pizza and grilled cheese sandwiches). We served an average of 135 meals per week, and the total profit was \$2,741.09.

Thank you again to all those that volunteered, provided desserts and attended the Mater Dei Lenten Dinners.

The first Thursday of May is the **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER.** This is a great reminder to pray for our nation, our leaders, our media, and each other!



*April showers*

*bring May flowers*



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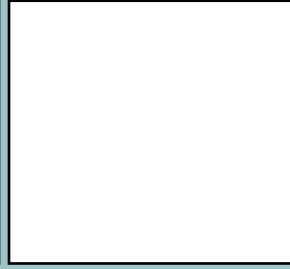
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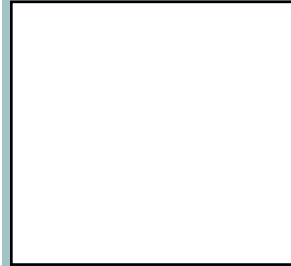
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