

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH-DECEMBER 29, 2024

Sat.	12-28	5:30 p.m.	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (St. Francis) +Darold Coomes
Sun.	12-29	8:00 a.m.	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (St. Ambrose) Fr. Sam Pinkerton
Sun.	12-29	10:00 a.m.	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (St. Francis) People of the Parishes
Mon.	12-30	8:00 a.m.	(St. Francis) +Braedin Voorhies
Tue.	12-31	8:00 a.m.	(St. Francis) +Brayden Beachner
Tue.	12-31	5:30 p.m.	Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God (St. Francis) +Fr. Michael Schemm
Wed.	1-1	8:00 a.m.	Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God (St. Ambrose) +Stan Beachner
Wed.	1-1	10:00 a.m.	Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God (St. Francis) +Joe & Betty Paulie
Thur.	1-2	8:30 a.m.	(St. Ambrose) +Virginia Westerman
Fri.	1-3	8:00 a.m.	First Friday (St. Francis) +Carl Paulie
Fri.	1-3	9:00 a.m.	First Friday (PMRV) +Jerry Beachner
Sat.	1-4	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Sat.	1-4	5:30 p.m.	The Epiphany of the Lord (St. Francis) +Tom, Mary & Billy Duling
Sun.	1-5	8:00 a.m.	The Epiphany of the Lord (St. Ambrose) People of the Parishes
Sun.	1-5	10:00 a.m.	The Epiphany of the Lord (St. Francis) +Mike VanLeeuwen

CONFESSIONS: Saturday from 4:30-5:15 p.m. at St. Francis and 30 minutes before each daily and Sunday Mass.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: If you are going to have a significant surgery, please call for Anointing of the Sick before you enter the hospital.

ST. AMBROSE LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Sunday, January 5th-8:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister: Donna Bohrer

Lector: Brian Schoenhofer

Altar Server: Bill & Nancy Schoenhofer

Gifts: M/M Wade Hoppas

Ushers: Rusty/Cindy Lero

Fr. Matthew's Email:

pastor.saintfrancisambrose@gmail.com

Sacramental Emergency Number:

620-236-0705

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Total Amount Needed

St. Francis \$8,876.00 \$6,348.40

St. Ambrose \$1,115.00 \$1,128.85

Please remember your parish in your Will.

Please pray for: Fr. Sam Pinkerton, Robin Burke and the sick and homebound in our parish. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list call the office at 620-449-2224. The prayer list will be updated the first of each month.

ST. FRANCIS LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, January 4th-5:30 p.m.

Altar Servers: Jorja, Megan, Brynlea

Lector: Marcia Gard

Eucharistic Minister: Connie Spielbusch

Gifts: M/M Steve Spielbusch

Rosary: Elaine VanLeeuwen

Sacristan: Jeff/Marcia Gard

Sunday-January 5th-10:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Anderson, Ella, Nevaeh

Lector: Ken Trepagnier

Eucharistic Minister: Terry Diskin

Gifts: M/M Rodney Noe

Rosary: Tammi Norris

Sacristans: Mike/Kim McCracken

January Ushers:

Saturday-5:30 p.m.—Mike Brown, Jeff Gard, Matt O'Hara

Sunday-10:00 a.m.—Ross Albertini, Jamie Bradshaw, Kent Winter

Church Cleaners-January 4th—Alice Coomes, Melinda Ewan, Janis Carter

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, Holy Day of Obligation:

Tuesday, December 31st-5:30 p.m. at St. Francis

Wednesday, January 1st-8:00 a.m. at St. Ambrose

Wednesday, January 1st-10:00 a.m. at St. Francis

“THE THREE ORDINARY VOICES OF GOD, BY MATTHEW KELLY: This book is a Christmas gift to the parish from Fr. Matt. Pick up your free book on the back tables of the church.

FRIDAY MASS: Beginning in January, Friday Mass will be in the Prairie Mission Chapel at 9:00 a.m. On the First Fridays there will be Mass at St. Francis at 8:00 a.m. and at Prairie Mission at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome to come to the weekly Mass at Prairie Mission.

RCIA, ADULT EDUCATION: Fr. Matt will have a “Teaching Mass” on **Wednesday, January 8, 2025** at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Francis Church. All are welcome.

PSR JANUARY 8, 2025: Fr. Matt will have a “Teaching Mass” in the St. Francis Church for grades 4 through 12. The K-3rd grades will have classes in their classrooms.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be at St. Francis on Wednesdays from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Adoration at St. Ambrose will be on Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to drop in anytime during Adoration to make a visit. **“I have a burning thirst to be honored by men in the Blessed Sacrament.” (Jesus speaking to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque)**

THE STEWARDSHIP FORMS: Thank you to the 52 parishioners who have sent your Stewardship form in. Please take one from the back table and return it if you have not already. We need your updated family information and ministries to serve. You may return it to the parish office, put in the basket, or mail it to St. Francis/St. Ambrose, P.O. Box 216, St. Paul, KS 66771.

2025 CALENDARS are available and will be on the back tables of the churches. Thank you, Forbes Hoffman Funeral Home and Carson Wall Funeral Home for these beautiful Catholic calendars!

IRELAND PILGRIMAGE WITH KANSAS STATE FOOTBALL: August 16-24, 2025 from Wichita. Fr. Matt will be going. 7 days of sightseeing, daily Mass, K-State Football. \$5,450.00 Estimated. For more information contact www.DuclnAltumPilgrimages.com or call 888-424-6266.

MAN FULLY ALIVE 2025: Saturday, February 1, 2025 at the Catholic Church of the Magdalen, 12626 East 21st Street, North Wichita, KS 67206. MAN FULLY ALIVE is an annual Catholic Men's Conference. If you have yet to attend MAN FULLY ALIVE, you will not want to miss this! Come join us for a day of prayer, friendship, and inspiring speakers.

PASTOR MUSINGS: Merry Christmas! I feel bad for people who aren't believers and purely secular, because for them Christmas is over. But for us, the Christmas season has just begun on Christmas Day! For the most important solemnities of the Church, they have an “octave” of celebration, which is the 8 days following. Mother Church directs us to treat each of those days as if they're Christmas (think first rule in the Code of Elves from “Elf” movie!). Why is this? For one, we've all received/made WAY too many sweet treats to be consumed in just one day. Haha. But mostly, it is to help focus our minds and hearts on this mystery of the Incarnation, that God has become a man, and direct our reflections in that direction, rather than back to the worldly pursuits we tend towards. It is not right to cut short celebrations of this magnitude! Which begs the question...how does one celebrate for this long? Seems that most of us have our family gatherings, then we go back to our lives. I would say, treat these days like Sundays. Don't do unnecessary work that can be put off till later. Be with your families, doing family activities. Do things that rejuvenate your spirit, healthy recreation. Put off any usual penances you may have in your life. The Lord's love is abundant, and a Savior has been born! Our lives should reflect this Truth.

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THIS WEEK ON
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Week of December 29, 2024



New Year's Resolutions | The Augustine Institute Show
What's your resolution this year? Dr. Tim Gray welcomes Dr. Scott Hefelfinger, Assistant Professor of Theology in the Augustine Institute Graduate School of Theology, to celebrate one year of the Augustine Institute Show!



Christmas | Sacred Art
Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they look at the painting Adoration of the Shepherds by Gerard van Honthorst to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord. This famous painting reveals the Christ Child as the light that has come into the world and also depicts the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, and the shepherds to be models of adoration to our humble Lord who came as a helpless baby.



O Holy Night, The King is Born: What Christmas Is About
Celebrate the wonder and joy of Christmas with Brother Francis in this heartwarming presentation of the birth of God's Son! Witness the moving submission of Mary, Joseph, and others as they make way for our Savior.

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**HAVE A BLESSED AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR!**