

Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday (October 25th)	5:30PM	Kanopolis	For the people of our Parish & the men of ECF
Sunday (October 26th)	8:00AM	Brookville	Clara Anna Vignery †
Sunday (October 26th)	10:00AM	Ellsworth	Emily Powell †
Monday (October 27th)	NO DAILY MASS	NO DAILY MASS	NO DAILY MASS
Tuesday (October 28th)	8:30AM	Ellsworth	Frank Kroboth †
Wednesday (October 29th)	8:30AM	Ellsworth	Dale Urbanek †
Thursday (October 30th)	8:30AM	Kanopolis	Ernie Habiger †
Thursday (October 30th)	6:00PM	ECF	Rose Marie Dolezal †
Friday (October 31st)	8:30AM	Ellsworth	Robert “Bob” D. Raney †
Saturday (November 1st)	5:30PM	Kanopolis	Liz Morrison †
Sunday (November 2nd)	8:00AM	Brookville	For the people of our Parish & the men of ECF
Sunday (November 2nd)	10:00AM	Ellsworth	Holden Slaight

Dave Lang Those affected by flooding The Sick & Elderly Residents & staff at Good Sam & Prairie West	Prayer Requests <i>Let us pray for you</i>	Members of our Military Peace in the Middle East Economic recovery and job security Holden Slaight
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St. Bernard Lay Ministry Schedule Sunday, November 2, 2025 10:00AM Greeters: Anita Rodriguez, Dorrie Hammond Lector: Theresa Garnhart Extraordinary Minister (Host): Steve Magette Cup: Jeanette Kratzer, Cheryl Rathbun, Chris Tully Servers: Carsyn Johnson, Grace Kratzer, Jack Kratzer Gifts: Anita Rodriguez & Family Sacristan: Aaron Laas Ushers: Kathy Rolfs, Bob Kepka, Brad Kratzer Money Counters: Dave Pelzel, Brad Kratzer, Rick Seiler Minister to the Home: Cheryl Rathbun	St. Bernard Matt Jundt - Chairperson/Respect Life Cheryl Rathbun - Vice Chairperson/Education/CCW representative Scott Thomasson - Evangelization Paul Bahr - Maintenance Laurel Davis - Christian Service/Family Life Johnnie Goddard - Finance VACANT - Coordinator of Youth Faith Formation Stacey Halbgewachs - Safety Officer Pam Pelzel, Kathy Rolfs, Josh & Kara Bahr - CYO Advisors Johnnie Goddard - Knights of Columbus Grand Knight Melody Magette - St. Bernard's Council of Catholic Women President Brent & Sarah Goss - Funeral Dinner Committee Chairs
St. Ignatius Lay Ministry Schedule Saturday, November 1, 2025 5:30PM Lector: Bonnie Orozco Servers: Reagan Williams, Lacey Munoz, Volunteer Needed Gifts: Terrill & Mary Smith Ushers: Terrill Smith, Pete Orozco Cantor: Flo Fosdick Eucharistic Minister: Lucinda McCasland, Volunteer Needed Rosary Leader: Flo Fosdick	St. Ignatius Phyllis Dolezal -President/Christian Service Miranda Fleming - Family Life Kayla Vague -Education Peter Orozco -Liturgy John Whitmer -Evangelization Bonnie Orozco -Altar Society President New Members -Mark Vopat & Lucinda McCasland

The Catholic Roots of Halloween: A Holy History Behind the Holiday

When most people think of Halloween, they picture candy, costumes, and carved pumpkins – but behind the modern celebrations lies a deeply Catholic story. The origins of Halloween reach back to ancient Christian observances of All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, forming a sacred season known as **Hallowtide**. **FROM ALL HALLOWS' EVE TO HALLOWEEN** The word Halloween itself comes from All Hallows' Eve – the vigil before All Saints' Day (November 1). In the Church's calendar, a vigil is a time of prayer and preparation before a feast. Just as Christmas Eve leads into Christmas Day, All Hallows' Eve leads into the celebration of all the saints in heaven. The next day, All Souls' Day (November 2), remembers and prays for the faithful departed – those in purgatory who are still being purified before entering heaven. Together, these three days (All Hallows' Eve, All Saints' Day, and All Souls' Day) form a powerful reflection on the communion of saints, the unity between the Church in heaven, on earth, and in purgatory. **MEDIEVAL 'SOULING': THE FIRST TRICK-OR-TREATERS** Centuries ago, Catholics in England and Ireland kept All Souls' Day with a practice called 'souling.' Poor villagers or children would go door to door, offering to pray for the souls of the departed in exchange for small round cakes called 'soul cakes.' Each cake received represented prayers offered for a loved one's soul. This humble act of charity and remembrance gradually evolved into the custom of visiting homes for treats – the forerunner of trick-or-treating. Over time, children began to dress in disguise while 'souling,' reciting verses or performing little songs for their benefactors. In Ireland and Scotland, this became known as 'guising,' and when immigrants brought the tradition to America, it eventually became the familiar 'trick-or-treat' of today. **COSTUMES OF SAINTS AND SOULS** Long before children dressed as superheroes or monsters, Catholics would dress as saints, angels, or even souls in purgatory during the All Hallows' celebrations. These costumes weren't about fear – they were about faith. In medieval pageants and parish processions, Christians donned saintly costumes to honor their heavenly heroes, reminding all of the call to holiness. Dressing as 'souls' – often in white robes or ashes – was a somber reminder to pray for the departed. Even today, many Catholic parishes and schools revive this tradition with All Saints' Day costume parades or 'Holyween' celebrations, where children come dressed as their favorite saints, complete with halos and symbols of their patronage. **FAITH BENEATH THE FUN** While modern Halloween has largely become a secular celebration, its foundations remain unmistakably Catholic. All Hallows' Eve = All Saints' vigil, Trick-or-treating = Souling and guising, rooted in prayer for the dead & Costumes = Saintly and spiritual imagery. The Church's message through Hallowtide has always been one of hope and remembrance – that death is not the end, that holiness is our calling, and that prayer unites us across heaven and earth. **REDEEMING THE SEASON** Rather than rejecting Halloween outright, Catholics can reclaim its true meaning: Light candles and pray for deceased loved ones. Attend All Saints' Day Mass and All Souls' Day Mass. Teach children the stories of the saints and celebrate their witness. Remind your family that the 'holy' in Halloween points us back to God's victory over sin and death. **FOR THE SAINTS OF GOD ARE JUST FOLK LIKE ME** This year, as jack-o'-lanterns glow and costumes fill the streets, remember that Halloween began as a holy night – a reminder of the joy of heaven and the hope of resurrection. Behind every mask and memory is a whisper of something eternal. For we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses. (Hebrews 12:1)

The Triduum of Death:

ALLHALLOWTIDE

OCT 31

Hallows' Eve

All Hallows' Eve falls on 31st October each year, and is the day before All Hallows' Day, also known as All Saints' Day in the Christian calendar. The Church traditionally held a vigil on All Hallows' Eve when worshippers would prepare themselves with prayers and fasting prior to the feast day itself.

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All Saints' day

All Saints' Day is a solemn holy day of the Catholic Church celebrated annually on November 1. The day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven. All Saints' Day is a Catholic Holy Day of Obligation, requiring Catholics to attend the Mass.

NOV 02

All Souls' day

In Roman Catholicism, All Souls' Day is observed on November 2 to remember all the faithful departed who are believed to be in purgatory because they died with the guilt of lesser sins on their souls. The Roman Catholic doctrine says that the prayers of the faithful on earth will help cleanse these souls in order to be pure and fit the beatific vision.

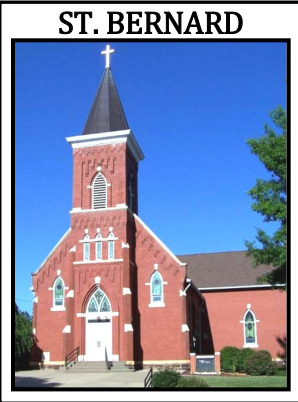
#HalloweenIsCatholic



THE PARISH CONNECTION

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 26, 2025



St. Bernard

Sunday Mass: 10:00AM
Confessions: Sunday 9:30-9:50AM or by request.
Rosary: 9:30AM on most Sundays

Parish Office Hours:
Tuesday - Thursday: 10AM - 5PM

St. Ignatius

Saturday Mass: 5:30PM
Confessions: Saturday 5 - 5:15PM
Rosary: 4:55PM
St. Ignatius does not currently have a parish office. Please feel free to call Rita's cell.

St. Joseph

Sunday Mass: 8:00AM
Confessions: 1st Sunday of the Month, 7:30 - 7:50AM
Fellowship Breakfast following the first Mass of every month.

Websites

- www.stbstistj.com
- www.salinadiocese.org
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Welcome!

New Parishioners - Please call or stop by the parish office to register.
Or you can register online at <https://www.osvhub.com/st-bernards/directory/register>

The Sacraments

Baptism - By appointment after completion of required instructions.

Marriage - Personally contact the pastor at least six months prior to intended date. Those engaged couples that would like a traditional Catholic wedding will be asked to live a traditional Catholic lifestyle.

Sick calls/Anointing - Please call the parish office if someone is hospitalized or ill at home and needs the Sacrament of the Sick.

LOOK WHAT'S NEW!

USHER'S are deeply needed at St. Bernard's. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this act of service. If you would like more information please contact the office or Cheryl Rathbun.

Mass Intention Cards have been refilled at all 3 parishes. If you have a specific intention you would like a Mass offered for, please fill out a card or let the office know as we are running low. We would be honored to pray for your intention.

Update Your Family Information If you haven't yet, please update your family information. This will help us create a more accurate account of our parish members. THANK YOU.

Prayer & Study every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. at the Magette home.

Youth Faith Formation

Wednesday, October 29th

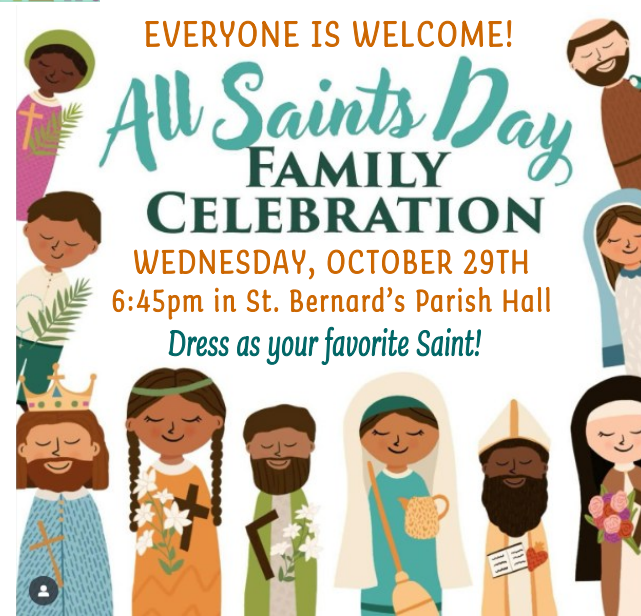
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Hallowtide FAMILY event!
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



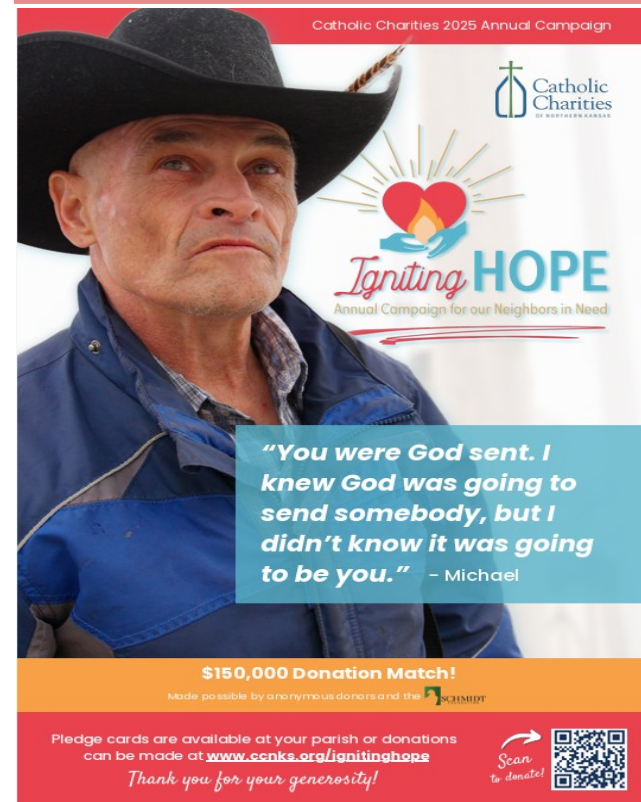
CCW
Council of Catholic Women

CCW ladies, please pick up your annual update letter and quilt raffle tickets in the east gathering space after mass today. Letters not picked up will be mailed on Monday.



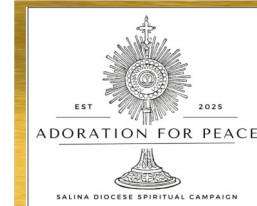
HOSPITALITY SUNDAY Join us for Hospitality next Sunday, November 2 immediately following Mass. Our CCW November & December circle will provide the food. We need you to provide the fellowship!

Mark your calendars! CYO Soup Luncheon and CCW auction and quilt raffle drawing will be December immediately following mass. Quilt raffle tickets are now available from any CCW member. We have two quilts again this year!!



St. Bernard News

Offerings for October 19, 2025		Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal. Our parish has raised 106.5% of our goal of \$29,000. We have raised \$30,855! If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please return the pledge card you received in the mail or visit appeal.givecfds.org to do it online. Through your generous support, we can serve thousands of families and individuals in the Diocese of Salina through outreach, formation, evangelization, and worship. Thank you, we couldn't do it without you!
2025 Weekly Income Goal	\$2,566.00	
Offering	\$60.00	
Envelopes	\$360.00	
Online Giving	\$1,125.50	
Total Contribution Received	\$1,545.50	
Landscaping Project	\$60.00	
World Mission Sunday	\$200.00	



MEET JESUS IN THE EUCHARIST AT 1ST SUNDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION NEXT SUNDAY FROM 3:00-8:00PM. COME PRAY FOR PEACE, THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED SOULS IN PURGATORY. SIGN UP SHEETS AT BOTH ENTRANCES.



Last year, 35 families in Ellsworth County received help thanks to YOUR support!

Your support enables Catholic Charities to fulfill its mission of compassionately serving individuals in need across the 31 counties of the Diocese of Salina. Every month, our dedicated team journeys to Ellsworth, delivering hope and vital assistance to those in our community, regardless of their religious affiliation, ethnicity, or background. Together, over the past year, your generosity has made a tangible impact in Ellsworth County, empowering us to provide the following essential services!



DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEEDED:

Responsible for the religious education program for youth and children of our parishes as designated by the pastor. This includes securing teachers, curricula, and working with the education team, (safety officer, Parish Council liaison, Fr. Stanly, CYO sponsor), First Communion & Confirmation.

For more information on the Job Description, hours and pay, please contact Fr. Stanly. This position is open to inquiries from St. Joseph, St. Ignatius and St. Bernard.

THE NEED FOR THIS POSITION IS IMMEDIATE.

St. Ignatius News

Offerings for October 18, 2025		Did you know that the Bishop's Annual Appeal helps support our clergy at all stages of their vocation? From recruitment, seminary, ordination, serving parishes and through retirement. Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal allows us to support those who have always prayed for and supported us. Ignatius' goal is \$12,500. So far we have given \$17,048.00!
Offertory	\$102.00	
Envelopes	\$1,688.10	
Total Contribution Received:	\$1,517.00	
Mission Sunday	\$695.55	



⇒ St. Ignatius Altar Society will meet Monday, Oct 27 at 630 pm in the conference room at the church. We look forward to seeing you there!

St. Joseph News

Offerings for October 19, 2025		Thank you to everyone who graciously participated in the 2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal. Thanks to your donations, we reached our goal of \$3,500! As of July 31, we have raised \$3,650! That is 104% of our goal! Your generous donations made this possible. Thank you, thank you!
Offertory	\$95.00	
Envelopes	\$245.00	
Total Contribution Received:	\$340.00	
World Mission Sunday	\$145.00	



YOU'RE INVITED TO ST. JOSEPH'S FALL GET TOGETHER
Join us This Sunday at 3:30pm for haybale rides & all things "Fall" at Matt & Marlene's house. We hope to see you all there!

