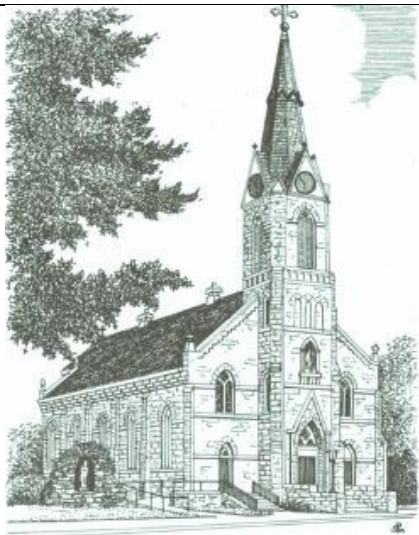




Saint Joseph Catholic Church

Ellinwood, Kansas

28 June 2026 – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Parish

214 N. Main St
Ellinwood, KS 67526
Parish 620-564-2534
School 620-564-2721
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Facebook:
Saint Joseph Parish and School

Administration

Fr. Aneesh Parappanattu, MSFS
Laurie Kolling, Principal
Jamie Komarek, Secretary

Masses

Weekdays 8:15 am
Weekends 5:00 pm Saturday
9:00 am Sunday

Confessions

4:00 pm Saturday & by request



Upcoming Events

27 June

28 June

**Bingo 6-8 pm
Parish Center**

**Donuts/Cookies at
the Church
following Mass**

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Sol. of Sts. Peter & Paul (6/29)
Mass 8:15 am +Bob & Margie Thomas

Tues., Weekday (6/30)
Mass 8:15 am +Elaine Wendel

Wed., Weekday (7/1)
Mass 8:15 am +P. W. Stephens

Thurs., Weekday (7/2)
No Mass

Fri., St. Thomas (7/3)
Mass 8:15 am +Vernon Schremmer

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (7/4)
Mass 5:00 pm For the Parish

FOURTEENTH SUN. ORDINARY TIME (7/5)
Mass 9:00 am Priestly Vocations for our Diocese

Ministers

Wkday Servers: June 28: Emmitt Gosser, Jaxon Lewis		
<u>July 4 & 5</u>	<u>Sat. 5:00pm</u>	<u>Sun. 9:00am</u>
Lector	Gaila Demel	Marlene Clayton
Lector	Emily Staton	Ava Thill
EM	Glenda Heinz	Jalayne Ewing
	Nathan Staton	Mel Waite
	Jim Rousseau	Sharon Gatton
Servers	Lauren Rugan	Cristian Martinez
	Sara Jahay	Brody Brack
Sacristans	Maurice & Gaila Demel	Kent Robl

Greeters Sat., July 4 – Maurice & Gaila Demel, Jean Klepper, Sharon Gatton

Sunday, July 5 – Monte & Robin Doll, John & Marlene Clayton

SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, JULY 5

Zechariah 9:9-10, Romans 8:9, 11-13,
 Matthew 11:25-30

Church Support

Envelopes \$5,070.00 Offertory \$363.00
 Online Giving \$2,369.00
Total Weekend Collection \$7,484.10
Wkly offering needed to meet budget \$9,700.00
 Envelopes Mailed 112
 Envelopes Returned 36
 Online Donors 50

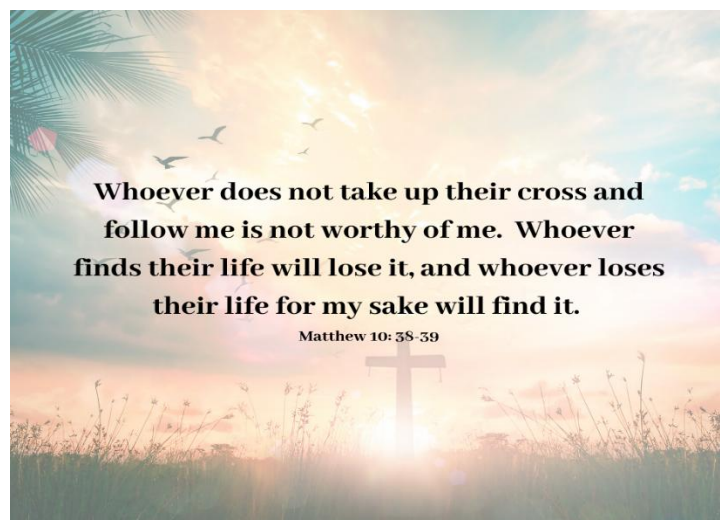
"...whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." MATTHEW 10:38

Pope Benedict XVI said "The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness". "Comfort" puts me first. "Picking up your cross and following Jesus" puts God and others first. Why settle for comfort when you can achieve greatness! Pick up your cross, ask Jesus for guidance on using your gifts and live the life God intended for you!



"Whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." (Matthew 10:38)

Following Christ means embracing sacrifice. Are you willing to carry your cross, offering your hopes and dreams in order to follow Him and discover true peace and purpose? Have you asked God what He is calling you to in your life? Talk to Father Aneesh or reach out to Father John Stang, Director of Vocations at the Diocesan Vocation Office, 620-227-1500.



AS WE CELEBRATE THE FOURTH OF JULY, we give thanks to God for the many blessings of freedom enjoyed in our nation. This year is especially significant as we commemorate the 250th Anniversary of American Independence (1776–2026), a milestone that invites us to reflect on the sacrifices, faith, and courage of those who helped establish our country.

As Catholics, we are called to pray for our nation, our leaders, our military personnel, and all who work to preserve the blessings of liberty. May we continue to seek God's guidance as we strive to build a society rooted in faith, justice, charity, and respect for the dignity of every person.

Have a safe and blessed Fourth of July!

A SINCERE THANK YOU to Emily Staton and Stephanie Joiner for their hard work and dedication in organizing Totus Tuus this year. We are also grateful to all of our parishioners who generously donated to help with expenses, prepared meals for the Totus Tuus team members, and opened their homes to provide lodging for the team throughout the week. Your generosity, hospitality, and support helped make this faith-filled week a wonderful experience for our youth and parish community. May God bless each of you for your kindness and stewardship.

THE OCIA PROCESS BEGINS IN SEPTEMBER - OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a welcoming journey for adults who would like to explore the teachings of the Catholic Church and discern whether God may be calling them to become Catholic.

We invite you to prayerfully consider who in your family, among your friends, neighbors, coworkers, or acquaintances might benefit from a personal invitation. Sometimes a simple conversation or invitation can make all the difference in helping someone take the next step in their relationship with Christ.

If you know someone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please encourage them to contact the parish office for information about the upcoming OCIA process.

We look forward to welcoming all who wish to discover the richness and beauty of the Catholic faith.

PETITION SCHEDULE, Weekend of July 5:
Ava Thill.

JOIN US FOR COOKIES AND DONUTS after Mass on Sunday, June 28! Stay for a few minutes after Mass to enjoy a sweet treat and some good conversation with fellow parishioners. It's a great opportunity to catch up with friends, meet new faces, and spend time together as a parish family.

LOTTO ST. JOE 2026 – The winner of the weekly \$50.00 drawing for June 26 is Baya Yeakley. All tickets are re-entered, allowing one to win multiple times. All proceeds go directly to the support of SJCS.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO DONATE GRAIN? -St. Joseph Catholic Church, St. Joseph Catholic School, and the St. Joseph Education Endowment Fund have grain accounts with Bartlett Grain, Great Bend Co-op, and Pawnee County Co-op.

If you would like to support the Church, School, or the St. Joseph Education Endowment Fund, you may designate your donation accordingly when making your grain transfer.

Please contact the parish office after transferring grain into one of these accounts so we can properly acknowledge and apply your gift.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our parish and school.

PGC AWARENESS SESSION - A reminder that all adults who wish to volunteer at St. Joseph Parish or School and work with children must complete a Protecting God's Children (PGC) Awareness Session.

A session will be offered on Tuesday, August 25, 2026, from 6:00–9:00 p.m. at Holy Family School Parish Center, 4200 Broadway St., Great Bend, KS.

To register or for more information, please contact Debbie Hagans at (620) 793-3265.

Thank you for helping us provide a safe environment for all children and youth in our parish and school communities.

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO READ THIS SUMMER? Our Parish Lending Library offers an assortment of books on Sacred Scripture, spirituality, Catholic teaching, Church history, and much more. Stop by the library located in the church entryway and browse the collection. Whether you're looking to deepen your faith, learn more about the Catholic tradition, or simply enjoy a good book, there's something for everyone. Happy reading!

ON SUNDAY, JULY 12, at 2:00 p.m. in the Motherhouse Auditorium (3600 Broadway, Great Bend), Father Reggie will once again present his 45-minute talk on Father Valentine Sommereisen, the French priest who founded the original eight parishes within a half-hour of Hays 150 years ago.

Following the presentation, at 3:30 p.m., Father Reggie will be selling and signing copies of his new handbook, *See, I Am Making All Things New*. Written to help Catholics read and better understand the Bible, the book is available for \$20 per copy. All are welcome.

MIDWEST CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE will be held **July 31–August 2, 2026**, at Century II Performing Arts & Convention Center, 225 W. Douglas Ave., Wichita, Kansas.

Registration forms are available in the church entryway.

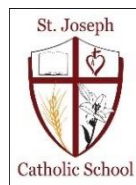
For more information and to register online, visit [Catholic Family Conference](#).

Make plans now to join Catholic families from across the region for a weekend of faith, fellowship, and inspiration.

PROCLAIM 365 – Supporting the Diocesan Church - Through your donations to Proclaim 365, you help support seminarians, Catholic schools, youth and young adult ministries, vocations promotion, family life and adult formation, as well as care for retired and infirm priests.

Brochures with more information are available on the table in the entryway of the church. You may also contact Mason Eck, Director of Development for the Diocese of Dodge City, at 620-227-1533 or by email at mjeck@dcdiocese.org.

POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION for June:
For the values of sports. Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.



Support St. Joseph School through everyday purchases while also supporting our local businesses, Ellinwood Family Foods (EFF) and EPPI.

Scrip is available for purchase before and after weekend Masses and at the parish and school offices:

- Ellinwood Family Foods \$10 certificates
- EPPI \$50 gift cards
- Walmart \$100 gift cards
- Amazon \$25 & \$100 gift cards

A portion of each purchase benefits our school—at no extra cost to you. Thank you for supporting our school and local community!

“Whoever does not take up his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me.”
(Matthew 10:38)

Reflect: —
Following Christ means embracing the crosses of daily life with trust and love. Every vocation involves sacrifice — but also the deep joy that comes from faithfulness.

Discuss: —
How can you encourage someone who may be struggling to follow God's call despite obstacles?

Pray: —
Pray for those discerning vocations that require courage and perseverance, that they may trust in God's plan.

Lord Jesus, ✝ —
You call us to take up our cross and follow You.
Give courage to those who are discerning their vocation.
Strengthen them in times of doubt and difficulty,
and fill their hearts with trust in Your perfect plan.
May they find deep joy in saying “yes” to You every day.
Amen.



BOX TOPICS

School's out — but earning big is in!

JUNE 2026
EDITION

MONTHLY BONUS OFFERS

Offers are valid on a single transaction from 6/1/26–6/30/26



Buy 2, Earn 5
on all snack products*



Buy 2, Earn 5
on Gold Medal Flour
& Bisquick products*



Buy 2, Earn 5
on Totino's products*



Buy 2, Earn 5
on Progresso products*



Buy 2, Earn 5
on Pillsbury products*



Buy 2, Earn 5
on Annie's Mac & Cheese*

*Must submit your receipt within 14 days of purchase. Limit 5 claims per receipt.



YOUR HALL PASS FOR A FREE SNACK

We're celebrating 30 years of Box Tops with a Bayside-approved rebate! Beginning June 1, buy 1 participating product + 1 participating snacks product in a single transaction by 11/30, then fill out a quick form to get cash back.*

Learn more at BTFE.com/FreeSnacks

*Terms and conditions apply; see official rules



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