

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE			
Saturday (March 21st)	5:30PM	Kanopolis	For the People of Our Parish & the Men of ECF
Sunday (March 22nd)	8:00AM	Brookville	Joe Religa †
Sunday (March 22nd)	10:00AM	Ellsworth	Jerry Base †
Monday (March 23rd)	8:30AM	Ellsworth	Darrell Foran †
Tuesday (March 24th)	8:30AM	Ellsworth	Kelli Rodriguez
Wednesday (March 25th)	8:30AM	Ellsworth	Jace Thomasson
Thursday (March 26th)	8:30AM	Kanopolis	Yolanda Pruitt †
Thursday (March 26th)	6:00PM	ECF	Rose Marie Dolezal †
Friday (March 27th)	8:00AM	Ellsworth	Ethan Tully
Saturday (March 28th)	5:30PM	Kanopolis	Valen Vague
Sunday (March 29th)	8:00AM	Brookville	For the People of Our Parish & the Men of ECF
Sunday (March 29th)	10:00AM	Ellsworth	Baby Noah and his family †

Dave Lang
The Sick & Elderly
OCIA candidates & catechists
Stacey Halbgewachs
Connie Ranker
Linda Domann

Prayer Requests
Let us pray for you



Members of our Military
Economic recovery and job security
Ross & Alex Binford
Mike Kratzer
Colt Dean Litteral
Peace in the Middle East

St. Bernard Lay Ministry Schedule Sunday, March 29, 2026 10:00AM Palm Sunday Greeters: CYO Lector: CYO/Narrator-Cheryl Rathbun/Voice-Chris Tully'3 Extraordinary Minister (Host): Steve Magette Cup: Paul & Jeni Bahr, Chris Tully Servers: CYO Gifts: CYO Sacristan: Steve Magette Ushers: Bob & Jina Murrell, Jeanette Kratzer Money Counters: Bob & Jina Murrell, Ella Stroede Minister to the Home: Scott & Carey Hipp	St. Bernard Matt Jundt - Chairperson/Respect Life Cheryl Rathbun - Vice Chairperson/Education/CCW representative Scott Thomasson - Evangelization Paul Bahr - Maintenance Johnnie Goddard - Finance Cheryl Rathbun - 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, March 28, 2026 5:30PM-Palm Sunday Lector/Reading of the Passion: Michelle Homolka, Tobina Norris Servers: Nova Rodriguez, Sophie Homolka, Volunteer Needed Gifts: Mark & Nicole Cunningham Ushers: Ryan Homolka, Volunteer Needed Cantor: Alex Stout Eucharistic Minister: Nikki Cunningham, Tobina Norris Rosary Leader: Cathy Dettmann	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

Saint Lea of Rome was a devout Christian noblewoman who lived during the 4th century. Very little is known about her early life, but it is widely accepted that she was born into a wealthy Roman family. After being widowed at a young age, Lea made a radical decision to abandon her privileged life. She sold her possessions and joined a community of consecrated virgins in Rome led by the revered Saint Marcella. This group was part of a larger spiritual movement in which Christian women committed themselves to a life of poverty, chastity, and service.

Lea quickly became known for her humility, obedience, & ascetic practices. Her self-denial and dedication to prayer were profound, & her life stood in stark contrast to the luxurious norms of the Roman elite. Eventually, she was appointed as the prioress of the convent, where she guided other women in their spiritual journeys. Her influence extended beyond the walls of the convent and became known to some of the early Church Fathers.

The most notable account of her life comes from Saint Jerome, a contemporary and one of the most significant Christian scholars of his time. In a letter to Saint Marcella, Jerome wrote in glowing terms about Lea's piety and spiritual accomplishments. He used her life as an example of Christian virtue, contrasting her with worldly women who clung to wealth and status. He described how she "trampled Satan underfoot" and "won for herself a crown of tranquility," emphasizing her victory over earthly temptations and her embrace of divine grace.

Saint Lea died around the year 384 AD. Although the details surrounding her death and burial remain obscure, her legacy endured through Jerome's writings and the admiration of early Christian communities. She is not known to have been formally canonized, as she was recognized as a saint before the canonization process was formalized by the Catholic Church. Nonetheless, her holiness and the impact of her life were acknowledged by the early Church.

Her feast day is observed on March 22. She is especially venerated as the patron saint of widows and mothers who have lost children. Through her example, Saint Lea continues to offer spiritual comfort and encouragement to those enduring loss and seeking a life of deeper faith. She represents the transformative power of surrendering worldly attachments in favor of eternal truth.

THE PARISH CONNECTION

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 22, 2026

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.

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www.stbstistj.com
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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.

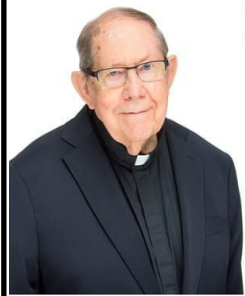
Sick calls/Anointing - Please call the parish office if someone is hospitalized or ill at home and needs the Sacrament of the Sick.

LOOK WHATS NEW!

Mass Intention Cards were refilled at all 3 parishes on March 3rd. 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 on Intentions. We would be honored to pray for your intention.

Youth Faith Formation

March 25th @ 6:45
Teen Faith/Confirmation



Fr. Leroy Metro

1937 - 2026

John LeRoy Metro, 88, of Salina, KS, passed away peacefully at home on March 6th, 2026 with family by his side. He was born March 17, 1937 in Concordia, KS. Father Metro served in many parishes in the Salina Diocese. He was active in many aspects of his faith such as Parish Priest, Family Counseling, Spiritual Guidance, Chaplain at Marymount College, and helping create and conduct SEARCH Weekends for Young Christians.

Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday, March 26, 2026, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Salina, with a vigil service beginning at 7. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, March 27, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, with Bishop Gerald Vincke presiding. Inurnment will follow at Mt. Calvary Catholic Cemetery, Salina.



BISHOP VINCKE KINDLY REQUESTS THE HONOR OF YOUR PRESENCE AT THE DIOCESE OF SALINA

CHRISM MASS

MARCH 26, 2026 @ 11:30AM

SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL | SALINA, KS

JOIN THE DIOCESAN CHOIR

Chrism Mass

MARCH 26

SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL, SALINA

Please contact psauers@shcathedral.com or the Sacred Heart Cathedral office for more information on joining the choir

THIS WEEK

ST. BERNARD'S ANNUAL Fish Fry



MENU

- Fried Fish
- Potatoes
- Green Beans
- Coleslaw
- Cornbread
- Tea or Water

MARCH 27, 2026 @ 6PM IN ST. BERNARD'S PARISH HALL

ADULTS \$15

KIDS \$5

5 & UNDER EAT FREE!

Come join us for our annual Fish Fry Lenten meal hosted by St. Bernard's Parish Council. We hope you will join us at our Church fish Fry, where faith, food & fellowship meet.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent, through the Cross, hope is found.

ST. BERNARD - 5:30PM
ST. IGNATIUS - 7PM

Followed by a Lenten meal at St. Bernard's

St. Bernard Blood Drive

MARCH 31ST 12 - 6PM PARISH HALL

SHARE YOUR LUCKY CHARM.

Give blood for those in need.



ST. BERNARD SCHOLARSHIP FOR SENIORS

St. Bernard's is proud to offer scholarship opportunities for eligible senior students:

- CCW SCHOLARSHIP: AWARD AMOUNT DECIDED ANNUALLY
- MARGARET DAVIS SCHOLARSHIP: \$500
- BLANCHE KYLER SCHOLARSHIP: \$500
- HELEN MARIE SVOBODA SCHOLARSHIP FOR FEMALES: \$750
- HELEN MARIE SVOBODA SCHOLARSHIP FOR MALES: \$750

TO BE ELIGIBLE YOU MUST BE A REGISTERED PARISHIONER OF ST. BERNARD'S

Ellsworth High School students may find applications online through the highschool scholarship portal. If you are not an EHS student, contact the parish office to request a hard or electronic copy.



ST. BERNARD NEWS

Offering for March 15, 2026	
2025 Weekly Income Goal	\$4,246.06
Offering	\$73.00
Envelopes	\$460.00
Online Giving	\$720.50
Total Contribution Received	\$1,253.50
Catholic Relief	\$55.00

Your generosity through the Bishop's Annual Appeal helps carry out the mission of the Church across our diocese. Through your support, faith is passed on to the youth of our diocese, our clergy are strengthened, & families are supported at every stage of life. These ministries help form disciples, support parish life, & serve communities across northcentral and northwest Kansas. Our goal this year is \$40,000 & as of March 17th, we have raised \$22,280! We invite you to join the mission by supporting the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

LAST WEEK



ST. BERNARD Easter Lilies

The Easter lilies that will adorn St. Bernard on Easter may be dedicated in memory of and/or in honor of those close to you. Use an envelope, or write a note and drop in the offertory basket. You may also email the office or scan the QR code to donate online. **Please** be sure to include your loved ones name(s). If you are writing, please print clearly. Thank you!



HOLY WEEK 2026

MASS TIMES

28 MARCH

PALM SUNDAY
ST. IGNATIUS - 5:30PM

29 MARCH

PALM SUNDAY
ST. JOSEPH - 8:00AM
ST. BERNARD - 10:00AM

2 APRIL

MAUNDY THURSDAY
ST. BERNARD - 6:30PM

3 APRIL

GOOD FRIDAY
ST. BERNARD - 3:00PM
ST. IGNATIUS - 12:00PM

4 APRIL

EASTER VIGIL
ST. BERNARD - 8:00PM

5 APRIL

EASTER SUNDAY
ST. JOSEPH - 7:30AM
ST. IGNATIUS - 9:00AM
ST. BERNARD - 10:30AM



Building hope and a future in the Holy Land

PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Friday April 3 2026

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Please be generous!

ST. IGNATIUS NEWS

Offerings for March 14, 2026	
Offertory	\$210.00
Envelopes	\$1,650.00
Catholic Relief	\$519.00
Ash Wednesday	\$20.00
First Offering	\$20.00
Total Contribution Received:	\$2,419.00

The Bishop's Annual Appeal supports the mission of the Church beyond what any single parish can do alone. Through the Appeal, ministries that pass on the faith to our youth, support and care for our clergy, and strengthen families across the diocese are made possible. Our parish is asked to take part in this shared mission with a goal of \$18,500.00 As of March 16th we have raised \$2,780. We invite you to

FEED YOUR FAITH Our next Feed Your Faith will be April 18th.

⇒ With the addition of the name plates, our window project is now fully completed. Thank you to all those that sponsored a window or gave donations to the project. We are grateful for all the support from our parishioners and guests!

ST. JOSEPH NEWS

Offerings for March 15, 2026	
Offertory	\$116.00
Envelopes	\$205.00
Total Contribution Received:	\$321.00

Each year, our parish joins with others across the diocese to support the ministries made possible through the Bishop's Annual Appeal. These ministries help form the faith of our youth, support and care for our clergy, and strengthen families throughout our diocesan community. Our parish goal this year is \$4,000, and as of March 16th we have raised \$780! We invite you to take part in this shared effort by supporting the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Give online at appeal.givecfds.org.