

# Jackson County Catholic Community



Second Sunday of Lent

March 1st, 2026

## REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

Matthew, Mark, and Luke share nearly identical accounts of Jesus' transfiguration. Coming toward the end of Jesus' journey to Jerusalem, Matthew's account interprets events soon to unfold in Jerusalem.

The account consists of several small scenes: a setting of the overall scene (who and where), a vision of Jesus' transfiguration and the appearance of Moses and Elijah, Peter's reaction, an "auditory" intervention, the response of the disciples, a conclusion, and Jesus' allusion to final glorification. Matthew alone calls it a "vision", and its features suggest that it is apocalyptic in nature in that the apostles have a vision of who Jesus is and will be. The vision draws heavily from the Sinai account in Exodus— a high mountain, the shining of Jesus' face, and the bright cloud. Finally, the presence of Moses and Elijah, especially important for Matthew's Jewish Christian community, connects Jesus with key figures of the Law and the Prophets.

Matthew's placement of the transfiguration allows it to serve as an interpretive key for Jesus' coming passion. Placed between the first and second predictions of the passion, the transfiguration balances these predictions with a vision of Jesus' glorification in the resurrection. Other elements connect the scene to God's plan for salvation history. For example, the divine words heard by the disciples - "This is my beloved Son"- are the same as those at Jesus' baptism. Also, in the verses immediately following this passage (Matthew 17:10-13), Jesus explains that Elijah, who tradition held would return before the fullness of God's kingdom was manifested, has already come in the person of John the Baptist. Salvation history is unfolding as they listen.

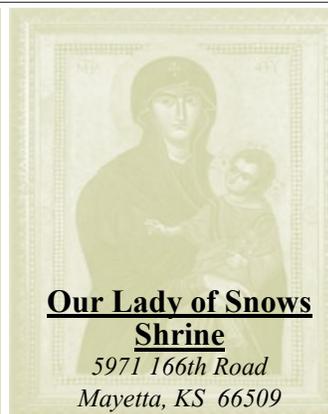
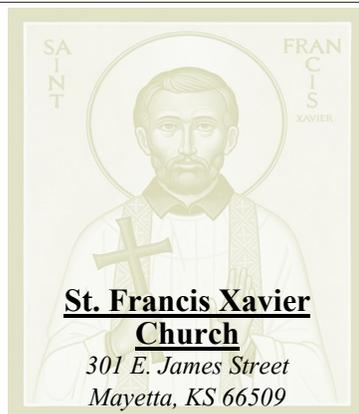
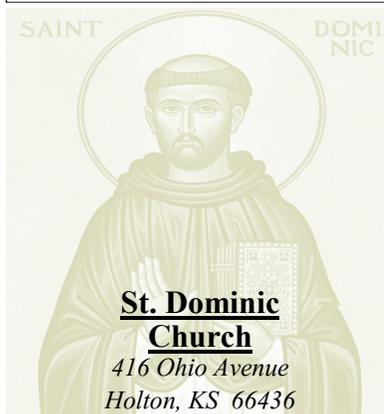
~Stephan J. Lampe

### TODAY'S READINGS:

Reading I: Genesis 12:1-4

Reading II: 2 Timothy 1:8-10

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9



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9:15 a.m. ~ 12 noon Friday

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Vera Rioux (St. FX)

### WEEKDAY MASS Schedule:

St. Francis Xavier:

8:30 a.m. ~ Tues., and Thurs.

St. Dominic:

5:30 p.m. ~ Wednesday

8:30 a.m. ~ Friday

### WEEKEND MASS Schedule:

Saturday Vigil

5:30 p.m. ~ @ St. Dominic

Sunday

7:00 a.m. ~ @ St. D: **Cancelled until further notice.**

8:30 a.m. ~ @ St. Francis Xavier

8:30 a.m. ~ @ Our Lady of Snows

10:30 a.m. ~ @ St. Dominic

### CONFESSION Schedule:

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. @ St. Dominic

Weekends, 30 minutes prior to St. FX

and St. D weekend Masses

### ADORATION Schedule:

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. @ St. Dominic

**BAPTISM:** Those requesting baptism

for their children need to be registered

parishioners. Preparation classes are

required for parents and Godparents

prior to event.

**MARRIAGE:** Preparation begins with

initial consult with parish priest. Please

allow at least six months notice to fulfill

the Archdiocesan marriage requirements.

**ANOINTING of the SICK:** Call

the office during business hours. Call the

rectory after hours or for emergencies.

If no answer, call (785) 364-7402.

**DECLARATION of NULLITY:**

Please call the parish office for details.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE:** next week

3rd Sunday of Lent

<b>March 7th &amp; 8th</b>	<b>Sat. 03/07 @ 5:30 pm SD</b>	<b>Sun. 03/08 @ 7:00 am SD</b>	<b>Sun. 03/08 @ 8:30 am SFX</b>	<b>Sun. 03/08 @ 10:30 am SD</b>
<b>SACRISTAN</b>	Wanda Weldin		Vera Rioux	Josh Shupe
<b>MUSIC</b>	Robin Sides	CANCELLED until further notice	Andrea Bailey Tony Rioux	Michelle Niehues Dyann Parks
<b>LECTOR</b>	Tim Henry		Marguerite Mzhickteno	David Schmitz
<b>GREETER- USHER</b>	Galen Brucken, Jim Childs		Thad & Paige Holthaus	Lee & Pam Doyle
<b>EMHC</b>	Linda Arnold		Joann Walker	Jenny Lancaster
<b>Acolytes</b>			Nick Rioux (CB) Zach Rioux, Dalton Cole	Westin Tanking (CB) Kyla Tanking, Amelia Larkins

**Homebound Communion Ministers:** Niki Meerpohl (*St. Dominic*), Sharon Cole (*St. Francis Xavier*), and Annette Schreiber (*Nursing Homes*)

**CALENDAR of EVENTS**

<b>March 2nd, Monday</b>	
<b>Parish Office is Closed</b>	
6:00 p.m. <b>Beatitudes from the Heartland and Rosary Fellowship</b>	<b>St. Dominic Hall</b>
<b>March 3rd, Tuesday</b>	
8:30 a.m. <b>MASS</b>	<b>St. Francis Xavier</b>
<b>March 4th, Wednesday</b>	
5:30 p.m. <b>MASS</b>	<b>St. Dominic</b>
6:00 p.m. <b>Adoration and Confession</b>	<b>St. Dominic</b>
6:30 p.m. <b>Religious Ed.</b>	<b>St. Dominic Hall</b>
<b>March 5th, Thursday</b>	
8:30 a.m. <b>MASS</b>	<b>St. Francis Xavier</b>
6:00 p.m. <b>O.C.I.A.: Scrutinies</b> Examination of Conscience Practicum	<b>St. Dominic Office</b>
<b>March 6th, Friday</b>	
8:30 a.m. <b>MASS</b>	<b>St. Dominic</b>
5:00 p.m. <b>Fish Fry</b>	<b>St. Francis Xavier Hall</b>
5:30 p.m. <b>Stations of the Cross</b>	<b>St. Dominic</b>
<b>March 7th, Saturday</b>	
5:00 p.m. <b>Confession</b>	<b>St. Dominic</b>
5:30 p.m. <b>MASS</b>	<b>St. Dominic</b>
<b>March 8th, Sunday</b>	
8:00 a.m. <b>Confession</b>	<b>St. Francis Xavier</b>
8:30 a.m. <b>Mass</b>	<b>St. Francis Xavier</b>
8:30 a.m. <b>Mass</b>	<b>Our Lady of Snows</b>
9:30 a.m. <b>Religious Ed.</b>	<b>St. Francis Xavier</b>
9:30 a.m. <b>Beatitudes from the Heartland</b>	<b>SFX Hall</b>
10:00 a.m. <b>Confession</b>	<b>St. Dominic</b>
10:30 a.m. <b>Mass</b>	<b>St. Dominic</b>
6:00 pm <b>Altar Society Mtg</b>	<b>St. Dominic Hall</b>
<b>March 9th, Monday</b>	
<b>Parish Office is Closed</b>	
6:00 p.m. <b>Beatitudes from the Heartland</b>	<b>St. Dominic Hall</b>

PASTORAL COUNCILS		FINANCE COUNCILS	
<i>St. Dominic</i>	<i>St. Francis Xavier</i>	<i>St. Dominic</i>	<i>St. Francis Xavier</i>
Wayne Leiker	Ben Ehrhart	Barb Heideman	Mary Lou Koch
Bethany Henry	Marie Burdick	David Ashcraft	Sharon Cole
Leigha Sweet	Chris Everts	Diane Gross	Farrell Holthaus
Jenea Chartier	Marquerite Mzhickteno	Mark Starr	Donald Sunday
Niki Meerpohl	Jeri Albright		
Joshua Shupe	Mike Henry		
Theresa Watkins	Tina Bailey		

**NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SFX LENTEN ALMSGIVING TREE**



To practice the Lenten discipline of almsgiving, we are encouraging everyone to pick a tag off of our Lenten almsgiving tree. Each colored tag represents an item that can be donated to one of four charitable programs:

- JCMA Food Pantry
- JaCo Crisis Pregnancy Center
- JCMA Essential Bags
- Mayetta Blessing Box

Items can be dropped off in the lobby area of **St. Francis Xavier**.  
Thank you for your generosity.

**JCMA MARCH FOOD DRIVE ASSIGNMENT (for SFX)**



All Canned Meats	Powdered Milk	Evaporated Milk
Spaghetti Sauce	Potato Flakes	Spaghetti O's
Ravioli	Brownie Mixes	Cake Mixes
Canned Fruit	Fruit Juice	Peanut Butter
Macaroni & Cheese	Can Openers	Toilet Paper
Toothpaste	Toothbrushes	Personal Hygiene

<b>ACTS ARCHDIOCESAN CALL TO SHARE</b> <small>ARCHDIOCESAN CALL TO SHARE (as of Feb. 20th, 2026)</small>	Saint Dominic	St Francis Xavier
Target Goal	\$18,000.00	\$5,000.00
Total Committed	\$10,555.00	\$2,180.00
Goal Progress	59%	44%
Participation %	16%	16%

PARISH STEWARDSHIP February 21st & 22nd, 2026	St. Dominic	St. Francis Xavier
<b>Envelopes</b>	\$5,120.50	\$1,840.00
<b>Plate</b>	\$879.00	\$442.25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,999.50</b>	<b>\$2,282.25</b>
<i>Week of February 14th &amp; 15th</i>	\$3,716.05	\$1,287.00
<i>Week of February 7th &amp; 8th</i>	\$6,455.20	\$2,825.00

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

### INTENTIONS OF POPE LEO XIV FOR MARCH:

#### For Disarmament and Peace

Let us pray, that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy, instead of violence.

### INTENTIONS OF FR. JONATHAN FOR MARCH:

For all members of our parish, to make good and honest effort to fulfill our Lenten disciplines as we look forward to the Easter festivities.

### PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS:

#### Parishioners:

Barbara Bausch	Bill Berns	Jim Bowhay	Bob Butts
Mary Devader	Steve Devlin	Mildred Eisenbarth	Sheila Fernkopf
Freda Galer	Martin John Hamm	Mary Harris	Pat Hasenkamp
Ed Hrenchir	Carolyn Koger	Karen McClaskey	Mike McClaskey
Don Morford	Mary Morford	Richard Mulroy	Mike Myers
Joe Purcell	Larry Reilly	Ramona Robinson	Barb Schussler
Kade Sides	Arneil Springer	Evelyn Sullivan	Ray Zeller

#### Relatives of Parishioners:

Bill Albright	Jorgan Beck	Christopher Brown	Roger Brown
James DeVader	Don Dillner	Brad Fiedler	Dennis Fiedler
Jennifer Fiedler	Mike Fiedler	Sherri Fiedler	Warren Fiedler
Van Fuqua	Allan Gibson	Gladys Gibson	Kase Glassel
Jamie Goldman	Vickie Goodman	Dan Gruber	Eric Harris
Floyd Klein	Felicia Nicholes	Lainey Parks	Leonard Riley
Danyell Russell	Butch Schiffbauer	Linda Schiffbauer	Anna Segenhagen

### PRAYERS FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM:

**US Army:** MP ANG Therron Fox SSgt. Matthew Zeller **US Marines:** Maj. JP Turner  
**US Navy:** E-5 Dennis Reed Potter **US Air Force:** Andrew Moris, McClain Morris,  
 MSgt. Dylan Parks, TSgt. Nicole Parks

*To place or remove someone's name on the prayer list, please call the Parish Office.*

## MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

### February 28th (Sat)

5:30 p.m. St. Dominic

### March 1st (Sun)

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier  
 10:30 a.m. St. Dominic

### March 3rd (Tues.)

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier

### March 4th (Wed)

5:30 p.m. St. Dominic

### March 5th (Thurs)

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier

### March 6th (Fri)

8:30 a.m. St. Dominic

### March 7th (Sat)

5:30 p.m. St. Dominic

### March 8th (Sun)

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier  
 10:30 a.m. St. Dominic

### 2nd Sunday of Lent

All Parishioners,  
 Living & Deceased

### 2nd Sunday of Lent

Anna Wilder+  
 Alisha Quigley+

### St Katharine Drexel, Virgin

Doris Foster+  
 Phyllis Sieve+

### St. Casimir

Timothy Lierz+  
 Richard Arnold+

### Lenten Weekday

Rose Ann Gardner+  
 Steve Fuqua+

### Lenten Weekday/First Friday

Kay Ludvick+  
 Fr. Jonathan Dizon

### 3rd Sunday of Lent

Oswin Johnson  
 Family

### 3rd Sunday of Lent

Dot Sosna+  
 All Parishioners,  
 Living & Deceased



OCIA 2026: Brooke Doyle, Connie McClain, Chase Eck, Cortlin Roles, Wyatt Roles



BEATITUDES

from the

HEARTLAND

JOIN US THIS LENT FOR A FOUR-PART SMALL-GROUP EXPERIENCE  
 DESIGNED TO DEEPEN YOUR ENGAGEMENT IN THE FAITH AND OUR PARISH

ST. DOMINIC

MARCH 2, 9, 16 & 23 (MONDAYS @ 6PM) SD PARISH HALL

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

MARCH 8, 15, 22 & 29 (SUNDAYS @ 9:30AM) SFX PARISH HALL

Parishioners are welcome to form their own small groups and meet on their own.  
 Please contact Angie Reith ([jacocatholicsre@gmail.com](mailto:jacocatholicsre@gmail.com)) for instructions and materials by March 1.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

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Upcoming Dates

March 15: Spring Break- No Class @ St. FX  
 March 18: Spring Break- No Class @ St. D

April 11: 1st Communion Retreat, BOTH  
 Parishes, @ St. Dominic Parish Hall

April 25: First Communion @ St. Dominic  
 April 26: First Communion @ St. Francis

CLASS TIMES

St. Dominic:

Wednesdays 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

St. Francis Xavier:

Sundays 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

**THEMES: 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR A**

*This week's themes focus on trust in God and the call to follow Him. The readings show how God leads His people and gives them strength for the journey.*

- ◆ **God's Call to Trust:** God calls Abram to leave his home and go to a new land. This shows that faith means trusting God even when the future is unclear.
- ◆ **Jesus Reveals His Glory:** Jesus takes Peter, James, and John up the mountain and is transfigured before them. This moment shows that Jesus is more than a teacher – He is the Son of God.
- ◆ **Strength in Suffering:** Paul reminds Timothy to be strong in suffering for the Gospel. Following Jesus is not always easy, but God gives strength and grace.
- ◆ **God's Promise of Life:** Paul speaks of God's plan to bring life through Jesus. This reminds us that God's call leads to true life, not just for now but forever.
- ◆ **Listen to Jesus:** At the Transfiguration, God tells the disciples to listen to His Son. This reminds us to follow Jesus and trust what He teaches.
- ◆ **Faith Leads to Blessings:** Abram obeys God and is blessed. Faith in God always leads to something greater, even when we do not see it right away.

*This week's readings invite us to trust God's plan. The readings remind us that God leads, strengthens, and blesses those who follow Him.* (YoungCatholics.com)



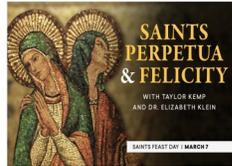
**This Week on Formed**

Week of March 01, 2026



**Lent and New Life in Christ**

What is the importance of almsgiving? Dr. Michael Barber discusses the transformative power of almsgiving for your life.



**Sts. Perpetua**

Dr. Elizabeth Klein and Taylor Kemp discuss the life and impact of two female martyrs from the third century, Sts. Perpetua and Felicity. Both were beheaded for refusing to renounce their Christian faith.



**The Total Gift: A Katharine Drexel Story**

Saint Katharine Drexel chose a life dedicated entirely to serving marginalized communities. Born into a wealthy Philadelphia family, Katharine Drexel used her fortune to challenge societal norms and dedicate her life to education and racial healing.

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