



HIGHWAY 4 CATHOLICS



St. John the Evangelist *Herington* ✠ St. Phillip *Hope* ✠ St. Columba *Elmo*
Second Sunday of Advent · Three parishes · One family in Christ

Second Sunday of Advent - December 6, 2026

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Whether you're in Herington or Elmo, Hope is always on the horizon. Many of us have domicile near State Highway 4; hence the name of our website: highway4catholics.org

A Voice in the Desert*



Dear Parishioners,
 John the Baptist appears in the Gospel, crying out in the desert: prepare the way. Isaiah's word this Sunday is comfort. Speak tenderly. The rough road will be made plain.

Tuesday is the Immaculate Conception, a holy day. Please look at the Masses below. Hope is at 5:30 PM. The Herington time is still to be confirmed, and Elmo does not have a Mass that day.

Two candles on the wreath. Make straight a path this week: one apology, one visit, one confession.

Fr. Saji*

* Tentative draft - replace with Fr. Saji's write-up.

SUNDAY READINGS

Reading I: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 85:9-14

Reading II: 2 Peter 3:8-14

Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

MASS TIMES

Monday, December 7
 St. Ambrose
 No Mass

Tuesday, December 8
 Immaculate Conception
 Hope 5:30 PM - TBD*
 Herington, time to be announced*
 No Mass in Elmo*

Wednesday, December 9
 St. Juan Diego
 Herington 7:30 AM - TBD*

Thursday, December 10
 Our Lady of Loreto
 Elmo 5:30 PM - TBD*

Friday, December 11
 St. Damasus I
 Herington 5:30 PM - TBD*

Saturday, December 12
 Our Lady of Guadalupe
 Herington 4:30 PM - TBD*
 Hope 6:30 PM - TBD*

Sunday, December 13
 3rd Sunday of Advent
 Elmo 8:30 AM - TBD*
 Herington 10:30 AM - TBD*

* Mass intentions TBD - confirm with Deacon Dick.

CONFESSION TIMES

THIS WEEKEND'S LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

Herington: 12/5, 4:30 PM
 Lector: M. Stenstrom
 Usher: D. Matile
 Rosary: S. Wirtz

Hope: 12/6, 8:30 AM*
 Lector: D. Schwindt*
 Ushers: Schwindt Family*
 Rosary: E. Davidson*
 Cleaning: D. Dillon*

Herington: 12/6, 10:30 AM
 Lector: T. Hardwick
 Usher: A. Stuart
 Altar Server: T. Hardwick*
 Rosary: V. Hammersmith

Elmo: 12/5, 6:30 PM
 Lector: M. Reel
 Ushers: K. & K. Kroupa
 Cleaning: N. & A. Barten

NEXT WEEKEND'S LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

Herington: 12/12, 4:30 PM
 Lector: T. Hardwick
 Usher: D. Matile
 Altar Server: T. Hardwick
 Rosary: T. Roth

Elmo: 12/13, 8:30 AM
 Lector: L. Donnelly
 Ushers: M. & N. Lorson
 Cleaning: N. & A. Barten

Herington: 12/13, 10:30 AM
 Lector: S. Stroda
 Usher: L. Floyd
 Rosary: M. Hardwick

Hope: 12/12, 6:30 PM
 Lector: D. Lorson
 Usher: R. Hoffman
 Rosary: J. Rziha
 Cleaning: C. Haslouer



Immaculate Conception*

Holy day. Hope 5:30 PM. Herington ministers are S. Stroda, L. Floyd, and rosary S. Wirtz; the time is not on the sheet. No Mass in Elmo.

WHEN Tue., Dec. 8

WHAT Hope 5:30 PM • Herington time TBD*



Knights of Columbus

WHEN Wed., Dec. 9 • 7:00 PM

WHERE Parish Hall, Herington



Our Lady of Guadalupe

Saturday's evening Masses are on her feast. Bring the family.

WHEN Sat., Dec. 12



Saint of the Week

St. Ambrose (Dec. 7): bishop of Milan, who received St. Augustine into the Church.



Please Pray For

Our sick and deceased (names TBD*) and all the Holy Souls.



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Readings



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Stewardship of Treasure * tentative - update from Deacon Dick



St. John

December so far **14%**



\$861* of \$6,000

Last weekend **\$861***

Needed this weekend **\$1,500**



St. Phillip

December so far **43%**



\$851* of \$2,000

Last weekend **\$851***

Needed this weekend **\$500**



St. Columba

December so far **32%**



\$511* of \$1,600

Last weekend **\$511***

Needed this weekend **\$400**

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