

ST. MARY QUEEN OF ANGELS



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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday 5:30 p.m.
 Sunday 10:00 a.m.
 Tues., Wed. 5:30 p.m.
 Thurs., Fri. 7:30 a.m.

Holy Day
 - as announced

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

We are happy to have you with us! Please call or stop by the parish office to register.

Welcome
 To Our
 Parish

PASTOR:

Fr. Vincent John, CMI
 Email: frvincent@stmsalina.org

PASTORAL COUNCIL:

Dave Zachman, Chairman,
 Tanya Becker, Vice Chairman
 Gail Ogle, Sarah Hurla,
 Mark Ptacek, Tammi Buhrle, Nathan Myers,
 Bruce Heier & Cindy Balthazor

FINANCE COUNCIL:

Dave Beagley, Chairman, Jane Cline, John Malone,
 Jim Malone, & Mark Ptacek

COMMISSIONS:

Marge Schulte, Liturgy
 Merlin Ney, Cemetery Board
 Bruce Heier, Evangelization
 Tammi Buhrle, Family Life/Christian Service
 Cindy Balthazor, Stewardship
 Dave Zachman, Respect Life

CYO PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL:

Peyton Sohm, Joey Hurla & Olivia Morgenstern

PARISH STAFF:

Judy Larson—Administrative Assistant
 Marcia Blundon—Bookkeeper
 Katy Hertel—Religious Education Coordinator
 Bruce Heier—Custodian
 James Norin - Maintenance

September 27, 2026
*Twenty-sixth Sunday
 in Ordinary Time*

GORHAM MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Sundays before Mass 7:40 a.m.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism—Personally contact the pastor prior to intended date.

Marriage—Personally contact the pastor at least six months prior to intended date.

Sick Calls/Anointing—Please call the parish office if someone is hospitalized or ill at home and would like us to visit with Holy Communion and/or the Sacrament of the Sick.

Reconciliation —

Fridays - 8 a.m.

-Saturdays —4:30 p.m. or by appointment.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

With Christ as our model,
 St. Mary, Queen of Angels Catholic Church
 Strives to be a welcoming community of faith,
 United in our diversity,
 Guided by the Holy Spirit,
 Nurtured by the sacraments,
 Centered around the Eucharist,
 And inspired by the gospel message.

We devote our time, talent and treasures to build the Kingdom of God.
 We love and serve the Lord by serving one another.

...united in heart. (Philippians 2:2)

Isn't it amazing to live in such a connected world? You can so easily search the internet to find answers to any question you have and to learn all about the latest events happening anywhere in the world. Yet we all know that there are challenges related to this quick access to information, and one of them is the quick access to opinions. And, as we often see, opinions lead to arguments, and arguments lead to divisions.

So, when we hear St. Paul calling us to be "of the same mind" and "united in heart," it can seem almost impossible (Philippians 2:2). It's hard enough staying civil and polite, but to actually be *united* in heart and mind? Can we even do that? Paul seems to think we can. So let's consider how we can apply his words to our lives today.

Consider Paul's audience: the Christians in Philippi. Paul isn't writing to the entire city. Why does that matter? Because we are called to a special kind of unity with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Our Church is diverse, and that's part of its beauty. But unity in the midst of diversity means that our opinions, as important as they may be, should not supersede our call to reveal the love of Christ through our unity: "This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:35).

So how can we embrace this calling? One way is to ask yourself if you should be spending less time taking in the news, political commentary, or celebrity gossip and more time serving God. The simple act of putting our energy toward listening to God and being among his people will bring down dividing walls and empower you to follow Jesus' command to love *all* of your brothers and sisters.

So, enjoy the benefits of our connected world, but remember to guard the true, lasting unity of your family in Christ.

"Jesus, help me to hear your call to unity and respond with love."

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
Saturday, Sept. 26 - 5:30 p.m.	Living & Deceased of Ruby Nowak	Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:11; Matthew 21:28-32
Sunday, Sept. 27 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:11; Matthew 21:28-32
Monday, Sept. 28	No Mass	Job 1:6-22, Luke 9:46-50
Tuesday, Sept. 29 - 5:30 p.m.	Kapryce Schmidt, Ann. of Death	Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; John 1:47-51
Wednesday, Sept. 30 - 5:30 p.m.	Alan Vonfeldt	Job 9:1-12, 14-16; Luke 9:57-62
Thursday, Oct. 1 - 7:30 a.m.	Barb Scheck, Ann. of Birth	Job 19:21-27; Luke 10:1-12
Friday, Oct. 2 - 7:30 a.m.	Mark Mills	Job 38:1, 12:21; 40:35; Matthew 18:15-10
Saturday, Oct. 3 - 5:30 p.m.	Alan Vonfeldt	Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43
Sunday, Oct. 4 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43



Prayer Requests

Please pray for Colton Mullender, Mary K Hurla, Carol McAdoo, Ray Olson, Tad Reddig, Rita Dreiling, Bob Scheck, Gary Flax, and all our friends and relatives who are ill or experiencing difficulties in their lives that they may know the healing presence of God.

PRAY because
God can do more
in a second than
you ever could in
a lifetime!



Stewardship of Treasure

Contributions Weekend of September 19th & 20th, 2026

Envelopes	\$ 1,737.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,075.00
Loose Cash	\$ 490.00
Votive	\$ 120.00
Religious Education	\$ 60.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,060.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$ 4,542.00
CEMETERY	\$ 150.00

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Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, October 3rd • 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, October 4th • 10:00 a.m.
Hospitality / Ushers Gifts / Bulletins:	George & Kathy Bray / Mike McGreevy	Todd & Tammi Buhrle
Lectors	Coleen Boxberger & Melinda Cross	Sarah Hurla & Chris Sipe
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Marcia Blundon & Jane Cline Cup: Anne Coady, Kristi Fisher & Deb Strobel	Body: *John Farmer & Michelle Farmer Cup: Marc Hertel, Rich Krause & Tammy Krause
Altar Servers	Volunteers	Jamie Hurla, Steele Rogge & Elliott Sipe
Organist / Instrumental / Cantors	Curtis Sander/Craig Cline & Ava Cline	Debbie Zachman & Dave Zachman
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool – First Grade	Sunday, Sept. 27th Sherry Homeier/Liam Axtell & Peyton Sohm	Sunday, Oct. 4th Peyton Sohm/Tegan Becker & Reese Owens
Counters	Sunday, Sept. 26th & 27th Steve & Luci Knopp	Sunday, Oct. 3rd & 4th Mark & Tammy Ptacek



BLESSINGS
BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY

Happy Birthday Wishes To:

Saturday, September 26th
Tuesday, September 29th
Wednesday, September 30th
Thursday, October 1st
Friday, October 2nd
Saturday, October 3rd
Sunday, October 4th

Nick Coady & Gracie McDonald
Kathy Bray
James (Dan) Casey
Dayna McNary
Cecil Witt & Shannon Trevethan
Damon Becker
Tanya Becker, Todd Buhrle & Evelyn Copple

Anniversary Wishes To:

Sunday, September 27th
Thursday, October 1st

John & Donna Rowley
Rich & Tammy Krause



2026-27 Calendar

Sept. 27	Sunday – CYO Mass at 10:00 a.m. Confirmation introductions grades 9–11
Sept. 30	Class at 7:15 p.m. – Confirmation meeting (Parents/students grades 7–11)
Oct. 7	Class at 7:15 p.m. – Plan 6th, 7th & 8th Grades Mass, Living Rosary
Oct. 11	Sunday - CYO Pancake Feed after Mass and Bingo Fundraiser at 3:00 p.m.
Oct. 14	Class at 7:15 p.m. – Practice 6th, 7th & 8th gr. Mass; practice Confirmation intro 7th & 8th
Oct. 18	Sunday - 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Mass, Confirmation Intro grades 7th & 8th
Oct. 21	Class at 7:15 p.m.
Oct. 28	Class at 7:15 p.m. – Plan 3 rd , 4th & 5 th Gr. Mass
Nov. 4	Class at 7:15 p.m.- CYO – Plan 3 rd , 4th & 5 th Gr. Mass

Russell Council of Catholic Women

The RCCW will hold their regular monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 1st, in the Parish Conference Room. All ladies of the Parish are encouraged to attend. In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be cancelled.



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

OCIA will meet on Wednesday, Sept. 30th at 7:15 p.m. for Adults at SMQOA Church in the conference room.

Next OCIA session will be on **Wednesday, Oct. 7th.**

Please contact Jeanie Munsch, Director of OCIA at 785-650-1845 or the Parish office at 785-483-2871, if interested or know someone who would be interested.

Please let me know by **October 4th**, the days you are unavailable for the next schedule dates of:

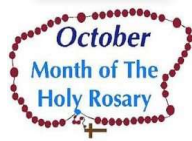
Saturday, November 7th through Sunday, November 29th, 2026. This includes Thanksgiving Day Mass!

Reminder that the office is closed on Fridays! I would appreciate getting the information as soon as possible to guarantee the days off that you are requesting!

You can email me at: smqoa@ruraltel.net. Thank you!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sept 30	7:15 pm	OCIA Session CCD Classes Altar serving training - 4th gr. Confirmation meeting w/parents & students, grades 7-11
Oct 1	6:30 pm	RCCW Meeting in Conference Room
Oct 2	7:30 am 8:00 am 5:45 pm	First Friday Mass Adoration Confession Benediction
Oct 4	2-3 pm 7:00 pm	Sunday Services at Nursing Homes Altar serving refresher course
Oct 7	7:15 pm 8:15 pm	OCIA Session CCD Classes - CYO Altar serving training - 4th gr. Parish Council Meeting
Oct 11	11 am 3:00 pm	CYO Pancake Feed after Mass CYO Fundraiser



We need rosary leaders for the weekend Masses for the month of October which is Holy Rosary month. Please contact Jeanie Munsch at 785-650-1845, Fr. Vincent John, CMI at 785-201-7477 or Parish office at 785-483-2871.



RESPECT LIFE

October 4 is Respect Life Sunday. The memorial cross on the front lawn of St. Mary Queen of Angels will be created by the CYO members after Mass on September 27th. The cross represents the unborn lost to abortion.

Each white flag in the cross represents 2,000 of the 1,038,100 abortions in the United States in 2024 which is the most recent year for which data is available. The ten red flags in the center of the cross represent the 19,811 abortions in Kansas. Two of the Kansas abortions were performed for Russell county residents. Please pray for the lives lost to abortion and for families affected by abortion.

Children's Corner

On the table in the Church, you will be able to find something to help occupy your little ones during Mass. Each week there will be a color or puzzle page, some books and "Explaining God's Word" page. This is what is used as the focus for the class on Sundays, so you can use this at home as well. Please feel welcome to take from the back table. You may return any books, crayons or pencils after Mass.



Altar Serving Training for Current Servers

There are several Changes to Mass Procedures to review. Some are kind of BIG, including where you sit!

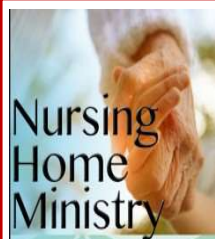
Changes will take effect October 11th.

Last session: **Sunday – October 4th at 7:00 p.m.**

Please plan to attend this session!

Contact Andy Hurla for more information at: 785-445-8030.

Our prayers and sympathy to Steve and Luci Knopp, family and friends of Tim Knopp (Steve's brother) who died on Sept. 18, 2026.



Sunday Services at Senior Living Groups
Every Sunday afternoon, Russell area churches take turns delivering 20-minute services at:

Wheatland Nursing (2:00 p.m.)

Mainstreet Manor (2:30 p.m.)

Homestead (3:00 p.m.)

The St. Mary Sunday Services Ministry team will be offering the services on Sunday afternoon, **October 4th** and invite all parishioners to come and join in this time of faith sharing and fellowships.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS

Eucharistic Adoration for **First Friday, October 2nd**, will begin at:

7:30 a.m. - Mass

8:00 a.m. - Eucharistic Adoration

5:45 p.m. – Benediction

WEDDING ASSISTANTS NEEDED

Weddings are joyous events, but they can be stressful too. We would like to have a list of volunteers who would be willing to be present at wedding rehearsals and before the wedding ceremony to help answer questions and help things go more smoothly.

Interested, Sign up by calling Janna Norin at 785-483-0398 or the parish office at 785-483-2871.



HUMAN TRAFFICKING

More than 200,000 children and teenagers

in the United States are victims of sex trafficking every year. It is important for teachers to be aware of the signs and take action.

Alliance to End Human Trafficking -Founded and Supported by US Catholic Sisters, 7575 Grand River Ave. 1-1009, Brighton, MI 48114.