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.

MASS SCHEDULE:
Saturday      5:30 p.m.
Sunday       10:00 a.m.
T, Th, F      7:30 a.m.
Wednesday   6:30 p.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.

PASTORAL TEAM:
Fr. Michael Elan, Pastor
Fr. James Grennan, Retired  403 Barton St., Russell
Fr. Daniel Scheetz, Retired  1531 N Elm St., Russell

COUNCIL CHAIR:
Leon Weigel, Parish Council
Dave Beagley, Finance Council

COMMISSIONS:
Marge Schulte, Liturgy
Merlin Ney, Cemetery Board
Bruce Heier, Evangelization
Maureen Haberer, Family Life/Christian Service
Leon Weigel, Respect Life
Jaidyn B., Payden L., Kaitlyn N., & Kalli P.
- CYO President’s Council
Jeffrey Blundon, Knights of Columbus Grand Knight
Sandy Ochampaugh, President RCCW

PARISH LEADERSHIP:
Gale Pospichal—Secretary/Bookkeeper
Bonita Ney—Religious Education Coordinator

PARISH EMPLOYEES:
Kevin Rourke, Janitor

SACRAMENTS:
Baptism—By appointment after completion of required instructions.

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—
Wednesday—6:00 p.m., Saturday—4:30 p.m. or by appointment
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 20, 2020

MASS INTENTIONS:
Saturday Dec 19th 5:30 p.m. Bob & Thelma Dreiling (E)
Keith Stoppel (G)
Sunday Dec 20th 10:00 a.m. All Parishioners (E)
The Poor Souls (G)
Monday Dec 21st NO MASS
Tuesday Dec 22nd 7:30 a.m. Special Intention (E)
Alan Polcyn, Ann. d. (G)
Wednesday Dec 23rd 6:30 p.m. Kevin Axelson (E)
Ben Arnhold (G)
Christmas Eve Dec 24th 3:00 p.m. Leo & Hubertina Herbel (E)
Matt Driscoll (G)
4:30 p.m. Your Intentions (E)
Christmas Day Dec 25th 9:00 a.m. Your Intentions (E)
Jim Balthazor (G)
Saturday Dec 26th 5:30 p.m. All Parishioners (E)
Fred Sr. & Lidwina Weigel (G)
Sunday Dec 27th 10:00 a.m. Francis & Betty Ptacek, Ann. m. (E)
Bill & Stella Mans Family (G)

Gorham Mass Schedule
Sundays 8:00 a.m. Christmas Eve 6:00 p.m. (Fr. Daniel Scheetz)

Please pray for Marvin Mader and all our friends and relatives who are ill or experiencing difficulties in their lives that they may know the healing presence of God.

Contributions for the weekend of December 12th & 13th:
Envelopes 1615.00 Loose Cash 250.10
Maintenance Fund 1332.00 Votives 56.25
Immaculate Conception 347.00 Religious Retirement 815.00

TOTAL DEPOSIT $4415.35

• Wednesday CCD—No class—Merry Christmas!
• Students participating in the Christmas Eve Pageant should be at the church by 4:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve. Please use the Lincoln St entrance and drop the children off at the door with the green sign on the back side of the church.

Thanks for giving! “We are conscious of the great generosity of the many benefactors who support the Retirement Fund for Religious each year,” says a Catholic sister. “Support from the fund has been a tremendous blessing to our retired sisters.” Thank you for donating to last week’s collection.

Confession Schedule during the Advent Season
December 20th 5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. (Four area priests)
December 23rd 6:00—6:20 p.m. (Fr. Michael)
**MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS EVE, CHRISTMAS DAY AND THE WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 26TH & 27TH**

### Readers:
- **Christmas Eve** 3:00 p.m.  Jim Malone & Jeanine Heier
- **Christmas Eve** 4:30 p.m. Beverly Nichols & Melanie Banks
- **Christmas Day** 9:00 a.m.  Kathy Wallert & Coleen Boxberger
- **Saturday** 5:30 p.m.  Marge Schulte & Keith Haberer
- **Sunday** 10:00 a.m.  Gail Ogle & John Malone

### Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion—Body:
- **Christmas Eve** 3:00 p.m. :)Steve Knopp, Jamie Malone & Melinda Cross
- **Christmas Eve** 4:30 p.m. :)Yvonne Driscoll, Mary Schulte & Brent Homeier
- **Christmas Day** 9:00 a.m.  :)Margo Ochs, Cindy Balthazor & Sherry Homeier
- **Saturday** 5:30 p.m.  :)Gary Flax & Mary Schulte
- **Sunday** 10:00 a.m.  :)Gale Pospichal, Bonita Ney & Rick Pospichal

### Altar Servers:
- **Christmas Eve** 3:00 p.m.  Ian Strobel
- **Christmas Eve** 4:30 p.m. Jaden Ney
- **Christmas Day** 9:00 a.m. Morgan Finkenbinder
- **Saturday** 5:30 p.m.  Taten Klein
- **Sunday** 10:00 a.m.  Herbie Shumaker

### Organist/Instrumentalist/Cantors
- **Christmas Eve** 3:00 p.m. Curtis Sander/Hilger Family
- **Christmas Eve** 4:30 p.m. Cheryl Seirer/Hilger Family
- **Christmas Day** 9:00 a.m. Cheryl Seirer
- **Saturday** 5:30 p.m. Debbie Zachman
- **Sunday** 10:00 a.m. Cheryl Seirer

### Counters:
- **Sunday** Dec 20th  Jim & John Malone
- **Christmas** Dec 27th  Leon Weigel
- **Sunday** Dec 27th  Marge & Mary Schulte

### Birthday Wishes To:
- **Saturday** Dec 19th  Vic Lyczak
- **Monday** Dec 21st  Tammi Buhrle, Joann Malone & Cody Rogge
- **Tuesday** Dec 22nd  Turner Rios
- **Wednesday** Dec 23rd  Debbie Zachman
- **Friday** Dec 25th  Catherine Nelson
- **Saturday** Dec 26th  Yvonne Driscoll & Jeannine Truan

### Anniversary Wishes To:
- **Saturday** Dec 19th  Mike & Sharon Weigel
- **Monday** Dec 21st  Aaron & Linda Cole
- **Sunday** Dec 27th  Nick & Anne Coady

### Ways to “Keep Christ in Christmas”
1. Use decorations with “Merry Christmas” instead of “Happy Holidays”.
2. Have a child place a straw in the crèche for each good deed done as a gift to the Baby Jesus during Advent.
3. Pray for the young, so that when they become adults they will not regard Christmas as just another holiday free from work.

### Have a Blessed & Merry Christmas!
- Fr. Michael,
- Fr. Grennan,
- Fr. Dan Scheetz
- and The Staff at St. Mary, Queen of Angels
Upcoming Events

December 20th: Practice at 1:05 p.m. in the church for those children (1st – 4th grade) in the Christmas Eve play.

December 24th: There will be two Masses on Christmas Eve in Russell this year; 3:00 p.m. & 4:30 p.m. Mass will be at 6:00 p.m. in Gorham. Parish Office Closed.

December 25th: Mass on Christmas Day will be at 9:00 a.m. in Russell.

December 31st: Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, a holy day of obligation. Mass will be at 5:30 p.m.

January 1st: Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, a holy day of obligation. Mass will be at 9:00 a.m. in Gorham and at 10:30 a.m. in Russell.

The Christmas poinsettias were donated in loving memory of Rita Scheck, Joe & Eleanor Scheck, John Luding, Marj Annan, Victor Peterka, Theresa Peterka, Cecil Merkel, Ifa Merkel, Kevin Axelson, Don Haberer, Gilbert & Elizabeth Truan, Betty Wallace, Karl & Ronnie Savage, Keith & Nancy Stoppel, Monica M. Zweifel, Alphonse & Clara Denning, Russ & Patricia O’Donnell, Henry, Eva & Craig Lohrmeyer, Clem J. Suellentrop, Katie Suellentrop, Mary T. Meyer, Margaret Eck, Ralph & Helen Schulte, Don Goetz, Ray & Gloria Teel, Bill & Helen Goetz, Jim & Kirk Balthazor, Sean Banks, Paul & Betty Wagner, Paul Banks, Lori Lagunas, Francis “Tim” Malone, Imogene Butcher, Donald Butcher, Dale Nowak, Herman & Teckla Hammerschmidt, Keith & Alice Ruggels, the Graf and Dreiling families, Leo & Loretta Ross, S.P. & Margaret Quint, Lee & Mary Catherine Ross, the deceased of the Fred Weigel Family and in honor of the Ferland family and Joann Malone.

Dear God,

How much we need silence to come to the stable and enter the mystery of this Holy Night, to feel again Your peaceful presence in our hungry hearts! We have too easily allowed the noise, busyness, and endless chatter of the world to occupy our thoughts and distract our souls. Help us this Christmas to turn off the sound, to quiet down our minds, and to enter Your precious presence deep in our spirits.

Help us, with all our brothers and sisters, to receive your dear Son, the Infant Jesus, into our hearts.

Lord Jesus, You have come to lead us to Your Father in heaven, and to live in us that we might know heaven on earth. You have come to set us free from the forces of sin—fear, greed, lust, and pride—and to enkindle in our hearts the fire of Your love.

As we gaze on You, sleeping peacefully in Your crib, we begin to feel a deep peace radiate from the manger. A holy calm fills our hearts and suffuses our whole being. You are here, with us now. We are Yours, and You are ours—forever.

We adore You, our Infant King.

Glory to God in the Highest

Please help us impart joy, hope, and courage to all whom we encounter this blessed season and forevermore.

O Jesus, be born again in us, we pray.

We ask this through the pure hearts of Mary and Joseph. Amen.

Happy Birthday, Lord Jesus!

Please pray for and help to welcome Lane Mai and Jay Wickham who took their first public step to joining our Community of Faith through the Rite of Acceptance on December 6, 2020.
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St. Mary, Queen of Angels

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