**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.

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**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
- Fr. Daniel Scheetz, Retired

**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

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**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

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**415 South Windsor**  **Russell, KS 67665**

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<th>Fr. Michael Elan</th>
<th>415 S Windsor</th>
<th>785-221-3060</th>
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<td>Religious Ed/Parish Office</td>
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MASS INTENTIONS:

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<td>Francis &amp; Betty Ptacek, Ann. m. (E)</td>
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<td>10:30 a.m.</td>
<td>Marvin Mader Memorial Mass</td>
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<td>Viola Vonfeldt (E)</td>
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<td>Maxine Brummer, Ann. d. (G)</td>
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<td>Charles Munsch (E)</td>
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<td>Emil &amp; Irene Hoff, Ann. m. (E)</td>
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Gorham Mass Schedule

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Please pray for Fr. Charles Steier, Larry Bernard 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 19th & 20th:

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TOTAL DEPOSIT $3357.50

- Cemetery Fund $100.00

**COVID-19: A PRAYER OF SOLIDARITY**

For all who have contracted coronavirus, we pray for care and healing.

For those who are particularly vulnerable, we pray for safety and protection.

For all who experience fear or anxiety, we pray for peace of mind and spirit.

For affected families who are facing difficult decisions between food on the table or public safety, we pray for policies that recognize their plight.

For those who do not have adequate health insurance, we pray that no family will face financial burdens alone.

For those who are afraid to access care due to immigration status, we pray for recognition of the God-given dignity of all.

For our brothers and sisters around the world, we pray for shared solidarity.

For public officials and decision makers, we pray for wisdom and guidance.

Father, during this time may your Church be a sign of hope, comfort and love to all.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE, NEW YEAR'S DAY AND THE WEEKEND OF JANUARY 2ND & 3RD**

**Readers:**
- New Year's Eve 5:30 p.m. Cindy Balthazor & Leon Weigel
- New Year's Day 10:30 a.m. Kathy Wallert & Brent Homeier
- Saturday 5:30 p.m. Nick Coady & Jeff Ochampaugh
- Sunday 10:00 a.m. Coleen Boxberger & Andy Hurla

**Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion—Body:**
- New Year's Eve 5:30 p.m. :)Jim Malone & Melanie Banks
- New Year's Day 10:30 a.m. :)Tammi Buhrle, Jeanie Munsch & Jon Quinday
- Saturday 5:30 p.m. :)Sandy Ochampaugh & Steve Knopp
- Sunday 10:00 a.m. :)Michelle Farmer, John Farmer & Rosalee Hammerschmidt

**Altar Servers:**
- New Year's Eve 5:30 p.m. Andrew Roth
- New Year's Day 10:30 a.m. Brock Homeier
- Saturday 5:30 p.m. Jennalee Leiker
- Sunday 10:00 a.m. Kalli Pfeifer

**Organist/Instrumentalist/Cantors**
- New Year's Eve 5:30 p.m. Curtis Sander
- New Year's Day 10:30 a.m.
- Saturday 5:30 p.m. Curtis Sander
- Sunday 10:00 a.m. Cheryl Seirer

**Counters:**
- Sunday Dec 27th Marge & Mary Schulte
- Sunday Jan 3rd Rick & Gale Pospichal

**Birthday Wishes To:**
- Saturday Dec 26th Yvonne Driscoll & Jeannine Truan
- Monday Dec 28th Gale Pospichal, Jamie Hurla, Marge Schulte, Clara Tuzicka, Noell Olson & Fr. Grennan
- Tuesday Dec 29th Betty Ferland
- Wednesday Dec 30th Todd Brown, Shirley Arnhold, Easton Dinkel & Justin Wieger
- Thursday Dec 31st LaVerne Schuster, Jaelynne Seirer & Dustin Feil
- Saturday Jan 2nd Aaron Gruber

**Anniversary Wishes To:**
- Sunday Dec 27th Nick & Anne Coady
- Monday Dec 28th Bob & Patty Scheck
- Tuesday Dec 29th Steve & Lisa Schroeder
- Wednesday Dec 30th Larry & Kathy Wallert
- Thursday Dec 31st Andy & Sarah Hurla
- Friday Jan 1st Brent & Kristie Homeier
- Sunday Jan 3rd Duane & Kim Wieger
- Monday Jan 4th Fr. Michael Elan—25th Anniversary of Ordination

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**HAVE A HAPPY AND BLESSED NEW YEAR!!**

**A Prayer for the New Year**

God of all time, on this New Year's Day, we place the days and months of the new year into your hands.

Fill our days with the blessings of family, friendship, laughter, and love.

Show us ways to spend our time serving your children in need.

Help us to remember to take time to read your Word and to talk with you in prayer. Amen.
**Upcoming Events**

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

**January 1st** : Solemnity of Mary, the Holy 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.

**January 1st** : NO Eucharist Adoration

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Our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of Marvin Eugene Mader who died on Thursday, December 17, 2020.

RCCW is so thankful for all of your generosity and participation in our Giving Tree Ministry!!! With your help, we are able to spread God’s love to all 100 of our nursing home residents by having a Christmas present waiting for them!!! This ministry is so very meaningful to them AND to us and such a loving gesture to those who may be struggling this Christmas season!!!! Thank you for the gifts, the hands and help sorting and the drivers that deliver the gifts for all the facilities. It truly is an all parish project and we are never disappointed in the willingness to help spread God’s joy!!! Have a very Merry Christmas!!!

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Nichole, Melanie & Amanda,
May your kindness return to you in the same beautiful way it was offered with this year’s Christmas pageant. Special thanks for jumping in when there was a need. I also want to thank Cheryl and the Hilger family for setting the mood with your beautiful music.

May God bless all of you with happiness and good health in 2021.

Bonita