

ST. MARY QUEEN OF ANGELS



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PARISH EMPLOYEES:

Bruce Heier —Custodian
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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday 5:30 p.m.
Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Tues., Wed. 6:30 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

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— Saturday—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.

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all. (Mark 9:35)

The first shall be last? This is one of those sayings of Jesus that goes against our natural desires. We don't want to be the last one in line, and we certainly don't want to be the servant! So how can we become the humble servants that the Lord is calling us to be?

Jesus provides an answer at the end of today's Gospel passage: "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me" (Mark 9:37). Jesus is telling us that he is inseparable from his people. He loves us so deeply that he died for us and came to live in our hearts.

So what we do for others, we are doing for Christ. This truth should revolutionize the way we interact with the people around us. Think about it: if Jesus walked through our front door today, we would immediately get busy addressing his needs. "Come in, Jesus; sit down, Jesus. You look hungry; I'll make you anything you want to eat." We would be so quick to serve him that we just might overwhelm him with our kindness! But when we see a brother or sister in need, we often, either explicitly or implicitly, weigh our options: *Does this fit in my schedule? How much will this cost me? What will I get out of this in return?*

God is calling us out of any selfish regard for ourselves and into a selfless love for others. Today, ask for the eyes to see other people the way God the Father sees them: as another Christ. This will paint everyday situations in a new light. Christ is the lonely parishioner who is looking for a friend; he is the sick neighbor who needs a meal. When you are serving such people, you are serving the Lord himself!

"Lord Jesus, teach me to imitate you, the Kind who came to serve and not to be served."

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
Saturday, Sept. 21st - 5:30 p.m.	Spec Intention Keith & Maureen Haberer	Wisdom 2:12, 17-20, James 3:16-4:3, Mark 9:30-37
Sunday, Sept. 22nd- 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Wisdom 2:12, 17-20, James 3:16-4:3, Mark 9:30-37
Monday, Sept. 23rd	NO MASS	Proverbs 3:27-34, Luke 8:16-18
Tuesday, Sept. 24th - 6:30 p.m.	Kendall Miner	Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13, Luke 8:19-21
Wednesday, Sept. 25th- 6:30 p.m.	Living & Deceased of Dale & Ruby Nowak	Proverbs 30:5-9, Luke 9:1-6
Thursday, Sept. 26th- 7:30 a.m.	Ed Schulte, Ann of D	Ecclesiastes 1:2-11, Luke 9:7-9
Friday, Sept. 27th- 7:30 a.m.	Jim Balthazor, Ann of D	Ecclesiastes 3:1-11, Luke 9:18-22
Saturday, Sept. 28th - 5:30 p.m.	Kapryce Schmidt, Ann of D	Numbers 11:25-29, James 5:1-6, Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48
Sunday, Sept. 29th - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Numbers 11:25-29, James 5:1-6, Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Gorham Mass Schedule Sunday 8:00 a.m.



Prayer Requests

Please pray for Dan Branham, Kay Scheck, Camille Ellard, LaVerne Schuster, Gary Flax, Marty Becker, Gary Meis, Fr. Charlie Steier, Allen Hammersmith, Tim Mahoney, and all our friends and relatives who are ill or experiencing difficulties in their lives that they may know the healing presence of God.

Stewardship of Treasure

Contributions Weekend of September 14th & September 15th, 2024

Envelopes	\$ 2,864.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,780.00
Loose Cash	\$ 517.00
Votive	\$ 58.25
Church Rental	\$ 200.00

TOTAL DEPOSIT \$ 5,419.25

Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, September 28th - 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, September 29th- 10:00 a.m.
Hospitality	James & Donna Vlcek	Tylor & Jennifer Ode & Family
Gifts	Roger & Tana Sells	Marc & Jessica Nichols & Family
Lectors	Jeff Ochampaugh & Melinda Cross	Melanie Banks & Beverly Nichols
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Jeanie Munsch & Steve Knopp Cup: Kelly Reddig, Cindy Balthazor & Sandy Ochampaugh	Body: *Todd Buhrlle & Marcia Blundon Cup: Tammi Buhrlle, Deanna Myers & Yvonne Driscoll
Altar Servers	Scarlett Schneider & Noell Olson	Kooper Hamlin, Karsyn Hamlin & Bennett Myers
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Debbie Zachman	Curtis Sander/Marilyn Munk
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Sunday, September 22nd Sherry Homeier/Madi Wieger	Sunday, September 29th Sherry Homeier/Annika Nichols
Counters	Sunday, September 22nd Glen & Marcia Blundon	Sunday, September 29th Marge Schulte & Mary Schulte

Birthday Wishes to:

Saturday	September 21st	Keith Haberer, Theresa Sullivan
Sunday	September 22nd	James Pfannenstiel
Monday	September 23rd	Craig Cline, Dan Bernard
Tuesday	September 24th	Donna Rowley
Wednesday	September 25th	Adalynn Creamer
Thursday	September 26th	Nick Coady
Sunday	September 29th	Kathy Bray



Anniversary Wishes to:

Tuesday	September 24th	Doug & Michelle Banks
Friday	September 27th	John & Donna Rowley



Sept. 25th	7:15 p.m.	Class
Oct. 2nd	7:15 p.m.	Class - Practice for Confirmation Introduction
Oct. 6th	10:00 a.m.	Confirmation Introduction
	1: 00 p.m.	Confirmation Retreat
Oct. 9th	7:15 p.m.	Class - Plan for 6th, 7th, & 8th grade Mass
Oct. 16th	7:15 p.m.	Class
Oct. 20th	10:00 a.m.	Sunday Mass 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Students
Oct. 23rd		NO CLASS



Catholic Charities Mobile Outreach will be in Russell on Wednesday, September 25th from 9:00—10:00 a.m. in St. Mary Queen of Angels parking lot.

Families who qualify can receive food, hygiene items (shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toilet paper, deodorant, laundry detergent), diapers and wipes, and other supplies and services as needed.

New Ministry Schedules are in the box on the table in the Gathering Space, some were mailed out. They are also available on our website.

Please let me know as soon as possible the days you are unavailable for the next schedule dates of:

Saturday, Nov. 9th through
Sunday, December 8th.

You can email me at: smqoa@ruraltel.net.

Thank you!



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sept. 22nd	9:40 a.m.	Knights of Columbus Rosary before Mass
Sept. 25th	9-10 a.m.	Catholic Charities
	7:15 p.m.	Religious Education Class
Oct. 1st	7:00 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting
Oct. 2nd	7:15 p.m.	Religious Education Class-Practice For Confirmation Introduction
Oct. 3rd	6:30 p.m.	RCCW Meeting
Oct. 4th	7:30 a.m.	First Friday Mass
	8:00 a.m.	Eucharistic Adoration
	5:45 p.m.	Benediction
Oct. 6th	10:00 a.m.	Confirmation Introduction at Mass
	1:00 p.m.	Confirmation Retreat
	2:00 p.m.	Ministry Services at the Nursing Homes
Oct. 9th	7:15 p.m.	Religious Education Class-Plan for 6th, 7th & 8th Grades Mass
		Diocesan Respect Life Youth Conference

Altar Server Training

We are in need of a few more altar servers.

There will be Altar Server Training on Sundays, October 13, 20 and 27 from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Please call Rich Krause at 785-483-0643, Andy Hurla at 785-445-8030 or the Parish Office at 785-483-2871 if you would like to be an Altar Server.

Current altar servers are encouraged to attend for a refresher course.

What does an altar server do?

- Assists the priest at Mass
- Prepares the altar
- Light candles
- Handles the special items used during Mass



Congratulations to Jesse and Cassandra Dinkel whose son, Baxx Christopher, was welcomed into our Family of God and

Community of Faith through Baptism on September 15, 2024.



"God's blessings are shared through His gifts. You members of CYO have shared His blessings with your lovely singing, readings and Mass participation Sunday. I heard so many compliments and suggesting you do it more often. **Debbie and Dave, you are a blessing to St Mary's for the talent and time you take as the directors.**

Thank you ALL for brightening our Sunday with your love for Jesus.



The Russell County Food Pantry will be preparing Thanksgiving Food Boxes and Christmas Food Boxes for families who would otherwise not be able to afford these special meals. The Food Pantry Board estimates the average cost of each basket at \$30.00 and all the basics for a ham dinner will be provided. Any donation amount is appreciated.

If you would like to contribute toward the purchase of a basket, please make your check out to "Russell County Food Pantry" and mail it to 15 N. Front Street, Russell, KS 67665.

Those who need help with the holiday meals may pick up the forms from any Church in Russell County, the Russell County Health Department, or the Department for Children and Families.

Holiday meal forms are located on the Gathering Space table in the back of the Church.

THE CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY

- ◆ Feed the Hungry
- ◆ Give drink to the thirsty
- ◆ Give alms to the poor
- ◆ Visit the prisoners
- * Shelter the homeless
- * Visit the sick
- * Bury the dead



Universal Church Directories will be on-site **October 22-26**, to take family pictures for our next parish directory.

Each family will receive a free 8 x10 portrait, and a free Portrait Directory.

You can sign up online at www.ucdir.com or with the QR Code that is on your flyer that was mailed out to you. To sign up online:

User Name-Church ID is KS183.

Family Password: photos.

PLEASE SIGN UP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO.

You may call the Parish Office at 785-483-2871 if you need help signing up.

2024 CYO Convention

The **CYO Convention** will be held on Nov. 9th and 10th, 2024 in Salina, KS.

The speakers will be:

Fr. Gale Hammerschmidt and Fr. Andy Hammeke

For more information contact:

Deanna Myers at 785-324-1472.





We have had a significant decrease in the number of individuals volunteering to be Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Due to this shortage, we may be forced to only have Father and one member of our parish distributing the hosts. Please be patient as communion may take longer.

You only need to know 6 words to be a Eucharistic Minister... "The Body of Christ" or "The Blood of Christ"please consider volunteering!

ADORATION Crisis!

"First Fridays" was officially recognized in 1765. SMQoA currently does not have enough volunteers to fill the time slots for our "First Fridays". We simply cannot leave the Blessed Sacrament unattended.

Please offer up any time you might have so we may continue this practice. It is only 12 hours per year!

The sign-up sheet is at the back of the church.

Attending funerals is considered an act of mercy and worship in the Catholic faith. Funerals are a way to:

- Show support: Offer comfort to those who are grieving
- Show respect: Respect life as a gift from God
- Pray: Pray for the deceased and those who are still living
- Honor the deceased: Honor the deceased and intercede on their behalf

It is so important that we honor our parish members that have passed, please consider attending wakes and/or funerals.



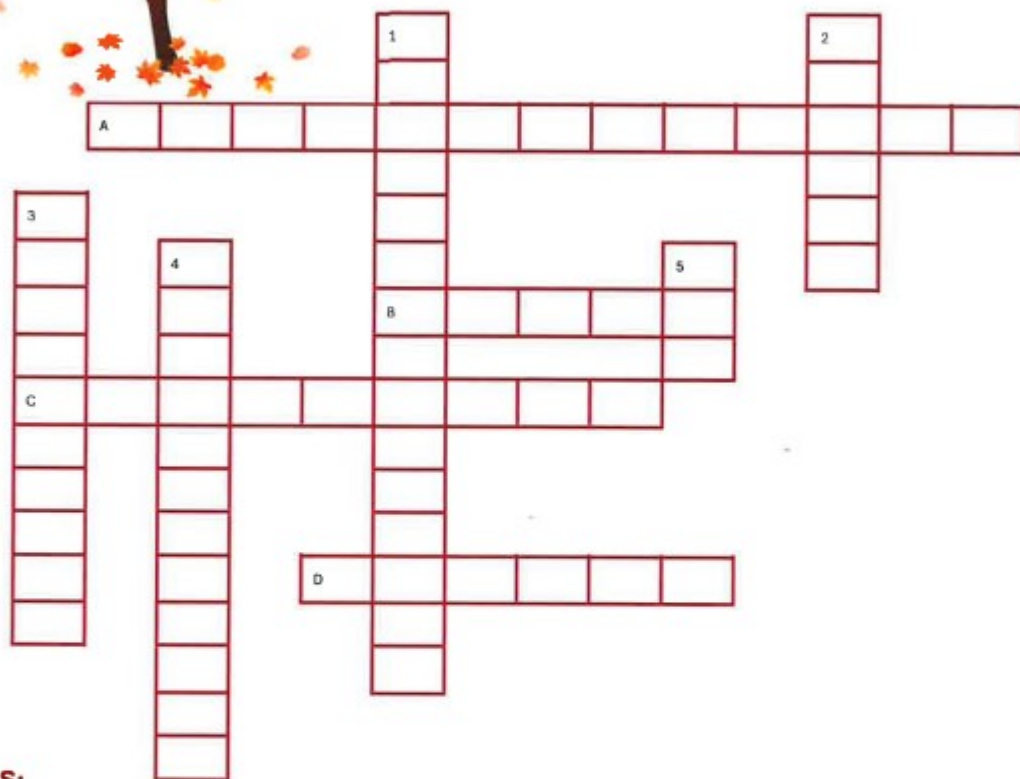
Crossword Answers:

- A. Extraordinary
- B. Mercy
- C. Adoration
- D. Chrism

- 1. Elanjimattathil
- 2. Heaven
- 3. Unleavened
- 4. Cononization
- 5. CYO



Embrace your Faith



ACROSS:

- A. Members of our Parish that help Father distribute the consecrated bread & wine.
_____ Ministers of Holy Communion.
- B. When you attend the wake or funeral of one of our parishioners, this act is considered one of the Corporal Works of _____.
- C. We offer this activity the 1st Friday of each month but are in crisis of possibly losing this.
- D. This Holy Oil is an olive oil mixed with balsam. This oil symbolizes strength, and represents the "Aroma of Christ" (2 Cor 2:15).

DOWN:

1. Father Michael's last name.
2. The blue portion of our stained-glass windows symbolizes _____.
3. Theologically and spiritually, yeast, or leaven in the New Testament, is often with sin, impurity and hypocrisy (Mt 16:6; Lk 12:1). And thus _____ bread comes to symbolize sincerity, purity and integrity in the Body of Christ we receive at Mass.
4. Official process of declaring a person a Saint.
5. One of the greatest gifts our Parish offers our teens.