

ST. MARY QUEEN OF ANGELS



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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.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-NOVEMBER 17TH, 2024

In those days..... (Mark 13:24)

When will “those days” come (Mark 13:24)? When will we see the final tribulations that lead up to Jesus’ return? Many early Christians expected to see them in their own lifetime. Even today, some think the end is approaching when they hear of wars, pandemics, earthquakes, and other disasters. But as Jesus tells us in today’s Gospel, only our heavenly Father knows when that day will come (13:32).

What is certain, though, is that there *will* be an end. After a period of great distress and tribulation, Jesus will come “to judge the living and the dead,” as we proclaim in the Creed. We hope to be one of “his elect” whom the angels gather from the ends of the earth (Mark 13:27). But the images in today’s first reading and the Gospel can still frighten us.

Yet instead of making us feel afraid of the future, these readings should influence the choices we make today. The truth is, we can’t presume on God’s mercy forever. As St. Paul wrote, “Now is the day of salvation” (2 Corinthians 6:2). *Now* is the time to turn to the Lord. To follow him the best we can. To ask for forgiveness every time we detect sin in our lives. *Now* is the time to live in a way that makes us ready to meet the Lord whenever he comes again.

So don’t procrastinate! Offer him your day each morning in prayer. Receive the sacraments as often as you can - there’s grace available to you every time you do. Call that needy friend today, not tomorrow, and ask how you can serve her. The Lord will give you all the grace you need to be ready to meet him face-to-face.

It’s so easy to let other things take priority in our lives and push out the time and energy we need to devote to our relationship with God. Don’t let that happen! No matter when the end times come, Jesus wants you to follow him now so you can be with him forever in eternity.

“Jesus, help me to always put you first in my life.”

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
Saturday, November 16 - 5:30 p.m.	Spec Intention LaVerne Schuster Family	Daniel 12:1-3, Hebrews 10:11-14, 18, Mark 13:24-32
Sunday, November 17 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Daniel 12:1-3, Hebrews 10:11-14, 18, Mark 13:24-32
Monday, November 18	NO MASS	Revelation 1:1-4, 2:1-5, Luke 18:35-43
Tuesday, November 19 - 6:30 p.m.	Spec Intention Merker-Wasinger Family	Revelation 3:1-6, 14-22, Luke 19:1-10
Wednesday, November 20- 6:30 p.m.	Spec Intention Rachel Sipe	Revelation 4:1-11, Luke 19:11-28
Thursday, November 21- 7:30 a.m.	Ruby Nowak	Revelation 5:1-10, Luke 19:41-44
Friday, November 22 - 7:30 a.m.	Kevin Axelson	Revelation 10:8-11, Luke 19:45-48
Saturday, November 23 - 5:30 p.m.	Kendall Miner	Daniel 7:13-14, Revelation 1:5-8, John 18:33b-37
Sunday, November 24 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Daniel 7:13-14, Revelation 1:5-8, John 18:33b-37

Gorham Mass Schedule		Stewardship of Treasure	
Sunday 8:00 a.m.		Contributions Weekend of November 9th thru November 10th, 2024	
 <p>Prayer Requests</p> <p>Please pray for Millie Dalrymple, Mark Sander, Tim Mahoney, Beau Buser-infant grandson of John and Gail Ogle, Marta Buser-mother in law to Jennifer Ogle Buser, Marty Becker, Gary Flax, Dan Branham, and all our friends and relatives who are ill or experiencing difficulties in their lives that they may know the healing presence of God.</p>		Envelopes	\$ 2,573.00
		Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,430.00
		Loose Cash	\$ 574.00
		Votive	\$ 135.50
		TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$ 4,712.50

Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, November 23rd-5:30 p.m.	Sunday, November 24th-10:00 a.m.
Hospitality	James & Donna Vlcek	James & Janna Norin Family
Gifts	JW & Trisha Strobel Family	Ron & Virginia Ptacek
Lectors	Cindy Balthazor & Terri Middleton	Dave Zachman & Sarah Hurla
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Keith Haberer & Maureen Haberer Cup: Jeanie Munsch, Melanie Banks & Steve Knopp	Body: *John Farmer & Michelle Farmer Cup: Bonita Ney, Merlin Ney & Margo Ochs
Altar Servers	Fiona Dreiling, Walker Middleton & Madeleine Middleton	Kooper Hamlin & Karsyn Hamlin
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Curtis Sander/Kinsey Volk & Coleen Boxberger	Cheryl Seirer/Katy Hertel & Tegan Becker
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Sunday, November 17th Lindsey Cole & Hayden Creamer	Sunday, November 24th Gracelynn Dinkel & Reese Owens
Counters	Sunday, November 17th Gordon & Denise Dolechek	Sunday, November 24th Steve & Luci Knopp

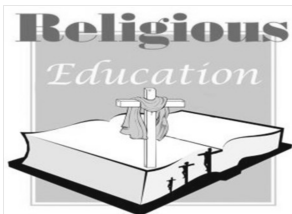
Birthdays Wishes to:

Saturday	November 16th	Derek Becker, Dustin Finkenbinder, Kim Shumaker & Clara Hilger
Sunday	November 17th	Jason Pfeifer, David Bond & Sarah Finkenbinder
Monday	November 18th	James Schoenberger, Jr & Lucille Norin
Wednesday	November 20th	Sherry Homeier & Emma Schneider
Thursday	November 21st	Cody Hamlin, Kathy Vonfeldt, Rebecca Dreiling, Hagen Tomlinson & Olivia Morgenstern
Friday	November 22nd	Gloria Heinen-Herrman & Happy 90th to Leroy Basgall



Anniversary Wishes to:

Sunday	November 17th	Jeff & Sandy Ochampaugh
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Nov. 17th	10:00 a.m.	3rd, 4th & 5th Grade Student Mass
Nov. 20th	7:15 p.m.	Class - Adoration
Nov. 27th		No Class-Happy Thanksgiving
Dec. 4th	7:15 p.m.	Class
Dec. 11th	7:15 p.m.	Class-Penance Service 3rd through 11th Grades
Dec. 18th	7:15 p.m.	Class
Dec. 25th		NO Class - Merry Christmas



Eternal Rest explores the mystery of death, the afterlife, and the powerful reality around the sacrament that ushers us into eternal life.

Furthermore, the art of dying well is also the art of living well. By understanding who we are and what we are made for, we can order our lives and values according to God's design for our true fulfillment. **Join us to watch the series and experience the art of living well.**

Time: Tuesday Mornings at 10:00 a.m. and/or Tuesday Evenings after Mass

Place: Bridal Room

Dates: November 19th & 26th

Contact: Stacy Moore (619) 518-0943

Altar Servers, Readers and Eucharistic Ministers please pick up your **new schedules** from the table in the Gathering Space.



If you are scheduled the first week, your schedule has been mailed to you.



The Book of Life, that honors our deceased for the month of All Souls will be present in the Chapel from November 1st-30th. Parishioners may update pages if they wish.



If you subscribe to the Living with Christ Book, your December copy is on the table in the Gathering Space.

Please be sure you pick up the copy with your name on it.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Nov. 17th 9:40 a.m. -Knights of Columbus Rosary before Mass
10:00 a.m. -3rd, 4th & 5th Grade CCD Mass
2:00 p.m. -Ministry Services for Nursing Homes
- Nov. 18th 7:00 p.m. -Knights of Columbus Meeting
- Nov. 20th 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class - Adoration
- Nov. 27th 9-10 a.m. -Catholic Charities-Parking Lot
-No CCD Classes-Thanksgiving Break
- Nov. 28th 9:00 a.m. -Thanksgiving Mass
-HAPPY THANKSGIVING
-Parish Office Closed
- Dec. 3rd 7:00 p.m. -Parish Council Meeting following
6:30 p.m. Mass
- Dec. 4th 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class
- Dec. 5th 6:30 p.m. -RCCW Meeting
- Dec. 6th 7:30 a.m. -First Friday Mass
8:00 a.m. -Eucharistic Adoration
5:45 p.m. -Benediction
- Dec. 7th 9:00 a.m. -RCCW Annual Cookie/Candy Sale
- Dec. 8th 8:00 a.m. -OCIA Rite of Acceptance-Gorham
10:00 a.m. -OCIA Rite of Acceptance - Russell
3-5 p.m. -Free Childcare for Parents



Parents & CYO Students:

NCYC sign-up is in process. Deadline for names & deposits will be **Dec 21st**. They have had a **\$50.00** increase this year, because of hotel, bus and tickets etc., but if we get **tickets** before **Dec 31st** we save **\$50.00**. All the registration information is on the Diocese website. If you have any questions please contact Deanna or Bonita. Please think about going, talk to all your friends.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

RCCW Christmas Cookie and Candy Sale will be **Saturday, December 7th** starting at **9:00 a.m.** until **SOLD OUT** in the Church Parish Hall.

More information will be in next weeks Bulletin!



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.



We would like to welcome Brendon, Kelly and Bennett Gross as new members to our Parish Community. They are a great addition to St. Mary Queen of Angels.

The Knights of Columbus will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, November 18th at 7:00 p.m. RESCHEDULED from last Monday.



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 this Sunday afternoon, Nov. 17th and invite all parishioners to come and join in this time of faith sharing and fellowship.

The Annual RCAOC Community Thanksgiving Service Sunday will be held this evening, **November 17th at 6:00 p.m.** at the **First Lutheran Church, in Dorrance, KS.**

Light refreshments will follow the service.



SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION



The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated this year on Monday, December 9. It is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. The Masses on Saturday and Sunday, even Sunday evening Masses, will be for the 2nd Sunday of Advent. There will be no Vigil Mass for the holy day on Sunday evening.

To fulfill both obligations to participate in Mass, one must attend one Mass for the Sunday and one for the holy day. In parishes where there is a Sunday evening Mass, attending that Mass can count for the holy day obligation, even though the readings and prayers are for the 2nd Sunday of Advent. However, it may not count for both the Sunday and the Holy Day obligation.

ADVENT SERVICE



Please join us on Wednesdays, December 4, 11 and 18 at 6:30-7:30 p.m. for our **Advent Service via Zoom**.

Week 1 - Reflecting on our Nativity Scene,
Presenter: S. Janet Lander, CSJ

Week 2 - On This Mountain, Presenter: S. Gilla Dube, CSJ

Week 3 - Jesus' Birthday as Seen Through the Eyes of the Shepherds, Presenter: S. Jean Ann Walton, CSJ

Cost: \$15/session. Call Manna House at 785-243-4428 for more information. Register online at:

<https://mannahouse.org/retreats-2/>.

A Christmas Present for Parents

On behalf of the St Mary Queen of Angels Parish Council and the Respect Life commission, we would like to offer SMQOA parents free childcare for two hours in appreciation for all you do as parents! Childcare will be sponsored and supervised by the SMQOA Parish Council members. Snacks and refreshments will be provided. This event will be at the St. Mary Queen of Angels Hall on Sunday, December 8, 2024 from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

If you would like to participate, fill out the form below, cut it off and drop it in the collection basket or take a picture of the completed form and send it to Dave Zachman at 785-324-1760 or zachmand5@gmail.com by Friday, November 29th.

You can shop, wrap presents or take a nap, during that time, it's up to you!

SMQOA Parish Council

A Christmas Present for Parents

Parent Name _____

Parents contact information: Mother's Cell # _____

Father's Cell # _____

Child name _____ Age _____

Child name _____ Age _____

Child name _____ Age _____

Child name _____ Age _____

Child name _____ Age _____

May your child have fruit snacks, juice and Goldfish? YES NO

Comments: _____

Are there any allergies or medical conditions you want us to know about?
