

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - FEBRUARY 9TH, 2025

I saw the Lord. (Isaiah 6:1)

How would you feel if *you* saw the Lord? Amazed? Afraid? Even ashamed? That's what happened to Isaiah in today's first reading. He beheld almighty God, seated on his heavenly throne, with angelic beings shouting, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!" (6:3). Overwhelmed, Isaiah cried, "Woe is me!" and confessed that he was unworthy to stand before the Lord (6:5).

Peter had a similar experience in today's Gospel. Weary from a long, unsuccessful night of fishing, he was cleaning his nets when Jesus told him, "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch" (Luke 5:4). Peter must have grumbled as he cast his empty nets yet again. But once he saw the miraculous catch of fish, Peter fell to his knees, pleading, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man" (5:8).

How wonderful that God didn't leave Peter and Isaiah in their fear and shame! Instead, he called them closer! God touched Isaiah and cleansed him of his sin. Even more, God invited him to speak to his people. And Jesus patiently reassured Peter, saying "Do not be afraid," and welcomed him to join in his mission of "catching men" (Luke 5:10).

He will do the same for you. Today, you have the chance to see the Lord - at Mass, as you ponder his word, or as you gaze upon the beauty of this natural world. In the brightness of his glory, you may become more aware of your darkness and sinfulness. But you will also realize that God is far more holy and loving than you have ever imagined. He will offer you his mercy and invite you to follow him more closely.

Whenever you feel inadequate or afraid in God's presence, remember Isaiah and Peter. Don't allow those feelings to hold you back or paralyze you or make you feel disqualified from following Jesus. He loves you perfectly. He is so holy, so merciful, so good. You don't have to be afraid.

"Here I am, Lord. I want to see you."

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
Saturday, February 8 - 5:30 p.m.	Roselin Pfeifer	Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11, Luke 5:1-11
Sunday, February 9 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11, Luke 5:1-11
Monday, February 10	NO MASS	Genesis 1:1-19, Mark 6:53-56
Tuesday, February 11	NO MASS	Genesis 1:20-2:4a, Mark 7:1-13
Wednesday, February 12	NO MASS	Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-17, Mark 7:14-23
Thursday, February 13	NO MASS	Genesis 2:18-25, Mark 7:24-30
Friday, February 14	NO MASS	Genesis 3:1-8, Mark 7:31-37
Saturday, February 15- 5:30 p.m.	Living & Deceased Father Grennan Family	Jeremiah 17:5-8, 1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20, Luke 6:17,20-26
Sunday, February 16 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Jeremiah 17:5-8, 1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20, Luke 6:17,20-26

Gorham Mass Schedule Sunday 8:00 a.m.



Please pray for Elmer Hoss, Cecilia Budke, Joan Weigel, Kim Shumaker, Aubrey Hayden, Gary Flax, Millie Dalrymple, Marty Becker, 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.

Stewardship of Treasure

Contributions Weekend of February 1st, 2025 thru February 2nd, 2025

Envelopes	\$ 2,230.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,220.00
Loose Cash	\$ 504.00
Votive	\$ 325.75
First Offering	\$ 25.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,020.00

TOTAL DEPOSIT \$ 5,324.75

CEMETERY \$ 175.00



Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, February 15th- 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, February 16th-10:00 a.m.
Hospitality	Aaron & Shilo Gruber	Dustin & Sarah Finkenbinder Family
Gifts	Chad & Rebecca Dreiling Family	Shawn & Hannah Ludwig Family
Lectors	Jeff Ochampaugh & Mike McGreevy	Linda Schulte & Janna Norin
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Jamie Malone & Jane Cline Cup: Chris Roth, Keith Haberer & Maureen Haberer	Body: *Dustin Dreher & Sherry Homeier Cup: Kyle Farmer, Ashlyn Farmer & Yvonne Driscoll
Altar Servers	Noell Olson, Ava Cline & Sonya Orender	Peyton Sohm & Brooklyn Sohm
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Debbie Zachman/Jim Malone & Craig Cline	Debbie and Dave Zachman
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Sunday, February 9th Annika Nichols & Olivia Morgenstern	Sunday, February 16th Lindsey Cole & Hayden Creamer
Counters	Sunday, February 9th Mark & Tammy Ptacek	Sunday, February 16th Jim Malone & John Malone

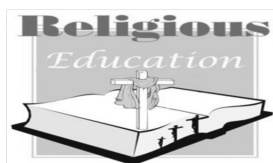
Birthday Wishes to:

Saturday	February 8th	Marissa Myers
Sunday	February 9th	Michael Vonfeldt
Monday	February 10th	Aaron Cole II
Tuesday	February 11th	Valeen Kisner
Wednesday	February 12th	Ramona Hoch
Thursday	February 13th	Jerry Driscoll & Betty Mead
Friday	February 14th	Val Dreher & Brandy Ney
Saturday	February 15th	Elizabeth Morgenstern
Sunday	February 16th	Marc Nichols



Anniversary Wishes to:

Friday	February 14th	Carl & Judy Larson
Sunday	February 16th	Mike & Colleen McGreevy



Feb. 12th 7:15 p.m. Class
Feb. 19th 7:15 p.m. Class
Feb. 26th 7:15 p.m. Class
March 5th NO CLASS-ASH WEDNESDAY
MASS - Students Attend
March 12th 7:15 p.m. Class
March 19th NO CLASS - SPRING BREAK

The Knights of Columbus will hold their monthly meeting Monday, Feb. 10th at 7:00 p.m.



The Knights of Columbus will recite the rosary beginning at 9:40 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 16th before Mass.



For those of you who subscribe to *Living with Christ*, the renewal date is fast approaching.

Let the office know if you would like to continue to receive your copy. If anyone would like to start receiving a subscription, let the office know. The annual subscription price of **\$17.95** has not changed from last year.

To renew your subscription, or start a new one, call the Parish office at 785-483-2781 between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. You can leave a voicemail after hours, email: smgoa@ruraltel.net, or stop by the office.



Please note there will be NO weekday Masses this week, Monday, February 10 through Friday, February 14.

Fr. Vincent will start having Masses on Saturday, February 15.

Please send your payment to the Parish Office as soon as possible. You can also drop it in the collection basket (Mark it as Living with Christ subscription).

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Feb 7-14	-NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK
Feb 9	-World Marriage Day
Feb. 10th 7:00 p.m.	-Knights of Columbus Meeting
Feb. 11th	- Father Michael leaves for India
Feb. 12th 7:15 p.m.	-CCD Class following Mass
Feb. 19th 7:15 p.m.	-CCD Class following Mass
Feb. 22-25	-Parish Mission
Feb. 26th 9-10 a.m.	-Catholic Charities
	-CCD Class following Mass
March 1st 6-8 p.m.	-Knights of Columbus Steak Dinner
March 4th 7:00 p.m.	-Parish Council following Mass
March 5th 7:15 p.m.	- ASH WEDNESDAY -No CCD-attend Mass
March 6th 6:30 p.m.	-RCCW meeting



Thank you to everyone who called on me and said prayers for me. The prayers really helped. I am working on getting better.

Joan Weigel



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Knights of Columbus Council 3034



2nd Annual Shrovetide Chicken Fried Steak Dinner

Saturday Evening March 1, 2025

St Mary Queen of Angels Parish Hall

6:00 to 8:00 pm or until sold out.

All Parishioners and their Guests Invited

Suggested Free Will Donation of

\$10 adults, \$5 for children of age 12 and under.

100% of Proceeds to benefit the St. Mary Queen of Angels Music Ministry



Shrovetide is the Christian period of preparation before the season of Lent. This dinner will be held on the last weekend prior to Ash Wednesday. Please join us to recognize and celebrate all the wonderful contributors of music to our parish.



Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; cry out to the rock of our salvation.
Psalm 95:1

NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK IS

FEBRUARY 7-14

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY IS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

BLESS OUR MARRIAGE

We Thank you O God for the love You have implanted in our hearts. May it always inspire us to be kind in our words, considerate of feelings and concerned for each other needs and wishes.

Help us to be understanding and forgiving of human weaknesses and failings.

Increase our Faith and Trust in You and may your prudence guide our life and love.

Bless our marriage, O God with peace and happiness and make our love fruitful for your glory and our joy both here and in eternity.



Dear Parishioners,

Thank you so much for your heartfelt support for me for the last 12 years. It was a great joy for me to serve you as your pastor.

As you all know I will be going for my "sabbatical" from **February 11th through August 11th**. Thank you for your understanding.

As a parish, we are so blessed to have an excellent parish staff and so many volunteers. They are willing to take extra burden while I am gone and I am extremely grateful to each of them. Our Parish Council and Finance Council are very effective. They gave me their full support for my "sabbatical" and I am so grateful to them. Communication with you will be a challenge for me while I am in India. My communication will be mostly through email or through "**WhatsApp**". It can be downloaded to your phone.

Fr. Vincent Manuel will be here on **February 14th**. He will do an excellent job in our Parish during my absence. Thank you, Fr. Vincent, for your willingness to help me and my parish.

I will miss you. See you on August 11, 2025 if God willing. Please keep me in your prayers and I will do the same.

THANK YOU ALL!

Fr. Michael, cmi



There will be coffee and rolls immediately after the 10:00 a.m. Mass today, **February 9th**, in the Parish Hall, to send off Father Michael on his Sabbatical.

Safe travels to Father Michael.

We welcome into our faith community Larry Nelson who celebrated Confirmation and First Eucharist Wednesday evening February 5. May God bless you Larry in your continued Journey of Faith.



Congratulations to Kevin and Bailey Mead whose son, Karter Owen, was welcomed into our Family of God and Community of Faith through Baptism on February 1st, 2025.



MISSION SCHEDULE CHANGE

Fr. Sichko has been asked to perform burial rites for one of the victims of last week's plane crash the week of our Mission. Please note the new schedule in the bulletin insert. Thank you.

2025 ANNUAL APPEAL CALL TO SHARE

The 2025 Annual Appeal is about coming together as Catholics. It supports the ongoing success of ministries such as: Proclaiming the Gospel, Passing on the Faith, Forming Future Priests & Supporting Retired Clergy and Caring for the Vulnerable.

Details are on the Bulletin Boards.



Envelopes will be in Pews the week of Feb. 22-23.

This year, Our Parish goal is \$36,900.

MEET THE MAN WHO MAKES TRUST

His plan!



FATHER JIM SICHKO

"60 Minutes for Jesus"

General Themes are Kindness, Trust, and Leadership. Fr. Jim is a priest of the Diocese of Lexington, storyteller, Papal Missionary of Mercy.

Each night of the mission is a stand-alone talk. You'll laugh, you'll cry, you'll sing, you'll be inspired!

2025 MISSION

Join us for an enthusiastic renewal of faith!
**St. Mary Queen of Angels
Catholic Church
Russell, KS**

Saturday Mass, Feb 22, 5:30 pm
Sunday Mass, Feb 23, 10:00 am
Sunday evening, Feb 23, 7:00 pm
Monday evening, Feb 24, 7:00 pm
Tuesday evening, Feb 25, 7:00 pm

(No outside food or drink allowed)

