

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.

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - FEBRUARY 23RD, 2025

Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. (Luke 6:37).

Whether it's the celebrity on TV or the disheveled person in the store or even the person we work with whose food choices are different from ours, we can find it so easy to pass judgment on people. And if we're honest, it may even seem like a very acceptable thing to do! But in his sermon to the crowds, Jesus is very clear: "Stop judging...Stop condemning" (Luke 6:37). So what should we do instead?

The line that immediately precedes this passage gives us the answer: "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful" (Luke 6:36).

Consider the mercy of God our heavenly Father. When you catch yourself judging another person, think about the love that God has for you: he sent his Son to die for you when you didn't deserve it - when you didn't even ask for it! Or recall all those instances when you didn't get "what you deserved" in your life. Maybe you spoke harshly to someone, and they spoke kindly back to you, or maybe your boss at work chose to overlook the fact that you were late on a project. Mercy flowed out to you, just as God's mercy extends to each and every person in the world.

When you run into "sinners" today, consider the Father's mercy and then share it generously. Speak kindly in response to harsh words. Bless the person you disagree with. Forgive the aggressive driver in the next lane. Jesus promises that if you offer mercy to those around you, "Your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High" (Luke 6:35).

God is the perfect judge. We can trust him to do his job. He knows when to be merciful, and he knows when to bring correction. He doesn't need our help! Instead, we can be merciful, we can forgive, and we can glorify our heavenly Father as we do.

"Father, help me to be a reflection of your merciful love today."

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
Saturday, February 22 - 5:30 p.m.	For Our Parishioners	1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23, 1 Corinthians 15:45-49 Luke 6:27-38
Sunday, February 23 - 10:00 a.m.	Spec. Intention Steve & Luci Knopp	1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23, 1 Corinthians 15:45-49 Luke 6:27-38
Monday, February 24	NO MASS	Sirach 1:1-10, Mark 9:14-29
Tuesday, February 25 - 6:30 p.m.	Spec. Intention Kayla Braun	Sirach 2:1-11, Mark 9:30-37
Wednesday, February 26- 6:30 p.m.	Arlene Hamel	Sirach 4:11-19, Mark 9:38-40
Thursday, February 27 - 7:30 a.m.	Ramona Cook	Sirach 5:1-8, Mark 9:41-50
Friday, February 28 - 7:30 a.m.	Spec. Intention Kyle Farmer	Sirach 6:5-17, Mark 10:1-12
Saturday, March 1 - 5:30 p.m.	For Our Parishioners	Sirach 27:4-7, 1 Corinthians 15:54-58, Luke 6:39-45
Sunday, March 2 - 10:00 a.m.	Craig Hitschmann	Sirach 27:4-7, 1 Corinthians 15:54-58, Luke 6:39-45

Gorham Mass Schedule Sunday 8:00 a.m.



Please pray for Baby Farmer, Helga Ziegler, Elmer Hoff, Cecilia Budke, Joan Weigel, Gary Flax, Marty Becker, Aubrey Hayden, Dan Branham, Millie Dalrymple, 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 15th, 2025 thru February 16th, 2025

Envelopes	\$ 1,887.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 980.00
Loose Cash	\$ 368.75
Votive	\$ 42.00

TOTAL DEPOSIT \$ 3,277.75

ONLINE GIVING \$ 1,200.00

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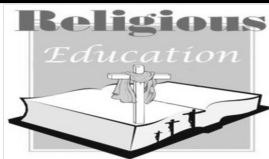


Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, March 1st - 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, March 2nd -10:00 a.m.
Hospitality	Nick & Anne Coady	Trenton & Sawyer Ptacek Family
Gifts	Dan Casey & Noell Olson	Will & Sherry Homeier
Lectors	Susan Orender & Natalie Beagley	Chris Sipe & Gail Ogle
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Steve Knopp & Deb Strobel Cup: Melinda Cross, Melanie Banks & Kelly Reddig	Body: *Todd Buhrle & Tammi Buhrle Cup: Bonita Ney, Merlin Ney & Margo Ochs
Altar Servers	Scarlett Schneider & Fiona Dreiling	Hayden Creamer, Adalynn Creamer & Colton Mullender
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Debbie Zachman/Annika Nichols & Madison	Debbie Zachman/Annika Nichols & Madison Sohm
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Sunday, February 23rd Gracelynn Dinkel & Camry Ney	Sunday, March 2nd Peyton Sohm & Olivia Morgenstern
Counters	Sunday, February 23rd Marge Schulte & Mary Schulte	Sunday, March 2nd Glen & Marcia Blundon

Birthday Wishes to:

Saturday	February 22nd	Graham Dreiling
Monday	February 24th	Gary Flax & Mike McKenna
Tuesday	February 25th	Holly Creamer, Ellynnore McNary, Jon Quinday & Kathy Banks
Wednesday	February 26th	Shauna Leiker
Friday	February 28th	Marc Hertel & Terri Ryan
Saturday	March 1st	Dianne Farmer
Sunday	March 2nd	Evan Wallpe, Shawn Ludwig, Kristin Rios & Luke Rios



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
March 22nd 5:30 p.m. -Confirmation Mass
March 26th 7:15 p.m. -Class-Penance Service, Grades 3rd thru 11th

Please let me know as soon as possible the days you are unavailable for the next schedule dates of: Saturday, April 5th through Sunday, April 27th, 2025.

(This includes Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday.)

You can email me at: smqoa@ruraltel.net. Thank you!



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 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

You can leave a voicemail after hours, email: smqoa@ruraltel.net, or stop by the office.

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).



Catholic Charities Mobile Outreach will be in Russell on Wednesday, Feb. 26th 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.



God loves each of us as if there were only one of us.

Augustine



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 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



Our prayers and sympathy to Tammy and Richard Krause, family and friends of Dennis Albrecht (Tammy's father), who died on February 14, 2025.

2025 ANNUAL APPEAL CALL TO SHARE

Details are on the Bulletin Boards.

Envelopes will be in Pews this week Feb. 22-23.

server Spotlight

Damon Becker

Parents: Derek & Tanya Becker
Year in school: 7th grade
Number of years serving: 1



Other than God and Father Michael, who is the coolest person you know and what makes them so cool?

My Dad because he is just amazing!

Favorite thing to do on a snow day? **Building a snowman and making forts and slides.**

If you were allowed to eat one item anytime you wanted, what would you choose? **Sushi.**



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



St. Mary Queen of Angels has seven scholarships available to high school Seniors who are members of St. Mary Queen of Angels or St. Mary Help of Christians Parish in Gorham.

We want to share these scholarship opportunities with you and invite you

to apply. The application process is completed online with additional information submitted to the Scholarship Committee.

The Seven Scholarships are:

*St. Mary Queen of Angels Scholarship (joint scholarship with RCCW and K of C).

*Russell Council of Catholic Women Scholarship

*Knights of Columbus Scholarship

*Barbara Scheck Memorial Scholarship

*Clara "Connie" Tuzicka Memorial Scholarship

*Floyd Tuzicka Memorial Scholarship

*Fred Weigel Memorial Scholarship

To apply for these scholarships, go to the St. Mary Queen of Angels website: <https://stmaryrussell.com> and scroll to "Parish Headlines." Look for the **SMQOA Scholarships** headline and click for more information. The website provides the criteria for all scholarships.



Rite of Sending and Rite of Election

On **Sunday, March 9**, we will be celebrating Rite of Sending with Darby Eakin within the 8 a.m. Mass in Gorham.

At 3 p.m., Darby will celebrate Rite of Election with Bishop Vincke at St. Nicholas Church, Hays, as she continues her faith journey to celebrate Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil Service on April 17.

All parishioners are cordially invited to join in the Rite of Sending and Rite of Election!

Lent Small Groups

If you are interested in attending one of the small group Lenten discussion groups, please complete your information below and return to the office.

Tuesdays, 2pm

Name: _____

Tel #: _____

Wednesdays, 7:15 pm

Name: _____

Tel#: _____

It's SICHKO week!



FUN FACT:

Dolly Parton referred to him as "The best opening act ever!"

FUN FACT:

He has spoken across **6 continents** and all **50 states**

FUN FACT:

He has over **92,000 followers** on FB and over **24,000 followers** on X!

We booked Fr Jim over a year ago and the wait is over! Get ready for an enthusiastic, uplifting Mission! Come **laugh, pray, & embrace your faith!**

Saturday Mass, 5:30 PM
Sunday Mass, 10:00 AM
Sunday Mission, 7PM
Monday Mission, 7PM
Tuesday Mission, 7PM

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