

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - MARCH 9TH, 2025

If you are the Son of God..... (Luke 4:3)

Well, that's one way for the devil to try to trip Jesus up! Get him to doubt his Father's love and care for him. ***Come on, Jesus! You're the Son of God. You don't need to punish yourself like this. Look, here are some rocks you could use! Or, Son of God? No one will ever believe you - you look like an everyday carpenter. If you want followers, you need to do something dramatic. I know! How about jumping off the roof of the Temple? That will draw people to yourself much more quickly!***

But as tempting as all this must have been, Jesus could see through the devil's twisted logic. Being the Son of God isn't about special perks and privileges. It isn't about never going hungry or never being able to walk out the front door without being met by admirers. It's about being like your Father: pouring yourself out to lift up the wounded. It's about loving everyone selflessly, even if it means giving up your life on a cross.

As a child of God, you, too, will encounter temptations this Lent. You may be tempted to hold a grudge, to treat someone poorly, or to break your Lenten resolutions-or to commit any number of sins. But no matter what you face, it's founded on some version of the lie that the devil tried to use on Jesus. It's the false notion that God is holding something back from you, so you'll need to bend some rules-or break them-so you can get what you think you need.

As the old saying goes, "Forewarned is forearmed." So when you find yourself wanting to justify sin, recognize the voice of the tempter and stand firm. When you find yourself doubting God's goodness, label those thoughts as coming from our enemy, the accuser.. And run to Jesus for help. He knows exactly how to overcome the devil!

"Jesus, be my shield and strength in times of temptation!"

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
Saturday, March 8- 5:30 p.m.	Kendall Miner	Deuteronomy 26:4-10, Romans 10:18-13, Luke 4:1-13
Sunday, March 9 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Deuteronomy 26:4-10, Romans 10:18-13, Luke 4:1-13
Monday, March 10	NO MASS	Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18, Matthew 25:31-46
Tuesday, March 11 - 6:30 p.m.	Alan Polcyn	Isaiah 55:10-11, Matthew 6:7-15
Wednesday, March 12 - 6:30 p.m.	Spec. Intention Thomas Hilger	Jonah 3:1-10, Luke 11:29-32
Thursday, March 13 - 7:30 a.m.	Sean Banks, Ann of B	Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25, Matthew 7:7-12
Friday, March 14 - 7:30 a.m.	Ruby Nowak	Ezekiel 18:21-28, Matthew 5:20-26
Saturday, March 15 - 5:30 p.m.	Peggy Schoenberger	Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18, Philippians 3:17-4:1, Luke 9:28b-36
Sunday, March 16 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18, Philippians 3:17-4:1, Luke 9:28b-36

Gorham Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:00 a.m.



Prayer Requests

Please pray for Tyler Maxwell, Baby Farmer, Helga Ziegler, Elmer Hoff, Cecilia Budke, Joan Weigel, Gary Flax, Aubrey Hayden, 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 March 1st, 2025 thru March 2nd, 2025

Envelopes	\$ 1,582.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 3,655.00
Loose Cash	\$ 461.25
Votive	\$ 123.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 95.00

TOTAL DEPOSIT \$ 5,916.25

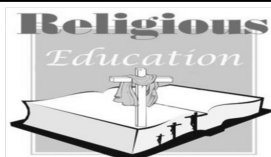


Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, March 15th- 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, March 16th -10:00 a.m.
Hospitality	Jim & Jamie Malone	Volunteers
Gifts	Doug & Michelle Banks	Justin & Mandy Trout Family
Lectors	Jeanine Heier & Jeff Ochampaugh	Andy Hurla & Sarah Hurla
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Keith Haberer & Maureen Haberer Cup: Steve Knopp, Sandy Ochampaugh & Kelly Reddig	Body: *Todd Buhrle & Tammi Buhrle Cup: Marcia Blundon, Bonita Ney & Merlin Ney
Altar Servers	Sonya Orender & Klaudia Shumaker	Joey Hurla & Damon Becker
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Curtis Sander/Craig Cline & Ava Cline	Curtis Sander/Marilyn Munk
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Sunday, March 9th Annika Nichols & Olivia Morgenstern	Sunday, March 16th Spring Break - No Class
Counters	Sunday, March 5th & March 9th Steve & Luci Knopp	Sunday, March 16th Mark & Tammy Ptacek

Birthday Wishes to:

Saturday	March 8th	Jim Cross & Ron Fritschen
Sunday	March 9th	Ashley Wickham
Tuesday	March 11th	Reagan Bennett
Wednesday	March 12th	Aubrey Birney, Taylor Birney & Jessica Nichols
Thursday	March 13th	Chet Keller
Friday	March 14th	Ava Schoenberger
Saturday	March 15th	Brooke Schroeder & Aleigh Whitmer
Sunday	March 16th	Christopher Martinez



March 12 7:15 p.m. Class
March 19 NO CLASS - SPRING BREAK
March 22 5:30 p.m. -Confirmation Mass
March 26 7:15 p.m. -Class
April 2 7:15 p.m. -Class
April 9 7:15 p.m. -Class



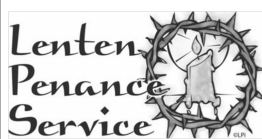
Stations of the Cross
Fridays during Lent - 5:30 p.m.

As we begin our Lenten journey, reflect on how your prayers, fasting and alms giving can guide you. As Pope Francis explains, these are "elements which, when lived sincerely can transform life and provide a sure foundation for dignity and fraternity." How can practicing the Lenten pillars transform your life and the lives of our sisters and brothers around the world? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.



Lenten Luncheons 2025

Wednesday, March 12 - Noon - Otterbein Methodist
Wednesday, March 19 - Noon - St. Mary Queen of Angels Church
Wednesday, March 26 - Noon - Trinity United Church
Wednesday, April 2 - Noon - St. John Lutheran Church
Wednesday, April 9 - Noon - United Emmanuel Lutheran Church (Milberger)
Wednesday, April 16 - Noon - First Congregational Church



Penance Service for CCD students and ALL Parishioners will be on Wednesday, March 26 at 7:15 p.m. following the 6:30 p.m. Mass. There will be several Priests here.

Lent is an opportunity to grow in inner freedom and love. Join us via Zoom as we travel with world-renowned photographer and speaker Dewitt Jones and delve into our desire for greater inner freedom and love. Every **Wednesday, March 12-April 23, 6:30-7:30 p.m.** Cost: \$100 or \$15 per session, group rates available.

For more information, contact Manna House of Prayer at 785-243-4428 or retreatcenter@mannahouse.org.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

March 9	-DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME-SPRING FORWARD
	8:00 a.m. -Rite of Sending at Gorham Mass
	2-3 p.m. -Sunday Services at Nursing Homes
March 10	7:00 p.m. -K of C Meeting w/4th Degree Mtg after
March 12	12-1 p.m. -Lenten Luncheon at Otterbein Methodist Church
	7:15 p.m. - CCD classes - Confirmation Penance
March 16	9:40 a.m. -Knights of Columbus Rosary before Mass
March 17	-SPRING BREAK - ST. PATRICK'S DAY
March 19	12-1 p.m.-Lenten Luncheon at St. Mary Queen of Angels
	- NO CCD - Spring Break
March 20	-FIRST DAY OF SPRING
March 22	5:30 p.m.-Confirmation



Our prayers and sympathy to Sharon and Mike Weigel, family and friends of Peggy Schoenberger, (Sharon's mother) who died on February 25th.

Our prayers and sympathy to Susan Becker, family and friends of Marty Becker, who died on March 1st.



A BIT OF HUMOR

Tonight we move the clocks ahead one hour and spring forward.



After the winter we've had, I'm all for anything with the word "spring" in it!



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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, Jr. 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.



Sunday Services at Senior Living Groups
this Sunday afternoon, **March 9th**, St. Mary Queen of Angels will be delivering 20-minute services at:

Wheatland Nursing (2:00 p.m.)
Mainstreet Manor (2:30 p.m.)
Homestead (3:00 p.m.)

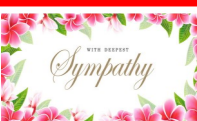
We invite all parishioners to come and join in this time of faith, sharing and fellowship.

We would like to welcome Dennis Brazda as a new member to our Parish Community. Dennis is a great addition to St. Mary Queen of Angels.



We would like to welcome Jack Reaver, Cat Webling and Jack Reaver, Jr as new members to our Parish Community. They will be great additions to St. Mary Queen of Angels.

Our prayers and sympathy to Bill & Carol McAdoo, family and friends of Lane Hoffman (grandson-in-law) who died on March 1st.



Our prayers and sympathy to Richard Pasek, family and friends of Kathleen Modlin (Rick's sister) who died on March 2nd.

Thank you for attending the Mission last week! If you are interested in sending an email to Bishop Stowe (Fr Sichko's bishop) to let him know his "employee" is doing a great job, his email is: jstowe@cdlex.org



THANK YOU



Knights of Columbus Council 3034

2nd Annual Shrovetide Chicken Fried Steak Dinner

Thanks to the generous support of our parishioners, Ladies of RCCW, and all those that helped prepare, serve, and cleanup the meal...

\$1407 was raised for the St Mary Queen of Angels Music Ministry

Mass Cantors and Musicians, Special Masses, Seasonal Chorus and Instrumentals, Sunday Services at Senior Living Groups, Musicians for Weddings, Funerals, and Special Events, Youth Mass Contributors

