

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - MARCH 16TH, 2025

They saw his glory. (Luke 9:32)

Picture a split screen of two images of Jesus. On the left is Jesus on Mount Tabor as the three disciples saw him, shining in all his glory (Luke 9:32). On the right is Jesus hanging on the cross in agony, his face and body covered in blood.

Such a contrast can be jarring. How could the Holy One of God, transfigured and radiating his divinity, be the same One who was nailed to a cross, at the mercy of his persecutors, and completely stripped of any semblance of heavenly glory?

We know the answer: Jesus willingly accepted “death, even death on a cross” to save us (Philippians 2:8). He willingly let go of any outward show of his divinity and power out of love for each of us.

Today’s Gospel describing the Transfiguration is a revelation of who Jesus truly is. As Luke describes it, “His face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white” (9:29). It’s an other-worldly glimpse of Jesus, one that was hidden while he walked the earth, but a sign of how he may appear to us one day in heaven.

When we think of Jesus as he was transfigured, it can make us even more grateful for what he was willing to endure for our sake. As the divine Son of God, he could have called on his angels in heaven at any moment and liberated himself from the agony of the cross. At any moment, he could have rained down fire on all those who were trying to kill him. But he didn’t. He loved us so much that he let himself be tortured and crucified. He did it even for the people that had accused and sentenced him!

Today, imagine yourself on Mount Tabor with Peter, John and James. What does Jesus’ face look like? How bright is his clothing? Think about what you might say to him. Above all, be sure to thank him from the bottom of your heart for being willing to die so that you might live!

“Jesus, let me see your glory today.”

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
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
Monday, March 17	NO MASS	Daniel 9:4b-10, Luke 6:36-38
Tuesday, March 18 - 6:30 p.m.	Father Grennan	Isaiah 1:10, 16-20, Matthew 23:1-12
Wednesday, March 19 - 6:30 p.m.	Barb Scheck	2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16, Romans 4:13,16-18, 22, Luke 2:41-51a
Thursday, March 20 - 7:30 a.m.	Charles Waymaster	Jeremiah 17:5-10, Luke 16:19-31
Friday, March 21 - 7:30 a.m.	Betty Wagner, Ann of B	Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a, Matthew 21:33-43,45-46
Saturday, March 22 - 5:30 p.m.	For Our Parishioners	Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15, 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12 Luke 13:1-9
Sunday, March 23 - 10:00 a.m.	Sheila Donovan & Tyler Donovan	Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15, 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12 Luke 13:1-9

Gorham Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:00 a.m.



Prayer Requests

Please pray for Aimee Gfeller, Tyler Maxwell, Baby Farmer, Helga Ziegler, Elmer Hoff, Cecilia Budke, 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 5th, 8th 2025 thru March 9th, 2025

Envelopes	\$ 1,690.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 925.00
Loose Cash	\$ 728.00
Votive	\$ 249.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 1,460.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,035.00

TOTAL DEPOSIT \$ 6,087.00

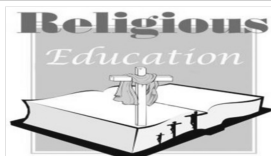


Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, March 22nd - 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, March 23rd - 10:00 a.m.
Hospitality	Josh & Susan Orender Family	Nathan & Deanna Myers Family
Gifts	Confirmation Students	Andy & Sarah Hurla Family
Lectors	Confirmation Students	Chris Sipe & Natalie Beagley
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Melinda Cross & Dan Bernard Cup: Deb Bernard, Deb Strobel & Chris Roth	Body: *Rich Krause & Alice Quinday Cup: Tammy Krause, Sherry Homeier & Jon Quinday
Altar Servers	Fiona Dreiling, Madeleine Middleton Maci Wieger, Reese Owens & Joey Hurla	Hayden Creamer, Adalynn Creamer & Haven Becker
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Curtis Sander/Rachel Sipe & Madison Sohm	Cheryl Seirer/Holly Creamer
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Sunday, March 16th Spring Break - No Class	Sunday, March 23rd Lindsey Cole & Reese Owens
Counters	Sunday, March 16th Mark & Tammy Ptakek	Sunday, March 23rd Jim Malone & John Malone

Birthday Wishes to:

Saturday	March 15th	Brooke Schroeder & Aleigh Whitmer
Sunday	March 16th	Christopher Martinez
Tuesday	March 18th	John Pellant
Wednesday	March 19th	Shayna Banks
Thursday	March 20th	Fiona Dreiling & Casey Seirer
Sunday	March 23rd	Shirley Boxberger & Ron Ptakek



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
April 16 7:15 p.m. -Class
April 23 7:15 p.m. -Last Class



Lenten Luncheons 2025

Wednesday, March 19 - Noon - St. Mary Queen of Angels Church

Theme: Woes (6:24-26)

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

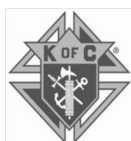


Stations of the Cross
Fridays during Lent - 5:30

If you subscribe to the Living with Christ magazine, you're April copy is on the table in the Gathering Space. Please be sure you pick up the copy with your name on it.

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

Everyone is encouraged to participate.



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.

THE MANNA HOUSE

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 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
- March 26 9-10 a.m. -Catholic Charities in Church Parking Lot
12-1 p.m. - Lenten Luncheon at Trinity United Church
7:15 p.m. -CCD Class
-**Penance Service for students and adults**



Thank you to Craig Cline, Jim Malone, Barbara Elliott, Mary Schulte, Steve & Luci Knopp, Dave & Debbie Zachman, Barbara Anschutz, and Jeff Ochampaugh for delivering

Sunday Worship Services on March 9th to the senior living groups at Wheatland Nursing, Main Street Manor, and Homestead Assisted living. SMQOA will deliver services next on **Easter Sunday April 20**, all parishioners are invited to come.



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.

**2025 Lenten Cross
Ministry of Knights
Council 3034**



Lif High the Cross
A Faith Raising Project

Sign-up Deadline March 30th

Crosses Up Saturday April 5th

Easter Sunday April 20th

Crosses Down April 26th

SignUp forms have been mailed to past participants.

NEW SignUp forms can be found in the gathering space or on the Knights web page.



The Rosary will be prayed at "weekday" Masses 20 minutes before Mass during Lent.

We are needing rosary leaders for Thursday and Friday mornings at 7:10 a.m. through Lent.

Claflin Lions Club Seafood Buffet

We will be serving all you can eat fish, shrimp, potatoes, green beans, cabbage, bread, coffee and tea.

DATE: March 21, 2025

TIME: 4:30-8:00 p.m.

Adults: \$25

Children 5 to 12 \$10.00, 4 & under free

Event to be held at the ICC Parish Center, 110 E. Williamson St., Claflin, KS.

Net proceeds from the event will go towards the many service activities and projects the Lions Club provides our community.

Rachel's Vineyards Retreats



Healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time

Next retreat: June 13-15, 2025

1-877-I-GRIEVE (1-877-447-4383)

rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org

Confidential

You are called by name. If you are struggling with your abortion decision come and see what Jesus has prepared for you. Give yourself His "gift" of a retreat weekend.