

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.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD - APRIL 13TH, 2025

Jesus proceeded on his journey up to Jerusalem. (Luke 19:28)

Today we begin the holiest week of our Church year. We join the crowds and shout, "Hosanna!" as Jesus enters Jerusalem. We listen to him teach, even while people plot to kill him. We see him wash his disciples' feet and offer them his Body and Blood, despite knowing that one will betray him and the rest will abandon him. We watch as he is rejected by his people and handed over to death on a cross.

It's easy to see Jesus just as an unfortunate, tragic victim of hatred and violence - and he was. But he was more than that. He freely chose to embrace his passion and death. He freely chose to offer himself as a sacrifice for our salvation. He offered no resistance to his captors, like the Suffering Servant who "gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard" (Isaiah 50:6).

This week, we have the chance to accompany Jesus as he makes his way to the cross. He invites us to give him thanks and praise for his mighty deeds. He invites us to receive his Body and Blood that he freely poured out for us. And he invites us to stay awake with him, to "get up and pray that you may not undergo the test" (Luke 22:46).

Like the disciples, we may not do this perfectly. But just as Jesus freely chose to offer himself for us, we can freely choose to stay close to him. We can read his word and recall all he did for us. We can sit before the Lord in prayer and participate in the liturgies of the Triduum. We can try our best to love the people around us as Jesus loved us. And if we fail, we can receive the mercy he offers from the cross: "Father, forgive them" (Luke 23:34).

"Thank you, Lord, for suffering for me. Help me to remain close to you this week."

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
Saturday, April 12 - 5:30 p.m.	Spec. Intention Steve & Luci Knopp	Isaiah 50:4-7, Philippians 2:6-11, Luke 22:14-23:56
Palm Sunday, April 13 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Isaiah 50:4-7, Philippians 2:6-11, Luke 22:14-23:56
Monday, April 14	NO MASS	Isaiah 42:1-7, John 12:1-11
Tuesday, April 15	NO MASS - Barry Carter Funeral	Isaiah 49:1-6, John 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday, April 16 - 6:30 p.m.	Fr. Charlie Steier	Isaiah 50:4-9a, Matthew 26:14-25
Holy Thursday, April 17 - 7:30 p.m.	Spec Intention Living & Deceased Grennan Family	Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14, 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, John 13:1-15
Good Friday, April 18 - 7:00 p.m.	Barb Scheck	Isaiah 52:13-53:12, Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9, John 18:1-19:42
Holy Saturday, April 19 - 8:30 p.m.	For Our Parishioners	Genesis 1:1-2:2, Genesis 22:1-18, Exodus 14:15-15:1, Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28, Epistle Romans 6:3-11, Luke 24:1-12
Easter Sunday, April 20 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Acts 10:34a, 37-43, Colossians 3:1-4, John 20:1-9

Gorham Mass Schedule

Holy Thursday - 5:30 p.m.
Good Friday Service - 5:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday - 8:00 a.m.



Please pray for Micky Teel, Marilyn Karst, Aimee Gfeller, Baby Farmer, Helga Ziegler, 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 April 5th 2025 thru April 6th, 2025

Envelopes	\$ 2,198.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 2,300.00
Loose Cash	\$ 545.65
Votive	\$ 258.10
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 70.00
Insurance Payment/Roof Repairs	\$ 130,242.89
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$ 135,614.64



Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Holy Thursday-April 17th - 7:30 p.m.	Good Friday-April 18th-7:00 p.m.
Hospitality/Ushers/Gifts	Dave & Natalie Beagley/CCD Students	Gordon & Denise Dolechek
Lectors	Jeanie Munsch & Chris Sipe	Sarah Hurla, Linda Schulte, Andy Hurla & John Malone
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Jim Malone & Jamie Malone Cup: Coleen Boxberger, Sherry Homeier & Yvonne Driscoll	Body: *Jon Quinday & Alice Quinday Place Altar Cloth: Marcia Blundon & Deb Strobel
Altar Servers	Haven Becker, Damon Becker & Maci Wieger	Joey Hurla, Karsyn Hamlin & Kooper Hamlin
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Curtis Sander/Katy Hertel, Tegan Becker & Fiona Dreiling	Craig Cline & Jim Malone (acapella)
Liturgical Ministers	Holy Saturday, April 19th - 8:30 p.m.	Sunday, April 20th-10:00 a.m. Easter Sunday
Hospitality/Ushers/Gifts	Gifts: Darby Eakin & Cameron Kilian Greeters: Liturgy Volunteers	Holly Creamer Family
Lectors	Terri Middleton, Beverly Nichols, Mike McGreevy & Keith Haberer	John Malone & Gail Ogle
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Cindy Balthazor & Jane Cline Cup: Jeanie Munsch, Craig Cline & Steve Knopp	Body: *Bonita Ney & Merlin Ney Cup: Deb Bernard, Dan Bernard & Yvonne Driscoll
Altar Servers	Klaudia Shumaker, Walker Middleton, Madeleine Middleton & Ava Cline	Reese Owens, Camry Ney & Cooper Ney
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Curtis Sander/Rachel Sipe, Madison Sohm, Annika Nichols & Gracelynn Dinkel	Debbie & Dave Zachman
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Sunday, April 13th - Palm Sunday Sherry Homeier & Molli Wieger	Sunday, April 20th - Easter Sunday NO CLASS
Counters	Sunday, April 13th Gordon & Denise Dolechek	Sunday, April 20th Jim Malone & John Malone Mark & Tammy Ptacek

Birthday Wishes to:

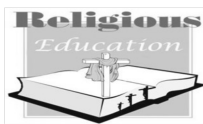
Monday, April 14th Natalie Beagley
 Tuesday, April 15th Elliott Sipe
 Wednesday, April 16th Stacy Moore & Ken Cole
 Friday, April 18th Dave Zachman, Kent Seirer, Bob Scheck, & Alisa Pertl
 Saturday, April 19th Veronica Fuentez-Martinez



Anniversary Wishes to:

Tuesday, April 15th Laurence & Katherine Nelson
 Saturday, April 19th Mike & Judy Lohrmeyer
 Sunday, April 20th Tony & Chrissy Driscoll, Jack Reaver & Cat Webling-Reaver

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



April 27 10:00 a.m. -First Communion
 May 4 10:00 a.m. -Senior Recognition



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

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



Last Lenten Luncheon 2025
 Wednesday, April 16 - Noon - First Congregational Church

Theme: On Hearing and Doing (6:46-49)

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



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

April 16 12-1 p.m. -Lenten Luncheon at First Congregational Church
7:15 p.m. -CCD Classes - Stations of The Cross

April 17-Holy Thursday

5:30 p.m. -Mass of the Lord's Supper - Gorham
7:30 p.m. -Mass of the Lord's Supper - Russell
-Washing of the Feet, Rice Bowl Collection
9-10 p.m. -Adoration - Russell
10:00 p.m. -Night Prayer

April 18 -Good Friday

2:15 p.m. -Stations of The Cross followed by Scriptural Rosary - Russell
3:00 p.m. -Chaplet of Divine Mercy - Russell
5:00 p.m. -Celebration of the Passion - Gorham
7:00 p.m. -Celebration of the Passion - Russell
-Veneration of the Holy Cross and Holy Communion, Holy Land Collection

April 19-Holy Saturday

8:30 p.m. -Solemn Vigil of Easter

April 20-Easter Sunday

8:00 a.m. -Mass in Gorham
10:00 a.m. -Mass in Russell
9:40 a.m. -Knights of Columbus Rosary before Mass
2:00 p.m. -Sunday Services at Nursing Homes
April 21 7:00 p.m. -Knights of Columbus Meeting (Rescheduled)

Our prayers and sympathy to the Carter family and friends of Barry Carter who died April 7th, 2025.



Holy Water vessels will be available after the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses. We invite you to fill your vessel from the baptismal font.



A Reception for Darby Eakin will be held in the Parish Hall following the Holy Saturday Easter Vigil. Everyone is encouraged to welcome our new member by attending the reception.



Rice Bowls will be collected during the Holy Thursday Mass.

Knights of Columbus will meet on Monday, April 21st at 7:00 p.m. (Rescheduled)



NEW SCHEDULE

Please note that the time change for **Good Friday Services** in Russell is at **7:00 p.m.** instead of 6:30 p.m.

All other times remain the same.

Our prayers and sympathy to Joan and Kevin Rourke, family and friends of John Braun (Joan's father) who died April 5th, 2025.



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 on **Easter Sunday afternoon, April 20th** and invite all parishioners to come and join in this time of faith sharing and fellowship.

PLEASE check your **EMAILS** at the beginning of this Holy Week for special instructions, if you are involved in any of the following ministries: **Holy Thursday Eucharistic ministers and servers, Good Friday Eucharistic ministers and servers, and Easter Sunday servers.**



To keep the Blessed Sacrament safe, the Chapel will be locked outside of regular business hours. If you wish to pray in the Chapel outside of regular business hours, you may obtain a code for the keypad from the Office. Thank you for your understanding.



If you still have flowers or other articles that are **NOT** attached to a tombstone, that you would like to keep, please pick them up within the next 2 weeks, or they will be removed.

Divine Mercy Sunday

The Divine Mercy Prayer Service will be held at **3 p.m., Sunday, April 27**, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays. The hour will include Eucharistic Exposition, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song, litany of prayers and meditation. Jesus entrusted Saint Maria Faustina with the task of spreading the message of his Divine Mercy through a series of visions and interior locutions in the 1930s. When Pope Paul II canonized Saint Faustina April 30, 2000, he declared the Sunday after Easter to be Divine Mercy Sunday and an official feast day of the Church.



Everyone is encouraged to pray the novena to the Divine Mercy, which begins on Good Friday. Leaflets on this novena are in the brochure rack of the Church.

CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD BEGINNING AT 2 P.M.