

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.

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - APRIL 20TH, 2025

They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him. (John 20:2)

What a glorious day! It's Easter Sunday, the day of the resurrection. Only Jesus isn't showing up! In fact, today's Gospel reading focuses on an *absent* Jesus. Mary Magdalene, Peter and John are confronted with an empty tomb, and they don't know where he is. So rather than rejoicing, they are disappointed, bewildered and scared.

These three disciples didn't know what had happened to Jesus, but we do. In just a short time, he will greet Mary Magdalene and commission her to proclaim the good news (John 20:16-18). Later that day, he will appear to Peter and the apostles and breathe the Holy Spirit on them (20:22). And he will appear to them again and again before ascending into heaven (Acts 1:3).

But we don't hear any of those stories today. Instead, we're waiting outside the empty tomb. We believe that Jesus is risen, but we don't see him. We have experienced our sin being washed away, but we still fall sometimes. We get occasional glimmers of the heavenly life that awaits us, but we also know times of darkness and fear. And so we live somewhat precariously, always at risk of falling to temptation.

So why bother rejoicing today? Because Jesus truly *is* risen, whether we see him or not! Because he truly *has* defeated death, and we truly *do* belong to him. Because we *will* see him one day. And until that day comes, we can experience his Spirit filling us with God's love and gradually transforming our hearts.

Today truly is a glorious day - not because we have come to the end of our journey, but because we know that the risen Christ is walking beside us. Step-by-step, he is leading us to the throne of God - to a glory that will far surpass our wildest dreams!

"Jesus, Risen Savior, I praise you, and I believe in you!"

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
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
Monday, April 21	NO MASS	Acts 2:14, 22-33, Matthew 28:8-15
Tuesday, April 22 - NO MASS	NO MASS	Acts 2:36-41, John 20:11-18
Wednesday, April 23 - NO MASS	NO MASS	Acts 3:1-10, Luke 24:13-35
Thursday, April 24 - 7:30 a.m.	Spec. Intention John Farmer IV	Acts 3:11-26, Luke 24:35-48
Friday, April 25 - 7:30 a.m.	Sheila & Tyler Donovan	Acts 4:1-12, John 21:1-14
Saturday, April 26 - 5:30 p.m.	For Our Parishioners	Acts 5:12-16, Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19, John 20:19-31
Sunday, April 27 - 10:00 a.m.	Dolores Mermis, Ann of B	Acts 5:12-16, Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19, John 20:19-31

Gorham Mass Schedule

Sunday - 8:00 a.m.



Prayer Requests

Please pray for Kathy Wallert, Micky Teel, 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 12th 2025 thru April 13th, 2025

Envelopes	\$ 1,478.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 530.00
Loose Cash	\$ 634.00
Votive	\$ 113.25

TOTAL DEPOSIT \$ 2,755.25

ONLINE GIVING CODE



Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, April 26th - 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, April 27th - 10:00 a.m. First Communion
Hospitality/Ushers/Gifts	Wayne Hoch & Christine Conley Family	First Communion Students
Lectors	Jeff Ochampaugh & Jeanine Heier	First Communion Students
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Melinda Cross & Steve Knopp Cup: Mark Ptacek, Tammy Ptacek & Sandy Ochampaugh	Body: *Rich Krause & Tammy Krause Cup: Michelle Farmer, John Farmer & Deanna Myers
Altar Servers	Scarlett Schneider & Noell Olson	Teagen Pfeifer, Reese Owens & Bennett Myers
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Curtis Sander/Melanie Banks & Kayla Schneider	Cheryl Seirer/Marilyn Munk
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Sunday, April 20th - Easter Sunday NO CLASS	Sunday, April 27th First Communion - NO CLASS
Counters	Sunday, April 20th Jim Malone & John Malone Mark & Tammy Ptacek	Sunday, April 27th Gordon & Denise Dolechek

Birthday Wishes to:

Saturday, April 19th
 Tuesday, April 22nd
 Thursday, April 24th
 Friday, April 25th
 Sunday, April 27th

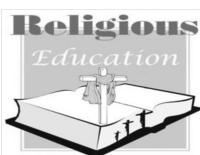
Veronica Fuentez-Martinez
 Harlan Mudd
 John Farmer, IV & Richard Krause, Sr.
 Barbara Elliott & Kendyl Mead
 Leslie Hoffman & Mary VonLintel



Anniversary Wishes to:

Saturday, April 19th
 Sunday, April 20th
 Monday, April 21st
 Wednesday, April 23rd
 Friday, April 25th
 Saturday, April 26th
 Sunday, April 27th

Mike & Judy Lohrmeyer
 Tony & Chrissy Driscoll, Jack Reaver & Cat Webling-Reaver
 Luke & Kristen Rios
 Ron & Glenna Letsch, Marc & Katy Hertel
 Derek & Tanya Becker, Jerald & Jewel Mosier
 Casey & Amanda Seirer
 John III & Dianne Farmer



April 23 7:15 p.m. -Class
April 27 10:00 a.m. -First Communion
April 30 7:15 p.m. - Last Class
**May 4 10:00 a.m. -Senior Recognition
after Mass**



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

The Parish Office will be closed on
Monday, April 21st.

**PARISH OFFICE
IS CLOSED**



There will be **NO Weekday Mass** on Tuesday
or Wednesday, April 22nd & 23rd.

**REMINDER: First Communion Practice for Parents and
Students is on Wednesday, April 23rd at 7:15 p.m.**

Catholic Charities Mobile Outreach

will be in Russell on Wednesday, April 23rd
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



**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
week, or they will be removed.**

New Ministry Schedules are in the box on the table in the
Gathering Space, some were mailed out. They are also
available on our website.

Please let me know by May 7, the days you are unavailable
for the next schedule dates of:

**Saturday, June 7th through Sunday,
July 6th.**

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



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- April 21 **-PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**
7:00 p.m. -Knights of Columbus Meeting (Rescheduled)
- April 23 9-10 a.m. -Catholic Charities in Church Parking Lot
7:15 p.m. -CCD Classes-**FIRST COMMUNION practice for Students and Parents**
- April 26 9-12 p.m. -First Communion Retreat and First Confession
- April 27 10:00 a.m. -**First Communion**
- May 1 6:30 p.m. -RCCW Meeting in Parish Meeting
- May 2 7:30 a.m. -First Friday Mass
8:00 a.m. -Adoration
5:45 p.m. -Benediction
- May 4 10:00 a.m. -**Senior Recognition Mass** - Reception following
- May 6 7:00 p.m. -Parish Council after 6:30 p.m. Mass
- May 7 2:00 p.m. -OPC - Meeting with Bishop Vincke
- Conference Room
- May 12 7:00 p.m. -Knights of Columbus Meeting



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



We Welcome as a new member to our Catholic Faith - Darby Eakin. Darby was baptized within the Easter Vigil service. Prayers for Darby.



HAPPY
Easter
HE IS RISEN

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.



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.



The **Easter Lilies** were donated in **loving memory** of: Jerry J. Driscoll, Ella Mae Driscoll, Sherry Driscoll, Charlie Munsch, Frank and Bessie Brock, Carl & Emma Munsch, Victor & Theresa Peterka, Cecil & Ifa Merkel, Joann M. Malone, Imogene Butcher, Janice Miska, Ima Stoppel, Ray & Charlene Strobel, LaVerne D. Schuster, Malorie (Pasek) Hamlin, Clem & Katie Suellentrop, Ralph & Helen Schulte, Rebecca Tribble, Margaret Eck, Mary T. Meyer, Sean Banks, Paul & Betty Wagner, Paul & Mary Banks, Father Galen Long, Father Melvin Long, Father Ken Lohrmeyer, Candi Mae Wagner, Lee & Mary Ross, Leo & Loretta Ross, Jerry Ross, SP & Margaret Quint, Jim Balthazor, Kirk Balthazor, Matthew Driscoll, Kuhn Family, Leiker Family, Keith & Nancy Stoppel, Jeannine Truan, Gilbert & Elizabeth Truan, Betty Wallace, Karl & Ronnie Savage.

Senior Recognition and Scholarship Presentation

RCCW and the Knights of Columbus welcome all parishioners to attend the Senior Recognition and Scholarship presentation in the Parish Hall on Sunday, May 4th immediately following Mass.

Seniors:

Zachary Axtell

Aubrey Birney

Taylor Birney

Clayton Blundon

Lindsey Cole

Brock Homeier

Clayton Jacobs

Jaden Ney

Annika Nichols

Teagen Pfeifer

Madison Sohm

Abby Strobel

RaeAnn White

Parents:

Scott & Tracy Axtell

Kelsi Weigel

Kelsi Weigel

Gary Blundon & Mandy Blundon

Aaron & Linda Cole

Brent & Kristie Homeier

Brandon & Jacque Jacobs

Jason & Nicale Ney

Marc & Jessica Nichols

Jason & Beth Pfeifer

Curtis & Charlene Sohm

J.W. & Trisha Strobel

CH & Jennifer White



Religious Education Dept:

Mrs. McAdoo,

Your gift of a Miraculous Medal for all the students & teachers was so thoughtful & appreciated it brought a big smile to their faces – Thank You!

God Bless you for your generosity & kindness.

Bonita Ney

STUDENTS, TEACHERS & SUBSTITUTES

Wednesday, April 30th is the last class till fall. All **Students** grades **1st thru 12th, teachers and all substitutes** are invited to enjoy PIZZA, Girl Scout cookies, ice cream and drinks.

See you **April 30th at 7:15 p.m.**

Bonita Ney

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