

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - MAY 18TH, 2025

Love one another. (John 13:34). The time had come. Jesus had spent so much time teaching his apostles, revealing his Father to them, and preparing them to take his message of salvation to the world. But this was his last night on earth, and he wanted to make his final words to them count. And he did that by distilling all of his wisdom and revelation down into just one “new commandment” (John 13:34).

Love one another. (John 13:34). Throughout his ministry, Jesus devoted himself to teaching us how to live together in love. He knew that everything he said and did contributed to this goal. He longed to pull down all the dividing walls that keep us from treating each other as brothers and sisters, created out of love by the same heavenly Father. And now he was about to break the biggest dividing wall: the power of sin.

As I have loved you (John 13:34). All along, Jesus had shown his apostles what love looks like. He was infinitely patient with their weak faith and their misunderstanding of him. He was constantly urging them to receive his Father’s mercy so that they could show mercy to one another. And now he would go so far as to offer his own life on the cross to set them free. *This is* how he loved them, by laying down his life for them. And *this is* how he wants us to love each other: in tangible ways, by pouring ourselves out in love for each other.

Jesus is no longer with us in the same way that he was with his apostles. But he is with us through the gift of his Spirit, through our brothers and sisters in Christ, and through his presence in the Eucharist. He is still with us to shower his love on us and to help us love one another in return. So let’s turn to him and receive that love. Let’s fulfill his new commandment!

“Jesus, thank you for your love! Lord, teach me to love the people around me as you have loved me.”

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
Saturday, May 17- 5:30 p.m.	Kendall Miner	Acts 14:21-27, Revelation 21:1-5a, John 13:31-33a, 34-35
Sunday, May 18 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Acts 14:21-27, Revelation 21:1-5a, John 13:31-33a, 34-35
Monday, May 19	NO MASS	Acts 14:5-18, John 14:21-26
Tuesday, May 20 - 6:30 p.m.	Barb Scheck	Acts 14:19-28, John 14:27-31a
Wednesday, May 21 - 6:30 p.m.	Spec. Intention Steve & Luci Knopp	Acts 15:1-6, John 15:1-8
Thursday, May 22 - 7:30 a.m.	Fr. Grennan	Acts 15:7-21, John 15:9-11
Friday, May 23 - 7:30 a.m.	Annette Gerstner	Acts 15:22-31, John 15:12-17
Saturday, May 24 - 5:30 p.m.	Spec. Intention Steve & Luci Knopp	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29, Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23, John 14:23-29
Sunday, May 25 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29, Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23, John 14:23-29

Gorham Mass Schedule

Sunday - 8:00 a.m.



Prayer Requests

Please pray for Halle Farmer, Lane Mai, Kathy Wallert, Micky Teel, Aimee Gfeller, 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 May 10th thru May 11th, 2025

Envelopes	\$ 2,082.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 870.00
Loose Cash	\$ 503.00
Votive	\$ 51.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$ 3,506.00
CEMETERY	\$ 15.00

ONLINE GIVING CODE



Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, May 24th - 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, April May 25th - 10:00 a.m.
Hospitality/Ushers/Gifts	Gary & Kathy Vonfeldt	Marc & Jessica Nichols Family
Lectors	Jeff Ochampaugh & Jeanie Munsch	Chris Sipe & Merlin Ney
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Maureen Haberer & Keith Haberer Cup: Chris Roth, Sandy Ochampaugh & Melanie Banks	Body: *Marcia Blundon & Yvonne Driscoll Cup: Rich Krause, Tammy Krause & Bonita Ney
Altar Servers	Noell Olson, Camry Ney & Cooper Ney	Damon Becker, Haven Becker & Teagen Pfeifer
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Cheryl Seirer/Craig Cline & Jim Malone	Cheryl Seirer/Katy Hertel, Tegan Becker & Fiona Dreiling
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	NO CLASSES - Summer Break	Summer Break
Counters	Sunday, May 18th Mark & Tammy Ptacek	Sunday, May 25th Gordon & Denise Dolechek

Birthday Wishes to:

Saturday, May 17th
 Sunday, May 18th
 Tuesday, May 20th
 Wednesday, May 21st
 Thursday, May 22nd
 Saturday, May 24th
 Sunday, May 25th

John Glassman, Coleen Boxberger, Sandy Ochampaugh & Bobbie Yost
 Jeanie Munsch, James Norin & Barbara Bonds
 Heidi Ptacek, P J Wagner & Angie Walker
 Camry Ney, Cooper Ney, Baxx Dinkel & Misty Schoenberger
 Maci Wieger
 Brynn Keller, Sylvia Mudd & Rae Ann White
 Dereck McNary & Colton Mullender



Anniversary Wishes to:

Sunday, May 18th
 Wednesday, May 21st
 Thursday, May 22nd
 Saturday, May 24th

Michael & Kristi Fisher
 Kevin & Joan Rourke, Jim & Melinda Cross
 Todd & Melissa Dauber
 Alberto & Sandra Benavente-Guerro



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

Please let me know by June 4th, the days you are unavailable for the next schedule dates of:

Saturday, July 12th through Sunday, August 17th.

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

JUNIOR CYO CAMP: Registrations opened on **May 1st**. The camp will be from **August 30th to September 1st** this year and is open to students in **6th-8th grades** for the **2025-2026** school year. Please click here to register and for more information:

<https://salinadiocese.org/office/office-of-youth-ministry/junior-cyo-camp/>



If you subscribe to the Living With Christ magazine, your **June** copy is on the table in the Gathering Space.

Please be sure you pick up the copy with your name on it.

New subscriptions are effective for June.

Work is underway on the Parish's parking lot. They are replacing it in sections. One entrance and side of the parking lot may be closed at different times. Please be patient while they improve our parking lot with concrete.

Parking Lot



Catholic Charities Mobile Outreach will be in Russell on **Wednesday, May 28th from 9—10 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.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 18	9:40 a.m.	-Knights of Columbus Rosary before Mass
May 26		-MEMORIAL DAY - OFFICE CLOSED
May 28	9-10 a.m.	-Catholic Charities - Parking Lot
May 29		-HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION - Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord
June 1	2:00 p.m.	-Sunday Services at Nursing Homes
June 2-6	9 a.m.-Noon	-Vacation Bible School
June 3	7:00 p.m.	-Parish Council Mtg following Mass
June 6	7:30 a.m.	-First Friday Mass
	8:00 a.m.	-Adoration
	5:45 p.m.	-Benediction
June 9	7:00 p.m.	-Knights of Columbus mtg w/4th Degree Knights mtg immediately after.

FATHER RETURNING

Fr. Michael will be returning to Russell on July 6th (late night) and will move to Salina on July 24th.



CEMETERY NOTICE

Second notice to remove ALL of the items not attached to the tombstones or they will be picked up and discarded (removed) by Tuesday, May 20, 2025 please.

REMINDER: Placement of solar lights are prohibited as per the Diocese and Cemetery Policy.



Congratulations to Joseph and Chantel Oste whose son, Vincent Louis, was welcomed into our

Family of God and Community of Faith through Baptism on May 10, 2025.

We would like to welcome Brett, Kara and Kingsley Berry as new members to our Parish Community. They are a great addition to St. Mary Queen of Angels.



Fr. Daryl Olmstead's 50th Anniversary Celebration is Sunday, June 8th at St. Boniface Parish in Tipton.

4:00 p.m. Mass
5:30 p.m. Dinner in the Tipton Community Center
7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Music and Dancing

I hope you can all make it.
I look forward to seeing you all there.
May God bless you.

Fr. Daryl



And just like that, the parishioners of SMQoA stepped up to take care of their own parish. The response to our request for help shows that we have a unique and incredible parish. THANK YOU and blessings to you!!!!!!

The committee chair for each area of interest will be in touch in the near future. Again, THANK YOU!

(Additional volunteer forms are in the back of the church if you haven't had a chance to fill one out)



Our prayers and sympathy to Cheryl and Kent Seirer, family and friends of Nora Hammerchmidt (Cheryl's mother) who died on Mother's Day, May 11th, 2025

Our prayers and sympathy to Brian and Kayla Schneider, family and friends of Leon Schneider (Brian's dad) who died on May 2nd, 2025



Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas will be conducting their 14th Annual Baby Bottle Campaign from Mothers Day weekend, May 10-11th to Father's Day weekend, June 14-15th. This campaign provides support to mothers in our communities facing economic struggles, giving them access to critical resources so they can provide for their babies.

Your contributions support: Pregnancy Services that Include Emergency Assistance, Counseling Support, Adoption Guidance. Several other options are also available to participate:

Mail a check to: Catholic Charities, C/O Baby Bottle Campaign, PO Box 1366, Salina, KS 67402-1366.



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If you prefer, you can donate via Venmo by scanning the QR code below or visiting our venmo account **@catholiccharitiesofnk**. Please be sure to include "Baby Bottle 25" in the description of your transaction. You can also give online: