

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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - MAY 25TH, 2025

I have told you this...(John 14:25)

Grief, fear, and anxiety. What a range of emotions the disciples must have felt as they listened to Jesus' final words before his arrest and crucifixion! And yet in today's Gospel, Jesus is also making a number of promises that surely sustained them in the days and years ahead. Amazingly, these same promises are also meant for us.

Whoever loves me will keep my word...and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him (John 14:23). Jesus will be put to death, rise, and then ascend to heaven, but he is still present to us. When we follow him, he promises not just to accompany us but to live in *us*! He is as close to us as we are to ourselves.

The Advocate, the Holy Spirit...will teach you everything (John 14:26). Jesus taught his followers many things that the Gospels record, but he wants to continue speaking to *our* minds and hearts. That's why he sent us the Holy Spirit. He will lead us and guide us in every situation we face.

My peace I give to you (John 14:27). After Jesus' ascension, the disciples will face persecution and even martyrdom. But despite these trials, Jesus' peace will remain with them. They will know a wholeness and tranquility that can only come from the Lord. This is his gift to us as well.

How have you seen these promises fulfilled in your walk with the Lord? Think of all the times you have felt his presence in your heart. Recall when the Holy Spirit helped you understand more about the Lord or guided you in a specific way. Remember how God's peace descended on you in a hectic or difficult time.

God always fulfills his promises. So wherever you find yourself today, believe what Jesus has "told you" (John 14:25, 29). Then look for how he is working in your life, just as he said he would!

"Jesus, help me to trust in your promises!"

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
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
Monday, May 26	NO MASS	Acts 16:11-15, John 15:26-16:4a
Tuesday, May 27 - 6:30 p.m.	Spec. Intention Kyle & Ashlyn Farmer	Acts 16:22-34, John 16:5-11
Wednesday, May 28 - 6:30 p.m.	Candi Wagner	Acts 17:15, 22-18:1, John 16:12-15
Thursday, May 29 - 7:30 a.m. The Ascension of the Lord	Al Schuler, Ann of D	Acts 18:1-8, John 16:16-20
Friday, May 30 - 7:30 a.m.	Spec Intention Kayla & Walker Braun	Acts 18:9-18, John 16:20-23
Saturday, May 31 - 5:30 p.m.	Paul & Ima Stoppel, Anniversry	Acts 1:1-11, Ephesians 1:17-23, Luke 24:46-53
Sunday, June 1 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Acts 1:1-11, Ephesians 1:17-23, Luke 24:46-53

Gorham Mass Schedule

Sunday - 8:00 a.m.



Prayer Requests

Please pray for Bryan Heier, Doc Reddig, Halle Farmer, Lane Mai, Kathy Wallert, Micky Teel, Aimee Gfeller, Gary Flax, Dan Branham, Aubrey Hayden 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 17th thru May 18th, 2025

Envelopes	\$ 1,623.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 490.00
Loose Cash	\$ 432.00
Votive	\$ 175.21
Ascension Thursday	\$ 50.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$ 2,770.21

CEMETERY \$ 50.00

ONLINE GIVING CODE



Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, May 31st - 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, June 1st - 10:00 a.m.
Hospitality/Ushers/Gifts	Mary Pat Waymaster/Troy Waymaster Family	Steve & Lisa Schroeder Family
Lectors	Cindy Balthazor & Nick Coady	John Malone & Gail Ogle
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Craig Cline & Jane Cline Cup: Steve Knopp, Melinda Cross & Anne Coady	Body: *Dustin Dreher & Alice Quinday Cup: Todd Buhrle, Tammi Buhrle & Jon Quinday
Altar Servers	Ava Cline, Fiona Dreiling & Sonya Orender	Karsyn Hamlin, Kooper Hamlin & Maci Wieger
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Curtis Sander/Melanie Banks & Kayla Schneider	Cheryl Seirer/Kinsey Volk
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	NO CLASSES - Summer Break	Summer Break
Counters	Sunday, May 25th Gordon & Denise Dolechek	Thursday, May 29th & Sunday, June 1st Glen & Marcia Blundon

Birthday Wishes to:

Saturday, May 24th	Brynn Keller, Sylvia Mudd & Rae Ann White
Sunday, May 25th	Dereck McNary & Colton Mullender
Monday, May 26th	Alberto Guerro
Tuesday, May 27th	Mary Schulte
Friday, May 30th	Mary Kerns
Saturday, May 31st	Lance Walker
Sunday, June 1st	Jeanine Heier



Anniversary Wishes to:

Saturday, May 24th	Alberto & Sandra Benavente-Guerro
Monday, May 26th	Marc & Jessica Nichols
Tuesday, May 27th	Kyle & Ashlyn Farmer
Thursday, May 29th	Steve & Terri Middleton
Friday, May 30th	Kevin & Rachel Dolechek
Saturday, May 31st	Norman & Barbara Anschutz, Todd & Tammi Buhrle, Luke & Karen Keller



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!



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.



With Memorial Day upon us, please follow the guidelines established by the Cemetery Board. All flowers not contained in a permanent vase, including Memorial Day flowers, must be removed 10 days after the holiday or be replaced. In order to maintain the

dignity and serenity that Catholic cemeteries are meant to have, St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery prohibits the following items: figurines, plastic flags, Mom/Dad signs, windmills, wind chimes, balloons, toys, rosary beads, crosses, statues, candles, solar lights etc. The planting of live trees, flowers or shrubs on or within the cemetery is prohibited. Placement of walls, fences, curbing of any lots or plots is prohibited, except as approved by the Pastor/Pastor Designate. The Pastor/Pastor Designate or Cemetery Board reserves the right to remove any such plantings, curbing, walls, fences or lighting.

If you would like a copy of the entire Cemetery Guidelines, please contact the parish office to request it.

Parish Office Closed

In observance of Memorial Day, the Parish will be closed on Monday, May 26th.

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday!



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Parish Council Meeting, Tuesday, June 3rd at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room following Mass.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 26		- MEMORIAL DAY - OFFICE CLOSED
May 28	9-10 a.m.	-Catholic Charities - Parking Lot
June 1	10:00 a.m.	- HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION - Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord Mass
	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.



How You Can help Grinnell Families Impacted by the Tornado

Our hearts are with the people of Grinnell and everyone in western Kansas impacted by the recent tornado. Catholic Charities is actively working to support families as they begin the difficult process of recovery and rebuilding.

How You Can Help - If you would like to support these efforts, donations to our Disaster Relief Fund will provide direct assistance to those affected. Your generosity will help deliver essential supplies, offer comfort, and provide long-term support for families as they rebuild their lives.

If you have specific items you'd like to donate, or if you are interested in helping in other ways, please reach out to us at communications@ccnks.org.

MEMORIAL DAY PRAYER

Dear Father,

As we remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for their freedom, we enjoy everyday, we think of how they have followed the footsteps of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, please hold our Servicemen and Women in your strong arms, cover them with your sheltering grace and your presence, as they stand in the gap for our protection.

We also remember the families of our troops, we ask for your unique blessings to fill their homes and we pray for peace, provision and strength will fill their lives.

May the members of our Armed Forces be supplied with courage to face each day and may they trust in the Lord's mighty power to accomplish each task. Let our military brothers and sisters feel our Love and support.

In the name of Jesus. Amen.

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Thank you John Malone, Jim Malone, Bruce Heier, Gary Flax and Andy Hurla for working the Knights of Columbus Funnel Cake Trailer at the downtown Wicked Fest event this past Saturday and to all that support the Knights charitable efforts throughout the year.

We look forward to seeing you again soon for a funnel cake at the Russell County Free Fair July 22-25.



Congratulations to Cale and Shannon Spencer, whose son, Porter Alan Spencer, was welcomed into our Family of God and Community of Faith through Baptism on May 18, 2025.

Join the Catholic Diocese of Salina on a pilgrimage for the 2025 Jubilee Year

June 17-18 - Venerable Emil Kapaun & Blessed Stanley Rother Pilgrimage - Depart Salina and Mass at Blessed Stanley Rother Shrine & tour the Pilgrim Center & Tepeyac Hill (Oklahoma City) Mass at Cathedral of Immaculate Conception (Wichita) with Venerable Kapaun tomb. Visit the parish and museum of Venerable Emil Kapaun in Pilsen.

Price includes lunch, hotel accommodations, gratuities & tips. 2 meals on your own. Cost: **\$198 per person** (double occupancy) **\$25 deposit**.

September 21-26 - Holy Hill, St Jude, Churches & Shrines (Depart Salina) Daily Mass, Holy Family Shrine, Cloisters on the Platte Stations of the Cross, Trinity Heights Queen of Peace Shrine, Shrine of the Grotto of the Redemption, Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, National Shrine of Our Lady of Champion, Holy Hill Basilica, Basilica of Saint Josaphat, Our Lady of Sorrows Basilica & National Shrine of St. Peregrine, Dominican Shrine of St Jude Thaddeus & veneration of St Jude arm relic.

Price also includes 5 nights lodging, 3 lunches, 4 dinners & breakfasts at hotel, gratuities & tips. 5 meals on your own. Cost: **\$1090 per person** (double occupancy) **\$50 deposit**.

Call **Carolyn Berens at 785-826-0440** to make a reservation or with any questions.



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FREE Gift -SmartLoving BreakThrough Course-Year of the Jubilee

To celebrate the Jubilee Year which is marked as a time to re-establish a proper relationship with God and with one another, Catholic marriage ministry, SmartLoving is offering its BreakThrough online course as a free gift.

This course is designed to help an individual to understand the struggles they are facing in their marriage, and to equip them with powerful tools to restore love, communication, and connection.

Use Coupon code: **Jubilee2025** for FREE access to BreakThrough. This offer is available from now until the Feast of Pentecost.

Visit: www.smartloving.org/jubilee