

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.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JULY 20th, 2025

The Lord appeared to Abraham. (Genesis 18:1)

Isn't it mysterious? Genesis 18:1 tells us that "the Lord appeared to Abraham." But then Abraham saw "three men" (18:2). The visitors were later identified as angels, but one seemed to be the Lord himself (18:20-22). It's hard to know exactly what Abraham saw and at what point he realized that he was in the presence of Almighty God.

Here's another mystery: this same Lord will be with everyone gathered at every Mass today. We will hear his voice in the readings and see him in the host and chalice on the altar. So let's take a look at how Abraham responded to God's presence to see how we can respond to him today.

First, Abraham gave God his *full attention*. He stopped what he was doing and "ran" to meet him (Genesis 18:2). As Mass begins, you can imitate Abraham as you try to put aside any distractions and be attentive to the Lord.

Next, he *bowed down* (Genesis 18:2). While this might have been a traditional greeting, it also showed that Abraham recognized his visitors' dignity. Imagine yourself bowing low as you pray the Gloria and praise God in the responsorial psalm.

Then, Abraham offered to God *the best he had* - fine flour and a choice steer (Genesis 18:6-7). When the gifts are brought to the altar, you can offer your life to the Lord. Give him your love and fidelity.

Finally, Abraham *waited on his guests* (Genesis 18:8). That's something you can do after Holy Communion, as you pray quietly in adoration. Enjoy your time with the Lord and listen to him.

So remember Abraham when you come into God's mysterious, surprising presence today. Let the promise of his love fill your heart with reverence. Generously offer him your attention, your worship, the best of who you are. As you do, you'll come to see him more and more clearly. Just like Abraham.

"Lord, thank you for revealing yourself to me in mystery. Help me to respond to you wholeheartedly!"

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
Saturday, July 19 - 5:30 p.m.	Ruby Nowak	Genesis 18:1-10a, Colossians 1:24-28, Luke 10:38-42
Sunday, July 20 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Genesis 18:1-10a, Colossians 1:24-28, Luke 10:38-42
Monday, July 21	NO MASS	Exodus 14:5-18, Matthew 12:38-42
Tuesday, July 22 - 6:30 p.m.	Craig Hitschmann	Song of Songs 3:1-4b, John 20:1-2, 11-18
Wednesday, July 23 - 6:30 p.m.	Spec Intention Blundon Family	Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15, Matthew 13:1-9
Thursday, July 24 - 7:30 a.m.	Living & Deceased Grennan Family	Exodus 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b, Matthew 13:10-17
Friday, July 25 - 7:30 a.m.	Spec Intention Tyler Zachman	2 Corinthians 4:7-15, Matthew 20:20-28
Saturday, July 26 - 5:30 p.m.	Don Brungardt	Genesis 18:20-32, Colossians 2:12-14, Luke 11:1-13
Sunday, July 27 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Genesis 18:20-32, Colossians 2:12-14, Luke 11:1-13

Gorham Mass Schedule

Sunday - 8:00 a.m.



Prayer Requests

Please pray for Sharon Marley, Sandy Ochampaugh, Herb Walters, Jim Vlcek, Theresa Dreiling, Marilyn Munk, Gary Flax, Aimee Gfeller, 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 July 12th thru July 13th, 2025

Envelopes	\$ 2,293.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,580.00
Loose Cash	\$ 329.00
Votive	\$ 95.00
Mission Coop	\$ 120.00
Donation - Use of Building	\$ 200.00

TOTAL DEPOSIT \$4,617.00
CEMETERY \$ 100.00

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Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, July 26th - 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, July 27th - 10:00 a.m.
Hospitality/Ushers/Gifts	Lane & Alex Mai Family	Jeffrey & Jacki Blundon Family
Lectors	Jeanine Heier & Susan Orender	Linda Schulte & Sarah Hurla
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Melanie Banks & Mark Ptacek Cup: Sandy Ochampaugh, Tammy Ptacek & Chris Roth	Body: *John Farmer & Michelle Farmer Cup: Marcia Blundon, Richard Krause & Tammy Krause
Altar Servers	Ava Cline, Sonya Orender & Scarlett Schneider	Colton Mullender & Reese Owens
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Curtis Sander/Jeanie Munsch & Coleen Boxberger	Debbie & Dave Zachman
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Summer Break	Summer Break
Counters	Sunday, July 20th Gordon & Denise Dolechek	Sunday, July 27th Steve & Luci Knopp

Birthday Wishes to:

Sunday, July 20th	Ronda Hitschmann
Monday, July 21st	Duane Wieger & Shirley Brungardt
Tuesday, July 22nd	Rachel Dolechek & Tony Driscoll
Wednesday, July 23rd	Gavin Pfeifer & Oliver Wickham
Friday, July 25th	Jeffrey Elliott & James Heier
Saturday, July 26th	Deb Strobel & Shorty Prosser



Anniversary Wishes to:

Wednesday, July 23rd	Melvin & Janice Stoppel (65 years)
Friday, July 25th	Aaron & Allison Casey-Olson



If you subscribe to the Living With Christ book, your August copy is on the table in the Gathering Space.

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



Single and Catholic?

Join 400+ singles coming from all over the US (and beyond) at the **20th Anniversary National Conference for Single Catholics in Denver, Colorado on August 22nd-24th, 2025!**

(Can't travel? Join the virtual option with online socials and small group discussions). This is your chance to connect with like-minded singles of all ages. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass with Archbishop Samuel Aquila, adoration, fellowship and more. (Use the promo code **PARISH25** for a discount).

Visit NationalCatholicSingles.com for more information and to register.

When praying,
don't give
God
instructions ...
just report for
duty.



UPCOMING EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

July 23	9-10 a.m.	-Catholic Charities in Parking Lot
July 25		-Fr. Michael LEAVES for Salina
July 27		-World Day for Grandparents and Elderly
		-Reception for Fr. Daryl following 10 a.m. Mass
August 1	7:30 a.m.	-First Friday Mass
	8:00 a.m.	-Adoration
	5:45 p.m.	-Benediction
August 5	7:00 p.m.	-Parish Council Meeting following 6:30 p.m. Mass



Congratulations to CJ and Amber Risher, whose son, Jagger, was welcomed into our Family of God and Community of Faith through Baptism on July 11th, 2025.



Thank You for supporting Grinnell Tornado Relief Efforts - We are deeply grateful for the generosity and compassion shown in response to the devastating tornado that struck Grinnell in May. Your support has allowed Catholic Charities to walk alongside families and individuals as they begin the difficult journey of recovery and rebuilding - whatever that may look like for each person.

Because of you, we've been able to provide direct assistance to those impacted, offering food, financial aid, essential supplies, and ongoing emotional support. Every donation, every collection, every prayer has made a meaningful difference. Thank you for answering the call to help our neighbors in need. Your kindness is a powerful reminder of what it means to be a community rooted in faith, hope and love.



PASTORAL MINISTRY FORMATION - FALL 2025

College courses offered: **THEO 4053 The Creeds and Faith (3 hour credit)**

Saturday mornings - 8:15 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Class Dates: **Sept 6, 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, Nov. 8**

Location: This course is offered over Zoom. To be in a Zoom class, one will need a computer with a microphone and camera.

Cost: **3 hr. college course for credit - \$150.00***

3 hr. college course for enrichment - \$75.00*

Please add **\$5.00** for each course for postage and handling.

*Does not include textbook.

Father Terrance Klein will be teaching this course.

College Course offered: **THEO 4881 Wisdom of the Early Church: Scripture, Doctrine, and Life (1 hour credit)**

Tuesday evenings - 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Class Dates: **Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23**

Location: This course is offered over Zoom. To be in a Zoom class, one will need a computer with a microphone and a camera.

Cost: **1 hr. college course for credit - \$50.00***

1 hr. college course for enrichment - \$25.00*

Please add **\$5.00** for each course for postage and handling.

*Does not include textbook.

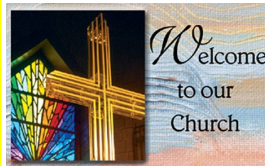
Father Frank Coady, STD, will be teaching this course.

FLYERS WITH MORE INFORMATION ARE IN THE BOOK RACK LOCATED BY THE FRONT DOORS OF THE CHURCH

Sunday Services at Senior Living Groups

Thank you to Barbara Elliott, Jeanie Munsch, Craig Cline, Galen Schmidtberger, and Debbie & Dave Zachman for delivering Sunday Worship Services on July 13th to the senior living groups at Wheatland Nursing, Main Street Manor, and Homestead Assisted living. SMQOA will deliver services next on Sunday August 24th and all parishioners are invited to come.

NURSING HOME
MINISTRY



There will be a Reception welcoming Fr. Daryl to the Parish on Sunday, July 27th following the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

We will have Cinnamon rolls, coffee and tea.



WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

Dear God, please bless our grandparents and for the life they give to us. For the ways they helped us and made us strong. We give thanks for the way they love us no matter what, we rejoice.

Lord, grant our elders good health and peace of mind.

Heavenly Father, bless our Seniors with renewed strength and joy.

This special day will be held on **Sunday, July 27th**. Each year it is celebrated on the 4th Sunday in July.

The theme is: **Blessed are those who have not lost hope!**



ANNUAL SEMINARIAN FUNDRAISING DINNERS

are scheduled for July 30 in Manhattan at the Hilton Garden Inn and July 31 at Rose Garden in Hays.

These events will start at 5:15 p.m.

RSVP deadline for this year's seminarian dinners is July 16. Tickets are \$60 per person.

Event details & RSVP link:

bit.ly/semsofsalina

You can also visit the Diocesan website or call the Chancery to purchase tickets.

Thank you for your support.

