

ST. MARY QUEEN OF ANGELS



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Fr. Daryl Olmstead

January 4, 2026

PASTORAL COUNCIL:

Beverly Nichols, Chairperson, Dave Zachman, Vice Chairman,
Gail Ogle, Stacy Moore, Sarah Hurla, Mark Ptacek,
Tammi Buhrlle, Nathan Myers, & Deb Strobel

FINANCE COUNCIL:

Dave Beagley, Chairman, Jane Cline, John Malone,
Jim Malone, & Mark Ptacek

COMMISSIONS:

Marge Schulte, Liturgy
Merlin Ney, Cemetery Board
Bruce Heier, Evangelization
Tammi Buhrlle, Family Life/Christian Service
Beverly Nichols, Stewardship
Dave Zachman, Respect Life

CYO PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL:

Madi Wieger

PARISH STAFF:

Judy Larson—Administrative Assistant
Marcia Blundon—Bookkeeper
Bonita Ney—Religious Education Coordinator
Bruce Heier—Custodian
Curtis Sander--Music Coordinator

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday 5:30 p.m.
Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Tues., Wed. 5:30 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.

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD, JANUARY 4TH, 2026

They...offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. (Matthew 2:11)

“We three kings of Orient are bearing gifts we traverse afar.” This popular Christmas carol is appropriate for today’s feast of the Epiphany. But were they “three”? Were they “kings”? Matthew only tells us that “magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem” (2:1). He doesn’t say how many they were, and he definitely doesn’t say anything about them being kings.

The reason we may think they were kings is because of today’s first reading, which tells the people of Jerusalem, “Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance” (Isaiah 60:3). And we usually think there were three of them because they offered Jesus three gifts - gold, frankincense, and myrrh. So although we don’t know their names, how many they were, or their countries of origin, we do know the most important thing: when they found the child Jesus, they “prostrated themselves and...offered him gifts” (Matthew 2:11).

Let’s ponder the gifts that we might offer our King today: ***Gold** is a precious metal that represents wealth. What is your *gold*? Maybe it’s the time you offer to serve him, or it’s your money that you can share with the poor. ***Frankincense** was a gift of worship. You can offer him the *frankincense* of the prayers and praise that rise from your heart to the throne of the Lord Almighty. ***The myrrh** is a perfume that foreshadowed Jesus’ sacrifice on the cross. The myrrh you can offer are the times you sacrifice yourself to care for your family or those closest to you.

On this feast day, bring your precious gifts to the Lord. Offer him everything you have. Pour out your life before him and pay him homage. Jesus is pleased with every gift that you have for him.

“Jesus, I want to praise you and offer all I am to you!”

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
Saturday, January 3 - 5:30 p.m.	For Our Parishioners	Isaiah 60:1-6, Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6, Matthew 2:1-12
Sunday, January 4 -10:00 a.m.	Alan Vonfeldt	Isaiah 60:1-6, Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6, Matthew 2:1-12
Monday, January 5	No Mass	1 John 3:22-4:6, Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday, January 6 - 5:30 p.m.	Charles Waymaster	1 John 4:7-10, Mark 6:34-44
Wednesday, January 7 - 5:30 p.m.	Norman Anschutz	1 John 4:11-18, Mark 6:45-52
Thursday, January 8 - 7:30 a.m.	Betty Wagner, Ann of D	1 John 4:19-5:4, Luke 4:14-22
Friday, January 9 - 7:30 a.m.	Fr. Bruce Miller	1 John 5:5-13, Luke 5:12-16
Saturday, January 10- 5:30 p.m.	Frank & Betty Ptacek	Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7, Acts 10:34-38, Matthew 3:13-17
Sunday, January 11 -10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7, Acts 10:34-38, Matthew 3:13-17

Gorham Mass Schedule Sundays - 8:00 a.m.



Prayer Requests

Please pray for Leonard Hoch, Carol McAdoo, Florance Klein, Jim Vlcek, Helga Ziegler, Mary K Hurla (Andy Hurla’s mother), George Sullivan (Tammy Ptacek’s dad), Gary Flax, 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 December 24th-25th and December 27th and 28th, 2025

Envelopes	\$ 1,616.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 1716.71
Loose Cash	\$ 1,462.00
Votive	\$ 166.00
Christmas	\$ 3,120.00
In/Out Thanksgiving Dinner	\$ 500.00
K of C Charities Found - Rel. Ed	\$ 450.00
Barbara J. Scheck Memorial	\$ 20,000.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$ 29,030.71

QR Code for Online Giving



Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, January 10th- 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, January 11th - 10:00 a.m.
Hospitality/Ushers/Gifts	Susan Neil & Coleen Boxberger	Mark & Mikell Zorn Family
Lectors	Jeanine Heier & Mike McGreevy	Dave Zachman & Linda Schulte
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Jim Malone & Jamie Malone Cup: Cindy Balthazor, Deb Strobel & Melanie Banks	Body: *Coleen Boxberger & Yvonne Driscoll Cup: Kyle Farmer, Ashlyn Farmer & Andy Hurla
Altar Servers	Adam Hoch & Adison Hoch	Jamie Hurla, Steele Rogge & Colton Mullender
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Deb & Dave Zachman	Deb & Dave Zachman
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Sunday, January 11th Peyton Sohm & Hayden Creamer	Sunday, January 18th Gracelynn Dinkel & Cooper Ney
Counters	Sunday, January 11th Jon & Alice Quinday	Sunday, January 18th Bruce & Jeanine Heier

Birthday Wishes to:

Saturday, January 3rd	Theo Leiker & JoAnn Pfannenstiel
Sunday, January 4th	Donna Vlcek
Tuesday, January 6th	Cody Copple
Wednesday, January 7th	Jim Bowman
Thursday, January 8th	Dan Bender
Friday, January 9th	Katy Hertel & Jaclyn Schulte
Sunday, January 11th	Stellyn Pasek



Anniversary Wishes to:

Sunday, January 11th John & Dolly Hoff



A Bit of Humor



"If you're ever headed the wrong way in life, remember the road to Heaven allows U-turns."

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Parish Council Meeting, Tuesday,

January 6th at 6:15 p.m. in the Conference Room following the 5:30 p.m. Mass.



The Knights of Columbus will hold their monthly meeting Monday, January 12th at 7:00 p.m.

2025-2026



Religious Education News

Jan. 7, 26 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class - CYO
 Jan 14, 26 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class
 Jan. 21, 26 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class
 Jan. 28, 26 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class
 Feb. 4, 26 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class - CYO

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 January 7th, the days you are unavailable for the next schedule dates of: Saturday, February 7th through Sunday, March 8th, 2026.

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



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January 6	6:15 p.m.	-Parish Council Meeting after Mass
January 7	6:30 p.m.	-OCIA youth meeting
	7:15 p.m.	-RCIA adult meeting
	7:15 p.m.	-CCD Classes
January 12	7:00 p.m.	-Knights of Columbus Meeting
January 14	6:30 p.m.	-OCIA youth meeting
	7:15 p.m.	-RCIA adult meeting
	7:15 p.m.	-CCD Classes
Jan.15-23		-Fr. Daryl will be out of town-no weekday Masses-Mass intentions will be said
January 27	6:15 p.m.	-Finance Council Meeting
January 28	9-10 a.m.	-Catholic Charities in Parking Lot
	6:30 p.m.	-OCIA youth meeting
	7:15 p.m.	-RCIA adult meeting
	7:15 p.m.	-CCD Classes

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Great news for students in the Diocese of Salina! There are three scholarship opportunities available for the 2026-2027 school year. The application process is online and opens on November 1, 2025. Students are encouraged to apply by **March 1, 2026** at givecfds.org/scholarships.



***Monsignor Clement A. Kruse Scholarship**-applicant must be an active registered member of a Catholic parish in the Diocese of Salina. These scholarships are approximately \$500.

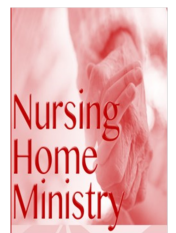
***Marymount Memorial Educational Trust Scholarship.** Applicant must be attending an accredited Catholic College as a full-time student and an active registered member of a Catholic parish in the Diocese of Salina. These scholarships vary but range from \$1000-\$3,000.

***Susie Deges Scholarship.** This scholarship is specifically for high school seniors in the diocese who are active in their local CYO (Catholic Youth Organization). This scholarship is \$1000.

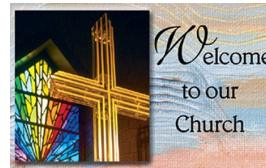


We are getting quite a collection of dishes in the kitchen. If you brought a dish to a funeral dinner or other event and you are missing your favorite cake pan or casserole dish check the collection in the kitchen, it might just be there.

Sunday Services at Senior Living Groups



Thank You to those who helped in delivering Sunday Worship Services on Sunday, December 28th to the Senior living groups at Main Street Manor and Homestead Assisted Living.



PARISH REGISTRATION

Are you new to St. Mary Queen of Angels Parish? Have you turned 19 and no longer under your parents registration? Maybe you just haven't gotten around to registering. Now is the time to do it.

There are "**New/Current Parishioner's Census Sheets**" on the table in the Gathering Space of church or you can stop into the office **Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

By doing so, not only will you be registered in our parish, you will also receive the diocesan publications *Faith Magazine* and *The Register*, containing inspiring stories of faith, and best of all they are free.

Happy New Year

GOD IS ALL YOU NEED

let spirituality
be your new years resolution
may God bless you
we wish you the happiest of years
God is all you need to succeed



SAFE ENVIRONMENT GUIDELINES

Education & Screening

All clergy, religious, seminarians/persons in formation, employees, educators, as well as volunteers who minister with minors are required to complete a background check and safe environment training. For more information about safe environment compliance requirements, please contact your parish/school safety coordinator or visit www.salinadiocese.org

Reporting & Victim Assistance

Report allegations of the abuse of a minor to the Department of Children and Families 800.922.5330 KBI Crime Hotline/800.572.7463

If you suspect abuse of a minor by church or school personnel, in addition to contacting civil authorities, use one of the confidential diocesan reporting resources below:
Phone: 866.752.8855
Website: reportandprotect.com
Email: reportabuse@salinadiocese.org
Reports will be responded to promptly by the Victim Assistance Coordinator

To report an incident of sexual abuse and related misconduct by a Bishop or Religious Superior, currently, or in the past, the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service provides a confidential Hotline: 800.276.1562
Website: reportbishopabuse.org

The Diocese of Salina complies with Kansas laws regarding reporting suspected abuse to civil authorities and cooperates with civil authorities as they investigate reports of suspected abuse by all persons, including, but not limited to church personnel.

Any questions in regards to education, reporting, or victim assistance can be directed to the Safe Environment Office
Diocese of Salina
785.827. 8746



CATHOLIC DIOCESE
of SALINA
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