

ST. MARY QUEEN OF ANGELS



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February 15, 2026

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Marge Schulte, Liturgy
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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.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, FEBRUARY 15TH, 2026

What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard,...God has revealed to us. (1 Corinthians 2:9, 10)

That's quite a bold statement! St. Paul is saying that, through Jesus' death and resurrection, the Holy Spirit has revealed something that no one had ever seen or heard of before. Paul calls that something "God's wisdom, mysterious, hidden, which God predetermined before the ages for our glory" (1 Corinthians 2:7).

For our glory. That's not just a throwaway phrase. It's the actual revelation that God has made manifest: the promise that everyone who believes in Christ can be glorified, just as Jesus, "the Lord of glory," is now glorified (1 Corinthians 2:8)!

Sit with the truth for a moment. Prophets and kings from the past, great saints like Abraham, Isaiah, and Moses, all had amazing revelations about the Lord and his plans. But only now, after Jesus' resurrection, has *our own* resurrection become so clearly revealed!

It's easy to reduce the gospel to a message about right living and adherence to a moral code that we have to try hard to follow. It's easy to reduce it to a set of self-help principles that we can adopt. It's easy to reduce it to any number of things. But once you start hearing about God's plan "for our glory," you know that Jesus has done something for us that we could never do ourselves. His death defeated our death. And his resurrection has opened heaven - for all of us.

This is part of the "mysterious, hidden" plan that God has now revealed in Christ. Jesus, the risen and glorified Lord, is our true destiny. He has made us for heaven!

Today is the perfect day to ask the Holy Spirit to reveal this glorious plan to you a little more. Read today's second reading slowly and prayerfully. Let the words sink into your heart and fill you with hope. You were created for glory!

"Jesus, thank you for revealing your awesome hidden wisdom to me!"

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
Saturday, February 14 - 5:30 p.m.	Ruby Nowak	Sirach 15:15-20, 1 Corinthians 2:6-10, Matthew 5:17-37
Sunday, February 15 -10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Sirach 15:15-20, 1 Corinthians 2:6-10, Matthew 5:17-37
Monday, February 16	No Mass	James 1:1-11, Mark 8:11-13
Tuesday, February 17 - 5:30 p.m.	Richard Polcyn	James 1:12-18, Mark 8:14-21
Wednesday, Feb. 18 -Ash Wed. 7:00 a.m. - Russell 5:30 p.m. - Gorham 7:30 p.m. - Russell	Maxine Scheck - 7:00 a.m. Ray Barbo - 7:30 p.m.	Joel 2:12-18, 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday, February 19 - 7:30 a.m.	Spec. Intention Stephan Henry	Deuteronomy 30:15-20, Luke 9:22-25
Friday, February 20 - 7:30 a.m.	Charles Waymaster	Isaiah 58:1-9a, Matthew 9:14-15
Saturday, February 21 - 5:30 p.m.	LaVerne Schuster	Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7, Romans 5:12-19, Matthew 4:1-11
Sunday, February 22 -10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7, Romans 5:12-19, Matthew 4:1-11

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



Prayer Requests

Please pray for Gwenna Green, Linda Applebee, Isabelle McAdoo, Carol McAdoo, Helga Ziegler, 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 February 7th and February 8th, 2026

Envelopes	\$ 1,808.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,220.00
Loose Cash	\$ 479.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 50.00
Online Giving	\$ 2,680.00

TOTAL DEPOSIT \$ 6,237.00

QR Code for Online Giving



Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, February 21st - 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, February 22nd - 10:00 a.m.
Hospitality/Ushers/Gifts	Keith & Maureen Haberer	Jon & Alice Quinday/Megan & Paisley Quinday
Lectors	Jeff Ochampaugh & Terri Middleton	Natalie Beagley & Merlin Ney
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Steve Knopp & Melanie Banks Cup: Kristi Fisher, Sandy Ochampaugh & Tammy Ptacek	Body: *John Farmer & Michelle Farmer Cup: Marc Hertel, Rich Krause & Tammy Krause
Altar Servers	Klaudia Shumaker & Madeleine Middleton	Karsyn Hamlin & Kooper Hamlin
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Curtis Sander/Kinsey Volk	Cheryl Seirer/Bonita Ney & Coleen Boxberger
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Sunday, February 22nd Madi Wieger & Morgan Finkenbinder	Sunday, March 1st Olivia Morgenstern & Aaron Cole
Counters	Sunday, February 15th Mark & Tammy Ptacek	Sunday, February 18th & February 22nd Glen & Marcia Blundon

Birthday Wishes to:

Saturday, February 14th Val Dreher & Brandy Ney
 Monday, February 16th Marc Nichols
 Wednesday, February 18th Kyle Farmer, Brandon Gross, Ava Hoch, Lisa Schroeder, Kylie Reddig,
 Erica Keener & Amanda Seirer
 Thursday, February 19th Merlin Ney, Audrey Dougherty, Sonya Orender, Steve Middleton
 & Breckyn Pasek
 Saturday, February 21st Alice Quinday



Anniversary Wishes to:

Monday, February 16th Mike & Colleen McGreevy



Religious Education News 2025-2026

Feb. 18 -NO CLASS - **Ash Wednesday**
 Students attend Mass with Family
 Feb. 25 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class
 March 4 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class - CYO
 March 11 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class
 March 18 -No Class - Spring Break
 March 25th 7:15 p.m. -Class-**Penance Service**
Grades 2nd thru 11th



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 March 6th, the days you are unavailable for the next schedule dates of:

Saturday, April 11th through Sunday, May 10th.

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

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

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

For those of you who subscribe to *Living with Christ*, the renewal date is fast approaching.

Let the office know if you would like to continue to receive your copy. If anyone would like to start receiving a subscription, let the office know.

The annual subscription price of **\$17.95** has not changed from last year.

To renew your subscription, or start a new one, call the Parish office at 785-483-2781 between 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. You can leave a voicemail after hours, email smqoa@ruraltel.net, or stop by the office.

Please send your payment to the Parish Office as soon as possible. You can also drop it in the collection basket. (Mark it as Living with Christ subscription)



Ash Wednesday
*Remember that you
are dust, and to dust
you shall return.*

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- February 15 9:40 a.m. -Knights of Columbus Rosary before Mass
- February 18 **ASH WEDNESDAY- NO CCD Classes**
 7:00 a.m. -Mass in Russell
 5:30 p.m. -Mass in Gorham
 7:30 p.m. -Mass in Russell
- February 24 6:15 p.m. -Finance Council Meeting
- February 25 9-10 a.m. -Catholic Charities in Church parking lot
 NOON -First Lenten Luncheon at Otterbein Methodist Church
 6:30 p.m. -OCIA youth meeting
 7:15 p.m. -RCIA adult meeting
 7:15 p.m. -CCD Classes
- March 1 10:00 a.m. -Rite of Sending during Mass
 3:00 p.m. -Rite of Election at St. Nicholas Church In Hays
- March 3 6:15 p.m. -Parish Council Meeting
- March 4 NOON -Lenten Luncheon at St. Mary Queen of Angels
 7:15 p.m. -CCD Classes - CYO

The **Russell Council of Catholic Women** is excited to share a special opportunity for our parish this Lenten season.

We will be hosting a **Lenten Food Drive** to support **Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas**. The food collected will help stock their shelves and serve many individuals and families across northern and northwestern Kansas-including right here in the Russell community.

The **Catholic Charities Outreach Van** visits Russell every **fourth Wednesday of the month from 9:00-10:00 a.m. in our parish parking lot.**, where individuals and families in the area who are in need of assistance are welcome to come and receive support. In addition anyone in the Russell County area may call or walk into any Catholic Charities office in our diocese for help; whether it's food, hygiene items, diapers and wipes, financial assistance, pregnancy support, and more.

We would like to thank Fr. Daryl for his support of this effort. This is a meaningful way for our parish community to serve those who are struggling and to truly live out our faith during Lent.

The food drive will begin on **Ash Wednesday, February 18th**, and continue through **Easter Sunday, April 5th**. Catholic Charities has requested specific food items which includes: Jiffy Mix Pudding or Jello Mixes, Macaroni & Cheese, Canned Tuna and Canned Chicken, Jelly, Pancake Mix, Canned Soups, Instant Potatoes, Cereal, Canned Vegetables, Canned Fruit and Peanut Butter.

This Lent, let us answer Christ's call to feed the hungry and come together as a parish family to make a difference. Thank you for your generosity!



the **RESCUE** project

Your **Lenten** journey begins here
rescueproject.us

1 hour per week, 8 weeks, a renewal of Faith.
 Your soul will thank you.

With prayers
 and deepest
Sympathy

Our prayers and sympathy to Chris and Joe Roth, family and friends of Jeff Ryan (Chris' brother) who died on Friday, January 2nd.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

A new sign up for first Friday Eucharistic Adoration will be available during February in the back of the Church. We especially need someone for **11 a.m.-Noon**. Several afternoon time slots only have one person at this time. The new sign up will take effect **Friday, March 6th**. Please prayerfully consider spending one hour each month with Jesus.



The Russell Knights of Columbus chose **Joe Roth** as the **January Knight of the Month**.

Family of the Month is **Dave and Debbie Zachman**.

Please join us in congratulating Joe, Dave and



**ALL PARISHIONERS,
 FAMILY & INVITED FRIENDS
 ARE WELCOMED!**

Lenten Fish Fry

Friday, March 6th at 5:30 pm



Knights of Columbus

\$10 per plate

children age 5 and under free

Meal Includes...

- ✓ Breaded & Fried Cod Fish
 - ✓ Fried Noodles & Beans
 - ✓ Green Beans
 - ✓ Creamy Coleslaw
 - ✓ Hot Fresh Dinner Rolls
 - ✓ RCCW Desserts
- Thank You Ladies!*

**Come join us
 immediately
 following the
 First Friday
 Services!**

To-Go Boxes Available!

Men's Conference - The Men Under Construction Flint Hills Conference

is a one-day Catholic men's event designed to strengthen your faith, renew your spirit, and connect you with a community of brothers committed to living out their Catholic vocation. Whether you're a father, grandfather, husband, or young man seeking direction, this conference will challenge and inspire you to embrace your call as a man of God.

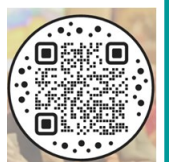
The Conference is **February 21st, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.** at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Wamego, KS.

Need a ride?

Call **Dave Z** at **785-324-1760**.

For more information or to register: scan the QR code OR go to:

<https://flinthills.menunderconstruction.org/>



the date!

GRADES K-11th

Parents' Meetings

MARCH 25, 2026

7:00 P.M.

Speaker:

PARISH HALL

Bill Meagher

SACRAMENTAL RESTORED ORDER



Dear Parents,

Wednesday February 18, 2026, **Ash Wednesday.**

All religion classes will be attending the **7:30 p.m. mass.** Please plan to attend the services with your son/daughter as a family. After mass the students are dismissed to go home with their parents.



POPE FRANCIS' WORDS

Do you want to fast this Lent?

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

