

ST. MARY QUEEN OF ANGELS



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March 29, 2026

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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.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD, MARCH 29TH, 2026

Truly, this was the Son of God! (Matthew 27:54) If Jesus were the star of a Hollywood movie, his triumphal entrance into Jerusalem would surely be the end of the film: a joyous celebration of the Messiah receiving the recognition and honor that he deserves. The movie would show how Jesus lived a sinless life, how he spent three years proclaiming and demonstrating that the kingdom of God was at hand, and how he trained his disciples. And in spite of some misunderstandings during his time of ministry, at last the crowds would finally acknowledge who he really was: the Son of God, the promised Messiah. The end.

But as we read in today's Gospel, Palm Sunday was actually the *beginning* of one of the most significant weeks in history. Although it seemed as if things took a turn for the worse as the week went on - with Jesus' betrayal, abandonment, torture, and death - God's plan of salvation for the world was unfolding.

In a homily on Palm Sunday, St. Bernard of Clairvaux remarked, (How different the cries that now are calling him "King of Israel" and then in a few days' time will be saying, "We have no king but Caesar!" What a contrast between the green branches and the cross, between the flowers and the thorns! Before they were offering their own clothes for him to walk upon, and so soon afterwards they are stripping him of his, and casting lots upon them.)

As you begin Holy Week, join the crowds in shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" (Matthew 21:9). Then stay with Jesus all week as he prepares to suffer and die. Take some time each day to consider this one realization in today's Gospel: "Truly, this was the Son of God!" (27:54). Jesus, the Son of God, suffered and died for you - and that is better than any Hollywood ending.

"Hosanna! Jesus, my King and my Lord, I praise you!"

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
Saturday, March 28 - 5:30 p.m.	Spec. Intention Marie Waldroup-B	Matthew 21:1-11, Isaiah 50:4-7, Philippians 2:6-11, Matthew 26:14-27:66
Sunday, March 29 -10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Matthew 21:1-11, Isaiah 50:4-7, Philippians 2:6-11, Matthew 26:14-27:66
Monday, March 30	No Mass	Isaiah 42:1-7, John 12:1-11
Tuesday, March 31 - 5:30 p.m.	Ruby Nowak, Ann of B	Isaiah 49:1-6, John 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday, April 1 - 5:30 p.m.	Jim Zamrzla	Isaiah 50:4-9a, Matthew 26:14-25
Holy Thursday, April 2 - 7:30 p.m.	Agatha Schuckman	Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14, 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, John 13:1-15
Good Friday, April 3 - 7:00 p.m. Celebration of the Passion	Spec. Intention Jordan Swanson	Isaiah 52:13-53:12, Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9, John 18:1-19:42
Holy Saturday, April 4 - 8:30 p.m.	Ruby Nowak, Ann of D	Genesis 1:1-2:2, Genesis 22:1-18, Exodus 14:15-15:1, Isaiah 54:5-14, Isaiah 55:1-11, Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4, Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28, (Epistle) Romans 6:3-11, Matthew 28:1-10
Sunday, April 5 -10:00 a.m. Happy Easter	For Our Parishioners	Acts 10:34a, 37-43, Colossians 3:1-4 OR 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8 John 20:1-9, Luke 24:13-35

Gorham Mass Schedule

Sundays - 8:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday - 8:00 a.m.



Please pray for T. J. Karst, Linda Applebee, 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.



Stations of the Cross

Fridays during Lent at 5:30 p.m.

**NO THURSDAY OR FRIDAY MORNING
MASS DURING HOLY WEEK!**

Stewardship of Treasure

Contributions Weekend of March 21st & March 22nd, 2026

Envelopes	\$ 1,886.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,185.00
Loose Cash	\$ 538.00
Votive	\$ 48.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,640.00

TOTAL DEPOSIT \$ 5,297.00

CEMETERY \$ 100.00

QR Code for Online Giving



Stewardship of Time and Talent

Holy Thursday, April 2nd 7:30 p.m.		Good Friday, April 3rd -7:00 p.m.
Hospitality/Gifts- Volunteers Lectors: Mike McGreevy & Andy Hurla Body: *John Farmer & Michelle Farmer Cup: Sarah Hurla, Melinda Cross & Sherry Homeier Altar Servers: Fiona Dreiling & Jamie Hurla Organist/Cantors: Curtis Sander/Melanie Banks & Kayla Banks		Hospitality/Gifts: Jamie & Tori Tomlinson Family Lectors: 1) Linda Schulte, 2) Melanie Banks N) Beverly Nichols V) Jeanie Munsch Body: *Jon Quinday & Alice Quinday Place Altar Cloth: Marcia Blundon & Deb Strobel Altar Servers: Reese Owens & Mary Kate Hertel Cantors: Craig Cline & Jim Malone
Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, April 4th - 8:30 p.m. Holy Saturday	Sunday, April 5th- 10:00 a.m. Easter Sunday
Hospitality/Ushers Gifts:	Marge Schulte, Mary Schulte & Greg Coady OCIA members	Marc & Jessica Nichols Family
Lectors	(R) Jeff Ochampaugh (R) Terri Middleton (R) Jeanine Heier (E) Keith Haberer	Marc Hertel & Chris Sipe
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Craig Cline & Jane Cline Cup: Deanna Myers, Sandy Ochampaugh & Jeanie Munsch	Body: *Tammi Buhrle & Todd Buhrle Cup: Merlin Ney, Bonita Ney & Tanya Becker
Altar Servers	Madeleine Middleton, Ava Cline, Bennett Myers & Haven Becker	Karsyn Hamlin, Kooper Hamlin & Elliott Sipe
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Curtis Sander/Rachel Sipe	Debbie & Dave Zachman
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Sunday, April 5th Easter Sunday - No Class	Sunday, April 12th No Class
Counters	Sunday, March 29th Gordon & Denise Dolechek	Sunday, April 5th Bruce/Jeanine Heier & Glen/Marcia Blundon

Birthday Wishes to:

Wednesday, March 25th
 Saturday, March 28th
 Sunday, March 29th
 Monday, March 30th
 Tuesday, March 31st
 Wednesday, April 1st
 Thursday, April 2nd
 Friday, April 3rd
 Sunday, April 5th

Herbie Shumaker III & Sierra Stroede
 Michelle Farmer & Merle Ney
 Tammy Ptacek, Adam Jones & Nathan Mosier
 Tana Sells
 Traci Wieger
 David Beagley, Jacki Blundon, Myles Cook, Lincoln Cook & Daniel Ogle
 Molli Wieger & Kelly Gross
 Hayden Creamer
 Nyliah Dinkel



Anniversary Wishes to:

No Anniversaries



Religious Education 2025-2026 News

April 1 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class
 April 8 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class - Practice for 1st Communion - CYO
 April 12 10:00 a.m. -**1st Communion Mass**
 April 15 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class
 April 22 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class-Confirmation Practice
 April 26 10:00 a.m. -**Confirmation**
 April 29 7:15 p.m. -Last CCD Class
 May 3 10:00 a.m. -**Senior Recognition Mass**



The Rosary will be said 20 minutes before each weekday Mass during Lent.

We are looking for a part-time maintenance and landscaper for St. Mary Queen of Angels.
 If you are interested, contact the Parish office at 785-483-2871.
 Salary will be commenced with experience.



Last Lenten Luncheon will be held at **First Congregational Church** on
Wednesday, April 1st at Noon.
 Topic: **Renewal**

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 April 13th, the days you are unavailable for the next schedule dates of:
Saturday, May 16th through Sunday, June 14th
 You can email me at: smqoa@ruraltel.net. Thank you!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

March 31	6:15 p.m.	-Finance Council Meeting
April 1st	12:00 p.m.	-Lenten Luncheon at First Congregational
	6:30 p.m.	-OCIA Sedar Meal in Parish Hall
	7:15 p.m.	-CCD Class
April 2nd	5:30 p.m.	- Holy Thursday Mass in Gorham
	7:30 p.m.	- Holy Thursday Mass in Russell
April 3rd	5:00 p.m.	- Good Friday Services in Gorham
	7:00 p.m.	- Good Friday Services in Russell
April 4th	8:30 p.m.	- Holy Saturday Mass
April 5th	8:00 a.m.	- Easter Mass in Gorham
	10:00 a.m.	- Easter Mass in Russell
April 6th		-Parish Office Closed



The **Easter Lilies** were donated in loving memory of:

Jeff Ryan, Dave Dreiling, Bernie & Jean Roth, Charles Munsch, Frank & Bessie Brock, Carl & Emma Munsch, Ralph & Helen Schulte, Clem & Katie Suellentrop, Mary T. Meyer, Margaret Eck, Rebecca Tribble, Craig Hirschmann, Father Ken Lohrmeyer, Father Melvin Long, Father Galen Long, Janice Miska, Ima Stoppel, Ray & Charlene Strobel, Sean Banks, Paul & Betty Wagner, Paul & Mary Banks, LaVerne Schuster, Chad Schuster, Candi Mae Wagner, Don & Viola Vonfeldt, Jim & Kirk Balthazor, Sherry Driscoll, Jerry J & Ella Mae Driscoll, Matt Driscoll, Victor & Theresa Peterka, Cecil & Ifa Merkel, Lee & Mary Catherine Ross, Leo & Loretta Ross, S.P. & Margaret Quint. Joseph & Clara Ross, Jerry Ross, Keith & Nancy Stoppel, Gilbert & Elizabetha Truan, Jeanine Truan, Betty Wallace, Karl & Ronnie Savage.

Rice Bowls will be collected during the Holy Thursday Mass.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

The Divine Mercy Prayer Service will be held at 3 p.m., Sunday, April 12, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays. The hour will include Eucharistic Exposition, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song, a litany of prayers, and meditation. Jesus entrusted Saint Maria Faustina with the task of spreading the message of his Divine Mercy through a series of visions and interior locutions in the 1930s. When Pope John Paul II canonized Saint Faustina on April 30, 2000, he declared the Sunday after Easter to be Divine Mercy Sunday and an official feast day of the Church. Everyone is encouraged to pray the novena to the Divine Mercy, which begins on Good Friday. Leaflets on this novena are in the brochure rack of the church.

CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD BEGINNING AT 2 P.M.

(Jesus told Saint Faustina that special graces are given to those who venerate the Divine Mercy Image, especially on Divine Mercy Sunday).

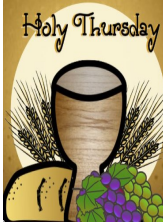
This prayer service is sponsored by Divine Mercy Radio.



Holy Water Vessels will be available at the back of the Church after the East Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses. We invite you to fill your vessel from the baptismal font.

PLEASE check your **EMAILS** at the beginning of this Holy Week for special instructions, if you are involved in any of the following ministries:

Holy Thursday Eucharistic servers, and Good Friday Eucharistic ministers.



NOTICE: On Holy Thursday, at the end of Mass, all of the congregation who can physically do so, are invited to participate in the procession to the repository (Music Room).

Our prayers and sympathy to family and friends of Theresa Sullivan, who died on March 19th, 2026.



UPDATE: St. Mary Queen of Angels has decided to include **current Kindergartners that are enrolled for the 2025-26 school year** and are invited to attend **Vacation Bible School** that will run from **June 1st through June 5th**.

Registration is due by **May 1st**.

You may contact:

Sherry Homeier at 785-483-0325 or Katy Hertel at 785-324-9155 to enroll.



The SDCCW Board will meet on Thursday, April 9, 2026 at St. Ann's Parish in Walker. Although it is a Board Meeting, all women of the Diocese are welcome to attend. The Board is grateful to the ladies of St. Ann's for being our hosts for this meeting and look forward to touring their historic church. A light lunch will be provided (free-will donation) for those attending.

Registration for the meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the business meeting will be called to order at 10 a.m. The 2026 Convention, which will be Saturday, August 29, 2026 at St. Mary Queen of the Universe Parish in Salina, will be a main topic of the meeting after lunch. The meeting will adjourn at 3 p.m. If you wish to attend, please contact Tammy Steeples (tsteeples@hotmail.com or 785-737-8899 cell).