

ST. MARY QUEEN OF ANGELS



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April 5, 2026

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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.

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, APRIL 5TH, 2026

He saw and believed. (John 20:8)

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Today we celebrate the culmination of the longing of God's people through the ages. In today's Gospel, we hear that when John looked into the empty tomb, he "saw and believed" (John 20:8). His eyes were opened, and he was able to respond to what he saw with faith. As we consider the empty tomb today, let's ask the Lord to open our eyes and give us the grace to respond with faith as well!

Throughout Lent, our Sunday Gospel readings have been preparing the way for us: *We saw Jesus defeat the devil, clinging to Scripture to overcome his temptations (Matthew 4:1-11). We now know that Jesus has freed us from Satan's power. *We saw Jesus manifest his glory and give disciples a glimpse of what was in store for them (Matthew 17:1-9). And we now believe that Jesus is inviting us into heavenly glory. *We saw Jesus heal a man born blind, opening the man's eyes to recognize him as the Son of Man (John 9:1-41). We believe now that our spiritual blindness can be healed and that we can see Jesus for who he is. *And we saw Jesus raise his friend Lazarus from the dead, showing that he has power over death itself (John 11:1-45). We now know that we are freed from the fear of death and that death is not the end for us.

Today as you rejoice in the resurrection of Jesus, rejoice in all its effects - both in your own life and for everyone. He has conquered sin and death and the devil! All our hopes have been fulfilled in him!

"Jesus, I rejoice in your resurrection! Open my eyes to see and believe all that you have accomplished."

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
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.	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
Monday, April 6	No Mass	Acts 2:14, 22-33, Matthew 28:8-15
Tuesday, April 7 - 5:30 p.m.	Alan Vonfeldt	Acts 2:36-41, John 20:11-18
Wednesday, April 8 - 5:30 p.m.	Chad Schuster	Acts 3:1-10, Luke 24:13-35
Thursday, April 9 - 7:30 a.m.	Chuck Waymaster	Acts 3:11-26, Luke 24:35-48
Friday, April 10 - 7:30 a.m.	Charles Munsch, Ann of B	Acts 4:1-12, John 21:1-14
Saturday, April 11 - 5:30 p.m.	For Our Parishioners	Acts 2:42-47, 1 Peter 1:3-9, John 20:19-31
Sunday, April 12 - 10:00 a.m.	John Braun	Acts 2:42-47, 1 Peter 1:3-9, John 20:19-31

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



Prayer Requests

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.

**PARISH OFFICE
IS CLOSED**

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, April 6th for Easter Monday.

Stewardship of Treasure

Contributions Weekend of March 28th & March 29th, 2026

Envelopes	\$1,804.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 425.00
Loose Cash	\$ 387.00
Votive	\$ 122.00
Easter Lilies	\$ 970.00
Rice Bowls	\$ 40.00
Catholic Relief	\$ 50.00
Holy Land	\$ 5.00
In/Out St. Mary Cemetery	\$ 500.00
Online Giving	\$ 2,180.00

TOTAL DEPOSIT \$ 6,483.00

QR Code for Online Giving



Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, April 11th - 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, April 12th- 10:00 a.m.
Hospitality/Ushers Gifts/Bulletins:	Confirmation Students	First Communion Students
Lectors	Confirmation Students	First Communion Students
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Keith Haberer & Maureen Haberer Cup: Chris Roth, Kristi Fisher & Cindy Balthazor	Body: *Dustin Dreher & Kyle Farmer Cup: Ashlyn Farmer, Andy Hurla & Marc Nichols
Altar Servers	Confirmation Students	Brooklyn Sohm, Peyton Sohm & Steele Rogge
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Cheryl Seirer/Jim Malone & Craig Cline	Cheryl Seirer/Jeanie Munsch & Coleen Boxberger
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Sunday, April 12th No Class	Sunday, April 19th Peyton Sohm & Tegan Becker
Counters	Sunday, April 5 Bruce/Jeanine Heier & Glen/Marcia Blundon	Sunday, April 12th Mark & Tammy Ptacek

Birthday Wishes to:

Sunday, April 5th
 Monday, April 6th
 Tuesday, April 7th
 Wednesday, April 8th
 Thursday, April 9th
 Saturday, April 11th
 Sunday, April 12th

Nyliah Dinkel
 Doug Banks, Herbie Shumaker II & Levi Ludwig
 Tegan Becker, Donald Rizzo & Trey Zorn
 Deb Bernard, Jamie Malone, John Ogle & Carol McAdoo
 JoAnn Bender, Karsyn Hamlin, Will Homeier, Mike Lohrmeyer, & Kim Wieger
 Jill Johannes, Joe Roth, Beverly Nichols, Rhonda Glassman & Kal Whitmer
 John Hertel



Anniversary Wishes to:

Friday, April 10th Don & Linda Rizzo



Religious Education News

2025-2026

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**

REMINDER: First Communion Practice for Parents and Students is on Wednesday, April 8th at 7:15 p.m.

Parish Council Meeting

Parish Council Meeting, Tuesday.
April 7th at 6:15 p.m. in the Conference Room.

St. Mary Queen of Angels is offering **VBS** again this year for **Kindergartners through 5th** that are enrolled for the 2025-26 school year **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.



NOTICE: THERE WILL BE A MEETING MONDAY, APR. 6 AT 7 P.M. FOR THE PEOPLE VOLUNTEERING TO HELP WITH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IN THE PARISH HALL.

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.



HAPPY EASTER



"I like it in church on Easter when we sing Easter carols."

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

- April 6th -Parish Office Closed
- April 7th 6:15 p.m. -Parish Council Meeting
- April 8th 6:30 p.m. -Last OCIA for youth
- 7:15 p.m. -Last OCIA for adults
- CCD Class and CYO
- April 12th 10:00 a.m. -First Communion Mass
- April 13th 7:00 p.m. -Knights of Columbus Meeting
- April 15th 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class
- April 19th 2:00 p.m. -Sunday Services at Nursing Homes
- April 22nd 9-10 a.m. -Catholic Charities in Parking lot
- 7:15 p.m. -CCD Class and Confirmation Practice
- April 24th -NO DAILY MORNING MASS-Fr. gone



The **Easter Lilies** were donated in **loving memory** of: Keith Axelson, Don Haberer, 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 Hitschmann, 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.

Senior Recognition Reception and Scholarship Presentation will be held on Sunday, May 3rd, immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall.

All Parishioners and families are invited to attend.



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.



With prayers
and deepest
Sympathy

Our prayers and sympathy to Lance and Mary Pat Waymaster, family and friends of Joan Waymaster (Lance's aunt) who died on March 29, 2026.

St. Mary Queen of Angels has five scholarships available to High School Seniors who are members of St. Mary Queen of Angels, Russell or St. Mary Help of Christians Parish, Gorham. We want to share scholarship opportunities with high school students and invite them to apply. The application process is completed online.

The Five Scholarships are:

*Barbara Scheck Memorial Scholarship

*Clara "Connie" Tuzicka Memorial Scholarship

*Marvin Ziegler Memorial Scholarship

*Floyd Tuzicka Memorial Scholarship

*Fred Weigel, Jr. Memorial Scholarship



To apply for these scholarships, go to the St. Mary Queen of Angels website: <https://stmaryrussell.com> and scroll to "Parish Headlines." Look for the SMQoA Scholarships headline and click for more information.

The website provides the criteria for all scholarships.

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY APRIL 10TH!!!!

The Russell Council of Catholic Women has a unique opportunity to offer a needs-based scholarship for the 2025-2026 school year. Students from St. Mary Queen of Angels, Russell and St. Mary Help of Christians Parish, Gorham, who graduated from high school in the last four years and are pursuing academic endeavors are invited to apply. The application process is completed online.

To apply for this scholarship go to the St. Mary Queen of Angels website: <https://stmaryrussell.com> and scroll to "Parish Headlines." Look for the SMQoA Scholarships, Needs-based headline and click for more information. The website provides the criteria for the scholarship criteria. Applicable years of high school graduation include 2022, 2023, 2024 & 2025.

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Thank you to all that have given to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, there is still time to participate. Pledge cards are available on the table in the Gathering Space.

Results from our parish so far:

Goal	Amount Received
\$40,000.00	\$27,835.00



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Saintly Stories and Flavors

Join Us for a Taste of Heaven!

Step back in time and savor the flavors that might have graced the tables of some remarkable saints.

Friday Evening:

- Delight in the Panforte Di Siena inspired by St. Catherine of Siena as we share stories of her life and times.

Friday April 24-25, 2026

(6:30pm - 8:30pm & 9am - 3:00 pm)

Presenter: Keith Funk & Jeff Koch

Saturday Lunch:

- Savory Bites: St. Hildegard's Salad & St. Anselm's Cheddar Scones
- Main Course: St. Francis' Umbrian Chicken & Sausage with St. Joseph's Tomatoes & St. Brigid's Colcannon
- Sweet Ending: St. Dominic's Orange Flan & Jeff Koch's Abba's Cup Coffee

Prices & Registration scan QR code or contact Ann Axman



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All denominations are welcome!

Register by April 15, 2026



(We will do our best to accommodate allergies and sensitivities in our recipes.)