

ST. MARY QUEEN OF ANGELS



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July 12, 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.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JULY 12TH, 2026

My word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it. (Isaiah 55:11).

When it rains in Germany, many parents tell their children, “You’re not made of sugar!” It is a humorous way of encouraging them to go outside in spite of the bad weather. In other countries, people say, “At least the crops are happy!” As today’s first reading suggests, rain and snow help to make soil “fertile and fruitful,” and everything that grows from the earth benefits as well (Isaiah 55:10). In that passage, God compares the effect that the rain and snow have on the soil with the work that his word has on our lives: it “shall do my will” and “(achieve) the end for which I sent it” (55:11).

The Israelites who first heard this prophecy would have heard God’s reassurance that they would truly be brought back from exile and restored to their homeland. As we hear this word today, we can also receive God’s assurance that his word in Scripture can have a good effect on our lives and lead us to our true home.

As water touches soil, it softens the ground and enables seeds to sprout and roots to deepen. So, too, God’s word softens our hearts. Where we might harbor prideful or bitter thoughts, his word opens our eyes to the depth of his love and enables us to let go of those attitudes that hold us back.

Similarly, snow adds to the soil a layer of protection from the extreme cold. And as it melts, it provides a gentle, deep watering for the earth. Likewise, God’s word protects us, even in the most impossible or difficult circumstances, and it establishes us in the truth that he is faithful and trustworthy. Most of all, as it penetrates the deepest places of our heart, his word accomplishes what it set out to do. So ponder God’s word today and every day. Welcome it as the earth welcomes the rain and the snow!

“Lord, may your word nourish and transform me today!”

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
Saturday, July 11 - 5:30 p.m.	Spec. Intention Evelyn Sipe	Isaiah 55:10-11, Romans 8:18-23, Matthew 13:1-23
Sunday, July 12 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Isaiah 55:10-11, Romans 8:18-23, Matthew 13:1-23
Monday, July 13	No Mass	Isaiah 1:10-17, Matthew 10:34-11:1
Tuesday, July 14 - 5:30 p.m.	Joe & Eleanor Scheck, Myra Poage Joan Weigel	Isaiah 7:1-9, Matthew 11:20-24
Wednesday, July 15 - 5:30 p.m.	Fr. Frank Coady	Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16, Matthew 11:25-27
Thursday, July 16 - 7:30 a.m.	Fr. James Grennan	Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19, Matthew 11:28-30
Friday, July 17 - 7:30 a.m.	Spec. Intention Benjamin Sipe, BD	Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8, Matthew 12:1-8
Saturday, July 18 - 5:30 p.m.	Jim Zamrzla	Wisdom 12:13, 16-19, Romans 8:26-27, Matthew 13:24-43
Sunday, July 19 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	Wisdom 12:13, 16-19, Romans 8:26-27, Matthew 13:24-43

Gorham Mass Schedule		Stewardship of Treasure	
Reconciliation on Sundays - 7:40 a.m. Sundays - 8:00 a.m.		Contributions Weekend of July 4th & 5th, 2026	
 Prayer Requests	Please pray for Dot Tammen, Rita Dreiling, Bob Scheck, Ben Lang, Carol McAdoo, Brenton Lumpkins, T. J. Karst, 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.	TOTAL DEPOSIT \$ 4,057.50	
		QR Code for Online Giving	



Stewardship of Time and Talent

Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, July 18th - 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, July 19th - 10:00 a.m.
Hospitality/Ushers Gifts/Bulletins:	Troy & Crystal Waymaster Family	Jim & Michelle Morgenstern Family
Lectors	Jeff Ochampaugh & Matt Nichols	Andy Hurla & Coleen Boxberger
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Jim Malone & Jamie Malone Cup: Melanie Banks, Sandy Ochampaugh & Melinda Cross	Body: *Jon Quinday & Alice Quinday Cup: Dan Bernard, Deb Bernard & Tanya Becker
Altar Servers	Adam Hoch & Adison Hoch	Maci Wieger, Damon Becker & Haven Becker
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Debbie Zachman & Dave Zachman	Debbie Zachman & Dave Zachman
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Summer Break	Summer Break
Counters	Sunday, July 12th Mark & Tammy Ptacek	Sunday, July 19th Jon & Alice Quinday

Birthday Wishes to:

Saturday, July 11th	Tammy Krause
Sunday, July 12th	Harvey McNary & Paula Rohr
Monday, July 13th	Philip Martinez & Nichole Dinkel
Wednesday, July 15th	Nathan Myers, Janice Stoppel & Rita Dreiling
Thursday, July 16th	Bruce Heier & Michelle Klein
Friday, July 17th	Benjamin Sipe & Tina Heier
Saturday, July 18th	Rowan Blundon



Anniversary Wishes to:

Saturday, July 11th	Frank & Linda Schulte
Sunday, July 12th	Joshua & Susan Orender
Tuesday, July 14th	Nathan & Deanna Myers
Saturday, July 18th	John & Deb Strobel, Kendyl & Rebecca Mead



Enrollment for CCD will start after weekend Masses on August 8th and 9th. Katy will have a table set up at the back of the Church.

There will also be enrollment on August 13th from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Religious Education office.

Next ministry schedule will run from August 29th through September 25th.

Please let me know your unavailability by August 3rd if possible regarding the next schedule.

You can email me at: smqoa@ruraltel.net or call the office at: 785-483-2871.



Divine Mercy Radio
has moved to a new location!

Please consider attending the building blessing
12:30 p.m. – Sunday – July 19
Located at 709 Main Street, Hays.

Refreshments will be provided.
No RSVP necessary.

Bishop Gerald Vincke will be at the Divine Mercy building blessing on Sunday, July 19th.

Tiger Station will be open for us from 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. with a 10% discount on all Combos that are purchased.



Knights of Columbus will say the Rosary on Sunday, July 19, at 9:40 a.m. before Mass.

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.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- July 12 2:00 p.m. -Sunday Services at Nursing Homes
- July 19 9:40 a.m. -Knights of Columbus Rosary before Mass
- July 22 9-10 a.m. -Catholic Charities in Church parking lot
- July 28 6:15 p.m. -Finance Council Mtg in Conference Room
- Aug. 4 6:15 p.m. -Parish Council Mtg in Conference Room
- Aug. 5 7:15 p.m. -CYO Meeting
- Aug. 6 6:30 p.m. -RCCW Meeting in Conference Room
- Aug. 7 7:30 a.m. -First Friday Mass
- 8:00 a.m. -Adoration
- 5:45 p.m. -Benediction
- Aug. 8-9 -CCD Enrollment after both Masses in back Of Church
- Aug. 13 10 am-6 pm -CCD Enrollment - Religious Ed Office
- Aug. 15 6:45 p.m. -Teachers meeting after Mass



Special Showing in Russell - St. Mary Queen of Angels invites you to a special screening of [Triumph of the Heart](#), the powerful true story of St. Maximilian Kolbe, the Franciscan priest who gave his life for another at Auschwitz.

When: July 15, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. - Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Where: The Dream Theater - downtown Russell

Admission: FREE (recommended for ages 13 and above)
Tickets are available at the Parish office.

Dear St. Mary Queen of Angels Parish,

Because of you, mothers facing unexpected pregnancies have a place to turn. Your generous gift of \$346.40 received on June 25, 2026, supports Catholic Charities' Pregnancy Support Program, giving women the resources and encouragement they need to choose life for their babies. Thank you for being part of the mission of love and compassion!

Kandis knows this firsthand. In 2019, she found herself unexpectedly pregnant, far from family, and unsure where to turn. Then, she discovered Catholic Charities' Pregnancy Support Program. Thanks to the generosity of donors like you, she received diapers, wipes, and baby essentials - giving her the confidence and security to welcome her child into the world. Today, Kandis and her baby are thriving because someone like you chose to help.

Your gift does more than provide supplies - it offers hope, reassurance, and the promise of a brighter future. Thank you for protecting life, standing with mothers in need, and making a real, lasting difference. May God bless you and your loved ones abundantly.



HUMAN TRAFFICKING - More than 200,000 children and teenagers in the United States are victims of sex trafficking every year. It is important for teachers to be aware of the signs and take action.

Alliance to End Human Trafficking - Founded and Supported by US Catholic Sisters, 7575 Grand River Ave. 1-1009, Brighton, MI 48114

Sunday Services at Senior Living Groups

Every Sunday afternoon, Russell area churches take turns delivering 20-minute services at:



Wheatland Nursing (2:00 p.m.)

Mainstreet Manor (2:30 p.m.)

Homestead (3:00 p.m.)

The St. Mary Sunday Services Ministry team will be offering the services this **Sunday afternoon, June 12th** and invite all parishioners to come and join in this time of faith sharing and fellowship.



We would like to welcome Andrew Roth as a returning member to our Parish Community. He is a great addition to St. Mary Queen of Angels.

The pews have been cleaned. There have been many items found imbedded in the cloth of the pews. Please keep the Church clean.



The Seminarian Fundraising Dinners will be held at 5:15 p.m. on July 29th at 3320 South 9th, Salina, KS and at 5:15 p.m. on July 30th at 2227 S. Range, Colby, KS 67701. Register by July 13th. Cost is \$60 per person.

The Seminarian Fundraising Dinners are held each summer and offer a special opportunity to meet the men discerning a call to the priesthood for the Diocese of Salina. Guests enjoy an evening of fellowship, prayer, dinner, and a program focused on the mission of priestly formation and the future of our Church.

Your prayers and support help make seminarian formation possible. Gifts to the Seminarian Fund assist with tuition, room and board, books, summer ministry assignments, and other formation expenses for our seminarians. The average annual cost to educate one seminarian is more than \$60,000.

For questions about the dinners or supporting seminarian formation, please contact the **Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina** at 785-827-8746.



Eucharistic Conference will be held **Friday, July 31** through **Saturday, August 1st**. The event is hosted by the Comeau Catholic Student Center on the campus of FHSU in Hays.

Please visit salinadiocese.org to get more information on tickets, speakers, schedule of event and much more OR there are **registration forms on the table at the entrance of the Church**. The forms must be postmarked by July 20th.



WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

will take place each year on the fourth Sunday in July, close to the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne (July 26). This year the special day will be celebrated on the actual Feast Day - **July 26th**.