

ST. MARY QUEEN OF ANGELS



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Fr. Vincent John, CMI

July 19, 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.

GORHAM MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Sundays before Mass 7:40 a.m.

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.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JULY 19TH, 2026

The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed. (Matthew 13:31)

In his parables, Jesus often made use of familiar, everyday objects to capture his listeners' imagination and help them see God's work from a new perspective. In today's Gospel, he uses a tiny mustard seed to illustrate the surprising nature of God's kingdom. "It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet...becomes a large bush, and the 'birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches'" (Matthew 13:32). Great things, Jesus is saying, can come from small beginnings.

We see this principle play out in the history of the Church. From their hiding place in the upper room, Jesus' disciples took the message of his resurrection to the whole world. Through the power of the Spirit and the preaching of those first apostles, the Church grew - and continues to grow - in phenomenal ways.

Sometimes, though, God's work may have such tiny, unimpressive beginnings and grow so slowly that we barely notice it. This tends to be true in our spiritual lives, too. That kind of growth is often hidden, like the yeast that the woman put into "three measures" of flour (Matthew 13:33). We may not see dramatic signs of Christian maturity in ourselves or our loved ones right away. On the contrary, it can be easy to spot the "weeds" in our lives and our world that seem to take root and grow so quickly. And that can be discouraging!

That's why Jesus encourages us to remember the mustard seed. He wants us to trust in the goodness of the seed of faith he has placed within us and in his Church. He wants us to keep looking for the green shoots of his kingdom. And he wants us to keep asking for the grace to nurture their growth in ourselves and the people around us.

So don't worry! God's work often starts off small and slow. He is faithful, and his seed will bear fruit!

"Lord Jesus, thank you that your grace is always at work. Help me to see it."

The Word Among Us

Date	Mass Intentions	Mass Readings
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
Monday, July 20	No Mass	Micah 6:1-4, 6-8, Matthew 12:38-42
Tuesday, July 21 - 5:30 p.m.	Alan Vonfeldt	Micah 7:14-15, 18-20, Matthew 12:46-50
Wednesday, July 22 - 5:30 p.m.	Spec. Intention Fr. Frank Coady	Song of Songs 3:1-4b, John 20:1-2, 11-18
Thursday, July 23 - 7:30 a.m.	Ruby Nowak	Jeremiah 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13, Matthew 13:10-17
Friday, July 24 - 7:30 a.m.	Living & Deceased Grennan Family	Jeremiah 3:14-17, Matthew 13:18-23
Saturday, July 25 - 5:30 p.m.	Kevin Axelson	1 Kings 3:5, 7-12, Romans 8:28-30, Matthew 13:44-52
Sunday, July 26 - 10:00 a.m.	For Our Parishioners	1 Kings 3:5, 7-12, Romans 8:28-30, Matthew 13:44-52

Gorham Mass Schedule
Reconciliation on Sundays - 7:40 a.m.
Sundays - 8:00 a.m.



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.



Stewardship of Treasure

Contributions Weekend of July 11th & 12th, 2026

Envelopes	\$ 1,714.50
Maintenance Fund	\$ 690.00
Loose Cash	\$ 852.72
Votive	\$ 93.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 50.00
Bonita Ney Memorial	\$ 5,545.00
Mary Quint Memorial	\$ 50.00
Marian Garden Project	\$ 1,175.00
Movie Night Donation	\$ 700.00
Mission Co-op	\$ 80.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,150.00

TOTAL DEPOSIT \$ 12,100.22

CEMETERY \$ 50.00

QR Code for Online Giving



Liturgical Ministers	Saturday, July 25th - 5:30 p.m.	Sunday, July 26th - 10:00 a.m.
Hospitality/Ushers Gifts/Bulletins:	Tim Scheck & Greg Coady	Mark & Mikell Zorn Family
Lectors	Mike McGreevy & Jeanine Heier	Natalie Beagley & Chris Sipe
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Body: *Keith Haberer & Maureen Haberer Cup: Deb Strobel, Kristi Fisher & Deanna Myers	Body: *Rich Krause & Tammy Krause Cup: Deb Bernard, Dan Bernard & Andy Hurla
Altar Servers	Bennett Myers & Ava Cline	Reese Owens, Mary Kate Hertel & Elliott Sipe
Organist/Instrumental/Cantors	Curtis Sander/Craig Cline & Jim Malone	Curtis Sander/Jeanine Munsch & Coleen Boxberger
Religious Ed. Teachers Preschool - First Grade	Summer Break	Summer Break
Counters	Sunday, July 19th Steve & Luci Knopp	Sunday, July 26th Gordon & Denise Dolechek

Birthday Wishes to:

Saturday, July 18th
 Monday, July 20th
 Tuesday, July 21st
 Wednesday, July 22nd
 Thursday, July 23rd
 Saturday, July 25th
 Sunday, July 26th

Rowan Blundon
 Ronda Hitschmann
 Shirley Brungardt, Duane Wieger & Mark Zorn
 Rachel Dolechek & Tony Driscoll
 Gavin Pfeifer & Oliver Wickham
 James Heier & Jeffrey Elliott
 Deborah Strobel & Alvin (Shorty) Prosser



Anniversary Wishes to:

Saturday, July 18th
 Saturday, July 25th

John & Deborah Strobel, Kendyl & Rebecca Mead
 Aaron & Allison Casey-Olson



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.

If you wish to enroll online, scan this QR code:



Register for 2026-2027
Religious Education
1st through 12th grade

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: smgoa@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.



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

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

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**.



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.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- July 22 9-10 a.m. -Catholic Charities in Church parking lot
- July 26 -WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS/ELDERLY
- July 28 6:15 p.m. -Finance Council Mtg in Conference Room
- July 29 -NO Weekday Mass-Father gone
- 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. 14 5:30 p.m. -Assumption Mass at Gorham
- Aug. 15 -**Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
- 7:30 a.m. -Assumption Mass at Russell
- 5:30 p.m. -Regular Mass
- 6:45 p.m. -Teacher's meeting after 5:30 p.m. Mass



Each year within the Easter Vigil Service, thousands of men and women are received into the Catholic Church through **OCIA - Order of Christian Initiation for Adults and Youth.**

OCIA sessions will begin **September 9, 2026 through Easter Vigil, March 27, 2027** at St. Mary Queen of Angels Catholic Church.

Please contact Jeanie Munsch, Director of OCIA at 785-650-1845 or the Parish Office at 785-483-2871, if you are interested or know someone who would be interested.

The OCIA is a process for:

- *Those wishing to be baptized.
- *Those already baptized in another faith and wishing to convert to Catholicism.
- *Those who have been baptized as Catholic but have not received the Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation.
- *Those wishing to renew themselves in teachings of the Catholic Church.



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. Cost is \$60 per person.

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

Please note that there will be not be a 5:30 p.m. Mass on Wednesday, July 29th, so that Fr. Vincent can attend the Seminarian dinner in Salina.

Sunday Services at Senior Living Groups



Thank You to Craig Cline, Barb Elliott, Steve & Luci Knopp, Father Vincent, Vincent Corbett and Jeff Ochampaugh for providing Sunday Worship Services on July 12th to the Senior Living groups at Wheatland Nursing, Main Street Manor, and Homestead Assisted Living. St. Mary Queen of Angels will deliver services next on **Sunday, August 23rd.** All parishioners are invited to come.



Congratulations to James and Janna Norin, whose daughter, Emilia Lynn, was welcomed into our Family of God and Community of Faith through Baptism on July 12, 2026.

Congratulations to Dawson and Jill Johannes, whose daughter, Hadley Marie, was welcomed into our Family of God and Community of Faith through Baptism on July 12, 2026.



"Triumph of the Heart" was shown on **Wednesday, July 15th** and we would like to

Thank our Sponsors for making this event possible. Jim & Jamie Malone, John & Deborah Strobel (Strobel Doors), Joe & Christine Roth, Matt & Beverly Nichols (Town & Country), Jeff & Sandy Ochampaugh (Agrilead), Tim Cook (A&W), Mark & Tamara Ptacek (State Farm), Nathan & Deanna Myers (Myers Pumping Service) John IV & Michelle Farmer (John O Farmer) and Dereck & Dayna McNary (McNary Chiropractic). Also a big **Thank you** to Sarah Hurla and the Parish Council for all of their work in getting the movie here.

Catholic Charities Mobile Outreach will be in Russell on **Wednesday, July 22nd** from **9:00—10:00 a.m.** in St. Mary Queen of Angels parking lot.



Families who qualify can receive food, hygiene items (shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toilet paper, deodorant, laundry detergent), diapers and wipes, and other supplies and services as needed.



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.