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## Liturgy Schedule

**Annunciation Parish**  
Tuesday's, Thursday's and  
Friday's at 8:00; 10:00am on  
Wednesday's at the Care  
Home.

**Weekend Mass Saturday's** at  
4:00pm with Confessions  
prior at 3:00pm  
Sunday Mass at 10:30am

**Adoration, Benediction &  
Rosary Service:**  
Tuesday's at 7:00pm

Adoration on Friday's  
from 1:00pm to 5:00pm

**St. Monica \ St. Elizabeth  
Parish Blue Rapids:**  
Mass on Sunday Morning at  
8:30am with confessions from  
8:00am to 8:15am

**St. Columbkille Parish  
Blaine**  
Mass on Saturday evening at  
6:00pm with confessions from  
5:30pm to 5:45pm

## Sacraments

### Baptism

Contact Fr. Daniel to schedule a  
baptismal preparation class.

### Marriage

Arrangements need to be made at  
least six months prior to the  
wedding date.

### Anointing of the Sick

Contact the office for an appointment  
or for emergency instructions.

### Confessions

Before weekend liturgy's and by  
appointment

**Priest:** Fr. Daniel Schmitz  
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**Office Manager:** Marilyn Hazen  
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# Annunciation Parish

Serving St. Monica \ St. Elizabeth in Blue Rapids  
and St. Columbkille in Blaine

MARCH 6TH 2016

## The Fourth Sunday of Lent

### *Growing as Disciples of Jesus, Making Disciples For Jesus*

#### Reconciliation

Below are a few lines  
from St. Gregory the  
Great, lending his voice  
to the prodigal son's  
own, entreating our dear  
Savior's Mercy:

In prayer together let us  
fall,  
And cry for mercy, one  
and all,  
And weep before the  
Judge's feet,  
And his avenging wrath  
entreat.

Thy grace have we  
offended sore,  
By sins, O God, which  
we deplore;  
But pour upon us from  
on high,  
O pardoning One, thy  
clemency.

Remember Thou though  
frail we be,  
That yet thine handiwork  
are we;  
Nor let the honor of thy  
name  
Be by another put to  
shame.

Forgive the sins that we  
have wrought;  
Increase the good that we  
have sought:  
That we at length, our  
wanderings o'er,  
May please thee here and  
evermore.

Blest three in One, and  
One in Three, Almighty  
God, we pray to thee,  
That this our fast of forty  
days  
May work our profit and  
they praise.  
Amen.

#### Confessions

Every **Wednesday night of  
Lent from 6:00 to 7:00.**  
MAR 9th-Blaine  
MAR 16th-Blue Rapids  
MAR 23rd-Frankfort

#### Penance Services

Mar 12-Blaine, after Mass  
Mar 13-Frankfort, 7p  
Mar 22-Blue Rapids, 7p

Mar 6-Kelly, 7p  
Mar 13-Marysville, 3p  
Mar 20-Seneca, 3p  
Mar 20-Sabetha, 7p

#### Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent 7:00 p.m.

**March-11** Frankfort & Blue  
Rapids  
**March-18** Frankfort

#### Fish Fry Frankfort-

**March 18th, 5p-8p**

*Be doers of the Word, not just hearers...*

**But first, of course, you have to be able to hear! I want to make sure every-one knows about the devices we have to help hear during Mass for any one who has trouble. Of course, often enough it is simply a bad battery, or the ambo mike isn't in the right position, but if the hearing device can help, please make use of it.**

# Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Notes	Intention
03/07/2016	Monday	Lenten Weekday	No a.m. Mass
03/08/2016	Tuesday	Lenten Weekday	+Ellen Harrington
03/09/2016	Wednesday	10:00 a.m. Mass (Frankfort Care Home)	+Melvin Suther
03/10/2016	Thursday	Lenten Weekday	+Leonard Boeckman
03/11/2016	Friday	Lenten Weekday	+Martha Engelken
03/12/2016	Saturday	Frankfort 4:00 p. m.	+Mary Pat Chadwick
03/12/2016	Saturday	Blaine 6:00 p.m.	For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes
03/13/2016	Sunday	Blue Rapids 8:30 a.m.	+Milton Meyer
03/13/2016	Sunday	Frankfort 10:30 a. m.	+Carol Mitchell

## Saturday, March 12th: Annunciation 4:00 pm

Lector	Pat Brady
Servers	Jarett, Sam, and Hattie Gros
Communion	P. Brady, W. Gros, & S. Wapp
Musicians	Jane S. Rheta M., and Denise S.
Ushers	Duane Dressman & Phil Maas
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Wilma Harrington
Sacristan	Melody Tommer

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## Sunday, March 13th: Annunciation 10:30 am

Lector	Cathy Farrell
Servers	Amburley Kokoruda, Xander Hull, & Emilee Ebert
Communion	I. Dressman, T. Dressman, & C. Farrell
Musicians	Jeanie Gerstner & Lynn Bramhall
Ushers	Wayne Mitchell & Myron Dressman
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Kelli Kokoruda
Care Home	Stephanie Huninghake
Sacristan	Theresa Dressman

## *This that and the Other...*

### ARCHBISHOP'S CALL TO SHARE—

To date we have received pledges of \$6,440 which is 82% of our goal. Please prayerfully consider what you can do to help us reach our parish target of \$7,842. Thank you for your generous gifts in support of the ministries of the Church in Northeast Kansas!

### K OF C ANNUAL FISH FRY -

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NOTICE- There will be choir practice on Wed., Mar. 9th at 5:30 p.m. We will be practicing for some of the Easter liturgies. All are welcome!

### EASTER FLOWER MEMORIAL-

As a way of remembering the deceased of our families or parish during the Easter season, you are invited to make a donation towards the Easter flowers. Include the names of those to be remembered on your special envelope & put in the collection basket.

### THE ARCHDIOCESAN CHRISM

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## **ANNUNCIATION OFFERINGS**

**February 28, 2016**

Envelopes \$925.00

Plate \$183.43

Total \$1108.43

### **Other Income**

Mass Stipends \$ 10.00

Cath. Relief Services \$ 30.00

**ALL ARE INVITED** to a Mexican Lunch at the Cigna Center Today, March 6th. Serving 11:00 to 1:00 pm. Sponsored by Beta Epsilon. Proceeds benefit local philanthropic projects.

### **ANNUNCIATION ALTAR SOCIETY**

**NOTES**— Your 2016 dues are now due. Dues are \$10.00 per year. You may drop your dues in the collection basket marked for Lucille Swanson or bring to the Parish Office.

**RELIGIOUS ED NOTES**— Class for Grades 1-6, on Wednesday, March 9th, 2:10 to 3:10 pm.

**Class for Jr/Sr. High** on Wednesday, March 9th, 7:00 p.m.

### **CHANCE TO WIN A FREEZER**

**FULL OF MEAT**— 26 campers will be attending the Catholic Heart Workcamp in Denver, CO this summer. As a fundraiser for that, they will be selling chances to win a freezer, that is filled with meat. Drawing will be March 30th. Chances are 2/\$5 or 5/\$10. To purchase some chances you may contact Kaci Vaughn at 785-927-0445 or Colton Parthemer at 785-410-9909. Thank You!

### **OPERATION RICE BOWL**—

**HUNGERING TO LEARN** We journey with CRS Rice Bowl to the Central American country of Honduras, where we meet students who are learning that it's better to help your neighbor learn and grow than to leave him or her behind. To who are we called to extend a hand this week?

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**—

#### **Upcoming Annunciation Parish**

#### **Fundraiser Events**—

Sunday, April 24th—Smoked Pork Chop Dinner

Sunday, September 25th, Annual Parish Picnic (**Note- date change**)

Sunday, November 6th, Annual Turkey dinner.

## **Marriage Minute**

Have you ever overreacted to something that other people didn't think was a big deal? Is there that one person in your family, circle of friends or at work who just makes you so mad?! If so, there may be someone you need to forgive. While this may seem insignificant to your marriage, it's not. Who usually bears the brunt of your painful relationships with others? If we are honest, it's usually the person we are closest to—our spouse. They, not the person who hurt us, are the ones who get snapped at, shut out or even blamed for things. Even if we don't lash out at our spouse in anger when we're hurt, we aren't all we could be for him or her. So what do we do? In today's second reading, St. Paul tells us that anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. That means that Jesus can not only patch up our wounded hearts, but he can make them new. He can lift the burden of hurt and help us forgive, not because the offending person deserves it, but because our spouse does. As spouses, we can become for each other "ambassadors for Christ", encouraging one another to be reconciled, for the sake of our marriages.

### **CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES**

**COLLECTION**— "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me" (Mt 25:40). Today, we are reminded that Jesus identified himself with our poorest brothers and sisters. The Catholic Relief Services Collection serves Jesus in the victims of human trafficking, those who suffer from unjust laws, and those who need pastoral care and humanitarian assistance across the globe. Through supporting today's collection you **help Jesus in disguise**. Please be generous.

**Use the following link** for a seven day "Virtual Marriage Retreat-Marriage and Mercy" for daily home use by married couples. Go to [www.foryourmarriage.org/everymarriage/enrichment/seven-day-virtual-marriage-retreat/](http://www.foryourmarriage.org/everymarriage/enrichment/seven-day-virtual-marriage-retreat/)

**Take a mini-retreat this Lent and join us for Benediction, Adoration, & Rosary,**

**Tuesdays, 7:00 pm— Recharge your spiritual life with prayer, peace and quiet and grace!**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Fridays, 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm**

## **Eucharistic Minister Training:**

Father Schmitz will be conducting a training Sunday, April 10th immediately following Mass at Annunciation. Please email or call Father if you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister. Thank you!!

### **10th Women's Spirituality Conference**

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### **Fundraiser Breakfast** for the

restoration of the Old Grade School— Sunday, March 13, Cigna Center. Serving 8am-1pm. Free will donation. Sponsored by the Frankfort Development Trust.

### **ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, AXTELL**—

Annual St. Patrick's Soup Supper, Sun., March 13th. Serving homemade chili, chicken noodle, bread, & pie 5-8 pm. Games, Country Store, and Auction at 8:00 pm. Everyone is invited!

### **ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER**—

Frankfort United Methodist Church, Thursday, March 17th, serving 11:00-1:00 and 5:00—7:00 pm. Corned Beef & Cabbage, Irish Stew, Homemade bread, & desserts. Free Will Offering. All proceeds benefit Youth ministries.

### **ALL YOU CAN EAT BOILED SHRIMP AND SMOKED PORK CHOPS**

on Saturday, March 19th, sponsored by the Axtell Knights of Columbus. The dinner will be held at the Axtell Legion/Community Building from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. Adult tickets are \$15.00 in advance or \$17.00 at the door. Children tickets are \$7.00 in advance or \$8.00 at the door. All proceeds to benefit various charities. For tickets, contact Kurt Sack at 785-294-0440, Tony Smith at 785-713-1311.

### **YOUTH OF THE PARISH— ALL ARE**

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**FRANKFORT FOOD PANTRY**— Please help us support our local food pantry. There is a basket in the back of church to drop off non-perishable food items.



# Reflecting On Sunday's Readings

Here it is, the great accusation, the compelling indictment against Jesus—“This man receives sinners and eats with them.” This indictment is also the unknowing restatement of the Good News by his ungrateful, self-righteous critics—“This man receives sinners and eats with them.” Perhaps this is a sign we should hang around the necks of our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to remind us that this is what takes place at every Eucharist meal—“This man [Jesus] receives sinners and eats with them.” Luke is often called the Gospel of meals, for in Luke’s Gospel he records ten meals in which Jesus participated and two major parables which Jesus positioned around meals. In our own lives meals play a major role. Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, weddings, graduations, promotions, all are examples of when we gather with our loved ones around a meal or a banquet to remember, to honor, and to rejoice over the high points of our lives. And though it is less so in today’s hectic society the daily meal is a place of belonging and nurture where the family can unite. Ultimately, as in each of the Gospels, Jesus becomes the life saving meal of our redemption. The parable of the Prodigal Son which we read in this week’s Gospel Reading, reflects elements of both celebration and of belonging. The wayward son returns, having rejected both his family and his family’s values. In desperation he finally comes to his senses and returns home. Occasions of such repentance are not the time for recriminations but for celebration! One who was as dead is alive again. The father of the Prodigal Son who is illustrative of our heavenly Father was watching for his wayward son’s return and runs to welcome the Prodigal home. He immediately sets about to have a banquet in his son’s honor. Like Jesus—“This man receives sinners and eats with them.” Similar to the religious hypocrites, who challenged Jesus, so the elder son murmured against his father and challenged his

merciful behavior. The Prodigal came home in guilty remorse saying, “I am not worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants,” and the elder son’s attitude shouted, “That’s right, he’s not worthy!” implying that he, the elder son, is worthy. These are the flies in the ointment of their understanding that Jesus came to destroy. The lie of the Prodigal son’s guilty conscience and the deceit of the elder son’s self-righteousness both seek to convince us that though we are children of God we are unworthy of his love. Unfortunately, neither the Pharisees and scribes, nor the two sons understood that the Father does not receive us based on our worthiness. Rather, having been made worthy through the merits of Christ we can be assured of the Father’s mercy and grace because—“This man receives sinners and eats with them.” During Lent we must stop listening to the voices of condemnation and hear the voice of invitation to “Come, eat and commune with me.” We must repent of viewing the Eucharist as a fast food meal and recognize that Jesus wants to daily feed us with himself through communion with him around his Word. As Jesus told Mary and Martha at another meal in Luke’s Gospel, sitting at his feet and feasting on his words is choosing the “better part” and the necessary thing. And so we should, for—“This man receives sinners and eats with them.” “I now realize that there are two things especially necessary to me ... You have therefore given me in my weakness Your sacred Body to be the refreshment of my soul and body, and have set Your Word as a lamp to my feet. Without these two, I cannot rightly live; for the Word of God is the light of my soul, and Your sacrament is the bread of my life.” (Thomas à Kempis in *The Imitation of Christ*) Lent is the ideal time to reject spiritual anorexia. With the Scriptures and the Eucharist the table is set. Now is the time to reject self-imposed spiritual starvation and to avail ourselves of the spiritual nourishment Jesus provides. Accept Jesus’ invitation

## Daily Mass Readings

Monday, March 7	First Reading: <a href="#">Is. 65: 17-21</a> Gospel: <a href="#">Jn. 4: 43-54</a>
Tues- day, March 8	First Reading: <a href="#">Ez. 47: 1-9, 12</a> Gospel: <a href="#">Jn. 5: 1-16</a>
Wednes- day, March 9	First Reading: <a href="#">Is. 49: 8-15</a> Gospel: <a href="#">Jn. 5: 17-30</a>
Thurs- day, March 10	First Reading: <a href="#">Ex. 32: 7-14</a> Gospel: <a href="#">Jn. 5: 31-47</a>
Friday, March 11	First Reading: <a href="#">Wis. 2: 1a, 12-22</a> Gospel: <a href="#">Jn. 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30</a>
Satur- day, March 12	First Reading: <a href="#">Jer. 11: 18-20</a> Gospel: <a href="#">Jn. 7: 40-53</a>
Sunday, March 13	1st Reading: <a href="#">Is. 43: 16-21</a> 2nd Reading: <a href="#">Phil. 3: 8-14</a> Gospel: <a href="#">Jn. 8: 1-11</a>

to dine with him, and on him, daily.

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Looking for a way of praying consistently, and praying with and for others? [www.praymorenovenas.com](http://www.praymorenovenas.com) allows you to join over 200,000 other Catholics with daily prayers/videos emailed to you. It contains some of the most popular novenas in the Church. Novenas are great ways of regularly praying both in thanksgiving for the gifts God has given you and for asking for the good things the Father wants to give His children.



# St. Monica\St. Elizabeth, Blue Rapids



## Calendar and Mass Intention

March 13th, 8:30 am— +Milton Meyer

February 28, 2016 offerings (No report this week)

Envelopes	\$
Plate	\$

**NOTICE-**  
Eucharistic ministers, lector and servers please meet with Fr Schmitz in the vestment room 10 minutes before Mass.

## Ministers of the Mass

**Sunday March 13, 8:30 a.m. St. Monica\St. Elizabeth**

<b>Lector</b>	N. Hirt
<b>Servers</b>	H. Borgerding, M. Toerber, & I. Baier
<b>Gifts</b>	Skalla family
<b>Communion</b>	E. Henry, N. Hirt, & M. Borgerding
<b>Ushers</b>	C. Miller & S. Toerber

**Church Cleaners: March**— Hedy Saville & Peggy Waite  
**Sacristan Schedule: March**—Theresa Minihan  
**Breakfast Committee: March**— Craig & Liz Miller and Scott & Sarah Toerber. If you cannot work the month you are assigned then trade with someone.

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### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Peggy Waite 3/10
- Charlotte Bruna 3/11
- Melissa McIntyre 3/12
- Blair Gleason 3/13
- Gina Johnson 3/13

### SAVE THE DATE

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**Are you new to the Parish?** New members please contact Zita Duensing at 785-363-7456; or email is [zitaduensing@att.net](mailto:zitaduensing@att.net). to get your names in the parish records.



# St. Columbkille Parish, Blaine KS

**Ministers of the Mass** *Saturday March 12, 6:00 p.m.*

**Saturday February 27, 2016 offering:**

<b>Lector</b>	Todd Sheppard
<b>Servers</b>	
<b>Ministers</b>	C. Sheppard, F. Finan, & M. Cusimano
<b>Hospitality</b>	Larry & Elaine Hofman

2/27/2016	Envelope	603.00
	Plate	62.55
	Energy	100.00
	Mass Intentions	95.00
	Hall Rent	90.00
		950.55

Restoration Fund in  
memory of Patricia  
2/27/2016 Harrington 1,215.00

**2016 Church Cleaning Schedule**

March 6-12: Karen Lundberg, Maggie Lundberg, Natalie Krohn  
March 20-26: Lois Roggenkamp, Becky White, Andrea Karnes

**Knights of Columbus** —Meeting - March 10

**Altar Society Meeting** March 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Meeting time is 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

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**The Blaine/Westmoreland Senior Citizens** Hold their meeting every 4th Tuesday of each month in the St. Columbkille Parish Hall at noon. A potluck lunch is followed by a short meeting, cards, & conversation. All senior citizens are welcome.