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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.

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 Office Manager: Marilyn Hazen annparfrankfort@bluevalley.net



Annunciation Parish

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

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Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Alleluia, He is risen!

Mercy! A plea made by many soldiers when battle was done hand-to-hand, and found on the lips of many sinners through the years.

Mercy, St. John Paull II said, is love's second name. It is love encountering poverty, injustice, suffering, and sin, both corporal and spiritual.

Divine Mercy is God's response to our poverty, injustice, suffering, and sin. All that Jesus does for us and our salvation is mercy. We receive such a wondrous gift when we partake in worship at His suffering on the cross, made present to us in the Blessed Sacrament of the Atlar.

St. Maria Faustina promoted devotion to Divine Mercy throughout the 1930's until her death of turboculosis. She said there are five ways to celebrate and live Divine Mercy in our lives, represented by the acronym FINCH:

Feast of Mercy Image of Divine Mercy Novena to Divine Mercy Chaplet Hour of Great Mercy.

More on these in the days and years to come.

Three ways to live Divine Mercy today, simply by saying our ABC's: Ask for Mercy Be Merciful in deed and word. Completely trust Jesus

God does not force us to do anything; he waits. So ASK! Ask to have that infinite ocean of mercy poured upon you. Mercy is compassion that has grown arms, so in word and deed BE merciful to those around you. "Jesus, I trust in you." Completely trust his grace, that as you rise from good to better in the service of our God and Lord, he is here to help you.

Regional Divine Mercy Sunday (April 3rd): Events at St. Peter & Paul Church in Seneca are as follows: We will gather in their Parish Hall for Opening Prayers at 3:00 PM; We will then have a Procession to the Church.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be sung in Church, After which there will be Benediction and Closing.

After the events, there will be a Reception in the Parish Hall.

During all this time, there will be area priests hearing Confessions.

You may receive a Plenary Indulgence if you:

- 1) attend these events,
- 2) go to Confession within 20 days of the event,
- 3) go to Eucharistic Communion that day, or the days after
- 4) pray for the intentions of our Supreme Pontiff.

Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Notes	Intention
04/04/2016	Monday	The Annunciation of the Lord	No a.m. Mass
04/05/2016	Tuesday	Easter Weekday	+LJ & +Renee Miller
04/06/2016	Wednesday	10:00 a.m. Mass (Frankfort Care Home)	+Albert Maas
04/07/2016	Thursday	St. John Baptist de la Salle	+Ed Dressman
04/08/2016	Friday	Easter Weekday	+Jeff Horigan
04/09/2016	Saturday	Frankfort 4:00 p. m.	+Eugene & +Helen Helmlinger
04/09/2016	Saturday	Blaine 6:00 p.m.	+Leo McCormick
04/10/2016	Sunday	Blue Rapids 8:30 a. m.	For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes
04/10/2016	Sunday	Frankfort 10:30 a. m.	+Martha Engelken

Saturday, April 9th: Annunciation 4:00 pm

Lector	Melody Tommer	
Servers	Mikael & Allison Tommer	
Communion	M. Parthemer, R. Broxterman, & W. Gros	
Musicians	J. Sedlacek, R. Matson, & D. Sandmann	\frac{S}{7}
Ushers	Paul Tommer & Joe Parthemer	\boldsymbol{E}
Gifts	Ushers to appoint	K
Rosary	Charlie & Rita Broxterman	S
Sacristan	Jean Caffrey	

Sunday, April 10th: Annunciation 10:30 am

Lector	Bob Stallbaumer
Servers	Grace Dressman, Devin Helmerichs, & Alyssa Mitchell
Communion	L. Dressman, P. Maas, & L. Schmitz
Musicians	Jeanie Gerstner & Marie Wessel
Ushers	Maurice Bergman & Spencer Dressman
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Kay Mitchell
Care Home	Stephanie Huninghake
Sacristan	Cassie Mitchell

This that and the Other...

PRAYER FOR FIRST

COMMUNION Lord Jesus Christ, in the Sacrament of the Eucharist You left us the outstanding manifestation of your limitless love for us. Thank You for giving our children the opportunity to experience this love in receiving the Sacrament for the first time. May your Eucharistic presence keep them ever free from sin, fortified in faith, imbued by love for God and neighbor, and fruitful in virtue, that they may continue to receive You throughout life and attain final union with You at death. Amen

CONGRATULATIONS— to Wes Anderson, Riley Armstrong, Drew Broxterman, Ashlyn Dalinghaus, Annie Dressman, Simon Hull, Loralei Loiseau, Luke Massie, Tucker Michealis, Mac Studer, Macey Wapp and Sadie Wessel who made their First Holy Communion at Annunciation Church today. Please continue to pray for them as they continue in their faith journey..

Benediction, Adoration, & Rosary, Tuesdays, 7:00 pm

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

WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS

to Alan Engelken and Amy Mars who were married at Annunciation Church this weekend. May God richly bless you as you begin your married life together! Proud parents are Don & Marilyn Engelken and Allen & Laurie Mars.

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!!

ANNUNCIATION OFFERINGS March 24, 25, 26, & 27, 2016

Envelopes \$2346.00 Plate \$540.00 Total \$2886.00 **Other Income**

 Mass Stipends
 \$ 40.00

 Use of Hall
 \$ 86.00

 Easter Flowers
 \$ 30.00

 Priesthood (Easter)
 \$ 535.00

 Holy Thursday
 \$ 381.00

 Good Friday
 \$ 203.00

 Rice Bowl
 \$ 661.35

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

Class for Jr/Sr. High on MONDAY,

April 4th. Will be traveling to Marysville to attend the event at St. Gregory's with Mike Sweeney. No class on Wednesday, April 6th.

Marriage Minute

"Peace be with you." Jesus offers peace this Divine Mercy Sunday. The peace of Jesus is different than the peace that the world promises. Peace is not simply an absence of war, although that would be nice. The promise of Jesus is a peace that surpasses all understanding, a peace of the soul. The pathway to this peace is forgiveness. In the same way that Jesus passed through the locked doors and offered his Apostles peace, he wants to pass through the locked doors of our hearts and broken relationships that are erected through sin, and give us the gift of interior peace. We participate in this peace in two ways in our families. First, we always have the gift of peace that comes through Sacramental Reconciliation. Second, when we use the words, "I forgive you" with our spouse and children, and teach them to use the same words, we allow Jesus to bring his gift of peace into our family life. This Easter Season, and especially in this year of mercy, let us be generous in seeking God's forgiveness in Confession, offering forgiveness in our family relationships, and praying that more forgiveness will be prevalent throughout the world.

OPERATION RICE BOWL-THANK

YOU! Our community changed lives this Lent, and CRS Rice Bowl wants to say THANK YOU!! Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl!

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.

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Royals, Monday, April 4th, St. Grego Church, Marysville, KS. 4:30 Autographs, 5:30 Mass, 6:30 Presentation by Mike Sweeney, 7:30 Social and Ball Park Dinner.

THE RUNNIN REV'S, a basketball team comprised of area priests, will be in Topeka on Monday April 11th to play local 8th grade and high school students in a fun filled and challenging game of basketball. The game will be held at 7:00 pm at Hayden. There is no admission but donations will be accepted at halftime with all proceeds benefiting the archdiocese seminarians. Please show your support for these priests and our youth by attending this game.

ALL ARE INVITED-

"Living Every Day with Passion and Purpose" will be offered twice in April at two different locations: April 22 at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Lenexa and April 23rd at Prince of Peace Catholic Church in Olathe. Tickets are just \$39 and are available now. Matthew Kelly donated many copies of his book "Rediscover Jesus" to the churches in our area and his video and CDs on the faith have been very popular. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Evangelization at 913-721-1570 ext 429.

Easter season—the perfect time to bring new life into your marriage by learning Natural Family

Planning! Classes in the Sympto-Thermal Method of NFP are offered for a reasonable course fee beginning in Topeka on Saturday, April 23rd, at 7pm. Call Dana or Eric Runnebaum at 785-380-0062 or the Couple to Couple League of Kansas City at 913-894-3558 for more info, including the location of this class and the availability of *online* classes. Pre-registration required at www.ccli.org. Learn more at nfptopeka.blogspot.com.

"COPING WITH LIFE ALONE" - PEER-TO-PEER GRIEF SUPPORT "COPING WITH LIFE ALONE ®" is

a Beginning Experience ® grief support program that meets each week for 7 weeks. The program helps those who have lost a love relationship due to death, divorce or separation, move through the experience of grief and loss into a future with renewed hope.

UPCOMING PROGRAM DATES AND LOCATIONS: Topeka - beginning April 12, and will run for 7 consecutive Tuesdays, at Mother Teresa Church. Contact Angie at (785-220-7773) or Jerry Jennings (785-7666497), for information and registration. Sessions will be from 7:00-9:00pm.

Recharge Marriage Workshop: Have you been looking for marriage enrichment but don't have a whole weekend? Recharge is a 4 hour opportunity to reconnect with your spouse that will give you the basics to rekindle the love and passion in your marriage! Recharge is a practical application of John Paul II's Theology of the Body. Our next Recharge will be Saturday, April 23 at Church of the Ascension in Overland Park (9510 W 127th St) from 8:30am-12:30pm. Child care and Continental Breakfast available at no charge! For more details or to register, go to www.archkck.org/recharge. For questions, contact Brad DuPont at bdupont@archkek.org or 913.647.0301.

PROJECT RACHEL ~ "Unfailing Mercy" For those in your parish who may be suffering sorrow after a past abortion, please prayerfully consider including the following announcement in your parish bulletin: God's greatest desire is to forgive, and this is the Holy Year of Mercy. Our Church is the voice of Mercy. Working with the Diocese of Kansas City, MO, Project Rachel will be hosting one-day retreats, known as "Unfailing Mercy," to share God's mercy and healing after abortion. The first retreat will be held on Saturday, April 23 from 8:30am - 5:00pm. Women and men of all ages are welcome. Sometimes... one day really can change everything. For details, call 913-621-2199 or 816-591-3804 or email projectrachelkc@archkck.org. Learn more at www.projectrachelkc.com. confidentiality will be respected.

EVERYONE INVITED

MOUNTAIN OYSTER & FISH FRY
FRENCH FRIES - COLE SLAW
BAKED BEANS & DESSERT
SATURDAY, APRIL 16th
ST. DOMINIC'S HALL, HOLTON
5:30 TO 7:30 P.M.
FREE WILL OFFERING
SPONSORED BY HOLTON KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL NO. 4219
PROCEEDS TO SUPPORT IAN
McASEY'S TRIP TO
WORLD YOUTH DAY IN KRAKÓW,
POLAND



Reflecting On Sunday's Readings

Easter has come, the stone has been rolled away, the work of salvation finished! Now it is time to receive marching orders, now is the time for us to assume the mission. In all of this week's readings we have some aspect of empowerment for mission; the Holy Spirit is given, the Word is sent, the disciples have been imbued with miraculous power. Why? So that they might go forth into the world with the message of salvation even as Jesus went forth into the world; "As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." The story is told of an imaginary conversation that took place between St. Michael and Jesus after his ascension into heaven. St. Michael asked, "Jesus, now that you have returned to heaven what are your plans for reaching the world with the Good News?" Jesus replied, "I've given the task to my disciples." St. Michael, knowing that the disciples were "unlearned and ignorant" people, asked, "What is your back-up plan if they fail?" Jesus replied, "I have no back-up plan!" And so it is, Jesus fully entrusted the task of world evangelization to us, his Church. When Jesus appeared to the Church he gave them peace, he gave them purpose, and he gave them power—and he gave them a mission. We believe and have just recently celebrated that we too were there at the cross, fully included in the saving work of Christ. It is essential that we understand that we were also there, fully included in the commission which Christ gave to his followers. If we profess our inclusion in the first truth and deny our inclusion in the second truth, we deceive ourselves. Full experience of the saving work of Christ propels believers to willingly participate in the mission of Christ. It (salvation) is the cause that brings about the effect; (a desire to share the Good News). If there is no urgency or willingness to participate in the mission we must question whether we have fully experienced and understood the gift of salvation. In Pope Paul VI's words, "It is

unthinkable that a person should accept the Word and give himself to the kingdom without becoming a person who bears witness to it and proclaims it in his turn." (Evangelii Nuntiandi, 24) Thomas gives us some great insight into the chemistry of believing. He did not say, "I cannot believe," but rather, "I will not believe." He had more evidence than we do but he willed to not believe. Consequently, Jesus sought Thomas, offered evidence of his resurrection. and invited him to conversion: "Do not be faithless but believe." And Thomas did believe. In like manner Jesus commissions us to go forth into our world to offer nonbelievers the opportunity to believe and experience conversion. "Adult faith is clearly and explicitly rooted in a personal relationship with Jesus lived in the Christian community. 'The Christian faith is, above all, conversion to Jesus Christ, full and sincere adherence to his person and the decision to walk in his footsteps.' Our understanding of the person and the way of Jesus continues to grow by our meditation on the word of God, by prayer and sacrament, by our efforts to follow Jesus' example, and by the sure guidance of the Church's teachings." (Our Hearts Were Burning Within Us, 55) The responsibility is ours, we cannot and should not attempt to shirk it. "To the question, 'why mission?' we reply with the Church's faith and experience that true liberation consist in opening oneself to the love of Christ. In him, and only in him, are we set free from all alienation and doubt, from slavery to the power of sin and death. ... Mission is an issue of faith, an accurate indicator of our faith in Christ and his love for us. "Those who are incorporated in the Catholic Church ought to sense their privilege and for that very reason their greater obligation of bearing witness to the faith and to the Christian life as a service to their brothers and sisters and as a fitting response to God." (Mission of the Redeemer, 11)

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, April 4	First Reading: <u>Is 7: 10-14; 8:10</u> 2nd Reading: <u>Heb. 10: 4-10</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 1: 26-28</u>
Tues- day, April 5	First Reading: <u>Acts 4: 32-37</u> Gospel: <u>Jn. 3: 7b-15</u>
Wednes- day, April 6	First Reading: Acts 5: 17-26 Gospel: Jn. 3: 16-21
Thurs- day, April 7	First Reading: <u>Acts 5: 27-33</u> Gospel: <u>Jn. 3: 31-36</u>
Friday, April 8	First Reading: Acts 5: 34-42 Gospel: Jn. 6: 1-15
Satur- day, April 9	First Reading: Acts 6:1-7 Gospel: Jn. 6: 16-21
Sunday, April 10	1st Reading: Acts. 5: 27-32, 40b-41 2nd Reading: Rev. 5: 11-14 Gospel: Jn. 21: 1-19

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Looking for a way of praying consistently, and praying with and for others? 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

April 10th, 8:30 am—For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes

March 20, 2016 offerings

Envelopes	\$647.00
Plate	\$268.00

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

CONGRATULATIONS to Korbin Becker, Anna Brungardt, Ryerson Rowe, and Ella Swearingen who made their First Holy Communion at St. Monica/St. Elizabeth Church today. Please continue to pray for them as they continue in their faith journey. There will be breakfast in the parish hall after Mass.

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Eucharistic Minister Training:

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Altar Society meeting April 20, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. Plans for the Mother's Day and graduates breakfast.

<u>Mark your calendars—Future dates</u> May 8, Mother's Day & Graduation breakfast June 19, Father's Day breakfast October 23 Pork Lion Dinner

Ministers of the Mass

Sunday April 10, 8:30 a.m.

St. Monica\St. Elizabeth

Lector	S. Toerber
Servers	E. Toerber, O. Skalla, & K. Skalla
Gifts	Baier Family
Communion	H. Borgerding, M. Heine, & E. Henry
Ushers	A. Edwards & M. Rowe

Church Cleaners: April—General Cleaning/All parish mem-

Sacristan Schedule: April—Jan Bergkamp

Breakfast Committee: April—Mike & Theresa Minihan, Dave & Dana Baier, & Matt & Amber Borgerding. If you cannot work the month you are assigned then trade with someone.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Amber Schreiner 4/3

PARISH WORK DAY is being planned for Saturday, April 16th at 8:30 am. Jobs we hope to accomplish are: finish the playground, repair the steps & deck to the Sacristy, fill in the window wells, trim the trees/bushes around the hall, get things we no longer use that are stored in the basement ready for a "Silent Auction" on May 8th after Mass. A list of sale items will be listed in a later bulletin or they can be seen in the basement. Lunch will be provided at noon. I know this is a big list of things to get done, but also know that we have lots of good workers! This work will probably turn into fun! Jeanette Borgerding

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Fridays from noon to 5:00p.m.



St. Columbkille Parish, Blaine KS

Ministers of the Mass Saturday April 9, 6:00 p.m.

Lector	Todd Sheppard
Servers	Devin and Dylan Plummer, Ethan Karnes
Ministers	Charlene Sheppard, Frank Finan, Mark Cusimano
Hospitality	

2016 Church Cleaning Schedule

April 3-9 Charlene Sheppard, Carol Minihan, Katie Kufahl, Jeanna VanDonge April 17-23: Religion Classes/Earth Day Community Service

Knights of Columbus Meeting - April 14

YOUTH OF THE PARISH- ALL ARE INVITED-

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The women of St. Columbkille are invited to join the women of the Westmoreland United Church at their annual Spring Salad supper on Monday, April 11, 2016 at 6:30 PM. We look forward to your fellowship. Please RSVP by Monday, April 4 to 785-457-3942 or email to mapafl@bluevalley.net. Geraldine Fouts On Mon, 7 Mar 2016 17:10:32 -0600

Altar Society Meeting April 25 at 7:00 p.m.

ARCHBISHOP'S CALL TO SHARE— Your pledge is appreciated! As we look at our lives and the many ways God has blessed us, let us give back a proportionate gift to the Archbishop's Call to Chare. Our archdiocesan family is truly an extension of our parish life. We are grateful to those who take part in this effort! Our parish goal is \$3,361. To date our parishioners have made pledges of \$2935 which is 84.35% of our goal. Thank you for your generous gifts in support of the ministries of the Church in Northeast Kansas!

<u>The Blaine/Westmoreland Senior Citizens</u> 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.

Saturday March 19, 2016 offering:

3/25/2016	Holy Land	33.00	
	Plate	61.00	
	Easter Flowers	25.00	
	Priests & seminarians	40.00	
	Rice Bowl	50.24	
			209.24
3/27/2016	Priests & seminarians	608.00	
	Plate	263.00	
	Envelope	40.00	
	Holy Land	20.00	
			931.00
	Annex Fund in memory of		
3/25/2016	Roselita Roggenkamp		1,000.00
	Church Restoration Fund in		
3/25/2016	memory of Patricia Harrington		3,660.00

The parishioners of St. Columbkille Church wish to Congratulate Evelyn Suther
Ty Krohn
Crayton Deters
Grady Kasselman
as they receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion.
May God fill you with His grace.

NOTE OF THANKS—Thank you to Mike Sanford for cleaning candle holders and help during holy week and Thank you to Natha Manges for making the Easter flower arrangements.

Easter Memorial Flowers

Karl & Mary Strafuss and Frank & Bridget Finan .. Dorothy & Michael Finan Milton Meyer .. Todd & Sally Olson Ivan Plummer.. Virgie Plummer Mike & Sophia Magnett, Cliff & Rita Regnier, Paul & Isadora Wine .. Jean Knoblauch Patrick O'Shea, Laurie O'Shea Parsons Leroy & Betty Stewart, Norma Minihan .. Dot O'Shea Albert & Dolores Niehues and Joseph & Carmelita Koch .. Dustin & Natalie Krohn Family Kenneth & Lorena Alexander .. Frank & Denise Finan Lenos & Regina Lundberg and Ronald & Elaine Thompson .. Steven Lundberg Family Betty & Leroy Stewart and Pat O'Shea and Laurie O'Shea Parsons .. Steve & Kellie O'Shea Family Deceased members of Ridder & Suther Families .. Micki & Ron Suther Family Paul Skoch, Aurelia Keating .. Lisa & Harry Moser Family