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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

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Annunciation Parish

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

AUGUST 16TH 2015

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Spiritual Game Plan: Action Items

No general goes into battle without a plan of attack and no coach goes into a game without a game plan. I want you to have a game plan to tackle what is the most important part of this life, growing in love of God and neighbor. Growing as a disciple is a lot like growing corn: you need regular SON-light and the rain of grace so you don't die. Here are the necessary, and then many optional ways, to continue growing as a disciple of Jesus.

Precepts of the Church:

The **first** precept: You shall attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor requires the faithful to sanctify the day commemorating the Resurrection of the Lord.

The **second** precept: You shall confess your sins at least once a year ensures preparation for the Eucharist by the reception of the

sacrament of reconciliation, which continues Baptism's work of conversion and forgiveness.

The **third** precept: You shall receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season.

The **fourth** precept: You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church help us acquire mastery over our instincts and freedom of heart.

The **fifth** precept: You shall help to provide for the needs of the Church, each according to his own ability.

If you already have these down, try: **Eucharist-Daily Mass, Adoration, Visits to the Blessed Sacrament, Spiritual communion**

Forgive at least one person a week! Also, regular

confession: picking one sin at a time, examen yourself daily, confess regularly, and watch the growth unfold!

Daily Prayer-Before/After Meals, Morning Offering, Night prayers, Divine Office

Mental prayer, including: Devotion to the Sacred Heart;

ROSARY!!!,

Litanies, Novenas (esp. St. Therese of Lisieux), Divine Mercy Novena/Chaplet, wearing the scapular, keeping a holy water fount by the front door.

Spiritual Reading, Saint Movies/books/biographies

Pilgrimages or Retreats

WORKS OF MERCY! both Corporal and Spiritual

SAINTS! Especially patrons

Questions

Here are three questions: one for your own reflection, one to talk about as a family, and one to ask your neighbor who you want to see in heaven:

1. Which of the above can you do?
2. Which of the above can you do (or do more of) as a family?
3. Which of the above can you invite someone else to do with you to focus more on Our Lord?

Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Notes	Intention
08/17/2015	Monday	Weekday	No a.m. Mass
08/18/2015	Tuesday	Weekday	+Jean Loucks
08/19/2015	Wednesday	10:00 a.m. (Frankfort Care Home)	Liv/Dec'd Wessel family
08/20/2015	Thursday	St. Bernard	+Leonard Boeckman
08/21/2015	Friday	St. Pius X	+Mary Armstrong
08/22/2015	Saturday	Frankfort 4:00 p. m.	+Elmer & +Mary Skoch
08/22/2015	Saturday	Blaine 4:00 p.m.	+Betty Bonjour
08/23/2015	Sunday	Blue Rapids 8:30 a.m.	+Norbert Brady
08/23/2015	Sunday	Frankfort 10:30 a. m.	+Ray Mitchell

Saturday, August 22nd: Annunciation 4:00 pm

Sunday, August 23rd: Annunciation 10:30 am

Lector	Phil Maas
Servers	Emily Weyer, Allison & Mikael Tommer
Communion	C. Weyer, R. Broxterman, & M. Griffin
Musicians	Jane Sedlacek & Rheta Matson
Ushers	Keith Tilley & Duane Dressman
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Eileen Bramlage
Sacristan	Melody Tommer

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Lector	Bob Stallbaumer
Servers	Amburley Kokoruda, Rebecca Adams, & Clara Dressman
Communion	C. Stallbaumer, P. Maas, & I. Dressman
Musicians	Moogie Roeder & Marie Wessel
Ushers	Joe Maas & Todd Surdez
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Kelli Kokoruda
Care Home	Jan Stallbaumer
Sacristan	Cathy Farrell

This that and the Other...

NOTICE— There will be no Benediction or Adoration on Tuesday, August 18th as Fr. Schmitz will be out of town. Marilyn will be out of the office on Wednesday, August 19th.

ANNUNCIATION CHURCH PICNIC ASSESSMENTS of \$50.00 are now due. Thank you for your continued support of our Parish!

A Note from the Pastor:

After my first parish council meeting, I just wanted to share a few thoughts with you here about the work of God being done here in Frankfort:

First, a very practical one. We have bats in the attic of the Church, similar to the school last year, and we are having the same company take care of them. We looked at several options, and the best to myself and the council was their bid of \$3,800 for the bat removal (this is favorable to the \$4,400 for the gym), and \$3,924 for an insulation that will take care of the bat guano and bugs in the

attic, as well as pay for itself with a lower heating bill.

The longer term items are how to best provide education for the kids (i.e. what to do with the school) and how to best reach out to fallen away Catholics/non-Catholics in the area. Stay tuned for more on that!

ANNUNCIATION OFFERINGS

August 9, 2015

Envelopes \$1713.00

Plate \$402.30

Total \$2115.30

Other Income

Picnic Assessment \$ 150.00

Silent Auction (Picnic) \$ 25.00

Pamphlet Rack \$ 8.00

ST. COLUMBKILLE'S, BLAINE Annual

Church Bazaar, Saturday evening, August 22, following 4PM Mass at Blaine. Serving Roast Beef or Ham Loaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, and all the trimmings. Fun for everyone!

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.

POSITION AVAILABLE

Sts. Peter and Paul School in Seneca, KS is seeking an enthusiastic K-8 vocal music teacher. Applicants should send resume and/or letter of interest to principal, Todd Leonard, at tleonard@spps.school.com. For more information please call 785-336-2727. Salary is dependent on education and experience.

LEAVEN SUBSCRIPTION

INCREASES— The annual subscription to the Leaven will increase to \$21 per year. Leaven subscriptions are due in September.

HEALING HEART RETREAT, August 21-23, 2015, Savior Pastoral Center. This retreat is designed to begin the healing process for women who have suffered from any type of sexual trauma. Sexual abuse can affect every aspect of life, even one's relationship with God. The retreat provides a very safe, loving, and supportable environment where participants can begin to heal spiritually. Cost is \$125.00 (scholarships available). For more information call Deacon Tony Zimmerman, Lead Consultant for Marriage and Family Life: 913 647 0329.

"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. The sessions focus on topics of the grief process, changes in family and other relationships, trust, and coping with memories of your deceased spouse or dealing with your ex-spouse. The next program will meet on Tuesday evenings: August 18 – September 29 from 7:00–9:00 p.m. For additional **information, or to register, please call Angie at (785)220-7773.**

A four session Grief and Loss

Support Program for couples, individuals or others who are living with the loss of an infant due to miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth or early infant death, is being held at Nativity Parish, 3800 West 119th St., Leawood KS, on four Thursday evenings, August 27, September 3, 10, and 17, from 7-9:00 PM. Please contact Mary Helen Dennihan at 913 491 4268 or dennihan6@kc.rr.com with questions and to register.

"LIVING IN LOVE RETREAT"

"We felt like we did when we were first married!" See why over 600 couples in the Archdiocese have experienced the "Living in Love" retreat. Sign up now for the next "Living in Love" retreat at Sacred Heart Parish in Emporia, August 29-30. Register online at www.archkck.org/LivingInLove or contact Mary Anne Kierl at the Archdiocese at 913-647-0345 for information.

MARRIED COUPLES

Why not give yourselves a weekend away from it all. Time away from the pressures of work and everyday responsibilities. A chance to talk and listen that special someone who loves you. If that sounds good to you, sign up now for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The last dates in 2015 are: **October 2 - 4 and November 20 - 22.** For information or to apply, check our website:

www.wwme4youandme.org

or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066

or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net

What a perfect time to enroll in **Natural Family Planning** classes! After the course fee is paid, expenses are nearly zero—no doctor or pharmacy bills to pay. Better yet, the only typical side effects of NFP are a happier marriage and healthier spouses. You are encouraged to attend the course in the Sympto-Thermal Method of NFP in Topeka beginning Thurs., Sept. 10th at 6:30pm. Reasonable course fee charged. You may 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. **Online pre-registration required at: www.ccli.org.** Learn more at nftopeka.blogspot.com.

Coming into Christ' Presence

As part of the effort to be prepared for the homily, as well as help you see the theme of this month's homilies, I'm printing bullet points of my main topics, and a (rough) **draft** of my homily here this week:

1. The Work of God is to believe in Jesus Christ, and whoever believes has eternal life.

2. Jesus is the Bread of Life; whoever eats this bread will have strength for the journey.

3. This Bread is His Body and Blood, given up for us. The Sacrifice of Calvary is made present each time at Mass.

4. This teaching caused many to walk away from Him then, and many have walked away in our own time. We must get them back.

The Eucharistic miracle of Lanciano: 1200 years ago, a priest who doubted Jesus' presence in the Eucharist was offering Mass, and right after the consecration, the host turned to flesh! You can still see it today. The priest no longer had doubts about Jesus' presence in the Eucharist.

I open with that Eucharistic miracle because many throughout the centuries and in our own day do not listen to Jesus' words in today's Gospel, refuse to believe or have doubts about what He says in today's Gospel and at the Last Supper: 'Unless you eat my body and drink my blood, you do not have eternal life within you'; and 'This is my body...my blood, given up for you.' Having offered a miraculous evidence for this true teaching of the Church (there are many other miracles also), I want to look at the scriptural foundation for our believe, and then what difference it makes. If you recall that previous weeks' readings from the Gospel of John, Ch6, He has been emphasizing believing in Him as

sent by the Father so that we may have eternal life. Today, He deepens his desire for us, to be with us: eat my body and drink my blood! Now, put yourself in the sandals of a first century Jew: these words are astounding. You can see why they went from murmuring to quarreling after hearing this. Next week we'll see that many of them walk away from following Jesus because they refuse to believe. If many of them left, and many leave today, why should we stay?

In short: we should stay because we want eternal life! Jesus says unless you eat my body and drink my blood you do not have life within you. So let us do that. What does he mean by that? We see it revealed fully at the last Supper: he took bread and wine, said the blessing, and gave them to his disciples saying: Take this and eat, drink, this is my body, this is my blood, given up for you. He left us the road map, and as you can read from the acts of the Apostles to today in Kansas, Catholics have been doing that ever since. I love how St. Thomas Aquinas puts it, why we should believe: Hearing, touching, tasting are in thee (the bread) deceived. What says trusty hearing, this do I believe. What God's Son has told me, take for truth I do. Truth Himself speaks truly, or there's nothing true. This presence isn't just an ordinary presence either, it is the memorial of his crucifixion and Resurrection. It is His Body 'given up, His Blood 'poured out' for us, for the new and eternal covenant. What does it mean for our faith in Jesus that He is present in the Eucharist? Think of it like this: Jesus knew he would ascend back to the Father, but he wanted to be with us until the end of time, in a very meaningful way. If he hadn't left us the Eucharist, we would have no reason to get together with other disciples; we could sit at home and be slothful on Sunday mornings. Jesus gives us a worthy focal point for our faith in the Eucharist, Himself. But even with this

focal point, its easy to get distracted, get off track. In college, we did an exercise at the Catholic Campus Center: draw a throne, and put the important things in your life in, on, or around that throne, the most important going closest to the center, those things/people who are in your life but less important, to the outside edge of the paper. I put money, my family, my girlfriend, and my career in the middle, a cross on the side, b/c it was a visible part of who I was, but not all that important at that time in life. HOPEFULLY, you see how that is disordered. God wasn't the center of my life. Things were out of order, and because of it, I didn't care if I hurt people, It didn't matter how I made the money. To put Christ at the center took being around a

healthy, holy group of friends who motivated me to put together a spiritual game plan. I've encouraged you to do so yourself a few times. Today in the bulletin, some concrete opportunities are spelled out. Each is a way of putting Jesus at the center, at the heart of who you are and what you do, not only hurting people less, but loving them so much more because we love Jesus more. Each is a way of responding to the amazing gift of His Presence. Pick one, at least one, and put it into practice in the coming days, coming weeks. Try it for at least one month, see if you don't have a healthier, happier, holier life because he is more at your heart, and sin and material things are less at your heart. (PS: Especially try Adoration and/or the Rosary!)

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, August 17	First Reading: Jgs. 2: 11-19 Gospel: Mt. 19: 16-22
Tuesday, August 18	First Reading: Jgs. 6: 11-24a Gospel: Mt. 19: 23-30
Wednesday, August 19	First Reading: Jgs. 9: 6-15 Gospel: Mt. 20: 1-16
Thursday, August 20	First Reading: Jgs. 11: 29-39a Gospel: Mt. 22: 1-14
Friday, August 21	First Reading: Ru. 1: 1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22 Gospel: Mt. 22: 34-40
Saturday, August 22	First Reading: Ru. 2: 1-3, 8-11, 4: 13-17 Gospel: Mt. 23: 1-12
Sunday, August 23	1st Reading: Jos. 24: 1-2a, 15-17, 18b 2nd Reading: Eph. 5: 21-32 Gospel: Jn. 6: 60-69



Reflecting On Sunday's Readings

This week's Gospel reading continues the passage which was introduced in last week's Gospel reading, in which we saw the Jews' incredulity directly linked to Jesus' statement about eating his flesh. It is interesting to note that their question isn't, "Can this be?" but rather "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Throughout the history of Christianity the debate has more often taken place about the "how" of the Eucharist than about the reality of Jesus' promise. It is also instructive to note that Jesus does not answer their question as to how it can be, but rather he simply reiterates that it must be. Jesus knew and emphasized previously in this discourse that belief is the issue. Besides if he were to explain it to them they could not have comprehended it, for after all, they were mere men. How could they begin to comprehend the mysteries of God? My ability to accept this mystery was enhanced by another equally astonishing mystery. One December as I was doing my daily Scripture reading and contemplating the Incarnation, when the Holy Spirit impressed on my heart and mind the awesomeness of Jesus' birth. The Spirit showed me that when the Holy Spirit came upon Mary and she became pregnant with the child Jesus, that within the infinitesimally small seed implanted within Mary's womb there was contained all the fullness of God, a seemingly impossible but true reality. Simultaneously, He enabled me to grasp the concept

that if God could be contained within the small, implanted seed within Mary, why is it so outlandish to think that he also could be fully present in the host? The same loving Father is the author of both miracles. We also see Jesus mentioning in this passage the words "live," "life," "living," and "abide," ten times. Jesus emphasizes that life, real life, eternal life comes through him, through his body and blood. There is real substantial benefit in believing and partaking of him. Jesus truly meant the statements he made elsewhere in John 6 that the person who doesn't eat his flesh has "no life," and that the person who eats will "live because of me." The Jews, had no doubt as to what Jesus meant, even though they had no heart to believe him. We too, like these Jews, can ask in unbelief, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" or we can in faith believe and accept this sacrament which is a mystery that we cannot explain—because of the One who said it to us. Irenaeus explains, "Our opinion is in accordance with the Eucharist, and, in turn, the Eucharist establishes our opinion. For we offer to Him His own, announcing consistently the fellowship and union of the flesh and spirit. For the bread which is produced from the earth, when it receives the invocation of God, is no longer common bread, but the Eucharist, consisting of two realities, earthly and heavenly... ."* Peter and the disciples response to this seemingly scandalous message was, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life; and we have believed, and have come to know that you are the Holy One of

God." (John 6:68) The disciples had been with Jesus long enough to observe his life, and to hear and meditate on his words. They knew he was Truth, and spoke the truth. They knew that if they walked away in disbelief, or in apprehension about accepting a mystery they could not understand that they would be walking away from some unbelievably strong promises and more importantly from a lifelong relationship with Jesus. Just listen to the promises of this week's recorded words of Jesus; "if any one eats of this bread he will live for ever,"—"has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day," — "abides in me. and I in him," — "will live because of me," and "he who eats this bread will live for ever." As we spend time with Jesus meditating on his words and listening to him we too will experience the growing conviction that Jesus is the Holy One of God and embrace the truth of his presence in the Eucharist. *

Reflecting On Sunday's Readings,
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Mary at the Second Vatican Council

In honor of her feast day of the Assumption on the 15th, here are a few teachings from the fathers of the Vatican Council II, the document called, *Lumen Gentium* or Light to the Nations, the document on the Church:

I. Introduction

52. Wishing in His supreme goodness and wisdom to effect the redemption of the world, "when the fullness of time came, God sent His Son, born of a woman...that we might receive the adoption of sons".(283) "He for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit from the Virgin Mary." This divine mystery of salvation is revealed to us and continued in the Church, which the Lord established as His body. Joined to Christ the Head and in the unity of fellowship with all His saints, the faithful must in the first place reverence the memory "of the glorious ever Virgin Mary, Mother of our God and Lord Jesus Christ".

53. The Virgin Mary, who at the message of the angel received the Word of God in her heart and in her body and gave Life to the world, is acknowledged and honored as being truly the Mother of God and Mother of the Redeemer. Redeemed by reason of the merits of her Son and united to Him by a close and indissoluble tie, she is endowed with the high office and dignity of being the Mother of the Son of God, by which account she is also the beloved daughter of the Father and the temple of the Holy Spirit. Because of this gift of sublime grace she far surpasses all creatures, both in heaven and on earth. At the same time, however, because she belongs to the offspring of Adam she is one with all those who are to be saved. She is "the mother of the members of Christ . . . having cooperated by charity that faithful might be born in the Church, who are members of that Head."

II. The Role of the Blessed Mother in the Economy of Salvation

56. The Father of mercies willed that the incarnation should be preceded by the acceptance of her who was predestined to be the mother of His Son, so that just as a woman contributed to death, so also a woman should contribute to life. That is true in outstanding fashion of the mother of Jesus, who gave to the world Him who is Life itself and who renews all things, and who was enriched by God with the gifts which befit such a role. It is no wonder therefore that the usage prevailed among the Fathers whereby they called the mother of God entirely holy and free from all stain of sin, as though fashioned by the Holy Spirit and formed as a new creature.(5*) Adorned from the first instant of her conception with the radiance of an entirely unique holiness, the Virgin of Nazareth is greeted, on God's command, by an angel messenger as "full of grace",(286) and to the heavenly messenger she replies: "Behold the handmaid of the Lord, be it done unto me according to thy word".(287) Thus Mary, a daughter of Adam, consenting to the divine Word, became the mother of Jesus, the one and only Mediator.

III. On the Blessed Virgin and the Church

60. There is but one Mediator as we know from the words of the apostle, "for there is one God and one mediator of God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself a redemption for all".(298) The maternal duty of Mary toward men in no wise obscures or diminishes this unique mediation of Christ, but rather shows His power. For all the salvific influence of the Blessed Virgin on men originates, not from some inner necessity, but from the divine pleasure.

62. This maternity of Mary in the order of grace began with the consent which she gave in faith at the Annunciation and which she sustained without wavering beneath the cross, and lasts until the eternal fulfillment of all the elect. Taken up to heaven she did not lay aside this salvific duty, but by her constant intercession continued to bring us the gifts of eternal salvation.(15*) By her maternal charity, she cares for the brethren of her Son, who still journey on earth surrounded by dangers and cultics, until they are led into the happiness of their true home. Therefore the Blessed Virgin is invoked by the Church under the titles of Advocate, Auxiliatrix, Adjutrix, and Mediatrix.(16*) This, however, is to be so understood that it neither takes away from nor adds anything to the dignity and efficaciousness of Christ the one Mediator.

V. Mary the sign of created hope and solace to the wandering people of God

68. In the interim just as the Mother of Jesus, glorified in body and soul in heaven, is the image and beginning of the Church as it is to be perfected in the world to come, so too does she shine forth on earth, until the day of the Lord shall come,(304) as a sign of sure hope and solace to the people of God during its sojourn on earth.



St. Monica\St. Elizabeth, Blue Rapids



Calendar and Mass Intention

August 23rd, 8:30 am— +Norbert Brady

July 26, August 2 & August 9, 2015 offerings

Envelopes	\$2147.00
Plate	\$ 313.00
Leaven	\$ 36.00

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

Altar Society Meeting August 19th at 7:00 p.m.

ALL ARE INVITED—Breakfast after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, August 30th in the Parish Hall. Sponsored by the Marysville Knights of Columbus.

CCD NOTES-

The 2015/16 CCD year is quickly approaching! Plans are underway and it will be another wonderful year for the children of our parish. We offer classes to children ages 3-4 year old Preschool through 6th grade. Parents, you will be receiving a letter in the mail updating you on the upcoming year.

We are also looking for adults who would like to share their time with the young children and volunteer to teach a class. If you are interested or would like to have more information, please contact Sarah Toerber after mass or by phone or email...363-7065, sctoerber@gmail.com

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will resume September 4th from noon to 5:00p.m. The Adoration Group would like to have more parishioners take an active part in this undertaking. Please take a time.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Megan Sibley 8/19
ANNIVERSARIES
Norma & Don Hirt 8/17

Ministers of the Mass

Sunday August 23, 8:30 a.m. St. Monica\St. Elizabeth

Lector	C. Miller
Servers	E. Toerber, O. Skalla, & K. Skalla
Gifts	Miller Family
Communion	J. Wienck, H. Borgerding, & N. Hirt
Ushers	J. Bergkamp & C. Miller

Church Cleaners: August— Liz Miller & Sarah Toerber
Sacristan Schedule: August—Jan Bergkamp

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and God of all encouragement, who encourages us in our every affliction, so that we may be able to encourage those who are in any affliction with the encouragement with which we ourselves are encouraged by God. For as Christ’s sufferings overflow to us, so through Christ does our encouragement also overflow.” 2 Cor 1:3-5

New playground coming soon!

The playground will soon be on the west side of the church. I want to thank everyone who has donated the materials and the coming labor for this. Although the materials have all been obtained—we’re still taking donations for some additions we would like to make. It’s important to note that this has been entirely funded by donations and no parish funds have been used. On that note, I want to thank Mark & Janice Rowe for donating the playground equipment and Dewaine Heinen for the lumber.

A Few Words from the Pastor:

I met with the parish council for the first time this week, and got to know many of the good works of God that are done here in the parish. I look forward to seeing them continue, and to the possibilities of new ways for the love of Christ to be made flesh. I would like to see more people stop in and adore Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, especially on Fridays. I’m interested in a young mothers/ couples group, where perhaps the Altar Society or others offer to babysit for the parents to get a break, get refreshed, and grow in faith and fellowship. I’m hopeful a few other trusted individuals will step in and help council members with the counting of the collections a few times a year. Above all, I hope the faith continues to grow, prayer and sacraments received more often, and others come to believe in Jesus through our common witness to the faith!



St. Columbkille Parish, Blaine KS

Ministers of the Mass *Saturday August 22, 4:00 p.m.*

Saturday August 8, 2015 offering

Lector	Bob Murray
Servers	
Ministers	Joyce Blaske, Kathy Murray, & Natha Manges
Hospitality	

No report this week.

Church Cleaning: We are still in need of cleaners for the Church 8/20 - 23. This is St. Bridgett's month, but anyone can sign up. Thank you!

Cemetery Mowing
August 18th at 6pm.
September 1st

Altar Society Meeting Dates—All meetings at 7:00 pm
August 24, 2015
September 28, 2015
October 26, 2015
November 23, 2015

St. Columbkille Bazaar Please get your grocery money to Mark Minihan as soon as possible.

ST. COLUMBKILLE'S, BLAINE Annual Church Bazaar, Saturday evening, August 22, following 4PM Mass at Blaine. Serving Roast Beef or Ham Loaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, and all the trimmings. Kids' Games, Country Store, Cash Bingo, Quilt Raffle and more. 53 Grand Prizes drawn for at 8:30PM. Fun for everyone!

Bulletin Coordinator—Contact Mark Cusimano cusi4@twinvalley.net Please have all bulletin information in by Thursday at 4:00 p.m.

Religious Education (1st-7th grade)

Classes begin September 16th, 6:30-7:30pm. Please sign your child up in the back of church. We are looking for an additional religious education teacher. Please contact Sally Olson, if interested. solson@vet.ksu.edu or 785-410-7513.

We ask that you pray for the JH/HS youth of our parish as they grow in their faith. 18 of our youth will be attending the Kelly Youth Rally, Saturday, August 15th!

We ask that you support our youth going to NCYC in November by purchasing popcorn from them at the Church Bazaar.

Garage Sale

The annual Fabulous Finds on Hwy 99 Garage Sale will be Sept 25 & 26. We are again offering the consignment option on items priced \$50 or more. The event website is www.stcaltarsociety.wix.com/fabulousfinds which includes a Consignment Application and a link to the VolunteerSpot signup for jobs. If you have a consignment item, please submit it online or contact Audrea Martens or Kim Suther as soon as possible so it can be included in the advertising. Also please send us pictures of any donated items that might be worth advertising. Items can be dropped off at the hall starting Wednesday, Sept. 23rd after religion classes.

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