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Monday through Friday

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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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Annunciation Parish

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

DECEMBER 27 TH 2015

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Growing as Disciples of Jesus, Making Disciples For Jesus

Ever wish you had a
holy family?

You aren't alone. Many
have found the path to
holiness together as a
family, and the recipe
always includes much
mercy and willingness to
try, try again.

The feast of the Holy
Family today gives us
the exemplar that we can
aim for, the goodness
that is possible even in
this life.

Yet, even as the best
family that ever lived,
Mary and Joseph had
times of great anxiety, so
if you've ever been
there, you're in good
company.

What they show us is
how to find the way to a
grace-filled family in the
holy presence of God,
making the home a
domestic Temple, a
domestic church.

As we continue to
celebrate the Christmas
season, perhaps you
could read bedtime
stories from Scripture
about the different
families of the Bible and
how they coped with
adversity and blessings.

This, among many other
ways, helps build the
domestic Church and
make our vocation to
love a cause of great joy
and many fruitful
blessings.

Personally, a very big thank
you for all the Christmas
cards and gifts and goodies
brought in over the past
days. I'm very grateful for
your show of affection. I
pray this is a season filled
with the blessings of joy and
peace for you and your
loved ones.

Yours in Christ through
Mary,

Fr. Schmitz



*Merry Christmas A
Savior is Born!!!*

*Hoping and praying
you have a blessed
new year in 2016...*

Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Notes	Intention
12/28/2015	Monday	The Holy Innocents	No a.m. Mass
12/29/2015	Tuesday	St. Thomas Becket	No a.m. Mass
12/30/2015	Wednesday	10:00 a.m. Mass (Frankfort Care Home)	+Ted Kuckelman
12/31/2015	Thursday	(Vigil –Mary Mother of God)	4:00 pm—Blaine— 6:00 pm—Frankfort — +Ed Dressman
01/01/2016	Friday	Mary, the Mother of God	10:00 am—Blue Rapids —+Mary Eileen Bersano & family
01/02/2016	Saturday	Frankfort 4:00 p. m.	+Pauline & +Marvin Emrick
01/02/2016	Saturday	Blaine 6:00 p.m.	For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes
01/03/2016	Sunday	Blue Rapids 8:30 a.m.	+Seth McKay
01/03/2016	Sunday	Frankfort 10:30 a. m.	Health of Jim and Bill Marksman

Saturday, January 2nd: Annunciation 4:00 pm

Lector	Melody Tommer
Servers	Allison & Mikael Tommer
Communion	R. Broxterman, W. Gros, & M. Kennedy
Musicians	Marilyn D. & Rheta M.
Ushers	Keith Tilley & Duane Dressman
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Charlie & Rita Broxterman
Sacristan	Melody Tommer

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Sunday, January 3rd: Annunciation 10:30 am

Lector	Andrea Dressman
Servers	Ethan Armstrong, Garret & Caden Dalinghaus
Communion	C. Hull, S. Wapp, & T. Dressman
Musicians	Jeanie G. & Choir
Ushers	Myron Dressman & Wayne Mitchell
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Gerald & Charlie Gerstner
Care Home	Mary Ann Dressman
Sacristan	Elma Mitchell

This that and the Other...

With the start of the new year comes the first Holy Day. Friday January 1st, 2016 is The Feast of Mary the Mother of God, and a holy day of obligation. Mass times are as follows:

Thurs., Dec. 31st, 4:00 pm-Blaine
Thurs., Dec. 31st, 6:00 pm-Frankfort
Fri., Jan. 1st, 10:00 am-Blue Rapids



MINISTERS OF THE MASS

Dec. 31st, 6:00 pm

Lector: Diane Tilley

Servers: R. Adams, J. Studer, & A. Kokoruda

Communion: M. Griffin, M. Hazen, & L. Schmitz

Sacristan: Marybeth Kennedy

Ushers: Ed Brady & Bill Broxterman

Musicians: Jane Sedlacek & Frannie Fangman

Gifts: Ushers to appoint

OFFERING ENVELOPES-Please take a minute to stop and pick up your 2016 offering envelopes. They are sorted in numerical order. Thank you for all your continued support of our parish!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL #1383 meeting, Wednesday, December 30th, 8:00 pm.

ANNUNCIATION OFFERINGS

December 20, 2015

Envelopes \$1421.50

Plate \$191.10

Total \$1612.60

Other Income

Christmas Flowers \$ 232.00

Mass Stipends \$ 20.00

Retire. Religious \$ 45.00

Cath. Charities \$ 183.00

EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE—

Please have all of your bulletin items in to Marilyn Hazen by 9:00 a.m. on Monday, December 28th. The Annunciation Parish Office will be closed Tuesday, December 29th through Friday, January 1st. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

RELIGIOUS ED NOTES— No Class, for Grades 1-6, Dec. 23rd or Dec. 30th for the Holidays.

No Class for Jr/Sr. High on

Wednesday, December 23rd or Dec. 30th for the Holidays.

NOTICE— There will be no Benediction or Adoration on Tuesday, Dec. 29th as Fr. Schmitz will be unavailable.

NOTICE— There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fri. Jan. 1st due to the holidays.

AN EVENING OF PIANO MUSIC— by Russel Ronnebaum, Pianist & Composer, Monday, December 28th, 7:00 pm at St. Gregory's Church, Marysville. Admission — Free will Donation! Reception following.

NOTE OF THANKS— During this holy season as we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus we also remember our loved ones who have gone before us. The Mt. Calvary Cemetery Board would like to thank all those who graciously make donations to the cemetery fund.

ALL ARE INVITED— to a Reception in honor of Mary Ann Dressman's 85th birthday on Sunday, January 3rd, 1-3 pm in the Cigna Center. All parishioners are welcome!

CHWC FUNDRAISER MEAL—

New Year's Eve, Thursday, Dec. 31st at the Cigna Center. Smoked Pork Chop, Sweet Potato or White Potato, Salad, roll & Dessert. \$15.00 per meal. Reservations are a MUST for 5 pm, 6 pm, & 7 pm. **RSVP by Dec. 29th to Linda Roeder at 785-799-4460. email: roederlinda@yahoo.com, or text: 785-844-0660, 785-410-2753.**

CHRISTMAS FLOWER

MEMORIAL— Thank you to all of those who participated. The names for the memorial are Ed Dressman, Dressman & Rottinghaus families, Lester & Martha Engelken, Eugene DeVore, Bryan Killingsworth, Janet Height, Marvin Vhect, Terry O'Neil, Bryan McKern, Kristi Adams, Mark Schoder, Chris Simmonds, Lawrence & Helen Fisher, Joe M. Wapp, Albert Maas, Peg Maas, Ramona Maas, Joe & Betty Roggenkamp, Tangeman & Broxterman family, Victor & Rachel Huninghake, Lucile Haas, Emily Gunselman, Frank & Teresa Marksman, Anne Feltner, Carrie Deneke, John Marksman, Mary Pat Chadwick, Fischer family, Mark Brady, Brady & Burton family, Kermit Johnson, Raymond Johnson family, Arthur Lohman family, Jean & Ted Kuckelman, Richard Kuckelman, Wessel family, Ray & Carol Mitchell, Tom Broxterman, Sally Scott, Bill & Gertie Cain, Lloyd & Rita Gerstner, Tom McCormick, Leo McCormick, Margaret Fudge, Jean Prockish, Prockish & Hazen family, Frank Siebert, Dorothy McCreight, Nellie Travis, Lou & Ila Wardlow, Julius Kenworthy, Frances Whistler, Edward Gregg, Marcella Roeder, Olberding & Schmitz families, Matt & Lillie Noud family, Fred & Mary Howell family, Velma Lierz, Lierz family, Melvin Suther family, Francis Strunk, JoAnn Sandmann, Keith Sandmann, Dale Miller, Bob Stallbaumer Sr., Genitha Horigan, & Helen Carlin, Allen & Loretta Jones, Owen, Ahern, Rundle, Rotert & Lucas family, LJ & Renee Miller, Virgil & Dora Bowhay, Roy Seematter, Peggy Seematter, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Roeder, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Seematter.

Marriage Minute Dec 27th, Feast of Holy Family

In this week's Gospel, we are brought into that curious scene of Jesus being lost in the Temple. In reality, Jesus is God; therefore, he cannot be lost. However, he was lost to Mary and Joseph from their perspective. If Mary and Joseph can lose Jesus, should we be surprised if we find ourselves searching for God's presence in our marriage? Even the most sincerely seeking married couple can lose the sense of God at times, but we should be filled with hope and trust that if we seek to rediscover Christ as Mary and Joseph did, that we will find him again.

Our mission as married couples is revealed through this passage. First, we should seek to never lose sight of Christ. Second, we should ardently search for him if we do lose him. Third, in the same way Mary and Joseph searched for Jesus as soon as they realized he was absent from the community, we can urgently seek after those who may be absent from our local Church community. In this upcoming year of mercy, consider inviting someone who has fallen away from the community to return to the journey!

One Thing Remains The 4th Annual One Thing Remains youth & family event is coming up Dec. 30 at Blessed Sacrament. This year's performer is Fr. Pontifex who uses spoken word, rap, and music to share the Gospel.. Starts at 6:30pm music and adoration with Archbishop Joseph Naumann begins in Blessed Sacrament Church. A post-adoration celebration with music, art, and food will conclude the night in the Reach KCK Youth Space across the parking lot! Don't miss this Archdiocesan-wide event! Address: 2203 Parallel Ave. Kansas City, KS 66104

LIVING IN LOVE RETREAT— Did you know that being in love is not a stage you grow out of? Come and experience *Living in Love* a liberating retreat which gives insight into how differently men & women prefer to achieve intimacy. Next retreat opportunity is on Saturday, Jan. 16th 8:30 am to 9:00 pm (includes romantic dinner) and Sunday, January 17th 8:00 to 4:00 pm (Includes Sunday Mass) at Sacred Heart Parish, Sabetha. Register online: www.archkck.org/LivinginLove. For more info call 913-647-0345 (Marriage & Family Life Office).



Reflecting On Sunday's Readings

Tracing one's genealogy, the study of human descent through family lines, is an occasional fad for some and an intense preoccupation for others. The quest to ascertain where we came from and to whom we are related is made more poignant by the isolation people experience, and by the family disintegration we see in our society. It is fun, and can be helpful to understand our family roots, for they can show us not only our lineage but give insight as to why we function as we do. In one sense history is a simple and natural compilation of family relationships. Men and women have become great and/or infamous because of the contributions of their family, or in some cases in reaction to their family. Pope John Paul II taught that, "Since human beings are made 'through love' and 'for love,' and because love is 'the fundamental and innate vocation of every human being.' This vocation is the heart of marriage and the heart of the family. Confirmed for Christians in the redemption won by Christ's self-sacrificing love, the demands and obligations of family life are liberating, not confining." When this love is present it can make the most impoverished home rich, and when it is absent the most opulent home becomes impoverished. Most families love photo albums. When we flip through the picture pages of our children, their mates, and our grandchildren, we enjoy again the various joyful stages of family life. This week's gospel reading is like a page from a family photo album giving us insight into Jesus' family life, where Mary and Joseph, the Holy Family, provided just such a home of love for Jesus. Of course the Holy Family's home of love didn't just happen by accident, and neither will ours. Before they embraced the marriage bonds Joseph and Mary embraced God and were devoted followers and servants of his. That is why they were able to survive, even before marriage, the strain on their relationship which was brought about by Mary's untimely

pregnancy. But because Mary was following God wholeheartedly she readily said yes to the Holy Spirit's call. Because Joseph was a just and holy man he not only set about to deal with Mary and this unexplained development in a loving way, but when he recognized that this prophesy was of God, he too wholeheartedly followed God at all cost. Their lives give us insight as to how we can similarly be a holy family. Loving, holy people make loving, holy families. This begins not with the first "I do" of the marriage ceremony, but with previous "I do's" to love and follow God at all cost. As we look at this picture of Mary and Joseph's relationship with Jesus we see them relating to him in grace and freedom, and with respect and concern. In addition, we see Jesus living in a responsive and submissive relationship fruitfully growing in this environment of love. That is what a holy family is all about. It should be a mini-picture of the Church and of our relationship with Christ and with his people. It should be redemptive in nature, a place where forgiveness and reconciliation are commonplace. It should be revelational in manner, where insight into the nature and character of Christ is not only taught verbally but is demonstrated by the behavior of the members, starting with the parents. As Pope John Paul II explains, "Men, for their part are called to live their fatherhood as an icon of the very fatherhood of God." Our family trees may have a few broken or diseased branches, and perhaps our own family did not begin on the solid foundation of total commitment to God. But don't be discouraged, through the transforming power of the Holy Spirit we can begin afresh today to emulate the Holy Family and build our family into a redemptive, revelational environment that is holy to the Lord.

Reflecting On Sunday's Readings,
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Daily Mass Readings

Monday, December 28	First Reading: 1 Jn. 1: 5--2: 2 Gospel: Mt. 2: 13-18
Tuesday, December 29	First Reading: 1 Jn. 2: 3-11 Gospel: Lk. 2: 22-35
Wednesday, December 30	First Reading: 1 Jn. 2: 12-17 Gospel: Lk. 2: 36-40
Thursday, December 31	First Reading: 1 Jn. 2: 18-21 Gospel: Jn. 1: 1-18
Friday, January 1	First Reading: Nm. 6: 22-27 2nd Reading: Gal. 4: 4-7 Gospel: Lk. 2: 16-21
Saturday, January 2	First Reading: 1 Jn. 2: 22-28 Gospel: Jn. 1: 19-28
Sunday, January 3	1st Reading: Is. 60: 1-6 2nd Reading: Eph. 3: 2-3a, 5-6 Gospel: Mt. 2: 1-12



St. Monica\St. Elizabeth, Blue Rapids



Calendar and Mass Intention

January 3rd, 8:30 am— +Seth McKay
January 1st, 10:00 am — +Mary Eileen Bersano & family

December 20, 2015 offerings

Envelopes	\$682.00
Plate	\$168.00
Retirement Religious	\$ 20.00
Poinsettias	\$ 95.00
Cath. Charities	\$ 50.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 20.00

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

Ministers of the Mass

Sunday January 3, 8:30 a.m. St. Monica\St. Elizabeth

Lector	
Servers	
Gifts	
Communion	
Ushers	

Church Cleaners: January– Liz Miller & Sarah Toerber
Sacristan Schedule: January—Theresa Minihan
Breakfast Committee: January 3— Jeanette Borgerding, Kate Dobrovolny, & Dallas & Moriah Dobrovolny. If you cannot work the month you are assigned then trade with someone.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD, Holy day of Obligation

Thurs., Dec. 31st, 4:00 pm-Blaine
Thurs., Dec. 31st, 6:00 pm-Frankfort
Fri., Jan. 1st, 10:00 am-Blue Rapids

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Fridays from noon to 5:00p.m. The Adoration Group would like to invite more parishioners to participate. Please take a time.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Landon Woodyard 12/28
Clayton Budenbender 1/1
Joseph Brungardt 1/3
James Johnson 1/3

ANNIVERSARIES

Mike & Theresa Minihan 12/27
Craig & Liz Miller 12/29

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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. to get your names in the parish records.



St. Columbkille Parish, Blaine KS

Ministers of the Mass *Saturday January 2, 6:00 p.m.*

Lector	Lisa Moser
Servers	
Ministers	H. Moser, E. Hofman, & K. Suther
Hospitality	Michael & Stacie Ridder

Saturday December 12, 2015 offering:

12/12/2015	Envelope	482.00	
	Plate	325.00	
	Immaculate Conception	27.00	
	T-Shirt	52.00	
	NCYC - Celtic Christmas	117.75	
	K of C Educational Fund	350.00	
	Celtic Christmas (-250 Start Up - exp ?)	2151.05	
			3,504.80

12/19/2015	Envelope	712.00	
	Plate	196.00	
	Christmas Flowers	70.00	
	Celtic Christmas	119.00	
			1,097.00

12/19/2015	Hall Annex Fund		1,000.00
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Hospitality December 26th—Eric & Erin Plummer

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING:

January 14, 2016

Altar Society Meeting Dates—

2016: January 25 (weather permitting), February 22, March 28, April 25, May 23,
Meeting time is 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

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Fri., Jan. 1st, 10:00 am-Blue Rapids

If you have or know of any social concerns, please contact Lavon Sanford at 870-341-1446 or Patsy Campbell at 785-457-3731. For prayer request contact Lisa Moser 785-396-4328.

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.

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NOTE OF THANKS

The youth of St Columbkille would to thank those who provided items and donated to the "gently used Christmas decoration" booth at the Celtic Christmas. The financial donations will go to support upcoming youth activities. Thank you again.

NOTE OF THANKS— To all who contributed to the Adopted Christmas Family, a big thank you for helping to make this family's Christmas a little brighter!!

NOTE OF THANKS— to everyone who helped clean and decorate the church for Christmas and to Mike Sanford for cleaning the candle sticks. Also many thanks to Mark Cusimano for church repairs and for the cabinets that he built!