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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

frschmitz@bluevalley.net

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Annunciation Parish

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

JANUARY 31 ST 2016

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Growing as Disciples of Jesus, Making Disciples For Jesus

A Merciful Heart, Home, Parish, Diocese, and Church

What does this Church
look like when we are
known for being a merciful
Church? What does the
diocese look like? The
parish? What does your
family look like when it is
known to be a merciful
family?

The archbishop has asked
each parish to engage in
new works of mercy, or
engage new people in the
works we already do as a
parish. What follows is a
partial list of things we do
as a parish that are centered
on showing mercy.

Please consider partaking
in one or more of these
great works of God, and
inviting someone else to
come along for the journey.

-Fr. Schmitz

Corporal Works

Food/Drink:

- Donate to the food
basket in the back of
church.
- Once a month, be the
person who takes the food
to the office at the
Methodist church for
distribution.

Visit the Sick

- Come to the Rosary and/
or Mass on Wednesdays at
10 at the Care Home
- Visit sick relatives,
friends, or new people
during the activities at the
care home.

- Volunteer to bring
Communion to the Sick.
(See Fr. for details)

Spiritual Works

Comfort the Afflicted

- Call up someone who is
grieving or suffered a loss.
- Pray for the Living and the
Dead. Invite someone to pray
with you.*

Forgive Offenses

- Invite some to go to
confession during Lent.
- Forgive someone who has
wronged you, simply because
you are a disciple of Jesus.

Instruct the Ignorant

- Teach religion classes/talk
to your kids about what they
learned in religion.

Counsel the Doubtful

- Learn the Church's
teaching on a tough topic, and
share the good news with
someone.

RALLY FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

February 17: Noon - 1 PM, the Catholic Bishops of Kansas and others concerned about the future of religious freedom will be hosting a **Rally for Religious Freedom** inside the Kansas State Capitol Building under the dome. A large turnout is needed to demonstrate to Kansas lawmakers that support for religious freedom in Kansas is strong. Let's make this as successful as the rally in 2012, which garnered national attention and was broadcast live on EWTN. We will have outstanding speakers including Ryan Anderson of the Heritage Foundation. For more information please visit www.kscathconf.org.

Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Notes	Intention
02/01/2016	Monday	Weekday	No a.m. Mass
02/02/2016	Tuesday	The Presentation of the Lord	No a.m. Mass
02/03/2016	Wednesday	Sts. Blaise & Ansgar	No Mass at the Care Home
02/04/2016	Thursday	Weekday	No a.m. Mass
02/05/2016	Friday	St. Agatha	+Vera Rowell
02/06/2016	Saturday	Frankfort 4:00 p. m.	+Dale Miller
02/06/2016	Saturday	Blaine 6:00 p.m.	+Ivan Plummer
02/07/2016	Sunday	Blue Rapids 8:30 a.m.	+Jerry Weis
02/07/2016	Sunday	Frankfort 10:30 a. m.	For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes

Saturday, February 6th: Annunciation 4:00 pm

Lector	Jean Caffrey
Servers	Claire & Ava Broxterman, & Olivia Kennedy
Communion	J. Kennedy, M. Griffin, & R. Broxterman
Musicians	Marilyn Dressman & Frannie F.
Ushers	Duane Dressman & Jim Roeder
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Eileen Bramlage
Sacristan	Melody Tommer

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Sunday, February 7th: Annunciation 10:30 am

Lector	Charlie Gerstner
Servers	Garret, Caden, & Lexi Dalinghaus
Communion	I. Dressman, C. Farrell, & P. Maas
Musicians	Moogie Roeder & Lynn Bramhall
Ushers	Todd Surdez & Maurice Bergman
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Dan Gerstner & Ivan Dressman
Care Home	Jan Stallbaumer
Sacristan	Pam Suther

This that and the Other...

ARCHBISHOP'S CALL TO SHARE—

The response of our parishioners to this year's Archbishop's Call to Share has been generous to date. The Archbishop's Call to Share funds over 40 ministries of the Archdiocese, serving parishes and individuals all over Northeast Kansas. Please give prayerful consideration to how you can respond as Jesus' disciple by filling out your pledge card and returning it to the collection next weekend. Our parish goal is \$7842.00. To date our parishioners have made pledges of \$2,580.00 which is 32% of our goal. Please give generously to support the ministries of the Church in Northeast Kansas!

NOTICE— There will be no Benediction or Adoration on Tuesday, Feb. 2nd as Fr. Schmitz will be unavailable.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

LENT BEGINS SOON ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Wed. Feb. 10th-8:00am Blue Rapids
Wed. Feb. 10th-12:00pm Blaine
Wed. Feb. 10th-6:30 pm Frankfort

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #1383—

are once again sponsoring their Pro-Life Baby Shower. Donations of new and gently used baby or maternity clothing & baby supplies may be placed in the bassinet in the back of church. Cash donations may be dropped off at the Parish Office. All donations will be taken to Birthright. **In conjunction** with the Pro-Life Baby Shower there will be empty baby bottles in the back of church. You are invited to take one home and fill it with your loose change to help those in need. Return the filled bottles to the Parish Office. All proceeds will go to Birthright Topeka.

ANNUNCIATION OFFERINGS

January 24, 2016

Envelopes \$1035.00

Plate \$188.60

Total \$1223.60

Other Income

Fuel/Heat \$ 70.00

Mass Stipends \$ 10.00

Ch. In Latin America \$ 131.00

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.

HELP WANTED— Please prayerfully consider serving on the Funeral Committee. This is a very important service that we offer families during their time of grief. Questions or to volunteer please contact Marilyn Hazen in the Parish Office. The 2016 Altar Society List with new funeral committee members and new chairman and co-chairman will be published and available in the back of the church as soon as we have someone volunteer for the funeral committee.

RELIGIOUS ED NOTES— Class, for Grades 1-6, Wednesday, Feb. 3rd, 2:10 to 3:10 pm.

Class for Jr./Sr. High on Wednesday, Feb 3, 2016, 7:00 p.m.

OLD PALMS WANTED - Please place your old palms in the box in the back of church. They will be used for ashes on Ash Wednesday. Thanks!

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. Thank you.

ST. MONICA/ST. ELIZABETH SOUP DAY— Wednesday, February 3rd, 11 am —7:00 pm. Serving Chicken Noodle, Beefy Vegetable, Potato Soup, & Chili and includes homemade breads, cinnamon rolls, relish, & desserts. Free Will Donation!

UNBOUND— Next weekend, please welcome Rev. Bob Hasenkamp who will be with us to celebrate Masses and tell us about the work of Unbound, a lay Catholic sponsorship ministry that helps children and elderly in 20 developing countries. To learn more, call (800) 875-6564 or visit Unbound online at www.unbound.org

ST. MARY, ST. BENEDICT, KS— Soup-R-Bowl, Sunday Lunch, Feb. 7th. Serving 11:00 to 2:00 pm. Homemade Chili, Chicken Noodle, Vegetable Beef, Relishes & Pie. Free Will Offering. Everyone Welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #1383 BREAKFAST— Sunday, February 14th in the Cigna Center. Serving 7:00 am to 1:00 pm. Biscuits/Gravy, Sausage, Eggs, & Cinnamon Rolls. Free Will Offering. Proceeds will benefit sonograms & Birthright.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS— The Knights of Columbus Council #1383 are sponsoring a Fish Fry on Friday, March 18th in the Cigna Center. More details later.

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA— Thank you for your generous donation to the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Your support helps ensure that people have adequate catechesis, marriage and family life programs, and strong religious and seminarian formation among other programs. Thank you for taking this opportunity to share your faith.

Marriage Minute
Is someone you love away from the faith? It may be your spouse, your son or daughter, or it may be an extended family member. Some couples are even rejected by family for being “too religious.” If this is you, take heart in this Sunday’s readings. Jesus returns to his home town, shares the good news of salvation and is almost run off a cliff. This must have broken his heart! He certainly understands your pain for nobody knows rejection like Jesus. He also gives us a good point of advice. “No prophet is recognized in his native place.” If our faith is evident to our fallen-away family, it often does no good to continue to “preach” to them, which so often is perceived as “nagging.” Instead, we can take our cues from the second reading where Paul

prescribes the remedy to win souls for Christ through patience, kindness, and rejoicing in the truth. This can be an examination of conscience for us in our relationships. When our loved one comes back to the faith, will they see our actions as resembling this kind of love? If not, what kind of practical changes can we make?

Finally, a word of encouragement in this year of mercy: “Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things, Love never fails.” Know in great confidence that every act of patience, every act of kindness, every act of service, and every prayer for our family bears fruit in God’s Kingdom.

Men Under Construction **Catholic Men’s Conference** **Men of Faith**

Come spend a day with other men from our archdiocese learning how to better live our faith. **Men Under Construction 20** is a perfect Lenten investment in your spirituality. Featured speakers include **Archbishop Joseph Naumann**, **Jeff Cavins** (Entertaining Bible expert and former Protestant pastor), **Dr. Ted Sri** (Professor and famed best-selling Catholic author), and **Devin Schadt**. (author and speaker focusing on authentic fatherhood). You will also be able to participate in reconciliation and mass. The 2016 Conference will be Saturday, Feb. 13, 2016 at Church of the Ascension, 9510 W 127th, Overland Park. Conference starts with Registration at 6:15 am and ends with the Archbishop’s final blessing and adjournment at 3:30 pm. Coffee, donuts, and lunch included. Admission is \$35. Register online at www.ksmuc.org or pick up a registration form in the back of church. No kum ba ya here! Just real men looking for some truth & happiness.

NFP Bulletin Announcement: Introduction to the Creighton Model System- Are you looking for a true method of family planning that will work with any reproductive situation, such as with regular or irregular cycles, while breastfeeding, or in pre-menopause? The Creighton Model is a natural method of fertility regulation, enabling a woman, through recording daily observations, to better understand and maintain her reproductive health. A free introductory session providing an overview of the method, reproductive anatomy and physiology and how to track and monitor your cycle will be held in the Sts. Peter and Paul church basement on February 20th at 9am. To register for the class please call/text Susie Lueger at 336-1934 or register online at <http://annunciationfrankfort.org/nfp>



Reflecting On Sunday's Readings

Someone has observed that, “there is no better test for a man’s ultimate integrity than his behavior when he is wrong.” All too often we are graciously willing to discuss God’s Word, and listen to God’s truth proclaimed just as long as those discussing it don’t talk about things that are personal to us. When they do begin drawing inferences that really touch our lives we often respond either outwardly or inwardly, “Now you’ve stopped preaching and gone to meddling!” Jesus encountered this same response in this week’s Gospel Reading. As he finished reading the Scripture the hearers were all graciously amiable as they expressed their amazement at Jesus’ reading. However, as Jesus looked beyond their outward response to their unresponsive and unbelieving hearts their amazement turns to open rejection and hostility at his apparent “meddling.” This Gospel account raises a question which warrants our attention: “How do we respond to God’s call for conversion and change when we encounter it?” And perhaps there is even a more basic question we should consider: “Do we desire conversion and change?” The hope of the Gospel, is that Christ brings a holy and powerful force into our lives which will enable us to break the bonds of enslavement to our old nature and its passions and habits. Real inner change is often uncomfortable because it requires us to admit that there is an area of our lives that is wrong. Consequently, we also often respond to the agent of change with defensiveness, resistance, and resentment, rather than welcoming the encouragement to change. Someone has aptly said, “If you

think your green you’ll grow, if you think you’re ripe, you’ll rot.” The first step in conversion and change is to be dissatisfied with our status quo and to recognize that there is a need for spiritual change. We have entered into a new year, will it be a year of responsiveness to Christ, and a year of change and growth, or will it be a year of passive resistance and complacency to the Holy Spirit’s working within us? What the new year holds for us reminds me of a story from Forty Days and Forty Nights by Brother Ramon, SSF. He tells of two boys endeavoring to play a joke on a holy hermit. They intended to hold a bird in their hands behind their back and ask the hermit if the bird was dead or alive. If the hermit said it was dead the boy planned to open his hand and let the bird fly up to the sky. If the hermit said it was alive, the boy planned to crush the bird in his hand to prove that the wise old man was wrong. “Father,” said one of the lads, “I have a small bird in my hand. Is it alive or dead?” There was a silence. The old man fixed him with his gaze. Eventually he chuckled and said: “Well, boys—it all depends on you!” Will it be a year of responsiveness to Christ, and a year of change and growth, or will it be a year of passive resistance and complacency to the Holy Spirit working within?— “It all depends on you!”

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Daily Mass Readings

Monday, February 1	First Reading: <u>2 Sam 15: 13-14, 30; 16: 5-13</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 5: 1-20</u>
Tues- day, February 2	First Reading: <u>Mal. 3: 1-1</u> 2nd Reading: <u>Heb. 2: 14-18</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 2: 22-40 or 2: 22-32</u>
Wednes- day, February 3	First Reading: <u>2 Sm. 24: 2, 9-17</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 6: 1-6</u>
Thurs- day, February 4	First Reading: <u>1 Kgs. 2: 1-4, 10-12</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 6: 7-13</u>
Friday, February 5	First Reading: <u>Sir. 47: 2-11</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 6: 14-29</u>
Satur- day, February 6	First Reading: <u>1 Kgs. 3: 4-13</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 6: 30-34</u>
Sunday, February 7	1st Reading: <u>Is. 6: 1-2a, 3-8</u> 2nd Reading: <u>1 Cor. 15: 1-11</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 5: 1-11</u>



St. Monica\St. Elizabeth, Blue Rapids



Calendar and Mass Intention

February 7th, 8:30 am— +Jerry Weis

January 24, 2016 offerings

Envelopes	\$562.00
Plate	\$112.71
Latin America	\$ 20.00
Julie Green	\$ 105.00

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

Ministers of the Mass

Sunday February 7, 8:30 a.m. St. Monica\St. Elizabeth

Lector	Z. Duensing
Servers	S. Brungardt, E. Brungardt, & M. Shanks
Gifts	Dobrovolny Family
Communion	M. Borgerding, N. Hirt, & P. Waite
Ushers	M. Borgerding & A. Edwards

Church Cleaners: February— Jan Bergkamp
Sacristan Schedule: February—Norma Hirt
Breakfast Committee: February— Zita Duensing, Sheri Shanks, & Cheryl Skalla If you cannot work the month you are assigned then trade with someone.

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NOTICE All are invited to the February breakfast which will be on February 14th after Mass. Come celebrate Valentine’s Day with your church family.

ALTAR SOCIETY meeting February 17, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. Plans for World Day of Prayer which will be March 4, 2016. More information later.

ARCHBISHOP’S CALL TO SHARE— The Archbishop’s Call to Share funds over 40 ministries of the Archdiocese, serving parishes and individuals all over Northeast Kansas. Please give prayerful consideration to how you can respond as Jesus’ disciple by filling out your pledge card and returning it to the collection next weekend.

10th Women’s Spirituality Conference, March 12, 2016 St Thomas Moore Parish Center Manhattan, KS. Program “This Will Be Remembered of Her” Stories of Women Reshaping the World. Registration deadline is March 7th. Registration form in back of church on bulletin board.

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.

NOTICE TO ALL PARISHIONERS-

During this Year of Mercy the parish council is considering ways in which our church family can participate in works of mercy. It has been suggested that the parish pledge a percentage of our collections to be given to some charitable causes. The initial thought being that some be given to local causes and some be given to either diocesan projects or worldwide projects. We would like to have a parish meeting after Mass on January 31st to discuss ideas. Please give prayerful consideration to this idea and if you have some projects in mind be ready to share them on the 31st.

PRO-LIFE BABY SHOWER— The Marysville Knights of Columbus will once again be sponsoring a Pro-Life Baby Shower beginning Jan. 31st through the month of February. New maternity or baby items or clothing will be accepted. Also accepting monetary donations. Please leave all donations in the back of church. Question contact John Wienck.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Craig Miller 1/30
Dave Baier 2/1
Madison Richey 2/1
Anthony Edwards 2/2
Luke Toerber 2/3
Marge Zidek 2/4
Alex Nolte 2/5

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 February 6, 6:00 p.m.*

Saturday January 23, 2016 offering:

Lector	
Servers	
Ministers	
Hospitality	Frank & Denise Finan

1/23/2016	Envelope	794.00	
	Plate	52.25	
	Latin America	3.00	
	House Donation	650.00	
	Donation	150.00	
			1649.25

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Altar Society Meeting Dates—

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

Knights of Columbus

Meeting - February 11
Fish Fry - March 18 5:00-7:30

Pro-Life Baby Shower

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting a Pro-Life baby shower beginning December 26 and continuing through the month of January. A crib will be set up in the back of the church for donations of new or used baby or maternity clothing, baby and pregnancy supplies, diapers, baby bottles or formula. Cash donations can be given to Steve O'Shea, Harry Moser, or Jim McCormick.

CHANCE TO WIN FREEZER FULL OF MEAT!

Veronica & Allie Valburg & Grace Suther are attending the Catholic Heart Work Camp 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. Thank you.

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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.

NOTE: Per Best Practice from the Archdiocese. It will be mandatory that all bills be presented to Fr Schmitz for approval. Please email, mail or present your bills to Fr Schmitz for approval. All bills should now be mailed % St Columbkille , 213 E 5th, Frankfort Kansas 66427 or frschmitz@bluevalley.net

Hall Annex: We have raised approximately half of the amount needed for the hall storage addition. The project cost will be around \$36,000 for the structure, with an optional \$3-4,000 for HVAC. Actual costs will be presented when they are known. If you'd like to make a donation, please earmark it in the collection.