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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 liturgies and by
appointment

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Annunciation Parish

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

APRIL 17TH 2016

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Alleluia, He is risen!

**GROWING AS
DISCIPLES:**
Showing Mercy by feeding
the hungry.

Did you know that one in four
kids in Kansas face hunger?

Did you know that Kansas
ranks 49th in feeding children
when school is out?

Did you know that is
unacceptable to me?
And to Catholic Charities as
well. They piloted a program
last summer to feed children,
and it went so well they are
aggressively expanding this
summer. After serving
thousands of meals in
Marysville and Seneca, they
are moving to Rossville,
Topeka, throughout Kansas
City, KS, Emporia, Lawrence,
Shawnee, and even, right here
in Frankfort and Blue Rapids!

Several other pastors are
being asked to host sites as
well.

Catholic Charities food
program runs from June 1st
to July 31 over lunchtime.

The parish is asked to
provide a coordinator, and
then volunteers to hand out
the bagged lunches and
count how many are taken.

I am praying for one person
at each site to be a
coordinator for this
program. The coordinator
attends a training in Topeka
on the morning of May
12th, and then plans which
volunteers will serve on
which days.

Any adult is able to serve;
people under 18 are also
welcome to come and help.

The program is made to be
available 5 days a week, the
only thing that would stop us
from doing so is not having a
volunteer there.

If you're interested in learning
more or helping out with the
ministry of mercy, either as
the coordinator or simply as a
volunteer for as short as one
day, please contact the office.

Thank you for all the ways
you practice mercy, and I pray
we have enough to offer food
five days a week.

ALL ARE INVITED

*Come join us for lunch on
Sunday, April 24th at the
Cigna Center. Serving 11:00 to 1:30
Smoked Pork Chop dinner with all the fixins!
Adults \$10.00 & Children ages 10 & under \$5.00
(A special kids meal available too!)
A Country Store with baked goods & crafts.
All are Welcome!*

Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Notes	Intention
04/18/2016	Monday	Easter Weekday	No a.m. Mass
04/19/2016	Tuesday	Easter Weekday	No a.m. Mass
04/20/2016	Wednesday	10:00 a.m. Mass (Frankfort Care Home)	For Rain
04/21/2016	Thursday	Easter Weekday	+Frances Whistler
04/22/2016	Friday	Easter Weekday	+Lucile Haas
04/23/2016	Saturday	Frankfort 4:00 p. m.	+Ignatius & Dick Noud
04/23/2016	Saturday	Blaine 6:00 p.m.	For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes
04/24/2016	Sunday	Blue Rapids 8:30 a. m.	+Oliver & +Mary Worthington
04/24/2016	Sunday	Frankfort 10:30 a. m.	+Carol Mitchell

Saturday, April 23rd: Annunciation 4:00 pm

Lector	Jean Caffrey
Servers	Jarrett, Samuel, & Hattie Gros
Communion	M. Hazen, R. Broxterman, & W. Gros
Musicians	Jane Sedlacek & Rheta Matson
Ushers	Keith Tilley & Duane Dressman
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Charlie & Rita Broxterman
Sacristan	Pat Brady

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Sunday, April 24th: Annunciation 10:30 am

Lector	Cathy Farrell
Servers	Julia Studer, Sydney Wapp, & Clara Dressman
Communion	P. Maas, C. Hull, & C. Farrell
Musicians	Jeanie Gerstner & Lynn Bramhall
Ushers	Joe Maas & Wayne Mitchell
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Sylvia Wapp
Care Home	Mary Ann Dressman
Sacristan	Pam Suther

This that and the Other...

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS, APRIL 17TH

Pope Francis recently reminded the Church that “the Christian vocation, just like every particular vocation, is born from within the People of God, and is a gift of divine mercy.” The Holy Father reminds all of us to “place our lives at the service of God’s plan.” The entire message is available at www.usccb.org/vocations.

FRANKFORT DEVELOPMENT TRUST BENEFIT BREAKFAST

Today, April 17th. (Cigna Center) Serving 8:00 to 1:00 pm. Biscuits/Gravy, Eggs, Sausage, Bacon, Hash Browns & more. All are welcome!

The Catholic Home Missions

Appeal will take place the weekend of April 24/25 to support home mission dioceses in the United States. Your support helps these dioceses by funding essential ministries, seminary education and lay ministry training. The blessing of seminarians places a financial burden on these dioceses, because educating each seminarian costs \$35-40K per year. Please be generous in this appeal and share your resources to strengthen the Church at home.

NOTICE there will be no Benediction or Adoration on Tuesday, April 19th as Fr. Schmitz will be unavailable.

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

NOTICE TO ALL PARISHIONERS

We will be offering baked items, crafts, handwork, & much more at the Country store on April 24th. All donations appreciated! You may bring donations to the Parish Office or to the Cigna Center the day of the luncheon.

ANNUNCIATION OFFERINGS

April 10, 2016

Envelopes \$2581.51

Plate \$168.55

Total \$2750.06

Other Income

Mass Stipends \$ 10.00

Rice Bowl \$ 55.15

St. M/St. E \$1200.87*

(Fr. Schmitz Feb. sal., insur. util. food, & misc.)

RELIGIOUS ED NOTES— Class for Grades 1-6, on Wednesday, April 20th 2:10-3:10 pm.

Class for Jr./Sr. High on Wednesday, April 20th, 7:00 p.m.

Marriage Minute—In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus offers us eternal happiness, and the doorway to access this eternal life is Mercy. The following is from this year's Good Friday Homily at St Peter's Basilica given by Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa, and it sheds great light on the dignity of the family. "There is only one thing that can truly save the world, mercy! The mercy of God for human beings and the mercy of human beings for each other. In particular, it can save the most precious and fragile thing in the world at this time, marriage and the family." In the family, we have the unique and important opportunity to practice mercy every day. Forgiveness, patience, kindness, service, discipline, and affirmation are simple ways that we express Mercy to one another within the family. Each time we do this, we make God's mercy visible in the world.

Attention! Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2016.

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TEACHING POSTION-

Seeking a Full Time 5th Grade Teacher for the upcoming 2016-17 school year at St. Gregory Catholic School in Marysville, KS. Interested applicants should complete the teacher application process online at www.archkckcs.org. Questions may be directed to Karen Farrell at St. Gregory 562-2831 or email at kfarrell@stgregorychurch.org.

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.celi.org.** Learn more at nftopeka.blogspot.com.

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. Your confidentiality will be respected.

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AXTELL LEGION BREAKFAST-

Sunday, May 1st. Serving 7:00 am to 1:00 pm. Sausage, eggs, pancakes, biscuits/gravy, and hash browns. Free Will Offering. All are welcome!

FR. EARL DEKAT 50TH ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY MASS & LUNCHEON-

On Sunday, June 12, 2016, at St. Joseph's Church, Flush, Fr. Earl Dekat will be celebrating his 50th anniversary as an ordained minister in the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas. Celebration of the Holy Eucharist is at 11:00 a.m. That will be followed by a social hour and dinner in the Parish Center. Anyone is welcome to come. If you do plan to come, email him at earld@carsoncomm.com. The dinner is his gift to you for the great blessing you have been to him. Fr. Earl does not want or expect any gifts. Your presence is the best gift.

LIVING IN LOVE RETREAT-

"We felt like we did when we were first married!" See why over 700 couples in the Archdiocese have experienced the "Living in Love" retreat. Sign up now for the next "Living in Love" retreat held at Mater Dei Parish, Topeka, KS, June 11-12, 2016. Register online at www.archkck.org/LivingInLove or contact Mary Anne Kierl at the Archdiocese at 913-647-0345 for information.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS-

Totus Tuus is coming to Annunciation again this year. Mark July 17th through July 22 on your calendar and plan on attending. Grades 1-6 meet M-F during the day from 9:00 —3:00. Grades 7-12 meet Sunday —Thursday 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Questions contact Pat Brady at 785-396-4396 or Fr. Schmitz.

All youth and families are welcome to join our summer tour – Radiate Mercy –

the weekend of August 13 and 14 featuring Chris Padgett. Events include an adult mini-retreat and luncheon in Seneca Aug 13 morning; family-friendly outdoor youth rally in Horton Aug 13 at 4:00 pm and another outdoor rally in Scipio August 14. Last summer, over 550 youth and adults joined us for inspiration, mass, music, food, and gaga ball. We'd love to welcome YOU this year!

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



Reflecting On Sunday's Readings

In a world noted for divisions between people, Jesus' statement that, "I and the Father are one," stands out in stark contrast. Whereas "oneness" is the hallmark of the Divine relationship, disunity is the hallmark of humankind's relationships. Wherever we look in the world, division and its accompanying hostility is rampant; nation against nation, culture against culture, race against race, party against party, individual against individual, husband against wife, sibling against sibling, child against parent, and unfortunately even Christian against Christian. Everywhere we look people are attempting to establish their value by devaluing others, and to establish their prosperity at the cost of others. In the midst of all this hatred and conflict Jesus stands in stark contrast declaring that unity and oneness define his eternal relationship with the Father. From the beginning Christ offered the world a chance to unite as one, bringing individuals from "every nation, from all tribes and peoples and tongues" into one united body of love. Though Christianity was born from within Judaism, Christ had forever intended to be a "light for the Gentiles" as well. Finally, people who previously would have had little or nothing to do with one another are made "one" in Christ. Jesus did not do this by making the Gentile, Jewish, nor by requiring the Jew to become like the Gentile. Rather, as it points out in Ephesians 2, he brought about this unity by making of the two, one new being. When either Jew or Gentile puts their faith in Christ and accepts salvation through him they become citizens in spirit of a New Kingdom whose benefits and demands require a higher allegiance than any they may have previously held. The Trinity's distinguishing characteristic of unity offers hope of peace to a world of fractured relationships—however the world can only learn the reality of this oneness by observing the unity that exists within his body. Unfortunately, the way Christians relate to one

another is often more of a scandal than a testimony of hope, and often functions as a detour sign rather than a sign post pointing clearly to Christ. The roots of this disunity are planted in the soil of fear, and nourished by the manure of pride and self-righteousness. In disunity our gaze is focused primarily on the differences of others, and upon the supposed perfection of our own position. However, the roots of unity are planted in the Holy Spirit, and nourished by the light of the Father's love and the reality of Christ's passion. Consequently, in everlasting gratitude our gaze should be shifted both from the differences of others and from our supposed perfection. Instead we should focus on Christ's dwelling within the other believer, and on the reality that Jesus values the other members of his body so much that he willingly died for them. To speak and act hatefully toward a believer of a different theological persuasion than our own is to speak and act hatefully towards the temple of the Holy Spirit and is more representative of the Pharisees treatment of Christ than of Christ treatment of us. We collectively are his sheep. We may have wool coats of various colors and textures but his Spirit dwells within each of us, and that is what makes us sheep. Let's determine to hear his voice and follow him, and to not focus on our non-essential differences. In so doing we will both experience and manifest that perfect unity which the Son has with the Father and we will not only provide a living message of hope for the world but also find ourselves more unified in our beliefs. "In effect, this unity bestowed by the Holy Spirit does not merely consist in the gathering of people as a collection of individuals. It is a unity constituted by the bonds of the profession of faith, the sacraments and hierarchical communion. The faithful are one because, in the Spirit, they are in communion with the Son and, in him, share in his communion with the Father. 'Our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ'

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, April 18	First Reading: <u>Acts 11: 1-18</u> Gospel: <u>Jn. 10: 1-10</u>
Tues- day, April 19	First Reading: <u>Acts 11: 19-26</u> Gospel: <u>Jn. 10: 22-30</u>
Wednes- day, April 20	First Reading: <u>Acts 12: 24— 13: 5a</u> Gospel: <u>Jn. 12: 44-50</u>
Thurs- day, April 21	First Reading: <u>Acts 13: 13-25</u> Gospel: <u>Jn. 13: 16-20</u>
Friday, April 22	First Reading: <u>Acts 13: 26-33</u> Gospel: <u>Jn. 14: 1-6</u>
Satur- day, April 23	First Reading: <u>Acts 13:44-52</u> Gospel: <u>Jn. 14: 7-14</u>
Sunday, April 24	1st Reading: <u>Acts. 14: 21-27</u> 2nd Reading: <u>Rev. 21: 1-5a</u> Gospel: <u>Jn. 13: 31-33a, 34-35</u>

(1 John 1:3).”(from Ut Unum Sint by John Paul II).

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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 24th, 8:30 am— +Oliver & +Mary Worthington

April 10, 2016 offerings

Envelopes	\$963.00
Plate	\$139.00
Cath. Miss	\$ 15.00
Flowers	\$ 40.00

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

Ministers of the Mass

Sunday April 24th, 8:30 a.m. St. Monica\St. Elizabeth

Lector	J. Bergkamp
Servers	M. Shanks, A. Toerber, & H. Borgerding
Gifts	Swearingen family
Communion	J. Wienck, H. Borgerding, & S. Toerber
Ushers	J. Bergkamp & S. Toerber

Church Cleaners: April— General Cleaning/All parish members

Sacristan Schedule: April—Jan Bergkamp

Breakfast Committee: May— Altar Society-Graduation/Mother's Day-Men Serve. If you cannot work the month you are assigned then trade with someone.

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

Mark your calendars—Future dates

May 8, Mother's Day & Graduation breakfast
June 19, Father's Day breakfast
October 23 Pork Lion Dinner

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mark Borgerding 4/17
Zita Duensing 4/18
Dewaine Heinen 4/21
Izzie Baier 4/23
Cole Coggins 4/23

ANNIVERSARIES

Loren & Rhonda Wassenberg 4/23
Jimmy & Ruth Tate 4/24

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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.

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



St. Columbkille Parish, Blaine KS

Ministers of the Mass *Saturday April 23, 6:00 p.m.*

Saturday April 9, 2016 offering:

Lector	Bob Murray
Servers	Molly Minihan, Eli Roggenkamp and Brooklyn Plummer
Ministers	Joyce Blaske, Kathy Murray, Natha Manges
Hospitality	

4/9/2016 Envelope	517.00	
Plate	96.75	
Youth Group	125.00	
Ice	18.50	
Rice Bowl	38.72	
		795.97

2016 Church Cleaning Schedule

April 17-23: Religion Classes/Earth Day Community Service

May 8-14: Pat Wulf, Terry McClain, Sherry Quigley

May 22-28: Carol McCormick, Debbie Plummer, Dala Suther

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

St. Columbkille's May Day Celebration

NOTICE

We will be making a new listing starting June 2016 for hospitality/bringing up the gifts to Father. Please let us know **BY May 10th** if you wish to have your name added or deleted from the listing. Thank you.

Natha 785-456-5577 or Pat W. 785-396-4366

Shepherds' Pie Meal

Friday May 8th from 5pm to 7:30pm in the parish hall. Free will donation to benefit the hall annex.

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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.