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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

AUGUST 28 TH 2016

## The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### *Growing as Disciples of Jesus, (Making Disciples For Jesus)*

How nice is it to be invited? It shows people care about you and want you to be part of their lives, whether its for a birthday or anniversary party, a sacramental celebration, or even just to hang out.

Jesus invites each and every one of us to take part in his wedding feast, the wedding feast of the Lamb, and on his terms. He doesn't look for people who are greedy for the honor of sitting next to him (think of his response to James and John wanting to sit at his right and left; inviting them to drink the chalice of suffering!). He looks for people who are **content**.

Being content is one of the greatest of blessings, when we know we have enough, are loved enough, and love enough, that we don't seek out things that in the end, matter no more than a pile of dust.

Humility is the first of keys to open the door to a content life. Humility is the virtue that keeps us from expecting things too great, which then of course keeps us from being disappointed, discouraged, or dejected when we aren't shown honor or given things we otherwise expect to be ours. (For more on this great virtue, see St. Thomas Aquinas' Summa Theologica, II.II, question 161.)

Being humble also makes our invitation much more appealing when we invite others to take part in our Catholic faith. The contentment that comes from possessing what we desire, and not desiring things to great, is very appealing in a world consumed with more more more.

I pray for you, especially that as you invest in up to three people, you have the grace filled humility to be content in this world, and invite others you care about to partake in our faith, leading them to greater humility and contentment finding themselves at the wedding feast of the Lamb.

Yours in Christ through  
Mary,  
Fr. Schmitz

### Teams of Our Lady

Want your marriage to be built up in Christ? Learn more about Teams of our Lady. TOOL gathers like-minded couples monthly for a light meal, sharing, and encouragement in following your vocation the Lord has given you.

Kelly, Corning, and Onaga are in the process of forming a new group, and I'd like to see one form here next spring. Please contact any current member or myself for more information.

# Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Notes	Intention
08/29/2016	Monday	The Passion of St. John the Baptist	No a.m. Mass
08/30/2016	Tuesday	Weekday	+John & +Genitha Horigan
08/31/2016	Wednesday	10:00 am (Frankfort Care Home)	+J. Leo Caffrey
09/01/2016	Thursday	Weekday	Liv/Dec'd Wessel family
09/02/2016	Friday	Weekday	+Mary Armstrong
09/03/2016	Saturday	Frankfort 4:00 p. m.	+Mary Pat Chadwick
09/03/2016	Saturday	Blaine 6:00 p.m.	For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes
09/04/2016	Sunday	Blue Rapids 8:30 a. m.	For Vocations
09/04/2016	Sunday	Frankfort 10:30 a. m.	+Bobby Osterhaus

### Saturday, Sept. 3rd: Annunciation 4:00 pm

Lector	Pat Brady
Servers	Olivia Kennedy & Kaci Vaughn
Communion	P. Brady, M. Hazen, & C. Weyer
Musicians	Jeanie Gerstner & L. Bramhall
Ushers	Ed Brady & Bill Broxterman
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Wilma Harrington
Sacristan	Pat Brady

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### Sunday, Sept. 4th: Annunciation 10:30 am

Lector	Charlie Gerstner
Servers	Aiden & Peyton Gerstner, & Ethan Armstrong
Communion	C. Farrell, I. Dressman, & T. Dressman
Musicians	Marilyn Dressman & Frannie Fangman
Ushers	Eric Gerstner & Maurice Bergman
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Gerald Gerstner & Ivan Dressman
Care Home	Mary Ann Dressman
Sacristan	Cathy Farrell

## *This that and the Other...*

**CCD NOTES**— Grade School classes will begin at **3:40** on Wednesday, Sept. 7th. (**New time this year**).

**REGISTRATION** for CCD students will be after masses on Saturday, 8/27 and Sunday, 8/28. Fees are \$15.00 per student or \$40.00 for 3 or more students per family. You may also drop your fees in the collection basket with names and mark it “CCD fees”.

**Please stop by & sign the bus transportation forms which are located in the back of church. All grade school CCD students will need a signed form before they can ride the bus.**

### **5th GRADE CCD TEAM**

**LEADER NEEDED**— Come join our team of faith sharers & become a catechist! Not only will you be able to share your faith, but you will help your own faith grow. We can not do **HIS** work without you! Please prayerfully consider this ministry. Contact Fr. Schmitz or Jan Stallbaumer at 292-4787.

### **Jr/Sr. High Kick-Off night**

— Wednesday, September 7th at 7:00 pm . All 7th through 12th grade students welcome. Invite your friends!

### **SIGN UP SHEET IN THE BACK**

**OF CHURCH**—Would you and some friends be able to provide a meal for the Jr/Sr. High Religious Ed. Classes & Team Leaders? Will need food for approximately 55-65 people. Questions contact Cathy Joseph at 564-0864 or Fr. Schmitz.

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

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

## **ANNUNCIATION OFFERINGS**

**August 21, 2016**

Envelopes \$1136.78

Plate \$209.00

Total \$1345.78

### **Other Income**

Mass Stipends \$ 20.00

Picnic \$ 100.00

**NOTE OF THANKS**— Thank you to everyone who participated in the Kelly Youth Rally. There were approximately 35 students/sponsors who attended this year. Many thanks to Rheta for transportation arrangements and thank you to the sponsors as well.

### **STS. PETER & PAUL, SENECA, KS**

Annual Church Picnic, Sunday, September 4th. Serving begins at 4:30 p.m. Roast Beef dinner with all the trimmings. Lunch Stand on the grounds. Games for All!

### **BREAKFAST AT STS. PETER & PAUL,**

**SENECA**- Biscuits and Gravy (with all the trimmings) on Sunday, September 18 from 7:00 AM - 1:00 PM at Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Hall. Free will offering. Proceeds will go to Fr. Arul's orphanage in India and also to the School for the Deaf he is supporting in India.

### **ANNUNCIATION PARISH**

#### **ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC**

**Sunday, September 25th** with new

serving hours of 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Roast Beef dinner with all the trimmings. Inflatable Slide & train rides with games for all ages, Cake Walk, Quilt Raffle, & Raffle for Prizes. Mark your calendars and plan to join us!

**SILENT AUCTION ITEMS**— We are once again asking for donations of handmade items, pies, cinnamon rolls, or any other item for the Silent Auction at the Annual Church Picnic. Questions you may contact Pat Brady at 396-4396.

#### **ANNUNCIATION CHURCH PICNIC**

**ASSESSMENT**-Your \$50.00 Church Picnic Assessment is now due. You may place it in the special envelope marked "Picnic Donation" found in your envelope packet. The Church Picnic Assessment helps pay for the annual Cathedral fee to the Archdiocese which this year was \$5,371.00 and is 5% of our Ordinary Collections & Other Contributions during the fiscal year. Picnic Assessments received thus far are \$1,555.00.

### **Virtus Training for Volunteers A**

"Virtus—Protecting God's Children" training session for anyone who has contact with children will be held on Sunday, September 11th, from 1:00-4:00 at St. Gregory's in the school art/science room. The class will be given by registered facilitator Maria Seematter. To register for the class please go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org).

**Marriage Minute** - What is the opposite of love? If you said hate, you're probably in agreement with most people, but John Paul II had a different opinion. He wrote that love's opposite is use. In today's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples to examine their intentions as they invite guests to a party. Did they invite someone only to get an invite in return? It may seem strange, but even in marriage, we need to guard against using one another. We can check the purity of our intentions by asking ourselves, - Am I performing a kind act in order to get a specific response from my spouse? - Is this action coming from a joyful heart, or out of a desire to not "be in the doghouse?" - Do I keep track of good deeds, words or even intimacy? If you find you answered "yes," ask Jesus to purify your intentions.

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**FISHING DERBY**— Today, August 28th, 1:00 pm at the Seematter Family Pond. All kids up to college age are invited. Hot dogs will be served. Prizes will be awarded.

### **Jr/Sr High Leader Meeting**

Wednesday, August 31st at 7:00 pm at the Parish House.

### **CRISIS CENTER, Manhattan, KS**

Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Workshop/Volunteer training, Saturday, Sept. 10th & Saturday, Sept. 17th., 9:00 to 5:00 pm. In order to volunteer for their agency it is required to attend both sessions. Registration fee is \$15.00. For details, training location & to reserve your spot call 785-539-7935 or contact us via e-mail [ccivc@att.net](mailto:ccivc@att.net) The Crisis Center serves Clay, Geary, Marshall, Pottawatomie and Riley Counties and Fort Riley.

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING**— Learn about Catholic teaching on responsible parenthood and Natural Family Planning. Visit US Conference of Catholic Bishops NFP Program's website at <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/natural-family-planning>.

### **Pregnancy Counseling and Adoption**

is the founding program of Catholic Charities that continues today. Confidential pregnancy support services are available free of charge to all those facing an unintended pregnancy regardless of marital status, age, race or faith. For those who have longed to adopt a child, Catholic Charities is a leader in nationally accredited adoption services providing the expertise, experience and honest answers throughout the adoptive experience. For more information, contact Heather Roberts at 913-433-2063 or [hroberts@catholiccharitiesks.org](mailto:hroberts@catholiccharitiesks.org)

### **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 Good Shepherd Parish, Shawnee, KS, September 17-18, 2016. A flyer is attached. Register online at [www.archkck.org/LivingInLove](http://www.archkck.org/LivingInLove) or contact Mary Anne Kierl at the Archdiocese at 913-647-0345 for information.

### **FACE TO FACE RURAL CATHOLIC YOUTH**

**CONFERENCE for 9th-12th graders** November 19-20 at the Capitol Plaza Hotel & Convention Center in Topeka, KS. Fee is \$110 per person which includes full conference access, meals, overnight accommodations & t-shirt. Please register ASAP. See flyer in the back of church.

**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 the early 1980's a Christian friend of mine enrolled in and attended several weeks of "assertiveness training." Frustrated with some of his organizational relationships he thought that if he could simply learn to communicate his thoughts and desires more clearly and forcefully that he could change his organizational dynamics. Though this training may be valuable, after two decades of observation it seems to have had little positive affect. In this week's Gospel account of Jesus' ministry he seems to have had a different approach to life. Rather than recommending that we assert ourselves and our desires Jesus recommends that we assert our humility. Humility is an interesting word, it comes from the root word humus which refers to decayed vegetation, like that which is underfoot when we walk in the woods. It is not very impressive, and certainly not assertive, but through it the soil is enriched, and from it fertile life springs forth. So it is with humility. The humble person is often overlooked and taken for granted but from their life of humble service great things spring forth. In the end the humble person is always exalted, perhaps not always by the unknowing masses, but always by a knowing and loving Father. Mother Theresa is a great example of a Christian who served with humility, and who never sought the higher seat of recognition. Humus very aptly describes her life, living and serving the poorest of the poor, the rejects of society, literally in the dirt and slime of India's slums. Driven solely by a desire to serve Christ and the poorest of the poor she was honored by both the secular and the church worlds, granted honorary degrees, awarded the 1979 Noble Peace Prize, feted by kings, queens, political dignitaries, and popes, yet her humility remained intact. Mother Teresa's response to all these honors was, "I don't know why universities and colleges are conferring titles on me. I never know whether I should accept or not; it means nothing

to me. But it gives me a chance to speak of Christ to people who otherwise may not hear of him." (from Mother Teresa by Kathryn Spink) She spent a lifetime asserting the humility of which Jesus spoke and though often invited to the head table and the place of honor she did not esteem the invitation a big deal. Out of humility she delighted only in pleasing her Lord, and serving him by serving the poorest of the poor. "Observe a tree, how it first tends downwards, that it may then shoot forth upwards. It fastens its root low in the ground that it may send forth its top toward heaven. Is it not from humility that it endeavors to rise? But without humility it will not attain to higher things. You are wanting to grow up into the air without a root. Such is not growth, but a collapse." (Augustine, as quoted in the Ancient Christian Commentary on Scripture, Vol. XI) Each day of our lives we are faced with decisions about whether to assert ourselves or to humble ourselves. Whether it is "assertiveness training" or some other philosophy of the world, they all boil down to recommending that we assert self. In the midst of these philosophies Jesus says humble yourself. If we follow the world's philosophies we may secure some degree of recognition and material improvement, however with it we will also secure an emptiness that does not satisfy. Nor will we find freedom from the feeling that, if we don't assert our self people will not give us the honor we deserve. Following Jesus into a life of humility provides the immediate reward of receiving his approval, and the long range reward of watching him and others exalt us. The rewards of humility are great, but the greatest reward is the Savior's approval of a life devoted to him rather than to self serving.

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## Daily Mass Readings

Monday, Aug 29	First Reading: <u>1 Cor. 2: 1-5</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 6: 17-29</u>
Tues- day, Aug 30	First Reading: <u>1 Cor. 2: 10b-16</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 4: 31-37</u>
Wednes- day, Aug 31	First Reading: <u>1 Cor. 3: 1-9</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 4: 38-44</u>
Thurs- day, Sept. 1	First Reading: <u>1 Cor. 3: 18-23</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 5: 1-11</u>
Friday, Sept. 2	First Reading: <u>1 Cor. 4: 1-5</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 5: 33-39</u>
Satur- day, Sept. 3	First Reading: <u>1 Cor. 4: 6b-15</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 6: 1-5</u>
Sunday, Sept. 4	1st Reading: <u>Wis. 9: 13-18b</u> 2nd Reading: <u>Phlm. 9-10, 12-17</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 14: 25-33</u>

Looking for a way of praying consistently, and praying with and for others? [www.praymorenovenas.com](http://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

Sept. 4th, 8:30 am – For Vocations

## Ministers of the Mass

Sunday Sept. 4th, 8:30 a.m. St. Monica\St. Elizabeth

August 21, 2016 offerings

Envelopes	\$420.00
Plate	\$142.25

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

<b>Lector</b>	S. Toerber
<b>Servers</b>	O. Skalla, K. Skalla, & C. Toerber
<b>Gifts</b>	Heinen family
<b>Communion</b>	J. Bachura, N. Hirt, & S. Toerber
<b>Ushers</b>	D. Heinen & H. Borgerding

**Church Cleaners: September**– Norma Hirt  
**Sacristan Schedule: September**— Norma Hirt

**Altar Society** will not have an August meeting. Next meeting will be September 21, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. Plans for our pork loin dinner October 23 will be finalized.

Altar Society election of officers will be held at the October 20, 2016 meeting.

### Mark your calendars—Future date

October 23 Pork Loin Dinner

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday 12:00 to 5:00 p.m.** The Adoration Group would like to invite more parishioners to come join them in the peace & blessings of Adoration.

**Virtus Training for Volunteers** A “Virtus—Protecting God’s Children” training session for anyone who has contact with children will be held on Sunday, September 11th, from 1:00-4:00 at St. Gregory’s in the school art/science room. The class will be given by registered facilitator Maria Seematter. To register for the class please go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org).

**Are you new to the Parish?** New members please contact Zita Duensing at 785-363-7456; or email is [zituduensing@att.net](mailto:zituduensing@att.net). to get your names in the parish records. **Notice to all parishioners—If you have a change of address or change of phone numbers, please contact Zita Duensing.**

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Matt Borgerding 8/29
- John Schreiner 9/1
- Kiana Skillin 9/1
- Rob Swearingen 9/1
- Cade Zidek 9/2
- Dana Baier 9/3
- Steve Carlson 9/3

### ANNIVERSARIES

- Mary & Carl Dixon 9/6





# St. Columbkille Parish, Blaine KS

**Ministers of the Mass** *Saturday Sept. 3, 6:00 p.m.*

<b>Lector</b>	Lisa Moser
<b>Servers Cross Bearer</b>	Eva and Rebecca Krohn Maria Krohn
<b>Ministers</b>	H. Moser, E. Hofman, & K. Suther
<b>Hospitality</b>	Steve & Karen Lundberg

**Saturday August 20, 2016 offering:**

8/20/2016	Envelope	458.00	
	Plate	67.00	
			525.00

**Virtus Training for Volunteers** A “Virtus—Protecting God’s Children” training session for anyone who has contact with children will be held on Sunday, September 11th, from 1:00-4:00 at St. Gregory’s in the school art/science room. The class will be given by registered facilitator Maria Seematter. To register for the class please go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org).

**Altar Society Meeting** September 26th at 7:00 p.m.

**2016 Church Cleaning Schedule**

Aug. 21-27: Connie Cusimano, Karen Suther, Micki Suther  
 Sept. 4-10: Joyce Blaske, Jennifer Blaske, Peggy Muller, Elaine Hofman  
 Sept. 18-24: Sally Olson, Lisa Moser, Ruth Bergmann

**Server Schedule**

Aug 27<sup>th</sup> Molly Minihan, Ethan Karnes  
 Cross Bearer Malea Karnes  
 Sep 3<sup>rd</sup> Eva and Rebecca Krohn  
 Cross Bearer Maria Krohn  
 Sep 10<sup>th</sup> Brooklyn and Dylan Plummer  
 Cross Bearer Devin Plummer  
 Sep 17<sup>th</sup> Allie Valburg and Eli Roggenkamp  
 Cross Bearer Jarritt Martens

**Great Finds on 99 Garage Sale.** The Altar Society is looking for a volunteer to coordinate the Garage Sale this year. The Altar Society will provide the food for the sale, but want someone else to organize the garage sale. Last year profits from the garage sale netted \$1,500 for the church so I would like someone to volunteer for this job.  
**Fr. Schmitz**

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**— every Friday 11:00 to 2:00 pm. All Parishioners are invited to drop in when they can to share in the peace & blessings of Adoration.

**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.

**Religious Education sign up:** Grades 1-12<sup>th</sup> interested in religious Education, please sign up in the back of church. The intention will be to have a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade classes. The Junior High and High School age students will be participating in the Y-disciple program. All classes will occur on Wednesday night. Junior High and High school will gather in separate groups. The projected start date is September 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Religious Education teachers needed.** Currently we are in need of teachers for 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Sally Olson if you could volunteer your time in this capacity. 785-410-7760 or [solson@vet.ksu.edu](mailto:solson@vet.ksu.edu).  
 Thanks, Sally