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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.

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

O C T O B E R 4 T H 2 0 I 5

# Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

#### **MARRIAGE**

The Bible study we'll do soon is based upon the covenants God made with us, leading up to the new and eternal covenant. A covenant is something special: its making an oath that makes another person kin, family. You don't do that with just anybody and everybody. Blood is usually involved to seal the covenant, whether it is the blood of bulls with the Mosaic covenant, the circumcision of the males with Abraham's covenant, and of course, the blood of Christ sealing the new and eternal covenant.

God made marriage a covenant between a husband and wife, the two become one flesh, one family. Its so strong that it changes names. It

too can be seen to be sealed in blood, as when marriage is consummated between virgins.

Marriage is made to be a covenant that reveals the love of God in our flesh. The Bible begins, ends, and all throughout uses marriage (and the way marriage fails) to teach us about God's love for 115.

Many assaults are made on the three goods of marriage, the three primary ways marriage is a reflection of God's love for us: permanence, faithfulness, and fruitfulness. I'll preach on each of them in due season. If you have any pressing concerns about the hot topics of today, please ask about them.

#### Serra Club

TO compliment marriage, God gives the gift of celibacy for the sake of the kingdom, so that some of us will both follow St. Paul's advice about being concerned with things of the Lord and be a sign of what Heaven is worth. If you have interest in supporting those who want to make that choice through the Serra Club of Nemaha/Marshall Region, please come to an informational night at Sts. Peter and Paul parish on Nov 1.

Yours in Christ through Mary,

Fr. Schmitz

#### Questions from the 1st Reading/Gospel/Homily

- 1st of the month: how is your spiritual game plan going? Need a tune up? 1.
- How can children strengthen a marriage?
- Do you have a neighbor in a tough marriage that you can help carry their cross, make their burden a little easier?

# Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Notes	Intention
10/05/2015	Monday	Weekday	No a.m. Mass
10/06/2015	Tuesday	Weekday	No a.m. Mass
10/07/2015	Wednesday	Our Lady of the Rosary	No Care Home Mass
10/08/2015	Thursday	Weekday	No a.m. Mass
10/09/2015	Friday	Weekday	No a.m. Mass
10/10/2015	Saturday	Frankfort 4:00 p. m.	For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes
10/10/2015	Saturday	Blaine 6:00 p.m.	+Betty Bonjour
10/11/2015	Sunday	Blue Rapids 8:30 a.m.	Special Intention
10/11/2015	Sunday	Frankfort 10:30 a. m.	+Roy Seematter

#### Saturday, October 10th: Annunciation 4:00 pm

Lector	Pat Brady
Servers	Jarett & Samuel Gros, & Carson Schreiner
Communion	P. Brady, M. Kennedy, & W. Gros
Musicians	Jane, Rheta, & Denise S.
Ushers	Phil Maas & Jim Roeder
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Ed & Pat Brady
Sacristan	Marybeth Kennedy

#### Sunday, October 11th: Annunciation 10:30 am

Lector	Cathy Farrell
Servers	Spencer & Grace Dressman, & Clara Dressman
Communion	C. Farrell, T. Dressman, & L. Dressman
Musicians	Jeanie Gerstner & Lynn B.
Ushers	Don Engelken & Myron Dressman
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Kay Mitchell
Care Home	Mary Ann Dressman
Sacristan	Theresa Dressman

## This that and the Other...

BIBLE STUDY NOTES— Class for the Bible Study begins on Thursday, October, 15th, 7:00 pm in the Cigna Center. Fee for the workbook is \$20 per person/couple. There will be 9 sessions and class time will be approximately one hour. Bring your Bible with you.

<u>Visit formed.org</u> for faith enrichment opportunities! Parish code X82TT6

NOTICE—There will be no Benediction or Adoration on Tuesday, October 6th or October 13th as Fr. Schmitz will be unavailable.

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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Fridays, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

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

## WHAT IS SERRA?

Serra is the Global Lay Apostolate for Vocations in the Catholic Church Serra Club Mission:

To Foster, Promote and Affirm Vocations to Priesthood and Religious Life and through this ministry further our club member's Catholic faith. See front cover for more information.

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> to Franklin Ray Mitchell son of Andy and Brooke Mitchell who was baptized at Annunciation Church this weekend.

#### ANNUNCIATION OFFERINGS September 27, 2015

Envelopes \$785.00 Plate \$148.00 Total \$933.00

#### **Other Income**

 Leaven
 \$ 140.00

 Mass Stipends
 \$ 105.00

 Religious Ed.
 \$ 90.00

 Insurance
 \$ 255.00

## RELIGIOUS ED NOTES—Class, Grades 1-6, Wed. Oct. 7th, 2:10 –3:10

pm. Fees are \$15.00 per student.

<u>Jr/Sr. High Religious Ed</u>—Class, October 7th, 7:00 –8:15 p.m. Fees are \$15.00 per student. Please make checks payable to Annunciation Parish.

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#### **HOLY FAMILY, SUMMERFIELD,**

KS- Fall Bazaar, Sunday, October 4th. Turkey, Dressing & Trimmings. Serving 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Country Store & Chance book drawing. Everyone Welcome!

ST. BEDE'S KELLY, KS— Soup Supper, Sunday, October 11th. Serving 4:00-7:00 pm Chili, chicken noodle soup, vegetable beef soup ham sandwiches, hot dogs, pie & cake. Free Will Offering! Games & More...

# BEATTIE METHODIST CHURCH SUPPER— Tuesday, October 13th. Serving starts at 4:30. Scalloped Chicken & Ham, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Chicken & Noodles, Corn, Green beans & turnips, homemade salads & pie. \$8.00 per person. Take outs available.

SACRED HEART, PAXICO—Sunday, October 25th. Home Smoked German Sausage Buffet. Serving 12:00 to 3:30 pm. Bingo/Games/ Raffles & Silent Auction. All are welcome!

#### **RETREAT OPPORTUNITY-**

Therese of Lisieux, Doctor of the Church, Mystic, Saint. The day will be spent with talks, a guided meditation, showing of a DVD, and personal sharing. Presented by Sister Sheila Carroll, OSB. Fee is \$55 per person. Saturday, October 10th, held at the Sophia Center, 751 S. 8th, Atchison, KS. Please register by October 1st. See brochure in back of church.

#### BOB FISHERS' SECRETS OF SHOOTING BASKETBALL CLINIC

Oct. 11, 2015 at Frankfort High School.

Grades 4th & 5th will be from 1:00 to 2:30. Grades 6th, 7th, & 8th will be from 3:00 to 4:30. Fee per student is \$25.00. Pick up a registration form in the back of church or register online at

www.annunciationfrankfort.org All proceeds will benefit Annunciation Church.

#### MASS OF INNOCENTS

Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann will celebrate Mass in honor of our children that were lost before or shortly after birth on Sunday, October 11, 2015, 3:00pm, at Cure of Ars Parish, 9401 Mission Rd., Leawood, KS. Parents, family members and friends all welcome to attend. Questions? Call Mary Anne at 913-647-0345

#### **NOTICE-**

Rehearsals for this year's Axtell Ecumenical Christmas
Cantata will be at Salem Lutheran
Church at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday
evenings, beginning October
4. Stan Murphy will direct "What
Child Is This?" by Joel Raney, with
Lisa Broxterman serving as
accompanist. For more information,
contact Jolene Ekstrum at 785-3826330 or Pastor Matthew Durance at
785-736-2810. Anyone who enjoys
singing is welcome!

<u>Frankfort Food Pantry</u>—Please help us support our local food pantry. There is a basket in the back of church to drop off non-perishable food items.

#### 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 date in 2015 is: **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

**PROJECT ANDREW**: A Vocation Evening for Young Men Archbishop Naumann is hosting a free, informative vocation evening for single men in high school, college and the workplace. Learn how Christ personally calls men to experience joy and fulfillment, and how to discover your vocation. Meet inspiring priests, pray Vespers with Archbishop Naumann, ask him questions, and have a great dinner with other guys. Parents are also invited for their own informative session. Choose the most convenient evening. Both are 4-7pm. Sunday, Oct. 18 – St. Joseph, Shawnee Sunday, Oct. 25 – Christ the King, Topeka To complete the required registration, visit kckvocations.com. Or email vocation@archkck.org, or contact your pastor as soon as possible.

#### END OF LIFE PLANNING

PRESENTATION Tuesday, Oct 6 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm St. Matthew Parish Hall 2700 SE Virginia Topeka, KS 66605 End of Life planning will be discussed from multiple perspectives: theological, human, medical, legal, and moral. Topics covered include: - Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care Decisions -Advance Directives - Medically-assisted nutrition and hydration - Palliative Care, pain management, hospice - Morally optional & morally obligatory - Burden vs. benefit Presented by Ron Kelsey, Pro -Life Consultant Archdiocese of Kansas City in KS Attendees will receive free Advance Directives.



# Reflecting On Sunday's Readings

Even in my short lifetime attitudes regarding divorce have been turned upside down. Not too long ago divorce was avoided and was entered into only as a last resort, and then with shame and regret. Today divorce is commonplace and sometimes even brazenly celebrated. Coupled with this change in attitude has come unashamed willingness to live together before, and without marriage, and have children outside of marriage, even among some Catholic Christians. We should not be surprised that marriage is under attack, for out of all of life Jesus chose marriage as the image that best illustrates his relationship with those he died to redeem. So in a very real sense Christian marriage is an icon of Jesus Christ. An icon is a visible representation of an eternal truth. Consequently, when a Christian couple's marriage is constant and true in spite of life's difficulties and storms, people will look at them and conclude that Jesus' love is also constant and true. Conversely, when two Christians give up on their partner either out of selfishness, or from despair, and dissolve their marriage, people will look at them and conclude that Jesus' love is also dissolvable. That is why we must stem the tide of failed marriages, even while we extend arms of grace and love to those who have experienced divorce. Surprisingly, the place to stem the tide is not merely with marriage counseling, though that is vital and important for couples currently in the midst of problems. We must stem the tide by changing the cultural mores regarding marriage and divorce prior to dating, engagement, and marriage. Someone has said, "healthy people make healthy marriages." This simple statement strikes at the heart of the problem. Unless each individual in the marriage partnership, is independently committed to following Jesus Christ at all cost, and committed to life-long growth in Christ and practical application of his truths and character to their life, it is doubtful that a healthy

Christian marriage will ensue. For marriage unites two imperfect individuals, who bring into their marriage not only their assets and gifts but also their faults, flaws, and woundedness. Only Christianity provides the values, principles, and the power to live as one ought to live in a godly relationship between two imperfect people. Consequently, to stem the tide of divorce we must begin by being and developing life-long disciples through Christian formation. By being a life-long disciple we ourselves will be on a positive growth curve of spirituality, learning to live as we ought to with our mates, and with the people in our world. This by itself becomes a powerful teaching example to the coming generations. However, we need to go a step further by encouraging and inviting our children, family, and friends to join us in a life of discipleship and formation. Marriage is too important as a sacrament and sign of Jesus' love to allow its meaning to degenerate into a temporary, meaningless arrangement. "This is where Christian marriage differs from non-Christian marriage. For Christians, marriage like all of life, is not simply concerned with what we personally can figure out, but should be concerned with re-configuring our beliefs and behavior to conform to what is Christ's good and perfect will, rather than our own opinion. "The best preparation for being a godly husband or wife is to major on being the kind of person to whom God would gladly entrust in marriage the life of one of his choicest sons or daughters. Individuals who devote their life to following God and growing as his disciple and who cultivate a heart devoted to pleasing Christ in all things will be wonderfully prepared to take on the responsibilities of being a godly spouse."

#### Daily Mass Readings

Monday,	First Reading: <u>Jon. 1: 1—2: 2,</u>
October	<u>11</u>
5	Gospel: <u>Lk. 10: 25-37</u>
Tues- day, October 6	First Reading: Jon. 3:1-10 Gospel: Lk. 10: 38-42
Wednesday,	First Reading: Jon. 4: 1-11
October	Gospel: <u>Lk. 11: 1-4</u>
Thurs- day, October 8	First Reading: Mal. 3: 13-20b Gospel: Lk. 11: 5-13
Friday, October 9	First Reading: <u>Jl. 1: 13-15; 2: 1</u> <u>-2</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 11: 15-26</u>
Saturday,	First Reading: <u>Jl. 4: 12-21</u>
October	Gospel: <u>Lk. 11: 27-28</u>
Sunday,	1st Reading: Wis. 7: 18-24
October	2nd Reading: Heb. 2: 9-11
11	Gospel: Mk. 10: 2-16



# St. Monica\St. Elizabeth, Blue Rapids



## Calendar and Mass Intention

October 11th, 8:30 am— Special Intention

#### September 27, 2015 offerings

Envelopes	\$352.00
Plate	\$203.00
Insurance	\$ 70.00
Church Stand	\$1200.00
Hall Rent	\$ 250.00

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

#### Ministers of the Mass

Sunday October 11, 8:30 a.m. St. Monica\St. Elizabeth

Lector	S. Toerber
Servers	E. Toerber, C. Toerber, & S. Lees
Gifts	Seleska Family
Communion	H. Borgerding, R. Nugent, & S. Henry
Ushers	D. Baier & M. Rowe

Church Cleaners: October - Roxanne Nugent & Sadie Pojan

Sacristan Schedule: October—Jan Bergkamp

Breakfast Committee: October—Henry & Marilyn Borgerd-

ing, Jeremy & Beth Bachura

**SAVE THE DATE:** Fall Community Dinner! Oct 25th, from 11a-1p at the parish hall. Pre-ordering meals to go is available. Please contact the office, 292-4462, to reserve yours today. More information to come.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Fridays 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**

Jimmy Tate 10/4 Henry Bachura 10/8 **ANNIVERSARIES** 

Rob & Karen Swearingen 10/11

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Thank you to John Bergkamp and Craig Miller for their service on the Parish Council. New parish council members are Scott Toerber and John Wienck.

Volunteers needed to clean and organize the church basement on October 24th at 9:00 a.m. Many hands will make light work.

**NOTE FOR BREAKFAST COMMITTEES-** If you are unable serve breakfast in your group, please find someone to fill in for you. Many hands make light work.



# St. Columbkille Parish, Blaine KS

# Ministers of the Mass Saturday October 11, 6:00 p.m.

#### Saturday September 26, 2015 offering

Lector	Todd Sheppard
Servers	
Ministers	Charlene Sheppard, Frank Finan, Mark Cusimano
Hospitality	Shane O'Shea & Family

9/26/2015 Envelope	651.00	
Plate	114.00	
Insurance	50.00	
Leaven	63.00	
Hall Rent	100.00	
		978.00

<u>Altar Society Meeting Dates</u>—All meetings at 7:00 pm October 26, 2015 November 23, 2015

#### **Knights of Columbus**

Pancake Breakfast -- The pancake breakfast scheduled for October 10th has been cancelled until a later date.

#### **Knights of Columbus**

Meeting - October 8, 2015

#### Parish Groups

The group listings of our parish, which are St. Anne, St. Bridget and St. Monica, are in need of restructuring. The Altar Society would like to discuss this process at our November meeting. If you would like to give us your input and ideas as to how best this might be accomplished, please join us on November 23, 2015 @ 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. All are welcome to attend.

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# WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS to Shannon

O'Shea and Clint Stueve who were married at St. Columbkille Church this weekend. Proud parents are Steve and Kellie O'Shea and Randy and Romona Stueve. Many blessings as you begin your married life together!

The Altar Society would like to thank all the people who volunteered their time, their treasurers, their treats and their talents to make the annual Fabulous Finds on 99 a huge success.

The November Altar Society pancake feed has been postponed to a later date.