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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 liturgies and by
appointment

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Annunciation Parish

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

FEBRUARY 19TH 2017

The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Growing as Disciples of Jesus, Making Disciples For Jesus

This week in Catholic History: **Blesseds Jacinta and Francisco Marto** Between May 13 and October 13, 1917, three children, Portuguese shepherds received apparitions of Our Lady at Cova da Iria, near Fatima, a city north of Lisbon. At that time, Europe was involved in WWI. Portugal itself was in political turmoil, having overthrown its monarchy in 1910; the government disbanded religious organizations soon after.

At the first appearance, Mary asked the children to return to that spot on the thirteenth of each month for the next six months. She also asked them to pray the rosary "to obtain peace for the world and the end of the war." They were to pray for sinners and for the

conversion of Russia, which had recently overthrown Czar Nicholas II and was soon to fall under communism. Up to 90,000 people gathered for Mary's final apparition on October 13, 1917.

Less than two years later, Francisco died of influenza in his family home. Jacinta died of influenza in Lisbon, offering her suffering for the conversion of sinners, peace in the world, and the Holy Father. Their cousin, Lucia dos Santos, became a Carmelite nun and was still living when Jacinta and Francisco were beatified in 2000. Sister Lucia died five years later. The shrine of Our Lady of Fatima is visited by 20 million people a year.

This May marks the 100th anniversary of Our Lady appearing to them, and

it continues to bear good fruit throughout the world. We will have the National Pilgrim Statue visit Frankfort this May 3rd, with its custodian offering a little talk after Mass that day and being available throughout for anyone wishing to learn more.

Joyful Marriage Project: For those of you reading this on Saturday, one local opportunity to add some joy to life through your marriage is at 2nd Street tonight, the 18th of February. Teams of Our Lady is hosting a dinner and social hour for all current members and all couples interested in learning more, and then later in the evening a dance with music played by the Schmitz Blitz band and their country music.

Local Marriage Recharge Opportunity

Sunday, March 5th, St. Gregory's is hosting a 4-hr 'Recharge' Retreat. These retreats are put on by Brad and Libby DuPont of the Marriage and Family Life office. Recharge is a four-hour marriage enrichment retreat that captures a few of the concepts found in "Living in Love" and "Living in Love Everyday". It's perfect for couples who have difficulty finding babysitting for a whole weekend, who want to experience a taste of the weekend, or who would like a refresher from their own weekend. Please RSVP to Marilyn for Brad and Libby to know how many supplies to bring.

Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Notes	Intention
02/20/2017	Monday	Weekday	No a.m. Mass
02/21/2017	Tuesday	St. Peter Damian	+Albert Maas
02/22/2017	Wednesday	10:00 am (Care Home)	+Earl & +Maggie Lauer
02/23/2017	Thursday	St. Polycarp	Health of Dan Gerstner
02/24/2017	Friday	Weekday	+Ed Dressman
02/25/2017	Saturday	Frankfort 4:00 p. m.	Fr. Jim Shaughnessy
02/25/2017	Saturday	Blaine 6:00 p.m.	+Leroy & +Betty Stewart
02/26/2017	Sunday	Blue Rapids 8:30 a. m.	+Kate Dobrovolny
02/26/2017	Sunday	Frankfort 10:30 a. m.	For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes

Saturday, Feb. 25th: Annunciation 4:00 pm

Lector	Pat Brady
Servers	Jarett, Samuel, & Hattie Gros
Communion	R. Broxterman, W. Gros, & M. Kennedy
Musicians	Janes S. & Lynn B.
Ushers	Jim Roeder & Roy Miller
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Marybeth Kennedy
Sacristan	Jean Caffrey

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Sunday, Feb. 26th: Annunciation 10:30 am

Lector	Cathy Farrell
Servers	Julia Studer, Sydney Wapp, & Ethan Armstrong
Communion	C. Farrell, T. Dressman, & C. Stallbaumer
Musicians	Moogie R., Denise S., & Rheta M.
Ushers	Eric Gerstner & Bob Mitchell
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Sylvia Wapp
Care Home	Jan Stallbaumer
Sacristan	Elma Mitchell

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SHARE— Your gift to the Archbishop's Call to Share is still needed! Thank you to all who have responded to the needs of our Church in northeastern Kansas through the 2017 Archbishop's Call to Share appeal. One person or parish could not possibly accomplish all that needs to be done for over 40 ministries and services of the Archbishop's Call to Share. Giving is a Holy Act! As of 2/12/2017 we have 27% of our parishioners participating. Please give today! Our parish goal is \$8,424.00

Adoration, Benediction, and Rosary on Tuesdays, 7:00 pm

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

ALTAR SOCIETY NOTES— Your 2017 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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY— Friday, March 31st, 5:00 to 8:00 pm.

DON JACOBSON FAMILY

BENEFIT MEAL Today, February 19th, at Vermillion School serving from 11 am – 1:30 pm. A free will offering for roast beef dinner will be accepted. Donations of salad and desserts are appreciated. An account has been set up at 1st Heritage Bank in Centralia, Kansas, P. O. Box 188, for donations. Also, clothing for Larry Jacobson is being collected at Dutch's Place in Vermillion, Kansas. Sizes are 32X34, boot size 10 and shirts/coats size Large. Rheta Matson is chairperson and her contact number is 785-799-7496.

ANNUNCIATION OFFERINGS

February 12, 2017

Envelopes \$1012.40

Plate \$172.86

Total \$1185.26

Other Income

Latin America \$ 11.00

Mass Stipends \$ 10.00

Fuel \$ 60.00

OFFICE CLOSED— The Annunciation Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 20th in observance of the President's Day holiday.

CCD NOTES—

Class Grades 1-6 Wed., Feb. 22nd, 3:40 to 5:00 pm.

Class Grades 7-12, Wed., Feb. 22nd, 7:00 pm

HELP WANTED — Would you and some friends be able to provide a light meal for the Jr/Sr High Religious Ed. Class & team leaders? Will need food for approximately 50-60 people. Dates that volunteers are needed are April 19th, April 26th, and May 3rd (May 3rd is the year end party). If you would like to volunteer please contact Cathy Joseph at 785-564-0864.

SAVE THE DATE— Totus Tuus at Annunciation — Jr/Sr High begins Sun. June 4 through Thurs. June 8th. Grades 1-6 is June 5th through June 9th.

HOLTON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL NO. 4219

PRE-LENTEN BREAKFAST

PANCAKES - SAUSAGE - EGGS

COFFEE - JUICE, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH ST. DOMINIC'S HALL 416 OHIO AVE., HOLTON 8:00 TO 10:30 A.M. FREE WILL OFFERING

PROJECT RACHEL Still carrying grief after an abortion? Find support with others. Unfailing Mercy Retreat Feb 25. FREE, CONFIDENTIAL. Call/email Patricia at 888-246- 1504/ projectrachelkc@archkck.org. in KS or call 816-591-3804 in MO. Project Rachel is a ministry supported by Call to Share .

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.

Marriage Minute- In this week's readings, we are exhorted to "be holy." Often, we think this is a lofty call for those off in monasteries. It's not! We are all called to holiness, and for married people, our vocation of marriage is our pathway to get there. St. Katherine Drexel said that holiness consists in "Doing God's will as he wills it, because he wills it." For us, that is often so simple we miss it. It is found in things like: • Doing that sink full of dishes or that load of laundry • Being home from work on time, so you can eat with the family • Helping with bedtime • Taking an extra 30 seconds to text your spouse something you appreciate about them • Saying a short prayer together before you both head out the door in the morning • Taking time to prioritize your marriage through an enrichment. For more ideas on seeking holiness through marriage see: www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com .

MEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION

CONFERENCE— Saturday, March 4th at Church of the Ascension, 9510 W. 127th, Overland Park, KS. Conference starts with Registration at 6:30 am and ends with the Archbishop's final blessing and adjournment at 3:30 pm. Donuts, Coffee and lunch included. Featured speakers are Monsignor Stuart Swetland, Deacon Mike Bickerstaff, & Hector Molina. Tickets are \$35 each. Register online at www.ksmuc.org or registration forms in the back of church.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE ~ A

Weekend Away for a Lifetime of Change. Serving the Widowed, Separated and Divorced; who are suffering the loss of a love relationship and may feel left out by their church, uneasy around married friends, unsure of themselves and uncertain about their futures. Helps grieving persons focus on their experience, deal with the natural grief process and offers an opportunity to turn the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth emerging from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning. The next Beginning Experience Weekend is MARCH 3-5, 2017 at Precious Blood Center, Liberty, MO. For more information visit: www.beginningexperiencekc.org, email: register.bekc@gmail.com, or contact Lynn 785-282-8964, or Teresa 816-529-9002.

CORNING KNIGHTS OF

COLUMBUS FISH FRY—Friday, March 3rd. Serving starts at 5:00 pm Fried Pollock, Cheesy Potatoes, Green

beans, coleslaw & dessert. Free Will donation and All you can eat! Held at the Corning Community Center. All are welcome!

BLAINE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

ANNUAL FISH FRY— Friday, March 10th, 5:00 to 8:00 pm

"HUMAN TRAFFICKING: 21ST

CENTURY SLAVERY" The program will explore the multi-billion dollar crime of human trafficking and the impact of social media on exploitation of men, women and children. Did you Know? From McPherson Sentinel dated August 19, 2016: "More than 12% of children identified as sex trafficking survivors in New York City are from the same state -- Kansas." **Sunday, March 12, 2017, 2:00 P.M., St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, at Onaga.**

Speaker: Sister Margaret Nacke, CSJ from Belleville, Kansas. All community members (men & women) including teenagers are invited. Sponsored by the Women's Group of St. Vincent de Paul.

Women's Spirituality

Conference: March 11th at St. Thomas More Parish Center in Manhattan. Theme is Finding God in Everything, speaker is Sister Edith Prendergast, R.S.C. If interested in attending this Lenten day of reflection there is a brochure in the back of church. For further information phone number 785-776-5151 or email

info@womensspiritualconference.org

Abundant Love: Women's Retreat

at Camp Tekakwitha (April 28-30th, ages 21+) Here you will find the space to relax, rejuvenate and reconnect. This is a retreat for women of all ages. You will find speakers that inspire you, sacraments that draw you to the heart of Christ, and fellowship with other women. This retreat offers large group and break out sessions, individual reflection, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, free time, friendship, laughter, and joy! Come enjoy the beauty of God's creation at Prairie Star Ranch and the gift of sharing life with other women seeking the heart of Jesus. More information and registration details can be found at www.camptekakwithawomensretreat.com

Adoptive Parents Needed!!!

St. Joseph Adoption Ministry is in need of more prospective parents. They could place more babies if they had more prospective parents!! And the average wait time for couples to adopt a baby is only seven months. This is wonderful news for those considering adoption. For more information call St. Joseph Adoption Ministry at 913-299-5222 or go to their web site at www.CatholicAdoptionMinistry.org



Reflecting On Sunday's Readings

I enjoy watching track and field events, and when I read this week's Sunday's Scripture I was reminded of a high jumper who having just competed at the highest level, raises the brackets a notch higher to try and break his all-time best jump. This week's First Reading with its "You shall be holy; for I the LORD your God am holy," and the Gospel Reading with its "Be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect" are like brackets setting the bar one notch higher to express God's expectation for his children. The goal is to be like the Father in our attitudes and behavior, to set the bar any lower is to not have a goal worth shooting for. If the First Reading and Gospel Reading establishes the "end" for which we should strive, perhaps the second reading indicates the means by which we can attain to righteousness. St. Paul reminds the Corinthians, "Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?"... For all things are yours, ... you are Christ's; and Christ is God's". You see, living a life of holiness or perfection (spiritual maturity) would be wholly unattainable if we only had our own human resources to rely upon, but thankfully that is not the case. Instead God chose to make his dwelling place within us. Additionally with the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, all things we need for a life of holiness comes to us with, and in, Christ, as Christ unites us to the Father. This is especially clear from 2 Peter 1:3; "His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence," As most people know, there is no end to human hurts and

wounded-ness due to the injustices of others. To various degrees we are faced with them continually. Stoically enduring injustice may enable some people to survive emotionally, but stoicism is not sufficient to triumph over these injustices. Lashing out in anger or withdrawing in fear may provide a moment of release, but invariably anger and withdrawal settle into our heart as resentment and bitterness which taints all of our life and sadly the lives of many around us. Unfortunately, there are many, many Christians who are walking around heavy hearted with hurts and wounded-ness from which they have found no release, nor escape. Many, relying on the foolish wisdom of the world, respond to injustice with the comment, "I'll forgive, but I will never forget what was done." They are trying to be forgiving but they do not realize that in choosing to remember, the wound is never allowed to heal nor the peace of forgiveness ever found. Each bitter remembrance picks the wound open again, and again. This week's Responsorial Psalm illustrates God's holy and perfect standard of forgiveness. "He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor requite us according to our iniquities. ... as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us." Notice in this passage that God, who had every right to exact retribution for the wrongs done by us to him, instead chooses to remove or separate our sins from us to such an infinite distance that they are no more us (that is what forgiveness is). In another passage in Isaiah the Father says, "I will not remember them anymore." That does not mean that he cannot remember them but that he will not to remember them

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, Feb. 20	First Reading: <u>Sir. 1: 1-10</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 9: 14-29</u>
Tues- day, Feb. 21	First Reading: <u>Sir. 2: 1-11</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 9: 30-37</u>
Wednes- day, Feb. 22	First Reading: <u>1 Ptr. 5: 1-4</u> Gospel: <u>Mt. 16: 13-19</u>
Thurs- day, Feb. 23	First Reading: <u>Sir. 5: 1-8</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 9: 41-50</u>
Friday, Feb. 24	First Reading: <u>Sir. 6: 5-17</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 10: 1-12</u>
Satur- day, Feb. 25	First Reading <u>Sir. 17: 1-15</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 10: 13-16</u>
Sunday, Feb. 26	1st Reading: <u>Is. 49: 14-15</u> 2nd Reading: <u>1 Cor. 4: 1-5</u> Gospel: <u>Mt. 6: 24-34</u>

anymore. From personal experience I know this is difficult, but I also know it is possible to choose, to will, not to hold someone's sins against them, and to remember them no more. If our Heavenly Father who is holy can do this for us and our sins, surely the forgiveness we receive should motivate us to be forgiving like him. Like the high-jumper, rising to new heights of righteousness may be difficult, but remember that in Christ we have been given all that is necessary to help us attain to Christ-likeness. When it comes to how we relate to others, lowering the bar to simply human standards is not an option, it is only an illusion of righteousness. *Reflecting On Sunday's Readings*, Copyright 2002-2017, Richard A. Cleveland.



St. Monica\St. Elizabeth, Blue Rapids



Calendar and Mass Intention

Feb. 26th, 8:30 am – +Kate Dobrovolny

February 12, 2017 offerings

Envelopes	\$513.00
Plate	\$ 50.61

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

Ministers of the Mass

Sunday Feb. 26th, 8:30 a.m. St. Monica\St. Elizabeth

Lector	M. Heinen
Servers	M. Toerber, C. Toerber, & S. Brungardt
Gifts	Seleska family
Communion	J. Bergkamp, Sc. Toerber, & M. Heinen
Ushers	M. Borgerding & J. Wienck

Church Cleaners: March– Jeanette Borgerding
Sacristan Schedule: March— Theresa Minihan
Breakfast Committee: March – Theresa Minihan, Kim Benteman, Rachel Bishop, Sally Henry, & Patti Bogart

Community Vacation Bible School 2017 will be May 22-26! Plans are underway and we are very excited for an awesome week! If you would like to help in any way please see Liz Miller or Sarah Toerber.

World Day of Prayer 2017 is Friday, March 3. The Waterville Lutheran Church will host the event at 5:30pm which will include a salad supper, speaker and worship service. The speaker will be Loretta Ross, Executive Director to The Sanctuary Foundation for Prayer in Topeka. Children are welcome and there will be activities and crafts provided for them while Ms. Ross is giving her presentation. Please join the women of this community for this special event.

NOTE OF THANKS– Many thanks to all parishioners who so graciously donated items for the Knights of Columbus pro-life baby shower. Your generosity is appreciated!

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Jeannie Zidek 2/19
Shawn McIntyre 2/20

ANNIVERSARIES

Mark & Janice Rowe 2/22

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New contact for Church Hall Rental is John Wienck at 785-799-4069 or jwienck@yahoo.com



St. Columbkille Parish, Blaine KS

Ministers of the Mass *Saturday Feb. 25, 6:00 p.m.*

Lector	Bob Murray
Servers Cross Bearer	Jarritt Martens & Dylan Plummer Devin Plummer
Ministers	Joyce Blaske, Kathy Murray, Natha Manges, Andrea Karnes
Hospitality	Jean Knoblauch/Virgie Plummer/Terri McClain

Saturday Feb. 11, 2017 offering:

2/11/2017	Envelope	372.00	
	Plate	35.00	
	Mass Intentions	10.00	
			417.00

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Fundraiser Breakfast- The St Columbkille's Altar Society will serve a hearty breakfast of biscuits and gravy on Saturday, February 25th from 7:00 to 10:00 a.m. in the parish hall. Volunteers are needed and a sign-up sheet will be available in the back of church next Saturday after Mass. A free will donation will be accepted and all proceeds to benefit the St. Columbkille's Church Restoration Fund.

No January altar society meeting. The next altar society meeting will be February 27, at 7:00 pm at the church hall. Everyone is welcome to attend and/ or join as we do not charge dues.

Knights of Columbus Meeting - March 9 8:00 PM

BLAINE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL FISH FRY— is scheduled for March 10 from 5:00-8:00 PM. Mark your calendars and plan on attending.

Server Schedule

Feb 18th Eli Roggenkamp, Malea and Ethan Karnes
Feb 25th Jarritt Martens, Dylan and Devin Plummer
Mar 4th Brooklyn Plummer, Allie Valburg and Molly Minihan

Church Cleaning

Feb. 19-25: Karen Lundberg, Maggie Lundberg, Natalie Krohn
March 5-11: Becky White, Andrea Karnes, Dawn Henry
March 19-25: Kellie O'Shea, Kathy Murray, Lori Murray

Please remember and support the Altar Society's efforts to collect non-perishable food items & toiletries for our Food Pantries in Westy & Frankfort. Also, we collect newborn disposable diapers & wipes for the Onaga Hospital to give to families in need as they leave with their new baby. Thank you!

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Help us get to Indy! We have a group of teens and chaperones that will be traveling to Indianapolis in November to attend the National Catholic Youth Conference. We are selling trash bags to raise money to help pay for the pilgrimage. The trash bags come in a variety of sizes and are \$12.00 a roll. Please contact Carol Minihan, Sally Olson, or Andrea Karnes for additional information. Thank You for your support of this wonderful opportunity to grow in faith.

High Quality!
100% Recycled Heavy Duty Trash Bags!
In a variety of Sizes!
Something everyone uses!
AMERICAN MADE!

Like to win a freezer full of meat? Tickets are available from Grace Suther and Allie Valburg as a fundraiser for the Catholic Heart Work Camp they are going to this summer. Tickets are 2/\$5 or 5/\$10. Drawing week after Easter. Thank you!

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