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Monday through Friday
(8:30 am to 12:30pm)
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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. Anthony 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 any
time by appointment

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Annunciation Parish

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

DECEMBER 15TH 2019

Third Sunday of Advent

Growing as Disciples of Jesus, Making Disciples for Jesus

The Third Sunday of Advent

Why is the rose-colored candle lit on the third Sunday of Advent? The third Sunday of Advent is known as *Gaudete Sunday* because in Latin, the first words of the opening antiphon for that day's Mass are *Gaudete in Domino semper* (Rejoice in the Lord always) from Philippians 4:4-5. On this Sunday a rose-colored candle is lit as a reminder that we are called to rejoice.

During **each Sunday** of the **Advent** season, we focus on one of the four virtues Jesus brings us: Hope, Love, Joy and Peace. Others consider the lighting of the first

candle to **symbolize** expectation, while the second symbolizes hope, the third joy and the fourth purity.

Christmas celebrates Jesus' birth so the **Advent** period reminds Christians to remember and prepare for those celebrations. Many **Advent** customs involve counting down the days until Christmas begins.

Advent is the season to have our faith strengthened, to be reminded of the power of Jesus to work miracles, both in the Gospels and especially in our lives. To grow in faith is to grow in joy because the Lord whom we come to know is the source of our joy. Believe and re-

joice in the Lord always.

So take advantage of this beautiful season of Advent and prepare for Jesus' birth this Christmas.

Be Strong, Fear Not

God comes to renew
you and the world!
Isaiah 35:4

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

Sunday, Dec. 15th, 3:00
pm Sts. Peter & Paul,
Seneca

Sunday, Dec. 22nd, 5:00
pm St. Gregory,
Marysville

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Come join Fr. Anthony for some holiday cheer on
Sunday, Dec. 22nd from 1:00 to 4:00 at the
Annunciation Rectory. Refreshments will be served. All
Parishioners from all 3 Parishes are invited!

Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Notes	Intention
12/16/2019	Monday	Advent Weekday	No a.m. Mass
12/17/2019	Tuesday	Late Advent Weekday	+Hub & +Marcella Roeder
12/18/2019	Wednesday	Late Advent Weekday	No Care Home Mass
12/19/2019	Thursday	Late Advent Weekday	No a.m. Mass
12/20/2019	Friday	Late Advent Weekday	+Darlene Turnbull
12/21/2019	Saturday	Frankfort 4:00 p.m.	+Maurice Bergman
12/21/2019	Saturday	Blaine 6:00 pm	+Eleanor & +Paul Skoch
12/22/2019	Sunday	Blue Rapids 8:30 am	For those in need of Mercy
12/22/2019	Sunday	Frankfort 10:30 am	For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes

Saturday, Dec. 21st: Annunciation 4:00 pm

Lector	Phil Maas
Servers	Xander and Simon Hull
Communion	M. Kennedy, C. Weyer, & Ralph Broxterman
Musicians	Jane S., Rheta M. & CCD students
Ushers	Jim Roeder & Duane Dressman
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Wilma Harrington
Sacristan	Marybeth Kennedy

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Sunday, Dec. 22nd: Annunciation 10:30 am

Lector	Vicki Adams
Servers	Lexi & Ashlyn Dalinghaus, & Breleigh Ebert
Communion	L. Schober, P. Maas, & C. Farrell
Musicians	Moogie R. & Lynn B.
Ushers	Gerald Gerstner & Nick Dressman
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Dean Dalinghaus
Care Home	Wilma Harrington
Sacristan	Dorothy Schreiner

This that and the Other...

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE on Sunday, Dec. 22nd from 1:00 to 4:00 **If you would like to donate homemade cookies or other snacks, chips/dip, cheese/crackers, veggies/dip, etc. for the refreshments please contact Fr. Anthony or Marilyn.**

NOTICE there will be NO Adoration, Rosary, & Benediction Tuesday, Dec. 17th, Dec. 24th, & Dec. 31st. Also during the month of January 2020 due to scheduling conflicts with Fr. Anthony.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Fridays, 1:00 to 4:00.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED– All parishioners are invited to stay after Mass on **Sunday, Dec. 22nd** to decorate the church for the Christmas holidays.

2020 Offering Envelopes are available in the back of church. Please take a moment to pick yours up. The boxes of envelopes are in alphabetical order. Thank you to all parishioners who graciously support our parish!

Pictorial Directory Notes If you have a current picture that you would like to submit for the directory, please get a copy to either Fr. Anthony or Marilyn. Pictures may be sent to Fr. Anthony online. See his e-mail address on front page of bulletin.

HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULES

Christmas Eve Dec. 24th

4:00 pm Annunciation, Frankfort
6:00 pm St. Monica/St. Elizabeth, Blue Rapids
9:00 pm St. Columbkille, Blaine
Christmas Day, Dec. 25th
9:00 am Annunciation, Frankfort

Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God (holy day of obligation)

Tuesday, Dec. 31st
4:00 pm St. Monica/St. Elizabeth, Blue Rapids
6:00 pm St. Columbkille, Blaine
Wednesday, Jan. 1st,
10:00 am Annunciation, Frankfort

ANNUNCIATION OFFERINGS

Dec. 8, 2019

Envelopes \$3386.00
EFT Envelopes \$209.90
Plate \$259.00
Children’s Plate \$17.41
Total \$3872.31

Other Income

Mass Stipends \$ 130.00
Picnic \$ 200.00
Leaven \$ 42.00
Insurance \$ 35.00
Thanksgiving \$ 60.00
Christmas Flowers \$ 140.00

**PARISH HALL CONSTRUCTION
LOAN BALANCE WITH THE
ARCHDIOCESE: \$59,343.00**

**REMINDER— This loan is a 5 year
loan at 4% interest. Interest is
required to be paid each month.
Pledges and donations are still being
accepted. If you do not know your
pledge amount please contact Marilyn.
Thank you for your support!**

ANNUNCIATION PARISH OFFICE

CLOSED on Wednesday, Dec. 18th.
Also during the holidays Dec. 24th-Dec.
27th and Dec. 31st-January 3rd.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NOTES -

**Class Grades 1-6, Dec. 18th, 3:40 to
4:40 pm**

**NO Class Grades 7-12, Dec. 18th,
25th, or Jan 1. Classes will resume on
Jan. 8th.**

**PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY
MEMBERS WHO ARE ILL.**

Third
Monday of every month at 4:00pm.
Come and pray a rosary for the sick and
suffering of our Frankfort community.
Put a reminder on your calendar:
December 16th.

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.

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parishioners of all 3 parishes to
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the year. Any questions contact any
Parish Council member or Fr.
Anthony.

**Do You Want to Deepen Your
Prayer Life?** “Be still and know
that I am God.” Join us for Centering
Prayer 4:00 pm Dec. 19th at the
United Methodist Church.

MARRIAGE MINUTE It’s all about
joy! This week of Advent is all about
joy. Not a sugar-coated “holiday
feeling,” but a deep trust and peace that
comes from God and often “surpasses all
understanding.” When asked how to get
this joy, John the Baptist told people to
live their current situation well. In other
words, focus your efforts on the vocation
God has called you to. Consider these
options to increase your joy:

- Pray that God would help you see
your spouse as God sees him or her.
- Affirm your husband’s or wife’s
strength or beauty.
- Tell him or her why they are a great
dad or mom.

As we lean into our vocation, joy is
released. Consider a marriage retreat in
the New Year: [www.archkck.org/
livinginlove](http://www.archkck.org/livinginlove).

LEAVEN There are envelopes in
your Envelope packet for the
annual subscription to the Leaven.
The cost is \$21. Cost to the Parish
is \$3,297.00. Received thus far in
the envelopes \$1197.00. Please help
defray the cost to the parish and
pay for your paper.

NOTE OF THANKS Wow what a
surprise! The High School CCD class
delivered cookies to us this past
Wednesday night. We would like to
thank Joe Bussman, Lydia Loiseau,
Chloe Mitchell, & Julia Studer for
delivering the cookies. We appreciate
them so much! *Gerald & Sheryl
Gerstner*

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Marilyn

**CHRISTMAS FLOWER
MEMORIAL**

**In remembrance of our
deceased family members & friends**
during the Christmas season you are
invited to make a donation toward the
poinsettias. Please put your donation in
the special envelope found in your
packet & write the name of the person or
persons to be remembered & place in the
collection basket. We will publish those
names in the bulletin.

**HOPE FOR YOU AND YOUR LOVED
ONES AFTER DEATH BY SUICIDE.**

Fully Alive is a new integrated mind-body-
soul wellness program that will begin with a
two week session on after suicide support
using the book, After Suicide: There is hope
for you and them by Fr. Chris Alar, MIC.
The evening will begin with Mass, followed
by small group discussion facilitated by
Catholic counselors. The evening will end
with prayer. The program will be held at St.
Joseph’s Catholic Church in Shawnee on
January 14th and 21st from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30
p.m. Adults and teens, accompanied by a
parent, are welcome. Please RSVP with
number attending to Tom Racunas, Special
Needs Ministry, by calling 913.647.3054 or
emailing tracunas@archkck.org. It is not
necessary to give your name when you
respond.

CHURCH PICNIC ASSESSMENTS

Your Church Picnic Assessments are still
being accepted. You may place it in the
special envelope marked “Picnic Donation”
in your envelope packet. **The Church Picnic
Assessment helps pay for the annual
Cathedral fee which is \$5,510.80 to the
Archdiocese.** Received from parishioners
thus far in envelopes \$3,405.00. Thank you!

Reflecting On Sunday's Readings

Advent is the season of joy. Joyous songs and joyous celebrations increasingly fill our time as we approach Christmas and the year's end. But what is the nature of our joy? Is it simply the release of tension as we participate in a month long shopping spree and a "party-on" mentality or is our source of joy something deeper and more substantial? If it is the former, our joy will last about as long as it takes to participate in the shopping spree and parties. If it is the latter it will fuel our spirit for months to come. Isaiah expresses the reality of our joy in verse 10 of this week's first reading and the reason for our joy in verses 1-6. The joy of which he speaks will result in "joy" and "singing,"—and "sorrow and sighing" will pass away. What a wonderful two-fold joy! The inner pain that causes our sighing and sorrow will be removed and replaced with inner "joy and gladness." Of course we will burst out in song, for a heart and mind free from concern and filled with gladness cannot long remain silent. As Isaiah looked ahead to the coming Savior he saw several reasons for unrestrained joy. First and foremost was that the land and the people would experience the presence of God's majesty and glory. With the Lord's presence would come deliverance from enslavement, healing and renewal. We see in the Gospel reading that these things began coming to pass as Jesus conducted his ministry, the blind received their sight, the deaf had their hearing restored and lepers were healed. We can only imagine how the heart of John the Baptist leapt as he recalled Isaiah's prophecy and compared it with the accounts of Jesus' ministry. How he must have received solace, comfort and strength through the joy of knowing that the presence of the Lord was among them. So too should our hearts leap with joy. So too should we find solace, comfort and strength remembering that God is present among us. As F. W. Faber explains, "What would the world be without Jesus? ... An earth without hope or happiness, without love or peace, the past a burden, the present a weariness, the future a shapeless terror—such would the earth be, if by impossibility there were no Jesus. ... Besides this, Jesus is bound up with our innermost lives. He is more to us than the blood in our veins. We know that he is indispensable to us; but we do not dream how indispensable he is. There is not a circumstance of life in which we could do without Jesus. ... But, if he is thus indispensable in life, how much more will he be indispensable in death?"¹ This is why our hearts should leap for joy. Unfortunately for many of us the leap for joy will be no more than a brief flutter as we open some gaily wrapped present or participate in some fun get-together. For many we will once again go through the Advent and Christmas seasons totally missing the meaning of them and the ensuing joy they should produce. In the Gospel reading John the Baptist was unwilling to miss the meaning or the joy of Jesus' presence. From the darkness and despair of his imprisonment John asked, "Are you the one?" How wonderfully the darkness was vanquished, and the despair lifted when Jesus' reply reached him. He who was indispensable for life had come, and death needed no longer to be feared, for he who was indispensable for life was also indispensable for death. Oh, that we, from the darkness and despair of our world, would also ask Jesus to reveal himself to us during these Advent and Christmas seasons, we too would find him indispensable as he affirms his glory and majesty. We would find that "Joy to the world the Lord is come," would sustain us long after others have stopped singing it.

¹ Christian Spirituality in the Catholic Tradition by Jordan Aumann

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Daily Mass Readings

Monday, Dec. 16	First Reading: <u>Nm. 24: 2-7, 15-17a</u> Gospel: <u>Mt. 21: 23-27</u>
Tues- day, Dec. 17	First Reading <u>Gn. 49: 2, 8-10</u> Gospel: <u>Mt. 1: 1-17</u>
Wednes- day, Dec. 18	First Reading: <u>Jer. 23: 5-8</u> Gospel: <u>Mt. 1: 18-25</u>
Thurs- day, Dec. 19	First Reading: <u>Jgs. 13: 2-7, 24-25a</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 1: 5-25</u>
Friday, Dec. 20	First Reading: <u>Is. 7: 10-14</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 1: 26-38</u>
Satur- day, Dec. 21	First Reading: <u>Sg. 2: 8-14</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 1: 39-45</u>
Sunday, Dec. 22	First Reading: <u>Is. 7: 10-14</u> Second Reading: <u>Rom. 1: 1-7</u> Gospel: <u>Mt. 1: 18-24</u>



St. Monica\St. Elizabeth, Blue Rapids



Calendar and Mass Intention

Dec. 22nd, 8:30 am — For those in need of Mercy

Dec. 8, 2019 offerings

Envelopes	\$872.00
Plate	\$128.00
Ch. Plate	\$34.55
Leaven	\$21.00
Ret. Fund for Religious	\$85.00
Military	\$25.00
Mass Stipends	\$50.00
Flowers	\$80.00

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

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Fridays, 1:00 to 5:00 pm. All parishioners are most welcome to come spend time with Jesus.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Sarah Toerber 12/15
Reece Jackson 12/18
Cody McIntyre 12/21

CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIAL In remembrance of our deceased family members & friends during the Christmas season you are invited to make a donation toward the poinsettias. Envelopes will be placed in the vestibule so you can designate the name card for your Christmas poinsettia memorial.

THE 2020 CHURCH CALENDARS are now available in the back of church.

Parish Council meeting the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm.

NOTICE ALL PARISHIONERS— Please contact Mary Ann Heinen at ogmarebr@yahoo.com by Thursdays at 5:00 pm for any announcements that you want made at mass on the weekend.

Ministers of the Mass

Sunday Dec. 22nd, 8:30 a.m. St. Monica\St. Elizabeth

Lector	E. Toerber
Servers	E. Swearingen, I. Baier, & K. Bishop
Gifts	Borgerding family
Communion	L. Miller, T. Minihan, & M. Borgerding
Ushers	S. Toerber & J. Bachura

Church Cleaners: December— Jan Bergkamp
Sacristan Schedule: December— Jan Bergkamp
Collection Counters: December— John Wienck & Mark Borgerding
Breakfast Committee: December — Theresa Minihan, Peggy Waite, Becky Carlson, & Moriah Dobrovolny
Rosary: Jean Ann Wilson

T-SHIRT SALES The Altar Society is taking orders for St. Monica/St. Elizabeth T-shirts. It will be special to show unity by wearing our shirts when we work the Fair Stand, Fall Dinner, Soup Supper, Bingo, etc. There is no profit made on these shirts, but cost is kept to a minimum for each of us with the quantity of shirts that are ordered. Please sign up at the back of the church ASAP, or speak to Adria or Janice. Thank you!

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St. Columbkille Parish, Blaine KS

Ministers of the Mass *Saturday Dec. 21, 6:00 p.m.*

Lector	Becky Roggenkamp
Servers	Ethan Karnes*, Malea Karnes, Noah Valburg
Ministers	Lavone Sanford, Mike Sanford, Carol Minihan, Steve O'Shea
Hospitality	Trevor & Maggie Lundberg

Saturday December 7, 2019 offering:

12/9/2019	Envelope	628.00	
	Plate	101.00	
	Hall Rent	90.00	
	Immaculate Conception	80.00	
	Leaven	21.00	
			920.00

We are working on all the church lists for 2020, please contact Pat Wulf at 785-770-0384, if you want your name taken off.

Server Schedule	
14-Dec	Jarrit Martens*, Maria Krohn, Bailey Martens
21-Dec	Ethan Karnes*, Malea Karnes, Noah Valburg
24-Dec	Eli Roggenkamp*, Brooklyn Plummer
28-Dec	Eva Krohn*, Ty Krohn
Church Cleaning Schedule	
Dec 8-14:	Kellie O'Shea, Mitzi Wegman, Isla Faye Wegman
Dec. 17-23:	General Cleaning/to be announced

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Donations for Christmas Flowers. Please pick up envelopes in the back of the church for your donation.

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Bring Holy Communion to the Sick and Housebound
If parish members are ill and unable to attend mass, please contact Father Anthony at 785-844-2575, Mike Sanford at 870-550-3732, or Pat Wulf at 785-770-0384 to have Communion given.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Every Wednesday from 11-3pm.

Senior Citizens of Blaine and Westmoreland meet the fourth Tuesday of each month at noon for a potluck followed by a meeting and cards. All are welcome.

Bulletin Contact Send information to be published in the bulletin to: stcolumbkille@bluevalley.net by Thursday at 4pm. Thank you, Terri McClain.