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Office Hours:
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 any
time by appointment



Annunciation Parish

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

JANUARY 14TH 2018

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Growing as Disciples of Jesus, Making Disciples For Jesus

St. Anthony, Abbot January 17th

The life-style of St.

Anthony may seem unrealistic and uninviting., but his example and message are important for anyone who wishes to know God.

Anthony was born in Egypt. He disliked school and its social atmosphere. At age twenty, when his parents died, he made sure that his sister was educated in a community of holy women. Then, instead of managing their property, he sold all his possessions and left for a life of solitude in the desert.

There he found a hermit who taught him about prayer and penance. For twenty years he lived alone, taking only bread and water once a day at sunset. The devil tempted him in many forms. These years made Anthony radiant with God's love and full of compassion. One biographer wrote, "Strangers knew him by the joy on his face."

People came to Anthony to learn how to become holy.

Some wanted to stay, so Anthony founded a type of monastery made up of hermitages near one another. He wrote a rule to guide the monks in a life of silence, prayer, and manual work. When Anthony heard of persecutions of Christians, he wanted to be a martyr. At age sixty, he left the desert to minister to Christians in prison. While doing this he realized that a person can die daily for Christ by serving him in ordinary ways with great love. So Anthony returned to the desert.

At age eighty-eight he had a vision of the harm Arian followers were doing to the Church by denying the divinity of Christ. Anthony went to Alexandria to preach against Arianism. There he worked miracles and won converts.

When the Emperor wrote to Anthony asking for his prayers, people were impressed. Anthony, however, explained, "Don't be surprised that the emperor

writes to me. He's just another man as I am. But be astounded that God should have written to us, that he has spoken to us by his Son."

Another vision when Anthony was ninety sent him searching the desert for St. Paul, the first hermit.

Together these two men spoke of the wonders of God. Anthony is said to have died peacefully in a cave at age one hundred and five. He taught us that through solitude and penance we do not move away from those in the world but come closer to them.

Note: *It is said that Anthony overpowered the devil by making the Sign of the Cross. Make this sign immediately on waking each morning and when you are tempted. Offer up difficulties in your life for love of God.*

St. Anthony, pray that we may be strong against temptation!

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Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Notes	Intention
01/15/2018	Monday	Weekday	No a.m. Mass
01/16/2018	Tuesday	Weekday	+Roselita Roggenkamp
01/17/2018	Wednesday	10:00 am (Frankfort Care Home)	+Melvin Suther
01/18/2018	Thursday	Weekday	+Martha Engelken
01/19/2018	Friday	Weekday	+Eileen Bramlage
01/20/2018	Saturday	Frankfort 4:00	For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes
01/20/2018	Saturday	Blaine 6:00 pm	+Margaret McCormick
01/21/2018	Sunday	Blue Rapids 8:30 a. m.	+Grace Riepen
01/21/2018	Sunday	Frankfort 10:30 a. m.	+Ray & +Carol Mitchell

Saturday, Jan. 20th: Annunciation 4:00 pm

Lector	Diane Tilley
Servers	Aiden & Peyton Gerstner
Communion	P. Brady, M. Kennedy, & M. Hazen
Musicians	Jeanie G. & Denise S.
Ushers	Keith Tilley & Roy Miller
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Marybeth Kennedy
Sacristan	Pat Brady

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Sunday, Jan. 21st: Annunciation 10:30 am

Lector	Cathy Farrell
Servers	Amburley Kokoruda, Alyssa Mitchell, & Rebecca Adams
Communion	T. Dressman, C. Farrell, & P. Maas
Musicians	Marilyn D. & Emily F.
Ushers	Myron Dressman & Gerald Gerstner
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Kelli Kokoruda
Care Home	Stephanie Huninghake
Sacristan	Theresa Dressman

This that and the Other...

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL #1383— are once again sponsoring their Pro-Life Baby Shower. Donations of new and gently used baby or maternity clothing & baby supplies may be placed in the bassinet in the back of church. Cash donations may be dropped off at the Parish Office. All donations will be taken to Birthright in Topeka.

CCD NOTES— Class Grades 1-6

Wed. Jan. 17th, 3:45 to 4:45.

JR/SR. HIGH CLASS Grades 7-12,

Wed. Jan. 17th, 7:00 pm

Benediction, Adoration & Rosary

Tuesdays 7:00 pm

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

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ALTAR SOCIETY NOTES

We are asking for a volunteer to be Chairman for the Funeral Committee. The funeral luncheons that are offered to families during their time of grief is a wonderful service that is provided to the families by the Altar Society. Please consider serving as Chairman of the Funeral Committee. Contact Marilyn in the Parish Office to volunteer. Also, Ladies of the Altar Society if you have a new contact phone number kindly call Marilyn in the Parish Office so that the list can be updated for 2018.

Fundraiser Breakfast, Sunday, Jan.

21st at the Annunciation Cigna Center. Serving from 8 am – 1 pm. Free Will Offering. Eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, biscuits & gravy and more! **All proceeds go towards the restoration of the Old Frankfort Grade School.**

COME JOIN US FOR

BREAKFAST! Sunday, January 28th. Serving 7:00 to 1:00 pm in the Annunciation Cigna Center. Biscuits & Gravy & more! Free Will donation. **Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #1383.**

ANNUNCIATION OFFERINGS

January 7, 2018

Envelopes \$1056.00

Plate \$223.50

Total \$1279.50

Other Income

Fuel \$ 25.00

FIRST RECONCILIATION for the 2nd Grade students will be held at 10:00 am on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Please pray for those students who are preparing for this Sacrament. Those students are Shayne Anderson, Raegan Combs, KeyLee Gennette, Max Hull, Tessa Massie, Tate Michaelis, Aiden Miller, Nora Morton, Lexi Mueting, Landon Schreiner, Johanna Studer, & Riley Studer.

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2018

are available for you to pick up in the back of church. They are sorted alphabetically not by envelope #. Thank you each and every one of you for your continued support of our parish!

ANNUNCIATION ALTAR SOCIETY

NOTES-Your 2018 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.

MARRIAGE MINUTE-The Disposition to Listen Research tells us that children develop secure attachments to their parents when their needs are met consistently over a long period of time. This repeated care leaves the children free to learn and grow in a healthy way. As parents, we instinctively know this. Although it is not convenient to answer a child's cries at 3am, we don't think—we just do it because we know it is important! The same consistent attention is needed for our spouse if our marriage is to be healthy. One need in marriage, especially for wives, is to be heard. We would do well to have the disposition of Samuel in this weekend's readings when he tells God, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening!" For practical strategies on how to be a better listener, check out the Every Day in Love Marriage Empowerment Series: www.archkck.org/everyday.

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.

WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Do you desire to hear God's call for your life and respond so that God may act through you? Then come and join other young women who are open to the joy of totally following God's will for their lives. Ladies between the ages of 18 and 30 are invited to participate, with opportunities to grow in community and friendship, develop a deeper understanding of discernment, and meet some of the consecrated women who are joyfully serving the Church today. Register today at www.archkck.org/ranch or contact the Retreat Team at: psrministry@archkck.org; 785-746-5693 What: Women's Discernment Retreat Where: Prairie Star Ranch, 1124 California Road, Williamsburg KS 66095 When: January 19-20, beginning at 5:30pm

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

Bewildered as to how the use of contraception has led to a horrifying increase in the rates of divorce, poverty, abortion, and child abuse? The Couple to Couple League (CCL) can answer your questions and teach you a moral way to plan your family. You are encouraged to attend the course in the Sympto-Thermal Method of NFP beginning in Topeka on Saturday, January 27th, at 7pm. Reasonable course fee; financial assistance available. You may call Dana or Eric Runnebaum at 785-380-0062 for the location of this class & for more info about other classes in the surrounding area. Self-paced **online** classes are also available. **Pre-registration is required at www.ccli.org.** Learn more at nftopeka.blogspot.com.

"HEALING FAMILY BREAKDOWN" SPIRITUAL WORKSHOP

Understand it. Heal it. Prevent it. End it. January 27, 2018 Ascension Catholic Parish 9:10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. • Are you tired of the drama, insecurity and lovelessness? • Do you wonder how to help your family, kids or grandkids? • Do you wonder how we got in this mess and how to recover? • How do we prevent family breakdown? Come to the Ruth Institutes "Preventing and Healing Family Breakdown" and regain hope. (Ages 16 and up) Go to <http://www.ruthinstitute.org/events/>

healing-familybreakdown for details and registration information. Questions call Deacon Tony Zimmerman 913 647 0329

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ST. BEDE'S PARISH, KELLY, KS

will be holding it's annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, Feb. 18th at the Parish Hall. Serving pancakes, sausage and eggs from 7:30 am to 1:00 pm for a free will donation. All are invited!

Attention ALL parents, Junior High and High school youth. Jason Evert (chastityproject.com) will be presenting "Purified", a message of chastity February 4th, 12-4pm, Holton High School 901 New York Ave, Holton . No fee, donations welcome. LOVE OR LUST? (chastity presentation for teens and adults) PARENTING FOR PURITY (presentation for adults only) Youth only sessions including Q & A Panel and Eucharistic adoration. Light refreshments. Free books and CDs for every family!! Rural parishes earn grant money for attendance. Questions contact Linda Dressman at 785-313-5602.

SAVE THE DATE- WINTER

YOUTH RALLY- Sunday, February 18th, at Axtell, KS. Keynote Speakers are Mikey Needleman & Mike Debus who are recent NCYC and Kelly Youth Rally Performers. More information & sign up sheets to follow. Open to current 9th through 12th grade and college age youth. Sponsored by Local Knights of Columbus councils.

Attention everyone ages 12-100 years

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Reflecting On Sunday's Readings

“How can I know the will of God?” is one of the questions most frequently asked Christian leaders. This question comes from a natural longing for certainty, and a natural aversion to having to live by faith with only partial light. With some it is asked in an atmosphere of fear, believing that they might somehow miss solving life’s puzzle and suffer for it. Often the question is asked in genuine sincerity, however, at other times it is only used as a smoke screen to enable a person to practice continued disobedience. The implication of the question is, “If I know what God wants me to do, I’ll do it.” This week’s readings help to shed some light on knowing God’s will. A godly older friend of mine always precedes any discussion about knowing God’s will, by stating, “Ninety percent of knowing God’s will is using the wisdom God has already given us.” He is referring to the fact that God’s Word, Christ’s character, and Church teachings provide abundant principles and values for knowing how to live. If we just use our mind to learn and grasp these truths, ninety percent or more of daily decisions will be clear to us. In addition, the assumption is that God isn’t endeavoring to hide his will from us, rather, because we are his instruments, his earthly body through which he often works his will, he delights to reveal his will to us. Samuel discovered God’s will regarding a specific, unusual situation by doing two simple things; he listened, and he responded to God’s call. For many of us the biggest handicap to overcome in discovering God’s will is the handicap of being spiritually deaf, deaf because we choose not to

listen. Because of the dissonance or static which our lifestyles create we often can not hear God speaking unless he is hollering at us—which is not his normal mode of communication. I do not know many Christians who are in open rebellion against God, however, it is not uncommon to find Christians floundering without purpose or direction in a passive state of non-commitment. In some cases Christians are clearly living contrary to God’s revealed will, that will which we can easily discover by using the wisdom God has given us. We need to learn a lesson from Samuel and schedule moments of solitude in our lives, where we can stop, and do nothing but listen, listen, listen for the still, quiet voice of God. When Samuel heard God speaking, prompted by Eli, he was ready to do God’s will; he responded, “Speak Lord, for thy servant hears.” When the disciples began to discover Jesus and inquire after him, Jesus simply said, “Come and see.” Both Samuel and the disciples responded in obedience. In fact, the root meaning of the word obedience is to listen attentively or “attentive hearkening.” In each case God began to unfold his will to these individuals. They did not see ahead, months and years down the road, but they saw far enough to respond in obedience to what God had revealed. God’s will for you also will become apparent if this coming year finds you listening attentively. “Praying is first and foremost listening to Jesus, who dwells in the very depths of your heart. He doesn’t shout. He doesn’t thrust himself upon you. His voice is an unassuming voice, very nearly a whisper, the voice of a gentle love. Whatever you do with your life, go on listening to the voice

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, Jan. 15	First Reading: <u>1 Sm. 15: 16-23</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 2: 18-22</u>
Tues- day, Jan. 16	First Reading: <u>1 Sm. 16: 1-13</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 2:23-28</u>
Wednes- day, Jan. 17	First Reading: <u>1 Sm. 17: 32-33, 37, 40-51</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 3: 1-6</u>
Thurs- day, Jan. 18	First Reading: <u>1 Sm.. 18: 6-9; 19: 1-7</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 3: 7-12</u>
Friday, Jan. 19	First Reading: <u>1 Sm. 24: 3-21</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 3: 13-19</u>
Satur- day, Jan. 20	First Reading: <u>2 Sm. 1: 1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 3: 20-21</u>
Sunday, Jan. 21	First Reading: <u>Jon. 3: 1-5, 10</u> Second Reading: <u>1 Cor. 7: 29-31</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 1: 14-20</u>

of Jesus in your heart. This listening must be an active and very attentive listening, for in our restless noisy world God’s loving voice is so easily drowned out. You need to set aside some time each day for this active listening to God if only for ten minutes. Ten minutes each day for Jesus alone can bring about a radical change in your life.”*

Reflecting On Sunday's Readings,
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St. Monica\St. Elizabeth, Blue Rapids



Calendar and Mass Intention

January 21st, 8:30 am – +Grace Riepen

Jan. 7, 2018 offerings

Envelopes	\$938.00
Plate	\$ 79.00

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

Ministers of the Mass

Sunday Jan. 21st, 8:30 a.m. St. Monica\St. Elizabeth

Lector	C. Toerber
Servers	O. Skalla, J. Brungardt, & A. Brungardt
Gifts	Gleason family
Communion	T. Minihan, Sc. Toerber, & M. Heinen
Ushers	D. Heinen & B. Bruna

Church Cleaners: January– Jeanette Borgerding
Sacristan Schedule: January— Theresa Minihan
Breakfast Committee: January— Zita Duensing, Carol Parker, Cheryl Skalla, Jeannie Zidek, & Cheri Shanks
Collection Counters: January—Jeremy Bachura & Alex Nolte

Breakfast after Mass today. Please join us for food and fellowship.

Altar Society meeting January 17, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. Note the time change. This will be our winter schedule. We will finalize plans for our soup day February 7, 2018. Workers list will be ready soon.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Cheryl Skalla 1/14

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. All parishioners are welcome to come and pray anytime during these hours.

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St. Columbkille Parish, Blaine KS

Ministers of the Mass *Saturday Jan. 20, 6:00 p.m.*

Saturday January 6, 2018 offering:

Lector	Becky White
Servers	Eva, Rebecca and Ty Krohn
Ministers	Lavon Sanford, Mike Sanford, Carol Minihan, Steve O'Shea
Hospitality	Dustin & Natalie Krohn

1/6/2018	Envelope	543.00	
	Plate	67.00	
	Hall Rent	45.00	
	RCYC	30.00	
			685.00

Altar Society Meeting There will be no Altar Society meeting in January or February.

Pro-Life Baby Shower

There will be a baby crib set up in the back of the church during the month of January for the annual Knights of Columbus Pro-Life Baby Shower. Donations of baby or maternity items will be accepted. Monetary donations can also be given to Harry Moser, Steve O'Shea or Jim McCormick.

Server Schedule

Jan 13th Brandon Geyer, Dylan and Devin Plummer
 Jan 20th Eva, Rebecca and Ty Krohn
 Jan 27th Brooklyn Plummer, Maria Krohn and Jarritt Martens
 Feb 3rd Eli Roggenkamp, Malea and Ethan Karnes
 Feb 10th Brandon Geyer, Dylan and Devin Plummer
 Feb 17th Eva, Rebecca and Ty Krohn

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NOTE OF THANKS

A big **thank you** to the families who responded to the Altar Society email and donated clothing, coats, blankets, etc., for the family in Wamego who suffered the loss of a family member and their house to fire on Dec. 26th. We also donated food that has been collected for our food pantries. It was very appreciated. They are living for now in a motel room. God bless them and you!

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