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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 8TH 2019

Second Sunday of Advent

Growing as Disciples of Jesus, Making Disciples for Jesus

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The most important theological truth about Mary is that she is the Mother of Jesus, who was at once both human and divine. Thus she is both mother of the human Jesus and the mother of God. Although no one disputed that she was Jesus' mother, the Church took several centuries to rightly express her status as mother of God at the ecumenical Council of Ephesus in 431. And it took the Church many more centuries to define the doctrine of her Immaculate Conception, that is, the recognition that by God's grace from the first moment of her conception she was free

from all sin because she had been chosen to be the Mother of Jesus. People sometimes confuse Mary's Immaculate Conception in the womb of her mother with the Virgin Birth of Jesus—his conception in Mary's womb (The Annunciation) through the power of the Holy Spirit. The Immaculate Conception is just one of only two papal declarations—the other being Mary's Assumption into heaven—that are considered “ex cathedra” or “from the chair of Peter,” that is by a pope rather than an ecumenical Council of all the bishops.

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary has been moved to Monday, Dec. 9th and is not a holy day of obligation this year. However, there will be an 8:00 am Mass at Annunciation on Monday, Dec. 9th.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

Sunday, Dec. 8th, 3:00 pm Annunciation, Frankfort
Sunday, Dec. 15th, 3:00 pm Sts. Peter & Paul, Seneca
Sunday, Dec. 22nd, 5:00 pm St. Gregory, Marysville

Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Notes	Intention
12/9/2019	Monday	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	+Ray & +Carol Mitchell
12/10/2019	Tuesday	Advent Weekday	+Sharon Owen
12/11/2019	Wednesday	10:00 am (Frankfort Care Home)	Liv/Dec'd Wessel family
12/12/2019	Thursday	Our Lady of Guadalupe	+Lester & +Martha Engelken
12/13/2019	Friday	St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr	+Darlene Broxterman
12/14/2019	Saturday	Frankfort 4:00 p.m.	+James & +Katy Noud
12/14/2019	Saturday	Blaine 6:00 pm	+Tom McCormick
12/15/2019	Sunday	Blue Rapids 8:30 am	For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes
12/15/2019	Sunday	Frankfort 10:30 am	+Kenny Olberding

Saturday, Dec. 14th: Annunciation 4:00 pm

Lector	Pat Brady
Servers	Chase & Gage Stallbaumer
Communion	H. Stallbaumer, P. Brady, & M. Hazen
Musicians	Jane S., Rheta M., & Lynn S.
Ushers	Ed Brady & Bill Broxterman
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Erin Owen
Sacristan	Pat Brady

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Sunday, Dec. 15th: Annunciation 10:30 am

Lector	Pat Massie
Servers	Sydney & Macey Wapp, Carter Caffrey
Communion	L. Schreiner, C. Farrell, & C. Stallbaumer
Musicians	Moogie R. & Emily F.
Ushers	Dean Seematter & Jerry Broxterman
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	John & Cathy Farrell
Care Home	Linda Roeder
Sacristan	Lois Schreiner

This that and the Other...

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.

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

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

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.

COME JOIN US FOR A Soup Dinner, Today, December 8th at the Cigna Center. Serving 11:00 to 1:30 pm. Homemade Chili & Chicken Noodle Soup, Cinnamon rolls, & drink. Free Will Donation. All are Welcome! Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

—This week is the collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little or no pay. Today, religious communities often do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders. Please give generously.

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. 1, 2019

Envelopes \$1022.00
EFT Envelopes \$309.90
Plate \$298.55
Children's Plate
Total \$1630.45

Other Income

Use of Hall \$ 120.00
Mass Stipends \$ 10.00
Insurance \$ 40.00
Catholic Charities \$ 10.00
Thanksgiving \$ 40.00
Christmas Flowers \$ 215.00
Retire Fund Religious \$ 10.00
Augustine Institute \$ 99.00*
(*Refund on Formed.Org subscription)

PARISH HALL CONSTRUCTION LOAN BALANCE WITH THE ARCHDIOCESE: \$64,250.00

**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!**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NOTES -

**Class Grades 1-6, Dec. 11th, 3:40 to
4:40 pm**

Class Grades 7-12, Dec. 11th, 7:00 pm

**CCD Fees are \$15.00 per student.
Make checks payable to Annunciation
Church. You may also drop your fees
off to Marilyn in the Parish Office or
in the collection marked "Rel. Ed fees.
Cost to the Parish for CCD books this
year for Grades 1-6 was \$1,308.52.
Received thus far from parishioners
\$325.00.**

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.

NOTES OF THANKS

Thank you to everyone for your
generosity & support to help us get
to NCCY in Indianapolis. It was an
awesome experience! Linda, Grace
& Julia

THANK YOU to all the generous people that donated to the

**Annunciation Youth Fund on
Giving Day.** This gives such a great
boost to our religious education
program. You have made a
difference by donating. The money
will be used to help our youth with
financial support if they choose to
attend retreats and the mission trip.

The 23rd Annual Worldwide

Candle Lighting Vigil for the
Compassionate Friends will be
conducted **on Sunday, December
8th at 7 PM.** Everyone is invited to
light a candle **from 7-8 pm** that
evening in memory of all children
who have died, but are not
forgotten. Please remember those
families that have experienced such a
devastating loss that evening in your
prayers and light a candle in your
home in memory of their children.

CELTIC CHRISTMAS –St.

Columbkille Parish Hall, Blaine.
Saturday, Dec. 14th, 8:30 am to 1:30
pm. Holiday cookies and candies by
the pound. Homemade cinnamon
rolls, Kolaches, breakfast burritos,
homemade soups, ham sandwiches,
chili dogs, homemade pies. Holiday
shopping vendors.

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. 12th at
Annunciation Church and 4:00 pm
Dec. 19th at the United Methodist
Church.

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 \$1155.00. Please help
defray the cost to the parish and
pay for your paper.

MARRIAGE MINUTE

Is Your Path Straight? While most of us
are knee-deep in Christmas preparations
already, let's not miss one of the most
important—repentance! Repentance
"makes straight the paths" to both Jesus
and our spouse:

- It humbles us, which opens us to deeper intimacy
- It reminds us that our relationship is more important than being "right"
- It fills us with compassion for our spouse
- It takes the focus off ourselves and puts it onto our spouse Advent is the perfect time to apologize to our spouse for any behaviors and attitudes that have hurt our spouse. Also make use of the sacrament of Reconciliation! For more joy this Christmas in your marriage, go to www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com

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.

Support Group for Victims/Survivors of

Sexual Abuse: As Catholics, our first
response in regard to victims/survivors of
abuse is for healing and reconciliation. The
Archdiocese is hosting a support group for
survivors of sexual abuse harmed by an
agent of the Church or by other perpetrators.
The group meets twice a month, at a location
in the Johnson County, KS area. This is a
safe, supportive environment to be able to
talk about the impact to your lives and your
feelings, to know you are not alone, and to
promote healing. To protect the privacy of
potential participants please contact Linda
Slater-Trimble by email at lslater-trimble@archkck.org or by phone at 913-298-9244 for the days, times and location of the meeting. You must be at least 18 years of age to participate.

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 \$3,205.00. Thank you!

Reflecting On Sunday's Readings

Years ago, I read a cute story that fits well with this week's Advent theme. "The Cardinal was approached one day in the cathedral by a very excited young curate. 'Your eminence' he cried, 'a woman claims to have just seen a vision of the Savior in the chapel behind the main altar. What should we do?' 'Look busy,' the Cardinal told him, 'Look busy!'" Advent is a season of preparation that reminds us, by looking at Jesus' first appearance, that he will appear again. Advent should call us to repent of our attitude of indifference and slothfulness regarding the Lord, and call us from inaction to action. The weeks of Advent provide an opportunity for us to prepare our hearts not only to celebrate the Lord's incarnation but to allow the Lord to be re-birthed in our heart. This week's Gospel reading provides insight as to how we can do that. John the Baptist came ahead of Jesus' public ministry proclaiming, "prepare the way of the Lord." That preparation consisted of confession of their sins and presenting themselves for baptism by John as a sign of their repentance. Now as Catholics we have already been baptized, and confession is a normal part of our spirituality, so what is the meaning and application of this passage for us? Perhaps the meaning and application can be better understood by way of contrast—looking at what it doesn't mean. The Pharisees and Sadducees also presented themselves to John for baptism, and he rebuked them. So we know right off that it is not a matter of simply practicing some meaningless religious observance to make oneself feel better. In no mistaken terms John pointed out that preparing the way of the Lord entailed an inner conversion of attitudes and mind-set. People went to John to be baptized because they recognized that their sinful attitudes and mind-set governed their behavior. Also, they recognized that their behavior was abhorrent to the Lord. By repenting of these things, they welcomed the Lord's impending appearance and stood ready to receive him and be received by him. So as Catholics, Advent preparation gives us the opportunity not to be re-baptized, but to prepare the way for the Lord by renewing and making present again our baptismal vows.

This is especially true if you were baptized as an infant for you do not remember the vows that were made at your baptism. So Advent can enable you to step backward once again into your baptism and make the baptismal vows your personal statement of faith. The confession with which we are concerned is not simply the important daily confession of sin to God or periodic participation in the Rite of Reconciliation, but it is a reflection on, and rejection of the root causes of the sin in our life. Advent can be a time in which we once again renounce Satan and all of his works, making a clean break with sin. It can be a time when we renew and restate our love for Jesus and our intention to be his follower in attitude, mind-set, and behavior. "He belongs to you, but more than that, he longs to be in you, living and ruling in you, as the head lives and rules in the body. He desires that whatever is in him may live and rule in you: his breath in your breath, his heart in your heart, all the faculties of his soul in the faculties of your soul, so that these words may be fulfilled in you: Glorify God and bear him in your body, that the life of Jesus may be made manifest in you."¹ This kind of Advent preparation opens wide the doors of our lives to receive Jesus afresh and to welcome him back into the center of our everyday existence. It enables self to consciously step down from the position of self-rule, and surrender the throne of our life to the one person who can rule with righteousness, wisdom, and faithfulness, as Isaiah speaks of in the First Reading. But it must be more than another Christmas gift that we shove under the bed two weeks after Christmas, and forget about. It cannot be simply looking busy it must be a real inner change, a matter of being. ¹ Treatise on the Admirable Heart of Jesus by Saint John Eudes, in the Liturgy of the Hours, IV, p. 1331

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Daily Mass Readings

Monday, Dec. 9	First Reading: <u>Gn. 3: 9-15, 20</u> Second Reading: <u>Eph. 1: 3-6, 11-12</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 1: 26-38</u>
Tuesday, Dec. 10	First Reading: <u>Is. 40: 1-11</u> Gospel: <u>Mt. 18: 12-14</u>
Wednesday, Dec. 11	First Reading: <u>Is. 40: 25-31</u> Gospel: <u>Mt. 11: 28-30</u>
Thursday, Dec. 12	First Reading: <u>Rev. 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 1: 39-47</u>
Friday, Dec. 13	First Reading: <u>Is. 48: 17-19</u> Gospel: <u>Mt. 11: 16-19</u>
Saturday, Dec. 14	First Reading: <u>Sir. 48: 1-4, 9-11</u> Gospel: <u>Mt. 17: 9a, 10-13</u>
Sunday, Dec. 15	First Reading: <u>Is. 35: 1-6a, 10</u> Second Reading: <u>Jas. 5: 7-10</u> Gospel: <u>Mt. 11: 2-11</u>



St. Monica\St. Elizabeth, Blue Rapids



Calendar and Mass Intention

Dec. 15th, 8:30 am — For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes

Nov. 24 & Dec. 1st, 2019 offerings

Envelopes	\$1,187.00
Plate	\$ 211.00
Ch. Plate	\$ 22.15
Fuel	\$ 240.00
Poinsettia	\$ 40.00
Human Dev.	\$ 10.00

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

Ministers of the Mass

Sunday Dec. 15th, 8:30 a.m. St. Monica\St. Elizabeth

Lector	S. Toerber
Servers	M. Toerber, M. Shanks, & J. Heinen
Gifts	Rowe family
Communion	S. Toerber, J. Wienck, & D. Baier
Ushers	M. Borgerding & J. Wienck

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

ST. MONICA/ST. ELIZBETH will be conducting a Food Drive for the Valley Heights Food Pantry through Dec. 15th. Each family will be provided with a brown paper grocery bag with a grocery list inside.

Marysville Knights of Columbus Annual Raffle ticket sales beginning now through the 1st of December. Contact any Knights member for tickets or details.

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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
Katelyn Schroedl 12/9
Sophia Parker 12/12
Tony Schroedl 12/13
Linda Cohorst 12/13
Connor Gleason 12/13
Sarah Toerber 12/15

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!

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.



St. Columbkille Parish, Blaine KS

Ministers of the Mass *Saturday Dec. 14, 6:00 p.m.*

Lector	Todd Sheppard
Servers	Jarritt Martens*, Maria Krohn, Bailey Martens
Ministers	Natalie Krohn, Frank Finan, Mark Cusimano, Janet Holthaus
Hospitality	Patsy Campbell/Debbie O'Shea/Dot O'Shea

Saturday November 30, 2019 offering:

11/30/2019	Envelope	610.00	
	Plate	100.00	
	Thanksgiving	30.00	
	Hall Rent	45.00	
	Mass Int	10.00	
			795.00
11/30/2019	Church Reno		25.00

Server Schedule	
7-Dec	Eva Krohn*, Ty Krohn
14-Dec	Jarritt Martens*, Maria Krohn, Bailey Martens
21-Dec	Ethan Karnes*, Malea Karnes, Noah Valburg
25-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

Celtic Christmas Please pickup your Celtic Christmas information letter on the back table of the church, if you have not done so already. If you are able to either donate requested items or work, there are still spots and items available. Reminder as well for those who have offered to donate either eggs or hamburger: Please have hamburger and eggs at the hall by **Thursday** evening, since we will need them for the food preparation during the day on **Friday**. Thanks again, everyone, for your support in helping make our parish Celtic Christmas successful.

*Twas '7 days before our Celtic Christmas event!
St. Columbkille's awesome cooks wonder just where the time went.
Seems like only yesterday, cooking websites were scoured,
In search of delicious treats our crowds would devour.*

*Is it really quite time for this to be happening so soon?
First, turkey, but yes, please dig out your measuring spoons!
Don those baking hats and aprons, a hardy appetite as well,
For savory soups, tasty goodies--it's gonna be swell!*

*Irresistible sweets by the pound and shopping await,
8:30am--1:30pm, December 14th's the date.
Join us for a day full of festive, St. Columbkille fun,
Before the hustle and bustle of the holidays have begun!*

Restoration for Restoration I will be setting up a booth at the Celtic Christmas to re-do and RESTORE your old Christmas wreaths etc...make new bows or whatever to help with your holiday decorations! Also, we will be selling donated ornaments, decorations and religious articles. Bring them to me, or take to the hall December 13th at 6pm, please mark them with my name on them. All money collected will be given to the church Restoration Fund. Any questions: Janet Holthaus 785-288-0685.

Knights of Columbus meeting Thursday, December 12th.

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.