6pm to 7pm Wednesdays of Lent confessions are heard in the Little Church

Holy Angels Church

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Daily Mass - Regular weekday Mass in little church Mon. – Fri. at 8 am and at 9 am on civil holidays, except Lenten Thursdays when it is at 5:30 pm. When there is a funeral or Basehor schools close for severe weather, there is no daily Mass. With severe weather, one may consult our website or our Facebook page or call Therese Horvat at 816-225-5773 to confirm it as well.

Weekend Masses— Saturday at 4:30 pm, Sunday at 8:00 and 10:30 am

Rosary after weekday Masses.

Our Lady Queen of the Holy Angels Adoration Chapel open 24/7 with key-card availability to those signing up for a holy hour

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion Tuesdays after morning Mass

Youth Group Sundays, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm, Little Church basement

That Man Is You Saturdays, 7:00 am, parish hall

Pro Life Committee 1st Tuesday of the month, 7 pm

Legion of Mary 3rd Wednesday of the month 5:30 pm, modular bldg.

Ladies Faith Group Monday evenings at 6:30 pm, Little Church basement.
Friday mornings at 9:30 am, Little Church basement.

Weddings - Contact Chris Brown nine months before proposed wedding date. Call the office to make an appointment, (913) 724-1665.

Baptisms Three months notice before baptism. Baptisms are held on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Baptismal Preparation classes are required and scheduled individually with parents (only). Call Chris at the office (913) 724-1665 to schedule a class time.

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Masses This Week

Monday, April 4 St. Isidore
8:00 am † Gus Girardi—TM
Tuesday, April 5
8:00 am † George Pestock—DP
Wednesday, April 6
8:00 am † Mike Suljak & Mirica Black-MS
Thursday, April 7
5:30 pm † Dorothy Border—FB
Friday, April 8
8:00 am † Herb Vogel—DV
Saturday, April 9
4:30 pm † Cindy & Delbert Baker—DB
Palm Sunday, April 10
8:00 am All Parishioners of Holy Angels
10:30 am † Francis Scherer—JS

Ministry Schedule

SATURDAY, APRIL 9 - 4:30 PM

Servers:	Declan and Adalyn Oswald
Lector 1	Dan Clegg
Lector 2	Rich Dixon
EMHC (4)	Rich Dixon, Jeri McDonnell, Steve Suarez, Therese Horvat
Ushers (4)	Dan Clegg*, Nick Gaspers, Steve Gripka, Bill Kirchner
Sacristan:	Mary Pierce
MC:	Mick Vitt

SUNDAY, APRIL 10- 8:00 AM

Servers	Madelyn and Wilson Lueck
Lector 1	Curtis Pahls
Lector 2	Barb Randolph
EMHC(4)	Curtis Pahls, Laura Timmer, Jeri Gregory, Janet Johnson
Ushers (4)	Chuck Magaha*, David Barton, Chris Timmer, Dan Torline
Sacristan	Alisha Brewer
MC:	Heath Cartwright

SUNDAY, APRIL 10- 10:30 AM

Servers	Tyson Heffley and Eva England
Lector 1	Mike Eskina
Lector 2	Tiffany Lynch
EMHC (4)	John Tripp, Jacqueline Cortright, Dale Huffman, Maggie Avila
Ushers (4)	Ron McMillian*, Keith Mark, Gene Klingele, John Blinzler
Sacristan	Yvonne Tripp
MC:	Mike Scaletty

Collection Counters:

April 4—Beverly Brown, Marlene Goll, and Maria McBratney
April 11—Joyce Bowlin, Linda Land, and Ed Church

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Holy Angels,

As you might have noticed, **we are in need before Easter of a genuine and true SPRING CLEANING** in the main church and little church and in the grounds immediately around them. The only day and time that presents itself to us for this task is **Saturday. April 9, from 9 to 3**. I ask members of the Altar Society, of CWO, of Knights of Columbus, of women's and men's prayer groups and ALL parishioners to come that Saturday for whatever number of hours they can, with rakes, clippers, brooms, trash bags, and all manner of clean-up equipment so that the churches and grounds immediately around them may be looking as best they can for Easter. THANK YOU for whatever time, work and commitment you can give this next Saturday!

Fr. Richard McDonald

True Peace of Mind is Found in Resisting our Passions
From Thomas a Kempis' Imitation of Christ:
Do not think yourself better than others lest, perhaps, you be accounted worse before God Who knows what is in a person. Do not take pride in your good deeds, for God's judgments differ from those of human beings and what pleases them often displeases Him. If there is good in you, see more good in others, so that you may remain humble. It does no harm to esteem yourself less than anyone else, but it is very harmful to think yourself better than even one other person. The humble live in continuous peace, while in the hearts of the proud are envy and frequent anger.
When a person desires a thing too much, one at once becomes ill at ease. A proud and avaricious person never rests, whereas one who is poor and humble of heart lives in a world of peace. An unmortified person is quickly tempted and overcome in small, trifling evils; one's spirit is weak, in a measure carnal and inclined to sensual things; one can hardly abstain from earthly desires. Hence it makes one sad to forego them; one is quick to anger if reproved. Yet if one satisfies one's desires, remorse of conscience overwhelms one because one followed one's passions and they did not lead to the peace one sought.
True peace of heart, then, is found in resisting passions, not in satisfying them. There is no peace in the carnal person, in the one given to vain attractions, but there is peace in the fervent and spiritual person.

The Father's Gifts Without the Father by Fr. Paul D. Scalia

"A man had two sons." So begins our Lord's most famous and familiar parable. Some have described it as the Gospel in miniature. It's even better to see it as all salvation history in miniature.

"Father, give me the share of your estate that should come to me." Thus speaks the younger son, the prodigal. He is asking for his inheritance ahead of time, which is a rotten thing to do. For starters, it deprives the family farm of important capital. What they might have used for investment and profit is gone (which might explain the older brother's resentment).

More important is what the son's demand reveals about his view of his father. He demands *now* what should come to him only when his father is dead. He does not want his father, but only the things (literally, the substance, the *life*) of his father. In effect, he says to his father, "I do not want you but yours; I wish you were dead."

The son's demand is an abuse of his sonship, a distortion of the freedom and privilege granted by his father. But the father allows it, which is one of the parable's most confounding aspects. It's an image of the radical possibility of human freedom to defy even God.

Off the son goes. After some time, he discovers that it's impossible to have his father's life without his father. Cut off from the source of his dignity, he finds himself reduced to the level of an animal. He longs "to eat his fill of the pods on which the swine fed."

Then those momentous words: "Coming to his senses. . ." – or, "When he came to *himself*." That is, when he realized the truth about himself and the source of his dignity. By rejecting his father, he had become alienated from his very self, less than an animal. The only way back to himself is to return to his father.

Then there's the older brother, at home with the father. Far from an afterthought or addendum to the story, he is in many ways the purpose of this parable, addressed to the Pharisees and scribes who resented the prodigals surrounding Jesus. Convinced of his own righteousness, the older son has actually made the same mistake as his younger brother: he has separated his father from his father's gifts.

But in his case, he sees the father's gifts – to share his substance, to participate in his work – as a burden and slavery. "Look, all these years I *served* you," he impudently responds to his father's entreaties. He doesn't see that the father's gifts are meant not for servitude but for dignity and freedom.

To separate the things of God from God. To want God out of the picture so that we can have what is His, but without the difficulty of *Him*. This is fundamental to all sin. We see it first in the rebellion of Satan and his angels. They want their angelic beauty, power, and dignity on their own, without their Creator.

Hardly an asymptomatic spreader, Satan then infects Adam and Eve with this spiritual virus. He leads them to demand their inheritance, to "be like gods" without God. They rebel and grasp for the Father's gift, while simultaneously rejecting the Father. They are the first to say, "Father, give me the share of your estate that should come to me."

Mysteriously, the Father allows it, again as a radical possibility of human freedom. Adam and Eve likewise discover to their horror that they are at odds with themselves. Literally no longer comfortable in their own skin, they put on fig leaves. Mankind then awaits the day that it will "come to itself."

The gifts of God exist and endure only in a vital relationship with God. Ours is not the God of the deists, who imagined an aloof, disconnected deity whose benefits we can enjoy without his presence or interference. No, the Father's act of creation continues and maintains us in being. No creature can exist without the Creator's constant presence. Cut off from their source, the Father's gifts eventually run dry or, worse, become corrupt. To preserve His gifts and their goodness, we must remain united to Him.

To want the things of God without God. We see this writ large in our culture. The wizardry of our biotechnology seeks authority over life without the Author of life. The secular environmentalists want Creation ("nature," as they call it) without the Creator. The result is predictable: the more we banish God from our world, the less human we become. We are alienated from ourselves, now not even knowing man and woman.

To want the things of God without God. We find this in our own sins. Every time we use the gifts of God – our freedom, our intellect and will, our bodies – independent of Him, then we say with the prodigal, "I want your gifts, but not you." Like the older brother, we allow this to infect even our devotions. The liturgy becomes our creation, not a gift. Pious practices become a way of doing things for God but not the things of God.

In Christ, man comes to himself at last. In Him, we see the fulfillment and joy of living a human life in radical and vital union with the Father. By His grace, we are restored to the Father and thus to ourselves.

PLEASE take advantage of the opportunity we have in the metro area of being immersed in and viewing the Michelangelo Sistine Chapel exhibit of his ceiling fresco masterpieces from the Old Testament and of his fresco of the Last Judgement on the sanctuary wall. It is showing through the month of April from Wednesdays thru Sundays at 211 Nichols Road on the Country Club Plaza. Please go to **http://chapelsistine.com/exhibits/kansas-city/** to find out info about it.

The Finance Council and Pastoral Council will meet Wednesday, April 6, at 6 pm and 7 pm, respectively.

Thanks for the prayers, cards and well wishes of so many prayer warriors on my behalf.

Edith Gravatt

In Our Prayers

Please pray for the following people listed on the prayer chain… Edith Gravatt, Eve Cope, Jim Cope, Palmer Swafford, Joyce Oswald, Jerry Kavanaugh, Daniel Ciszewski, Mike Saunders, Sheila Sullivan, Angie Kasick, Belva Kavanaugh, Christi Merrick Coy, Mickey, Angie Bohndorf, Judy Rodina, Corinne Shearer, Sue Robbins, Jamie Waldron, Erin Sixta Faloon, Jeff Bohndord, Janet Lashbrook, Jim Hall, Kim Brown, Adeline, Jay, Doris, Reese, Nicholas, Bill Stubler, Becky Millican, Danette Reichart.

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Go online to our website to find our Sign Up Genius to <u>sign up for a special hour of prayer in the lil' church</u> in the midst of the Real Presence of Our Eucharistic Lord, at our very special and most beautiful Altar of Repose, in the hours from the time of the Agony of Christ in the Garden of the Mount of Olives immediately after our Mass of the Lord's Supper from 9 pm Holy Thursday night right up to 2:45 pm before we begin on Good Friday the Liturgy of the Commemoration of the Lord's Passion and Death at 3 pm.

<u>We need two persons at every one of the 18 hours</u>.

Juxta Crucem cum Maria

Standing next to Mary at the foot of the Cross

with Fr. Robert Conroy MC

Holy Week Parish Retreat Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, April 11-13

6:30 pm Daily Mass, 7:00 pm Retreat Talks

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday Masses: 4:30 pm Sat., April 9,
8:00 am & 10:30 am Masses April 10

Holy Thursday: 7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper. April 14. Followed by procession to the Little Church Altar of Repose.

Good Friday: Noon Stations of the Cross; 3:00 pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion & Death, April 15

Holy Saturday: 8:30 pm Easter Vigil, April 16

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO MEET WITH RETREAT DIRECTOR FR. ROBERT CONROY, MC individually for spiritual advice or for confession. He offers opportunities during part of the week he is here for those who are parishioners to meet with him. ***As this is a parish retreat, this particularly singular opportunity is limited only to parishioners, spouses and family members.***

<u>HALF HOUR APPOINTMENTS</u>
Monday, April 11: 9 am-12 noon
Tuesday, April 12: 3 pm-6 pm
Wednesday, April 13: 12 pm-3 pm
(Sign up sheet available in the narthex at weekend Masses and call the office during the week.)

Catholics - Did You Know?

Every year during Holy Week, bishops and priests worldwide participate in a special Mass to celebrate the institution of the priesthood. This Mass is called the Chrism Mass, and is celebrated on the Tuesday of Holy Week in our Archdiocese. All diocesan priests (the presbyterate) should attend unless there is a serious reason preventing them. During this Mass they must receive Holy Communion in both forms, in remembrance of the Last Supper.

Two important things happen at the Chrism Mass: The priests renew their promises to their bishop, and the three oils used in all Catholic parishes are blessed. In our Archdiocese and around the world, some of the diocese's people are there to support their priests in prayer.

During the homily, the bishop preaches on the role of the priest as Christ's representative on earth, and encourages them to be good shepherds in their ministry to their people. Then the bishop faces them, they stand, and renew their promises. For example, "Are you resolved to be more united with the Lord Jesus and more closely conformed to him, denying yourselves and confirming those promises about sacred duties towards Christ's Church, which prompted by love of him, you willingly and joyfully pledged on the day of your priestly ordination?" Then the bishop asks the people to pray for both him and the priests.

Then there is a procession where the three carafes of oil are carried in and placed in the sanctuary, where the bishop will bless each individually. There is the Oil of Catechumens used for Confirmation, the Oil of the Sick, and the Chrism Oil which is used for baptisms and anointing of priests at ordinations. The bishop prays over each, but at the Chrism oil he adds fragrant balsam oil to the carafe and breathes over it while he consecrates it. For millennia, oil has been used in ancient rites to anoint priests, prophets, and kings. After the Chrism Mass, each pastor receives a portion of these oils for use in their parish the coming year. As you can see, the Chrism Mass is a great tradition in the Catholic Church!

<u>Instances of the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the Area with Multiple Confessors</u>: Sunday, 1 pm, April 3, at Immaculate Conception, Leavenworth; 7 pm, Thursday, April 7, at Sacred Heart, Shawnee; 7 pm, Thursday, April 7, at St. Joseph, Shawnee; 1 pm, Palm Sunday, April 10, here at HA parish hall; 7 pm Monday, April 11, St Patrick, KCK.