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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 liturgy's and by  
appointment

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# Annunciation Parish

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

JANUARY 10TH 2016

## The Baptism of the Lord

### Growing as Disciples of Jesus, Making Disciples For Jesus

As the people were in expectation, and all men questioned in their hearts concerning John, whether perhaps he were the Christ, John answered them all, "I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.... Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had

been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form, as a dove, and a voice came from heaven, "Thou art my beloved Son; with thee I am well pleased."

Why do you think that Jesus chose to be baptized?

What does this incident reveal about Jesus?

What do the baptism of water and the

baptism by the Holy Spirit signify?

(Note: Some of these questions should encourage you to use the Catechism for research).

**This is my be-  
loved son, in  
whom I am  
well pleased**



# Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Notes	Intention
01/11/2016	Monday	Weekday	No a.m. Mass
01/12/2016	Tuesday	Weekday	+Lloyd & +Rita Gerstner
01/13/2016	Wednesday	10:00 a.m. (Frankfort Care Home)	+Albert Maas
01/14/2016	Thursday	Weekday	+Marcella Roeder
01/15/2016	Friday	Weekday	+Lawrence & +Dorothy Shump
01/16/2016	Saturday	Frankfort 4:00 p. m.	+Lucille Haas
01/16/2016	Saturday	Blaine 6:00 p.m.	+Margaret McCormick
01/17/2016	Sunday	Blue Rapids 8:30 a.m.	+Mr & +Mrs Ignatius Swoboda
01/17/2016	Sunday	Frankfort 10:30 a. m.	For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes

## Saturday, January 16th: Annunciation 4:00 pm

Lector	Phil Maas
Servers	Jarett & Samuel Gros
Communion	M. Kennedy, W. Gros, & S. Wapp
Musicians	Jane Sedlacek & Frannie Fangman
Ushers	Jim Roeder & Roy Miller
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Ed & Pat Brady
Sacristan	Marybeth Kennedy

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## Sunday, January 17th: Annunciation 10:30 am

Lector	Cathy Farrell
Servers	Jack & Chloe Mitchell, & Amburley Kokoruda
Communion	I. Dressman, C. Stallbaumer, & C. Farrell
Musicians	Jeanie Gerstner & Lynn Bramhall
Ushers	Todd Surdez & Dean Seematter
Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Kelli Kokoruda
Care Home	Stephanie Huninghake
Sacristan	Cassie Mitchell

## *This that and the Other...*

**SERVERS TRAINING**– Today, January 10th, immediately after the 10:30 mass. This is for all those who want to learn how to serve mass. Questions contact Fr. Schmitz.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES**-Please take a minute to stop and pick up your 2016 offering envelopes. They are sorted in numerical order. Thank you for all your continued support of our parish!

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**– We are asking for volunteers today after mass to help take down the Christmas decorations in Church. All volunteers would be greatly appreciated!

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

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

**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 conjunction** with the Pro-Life Baby Shower there will be empty baby bottles in the back of church. You are invited to take one home and fill it with your loose change to help those in need. Return the filled bottles to the Parish Office. All proceeds will go to Birthright Topeka.

## **ANNUNCIATION OFFERINGS**

**January 3, 2016**

Envelopes \$1127.00

Plate \$215.62

Total \$1342.62

### **Other Income**

Fuel/Heat \$ 54.00

Latin America \$ 10.00

St. M/St. E \$2124.50\*

(Fr. Schmitz Oct/Nov. sal., insur., food, util., & misc.)

St. Columbkille \$ 680.76\*

(Fr. Schmitz Nov. sal., insur., food, util., & misc.)

## **ANNUNCIATION ALTAR SOCIETY**

**NOTES**— Your 2016 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.

**HELP WANTED**— We are looking for two volunteers from the Altar Society to serve on the Funeral Committee. We thank Wilma Harrington and Rita Broxterman who have been very dedicated and have served on this committee for over 10 years. Questions or to volunteer please contact Marilyn Hazen in the Parish Office. The 2016 Altar Society List with new funeral committee members and new chairman and co-chairman will be published and available in the back of the church as soon as we have someone volunteer for the funeral committee.

**RELIGIOUS ED NOTES**— Class, for Grades 1-6, Wednesday, Jan. 13th, 2:10 to 3:10 pm.

**Class for Jr./Sr. High** on Wednesday, Jan. 13th, 2016, 7:00 p.m.

### **Marriage Minute Jan 10 Feast of the Baptism of the Lord**

“You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

These words are words of encouragement to every family. When we have our children baptized, we give a gift to God the Father, another child to delight in! Imagine how pleased the Father is with the gift of that little child. Baptisms are often joyous gatherings that reunite extended members of families. Baptism awakens us in a very practical way that we belong to a much larger family than our own. Ultimately, we belong to God’s family.

The Feast of the Baptism of Jesus is a great opportunity for us to share the story of our own baptism, or to tell the story to our children of their baptism. Perhaps, if you can find them, pull out pictures of family baptisms and pass them around to remind everyone the importance of belonging to God’s family. This feast is a great opportunity to light the baptism candles of our children throughout the day to teach the significance of the Sacrament. One popular tradition is the celebration of Baptism Days. Just like we celebrate birthdays, it can be a great teaching moment for children when we celebrate the day they entered God’s family. However we do it, it is important to celebrate this important feast in the life of Christ!

### **LIVING IN LOVE RETREAT**—

Did you know that being in love is not a stage you grow out of? Come and experience *Living in Love* a liberating retreat which gives insight into how differently men & women prefer to achieve intimacy. Next retreat opportunity is on Saturday, Jan. 16th 8:30 am to 9:00 pm (includes romantic dinner) and Sunday, January 17th 8:00 to 4:00 pm (Includes Sunday Mass) at Sacred Heart Parish, Sabetha. Register online: [www.archkek.org/LivinginLove](http://www.archkek.org/LivinginLove). For more info call 913-647-0345 (Marriage & Family Life Office).

### **CATHOLIC WOMEN’S RETREAT**—

Saturday, January 23rd at Christ the King Catholic Church, 5973 SW 25th Street, Topeka. Doors open at 6:30 a.m. & Light Breakfast. Mass at 8:00 a.m. 9:30 am. —Resolve, Renew, Rejoice Retreat with conclusion at 12:30 pm. \$20.00 per registrant. Register online at [ctktopeka.org](http://ctktopeka.org) For more information contact Tonya Campbell at 785-221-8652 or see flyer in back of church.

## **Men Under Construction** **Catholic Men’s Conference**

### **Men of Faith**

Come spend a day with other men from our archdiocese learning how to better live our faith. **Men Under Construction 20** is a perfect Lenten investment in your spirituality. Featured speakers include **Archbishop Joseph Naumann**, **Jeff Cavins** (Entertaining Bible expert and former Protestant pastor), **Dr. Ted Sri** (Professor and famed best-selling Catholic author), and **Devin Schadt**. (author and speaker focusing on authentic fatherhood). You will also be able to participate in reconciliation and mass. The 2016 Conference will be Saturday, Feb. 13, 2016 at Church of the Ascension, 9510 W 127th, Overland Park. Conference starts with Registration at 6:15 am and ends with the Archbishop’s final blessing and adjournment at 3:30 pm. Coffee, donuts, and lunch included. Admission is \$35. Register online at [www.ksmuc.org](http://www.ksmuc.org) or pick up a registration form in the back of church. No kum ba ya here! Just real men looking for some truth & happiness.

### **NFP Bulletin Announcement:** **Introduction to the Creighton Model System**

Are you looking for a true method of family planning that will work with any reproductive situation, such as with regular or irregular cycles, while breastfeeding, or in pre-menopause? The Creighton Model is a natural method of fertility regulation, enabling a woman, through recording daily observations, to better understand and maintain her reproductive health. A free introductory session providing an overview of the method, reproductive anatomy and physiology and how to track and monitor your cycle will be held in the Sts. Peter and Paul church basement on February 20th at 9am. To register for the class please call/text Susie Lueger at 336-1934 or register online at <http://annunciationfrankfort.org/nfp>



# Reflecting On Sunday's Readings

For all that we know from Scripture Jesus was reared by Mary and Joseph pretty much in obscurity. We can deduce this from the hometown skeptics' who voiced surprise when Jesus came healing, and teaching about the Kingdom; "Is not this the carpenter's son? ... Where did this man get all this?" These humble origins increase the complexity and wonder of the Incarnation. Jesus was Emmanuel, God with us, miraculously born, but fully one with us in our humanity. Like other babies he needed changing, he had to learn to walk, to feed himself, to talk and to do all those other things involved in growing up. We can only imagine that his life in most respects was quite normal progressing physically, mentally, and socially through the stages of growth like other children. Yet, on the day of his baptism the Holy Spirit and the Father endorsed him as Son. The Spirit in the form of a dove descended to rest on him, while the Father spoke from heaven, "You are my beloved Son. With you I am well pleased." As yet, as far as we know, Jesus had not performed any miracles, had not taught any crowds, had not proclaimed the Good News of the Kingdom, had told no parables, and had called and led no disciples. Yet, the Eternal God, God the Father, was not simply pleased with him, he was well pleased with him. This incident tells us something both about the Father and the Son. The worth and value of Jesus the Son, was intrinsic, part of his essential nature. He was significant because of who he was, not only because of what he would do. In fact, what he later did was a result of who he was, not the other way around. This incident also indicates that the Father does not assign us worth based on our utilitarian value. We can not impress God, or make him love us more, or esteem us more valuable because we are useful to him. Contrariwise, we have value and significance because we are created in his image. In addition, through conversion and transformation we are

being recreated into his divine image, "...through them [his power and promise] you may escape from the corruption that is in the world because of lust, and may become participants of the divine nature." (2 Peter 1:4) Each baptism we observe should remind us of two things. First, we should recall the Lord's baptism, where he totally entered into our humanity, the Father and the Spirit esteemed him as the Son, well pleasing. Second, we should be reminded of our son-ship, that we too are the Father's child, esteemed as significant and well pleasing through faith in Jesus, and have been made "heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ." "The baptism of Jesus is on his part the acceptance and inauguration of his mission as God's suffering Servant. He allows himself to be numbered among sinners; he is already 'the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world' ... At his baptism 'the heavens were opened' - the heavens that Adam's sin had closed - and the waters were sanctified by the descent of Jesus and the Spirit, a prelude to the new creation. ... The Christian must enter into this mystery of humble self-abasement and repentance, go down into the water with Jesus in order to rise with him, be reborn of water and the Spirit so as to become the Father's beloved son in the Son and 'walk in newness of life.'" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 536 and 537)

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## Daily Mass Readings

Monday, January 11	First Reading: <u>1 Sm. 1: 1-8</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 1: 14-20</u>
Tues- day, January 12	First Reading: <u>1 Sm. 1: 9-20</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 1: 21-28</u>
Wednes- day, January 13	First Reading: <u>1 Sm. 3: 1-10</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 1: 29-39</u>
Thurs- day, January 14	First Reading: <u>1 Sm. 4: 1-11</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 1: 40-45</u>
Friday, January 15	First Reading: <u>1 Sm. 8: 4-7, 10-22a</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 2: 1-12</u>
Satur- day, January 16	First Reading: <u>1 Sm. 9: 1-4, 17-19; 10: 1a</u> Gospel: <u>Mk. 2: 13-17</u>
Sunday, January 17	1st Reading: <u>Is. 62: 1-5</u> 2nd Reading: <u>1 Cor. 12: 4-11</u> Gospel: <u>Jn. 2: 1-11</u>



# St. Monica\St. Elizabeth, Blue Rapids



## Calendar and Mass Intention

January 17th, 8:30 am— +Mr and +Mrs Ignatius Swoboda

January 3, 2016 offerings

Envelopes	\$1011.00
Plate	\$ 210.00
Latin America	\$ 10.00

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

## Ministers of the Mass

**Sunday January 17, 8:30 a.m. St. Monica\St. Elizabeth**

<b>Lector</b>	H. Botkin
<b>Servers</b>	M. Toerber, J. Brungardt, & E. Brungardt
<b>Gifts</b>	Skalla family
<b>Communion</b>	M. Borgerding, M. Heinen, & E. Henry
<b>Ushers</b>	A. Edwards & J. Wienck

**Church Cleaners: January**– Liz Miller & Sarah Toerber  
**Sacristan Schedule: January**—Theresa Minihan  
**Breakfast Committee: February**— Zita Duensing, Sheri Shanks, & Cheryl Skalla If you cannot work the month you are assigned then trade with someone.

### NOTE OF THANKS

Thank you to all of you who gave so generously toward the poinsettia memorial. It helped make our church even more beautiful this Christmas season. The following have been remembered with a poinsettia during this joyous season:

- Linda Ashenfelter
- Michael Bergkamp
- Oscar & Virginia Bergkamp
- Henry & Marie Borgerding
- Dale & Kathleen Brucker
- Irene Volle Cain
- Francis "Hank" Dobrovolny
- Elmer Henry
- Ben & Caroline Holthaus
- Bryan Kidd
- Coleen Kinney
- Mark Koch
- Donald Lieber
- Seth McKay
- Maurice & Betty Stone
- Frank & Norma Splechter
- Alvin Tate
- Bryan & Rosella Tate
- Lawrence Volle
- Louis Wassenberg
- Tony & Theresa Wassenberg

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** Fridays from noon to 5:00p.m. The Adoration Group would like to invite more parishioners to participate. Please take a time.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Daniel Gleason 1/11
- Cheryl Skalla 1/14

**Altar Society meeting** January 20, 2016 at 6:30 pm. Final plans for our soup day February 10th. Plan to attend weather permitting. Workers list will soon be forthcoming.

**Are you new to the Parish?** New members please contact Zita Duensing at 785-363-7456; or email is [zitaduensing@att.net](mailto:zitaduensing@att.net). to get your names in the parish records.

**Envelopes for 2016** are in the back of church. The address on the label is the address on file with the parish. If this address is incorrect please let Zita Duensing know. Phone 785-363-7456 or email [zitaduensing@att.net](mailto:zitaduensing@att.net).



# St. Columbkille Parish, Blaine KS

**Ministers of the Mass** *Saturday January 16, 6:00 p.m.*

**Saturday January 2, 2016 offering:**

<b>Lector</b>	Becky White
<b>Servers</b>	
<b>Ministers</b>	Lavon Sanford, Mike Sanford, Carol or Wade Minihan
<b>Hospitality</b>	Scott & Debbie Plummer

1/2/2016	Envelope	690.00	
	Plate	88.00	
	Solemnity of Mary	25.00	
	T-Shirts	162.00	
			965.00

12/31/2015	Envelope	150.00	
	Plate	272.00	
	Immaculate Conception	25.00	
	Christmas Flowers	20.00	
	Solemnity of Mary	53.00	
	Connie Depew Memorial	20.00	
			540.00

12/31/2015	Hall Annex Fund		250.00
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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING:**

January 14, 2016

**Altar Society Meeting Dates—**

2016: January 25 (weather permitting), February 22,  
March 28, April 25, May 23,  
Meeting time is 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

**Pro-Life Baby Shower**

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting a Pro-Life baby shower beginning December 26 and continuing through the month of January. A crib will be set up in the back of the church for donations of new or used baby or maternity clothing, baby and pregnancy supplies, diapers, baby bottles or formula. Cash donations can be given to Steve O'Shea, Harry Moser, or Jim McCormick.

**THANK YOU**—to Lisa Moser and Becky White for their

years of service on the parish council. I'm very grateful for their dedication to help us grow as disciples of Jesus and lead others to become disciples. I am interested in having two new members to become part of the parish council. We meet once a quarter to review the financial and spiritual state of the parish, and then whenever a special event occurs. If you are interested in serving the parish in such a way, please see me. -Fr. Schmitz

If you have or know of any social concerns, please contact Lavon Sanford at 870-341-1446 or Patsy Campbell at 785-457-3731. For prayer request contact Lisa Moser 785-396-4328.

**The Blaine/Westmoreland Senior Citizens** Hold their

meeting every 4th Tuesday of each month in the St. Columbkille Parish Hall at noon. A potluck lunch is followed by a short meeting, cards, & conversation. All senior citizens are welcome.

**NOTE:** Per Best Practice from the Archdiocese. It will be mandatory that all bills be presented to Fr Schmitz for approval. Please email, mail or present your bills to Fr Schmitz for approval. All bills should now be mailed % St Columbkille , 213 E 5<sup>th</sup>, Frankfort Kansas 66427 or frschmitz@bluevalley.net