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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 23RD 2018

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Growing as Disciples of Jesus, Making Disciples For Jesus

Holiday Mass Schedule

Monday, Dec. 24th
4:00 pm Frankfort
6:00 pm Blaine
8:00 pm Blue Rapids

Tuesday, Dec. 25th
10:00 am Frankfort

**Solemnity of Mary, the
Holy Mother of God
(holy day of obligation)**
Monday, Dec. 31st
4:00 pm Blue Rapids
6:00 pm Blaine

Tuesday, Jan 1st
10:00 am Frankfort

The Fourth Sunday of Advent Impossible Faith in an Inexplicable God

In today's story, two mothers meet who shouldn't be mothers. One is too old, the other a virgin. They are cousins, but their deeper bond is the two things they have in common: an impossible pregnancy, and faith in an inexplicable God.

Do they think of Sarah, I wonder? She laughed when she overheard a strange visitor tell her husband she'd have a son, though she was too old. Do Mary and Elizabeth laugh together about their impossible children? They might. They are both,

after all, filled with the Holy Spirit, whose fruit is joy. Christmas is almost here and we will celebrate the birth of Mary's son and share in her rejoicing. There is a reason always for gladness in this impossible gift from a God whose love lies far beyond our understanding. When winter darkness falls across the crib and our lives, as it must, let us pray for courage. The courage sustains the joy until morning sun breaks the night, as it did for Mary, and it will for us!

Holy Mothers Mary and Elizabeth, obtain for us the gift of faith that sustains Christmas joy even when circumstances challenge it, and the gift of courage to face the challenge.

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

*Come join Fr. Anthony for some holiday cheer on
Sunday, Dec. 23rd from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the
Annunciation Rectory.
Refreshments will be served.
All Parishioners from all 3 Parishes are invited!*

*May your holidays be filled with Happiness, health, good
cheer and warmth of family.*

Merry Christmas!

Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Notes	Intention
12/24/2018	Monday	Christmas Eve	4:00 pm Frankfort —+Joe M. Wapp 6:00 pm Blaine — +Elmer Haug 8:00 pm Blue Rapids — For All the Sick
12/25/2018	Tuesday	The Nativity of the Lord	10:00 am Frankfort—+Melvin Suther
12/26/2018	Wednesday	St. Stephen	No Care Home Mass
12/27/2018	Thursday	St. John, Apostle	No a.m. Mass
12/28/2018	Friday	The Holy Innocents	No a.m. Mass
12/29/2018	Saturday	Frankfort 4:00 p.m.	+Julius Kenworthy
12/29/2018	Saturday	Blaine 6:00 p. m.	+Louis & +Patricia Harrington
12/30/2018	Sunday	Blue Rapids 8:30 a.m.	For All Priests
12/30/2018	Sunday	Frankfort 10:30 a. m.	For All Parishioners of the 3 Parishes

Saturday, December 29th: Annunciation 4:00 pm

Sunday, December 30th: Annunciation 10:30 am

Lector	Phil Maas	M I N I S T E R S	Lector	Cathy Farrell
Servers	Hattie & Jarett Gros		Servers	Joee Bussman, Katelyn and Caden Combs
Communion	W. Gros, R. Broxterman, & J. Kennedy		Communion	C. Farrell, S. Wapp, & T. Dressman
Musicians	Moogie and Rheta		Musicians	Moogie and Emily
Ushers	Ed Brady & Jim Roeder		Ushers	Myron Dressman & Nick Dressman
Gifts	Ushers to appoint		Gifts	Ushers to appoint
Rosary	Erin Owen		Rosary	Sylvia Wapp & Kay Mitchell
Sacristan	Pat Brady		Care Home	Jan Stallbaumer
			Sacristan	Theresa Dressman

This that and the Other...

MINISTERS OF THE MASS

Mon., Dec. 24th, 4:00 pm

Lector: Jean Caffrey

Servers: Tara & Grady Fox & Xander Hull

Communion: C. Hull, C. Stallbaumer, & L. Schmitz

Sacristan: Melody Tommer

Musicians: Jane & FHS Choir

Ushers: Paul Tommer & Duane Dressman

Gifts: Ushers to Appoint

No Rosary

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

—As many of our longtime Eucharistic ministers have retired we are in need of more ministers. If you are interested in training for this beautiful ministry please contact Fr. Anthony or Marilyn.

MINISTERS OF THE MASS

Tues., Dec. 25th, 10:00 am

Lector: Beth Reust

Servers: Chloe Mitchell, Gavin Dressman, & Julia Studer

Communion: P. Maas, S. Wapp, & I. Dressman

Sacristan: Pam Suther

Musicians: Marilyn D. & Lynn B.

Ushers: Don Engelken & Joe Maas

Gifts: Ushers to Appoint

No Rosary

NOTICE—There will be No

Adoration, Rosary, or Benediction

on Tues., Dec. 25th or Tues. Jan.

1st due to the holidays.

NOTICE— There will be no

Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament on Friday, Dec. 28th

due to the holidays.

OFFICE CLOSED—

The Annunciation Parish Office will be closed Mon. Dec. 24th, Tues, Dec. 25th, Thurs. Dec. 27th, and Fri. Dec. 28th, for the holidays. **EARLY**

BULLETIN DEADLINE IS 9:00 am on Wed, Dec. 26th.

NOTE OF THANKS— Thank you so much to the Jr/Sr. High CCD students for the wonderful Christmas plate that was delivered to us. We are so thankful! *Gerald & Sheryl Gerstner*

2019 Offering Envelopes are available in the back of church.

Please take a moment to pick yours up. Thank you to all parishioners who graciously support our parish!

ANNUNCIATION OFFERINGS

December 16, 2018

Envelopes \$1406.00

Plate \$137.00

Total \$1543.00

Other Income

Thanksgiving \$ 20.00

Christmas Flow.\$ 130.00

Retire Rel. \$ 110.00

Rel. Ed \$ 15.00

Cath. Charities \$ 25.00

K of C Rel. Ed. \$ 375.00

PRAYER 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: January 21. There is strength in numbers.

CCD NOTES-

No Class for Grades 1-6, on Dec. 26th or Jan. 2nd, (Holiday break).

No Class for Grades 7-12, on Dec. 26th or Jan 2nd, (Holiday break).

Religious Ed. fees per student for Grades 1-12 is \$15.00. 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 the CCD books for Grades 1-6 was \$1,195.42.

DO YOU WANT TO DEEPEN YOUR PRAYER LIFE?

The focus of Centering Prayer is the deepening of our relationship with the living Christ. Please join us at Annunciation Church on all Thursdays in January at 4:00pm. Call Moogie 292-4152 or Mary 292-6126 if you're interested.

"God's Little Green Acre"

Seminarian Support You are invited to join Catholics across the Archdiocese in giving thanks for our seminarians, and show your support as they strive to answer God's call to the priesthood. Farmers can donate the proceeds from one acre of their crops, and those who don't farm but want to "grow" vocations can make a donation in any amount. Donations will be divided among our seminarians this Christmas to help them pay for textbooks and living expenses. They greatly appreciate these gifts since they have no income. For questions call Melanie at 913-647-0303 or email vocation@archkck.org. Mail donations to: Vocation office, 12615 Parallel Pkwy, Kansas City, KS 66109.

THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE CHRISTMAS FLOWER

MEMORIAL- The names for the memorial are: Matt & Lillie Noud family, Marksman & Burton families, Kuckelman families, LaVonne Farrell, Hub & Marcella Roeder, Joe & Thelma Trindade, Mike & Char Trindade, Matt Miller, Bert Rodgers, Joe M. Wapp, Ray Mitchell, Carol Mitchell, Mark Brady, Burton/Brady families, Fischer family, Ethel Wessel, Jane Wessel, Lloyd & Rita Gerstner, Joe & Elizabeth Gerstner, Bill & Gertie Cain, Allen & Loretta Jones, Ed Dressman, Victor & Rachel Huninghake, McCormick/Farrell families, Eugene & Jean Prockish, Prockish/Hazen families, Roxie & Nellie Travis, Frank Siebert, Dorothy McCreight, Lou & Ila Wardlow, Lloyd & Rita Gerstner, Glenys Pape, Albert, Peg, Ramona Maas, Joe & Betty Roggenkamp, Roy & Rachel Seematter, Hubert & Clara Roeder, Ernest & Ida Seematter, Dressman/Rottinghaus families, Julius Kenworthy, Howard Kenworthy, Frances Whistler, Edward Gregg, Gregg family, Tangeman family, Broxterman, family, Vader/Kennedy families, Lawrence & Helen Fisher, Joe & Florence Deters, Dale Owen, Ahern, Rotert, Randle, & Lucas families, Frank & Wilma Suther, John & Ellen Harrington, Helen Fisher and Rachel Huninghake, Roy & Rachel Seematter. Please contact Marilyn if any names were unintentionally omitted from the flower contributions.

MARRIAGE MINUTE- Win the New Year! This weekend, we not only take time to honor the Holy Family of Nazareth, but reflect on how our own families may become more like them. If you are married, the best way to increase the holiness of your family is to grow closer to your spouse! Here are four simple steps for the New Year: • **PRAYER:** Even a "Hail Mary" together before work is powerful. • **PRIORITIZE:** Plan an event this year to grow your marriage, such as the School of Love date night. • **STORM-PROOF:** Attend a retreat like "Living in Love" in February at Holy Spirit. • **SERVICE:** How can your marriage bless others? For concrete tips and more info, go to: www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com

2018 Christmas Collection- Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas exists because there is need. Because of your generosity, they are able to meet this need every day. Our help is someone's hope. Thank you for considering a gift to the Christmas collection to support the mission of Catholic Charities.

"COME AND SEE" LEAD COUPLE INFORMATION

Are you seeking a way to serve the Church that will bring you closer to your spouse? Do you love the Church's teachings on marriage and family? Consider mentoring the engaged. The Office of Marriage and Family Life will host a Lead Couple Come and See for perspective couples who are interested in this important ministry to the engaged. Date: Feb 2, 2019. Time: 6:30-8:30. Location: Most Pure Heart of Mary, Topeka, KS. Appetizers, drinks, and dessert will be served. Interested couples should RSVP to Brad DuPont, bdupont@archkck.org or call 913.647.0301.

LIVING IN LOVE RETREAT

See why over 700 couples in the Archdiocese have experienced the "Living in Love" retreat. You can sign up now for the "Living in Love" retreat at Holy Spirit Parish, Overland Park, February 16-17, 2019. Register online at www.archkck.org/LivingInLove or contact Mary Anne Kierl at the Archdiocese at 913-647-0345 for information.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE

ENCOUNTER- Married Couples It has been said that the greatest gift you can give your children is two parents very much in love with each other. Polish up this gift and put a bow on it at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. You deserve the best and your children need to see you reaching for it. The next Weekend in Kansas City is March 1-3, 2019. For more information or to apply, please visit our website: www.wm4youandme.org or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066 or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net

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.



Reflecting On Sunday's Readings

Advent is the season for listening—listening with the inner ears of our heart. One of the most obvious characteristics of Jesus' first advent was the many occasions that God used to send his unique message through unique messengers. The angel Gabriel spoke to Zachariah, and to Mary, and the Angel of the Lord spoke to Joseph, and to the shepherds. The Magi listened to God's message through the prophets by following the star which announced Jesus' impending birth, and Simeon and Anna watched and waited, listening for the Holy Spirit to announce to them the coming of the "consolation of Israel." Grateful and responsive ears listened to these unique messages brought by God's unique messengers. Though the messages varied from person to person there was a consistency throughout. "Do not be afraid," was the constant refrain as people were surprised by the amazing glory of the heavenly messengers. "Do not be afraid," was a message though that spoke to more than the amazement and surprise of seeing a heavenly being. These words were more than a simple message of comfort in a shocking situation, they were a message of comfort from the all-powerful Lord of Host, from our Heavenly Father assuring his people that he only had thoughts of peace and good will toward them. It is a message that we need to listen to as well during this Advent Season. So many of us think that God has an adversarial relationship with us and that we are just one step away from receiving ill-will at his hands. Our fear is often rooted in the self-awareness of our soul's neglected condition, and our everyday failure of living up to God's expectations. Advent is a time to listen, but we must not listen to our fears and self-doubt but to God's message to, "Be not afraid." Jesus' first advent was living proof of the Fathers intentions of love and concern for us. Though the words varied from incident to incident there was also a second consistency to the messages

that these heavenly messengers brought. That consistent message was that our salvation was imminent. Listen to these words of salvation: □ To Elizabeth and Zachariah—"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people, and has raised up a horn of salvation for us." □ To Mary—"behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." □ To Joseph—"you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins" □ To the Magi—"from you shall come a ruler who will govern my people Israel" □ To the Shepherds—"I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord" □ To Simeon—"Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation which thou hast prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles." As each heard the message, they promptly responded in their own way with the obedience of faith Paul talks about in this week's Second Reading. None more profoundly illustrates this response than does Mary with her loving surrender, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." This too is the message of Advent to which we must listen, not only listen but respond in like surrender. As the participants of that First Advent so clearly illustrate, the message of salvation is not something one can easily ignore if you genuinely believe it to be true. Rather, like the shepherds and the Magi, we also should begin moving in the direction of the Savior, the Lord of salvation. Advent is a time of listening, active listening and prompt response. May we each listen, hear and respond this Advent Season.

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, Dec. 24	First Reading: <u>Is. 62: 1-5</u> Second Reading: <u>Acts 13: 16-17, 22-25</u> Gospel: <u>Mt. 1: 1-25</u>
Tuesday, Dec. 25	First Reading: <u>Is. 52: 7-10</u> Second Reading: <u>Heb. 1: 1-6</u> Gospel: <u>Jn. 1: 1-18</u>
Wednesday, Dec. 26	First Reading: <u>Acts. 6: 8-10; 7: 54-59</u> Gospel: <u>Mt. 10: 17-22</u>
Thursday, Dec. 27	First Reading: <u>1 Jn. 1: 1-4</u> Gospel: <u>Jn. 20: 1a, 2-8</u>
Friday, Dec. 28	First Reading: <u>1 Jn. 1:5—2: 2</u> Gospel: <u>Mt. 2: 13-18</u>
Saturday, Dec. 29	First Reading: <u>1 Jn. 2: 3-11</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 2: 22-35</u>
Sunday, Dec. 30	First Reading: <u>1 Sm. 1: 20-22, 24-28</u> Second Reading: <u>1 Jn. 3: 1-2, 21-24</u> Gospel: <u>Lk. 2: 41-52</u>

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



Calendar and Mass Intention

Dec. 24th, 8:00 pm —For All the Sick
Dec. 30th, 8:30 am— For All Priests

Dec. 16, 2018 offerings (No report this week)

Envelopes	\$
Plate	

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

Lector	Z. Duensing
Servers	I. Baier, O. Skalla, & E. Swearingen
Gifts	Gleason family
Communion	Sa. Toerber, D. Baier, & J. Wienck
Ushers	D. Parker & A. Schreiner

Church Cleaners: January— Jan Bergkamp
Sacristan Schedule: January—
Collection Counters: December 30th—
Breakfast Committee: January—

Offering Envelopes – 2019 envelopes are in the back two pews of church. Please pick yours up today. If you do not see one and would like one please contact Zita Duensing. zitaduensing@gmail.com or 363-7456

CARD OF THANKS— With grateful hearts we thank the CCD teachers for their dedicated service to the church by bringing our beautiful Catholic faith to the youth of our Parish. The little Christmas program was delightful! Merry Christmas and Blessings in 2019.

NOTICE ALL PARISHIONERS— The Annunciation Parish Office is open only 1 day next week. EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE IS 9:00 am on Wed, Dec. 26th.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Rick Moeller 12/23
ANNIVERSARIES

Micky & Sandra McIntyre 12/26
Mike & Theresa Minihan 12/27
Craig & Liz Miller 12/29

MINISTERS OF THE MASS Monday, Dec. 24th, 8:00 pm

Lector: H. Brungardt
Servers: J. Brungardt, A. Brungardt, & E. Brungardt
Gifts: Borgerding family
Communion: M. Borgerding, J. Wienck, & H. Brungardt
Ushers: M. Borgerding & J. Wienck

REMINDER— All parishioners that wish to use the Parish Hall must contact Holly Brungardt at 785-363-7355 or 785-541-0379. Any event in the Church Hall that is not church related requires the \$95.00 liability insurance and must be submitted at least 15 days prior to the event. This is a Catholic Mutual and Archdiocesan policy and there are no exceptions.

NOTICE—There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday, Dec. 28th due to the holidays.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Fridays, 1:00 to 5:00 pm.
All parishioners are welcome to come spend time in prayer. with Jesus.

NOTICE TO ALL PARISHIONERS— We are in need of a Laptop for the CCD program. If you would like to sponsor this important project you are most welcome. “For God loves the cheerful giver.” 2 Cor. 9:7. Please contact John Wienck or Sarah Toerber.



St. Columbkille Parish, Blaine KS

Ministers of the Mass *Saturday December 29, 6:00 p.m.* **Saturday December 15, 2018 offering:**

Lector	Knights of Columbus
Servers	Knights of Columbus
Ministers	Knights of Columbus
Hospitality	Knights of Columbus

12/15/2018	Envelope	383.00	
	Plate	133.00	
	Hall Rent	45.00	
	Mass Intentions	50.00	
	Celtic Christmas (grocery / donations)	519.00	
	KofC for Religious Ed	375.00	
	Trash Bag Sales	36.00	
			1,541.00

Server Schedule	
Dec 22	Ethan Karnes *, Malea Karnes, Noah Valburg
Dec 24	Eli Roggenkamp *, Brooklyn Plummer, Allie Valburg
Dec 29	Knights of Columbus

*Indicates Crossbearer - Crossbearers please arrive 15 minutes before mass to light candles and please put candles out after mass. If changes need to be made in server's schedules please contact Pat Wulf at 770-0384 or Natalie Krohn at 562-7718

Church Cleaning	
Dec. 23	10:00 a.m.

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](tel:785-844-2575), Mike Sanford at [870-550-3732](tel:870-550-3732), or Pat Wulf at [785-770-0384](tel:785-770-0384) to have Communion given.

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

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

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.

Christmas Flower Memorials There are envelopes in the back of church to make donations.

Advent Prayer *And you, child, will be called prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare His ways. (Luke 1:76)*

(Holiday Mass Schedule on Page 1 of the Bulletin)

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