

August 1, 2021

St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate



The mission of the St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate is to use our love and faith to inspire and serve God's people by cultivating a welcoming Catholic Community – working as one and living as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Pastoral Directory

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New Parishioners

Welcome! Contact the pastorate office 563-852-3524

Baptisms

Baptism class required. Next baptism class – Sept. 13, 2021, 7pm. Contact Dan & Janice Kurt to register for the class. Dan at 563-590-1605, Janice at 563-542-0456. Call the office to schedule a baptism.

Weddings

Contact Fr. Mark at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Parish Council Contacts

St. Patrick – Wanda Loewen
Sacred Heart – Brenda Klepper
St. Peter – Kevin Schockemoehl
St. Matthias – Kim Lynch

Pastorate Committee Opportunities

Call the Pastorate Office for more info
Community Life, Faith Formation, Liturgy, Social Just.

Prayer Requests

Eileen Steffen – 852-7168
Anita Gudenkauf – 852-3043
Joyce Gibbs – 879-3271

Liturgy Schedule

(Cascade-C; Fillmore-F; Garryowen-G; Temple Hill-T
W/C-Word & Communion Service)

Sat Jul 31	1:30pm (C) Nuptial Mass for Nicholas Frasher & Hannah Finn 4:00pm (T) Gary Kelchen, David Quint, and Gloria Reiter 5:30pm (C) Mr. & Mrs. William Merhl, Bonnie Weber
Sun Aug 1	8:00am (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past., Alma Knepper & The Deceased Members of the Trumm & Knepper Families 10:00am (C) Betty Mausser, Bob & Margie McAllister
Mon Aug 2	7:00am (C) W/C
Tue Aug 3	7:00am (C) Fred Kremer, Andy & Helen Laban
Wed Aug 4	7:00am (C) Living & Deceased Members of Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court 1926 and Leo Brickley
Thu Aug 5	7:00am (C) W/C
Fri Aug 6	7:00am (C) W/C
Sat Aug 7	4:00pm (G) Janice Heister 5:30pm (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past., Joe & Rose Peiffer
Aug 8	8:00am (C) Paul Lehman Family 10:00am (C) Bill & Marie Kivlahan

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 1, 2021

From Fr. Mark

We welcome Dennis Rima here this weekend as he speaks to us about the work of the Clarity Clinic in Dubuque. Thanks to all who help support this ministry helping parents and their children, including those children in the womb of their mothers and those children already born.

In today's passage from the Gospel of John, the crowd challenges Jesus to perform a sign so that they could faith in him. I try to imagine what their tone of voice was as they demanded that Jesus "perform" for them. Jesus stays patient with them, and offers them a teaching about the real heavenly bread, the bread that gives life to the world. Then, I imagine their tone softens, and it seems they really do want what Jesus offers. "Sir, give us this bread always," they besought him. Jesus explained to them: "I myself am the Bread of Life."

I can ask myself, "What tone do I use with Jesus when I am in need?" Am I willing to gratefully accept the gift Jesus offers?

I will be in Chicago for the wedding of a niece from Thursday August 5 until Sunday, August 8. Fr. Jim Miller and Fr. Carl Ries will preside at the masses next weekend.

Pastorate

There is a beautiful coral colored rosary that was found at the Joseph Statue a couple of weeks ago. If it is your rosary, please claim it at the Pastorate Office.

This weekend Dennis Rima will speak at each Mass, asking our support for the Clarity Clinic. The Clarity Clinic, located in Dubuque, provides support for expectant parents and also for children after they are born. For example, sonograms are available so that parents can have an image of their child in the womb. Thanks for your support! Envelopes will be available at church. Checks may be made out to the Clarity Clinic.

Mass Server Training for students currently in grades 4-11

Tuesday, August 3rd, 7:00pm at St. Matthias. This training is for those interested in becoming Mass servers at any of the pastorate churches. Any questions call the pastorate office at 852-3524.

Would you or someone you know like to become Catholic?

Or maybe you are already Catholic & would like to learn more about your faith. Instructional classes will be offered on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm beginning August 25th. The classes are very informal with lots of time for discussion. If interested or know of someone who might be, please contact the Pastorate office at 852-3524 or Deacon Joe Schockemoehl at 852-3126.

Heal Our Land Holy Hour

All are welcome to join us for Eucharistic Adoration with the specific prayer intention to "Heal Our Land" continuing every Thursday night through October 7, 2021 from 6 to 7pm at St. Matthias. A worship aide will be available for your convenience. Confession will be offered when Fr. Osterhaus is available.

Caring For Your Marriage- "Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst.'" (Jn 6:35) If you and your family have hit hard financial times, do not despair. God will provide. Trust in Him to care for your family.

FORMED - During this time at home, this is the perfect time to log onto Formed. **FORMED** provides the very best **Catholic** content from more than 60 organizations to help parishes, families and individuals explore their faith anywhere. Supporting thousands of movies, children's programs, ebooks, audio, parish programs and studies direct to your browser, mobile or connected device.

If you are just signing up for FORMED for the first time:

- Go to formed.org
 - Click "Sign-Up" and find your Pastorate (St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate and then enter your name, email address and desired password.
 - If you have any problems with logging on, please call the Pastorate Office at 563-852-3524.
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Aquin Catholic Elementary School

Aquin has a full-time/or part-time cleaning position beginning June 1st or August 1st. Contact Kelli Trumm at 563.852.3331 with details. Competitive hourly wage.

Aquin has a full-time lunch position. Contact Lois Merkes at lmerkes@aquin.org with questions.

Looking ahead:

Registration for the 2021-2022 Aquin School year will be held on Tuesday, August 3rd from noon-6:00 pm. If you are unable to make it at that time, contact Kelli Trumm at 852.3331 to make other arrangements.

Our Back-to-School Scrip promo begins on August 3 through August 20. More details to come.

Open House has been scheduled for August 18th from 5:00-7:00

First day of school for our K-8 is August 23rd and August 24th for our Preschoolers.

Reminder – CCD / RTR Registration: This is a reminder to families whose children attend public schools – You an now register for CCD or RTR for the 2021-2022 school year. Contact Nicole Casey if you would like a covenant emailed, if you would like to register online, or if you have any questions at dbq023ff@dbqarch.org Registration covenants will also be available in the Pastorate Office.

Volunteer with the Faith Formation Program

We have continuing needs for volunteers for our Wednesday evening program.

Volunteer to be a Catechist's Helper: volunteer to help the catechist in the classroom. You don't have to teach, just be an extra hand to help out the Catechist as needed.

Volunteer to be a Substitute Catechist: volunteer to teach in the classroom when a catechist is absent.

If you are interested in volunteering, or would like more information, please contact Nicole Casey at 852-3331 or email dbq023ff@dbqarch.org

Sacred Heart, Fillmore

Sacred Heart Generosity: July 24-25, 2021: Budget/Total: \$925.00

Liturgical Participation-Saturday, August 14, 2021 4:00pm

Commentator/Lector: Marty Mausser; *Eucharistic Minister:* Karen Callahan; *Ushers:* Chuck & Amy Noonan

Church & Hall Cleaning Done by August 14, 2021:

Nick & Betty Wagner, Alyssa Wagner, Patty Kass, Cheri Hunt, Jared & Tori Callahan, Brad & Jessica Meier

St. Patrick, Garryowen

St. Patrick Generosity: July 24-25, 2021: Budget: \$4,373.00; Offertory: \$155.00; Hall Rent: \$100.00; Total: \$4,628.00

Liturgical Participation – Saturday, Aug 7, 4:00pm

Lect/Comm: Melissa King; *Euch. Min:* Janet Felton;

Ushers: Matt King, Denny Brackemyer

Weekend Money Counters: Aug 2021

Loras Federspiel, Wanda Loewen

Church & Hall Cleaning (Aug 2021):

Judy Schmit, Kevin & Deb Pfab, Matt & Melissa King

St. Peter, Temple Hill

St. Peter Generosity: July 24-25, 2021: Budget/Total: \$450.00

Liturgical Participation: (August 21 2021 - 4:00 PM)

Lector/Commentator: Karen Knepper

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Beth Stecklein, Rick Turnis

Usher: Ryan Schockemoehl, Nic Loes; *Servers:* Bayne

& Calvin Manternach, Samantha Coyle; *Gift Bearer:*

Matt Manternach *Greeter:* Joan Hoffmann

Church Cleaning: (before August 21) Lois Andrews

(leader), Tom & Evelyn Stoll, Robert & Linda Stoll,

Doug & Amanda Stoll, Amanda Feldman, Liz & Al

Takes, Jake & Kara Takes, Warren & Bonnie Callahan,

Amanda & Chris Miller

Rosary & Adoration at St. Peter's - Wed., Aug. 4 at 7 :00 PM.

Our next Mass at St. Peter's is Sat., Aug. 21 at 4:00 PM.

Many thanks to all of you who were able to attend & participation in St. Peter's Appreciation Supper this weekend.

Parish Blood Drive - Wed., Sept. 15, 2021 - 3:00-7:00 PM

St. Matthias, Cascade

St. Matthias Generosity: July 24-25, 2021 – Budget: \$15,272.00; Offertory: \$719.25; Children's Collection: \$14.00; Cash Club: \$120.00; Fun Fest: \$85.00; Total: \$16,210.33

Lit. Participation: (Weekdays Aug 2-6): *Server:* Bill Gehl;

Lector: Jean Lynch; *Eucharistic Minister:* Jean Lynch

Saturday –Aug 7, 5:30pm– Lector: Kay Takes;

Commentator: Mark Otting; *Ushers* – Fred Rogers, Kelly

Sullivan; *East Entrance Greeter:* Jim & Judy Betzner;

Eucharistic Ministers: Donna Callahan, Rachel Callahan,

Amy Decker; *Servers:* Adam Knepper, Isaac Williams, Owen

Williams; *Music:* Becky/Megan & Katie

Sunday – Aug. 8, 8:00am – Lector –Julie Hosch;

Commentator: Cathy Knuth; *Ushers* – Bernie & Jessi Koob;

East Entrance Greeter: Chris & Nicole Casey; *Eucharistic*

Ministers: Rita Manternach, Jean Mausser, Colette

McDermott; *Servers:* Waylen & Willy Lynch; *Music:* Angie's

Sunday – Aug. 8, 10:00am – Lector –Sue Trumm;

Commentator: Jason McDermott; *Ushers* – Kathy Beck,

Shellie Schlemme; *East Entrance Greeter:* Judy Grob;

Eucharistic Ministers: Sue Trumm, Maggie Trumm, Dan

Kurt; *Servers:* Ellie Green, Josie Green, Maria McCarthy,

Cole McCarthy; *Music:* Teen Choir

Archdiocese of Dubuque IMPACT Formation Program for Adults

Do you thirst for a more intimate relationship with God? Do you hunger for increased knowledge of the Catholic faith? Do you desire to make a greater IMPACT in your parish and community? If yes, consider joining the next IMPACT cohort!

Through spiritual reading, dynamic presenters, engaging discussion, prayer experiences, and personal reflection, participants will be challenged to respond more fully to Jesus' call to mission—to IMPACT our world! The next two-year cohort begins in September of 2021 and will meet monthly (on Saturdays) at St. Mark Parish in Iowa Falls. For more

information and the application, please

visit: www.DBQArch.org/IMPACT.

The registration deadline is August 27th.

Archdiocesan Women's Conference: *Beauty in Christ, Saturday, January 29, 2022*

Mark your parish calendar for this teleconference event, designed to gather women in your parish/cluster for a morning of friendship, faith, and formation!!! Liz Kelly has been confirmed as one of our speakers. She is a noted speaker, retreat leader and award-winning author, whose works include short stories, arts and music reviews, books on prayer and worship, and meditations on faith, spiritual struggle, and Christian womanhood....More information to come.

Sacraments

Baptisms:

Sadie Rose Petesch is baptized this weekend. She is the daughter of Dennis & Amanda (Knapp) Petesch.

Marriage:

Nick Frasher & Hannah Finn are united in marriage at St. Matthias on July 31, 2021. Nick is the son of Todd & Lisa Frasher.

Calvary Cemetery has John Deere 2017 X354 all-wheel drive with 42" deck with 560 hours.

Submit sealed bids to the Pastorate Office by August 9, 2021. Any questions, call Bill Gehl at 319-480-9372 or Jean Simon at 563-599-9700

Pilgrimage to Italy with Fr. Loecke

11 Days: November 7-17, 2022

Visiting Venice, Florence, Assisi and Rome hosted by Rev.

Douglas Loecke, \$3579 per person from Chicago

(Air/land tour price is \$3029 plus \$550 government taxes/airline surcharges) NAWAS International Travel