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# News From St. Joseph Parish



## WELCOME TO SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

We hope your visit here will be a prayerful time as you enjoy the lakes region. Please consider St. Joseph's as your church away from home. Contact us at the Parish

Office if we may serve you in any way.

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon.- Thurs.: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Fri.: 8 a.m. - 12 noon

### RECONCILIATION:

3:15 pm Sat;

8:15 am Sun

### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Tuesday 12 noon

### MASS SCHEDULE:

Winter

Saturday at 4 p.m.

Sunday at 9 a.m.

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Saturday at 4 p.m.

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**ON MEMORIAL DAY**, Mon., May 29, plan to attend Mass at Calvary Cemetery beginning at 9 a.m. Please bring your own lawn chair. Refreshments will follow by the Knights of Columbus.



**THE ANNIVERSARY PARTY** for Father Hughes' 42nd Anniversary in the Priesthood has been postponed to a later date. An alternative date will be announced in the bulletin.



### PRAYERS and sympathy from the St. Joseph Parish Family to:

✓ Summer parishioner William Wallace, Rita Adams-Pyle and Jerry Clark and families on the death of his wife, sister and sister-in-law +Rachel Wallace, 85, of Odebolt and Okoboji, who died Fri., May 19. Her Mass of Christian Burial was held Tuesday, May 23 at St. Martin's Catholic Church, in Odebolt; and to

✓ Mary Lou Schroeder on the death of her brother, Paul Roth, 70, of Milford, who died Wed., May 24. A graveside service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thurs., June 8 at Calvary Cemetery, Milford; and to

✓ The family of +Trudy Hopton, 86, of Milford, who died Thursday, May 25. Her memorial service will be held at a later date at St. Joseph, Milford.

**PARISH OFFICES** will be closed Monday, May 29 in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday. Offices will reopen Tuesday, May 30 at 8 a.m.

**THE ROSARY/ALTAR** will host their annual omelet breakfast Sun., June 25 from 7:45 a.m. to 12 noon in the parish center. Volunteers are needed in every area. If you are an omelet flipper or love clearing tables, we need you! Please call the office this week to sign up. It will be a fun event.

**RAFFLE TICKETS** for the Rosary/Altar Annual Quilt Raffle project will be on sale at the 4 p.m. and 9 a.m. Masses each weekend during the summer beginning Memorial Day Weekend. In addition, tickets are included in the newsletter and may be returned via the collection basket, dropped at the parish office or sent to the office. Thank you for your participation in this annual project.



**THANK YOU** to the wonderful volunteers who served the First Lutheran Volunteer Event Wednesday night, May 24 including Deacon Darwin, Maxine Elser, Bill and Cheryl Aumer, Marlene Nelson, Pam Hanson, Deb and Mark Johnson and Connie Jones.

**WELCOME to St. Joseph and the Catholic Faith** to Evellette Elsie Modder, daughter of Scott and Emily Modder, who was baptized Sunday, May 21 at St. Joseph.



**REMEMBER** that special man in your life....your husband, father, brother or uncle in the Father's Day Novena of 9 Masses which begin Sun., June 18. Envelopes for this purpose are on the elevator table. Deadline for inclusion in the bulletin is 12 noon on Wed., June 14.

**LOOKING AHEAD....**The LifeServe Blood Drive bus will be at St. Joseph on Fri., June 23, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

# News From St. Joseph Parish

## Faith Formation

By Sharon Mayer

A world of thanks to those who came last Sunday for my retirement coffee and to those who wished me the best earlier and through Facebook. The caramel rolls were definitely a hit! I so appreciate the cards and gifts I received from everyone. The time I have spent as your DRE has been truly memorable and enjoyable and it will take some getting used to not to see over 100 kids weekly or writing weekly bulletins or monthly newsletters. I will still be helping in various areas along the way. From the Knights, CDA, Rosary Altar, to the staff, parishioners and especially families of St. Joseph's, my job was helped by all of you through your support. Thank you so much.

As you read this, I am officially retired as your DRE. As Erin does not begin until July, I will be directing our Vacation Bible School to be held June 19-23 from 9:00 am-noon each of those days. I welcome all children ages 4-11 to learn about Mary's different appearances to children at various locations. I welcome any older student or adults who can help that week. The cost is \$15.00 per child to attend. It is a week filled with lessons, crafts, Bible verses, music, fun snacks and activities. Rain or shine we have lots planned!

Again, thank you for your support throughout the years.

### PRAY for these

**members:** Linda Cunningham, Mary Jo Coffey, Mark Kollasch, Becky Wittrock, Kiana Svoboda, Janet



Delaney, Tutti Willison, Andrew Gross, Mary Mittag, Jerry Finch, Mary Langel, Geneva Knudtson, Rick DeMuth, Mary Ann Sigler, Dennis and Alma Klute, Jerry Clark, Robert Rowland, Bill James, Marie Van Hofwegen, Steve Painter, Ginny Yore, Finley Brunsvold, Phyllis Hintz.

### PLEASE pray for these special persons:

Karen Morrison, Kevin Tracy, Mary Jones, Pat Reckard, Hope Anderson, Christine Fischer, Joan Beckman, Tom Kallis, Cheryl Kallis, Duane Doran, Jane Baxter, Wanda Randall, Norine Kennedy, Bruce and Sandy, Nova Goodnight, Kaydan, Adam Hall, Kate Jensen, Cooper Hatfield, Corey Langner, Claire Yaw, Cheryl Kallis, Sammy Schumann, Ellie Wiemers, Mary W., Mary Bolan, Charles Graves, Zoe Lorenzen, Heather Hamann, Esther Morris, Wayne Bellinghausen, Maxine Thompson, Lois Doran, Dale Gentry, Susan Barnes, Mike Cooper, Deny Daberkow, Ray Langel, Tailen Sturtz, Aimee Wallrich, Peggy Price, John Bruening, Ashlyn Clark, Jerry Wolford, Kami Svoboda, Darrel Wedeking, Dan Mulder, Colleen Mulder, Jamie O'Neill.

*The Joy of the Lord is your strength.*

## Ministry Schedule

### The Most Holy Trinity

**Saturday, June 3rd @ 4 p.m. (F)**

**EMHC:** Connie & Dick Mataloni, Sheila Thelen

**LECTOR:** Loretta Halbur

**SERVERS:** Ben Garcia, John Garcia

**HOSPITALITY:** Anne Donovan, Monica Koppen, Eldon & Mary Kraninger

**Sunday, June 4th @ 7 a.m. (F)**

**EMHC:** Barb & Bob Kollasch, Darlene Moritz

**LECTOR:** Joseph Schmidt

**SERVERS:** Deb & Mark Johnson

**HOSPITALITY:** Marshall Matuska, Jon Sorenson, Terri & Tom Rierson

**Sunday, June 4th @ 9 a.m. (F)**

**EMHC:** Chris & Connie Jones, Pete Laven

**LECTOR:** Sara Laven

**SERVERS:** Jerron Heller, Jocelyn Heller

**HOSPITALITY:** Terry Abbas, Kurt & Theresa Eckard, John Heller

**Sunday, June 4th @ 11 a.m. (F)**

**EMHC:** Chris Hinshaw, Erin Lorch, Ron Swartz

**LECTOR:** Aaron Lorch

**SERVERS:** Noah Walleck, Simon Walleck

**HOSPITALITY:** Gary Espinoza, Mark & Molly Foss, Abby Walleck

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, May 27

**4 p:** For The People

### Sunday, May 28

**7 a:** For The People

**9 a:** For The People

**11 a:** For The People

### Monday May 29

**9 a.m.:** For The People

### Tuesday, May 30

**5:30 p:** Mother's Day Novena (8)  
+Duane Wunn

### Wednesday, May 31

**7:30 a:** Dec/Liv Halbur/Johnson

### Thursday, June 1

**7:30 a:** +Dirk Hansen

### Friday, June 2

**7:30 a:** Mother's Day Novena (9)

### Saturday, June 3

**4 p:** Darial Determan

### Sunday, June 4

**7 a:** +Bob Eilers

**9 a:** +Earl and +Lois Sporrer

**11 a:** For The People



### Monday, May 29

**7:30 p.m.:** Al-Anon meets in overflow

**8 p.m.:** AA meets in Nazareth Hall

### Tuesday, May 30

**2 to 5:15 p.m.:** Eucharistic Adoration

**5:30 p.m.:** Mass

### Wednesday, May 31

**7:30 a.m. Mass**

### Thursday, June 1

**7:30 a.m. Mass**

### Friday, June 2

**Mass at 7:30 a.m.**

**8 a.m.:** Bible Study, overflow

### Saturday, June 3

**8 a.m.:** Harbor Assn. Mtg. in PC

**4 p.m.:** Mass

### Sunday, June 4

**7, 9 and 11 a.m.:** Mass



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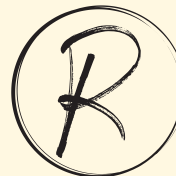
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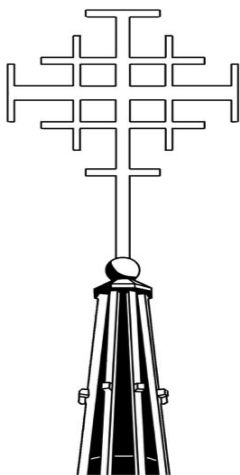
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## News From St. Mary's Parish

### Upcoming Bake Sale

Don't miss out on some delicious baked goods that will be available after all the Masses this weekend (May 27/28). All the proceeds will go to fundraising for Steubenville and other youth activities.

### Parish Office

Our parish office will be closed on Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day.

### Anniversary Celebration

Father Kelly will be celebrating his 40th anniversary to the priesthood on Wed., June 7th from 5-7 p.m. at St. Patrick's Duhigg Center in Estherville. Refreshments will be served. Music by Glenn Henriksen and Fr. Kelly.

### Summer Mass Schedule

Masses at St. Mary's will be 5:30 p.m. on Saturday and 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on Sunday.

### Upper Des Moines Food Pantry

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered for the Upper Des Moines Food Pantry service. This week's volunteers are listed below.

#### Date

**Monday, May 29**  
**Tuesday, May 30**  
**Wednesday, May 31**

#### Volunteers

**No volunteers needed**  
**Dan Allen**  
**Larry B.**

### Liturgical Ministries

The June schedule is posted on the website now. Reminder that you are responsible for finding your own substitutes if you are unable to attend that weekend. As always, you can let Ali know of your unavailability prior to the 15th of the month to avoid the hassle of finding substitutes. Please email Ali at [liturgy@thelakescatholic.church](mailto:liturgy@thelakescatholic.church).

### Vacation Bible School

St. Mary's is preparing for our fun-filled and educational summer Vacation Bible School, "Tracking Mary," June 26-30. Cost is \$15/child, and students currently in Pre-K (age 4) through 4th grade are eligible to attend. Of course, any students older than that (anyone older than 4th grade, plus parents) who wish to help are absolutely welcome to do that! Our staff needs to include people to manage and participate in the areas of skits, snacks, games, crafts, and music. I (Karen) can manage the teaching part. Please let us know if you would like to be part of a very busy—but fun—week! You can call the church to volunteer at (712) 336-1742, or email Karen at [smdre@thelakescatholic.church](mailto:smdre@thelakescatholic.church). Let's make this important for our kids!

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# MEMORIAL DAY

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### Gigantic Garage Sale

Our Catholic Daughters' gigantic garage sale is on Thursday, June 8th from 4-7 p.m.; on Friday, June 9th from 8am-6pm; and Saturday, June 10th from 8am-Noon. Come support our worthy causes, and find some treasures for your family!



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#### Parish Office Hours:

Mon.- Thurs.: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Fri.: 8 a.m. - 12 noon

#### Reconciliation:

4:45 pm Sat;  
9:45 am Sun

#### Bulletin Deadline

Monday at 8 a.m.

#### Mass Schedule:

Winter  
Saturday at 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

If you are a new parishioner at St. Mary's, we welcome you to register with our parish. Simply go to our parish website ([stmarysspiritleake.org](http://stmarysspiritleake.org)), and click on "Parish Registration" at the top of the page. Then complete the form, and click "Submit." We look forward to serving you here at St. Mary's!

# News From St. Mary's Parish

## This Week's Mass Schedule

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, May 29**

No Mass Today

**Tuesday, May 30**

5:30 p.m.: +Lisa Galm

**Wednesday, May 31**

12 Noon: +Murphy Copeland

**Thursday, June 1**

2 p.m.: Adoration

5:30 p.m.: +Mary Newton

**Friday, June 2**

12 Noon: +Betty Nicolai

**Saturday, June 3**

5:30 p.m.: +Shirley Pruss

**Sunday, June 4**

8:30 a.m.: +Judi Sieperda

10:30 a.m.: Liv/Dec of St. Mary's



## WEEKLY Calendar

**Monday, May 29**

No events today.

**Tuesday, May 30**

5:30 p.m. Mass

**Wednesday, May 31**

12 p.m.: Mass

**Thursday, June 1**

2 p.m.: Adoration

5:30 p.m. Mass

**Friday, June 2**

12 p.m.: Mass

**Saturday, June 3**

5:30 p.m.: Mass

**Sunday, June 4**

8:30 a.m.: Mass

9 a.m.: Lectio Divina Group, clsm.

10:30 a.m.: Mass

### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

St. Mary's will be offering The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd method of faith formation for the four to six-year-old children this fall. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori-based approach to the religious formation of children, rooted in Sacred Scripture and Liturgy. We are looking for donations of any of the following, or monetary donation:

- Two small, low tables for prayer tables
- low shelving units of 2 or 3 shelves at least 10" deep
- small child-size chairs and tables or desks
- candle snuffers, small metal trays, small pitchers
- low candleholders and small taper candles
- sacred art, crucifixes, small plants
- Small statues of The Good Shepherd and Mary
- small area rugs

If you would like to become a trained catechist or assistant, or have talents in woodworking or sewing, we would love your help! Please contact Heather Kalkhoff at [heather.kalkhoff@gmail.com](mailto:heather.kalkhoff@gmail.com) or Lauren Cunningham at [l.cunningham628@gmail.com](mailto:l.cunningham628@gmail.com) or visit [www.CGSUSA.org](http://www.CGSUSA.org).

### Knights of Columbus

If you are interested in joining St. Mary's Knights of Columbus or would like to ask questions about becoming a member, there will be a table in the Narthex with printed material after all masses June 3rd and 4th. Respective members will also be on hand to answer any questions you may have. We would love to have you join our active and productive group that has the church's best interest in mind! Contacts: Brian Nokleby 712-339-0983 or Jed Skogerboe 712-330-8892.

### Congratulations

Congratulations to Addie Lorraine Weber, daughter of Samuel and Megan Weber, who was baptized here at St. Mary's on May 20, 2023, and congratulations to Jack Donald Ridpath, son of Robert and Alyse Ridpath, who was baptized here at St. Mary's on May 21, 2023. Blessings to the Weber and Ridpath families, and welcome Addie and Jack!

### Ministry Schedule

#### The Most Holy Trinity

#### Saturday, June 3rd @ 5:30 p.m.

EMHC: Linda Hansen, Eileen & Jed Skogerboe

LECTOR: Phyllis McKeown

SERVERS: Carter Trautman, Kaitlyn Trautman

HOSPITALITY: Jim Carney, John Delaney, Mark & Kim Ingwersen

ONLINE: Dave Hansen

#### Sunday, June 4th @ 8:30 a.m.

EMHC: John Huigens, Mindy Leinbaugh, Susan Lynn

LECTOR: Paul Katzfey

SERVERS: Sadee Wheatley, Wes Walz

HOSPITALITY: Larry Bortscheller, Jim Leinbaugh, Brian & Kathy Nokleby

#### Sunday, June 5th @ 10:30 a.m.

EMHC: Shawna Ditsworth, Kim Kirschbaum, Toni Nicks

LECTOR: Halliegh Hawkins

SERVERS: Will Ditsworth, McKinley Lalumendre

HOSPITALITY: Alan Ditsworth, Brian & Michella Koppen, Ann Straus

## NEWS & Notes

### Following is general information that may be helpful to you.

- ✓ **BAPTISMS:** Contact the office to inquire about pre-baptismal class.
- ✓ **MARRIAGE:** Contact the office at least six months before the date of the wedding.
- ✓ **CONFESSIONS:** Wednesday at 11:30 a.m., Saturday at 4:45 p.m. and Sunday at 9:45 a.m.
- ✓ **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Thursday from 2 to 5:15 p.m.



### Thanks Monsignor

I word of thanks to Msgr. Seifried who was here this past week to celebrate Mass so that I could be with my family in Davenport. My brother is very ill and this is a tough time for me to be away from my family. Msgr. loves to come up here to see old friends and parish members but his help here was a blessing for me.

### Welcome Back Fr. Tom

Father Tom has been on a wild trip through Africa and Europe these last seven weeks. He arrived back here on Monday and you will be seeing him at both parishes until he moves to LeMars to live at St. James Rectory and help out with liturgies there. Welcome back Fr. Tom.

### Mass Schedule

With Fr. Tom's return we will be returning to our regular weekday Mass schedule. At St. Joseph we have Mass on Tuesdays at 5:30PM and on Wednesday through Fridays the daily Mass is at 7:30 AM. At St. Mary's weekday Mass are celebrated on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 PM and on Wednesday and Fridays at Noon.

### Postponing a Party

We had planned to gather after Mass next weekend to celebrate my Ordination Anniversary. We have decided to postpone that gathering. We will let you know when we reschedule something.

### Memorial Day

Monday is Memorial Day and this wonderful national holiday encourages us to pause and take a few quiet moments to recall our beloved dead. Our beautiful cemeteries are a testament to the long history here of caring for the graves of our ancestors with devotion and dedication. We encourage you to visit our cemeteries this week and pray for all those who have gone before us.

### Cemetery Decorations

As we look forward to Memorial Day, we are conscious that we want our cemeteries to look their best. We have a number of families who have left plastic flowers, decorations and other memorabilia on graves throughout the cemetery. We ask all families to please remove all decorations that have been left there throughout the winter and remember that we have a long-standing policy that all Memorial Day decorations MUST be removed from cemetery plots by June 12th, two weeks after Memorial Day. It is very difficult for our maintenance crew to work around decorations that are left on the ground around family graves. Elevated pot holders are permitted if they are anchored directly beside a grave marker or stone. Our cemetery is closed between dusk and dawn each day.

### Experience "A Night In A Box"

High school students are invited to grab a flyer from the bulletin board for an upcoming event called "A Night in a Box" which is an opportunity to study and experience homelessness. The event will include a guest speaker, a tour of the food pantry, prayer and scripture study.

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## Stewardship REPORT

In the second reading today, St. Paul reminds the Corinthians, "There are different gifts, but the same Spirit: there are different ministries but the same Lord." How am I using my gifts "for the common good."?

### ST. JOSEPH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP May 20-21 Attendance: 804

**Weekly:** \$5,447.00  
**Online:** \$1,780.00  
**Loose:** \$1,606.00  
**Peace & Justice:** \$53.00  
**Building:** \$482.00  
**Cemetery:** \$105.00

### ST. MARY'S FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP May 20-21 Attendance: 568

**Adults:** \$6,224.00  
**Online:** \$460.00  
**Loose:** \$1,718.01  
**Votive:** \$22.75  
**Dollar:** \$433.00

### **Lakes Catholic Community** **YOUTH GROUP NEWS** **Regular Meeting**

The High School Youth Group meets every Wednesday at 7 pm. Students that just finished 8-12th grades from both St. Mary's and St. Joseph are welcome. There are also many events scheduled. The summer calendars are located in the back of the church. Both parents and youth can sign up for the "Remind Service" listed on the schedule for updates or weather cancellations.

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