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Arise, shine, *for your light has come,*
and the glory of the Lord
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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, July 30, 2023

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.

We are committed to proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ and invite you to join us!

May the Holy Spirit lead us in living as a welcoming Catholic community.

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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.

Summer

Saturday at 4 p.m.

Sunday at 7, 9 and 11 a.m.

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you.

THANK YOU to everyone who assisted in any way in making all the Pioneer Days events held at St. Joseph a success. It takes the work of many to make activities work. St. Joseph has a wonderful group of volunteers who step in when called.



PRAYERS and sympathy from the St. Joseph Parish Family to St. Joseph Parishioner Marcella Brodersen on the death of her son, +Fr. Steven Brodersen, 75, of Carroll, who died Thurs., July 20 at his home near Carroll following a courageous battle with cancer. His Mass of Christian Burial was Thurs., July 27 at St. Lawrence Catholic Church-St. John Paul II Parish, in Carroll.

Fr. Steven Brodersen was born on September 7, 1947 in Laurens, Iowa to William L. and Marcella (Yender) Brodersen. He grew up near Rush Lake, and graduated from Ayrshire High School in 1965. Following high school Steve went on to attend Peru State College in Peru, Nebraska. In 1970, Steve was inducted into the United States Army where he served overseas in Germany. Following his honorable discharge in 1973 he began teaching at St. Edmund High School in Ft. Dodge.

After a few years teaching, Steve enrolled at St. Paul's Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota. On December 28, 1985, Steve was ordained a Roman Catholic Priest at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Milford. He held many assignments during his years as a priest they include the following: St. Lawrence Parish in Carroll, Holy Angels Parish in Roselle, Sacred Heart Parish in Templeton, St. Mary's Parish in Auburn, Kuemper Catholic School President in Carroll, St. Cecilia Parish in Algona, Immaculate Conception Parish in Sioux City, Sacred Heart Parish in Boone, St. Augustine Parish in Halbur, Sacred Heart Parish in Templeton, and Holy Angels Parish in Roselle. Fr. Steve retired from active ministry in July of 2017; however, he continued to serve local parishes when called upon.

Women's WELCOME Retreat is November 11-12, 2023 @ St. Joseph's in Milford. Welcome is one of the only ministries that not only connects with people's hearts, but also triggers conversion. In many cases, people have their first encounter with God on the Welcome Weekend (a two-day, one-overnight renewal weekend). Applications can be found in the narthex and returned to the parish office. Retreat Team Contact: Diane Gubbels @ 712-210-1166



MARK YOUR CALENDAR....The famous apple pies made by our own Knights of Columbus will be available Sat., Sept. 2, Fri., Sept. 8, and Sat., Sept. 9. They plan to make 2,000 pies but get yours early they sell fast!

PRAYERS and sympathy from the St. Joseph Parish Family to the family of +Rosemary Bennett Hawn who was laid to rest in Calvary Cemetery on Tues., July 25.



LOOKING AHEAD....



✓ All are welcome at the Friday morning Bible Study in the overflow room following Mass.

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 support.

News From St. Joseph Parish

Religious Education News

By Erin Lorch, Director of Faith Formation

Greetings! We are in store for great things this coming school year for our students. A team involving Fr. Hughes, Deacon Darwin, Brigitte Bouli (St. Mary's DRE), Jacques Bouli (Youth Minister), Teresa Goehring (Confirmation Coordinator), and myself are investigating a curriculum to implement at both St. Joseph's and St. Mary's with the help of Draw Near. Draw Near is a Catholic organization that seeks to help parishes find renewal through their blog, podcast, speaking, and training & consulting services. They are helping us discern the BEST religious education curriculum meant for parish usage.

The parish is still in need of more committed catechists (MEN AND WOMEN) for grades 6, 7, 8, 11, and 12. You do not need to have a teaching background. All you need is a passion for Catholicism and making a difference for our youth. I will equip you with all of the tools you will need for success. The new curriculum will make it that much easier for you to strive as a catechist. Please prayerfully consider this request and contact me with questions or a commitment.

Please register your child(ren) grades K-12 using the QR code or a paper copy found in the parish office of the narthex of the church.



Ministry Schedule

The Transfiguration of the Lord

Saturday, August 5th @ 4 p.m.

EMHC: Faith Garcia, Marlene Nelson, Jean Petitti

LECTOR: Brad Schell

SERVERS: Ben Garcia, John Garcia

HOSPITALITY: Jim Baumgard, Anne Donovan, Monica Koeppen, Doug Heller

Sunday, August 6th @ 7 a.m.

EMHC: Karen Naber, Tom & Terri Rierson

LECTOR: Darlene Moritz

SERVERS: Marshall Matuska

HOSPITALITY: Joel Naber, Michael & Sharon Sjoblom, Jon Sorenson

Sunday, August 6th @ 9 a.m.

EMHC: Terry Abbas, Jim & Laurie Murray, Jeff Nelson, Marlys Nolan

LECTOR: Joseph Schmidt

SERVERS: Alex Anderson, Porter Prentice

HOSPITALITY: Deb & John Harmelink, Myrna & Paul Herbers

Sunday, August 6th @ 11 a.m.

EMHC: Bill & Cheryl Aumer, Dori Lippon, Beth Lorch

LECTOR: Aaron Lorch

SERVERS: Noah Walleck, Simon Walleck

HOSPITALITY: Mark & Molly Foss, Dennis Lippon, Abby Walleck

PRAY for these members: Jan Nau, Linda Cunningham, Mark Kollasch, Becky Wittrock, Kiana Svoboda, 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: Elizabeth Olson, Amanda Kuhlman, Mark McGill, 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, Kaydan, Adam Hall, Kate Jensen, Cooper Hatfield, Corey Langner, Claire Yaw, 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, Denny 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.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 29

4 p: +David Carey

Sunday, July 30

7 a: +Bob Eilers

9 a: +Roland Taylor

11 a: For The People

Monday July 31

No Mass Today

Tuesday, Aug. 1

5:30 p: +Bob & +Marilyn Higgins

Wednesday, Aug. 2

No Mass Today

Thursday, Aug. 3

No Mass Today

Friday, Aug. 4

7:30 a: +Don Baschke

4 p.m.: Goehring/DeCleene Vows

Saturday, Aug. 5

4 p: +David Carey

Sunday, Aug. 6

7 a: +Bob Eilers

9 a: +Roland Taylor

11 a: For The People

LifeServe at St. Joseph's
Fri., Aug. 25, 9:30 to 2 p.m.



Monday, July 31

No Mass Today

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

8 p.m.: AA meets in Nazareth Hall

Tuesday, Aug. 1

2 p.m.: Eucharistic Adoration

5:30 p.m.: Mass

Wednesday, Aug. 2

No Mass Today

Thursday, Aug. 3

No Mass Today

Friday, Aug. 4

7:30 a.m.: Mass

8 a.m.: Bible Study, overflow

4 p.m.: Goehring/DeCleene Vows

Saturday, Aug. 5

4 p.m.: Mass

Sunday, Aug. 6

7, 9 and 11 a.m.: Mass

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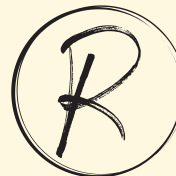
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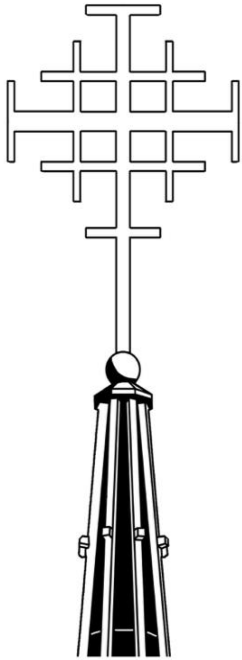


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News From St. Mary's Parish



Congratulations

Congratulations to Carter Jay Davison, son of Jeffrey and Morgan Davison, who was baptized here at St. Mary's on July 23, 2023, and congratulations to John-David Dean Vancura, son of Darick and Jessica Vancura, who was baptized here at St. Mary's on July 23, 2023. Blessings to the Davison and Vancura families, and welcome Carter and John-David!

Meals on Wheels

St. Mary's has agreed to deliver Meals on Wheels for the month of August. There is a sign-up sheet and information on the table in the narthex. We are grateful to all who assist with this project.

Summer Weekend 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.

Daily Mass Schedule

Our daily Mass schedule is Wednesdays and Thursdays only. If a funeral is scheduled at St. Mary's, the daily Mass at St. Mary's will be cancelled that day.

Volunteers Needed for Religious Ed Program

Over 220 of our Parish Family Children are thirsty for Jesus, for role models and guides. Each of us at St Mary's—regardless of whether or not you have children in the program—has something to offer these children who are a great part of the life and future of the church. If you like to bake, cook, teach, babysit, clean, or if you're willing to be a simple presence as a volunteer, testifying to a heart of love and faith... your time and personal investment in our youth is precious! Sign up now to join an amazing crew for this endeavor! Online Registration is available August 1st at <https://stmarysspiritlake.org>. All kinds of volunteer and service opportunities are available!



Liturgical Ministries

The August 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.



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

Fri.: 8 a.m. - 12 noon

Reconciliation:

4:45 pm Sat;

9:45 am Sun; 11:30 am Wed

Bulletin Deadline

Monday at 8 a.m.

Mass Schedule:

Summer:

Saturday at 5:30 p.m.

Sunday at 8:30 and 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 (stmarysspiritlake.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, July 31

No Mass Today

Tuesday, Aug. 1

No Mass Today

Wednesday, Aug. 2

12 Noon: +Dienne Rodawig

Thursday, Aug. 3

2 p.m.: Adoration

5:30 p.m.: +Fr. Al Grendler

Friday, Aug. 4

No Mass Today

Saturday, Aug. 5

5:30 p.m.: +Shirley Pruss

Sunday, Aug. 6

8:30 a.m.: +Lisa Galm

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

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

WEEKLY Calendar

Monday, July 31

No events today

Tuesday Aug. 1

No events today.

Wednesday, Aug. 2

12 p.m.: Mass

Thursday, Aug. 3

2 p.m.: Adoration

5:30 p.m.: Mass

Friday, Aug. 4

No events today

Saturday, Aug. 5

5:30 p.m.: Mass

Sunday, Aug. 6

8:30 a.m.: Mass

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

10:30 a.m.: Mass



Marriage Is a Journey

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can help you enrich your marriage and add some pazazz to your journey. For more info, call Denise at (563) 920-9419 or register at wwme.org. Upcoming dates: September 22-24, 2023, in Dubuque, Iowa, and April 12-14, 2024, in Epworth, Iowa.

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
- child-sized wooden table or chairs
- two full-length mirrors
- chime bells
- small or medium area rugs
- 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

If you would like to become an assistant, or if you have talents in woodworking or sewing, we would love your help! Please contact Heather Kalkhoff at heather.kalkhoff@gmail.com or Lauren Cunningham at l.cunningham628@gmail.com or visit www.CGSUSA.org.

Ministry Schedule

The Transfiguration of the Lord

Saturday, August 5th @ 5:30 p.m.

EMHC: Linda Hansen, Kim Ingwersen, Annette & Tom Kalkhoff

LECTOR: Phyllis McKeown

SERVERS: Gabe Bennett, Mackenzie Bennett

HOSPITALITY: Jim Bunt, Joe Endres, Mark Ingwersen, Nancy Carlson, Tom Kellen

ONLINE: Greg Rolling

Sunday, August 6th @ 8:30 a.m.

EMHC: Deb Brown, Kelly Ferguson, John Huigens, Stacy Sieperda

LECTOR: Mary Brandt

SERVERS: Wes Walz, Sadee Wheatley

HOSPITALITY: Larry Bortscheller, John Chappas, Jim Leinbaugh, Sandy White, Jim Wiese

Sunday, August 6th @ 10:30 a.m.

EMHC: Shawna Ditsworth, Sylvia Jennings, Kim Kirschbaum, Pam Wingert

LECTOR: Karen Fergen

SERVERS: Will Ditsworth, Sam Wavra

HOSPITALITY: Alan Ditsworth, Kerri & Korey Robinson, Summer James, Sunny Dufney

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.

Pastor's COLUMN

Sacramental Sponsors and the Practice of the Catholic Faith

From time to time, it is good for us to review the policies and directives of the Church regarding reception of the Sacraments. Today I want to address the issue of sponsors for Baptism. The Baptism of a child is a moment of great rejoicing for a family and for the whole Church. Baptism is one of the greatest joys and privileges of my priesthood. I rejoice in every single family that brings a child forward for Baptism. There are several important points that families should take into consideration as they look forward to a Baptismal ceremony. Parents should be conscious that as the baptismal ceremony unfolds, they are asked to commit themselves to raising their child in the ways of the faith. This is a reiteration of the promises that they made at their sacramental marriage. Parents are charged to take this responsibility seriously. Their promises before God to take the faith life of their children to heart is a deep vow that should not be undertaken lightly. Parents are the first teachers of their children in the ways of the faith and are called to enter into this task with devotion and purpose. Church law carefully regulates the sponsors of Baptism as well. When a child is presented for Baptism, they are to have at least one sponsor who vows to assist the parents of the child in the practice of the faith. Again, the ceremony contains a commitment by the sponsor to take seriously their commitment to assist the parents of the child in the ways of the faith. The child can also have two sponsors, one of each gender. The Code of Canon Law indicates, "There is to be only one male sponsor or one female sponsor or one of each." (873) Canon law is careful to outline what is necessary for a person to qualify and a sponsor for Baptism. They are as follows: 1) The sponsor must be willing to take up the role of sponsor 2) The sponsor must be at least 16 years of age 3) They must be baptized, confirmed, and have received 1st Holy Communion 4) They must be leading a life of faith by attending Mass, and cannot be in an irregular marriage. 5) They cannot be one of the parents of the child. A member of a non-Catholic community can act as a Christian witness in the place of one of the Godparents. When a couple is choosing a sponsor for their child's Baptism, it is important to keep these guidelines outlined in Church law in mind.



Stewardship REPORT

"The law of Your mouth is to me more precious than thousands of gold and silver pieces," says the Psalmist today. Does the amount of my offering suggest that I could honestly say the same?

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July 22-23 Attendance: 1,016
 Adults: \$9,509.00
 Online: \$260.00
 Loose: \$2,418.12
 Dollar Collection: \$476.29
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Lakes Catholic Community YOUTH GROUP NEWS Regular Meeting

The High School Youth Group meets every Wednesday at 7 p.m. 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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