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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, Oct. 15, 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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3:15 pm Sat;

8:15 am Sun

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Tuesday 12 noon

MASS SCHEDULE:

Winter

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Sunday at 9 a.m.

Summer

Saturday at 4 p.m.

Sunday at 7, 9 and 11 a.m.

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PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY FROM THE ST. JOSEPH PARISH FAMILY TO:

✓ Patti Youngstrom and the Lambert Family on the death of +David Lambert, who died Mon., Oct. 2, 2023. His Mass of Christian Burial was held Fri., Oct. 6 at St. Joseph; to

✓ Michael Meylor and family on the death of his step-daughter, Nicole Beal, 41, of Spirit Lake, who died Sun., Oct. 8. Her funeral was held Fri., Oct. 13 at Turner-Jenness Funeral Home. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery; and to

✓ The family of +Mary Pritchard, of Florida, who was laid to rest in Calvary Cemetery on Sat., Oct. 14.



THANK YOU TO:

✓ Funeral Group #4 who served the +Irma Reiser funeral luncheon on Tues., Oct. 3 and to Funeral Group #3 who served the +David Lambert funeral luncheon on Fri., Oct. 6. Your willingness to serve a family in their time of need is one of the most treasured gifts a person can give. Funeral Group #5 will be in charge of the next funeral luncheon.

✓ Thank you to the volunteers who covered the parish office in my absence at the time of my mother-in-law's death and vacation days following. I appreciate your assistance.

Susan Reiser

✓ Thank you to Funeral Group #4 who served the luncheon for our mother, +Irma Reiser. It was a great meal and wonderful fellowship time. Thank you also to all who sent flowers, gifts and cards to us at the time of her death, for the special music and liturgy at her funeral. She loved St. Joseph just as we do. **Dean Reiser and Family and Mona Barringer and Family**

✓ Thank you to the CDA for providing a light supper following the Healing Mass Tuesday night, Oct. 10.

✓ Thank you to the volunteers who assisted with cake and serving at both the +Nicole Beal luncheon and the +Mary Pritchard funeral coffee. It is always nice to warm the hearts of families in their time of need.

CDA is collecting personal hygiene items (deodorant, toothpaste, toilet paper etc) for the local food bank. A collection area will be set up in the alcove at the top of the stairs till the end of October. Thanks, in advance for your help with this project.

All Souls Novena of Masses

Remember your loved ones in our All Souls Novena of Masses which begins Wed., Nov. 1. Envelopes for this purpose are in your packet or available on the elevator table. To be included in the list of names in the bulletin, we will need your envelope or list of completed names by 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 24.

CDA along with the National Center on Sexual Exploitation promote a WRAP campaign. The White Ribbon Against Pornography takes place each year at the end of October. White ribbons on the trees are a reminder to fight against pornography everywhere.

THERE is still time to bring your socks to the office for the Sioux City Soup Kitchen Ministry. Deadline is Wed, Oct. 25.

TAO Collection Update - Gifts to Together As One (TAO) are part of our stewardship of treasure. Our goal as a Diocese is higher this year so we may continue to impact lives through Diocesan ministry. Join us today in support of TAO with a gift or pledge through the brochure that was mailed to you or giving online at scdiocese.org/tao. Our Together As One (TAO) Appeal goal is \$40,197.00. If you haven't returned your contribution, please do so asap.

News From St. Joseph Parish

Religious Education News

By Erin Lorch

Director of Faith Formation

Greetings! If you haven't already done so, please encourage your kid(s) to take a Kid Bulletin, found in the narthex, after mass. There are fun activities and a beautiful kid-friendly reflection all based on the mass readings. You can find these printed here every weekend.

Next weekend is our Faith Formation mass, where you'll see many of our students take an active role in the liturgical ministries. We invite our Faith Formation families to join us at mass and afterwards for a little breakfast in the overflow classroom.

Our catechists are doing a phenomenal job implementing our new curriculum. I'm impressed with the depth that this curriculum takes our students in all grade levels. We know faith isn't just about knowing things about Christ, but actually knowing Him and being in relationship with Him. This is something our students also get to take an active role in with us on Wednesdays. Our students are also being exposed to different models of prayer, such as the rosary, Lectio Divina (praying with Scripture) and Visio Divina (praying with Sacred Art). It's amazing how even our youngest Catholics can have such a deep love and relationship with our Lord. It's a privilege getting to see all of this in action.

God bless you!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

-Faith Formation Class meets Wednesday, October 18 and starts off in the Parish Center!

-K-4 meets from 5-6:15pm

-5-12 meets from 6:45-8pm

-Faith Formation mass on Sunday, October 22 @ 9 a.m.

-Please sign up to be a Hall Monitor! Help us ensure the safety of our students on Wednesday nights. Sign up for one time or weekly! Thank you! You can find the sign up by scanning the QR code.



Ministry Schedule

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 21st @ 4 p.m.

EMHC: Faith Garcia, Irene & Jim McCoy

LECTOR: Connie Chapman

SERVERS: Kaiden Mueller, Ron Swartz

HOSPITALITY: Jim Baumgard, Bob & Donna Elser, Eldon Kraninger

Sunday, October 22nd @ 9 a.m.

EMHC: Dori Lippon, Jim & Laurie Murray, Jeff Nelson

LECTOR: Rel. Ed. Students

SERVERS: Emily Breuer, Alex Anderson

HOSPITALITY: Bill & Cheryl Aumer, Dennis Lippon, Arend & Molly Swygman

PRAY for these members: Charles Reckard, Vince Bronson, Linda Cunningham, Mark Kollasch, Becky Wittrock, Kiana Svoboda, 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: Janet Norgaard, Cozy Nelsen, Ron Heller, Zenrik Young, Dr. Rod Langel, Elizabeth Olson, Mark McGill, 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, 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, Oct. 14

4 p: +Roland Taylor

Sunday, Oct. 15

9 a: For the People

Monday, Oct. 16

No Mass Today

Tuesday, Oct. 17

5:30 p: +June Reiman

Wednesday, Oct. 18

No Mass Today

Thursday, Oct. 19

No Mass Today

Friday, Oct. 20

7:30 a: +Jim Baschke

Saturday, Oct. 21

2 p: Heikens/Jacobsma Vows

4 p: +Bob Eilers

Sunday, Oct. 22

9 a: For the People



Monday, Oct. 16

7:30 p.m.: Al-Anon meets by zoom

8 p.m.: AA meets in Nazareth Hall

Tuesday, Oct. 17

2 p.m.: Eucharistic Adoration

5:30 p.m.: Mass

6 p.m.: RCIA

6 p.m.: Rosary/Altar, PC

Wednesday, Oct. 18

No Mass Today

Rel. Ed: K-4 @ 5-6:15 p.m.; Grades 6-10 @ 6:45 to 8 p.m.;

Thursday, Oct. 19

No Mass Today

Friday, Oct. 20

7:30 a: Mass

8 a.m.: Bible Study, overflow

Saturday, Oct. 21

2 p.m.: Heikens/Jacobsma Vows

4 p.m.: Mass

Sunday, Oct. 22

9 a.m.: Mass

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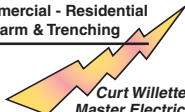
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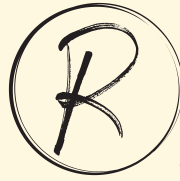
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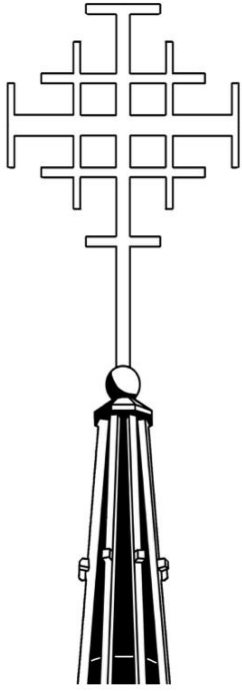
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News From St. Mary's Parish



Together As One

Together As One (TAO) is a pillar of support for caring for the marginalized and for the critically needed ministries such as religious education, adult formation, and youth and young adult ministry. Our TAO goal this year is \$30,923.00. Join us today in support of TAO with a gift or pledge through the brochure that was mailed to you or by giving online at www.scdiocese.org/together-as-one.

Evening Prayer

On Sunday, October 22nd at 4 p.m., St. Mary's will host a more contemporary style of Evening Prayer.

Weekend Mass Schedule

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

Choir Rehearsal

Adult choir rehearsals are in full swing. We rehearse on Thursdays at 6 p.m. Reading music is not a requirement, but singing is. Come join us!

Special Collections in October

Donations for the World Mission Sunday collection should be placed in the basket on the weekend of October 22. Please make checks payable to "St. Mary's," and write "World Mission Sunday" in the memo line.

The Knights of Columbus Annual Soup and Dessert Supper

The annual Soup and Dessert Supper will be on Sunday, November 5, 2023. The Knights of Columbus will be selling tickets after Mass this weekend. They will also have a sign-up sheet for anyone who is interested in helping them with the Soup and Dessert Supper.

Small Nativity Set Needed

Our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program is in need of small, sturdy nativity set pieces, specifically 2 of each of the following: the Angel Gabriel, Mary, Joseph, Jesus, a donkey, sheep, and 3 shepherds. These should be able to be handled by children and not too breakable.

Catholic Daughters Right to Life Month

October is designated "Right to Life Month" during which Catholic Daughters of St. Mary's congratulate and thank parents of babies born at Lakes Regional Hospital for choosing Life by presenting them with a gift. A crib will be placed in the Narthex as all members of St. Mary's Parish are invited to join in this "celebration." Please place any new and infant related items in the crib during the upcoming weeks. Thank you for your participation in this project.

Upper Des Moines Food Pantry

During the month of November, St. Mary's has agreed to go to Wal-Mart to pick up meat and produce and bring it to Upper Des Moines. We need volunteers for Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays at 9 a.m. There is a sign-up sheet and instructions for volunteers in the narthex. If you have questions, please contact the parish office.

Christ Our Life Catholic Conference

Save the Date! September 28 & 29, 2024, at the Wells Fargo Arena Des Moines. Don't miss this every two-years opportunity to hear world-class speakers, celebrate Mass with thousands, attend reconciliation, be inspired with music, and visit Jesus in Adoration. Feel your soul rejoice! To learn more, contact Jenny Marhula at 701-799-1853.



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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:

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), 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, Oct. 16

No Mass Today

Tuesday, Oct. 17

No Mass Today

Wednesday, Oct. 18

12 Noon: +Jeannette Bohnenkamp

Thursday, Oct. 19

2 p.m.: Adoration

5:30 p.m.: +Sue, +Chris & +Jim Johnson

Friday, Oct. 20

No Mass Today

Saturday, Oct. 21

5:30 p.m.: +Liv & Dec. of St. Mary's

Sunday, Oct. 22

10:30 a.m.: +Marlyn & +Joyce Lonneman

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

WEEKLY Calendar

Monday, Oct. 16

No events today

Tuesday, Oct. 17

No events today

Wednesday, Oct. 18

12 p.m.: Mass

Thursday, Oct. 19

2 p.m.: Adoration

5:30 p.m.: Mass

6 p.m.: Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday, Oct. 20

No events today

Saturday, Oct. 21

8 a.m.: Women's Faith Break

5:30 p.m.: Mass

Sunday, Oct. 22

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

10:30 a.m.: Mass

4 p.m.: Evening Prayer (church)

Religious Education News

Faith formation is off to a great start this year! We are so grateful to see so many of you offering your time and talents in so many ways to make it possible. We are especially grateful for all of our incredible Catechists who have stepped up to get every grade level covered. We are, however, still in great need of Substitute Catechists to fill in when our regular Catechists are absent. No prior teaching experience is needed; we will provide you with the preparation and curriculum you need to succeed and will help you to feel ready and confident with an early notice whenever it is possible. Please reach out to me at the office or by email: smdre@thelakescatholic.church if you are willing to help us out! We already have 6 classes available and in need of substitutes for the month of October. Thank you so much for considering!

Lastly, we are very excited to have been able to launch our Wednesday night meals again with the help of the newest member of our crew, our meal coordinator: Kim Ingwersen. She has been doing a great job planning delicious meals and organizing the prep with volunteers and sponsors. If you would still like to support or sponsor a meal, please know that any remaining funds that are not used will be put into our funding for next year's religious education meals. We appreciate all you have contributed to make this year such a success!

Parents: We would love to see more youth at our dinners- remember you can drop them off early and let them eat any time between 6PM and 6:45PM. We are happy to make things a bit easier for you and your families on Wednesday nights. You are always welcome to take part in the meal with your children!

All Souls Novena of Masses

If you would like to remember your loved ones in our All Souls Novena of Masses, please include their names on the All Souls envelope that you received in your packet of offertory envelopes this month. If you do not receive envelopes, you can pick up an All Souls envelope from the table in the narthex. If you give online, you can give to the All Souls fund online but will need to give your list of names to Cynthia in the parish office (smof-fice@thelakescatholic.church). To be included in the list of names in the bulletin, we will need your envelope or list of completed names by 8 a.m. on Monday, October 23. The novena starts November 1.

Ministry Schedule

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 21st @ 5:30 p.m.

EMHC: John Huigens, Kim Ingwersen, Curt & Sandi Smith

LECTOR: Scott Trautman

SERVERS: Carter Trautman, Katelyn Trautman

HOSPITALITY: Nancy Carlson, Joe Endres, Gayle Eral, Mark Ingwersen

ONLINE: Jean Mohr

Sunday, October 22nd @ 10:30 a.m.

EMHC: Kim Kirschbaum, Susan Lynn, Chris & Renee Quance

LECTOR: Mary Brandt

SERVERS: Will Ditsworth, Sam Wavra

HOSPITALITY: Sylvia Jennings, Brady Kramer, Amanda Sether, Jim Wi-ese

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.

NEWS
& Notes

Pastor's COLUMN

Winter is Coming

With cool weather just around the corner we should be more conscious of the needs of our neighbors who might not have adequate clothing or shelter. At St. Joseph, a free clothing room serves hundreds of families each month. We have been working hard at the St. Joseph Clothing Room to prepare winter clothes for those in need. We are grateful for the many individuals from both parishes who share their lightly worn clothing for redistribution through our free clothing room. Many years ago, Fr. Jim Fandel established the Clothing Room to serve the needs of the less fortunate. You are welcome to participate in this long-lived effort to assist our neighbors. The Clothing Room accepts contributions during the hours that the room is open: Mondays, Tuesday, and Thursdays from 9:00 to 4:00 and Fridays from 9:00 to Noon. The clothing room is closed on Wednesdays for shopping but items may be left on the desk in the hall. Please do not ever leave clothing outside of the building.

Knights of Columbus Coat Drives

The Milford Knights of Columbus are continuing their annual coat drive in hopes of warming children this season. Winter coats, boots and snowpants are being accepted for this project thru Oct. 31. Donations may be left in the box in the church hallway.

The Spirit Lake Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids Drive is being held now through October 30th. They are looking for donations from our parish to assist with this effort. Please look for the donations box in the narthex of the church. Cash donations can be given after Mass to ticket sellers or dropped off at the office during regular hours.

Thank you for your support of both of these worthy projects.

Thanks to everyone who contributed socks for the Sioux City Soup Kitchen Ministry. A wonderful volunteer paired, counted and bagged the contributions for delivery Thurs., Oct. 26. To date, 377 pairs of socks have been received.



Stewardship



REPORT

In today's second reading, St. Paul thanks the Philippians for being willing to share in his hardships and promises that God, in turn, will fully supply all their needs. Our God truly cannot be outdone in generosity!

ST. JOSEPH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP Oct. 7-8 Att. 503

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