

Dear Padre

June 15, 2025

What does the Church teach about respect for the body after death? Is burial the most respectful? It's certainly the most expensive. What about donating your body to science? Or cremation? If someone is cremated, can the ashes be kept respectfully by a family member, or do they have to be buried?

Your question serves as a summation of current practice and exposes the real-life dilemma and choices facing loved ones: "How can I be respectful and at the same time practical?"

Catholics believe that the body of the deceased must be respected and not simply disposed of without care or concern. Current practice allows for burial, cremation, and the donation of the body to science, and choices depend in large part on tradition, culture, and economic circumstances. If someone chooses to donate to medical science, it is with the understanding that the body will be cremated or properly buried. If cremation is the chosen option, proper burial of the cremains in a sacred place is required.

All of this assumes an uneventful passing of the deceased person. It does not account for war, disease, or disaster. When faced with ordinary, rather than extraordinary, circumstances, loved ones have a real opportunity to be grateful and thankful for the chance to mourn, grieve, and show respect for the person. Unfortunately, that is not always the case in today's world. ●

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MONDAY

June 16 *Weekday* 2 Cor 6:1–10 Mt 5:38–42

TUESDAY

June 17 Weekday 2 Cor 8:1-9 Mt 5:43-48

WEDNESDAY

June 18 Weekday 2 Cor 9:6–11 Mt 6:1–6, 16–18

THURSDAY

June 19 Weekday 2 Cor 11:1–11 Mt 6:7–15

FRIDAY

June 20 *Weekday* 2 Cor 11:18, 21–30 Mt 6:19–23

SATURDAY

June 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious 2 Cor 12:1–10 Mt 6:24–34

SUNDAY

June 22 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Gn 14:18-20 1 Cor 11:23-26 Lk 9:11b-17

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"As a Catholic faith community we strive to unite as a people of God whose life is centered in the Eucharist. We seek to live the Gospel message of Jesus Christ, called to be faithful stewards of God's gifts, growing in faith and attending to the spiritual and social needs of all."

Father's Day

GOOD SHEPHERD STAFF

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RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation from 3-3:30 p.m. Saturday in the Reconciliation Chapel at Holy Family, New Hampton. Reconciliation may be celebrated on request at St. Boniface, Ionia & Immaculate Conception, North Washington. Sunday Reconciliation from 7:15-7:45 a.m. in the Reconciliation Chapel at Holy Family, New Hampton.

Weekly Prayer & Faith Sharing & Ministry

1:30 PM-Rosary @ MercyOne Hospital Chapel on Tues. 2-4 PM Sharing Room, Pastoral Office on Wednesday 4 PM-Midnight-Holy Family-Adoration on Thursday 9-11 AM Sharing Room, Pastoral Office on Friday

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULES

St. Boniface & Immaculate Conception Parish Alternate Saturday 6 PM Mass Holy Family Spanish Mass 1st & 3rd Sunday 11:30 AM

Saturday

4 PM Holy Family, New Hampton

6 PM St. Boniface, June 14, 28, July 12, 26

6 PM Immaculate Conception, June 21, July 5, 19

Sunday

8 AM & 10 AM Holy Family, New Hampton

SPOTLIGHT ON: We wish to recognize and thank our Advertiser of the Week **Rapid Printers** & **Office World.** Please patronize our advertisers. Let them know you appreciate their support of the parish bulletin. That's the best to thank them.

Baptisms: Please contact Deacon Vic DeSloover @ 563-429-2773.

Marriage: Please contact the priest at least six months in advance.

Visiting the Sick or Anointing: If you would like a visit from Fr. Jim, please contact the Pastoral Office at 394-2105. The hospital and nursing homes do not notify us unless a family member requests.

PRAYERS for the SICK: We ask the Lord Jesus to bless all those in sickness, in weakness & in pain. Please join us in prayer for: Mark Zipse, Jeff Kirschbaum, Michele K, David Dick, Bill Sinnwell, Charlene Longhom, Ron, Justin Shekleton, Alan Gilbert, Troy, Joyce Lowe, Beatrice Miller, Sebastian Burke, Patty Forkenbrock, Brady Einck, all special intentions & cancer patients.

PRAYER NETWORK: For a prayer request, please call the parish office during the business day @ 394-2105 or after hours to Jan Gorman @ 641-229-6072, or Carol Schmitz @ 394-6072.

Please note: <u>Due to the length of our prayer list, we will list the special intentions for prayer for two weeks</u>. If you wish names to remain longer, please call the parish office 394-2105 & we will be glad to leave the names in for as long as needed. Thank you for your understanding.

Military active duty- SGT Adam J. Burgart, Dylan Usher, Kaleb Macon, SGT. Andrew Kasuboski, SGT. Michael Messersmith, Adam Tieskotter, Michael Nosbisch, Staff Sgt. Nathan Schulz, Nichole Caldararo, Dustin Boeding, Paul Langreck REST IN PEACE: Please remember those in your prayers who recently died: Glen Schwickerath brother of Gordon Schwickerath

CLUSTER NEWS

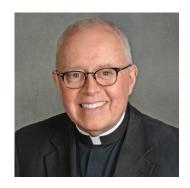
TOTUS TUUS MISSIONARIES NEEDED FOR 2025: If you know any college-age men and women from your parishes who would be great role models for younger Catholics, suggest they apply to serve as a Totus Tuus Missionary for Summer 2025! This is a paid position with training and most expenses provided for during the summer. Application information can be found at www.dbqarch.org/Totus-Tuus. Please contact Joanne Pohland (J.pohland@dbqarch.org) with any questions.

THE TIME HAS COME!! Bible Study will be starting Saturday June 21th at 9:00 a.m. at the Cluster Offices the corner of Court and Maple. The group will be looking more deeply into the scriptures for Sunday's mass. We will be sharing discussion on Bible history, Church tradition, and personal insights and questions. Everyone is welcome, every question is a new opportunity to develop a broader understanding of God's love through the Word.

THANK YOU FR. JANGILL: We would like to thank Fr. Jangill for the many years of celebrating Spanish Masses at Holy Family. Your gift to our community is overwhelming and we are grateful. All are welcome to celebrate his last Mass with us on June 15 at 11:30 am at Holy Family. A reception will follow the Mass.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MEETING: Join the CDA in praying the Rosary at St. Joe's Church, followed by a potluck and meeting at Hynes Hall on Tuesday, June 17 at 5:30 p.m. Bring a dish to share. New members welcome!

SEEKING A PASTORAL ASSISTANT:- Good Shepherd Cluster, New Hampton, is seeking a part-time Pastoral Assistant. This person must be a Catholic in good standing with the Church. This person will be responsible for initiating and administering programs and activities intended for faith formation (primarily adults), coordinating local involvement in larger events (Women's conference, Men's conference, World Day of Prayer, etc), and assisting in the planning of liturgical celebrations for major feasts. When needed, this person will also meet with families to assist in planning funerals for loved ones. This person will also be involved in ordering liturgical materials for the Cluster. This person should be proficient with technology and the internet, be organized and able to meet It is preferred that this person have 2 years of deadlines. experience in parish-based ministry. However, this is not required if you are the right person for this role. If interested in this position, please contact Fr. Jim Goerend at 641-394-2105 or email at dbq141@dbqarch.org



RETIREMENT MASS: Father John Haugen will celebrate a retirement Mass, Sunday, July 6 at 1 p.m. at Saint Mark Catholic Church in Edgewood, Iowa, with reception following. Father Haugen has served the Archdiocese of Dubuque for 41 years in parish, high school and college work,

as well as music and liturgy, spiritual direction and retreat work. He is presently pastor of the Emmaus Pastorate parishes of Colesburg St. Patrick, Edgewood St. Mark, Strawberry Point St. Mary, Volga Sacred Heart and Elkader St. Joseph. All are cordially invited to join in the festivities!



June 8, 2025		Budget Report	
Parish	Holy Family	Immaculate Conception	St Boniface
Yearly Collection Needed *	\$626,883.00	\$55,611.00	\$41,046.00
Yearly Collection Needed to 06.08.2025	\$590,716.56	\$52,402.56	\$38,678.15
Needed Weekly Amount	\$12,055.44	\$1,069.44	\$789.35
Received Last Week	\$14,883.00	\$335.00	\$200.00
Year to Date Recd to 06.08.2025	\$599,408.17	\$42,657.50	\$38,944.00
Difference	\$8,691.61	-\$9,745.06	\$265.85
Offertory	\$868.00	\$120.00	
Hispanic Mass Offertory			
*This is the	amount needed to halance each re	spective church's hudget	



MONDAY, JULY 21st - FRIDAY, JULY 25th 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

(FRIDAY 3 PM PICK UP AT THE POOL)

"TOTUS TUUS HELPED ME SEE MY FAITH IN A NEW WAY—IT WASN'T JUST RULES, IT WAS A RELATIONSHIP."

"I DIDN'T KNOW LEARNING ABOUT JESUS COULD BE SO FUN!"

"I MADE NEW FRIENDS AND LEARNED HOW TO PRAY THE ROSARY."

"I USED TO FEEL ALONE IN MY FAITH. TOTUS TUUS SHOWED ME I'M NOT."

"MY FAVORITE PART WAS THE WATER FIGHT -BUT I ALSO LOVED LEARNING THE SONGS AND PRAYERS."





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Meal Providers Provide lunch and dinner for the team from Sunday dinner through Friday lunc Deliver lunch by 11:30 AM to Hynes Hall, dinner by 5 PM to the Gathering Space This is more than a week of faith-filled fun—it's a chance to plant seeds of faith that will last a lifetime. Help us build the Kingdom of God in the hearts of our young people.

in To volunteer, contact Jayden Burke at dbqrt4@dbqarch.org or (641) 394-2105 #TotusTuus #FaithInAction #CatholicYouth #ServeWithJoy #KingdomBuilders





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Community Center 112 E. Spring St. | New Hampton

Tuesday, June 24, 2025

12:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Text: LIFESERVE to 999.777 | Call: 800.287.4903 | Visit: lifeserve.info/schedule



AREA NEWS & EVENTS

St. Joe's Golf Outing: Monday, June 23 at the New Hampton Golf & Country Club. If you are interested in being a part of the day contact Stan Laures @319-290-6971 or Connie Njus @ 641-220-2738. A Social Hour begins at 5:30 p.m. followed with a dinner. fundraising event will help with a muchneeded new security system to better protect our students, staff and community.

Cookies for Cancer June Cookie of the Month: Snickerdoodle 15/\$10 Offering Mound samples with any \$10 order while supplies last (does not include snickerdoodle) Rose Ann Schwickerath 641-557-8530 ... Thanks for your support.

Help Us Celebrate Heartland Days on June 13th & 14th: The Chickasaw Rescue Association will have a food tent at Mikkelson Park for its annual fundraiser. Funds raised will be used to purchase and update gear & equipment. We serve and protect over 12,000 citizens of Chickasaw County that covers approximately 504 square miles. Services are provided by volunteers that are ready to be utilized 24/7, 365 days a year to help with fires, search and rescue, medical responses (first responders), car accidents, and much more.

Dave Markward Coming to Fredericksburg: Dave is a Dubuque native & former teacher, coach, & Superintendent of the Cedar Rapids School District. He will discuss his 2024 book 'From Dubuque to Selma & Beyond: Journey to Understand Racism in America' on Thurs., June 19, at the Fredericksburg Town Hall, from 6:30 to 8 pm. All are welcome. Sponsored by the Human Rights Alliance: Huch & Carol Mackintosh, Jim Reid, Joe Peraud, Kara Johns, Alex Johnson, and Gladys Christoph.

12th Annual Lawler Irish Fest: The weekend of June 20-21 for another exciting celebration of Lawler's rich heritage featuring events, and entertainment for the entire family. Friday, June 20, Opening Ceremony, 6:30 pm. Grand Marshals music, activities and outdoor movie at dusk bring chair/blankets. Saturday, June 21, Grand Parade at 1 p.m. followed by more music, car show and fun for the kids in Croell Park. Sunday, June 22, 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Lawler Lions Club BBQ Chicken Dinner. For more information check out the website www.lawleririshefest.com.

Understanding Your Roots. Russell Baldner, a German linguist, genealogist and historian, presents "Ethnicity, Family History and the Ever-Changing Map of Europe: Making Genealogical Sense of Ethnic Heritage, Political Boundaries, European History, and Personal Roots." on Wednesday, June 25th at 6:30 to 8:00 PM at the German American Museum in St. Lucas, IA.



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GOOD SHEPHERD MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY-JUNE 14, 2025

4 PM-Holy Family-Collective

6 PM-St. Boniface-Collective

Fr. Jim Farewell Potluck @ St. Boniface after Mass

SUN-JUNE 15, 2025-The Most Holy Trinity

8 AM-Holy Family-Bob Weigel

10 AM-Holy Family-For the People in the Cluster

11:30 AM-Holy Family Spanish Mass-Nazrio Uribe **MONDAY-JUNE 16, 2025**

Bulletin News Due at Noon

TUESDAY-JUNE 17, 2025

5:15 PM-Immaculate Conception-

Vincent "Timmy" & Francella Burgart and Reg Nelson 5:30 PM C D of A Praying the Rosary, Potluck & Meeting at Church & Hynes Hall

WEDNESDAY-JUNE 18, 2025

10 AM-NH Rehab-Fr. Walter Kleinfehn

THURSDAY-JUNE 19, 2025

10 AM-Kensington-Don Shinstine

Project Flo Begins-June 19-24

FRIDAY-JUNE 20, 2025

8:30 AM-Holy Family-Eileen Reyes & Ginny Laures SATURDAY-JUNE 21, 2025

4 PM-Holy Family-Francis & Alice Klassen

6 PM-Immaculate Conception-For the People

Fr. Jim Farewell after Mass at Immaculate Conception

SUN., JUNE 22-The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

8 AM-Holy Family-Collective

10 AM-Holy Family-Don & Arlene Boeding

Family Reunion @ Hynes Hall

No Daily Mass when we have a funeral.

Volunteers Needed

HELP with MINISTRY: We are in need of volunteers to be greeters, lectors, and Eucharistic ministers at our weekend masses.

HELP with HOMEBOUND COMMUNION: We are looking for volunteers to take Communion and share some prayer time with our parishioners who are homebound. If you have a limited schedule, we can work with you.

HELP with WEDDINGS: We are looking for a volunteer(s) interested in assisting Father with wedding ceremonies. Some of the responsibilities include preparing for Communion if the ceremony includes Mass, giving direction to ushers, help to make sure the ceremony runs timely, etc.

COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS

HOLY FAMILY, JUNE 14 AT 4 PM: Tony Blazek, Dorothy Kriener, Richard & Laura TeKippe, Ed, Elizabeth and Jerry Brincks, Ed & Dorothy Flick, Andrea Burgart, Wayne Tenge and David Rasmussen.

ST. BONIFACE, JUNE 14 AT 6 PM: Louis & Mary Link, John & Norma Brummond, Deb Bonfig, Leo & Rita Rasing

HOLY FAMILY, JUNE 22 AT 8 AM: Richard Holschlag, Norbert Burgart, Bernard & Elizabeth Dockendorf Family, Theresa & Frank Martin, Louis & Kathryn Geerts, Duane Lynch, Francis & Mary Kramer, Jim & Doris Galligan, Curtis Schwickerath and Norman Heit.

Good News!

June 15, 2025 The Most Holy Trinity (C) Proverbs 8:22-31 / Romans 5:1-5 / John 16:12-15

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Calvin and Hobbes comic strip finds Calvin filling water balloons. Immediately, we know there's trouble ahead. Calvin's plan is to drench Susie Derkins unless, as he says, the universe can give him some sign that there is a moral law against it. Calvin gives the universe thirty seconds. When there is no sign, Calvin concludes he is allowed to soak Susie. He finds her and pummels her with water balloons. Susie takes off after Calvin as he runs, screaming, "Help! Help!" The final frame shows Calvin, dazed and beaten, wondering why the universe always gives the sign after you do something.

It does seem that we learn more about the ways of life from our mistakes and upheavals than we do from the times when life unfolds smoothly. It is how we come to wisdom—the wisdom that is the very aura of God present in our lives. In fact, John's Gospel points out that God is always the one who brings us to that wisdom; a God woven into the very ups and downs of what we are about. "When he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth" (John 16:13). It is St. Paul who notices how the troubles of life are always the source of new wisdom. He writes of how our afflictions lead us to endurance, and how endurance brings about character, and how it is our character (our inner values) that brings us to hope and trust in God's wisdom rather than in our own. In so many ways, it is the power and presence of the Holy Trinity making us new.

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