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St. Patrick Sacred Heart
 Dunlap Woodbine

August 22nd 2021

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in The Most Holy Sacrament.
 I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.
 Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, Come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there. And unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.



Collection for the Church in Africa

This week our diocese will take part in a national collection to support the Church in Africa. Although the Church in Africa is growing, many still lack access to basic resources and pastoral care. This Fund supports pastoral projects to build the capacity of the church and foster peace in a continent often marked by division and violence.

COVID precautions

As we see the spread of the Delta variant and growing numbers of infections, we are reminded to still take precautions and not forget safe practices at church, such as: using hand sanitizer, trying to maintain some distance between unrelated people, waving at the sign of peace rather than shaking hands.

Please note: On Aug. 6, the Diocese of Des Moines adjusted its COVID-19 mitigation strategy in response to new CDC guidance and the advice of local medical consultants. The Diocese is now **recommending (not requiring) masks** for parishioners over the age of five during all indoor liturgies and other indoor parish events.

We've come far in the past year. We don't want to lose ground. If churches have to close down again, some of the smaller ones might not ever reopen. Thank you for your understanding!

Eucharistic Celebrations:

Saturday, Aug 21st 4:00pm Sacred Heart
 Stessman Family
 5:15pm St Patrick
 Mark Bissen

Sunday, Aug 22nd 9:00am St Patrick
 Jack & Barb Thomsen
 10:30am Sacred Heart
 Judy Poore

Tuesday, Aug 24th 8:00am Sacred Heart
 For the People

Wednesday, Aug 25th 8:00am St. Patrick
 Ed Nicola

Thursday, Aug 26th 8:00am Sacred Heart
 Marge Brosnahan

Friday, Aug 27th 8:00am St. Patrick
 Jack Hawn

Saturday, Aug 28th 4:00pm Sacred Heart
 Frank, Mike & Gene Reisz
 5:15pm St Patrick
 Kathryn & Jack Stessman

Sunday, Aug 29th 9:00am St Patrick
 John & Jane Miller
 10:30am Sacred Heart
 Howard & Donnabelle Stephany

Monday, August 23rd School Starts

Tuesday, August 24th Sacred Heart Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00pm

Friday, September 3rd Dunlap Care Center Mass 2:30pm (not open to the public)

Saturday, September 4th First Saturday Mass 8:30am St Patrick's

Monday, Sept 6th Labor Day (office is closed)

Wednesday, Sept 8th St Patrick REP classes Opening Mass 6:30pm

Sunday, Sept 12th St Patrick's Fall Festival Chicken Dinner 11:00-1:30

Monday, Sept 13th CDA Meeting 7:00pm Woodbine

Thursday, Sept 16th Mass at Rose Vista in Woodbine 2:00pm (not open to the public)

Saturday, Sept 18th Catholic Daughters host a Workshop / Retreat 8:30am Sacred Heart

Immaculate Heart of Mary, full of love for God and mankind, and of compassion for sinners,

May my heart be ever united with yours, so that I may hate sin, love God and my neighbor, and reach eternal life with those whom I love.

May I experience the kindness of your motherly heart and the power of your intercession with Jesus during my life and at the hour of my death. Amen.



Prayer for the Start of School

O Lord,
 It seems like forever since things were "normal". We miss the things we took for granted.
 Give us a Great Big Blessing as we begin school that all will go well.



We pray for administrators- give them wisdom in their guidance.
 We pray for teachers and staff- keep them safe.
 And most of all we pray for students- that this be a wonderful year.



May this be a year of growth and grace.
 We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Woodbine – Saturday 3:30pm
 Dunlap – Saturday 6:00pm

This Sunday's Readings:

Joshua 24:1-18
 Psalm 34
 Ephesians 5:21-32
 John 6: 60-69
Responsorial Psalm:
 "Taste and see the goodness of the Lord"

Please pray for: Connie Summerfield, Phil McAndrews, Dennis McGinn, Jerry Tremel, Leslie Lampe (Vickie & Pat Lampe's sister-in-law), Randy Melby, Dave Sullivan, Diane Klein (Sparky), Rodney Halfabeer, Doris Montang (Lynette Dunhams Mom) Adriaan Van Boord, Jane Cleary, Marvin Tremel, Robert Cogdill, Sandy Farley (Shorty's daughter-in-law), Samantha Fitchhorn, Jodi Klein, Cara Houston, Sharon Buss, Alice Ratigan, Isabel Snider (Eula Kramers sister-in-law), Grant Gorham, Russ Miller (John & Jane Miller's son), Larry Smiley (Virginia Behrendt's nephew), Georgiana Bissen, Michelle Leuschen & John Houston

Remember in Prayer those in the nursing homes & assisted living: Sylvia Gaul, Benita Schiltz, Shirley Fouts, Jeanie Hoffman, Bob Stephany, Terri Thompson, Jean Johnson, Norma Sullivan, Clarice Rule, Don LeClair, Dorothy McQuaid & Mary Schmitz

Learn About Catholicism

In the past few years we have had several people take part in our classes on the Catholic faith. Some were people looking to join the church. Others were Catholics seeking to deepen their faith. In the past we met about twice a month on Sunday afternoons for 1 ½ hours.

If you are interested, please contact Fr. Joel. We would like to start at the beginning of October.

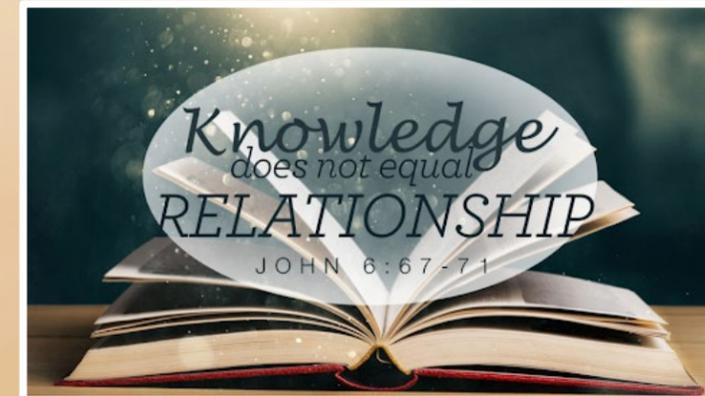
Are you thinking of becoming Catholic?



On August 14, 2021, Haiti suffered an earthquake that caused immense damage and substantial loss of life. The country is reeling from this natural disaster and the effects of the 2010 major earthquake. Tropical Storm Grace followed less than a week later, adding to a saga of devastation and destruction. I ask that you join me in my prayers of support for the people of Haiti and a response to their sufferings as a unified Church.

I am asking every faith community in our Diocese to take up a special collection over the weekend of August 28 and 29, 2021 for the humanitarian, long term recovery, and significant Church needs arising from these calamities.

May the God who is never outdone in generosity bless you as you reach out to those in need, Bishop William M. Joensen



Attn St Patrick Parishioners: I STILL NEED volunteers to step up and help water for the month of September To keep the plants around our church and Parish Center looking great in this heat they need constant watering! If you would be willing to help for a two week period, please call the office 643-5115



Attn Ladies! You are invited to a Catholic Daughters Workshop/Retreat Saturday September 18th Cost is \$15. Per person 8:30am at Sacred Heart Please pre-register by calling Annette at 712-592-0063

It's time to Sweeten things up again around here!



Time for our Sacred Heart Parish Caramel Apple Fundraiser! Please register to help either washing, caramelizing or selling them or all three. We'd REALLY APPRECIATE if you fill in a time that works best for you on the sheet in the back of church.

If you have any suggestions on how to make our 9th year even better!

Please call Julie Reisz at 402-689-4444



Party's on! See ya at the

Leuschen Barn Dance

Since 2009

Sunday, September 5, 2021

Potluck at 5:30
Bring a side dish and BYOB! Meat, tea and lemonade provided.

Live music starts at 7:00 by
Bob Mages & The Roadhaus Band!

We would love for you to invite your friends & family to join in the fun!

Located at the farm of
William & Millie Leuschen
3755 220th St. Rural Portsmouth, Iowa

For outdoor seating,
bring lawn chairs or blankets.

Contacts: Annette @ 712-592-0063 or Faye @ 402-595-0505



Religious Education at Sacred Heart starts after Labor Day



Sunday September 12th
Grades K-3rd : 10:00- 10:30am (before Mass)

Wednesday September 15th
Grades 4th - 6th : 4:45-5:30 pm
Junior High : 5:45 – 6:30 pm
Dinner- 6:30 pm
High School : 7:00 -8:00 pm
Junior High or High School parents: please sign up for Meals for RE on Wednesday nights. Sign up on the google sheet on Sacred Heart Facebook page or contact Mindy Crook 712-592-1127.

St Patrick Religious Ed Program will be starting with an opening Mass on Wednesday, September 8th at 6:30pm



Shirley Harris is turning 90! Please join us for an Open House on Sunday August 29th from 2 to 4pm at Sacred Heart Church Hall



From the Kids Corner...

A little boy was attending his first wedding. After the service, his cousin asked him, "How many women can a man marry?" "Sixteen," the boy responded. His cousin was amazed that he knew the answer so quickly. "How do you know that?" "Easy," the little boy said. "All you have to do is add it up, like the Bishop said: 4 better, 4 worse, 4 richer, 4 poorer."

Help Needed for Ministry at the Dunlap Care Center !

Deacon Gail Stessman has led Sunday morning prayer at the Dunlap Care Center for 30 years. He would like to step back. So we need someone else to step up.

The ecumenical prayer service is at 9:00 AM on Sunday. The local churches are on a rotation, so you would only have to do it every few weeks. If we could get several people to help, you would only have to do it several times a year.

Most people at the Care Center can't come to church. So we must bring church to them. In addition, you will find much joy in this ministry. It's not difficult, and we will be happy to show you what to do. You can contact Deacon Gail or Father Joel.

Please say "YES" to the prompting of the Spirit !