

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

| | Saturday 6:00 PM August 21 | Sunday 8:30 AM August 22 | Sunday 10:30 AM August 22 |
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| Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion | Marilyn Fleming Eileen Skogerboe Jed Skogerboe | Chris Quance Renee Quance Danette Tolan | Jeannie James Sylvia Jennings Shawna Ditsworth |
| Lectors | Scott Trautman | Josh Zigrang | Catherine Straus |
| Altar Servers | Sam Odendahl | Simon Leinbaugh Libby Leinbaugh | Tyson Robinson Jasper Robinson |
| Hospitality Ministers | Dave Hansen Linda Hansen | Jim Wiese Ron Crowley Larry Bortscheller Craig Cunningham | Mike Davis Alan Ditsworth Anne Straus Michella Koppen |
| Music Ministers | Donna Davis Laura Slawson | Donna Davis Gaylene Rolling | Cain Junkman |
| Videographer | Carter Trautman | | |

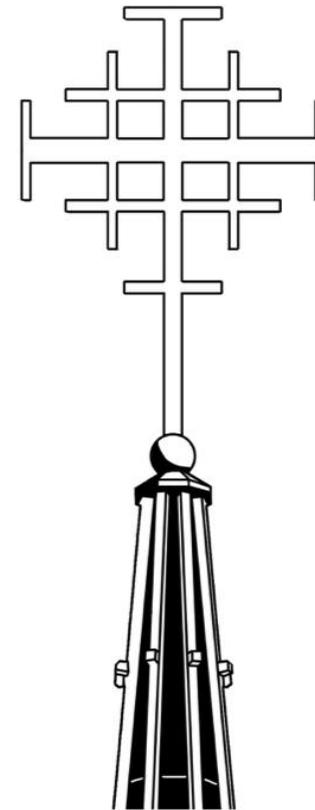
Liturgies and Events This Week

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| Monday, Aug. 16 No Mass Tuesday, Aug. 17 5:30PM Mass +Don Kruse | Wednesday, Aug. 18 12:00Noon Mass 12:30-4:00Adoration +Bill & Millie Kisting | Thursday, Aug. 19 5:30PM Mass +Harold & Juanita Overmann Friday, Aug. 20 12:00 Noon Mass +Bob & Carol Kirschbaum | Saturday, Aug. 21 6:00PM Mass +Vic & Helen Kellen Family Sunday, Aug. 22 8:30AM Mass +Thad Wiedemeier 10:30AM Mass +L.&D. of St. Mary's |
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The sanctuary lamp burns this week for The Hansen Family.

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| Stewardship for August 8, 2021 Adults: \$5,290.00 Online: \$1,000.35 Guatemala: \$ Dollar: \$586.00 Special: \$340.00-Religious Retirement | <p><i>More than half the people in this country die without valid wills.</i></p> <p><i>Do you know why?</i></p> <p><i>Procrastination! Don't wait! (And don't forget St. Mary's.)</i></p> |
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St. Mary's Parish



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The Assumption of Virgin Mary

August 15, 2021

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Baptism – Contact the office to inquire about pre-baptismal class.

Marriage – Contact the office at least six months before date of wedding.

Confessions – Wednesday 3:30PM, Saturday 5:15PM, Sunday 10:00AM.

Eucharistic Adoration – Wednesday 12:30PM – 4:00PM.

Omelet Breakfast

Knights of Columbus will host an omelet breakfast from 8-12 on Sunday, August 15th. The Family Committee is on tap to set up the parish hall and prepare the omelets. This committee consists of Bonnell, Clayton, Elser, T. Hauber, R. Miller, Niccum, JM and JS Sandy, R. Shaw, Trautman, Vierkant, Zemler, T. Larson, B. Odendahl and Chapman. Come and enjoy a wonderful breakfast!

KC 50/50 Raffle

Knights of Columbus will hold their second 50/50 raffle with the drawing on September 27th. If all tickets are sold, the payout will be \$12,500.00 spread over 15 winners. Stop after Mass at the back of the church or contact a Knight if interested. Tickets are \$50.00 each and the goal is to sell 500 tickets.

RCIA Classes

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is an 8 month process that the universal church follows when we welcome individuals into full communion with the Catholic Church. If you or someone you know would like to join the Church, please contact Fr. Hughes or call the parish office at 712-336-1742. Classes will begin in mid-September.

Many Thanks to Dick Staver

We would like to say a word of thanks to Dr. Richard Staver, PhD who has served as “Parish Director” for more than 10 years. Dick has recently resigned from his work with the finances of our parish. Appointed by Bishop Nickless and Fr. Jim Smith, Dick has served our parish in countless ways. A Parish Director functions as an official member of the St. Mary’s Cooperate Board along with the Bishop, the Vicar General, and the Pastor. There are two parish Directors in each parish in the Diocese of Sioux City and they co-chair the Parish Financial Board and participate in all financial and pastoral decisions that are made for the Parish. In addition to his service as a Director, Dick has been a daily Mass server and for some years taught religious education. During Dick’s time as Director, we were able to take on several remodeling projects and we added an office addition, made improvements to the rectory and we were able to retire the debt on all our building projects. We would like to thank Dick for his many years of service to St. Mary’s.

Appointment of a New Parish Director

We are grateful for Shawna Ditsworth’s willingness to accept an appointment as a Parish Director. Bishop Nickless has appointed Shawna for a three-year term of office with the chance of a renewable term of three years. Shawna and her husband Alan have two sons, Max and William. Shawna has served on our Parish Finance Board for three years. Shawna, thanks for your service to our parish.

Change in Staff

We would like to welcome Derek Probst to our staff. Derek will be serving as the Director of our K-8 Pelagius Education Program. Derek is a native of LeMars and has recently been working in Kansas City. Derek is not a stranger to St. Mary’s Parish; during his time as a student at Conception Seminary College he assisted in the Totus Tuus Program here and spent a summer here as a parish intern between his junior and senior year in college. We welcome Derek to our team and look forward to his enthusiastic and joyful presence to our efforts to share our faith with our young students.

Religious Education Registration Now Open

Registration for St. Mary’s religious Education is online and simple to complete for this coming year. Go to www.stmarysspiritlake.org, scroll down on the home page to the registration tab and complete the questions. After you submit your form, you will receive an invoice by email for the appropriate fees. Thank you so much for taking the time to register your student(s). We are looking forward to a fun, face-to-face year!

Are You Being Called

Do you love your Catholic faith? Do you wish to share your love with others? Maybe you are being called to catechesis, teaching in our religious education program. St. Mary’s has a long tradition of excellence in teaching the faith to its youth. We would love to have you be a member of our team for this coming year. Call the parish office if you are interested in learning more about this important role in our church. You don’t have to know everything. You just need an open heart and a love for the faith!

Religious Ed Family Meals

We would love to begin our “Family Meals” again this fall during the break between Religious Ed programming on Wednesday evenings. To do so, this requires donors who are willing to fund our meals each week! Please contact the office or bring in a check for \$250.00 if you would like to be one of the weekly sponsors this fall. We need you to make this program successful and are excited to be together once again for family meals! In addition, if you would like to be on the committee for planning, shopping and setting up the meals please let us know. Many hands make light work and we need YOU!

Baptism Class Scheduled

The next opportunity to attend the baptism preparation class is Monday, August 16th from 6-8:30PM at St. Mary’s. If you desire baptism for your child and have not yet attended a prep class, please call the parish office to get registered. Once you have completed the class, you will be able to arrange for a baptism date.

KC Soup Supper

This event will be held in the Parish Hall on November 7th and will be limited to 350 attendees. Shift one will be served between 4:00-5:00, and shift two from 5:30-7:00. Tickets will be available in early September.

Eternal Rest

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Ray Forsythe, a former parishioner. For more than twenty years Ray served as custodian here at St. Mary’s. During Ray’s time here we built our new church building, remodeled the old church into a parish hall and kitchen, and remodeled our old parish hall into classrooms. In addition, Ray helped supervise the construction of our new office wing. We will be forever grateful for his dedicated service to St. Mary’s Parish. Our prayers go out to his wife Donna and his family. His funeral was Friday in Fort Dodge. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. If you would like to send his wife Donna a card her address is: 243 9th Avenue North, Fort Dodge, IA 50501.

Please Keep in Your Prayers

All Confidential Prayer Chain requests may be directed to Jean Mohr, our Prayer Chain Coordinator at 712-336-2559 or 712-320-5433. Prayer intentions may be entered in the Prayer Request book, which can be found in the narthex of the church.