

Holy Name Church
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*"...he makes
 the sun rise
 on the bad and
 the good..."*

Church of St. Mary
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February 19, 2023

7th Sunday in Ordinary

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FORMED Website info: holymarycluster.formed.org

Newcomers: Member registration forms are available in the main entrance to church, on the website, or by contacting the parish office via phone or email.

Baptism: Contact the pastor to schedule.

Marriage Prep: Contact the pastor at least 9 months prior to the date of marriage.

Reconciliation: half hour before these weekend Masses
 Saturday– St. Mary Sunday– Holy Name

Adult Inquiry into Catholic Membership: RCIA program from September to Easter. Contact pastor for more info.

Flocknote: Text HMC to 84576 or by going to <https://holymarycluster.flocknote.com/>

This Week's Mass Schedule

Monday	2/20	SM 8:00 am	(Fr. Jim) +Annie & George Sauers
Tuesday	2/21	SM 5:30 pm	+Jim Grotjohn
Weds	2/22	HN 5:30 pm SM 7:00 pm	+John Madden +Donna Simons Warner
Thursday	2/23	SM 8:00 am	+Don Roemen
Friday	2/24	HN 7:30 am	+Edna Rigdon
Saturday	2/25	SM 4:00 pm	+Bonnie Grotewold
Sunday	2/26	HN 8:30 am SM 10:30 am	Cluster +Dave Ripperda

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary, Larchwood

Every Tuesday 8:30 am to 1:30 pm in the Adoration Chapel

St. Mary Funeral Schedule: St. Rose Circle

Please contact Tina Johnson (605) 359-3602 or Laura Simons (605) 214-4370 (if you are able to donate food).

Adoration will be available an hour (4:30-5:30 pm) before Mass each Tuesday at St. Mary.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

meeting at St. Mary on
 Tuesday, February 21st, 7:00 pm

Ash Wednesday

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22

5:30pm Mass & Distribution of Ashes at Holy Name

7:00pm Mass & Distribution of Ashes at St. Mary

The practices of Lent – prayer, fasting and almsgiving – help us prepare for Christ's victory on Easter.

Prayer – Try to read from the Bible one day a week. Maybe make it "Scripture Saturday" or "Scripture Sunday." Open the Bible to a page and point to a line on the page. Read it, reflect on what it is saying to you.

Fasting – On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, those aged 18 to 59, fast: eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. On the Fridays of Lent, as well as Ash Wednesday, those 14 and over should abstain from meat. But any age can do this during Lent.

Almsgiving – This is the giving of our time and resources to help others. Think about what you might do in those areas throughout the Lenten Season. What might you give up and save money from doing so? Where might you [donate that money](#) to help others?

**MARDI
 GRAS**

This Sunday, February 19
after 10:30 Mass at St. Mary
BBQ's, hot dogs, chili dogs
salads, veggies, chips, bars
Bingo Kids' Games Cake Walk



Sponsored by St. Mary Altar Society



Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry Schedule

February 24 Larchwood (Sports Center)
March 3 Larchwood (Sports Center)
March 10 Rock Rapids (Forster Community Center)
March 17 Larchwood (Sports Center)
March 24 Rock Rapids (Drive-thru at Holy Name)
March 31 Larchwood (Sports Center)

All you can eat! \$13
Serving 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Adults \$10.00 (single meal)
Elementary kids - \$5.00
5 and under - FREE

Your support will help fund the Holy Mary Knights of Columbus scholarships for local high school seniors.



April 6-Holy Thursday
Holy Name -7 pm

April 8-Holy Saturday
St. Mary- 8 pm

April 7 -Good Friday
St. Mary -12 pm
Holy Name-5 pm

April 9- Easter
Holy Name- 8:30 am
St. Mary- 10:30 am

*If you are able to help with any ministries during Holy Week. Please contact the parish office.

How to Pray Like Mary

LOVE

In a prayer method springing from the Annunciation, Sonja will show you how the Blessed Mother is the ultimate guide in a powerful prayer practice: L- listen, O - observe, V - verbalize, E - entrust. Sonja draws from vivid biblical texts to reveal how to surrender to the Spirit and pray the scriptures as Mary did.

Tuesdays of Lent at Holy Name
February 28- April 4 (7 pm)

Thursdays of Lent at St. Mary
February 23- March 30 (7 pm)

Together for Life



[Find Love in Small Deeds](#)

As we celebrate Valentine's Day this month, Robert J. Wicks, author of [Riding the Dragon: 10 Lessons for Inner Strength in Challenging Times](#), explains how true love is found and given in small acts of kindness and compassion for those we encounter in our daily life—not in Hallmark greeting cards, roses, or a heart-shaped box of chocolates.



[Examination of Conscience for Married Couples](#)

Lent is an opportunity to seek reconciliation with God, self, and others. Use this examination of conscience. Share it with your spouse. Pray with it. Seek healing through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. You won't regret it.



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*If you want to read the whole article go to <https://togetherforlifeonline.com> and click on articles.



Ash Wednesday Prayer

Dear Lord, as we enter this Solemn and Holy Season, we pray that You would send Your Holy Spirit upon us that we might prepare ourselves for these coming 40 days of Lent. Even though we may no longer wear sackcloth and ashes, we do seek to humble ourselves so that we can understand the magnificence of Your love of us as You humbled Yourself and gave Your life on the cross that we might receive the gift of eternal glory with You. Amen

Lenten Confessions



St. Mary

March 22 6:30- 8:00 pm

Holy Name

March 29 6:30- 8:00 pm

Ministry Schedule

Ash Wednesday

February 22- Wednesday 5:30pm @ HN

*Lector: Damon Pedersen

EMHC: Jim Vander Woude

Servers: Egan Pedersen, Need Volunteers

Ushers: Brian Eben Family

February 22 (Wed -7 pm) @ SM

Lector: Joli Bruggeman

EMHC: Linda Ripperda

Servers: Chloe David, Danica David

Ushers: Ryan & Jenn Roemen

1st Sunday of Lent

February 25 (Sat-4:00 pm) @ SM

Lector: Joli Bruggeman

EMHC: Joli Bruggeman

Servers: Need Volunteers, Need Volunteers

Gifts/Ushers: Shorty Blauwet, Ty Reinke

February 26- Sunday 8:30 am @ HN

*Lector: Mariann Roemen

EMHC: Bill Murphy

Servers: Aric Austin, Blake Luze

Gifts/Ushers: Randy Roemen, Jay Vogel

**Communion to Homebound: Vera Murphy

Offertory: Mark Hill, Linda Herbert

February 26 (Sun-10:30 am) @ SM

Lector: 9th Grade Youth Mass

EMHC: Linda Ripperda

Servers: Brooklyn Schreurs, Grady Ripperda, Trevor Smith

Gifts/Ushers: 9th Grade Youth Mass

Count Offering: Ray & Linda Ripperda, LaVonne Reinke

Homebound Comm: Linda Ripperda, *Inwood- Bill & Pat

Holy Name

February 22 –No Classes! **Ash Wednesday Mass at Holy Name– 5:30 pm**

March 1– FFF @ 6:45 pm

Stations of the Cross, followed by class

March 8– CCD (6th-12th grade) @ 6:45 pm

Stations of the Cross, followed by class

St. Mary

FFF - March 1 (6:45-8 pm) will be our next night for Family Faith Formation.

CCD

- *Wednesday, Feb 22– Ash Wednesday*
No class!
- *Sunday, February 26 - (9:30– 10:30 am)*
9th Grade Youth Mass
- *Wednesday, March 1– No class!*
- *Wednesday, March 8- (6:45– 8 pm)*

Imagine A Year Without Fear

Whatever 2023 has in store for you, I know one thing is clear: God wants you to step into the new year with profound freedom and confidence. **To accompany you on this journey, we're excited to announce a new series set to launch this Lent, called Fearless.**

Fresh off the heels of Covid-19, there's no doubt this message is needed and relevant to our daily lives. We need encouragement to 'be not afraid' as we follow Jesus Christ with ruthless trust.

This is a free 7 week series. For more details on this series please check out the website below.

Website: <https://reallifecatholic.com>


The Light is ON for You.
Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

February 28
St. Marys
4:30-5:30 pm



Holy Name:

Stations of the Cross will take place at 6:45pm every Wednesday night during Lent. Everyone is welcome!

**March 1, March 8, March 15, March 22,
and March 29**

HAVE YOU APPLIED? The Bishop's Scholarship application is still open, but it closes on Feb. 20!
Visit briarcliff.edu/scholarships to apply today.

SM Roof Fundraiser

Goal- \$125,000

Roof Project

Date	Total raised
2-12-23	\$106,022.69

Please make checks payable to **St. Mary's** (include on the memo line - roof project). You can also use the building fund envelopes.

Wednesday, February 22nd: (ATLAS) Bread of Life food ministry in Rock Rapids, George, Little Rock and at the West Lyon School.

Magnificat Meal - Sat., March 11, 10:00 am at St. Sebastian, Resurrection of Our Lord Church, Pocahontas. Our speaker will be Julie Nelson, host of the Catholic Women Now radio program on Iowa Catholic Radio. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased via PayPal at our website, www.magnificat-iowa.com or by mailing a check to Michele Leiting, 19546 Aspen Ave., Westside, IA 51467. RSVP's are due by March 4.

Scripture Study – March – AM/PM

The Benedictine Peace Center in Yankton is offering two online Scripture Studies during Lent. The Gospel of Mark Part II will meet on Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:00 a.m. CST beginning March 8. Facilitated by Sister Doris Oberembt, the four-week session will include study and reflection questions, discussion, videos, and group prayer. Registration is \$40 and due March 3. The Acts of the Apostles Part II will meet on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30 p.m. beginning March 1. Facilitated by Sister Mary Jo Polak, the five-week session will include a video, sharing of insights, and an introduction of lectio divina and visio divina as ways of praying with the Scriptures. Registration is \$50 and due February 24. For more information and to register visit <https://yanktonbenedictines.org/retreatcenter/scripture-study/>, email benedictinepeacectr@yanktonbenedictines.org, or call 605-668-62

ST. MARY ALTAR SOCIETY

2023 Schedule & Circle Assignment handouts are available at each entry for all women of St. Mary's parish to pick up. The schedule is also available on the Cluster website. Near the top of the Home page, click on the "Parish Life" link, then the "Women's Organizations" link.

Please pay your \$10 dues to your circle chair by March 19th.

HOLY NAME

Last Weekend's Stewardship

Adult	\$4,905
Loose	\$133
Youth	\$26

ST. MARY

Last Weekend's Stewardship

Adult	\$2,567
Loose	\$291
Youth	\$10
Building Fund	\$3,625
Haiti	\$410
Aid to Worldwide Churches	\$25

2022 Together As One Update

Thank you to those who contributed. If you haven't made your contribution yet, there's still time to be part of a good thing !

	Goal:	Pledged:	Paid:	
Holy Name:	\$7,028	\$5597	\$5522	27 families
St. Mary:	\$11,736	\$12,589	\$11,934	57 families



Our Special Intention Prayer List

St. Mary:

Bonnie Grotewold Family
Charlie Kueter Family
Special Intention
Vonnice Poppens

Warren Heirigs
David Reitsma
Vince Gacke
Jan Koch

Al Budniak
Ann Spaans
Dawn Book

Prayer to stop abortions

Holy Name:

Angie Grafing Garcia
Russell Pedersen

Larry Landreth

Mark Hill

THE ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR AID TO GLOBAL CHURCHES will be held on the First Sunday of Lent, **February 25-26, 2023**. You are invited to participate in the special collection to benefit the Church in Africa, Latin America, and Eastern Europe, and the bishops' charity organization Catholic Relief Services (CRS), which helps build churches and schools, train and educate priests and lay people, publish Catholic newspapers, sustain orphanages, evangelize, and catechize children and adults, and provide scholarships to Catholic students. Your generosity will make a difference in building up the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, Africa, Latin America, and other places in need of our assistance.

2022 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS have been emailed to parishioners. Please check your spam if you didn't receive it. If we do not have your email address, you may pick up your Statement in the main entrance at your home parish.