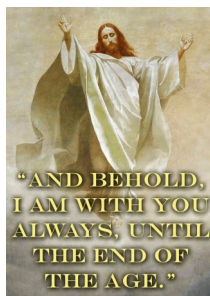


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May 21, 2023

The Ascension of the Lord

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Holy Name DRE (K-6th): Cassie Radtke cell: 605-254-6749
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Holy Name Hospitality: St. Catherine's Society - Beth Luze cell: 605-484-2649, Bethluze@gmail.com. Contact the parish office to start a prayer chain.

St. Mary Family Faith DRE: Deb Burwitz
St. Mary CCD DRE: Erica Whalen cell: 605-956-0425

St. Mary Hospitality Coordinators: Virginia Scannell: 477-2113, cell: 712-363-3392, vburkard@alliancecom.net and **Co-Chair Needed** - please contact the parish office if interested.

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	5/22	SM 8:00 am	(Fr. Jim) +Eli Wolff
Tuesday	5/23	HN 7:30 am	(Fr. Jim) +Fran Honrath
Weds	5/24	No Mass	
Thursday	5/25	No Mass	
Friday	5/26	No Mass	
Saturday	5/27	SM 4:00 pm	+Ray & Anna Burkard +Anne, John, & Mary Ranschau Cluster
Sunday	5/28	HN 8:30 am SM 10:30 am	+Jim Krier & Tim Krier

WELCOME TO Msgr. Kenneth Seifried as celebrant at all Masses this weekend while Fr. Sunny is away.



Prayer Meditation for The Ascension

O Lord Jesus, I adore you, Son of Mary, my Savior and my Brother, for You are God.
 I follow You in my thoughts, O first-fruits of our race, as I hope one day by Your grace to follow You in my person into heavenly glory.
 Until then, do not let me neglect the earthly task which You have given me. Let me labor diligently all my life with a greater appreciation for the present. Let me realize that only by accomplishing true human fulfillment can I attain Divine fulfillment and ascend to You at the completion of my work.
 Amen.

<https://mycatholic.life>



JOIN US FOR COFFEE & ROLL
 after Mass this Sunday,
 May 21st at St. Mary
 (St. Maria Circle)

Congratulations to Amber Moody, Cory DiCesare, and Kelly Johnson who were Confirmed on May 7th at the Cathedral of the Epiphany- Sioux City, IA.

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Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary, Larchwood
 Every Tuesday 8:30 am to 1:30 pm in the Adoration Chapel

St. Mary Funeral Schedule: St. Clare Circle
 Please contact Shawna Warner (605) 366-7804 or Renee Klarenbeek (605) 201-6202 (if you are able to donate food).

St. Mary Parishioners



Amber Moody
(fiancé of Ethan
Schemmel) was
Confirmed on
May 7, 2023 -

Cathedral of the Epiphany,
Sioux City, IA

Pictured here: Ethan Schemmel,
Sarah Schemmel, Bishop Nickless,
and Amber Moody.



*The Holy Spirit truly transforms us
and wants to transform, also
through us, the world in which
we live. (Pope Francis)*



**Cory DiCesare
& Kelly Johnson**
(Engaged couple—
Planning to wed in
the Czech Republic
in September) were
Confirmed on
May 7, 2023 -

Cathedral of the Epiphany,
Sioux City, IA

Pictured here: Cory DiCesare,
Bishop Nickless, and Kelly Johnson.



**Please join me in congratulating
them on receiving the sacrament
Of Confirmation. May the Light of
Faith Always Shine in Your Heart.**



Knight of the Month: Ken Campbell as those who knew him were saddened by his recent death.

Family of the Month: Vince Gacke family as they are aware that Vince's cancer has caused a decline in his health.



Please say a prayer for the repose of the soul of Kenneth Campbell.

Please pray for the family of Kenneth Campbell.

Wednesday, May 24th: (ATLAS) Bread of Life food ministry in Rock Rapids, George, Little Rock and at the West Lyon School.

Together for Life



Prayers for Fostering Unity

Do you want to develop a habit of praying daily with your spouse but are not sure how to begin? Check out these prayers in [Be Devoted](#) by Bob Schuchts to help you get started today.



Bending So We Don't Break

In [The Grace of Yes](#), Lisa M. Hendey reflects on five lessons she has learned from her marriage that have taught her—and her spouse, Greg—how to trust, compromise, and love unconditionally.



The Question You Should Ask Your Spouse Every Morning

Psychologists John Gottman and Julie Schwartz suggest asking your spouse one simple question every morning to express your love, concern, and attentiveness.

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

Holy Name

⇒ Religious Education registration forms are available online and in the entryway of the church for the upcoming year. Please return these forms in the offering basket or to the church office.

St. Mary

⇒ Registration for FFF/CCD deadline is June 15. If you have not registered yet, please pick up your registration form at the main entrance.

Meals on Wheels: St. Catherine's is looking for volunteers to help with meals on wheels. Please contact Jennifer Pedersen (605-359-2683) if you are available or interested in assisting with this ministry.

LET US PRAY FOR . . . Catholics firmly believe in the power of prayer. Out of this belief comes the practice of offering Mass for a particular intention. Often, we pray for those who have died, but virtually any need might be a prayer intention (protection from storms, the blessing of rain, or a particular personal need). When we speak, God listens. The customary offering is \$10.00 per intention. Envelopes are available in the main entryway to church and may be placed in the collection basket.

Please make checks payable to "Mass Fund" - not to the parish.

Ministry Schedule

Pentecost Sunday

May 27 (Sat-4:00 pm) @ SM

Lector: Tony Kerkvliet

EMHC: Tony Kerkvliet

Servers: **Need Volunteers, Need Volunteers**

Gifts/Ushers: Shorty Blauwet, Ted Underberg

May 28 - Sunday 10:30 am @ HN

*Lector: Mariann Roemen

EMHC: Jim Vander Woude

Servers: Mason Herbert, Thomas Herbert

Gifts/Ushers: Randy Roemen, Jay Vogel

**Communion to Homebound: Jim VW

Offertory: Terry Tausz, **Need Volunteer**

May 28 (Sun-10:30 am) @ SM

Lector: Darla Bruggeman, Craig Bruggeman

EMHC: Darla Bruggeman

Servers: Ruby Susie, Lulu Susie, Grady Ripperda

Gifts/Ushers: Jeff Ripperda, Doug Snyders

Count Offering: Jeff Ripperda, Lyndsey Feucht

Homebound Comm: Mariel Krier, *Inwood- Craig & Darla

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	\$8,012	\$7,987	31 families
St. Mary:	\$11,736	\$12,629	\$12,004	57 families

Holy Name- Together for One

Thanks to generous donors we have met our "Together for One" goal!

Benedictine Sisters to host in-person Monastic Experience in June

The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, Missouri, will host an in-person Monastic Experience **June 23-29, 2023**.

"It's a chance to experience the daily rhythm of our life where you can join us in singing the divine office, attend daily Mass, spend time in personal prayer and open your heart to God's call by learning about discernment and prayer," Vocation Director Sister Maria Victoria Cu-taia, OSB said. "It's always a joy and an honor for me to journey with women who are discerning their path in life."

This opportunity is for single women, age 18-40, who are considering religious life. There is no cost to attend. For more information or to learn about upcoming Monastic Experiences, including virtual opportunities, please contact Sister Maria Victoria at vocation@benedictinesisters.org, call (660) 944-2221 ext. 127, or visit www.BenedictineSisters.org and click on Vocations/Walk With Us.

Come Rock At the Grotto

Saturday, June 10, 2023

5:30- 9:00 pm

At the Grotto, West Bend

4:30 pm	Mass at Sts. Peter & Paul
5:30 pm	Festival & Silent Auction Begin
6:30-6:45 pm	Live Auction Items- New this Year!
7:00 pm	Official Welcome
8:00 pm	Auction Closing Begins
9:00 pm	Festival Concludes

Please join us for food, beverages, kids games, entertainment, tours and our silent and live auction. Please call 515-320-2874 or email magilla@dmparish.org for more info.

HOLY NAME

Last Weekend's Stewardship

Adult	\$1,855
Loose	\$151
Youth	\$14
Building Fund	\$75
Haiti	\$125
Good Samaritan	\$25

ST. MARY

Last Weekend's Stewardship

Adult	\$4,237
Loose	\$160
Youth	\$11
Building Fund	\$420
Haiti	\$714
Good Samaritan	\$100



Our Special Intention Prayer List

St. Mary:

Sparky Blauwet	Jason Snyders	Carol Boom
Special Intention	Chad DeSmet	Vince Gacke
Mary Ann Ferner	Joyce Cockson	Lee Rath
Fr. Bruce Lawler	Paul Kelly	Seniors
Kenneth Campbell Family		

Holy Name:

Russell Pedersen	Pam Harmsen	Kandi Koll
Fr. Bruce Lawler	Rodney Postma	
Rain for crops & gardens		

HOLY NAME PARISHIONERS: Please contact the parish office if you would like to use any of our parish hall tables for an event. There is a system in place for checking them out and back in. Thanks for your help with this!

Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Catholic Communications Campaign

Next week our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign engages and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Sioux City Diocese to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the gospel message! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.