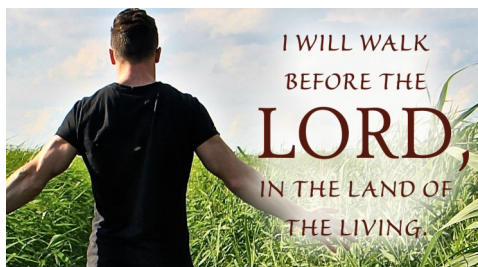


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**1108 S. Carroll Street**  
**Rock Rapids, IA 51246**  
**Parish Office: 712-472-3248**  
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**www.holymarycluster.com**



**Church of St. Mary**  
**1030 Blaine Street, PO Box 37**  
**Larchwood, IA 51241**  
**Parish Office: 712-477-2273**  
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**February 25, 2024**

**2nd Sunday of Lent**

**Pastor:** Rev. Sunny Dominic  
 Cell: 515-574-9888 Email: dominics@scdiocese.org

**Admin. Assistant:** Jess David

**St. Mary Office hours: Monday 9am-4:30pm**

Office: 712-477-2273 **Wednesday 9am-4:30pm**  
 fax: 712-477-2162

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 Office: 712-472-3248

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**Parish Website:** www.holymarycluster.com

**Bookkeeper:** Virginia Scannell cell: 712-363-3392  
 Office hours: Tuesday

**Holy Name DRE (K-6th):** Cassie Radtke cell: 605-254-6749

**Holy Name DRE (7-12th):** Beth Vander Zee cell: 515-371-1307

**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](http://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/](https://holymarycluster.flocknote.com/)

### **This Week's Mass Schedule**

Monday	2/26	No Mass	
Tuesday	2/27	SM 5:30 pm	+Roger Schlotfeldt
Weds	2/28	HN 7:30 am	+Robert Henry
Thursday	2/29	SM 8:00 am	+Adeline Snyders
Friday	3/1	HN 7:30 am	+Jim & Shirley VW Family
Saturday	3/2	SM 4:00 pm	+Jerry & Theresa Ripperda
Sunday	3/3	HN 8:30 am	Cluster
		SM 10:30 am	+Greg Sehr

### **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 Renee Klarenbeek (605) 201-6206 or Jennifer  
 Roemen (605) 359-5057 (if you are able to donate food).



**JOIN US FOR COFFEE & ROLL**  
**after Mass this Sunday,**  
**February 25th at St. Mary**  
**(St. Maria Circle)**

If you are not able to attend Mass and would like  
 to be visited by Fr. Sunny or be on our Home-  
 bound Communion list. Please contact the parish  
 office (712) 477-2273.

### **ALL Homebound Communion parishioners:**

If you are not feeling well - please contact Fr.  
 Sunny at 515-574-9888. That way we can let the  
 Eucharistic Minister know that is assigned for  
 homebound that weekend. Thank you.

### **Lenten Confessions**



#### **St. Mary**

March 5 4:30- 5:30 pm  
 March 12 4:30- 5:30 pm  
 March 19 4:30- 5:30 pm

#### **Holy Name**

March 15 5:00- 7:00 pm

Also available by appointment.  
 (Cell# 515-574-9888)



March 28 -Holy Thursday  
 Holy Name -7 pm

March 30-Holy Saturday  
 St. Mary- 8 pm

March 29 -Good Friday  
 St. Mary -12 pm  
 Holy Name-3 pm

March 31- 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.

**"GOD NEVER TIRES OF FORGIVING  
 US; WE ARE THE ONES WHO TIRE  
 OF SEEKING HIS MERCY"**

- POPE FRANCIS



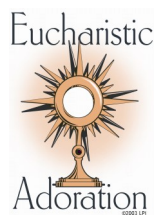
Check out devotional content on FORMED:



**Restore:  
Lent with Sr. Miriam James Heidland,  
SOLT**

Take a healing journey with Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, as she helps you turn away from what wounds you and toward God who heals you and makes you whole. Each week, Sr. Miriam will lead you to meet the tenderness of God's mercy, the power of his love, and the restoration of your heart and life as you practice prayer, fasting, almsgiving, and sacrifice.

[Restore: Lent with Sr. Miriam James Heidland,  
SOLT - FORMED](#)



**Eucharistic Revival  
Year**

Strengthen your faith in  
the Real Presence

Please join us for Adoration on the  
last Wednesday of the month.

**Holy Name**

**Feb. 28th from 3-8 pm.**

(Sign- up sheet is in the main entry)

Please join us for Adoration on the last  
Thursday of the month.

**St. Mary**

**Feb. 29th from 6-7 pm.**

Followed by a social in the parish hall.



**Knights of Columbus  
Lenten Fish Fry Schedule**

March 1 Larchwood (Sports Center)  
March 8 Rock Rapids (Community Center)  
March 15 Larchwood (Sports Center)  
March 22 Rock Rapids (Community Center)

**All you can eat! \$15**  
**Serving 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.**  
**Adults \$12.00 (single meal)**  
**1st - 6th Grade - \$5.00**  
**Kindergarten and under - FREE**

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



**Prayer: A Surge of the Heart**

Finding time to pray can be difficult. Modern life is very busy with so many distractions at every turn, and there's always another job to be done. This inspiring presentation challenges us to make more time for God in our lives and highlights the importance of an ever-deepening life of prayer. It looks at the true meaning of prayer, the different types of prayer, and how we can grow in our spiritual lives. It addresses how to overcome difficulties and temptations, how to find inspiration in the lives of the saints, the centrality of the Holy Mass, and the ultimate goal of prayer.

Presented by Bishop Mark Davies, Fr. Marcus Holden, Fr. Andrew Pinsent, Sr. Mary Trinity, Joanna Bogle and others, this film will benefit anyone longing to grow in their love for and relationship with God. An ideal film family viewing, as well as for parish groups and schools.

[Prayer: A Surge of the Heart - FORMED](#)

# Ministry Schedule

## 3rd Sunday of Lent

### March 2 (Sat-4:00 pm) @ SM

Lector: Virginia Scannell

EMHC: Virginia Scannell, Stephanie Stensland, Lisa Ageson

Servers: **Need Volunteer, Need Volunteer**

Gifts/Ushers: Jeff Ripperda, Ty Reinke

### March 3 - Sunday 8:30 am @ HN

\*Lector: Mariann Roemen

EMHC: Margo Pedersen, Eldon & Deb Kruse

Servers: Charlee VZ, Henry Christensen, Egan Pedersen

Gifts/Ushers: Randy Roemen, Jay Vogel

\*\*Communion to Homebound: **Fr. Sunny**

Offertory: Jake Vander Zee, Mark Hill

### March 3 (Sun-10:30 am) @ SM

Lector: Tracy Kramer

EMHC: Erica Whalen, Linda Ripperda, Marcia Kuhnert

Servers: Noah Simons, Kenzi Roth, Gabriella Ripperda

Gifts/Ushers: John & Shelly McCarty

Count Offering: Doug Snyders, Shelly McCarty

Homebound Comm: Randy Simons \*Inwood: Bill & Pat

## CAR Conversations

Mary calls herself a handmaid or servant of the Lord. **What do you think she means? What are some ways that you can be a servant of the Lord?**

Jesus gave his mother, Mary, to us to be our mother, too. **Why do you think He did this? How should we behave toward Mary since she is our mother in Heaven?**

**Do you prefer to pray aloud or to pray silently? Why do you think both ways of prayer are important?**

**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.



### Prayers and Blessings to:

Laura Mary Simons, daughter of Andrew & Amanda Simons, who became a member of our Catholic Family through the Sacrament of Baptism on Saturday, February 10, 2024 at St. Mary.  
Sponsor: Rachel Maassen  
Christian Witness: Quynin Maassen

## Holy Name

\*\*Wednesday, February 28— 2:20 - 4:10 pm (K-6)  
7:00 - 8:15 pm (7-12)

-Stations of the Cross, followed by class  
-Confessions for 9th & 10th Grade

\*\*Sunday, March 3— **7th Grade Youth Mass**

\*\*Wednesday, March 6 - 5:30 pm Mass  
(followed by a meal)

6:45 pm - Stations of the Cross  
7:00 - 8:15 pm (7-12th Grade)

\*\*Wednesday, March 13— 2:20 - 4:10 pm (K-6)  
3 pm - Stations of the Cross  
6:45 pm - Stations of the Cross  
7:00 - 8:15 pm (7-12)

## St. Mary

FFF- Wednesday, March 6th - (6:45 - 8 pm)  
(FFF Confessions)

CCD - Wednesday, February 28th - (6:45 - 8 pm)  
- Wednesday, March 6th - (6:45 - 8 pm)  
(6th & 7th ONLY)  
- Wednesday, March 13 - (6:45 - 8 pm)  
(Confessions)

## Catholic Youth Camps

The Steubenville retreat is coming to Rochester, MN!  
This is a great opportunity for students entering 9th grade (current 8th graders) through leaving 12th grade (graduating in May). The event is the weekend of July 12th through the 14th. (Religious Ed plans to cover all camper costs.)

CYC is also putting on youth summer camps in Panora, IA, with sessions for elementary students all the way through high school! There are several different dates, but they are filling up fast!

Reach out to Beth VanderZee if your student might be interested in any of these opportunities!



**Knight of the Month: Sam Palmer** for transferring his KC membership from Rock Valley KC's to Larchwood/Rock Rapids Council 12674 and for assisting with the PID waffle breakfasts at Holy Name and St. Mary's.

**Family of the Month: Jeff Grotewold family** for being active in church activities. Jeff serves as the **GRAND KNIGHT** of the KC's.



## Together for Life



### Jesus Really Likes Me!

Are you and your spouse looking for a spiritual practice to commit to this Lent? What about spending more time with Jesus in Adoration?

In [Jesus, Make Me Fully Alive](#), Fr. Tim Anastos shares prayer reflections to help you create a Holy Hour habit for Lent and beyond. [Here](#) is a reflection to help you get started.



### Prayer for My Lovely Bride of 27 Years

In [A Book of Common Prayer](#), Brian Doyle writes a heartfelt, honest, and humorous prayer for his wife. What if this Valentine's Day, instead of spending money on chocolates or roses, you wrote a prayer expressing your love, gratitude, and appreciation for your spouse? Or, you could do both!



### Ultimate Guide to Wedding Anniversaries from 1 to 100 Years

Wedding anniversaries are most certainly something to be celebrated. Check out these clever and meaningful ways to show your spouse they are loved and cherished now and for many more years to come!

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

## HOLY NAME

### Last Weekend's Stewardship

Adult	\$1,710
Loose	\$70
Youth	\$8
Local Charity	\$379.50
Aid to Global Churches	\$200

## ST. MARY

### Last Weekend's Stewardship

Adult	\$2,853
Youth	\$10
Haiti	\$100
Aid to Worldwide Churches	\$495



### Our Special Intention Prayer List

#### St. Mary:

Greg DeWandel	Sherry Wittkop	Myles Hupp
Mary Ann Fernen	Ron Ripperda	Kylan Lynott
Special Intention	Darlene Meier	Emily Ryan
Kelly McIlvenna	Mike Metzger	Jan Koch
Unborn children	Don Eisland	Jim Krier

Sully Grace Schemmel  
Katie Church and Family  
People struggling with addictions

#### Holy Name:

Russell Pedersen	Robert Teeselink	Todd Altman
Merlin Groen & Family	Betty Timmerman	Lynette Clasen

Katie, Tanner Church & Family



### **JOB OPENING at St. Mary:**

DRE for Family Faith Formation & DRE for CCD.

If interested in the DRE position please contact the parish office (712) 477 - 2273

**PLEASE KEEP US INFORMED:** If you have recently moved, changed your mailing address/ phone number, added or changed an email address, or your adult children are members at another parish, please contact the parish office with current information so we may keep our records up-to-date.

#### 2023 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:	\$7,573	\$5,001	\$5,001	31 families
St. Mary:	\$12,646	\$12,928	\$12,418	58 families

**2023 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.

#### ST. MARY ALTAR SOCIETY

**2024 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 17th.