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**August 3, 2025**

THE PARABLE  
OF THE  
RICH FOOL

Luke 12:13-21



## **Mass Times & Intentions**

**TUES. Aug. 5/ NO MASS**

**WED. Aug. 6/ 8:30 AM, St. Patrick: Amy Price**

**THURS. Aug. 7/ 8:30 AM, St. Stephen: Joe Dorothy**

**FRI. Aug. 8/ 6:00 AM, St. Patrick: Helen Larson**

**SAT. Aug. 9/ 4:00 PM, St. Patrick: Deceased Religious Sister**

**SAT. Aug. 9/ 6:30 PM, St. Joseph: For the People**

**SUN. Aug. 10/ 8:00 AM, St. Stephen: Marge Holub**

**SUN. Aug. 10/ 10:30 AM, St. Patrick: Jean Otting**

**Reconciliation:** 3:30 p.m. on Saturday at St. Patrick; 7:30 a.m. on Sunday at St. Stephen or by appointment.

For all other Sacraments, please, call or stop in either parish office.

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# From Fr. Sean Smith

Dear Friends in Christ,



It's good to be back home in Iowa! I had a wonderful time at the Priest Conference with 220 other priests from around the US and the world, a lovely visit with my parents (although my mother is not doing well), and some great vacation time visiting many friends and riding the Spyder in some beautiful locations. And I don't need to talk any more about the, um, "interesting" final ride home. It was 12 days full of wonderful experiences, but there is no place like home!

This is a reminder to get your young people registered for the upcoming Faith Formation year. Our programs based at St. Stephen for the North Linn Catholic Cluster and at St. Patrick are a way for us to help you honor the promises you made at your children's baptisms to raise them in the Catholic faith. But as good as our Faith Formation programs are, one hour a week for less than half the year is just a taste, a morsel, an appetizer. The real feast is to join in the spiritual banquet of the Eucharist every weekend! Every time we participate in the Mass we hear the Word of God shared in Scripture and we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ who is himself the Word of God (cf. John 1:1-18). Sign your kids up for Faith Formation, maybe sign up to help, and come to Mass!

It has already been mentioned several times, but here is another encouragement to come see Steve Angrisano on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, 6:30 pm, at the Ellen Kennedy Fine Arts Center at the Anamosa High School! I have known Steve and his music for nearly 40 years, and it is sure to be a powerful evening of music and prayer! There is no cost but this is an important fundraiser for Mary's Meals.

Finally, the month of August includes the Holy Day of Obligation of the Assumption of Mary. Please note carefully the dates/times and locations; we're doing something a little different this time in the Cluster.

- Thursday, August 14, 6:30 pm St. Joseph Church, Prairieburg
- Friday, August 15, 6:30 pm St. Patrick Church, Anamosa

The Mass in Prairieburg will be following Adoration from 5:00-6:00 pm (Confession will be available), and there will still be the regular daily Mass that morning at St. Stephen. With the evening Mass at St. Patrick, there will not be a 6:00 am morning Mass that day.

+Peace,  
Fr. Sean

LITURGICAL MINISTERS	Aug. 9 4:00 p.m. St. Patrick	Aug. 9 4:00 p.m. St. Joseph	Aug. 10 8:00 a.m. St. Stephen	Aug. 10 10:30 a.m. St. Patrick
<b>Lector</b>	Lori Huff	Diana McGovern	Merle Akers	Paul Johnson
<b>Children Liturgy</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	Geri Conley Veronica Groesbeck
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	*TBD Jennifer Koopmann Geraldyn Russ TBD *clean vessels	Jim Thielen Karen Thielen Diane McGovern	Nanette Meeker David Allen Mary Allen	*Sherry Engelbart Malinda Engelbart Steve Engelbart Linda Kirsch *clean vessels
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Brielle Gravel Jonah Wagner	TBD	Abigail Carpenter Del Carpenter	Carl Steinlage James Thomsen
<b>Greeters</b>	Bob Gravel Natalie Gravel	Jim Thielen Karen Thielen	Patrick Wade Natalie Wade	Rick Cook
<b>Ushers</b>	Ron Althoff Marcia Finn	Jim Thielen Karen Thielen	Patrick Wade Natalie Wade	Jeff Fliehler Thomas Swisher
<b>Sacristan</b>	Loretta Holzinger	<b>Gifts:</b> Jared Thompson Family	<b>Gifts:</b> The Ruley Family	Rosann Hurt
<b>Rosary</b>	Greg Pospisil	N/A	Craig Pilcher	Sandy Heims

# St. Patrick News



## LET US PRAY FOR...

Mary Barnes, Dale Breon, Jan Bressler, Matthew Corpstein, Jordan Darrow, Mike Fitzsimmons, Amanda Gardner, Dan Gilmore, Patty Gilmore, Nancy Haefner, Bob Holland, Esther Hudson, Jennifer Jeffrey, Matthew Jennings, Alvin Johnson, Cheryl Leiferman, Lavonne Ludwig, James McIntyre (grandson of Patty Gilmore), Shannon McManus, Morgan Meyer, Dennis Moss, Sharon Nakielski, Ember O'Donnell, Angie Osterkamp, Deb Paustian, Barb Rumsey, Edith Schwes, John Secrist, Candy Shada, Cooper Sievers, Samuel Simko, Catherine Skarbek, Robert Skarbek, Caro Thompson, John K. Tigan, Mary Jo Yotty, those homebound and in care centers, those listed in our Prayer Intention Book

Our Sanctuary Lamp will burn for  
**John M & Rosie Holub Family**  
the week of August 10  
**Christ be our light  
shine through the darkness**

## FAITH IN ACTION LAUNDRY DETERGENT FOR THE JONES COUNTY HACAP PANTRY

WE SUCCESSFULLY MADE 36 BAGS OF LAUNDRY DETERGENT! THESE BAGS ARE ON THEIR WAY TO THE JONES COUNTY HACAP PANTRY, WHERE THEY WILL ASSIST THOSE IN NEED WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. WELL DONE, EVERYONE!



Thank you

## KC Sandwich-to-Go Thanks

Thank you to all who supported the purchase of a new Faith Formation curriculum last week during the KC Sandwich-to-Go fundraiser. Donations totaled a whopping \$738! WooHoo!

Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
**Margaret Bishop**

who passed away this past week.  
May God's perpetual light shine upon her  
and bring comfort to her family.



## Join Us This Fall!



Starting Sunday,  
September 7, 2025  
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM  
Church Parish Hall



MASTERPIECE of CREATION



St. Patrick Catholic Church, Anamosa

## Heads Up Men

### That Man Is You (TMIY) is Back for It's 4th Year

Other than the Knights of Columbus, TMIY is the most successful men's group in the last 50 years at St. Patrick. This season features new speakers (plus some of our favorites from the past), new conversations, and larger than ever attendance. More than 20 men attended at least one session last year, and average attendance was 12-14 men ages 18-78 each Saturday.



Here We Go!!  
Saturday, September 6 at 6:00 am  
SEE YOU IN 5 WEEKS!!



## Attention Noodle Makers!

### SAVE THE DATE:

Thursday, August 14 for making  
noodles.

All are welcome. Those of you  
who are raising chickens, any  
extra eggs you would like to  
donate to the cause are  
welcome. Drop them off at the  
parish offices during the morning  
hours.

## Save the Date

ST. PATRICK'S

# FALL FESTIVAL

ROAST BEEF DINNER

**SUNDAY** | **11AM - 2PM**  
**10.12.25** | Lawrence Community Center  
600 Main St, Anamosa

## New and Current Families:

# FAITH FORMATION OPEN HOUSE

- Learn about our Faith Formation program
- Receive information on our 2025-2026 class schedule

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 17TH  
FROM 9:00AM-10:00AM**



**St. Patrick Catholic Church  
Parish Hall  
215 North Garnaville St  
Anamosa, IA 52205**



SCAN ME







St. John, Coggon | St. Joseph, Prairieburg | St. Stephen, Central City

## LET US PRAY FOR...

Don Beranek, Anita Besler, Pat Cameron, Ruby Drexler, Karen Dunlap, Glenda Grant, Jean Greif, Diane Korte, Steve Kueter, Cheryl LloydRyan, Skip Powers, Dan Reiter, Sharon Reiter, Zora Ronan, Bert Shulista, Steve Walker, Janet Weber, Sam Weller, James Weighton, Kenneth Zieser, Lauren Foss, and Chuck Meeker

"To sing is to pray twice!"- St. Augustine

We are in need of music in our churches. If you sing, play the piano, guitar, spoons, whatever we'd love to hear it at Mass! Call the office to get more information 319-438-6625



### St Stephen's Prayer Chain

If you wish to participate in the chain or have a prayer request, call or message 319-438-1170. Names and details are not required, a request will be sent to volunteers and prayer will be offered for that intention.



### St. Stephen Vocation Crucifix

Sign up today to take home the vocation crucifix for a week. The vocation cross comes with variety of prayers at different levels for families to pray together for the increase of those to join religious life and the priesthood.



### Parish Visitor Reminder:

Please call the office or Monica if you would like Monica to sit in prayer with you or bring you the Blessed Sacrament on a regular basis or to schedule a special time for you. Monica: 319-438-1979.



Faith formation is still looking for the following positions to be filled for our 2025-2026 Faith

Formation Year:

- \*2-3 Wednesday night Catechists
- \* 2 Wednesday night Hall Monitors
- \* 1-2 Sunday Confirmation group leaders



### Backpack Blessing

On Sunday, August 24, 2025, Come to Mass at St. Stephen's with your backpack and receive a blessing for the new school year!



### Join the His Hands Bible Drive!

July 13 – August 10



What We're Asking:

We are accepting new and gently used English Bibles and/or monetary donations to support the purchase of Bibles in other languages, and we could really use your help. Large print Bibles are especially needed.

Why:

Collected English Bibles will be shared with patients in need, and funds raised will help us purchase Bibles in the many languages spoken by our diverse patient population.

**There will be a box in the gathering space until August 10th if you have extra Bibles you are interested in donating!**

### Mark Your Calendars!



St. Stephen's NBP Chicken dinner will be on Sunday, August 17th. Stay tuned for more details!!



# All Parish News

## Weekly Offerings--7/28

St. Patrick--\$2,212.75  
St. Joseph--\$316.00  
St. John--\$225.00  
St. Stephen--\$883.50  
Mt. Olivet Cemetery \$  
St. Joseph Cemetery \$

Weekly offerings can be made through automatic ACH withdrawals. Forms can be found on the parish websites. Completed forms can be mailed, dropped off or put in the collection basket at Mass.

## Scripture For The Week: Aug. 4 - Aug. 10

<b>Mon. 8/4</b>	Numbers 11:4b-15	Matthew 14:13-21
<b>Tues. 8/5</b>	Numbers 12:1-13	Matthew 14:22-36
<b>Wed. 8/6</b>	Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14	Luke 9:28b-36
	2 Peter 1:16-19	
<b>Thurs. 8/7</b>	Numbers 20:1-13	Matthew 16:13-23
<b>Fri. 8/8</b>	Deuteronomy 4:32-40	Matthew 16:24-28
<b>Sat. 8/9</b>	Deuteronomy 6:4-13	Matthew 17:14-20

## Sunday, Aug. 10 Readings

Wisdom 18:6-9      Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19  
Luke 12:32-48

## MARRIED COUPLES.

Give your marriage a well-deserved vacation. Plan to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and come back with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy! Our next weekend is September 12-14 in Dubuque.

For more information call Denise and Greg at (563)920-9419 or visit [www.we.org](http://www.we.org).





**Eucharistic Adoration**  
**St. John Catholic Church**  
**Coggon**  
**Thursday, August 7**  
**5:00- 6:00 PM**

## Hope for Caregivers

During this Jubilee Year, Pope Francis has encouraged us to focus on "the hope that does not fade." Hope is an especially important ingredient for healthy living as caregivers, who face stress, isolation, and sometimes ask where God is in their situations. This group is for anyone caring for a child, parent, spouse, or loved one with a chronic illness or disability. Through Scripture, prayer, and discussion, the group will affirm and encourage each other. Zoom connection will be offered for those who are not free to meet in person. We will meet on the third Monday each month from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Clare Room at St. Pius X. Questions or more information: [marthahanley2@gmail.com](mailto:marthahanley2@gmail.com).

## The Week Ahead

Mon. 8/4      6:00 p.m. Fall Festival Meeting: SP  
Wed. 8/6      9:00 a.m. Coffee Club: G & G  
Fri. 8/8      9:00 a.m. Faith in Action Make a Meal: FCUCC

## 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"One's life does not consist of possessions" (Luke 12:15). If you and your spouse constantly argue about material things, maybe it's time to look at what's most important in your marriage. We only fool ourselves if we believe that our possessions will bring us happiness and life.

## 2025-2027 IMPACT Program for Catholic Adults

IMPACT is a two-year formation program for Catholic adults, which is coordinated by the Archdiocese of Dubuque. The next offering of the IMPACT program will be held at St. Mary Catholic Church in Vinton, starting in September of 2025. IMPACT provides the opportunity to grow in your faith by attending monthly Saturday sessions with dynamic presenters, engaging in discussions with other participants, reading spiritual books, and receiving guidance from a spiritual mentor. Through study, prayer, reflection, and conversation, participants are challenged to respond more fully to Jesus' call to mission—to IMPACT our world! To learn more and apply, visit [www.dbqarch.org/impact](http://www.dbqarch.org/impact).

**ST. PATRICK WELCOMES**

**STEVE ANGRISANO & MARY'S MEALS**

**EVENING OF HOPE, MUSIC & STORYTELLING**

 **6:30 PM HS ELLEN KENNEDY FINE ARTS CENTER**

 **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13**



**STEVE ANGRISANO MUSIC**



**THE STORY OF MARY'S MEALS**



## The Eucharistic Miracle of St. John of the Abbesses, Spain 887

Reprinted from Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition  
<http://www.miracolieucaistici.org/en/Liste/list.html>

In 887, the Count Vifred founded a monastery in the Pirenean region of Catalonia, around which a village developed almost immediately, called, even today, "Saint John of the Abbesses" ("San Juan of the Abadesas"). Here a crucifix is preserved with a Host, kept intact since 1251, imbedded in the forehead of the statue of Jesus.



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