Welcome to the Blessed Trinity Cluster

Immaculate Conception, Masonville Saint Mary, Manchester Saint Patrick, Ryan; Saint John, Delhi (Linked with BTC)

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AUGUST 21, 2022

In case of a funeral, the scheduled weekday morning Mass is cancelled and the Mass intention will be rescheduled.
Reconciliation Saturdays at St. Mary, Manchester at 3:15PM or by appointment.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, August 23
7:30 AM St. Mary
† Norma Rave
† Jack Croker

Wednesday, August 24
7:30 AM St. Patrick
† Estella Michels

Thursday, August 25
12:30 PM St. Mary
† Leona Freiburger
† Sister Josita Zieser

Friday, August 26
8:30 AM St. Mary
† Bernard Malone

Saturday, August 27
4:00 PM St. Mary
† Sue Klostermann
† Bill Russ
Baptism: Rory Jean Domeyer
Baptism: Nora Aynn Domeyer
Baptism: Jax Lyle Domeyer
Baptism: Hadley Jean Naber

Sunday, August 28
7:30 AM St. Mary
† Leo Francois
† Miles Leonard
9:30 AM Immaculate Conception
† Les & Marian Gudenkauf
† Emma Lindsay
† Joseph McMahon (Anniv)

OTHER SCHEDULED SERVICES FOR THE WEEKEND

Sunday, August 28
9:30 AM St. John
9:30 AM St. Patrick

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Pray for These People

Shirley Schnieders
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Jerry Lindauer
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Emma Francois
Nichole Reicher
Sonny Seibert
"Special Intention"
George Platten
Teresa Francois
Donna Lux
Rob Klein
Ruth Ann Jaeger

In an effort to keep this list current, going forward names for prayers in the bulletin will be placed in the bulletin for 30 days, then they will be removed. If you are wanting the name to be added back in for prayers please contact Nancy Appleton or the parish office.

Pray for Those Serving In the Military

CPT Aaron Gaffney
SGT Chris Ketchum
SGT Trenton Kelchen
AEAN Barry Moriarity
TSGP Taylor Granger
SGT Elijah Deutmeyer
SPC Kaitlyn Salow
FCI Justin Roberts
LT Kellen Glynn
PFC-Cal Collins
SGT Adam Manternach
PFC Kristi Mensen
CPL Chris Sands
LCPL Chad Bishop
SSG Matt McMahon
MAJ Kristen Gaffney
PFC Noah Fedeler
AMN-Kyle Barrett

We are attempting to update our list. If your family member is no longer in the service or if their address has changed please contact Nancy Appleton or the parish office. Thanks.

Live Stream Mass Schedule
Every Sunday 7:30AM St. Mary

The link for the Live Stream Mass is available on the Cluster website homepage at:
www.blessedtrinitycluster.com

Summer Cluster Office Hours
Monday thru Thursday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Friday 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Advertiser of the Week

Hanson
Law Office

A Note from Father Gabriel

Dear Parishioners,

In the Sacred Scriptures today, we learn about spiritual strength that comes with difficulties, aka, "The Blessing of the Thorns".

Sarah is a young woman who recently lost a loved one in a car accident. She's shopping for a floral arrangement for something to cheer her up.

The clerk does something strange. She offers her a bouquet of roses with the heads snipped off. Only the thorny stems remain, and yet, according to the clerk, it's her most popular arrangement. Sarah is stunned and asks if she's joking. The clerk replies that three years ago she lost her husband, and in the aftermath, she learned to be thankful for the thorns.

She said: "I've always thanked God for the good things in my life and never questioned the good things that happened to me, but when bad stuff hit, did I ever ask questions! It took time for me to learn that dark times are important. I have always enjoyed the 'flowers' of life, but it took thorns to show me the beauty of God's comfort. You know, the Bible says that God comforts us when we're afflicted, and from His consolation, we learn to comfort others."

At that moment another customer walked in and asked for "The Special," as the arrangement is called. Sarah inquires why he wants it, and he replies: "Four years ago my wife and I nearly divorced, but with the Lord's grace and guidance, we slogged through problem after problem. He rescued our marriage. Jenny here (the clerk) told me she kept a vase of rose stems to remind her of what she learned from "thorny" times, and that was good enough for me. My wife and I decided to label each one for a particular "problem" and give thanks for what that problem taught us."

After he had left, Sarah told the clerk: "I don't know if I can be thankful for the thorns in my life." Sandra said. "It's all too...fresh."

"Well," the clerk replied carefully, "my experience has shown me that thorns make roses more precious. We treasure God's providential care more during trouble than at any other time. Remember, it was a crown of thorns that Jesus wore so we might know His love. Don't resent the thorns."

Sarah took the bouquet and noticed a card attached to it: "My God, I have never thanked You for my thorns. I have thanked You a thousand times for my roses, but never once for my thorns. Teach me the glory of the difficulties I bear; teach me the value of my thorns. Show me that I have drawn closer to You along the path of pain.

With God, our sufferings are part of our journey to eternal joy.

Blessings upon your family,
Fr. Gabriel

Cluster News

Early Bulletin Deadline

Please submit items by noon on
Thursday, September 1 for the September 11 bulletin.

ArchdioceseOne Kicks Off

After hearing about ArchdioceseOne these past two years, the special appeal kicked off in your parish last weekend. Our ArchdioceseOne fundraising goal is $48 million, and we are confident that Catholic households across our Archdiocese will step up to help. In addition to supporting our financial beneficiaries, we pray this appeal results in the following spiritual benefits:

To strengthen unity in our Archdiocese,
To deepen our practice of stewardship as a way of life, and
To heal the Church with the medicine of charity.

We cannot hope to bring this appeal to a successful completion without God's inspiration or His help.

Towards that end, over the course of the next ten weeks, we invite you to pray our ArchdiocesOne prayer: **God, come to our assistance. Lord, make haste to help us. Amen.**

Catholic Daughters of the Americas®

CDA Meeting

The Catholic Daughters will hold a dessert meeting on Tuesday, Sept 6 at 7PM in the St. Mary's Parish Center. Bring your sweet tooth and enjoy fellowship with CDA sisters, We will have a short program by Waypoint followed by a short meeting. Hope to see you there.

Save The Date

Knights of Columbus & Catholic Daughters Steak Fry at St. Mary Parish Center on Sunday, September 11 serving from 4:30-7:30PM. Menu includes: ribeye, baked potato, beans, coleslaw and desserts provided by the Catholic Daughters. Cost $25 per plate with dine-in or carry outs available.

All proceeds will be donated to the Clarity Clinic. A free, non-profit clinic in Dubuque to aid women and men with unplanned pregnancies.

Second Helpings

Second Helpings will be serving at the United Methodist Church from 4:30-5:30PM on August 22, & 29.

Recent Baptism

Congratulations to Lydia Rose Price, daughter of Nicholas & Megan, who was recently baptized in the Cluster.

St. John, Delhi News

August 14 Income
Budget $1,235, Offertory $163.

Teaching Opportunities Available
Do you have the desire to share the love of Jesus? We are in need of a few teachers for the school year at St. John's. Wednesday night classes are Sept-March. You will be compensated for your efforts.

Please consider this amazing opportunity to work for Jesus! Call Patty @ 563-608-2730.

Delhi-Hopkinton
Knights of Columbus
Council # 12695

Spaghetti Supper

Saturday, August 20

5-7:30PM

St. John Church, Delhi

Serving: spaghetti/meat sauce, garlic bread, veggies, bars, coffee, milk, lemonade

Free Will Offering

Proceeds split between St. Mary & Sacred Heart Catholic Schools

ph.563-608-3115

Everyone Is Welcome To Attend

Immaculate Conception, Masonville News

August 14 Income
Budget $225.

Coffee And Rolls
Mark your calendar to attend Coffee and Rolls on August 28 after the 9:30AM Mass in O'Sullivan Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Thank You
A big thank you to the parishioners, their families and friends at Immaculate Conception for the terrific job of freezing 80 gallons of corn for our October 16 Turkey Dinner. There were many volunteers to pick, shuck, cut, cook and cool the corn. Many hands made light work!

St. Mary, Manchester News

	Adult Giving,	Adult Budget	Difference
As of August 14, 2022	$7,485	$12,500	($5,015)
Year to Date	$61,655	$87,500	($25,845)
	Offertory Giving	**Offertory, Budget**	**Difference**
As of August 14, 2022	$628	$865	($237)
Year to Date	$6,413	$6,055	$358

Financial Progress from Finance Council ~ July 1,2022 - June 30, 2023

Social Concerns

The collection in August will be designated for our Social Justice Special Account which is used for families experiencing hardships.

St. Patrick, Ryan News

August 14 Income

Budget $1,560, Offertory $216.

Thank You

We would like to thank Doris McEvoy and the Dr. Daniel Till Trust for their generous donation in completing the blacktop project at Calvary Cemetery.

Social Circle

Please remember to pick up your Social Circle packet and pay your dues.

SCRIP NEWS

Any questions email:
SCRIP@st-marys.pvt.k12.ia.us

If you have last minute supplies, clothes, shoes or even snacks to pick up before the first day of school, SCRIP can help you with that. What if you forgot something? Maybe there will be more that your child needs once they start school? Doesn't matter, SCRIP is ALWAYS here for you! Whether you actually go to the store or you order on-line from places like Amazon, we've got everything you could need to make your back-to-school needs complete.

Open house for St. Mary's School is Thursday, August 25 from 6-7pm. When you're meeting with your child's teacher, checking out their classroom or getting to know staff members, remember to sign up for the many volunteering opportunities that are offered.

The SCRIP committee would love to have your input! We are always in need of SCRIP sellers, counters, accountants or people to pick up SCRIP!

PLEASE be aware of the extra traffic once school starts. Kids walking, riding their bikes, the school-busses and parents dropping off and picking up kids too! Even our high school students will be back to driving to school, sports and jobs. ALWAYS STOP for the flashing lights and stop signs of the big yellow bus! We want everyone to be safe this new school year!

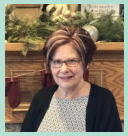
Welcome back students!

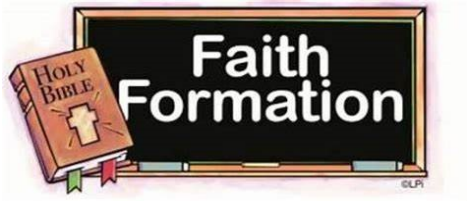
Schedule for selling scrip is:

- Tuesday & Wednesday: 9AM-1PM at the Cluster Parish Office
- Thursday: 12-1PM in the back of church
- Friday: 11AM-1PM in the back of church
- Saturday: after 4PM Mass in the back of church
- Sunday: before and after 7:30AM Mass in the back of church

Faith Formation - dbq123RE@dbqarch.org

Kathy Oberreuter, Director of Faith Formation





Welcome To A New Faith Formation Year!

We are excited to begin our weekly year-long afternoon (Grades 7-10) and evening (K-11) programs for our students.

Schedules are available on our cluster website at www.blessedtrinitycluster.com → Go Deeper → Blessed Trinity Cluster Faith Formation K-12.

Grades 7-10 afternoon sessions begin on Wednesday, September 7 at the following times:

Grades 7 & 8, 1:45-2:45PM at St. Mary Campus
(Parish Center/Meeting Rm #2)
Grades 9 & 10, 1:40-2:40PM at St. Mary
(Rectory Classroom)

Grades K-10 evening sessions begin on Wednesday, September 14 at all locations.
See times/locations below:

Grades K-6 (at all cluster parish locations) from 6:30-8PM
Grades 7 & 8 from 6:45-8:15PM held at St. Mary
(Parish Center area, Meeting Rm#2)
Grades 9 & 10 from 6:45-8:15PM held in the St. Mary
(Parish Center)

Middle School Summer Session 2022!
And that's a Wrap!

Friday, August 12th concluded our 2 week summer session for our Middle School students! This is a popular alternative for our families. It is a fast paced and intensive curriculum as students are immersed in the four pillars of our Catholic faith (The Creed, Liturgy & Sacraments, Christian Morality, Justice and Prayer). We look forward to offering this once again in the summer of 2023!

Thank you to our catechists, families and students who make this possible.

Nurse Nancy - dbq123n@dbqarch.org
563-920-1394 - Cluster Nurse Ministry

Where has the summer gone?? We are fast approaching fall and school will be soon back in session with many activities to attend. Best wishes to all our students and teachers. Wishing everyone a very successful year.

Just a reminder if you are in need of homebound or prayers, please contact me or the parish office and we are happy to add you to our lists. Phone numbers are in the bulletin. Also, if in the hospital please let us know and we will stop to see you.

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming Sunday session on End of Life, being offered by the St. Mary Social Concerns Committee after the 7:30AM Mass on October 2. More details to come so watch the bulletin.

Please note the Suicide Hotline numbers: 988 or 1-800-273-talk (8255) or 1-800-Suicide (784-2433) More suicide awareness to come.

There is always HOPE!!

Readings for the week of August 21, 2022

Sunday:	Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30
Monday:	2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5/Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday:	2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday:	Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51
Thursday:	1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51
Friday:	1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday:	1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 25:14-30
Next Sunday:	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

Plan Ahead For Sunday, 9:30AM
Temporary Mass Schedule

August 28 - Immaculate Conception, Masonville
September 4 - St. Patrick, Ryan
September 11 - St. John, Delhi
September 18 - Immaculate Conception, Masonville
September 25 - St. Patrick, Ryan
October 2 - St. John, Delhi
October 9 - Immaculate Conception, Masonville
October 16 - St. Patrick, Ryan
October 23 - St. John, Delhi
October 30 - Immaculate Conception, Masonville
November 6 - St. Patrick, Ryan
November 13 - St. John, Delhi
November 20—Immaculate Conception, Masonville
November 27—St. Patrick, Ryan
December 4, St. John, Delhi
December 11—Immaculate Conception, Masonville
December 18—St. Patrick, Ryan

Temporary New Mass Schedule

Saturday	Funerals and weddings available at all parishes, only one per day.
	4:00 PM – St. Mary
Sunday	7:30 AM – St. Mary – Livestream
	9:30 AM – rotating Mass: Immaculate Conception, St. John, St. Patrick