

Notre Dame Parish

Cresco, Iowa

St. Agnes Oratory, Plymouth Rock and St. Bridget Oratory, Bluffton

*"My soul proclaims
the greatness of
the Lord;*

*my spirit rejoices
in God my savior."*

Luke 1.46-47



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Monday through Friday

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www.ndcschool.weebly.com

Celebration of Sacraments

Baptism Please contact the parish office to register for the required Baptism class, to schedule a Baptism or for more information. Next Baptism preparation class is scheduled for **February 8, 2021**, 7:00 p.m. (*Note date is subject to change*).

Reconciliation Saturday 3:15—3:50 p.m.; Sunday 9:15—9:50 a.m. or contact the parish office or email Fr. Jacob at: dbqrouse@dbqarch.org to schedule an appointment to celebrate this Sacrament of God's forgiveness.

Marriage Contact the parish office at least six months before intended wedding date.

November 15, 2020

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30

As Jesus' public ministry continues toward its close, he focuses more and more on the end. But not simply the end of his own ministry, or even of his earthly life. Rather, he focuses on the end of time—the end of all things. And so his stories are about waiting vigilantly for the end, for his second coming, and about doing what we're supposed to be doing, and doing it well.

Life for each human being is entrusted with certain responsibilities. These responsibilities vary a great deal from person to person. Jesus makes it clear in today's parable that no person receives more responsibilities in life than that person is capable of handling: "to each according to his ability."

It is what one does with the responsibilities given that is absolutely crucial in the end. When the master returns "to settle accounts" the accounting process is simple: what did you do with the responsibilities given to you? If a person does well then the accounting process ends well. If not, then the person can expect to lose everything. What are my responsibilities given me from the Lord? How am I exercising them? It's time, today's Gospel declares, to take a serious look at these questions.

Next week's readings:

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46

Every sunrise is a new message from God, and every sunset His signature.

Fr. Jacob will continue to live stream all weekday and weekend masses on his YouTube. You can access it by logging into our new parish website:

notredamecresco.com

and scroll down on the home page and click on the YouTube icon

Please keep in mind that the Archbishop has continued the dispensation from attendance at mass until further notice so if you have any concern (including age, health, etc.) about attending mass in church, please stay home!

Monday, November 16— No Mass

Pray for everyone affected by Covid.

Tuesday, November 17—Mass in church and livestreamed

Note time for KC Memorial Mass (No 5:15 p.m. mass)

7:00 p.m. +Deceased members of Knights of Columbus Council 1571

EMs: Wayne and Kelly Mashek

Lector: Jerry O'Donnell

Music: Joe Wacha, Suzanne Ollendick

Refreshments to follow in church hall—everyone is welcome.

Wednesday, November 18—Mass in church and livestreamed

8:00 a.m. +Darlene Hellman

Thursday, November 19— Mass in church and livestreamed

School Mass: school personnel and students only in church

Public is invited to watch the livestream

9:00 a.m. +Georgene and Bill Foley

Friday, November 20—Mass in church and livestreamed

8:00 a.m. +Margaret Burkett

Saturday, November 21— Mass in church and livestreamed

4:00 p.m. +George, Teresa and Don Vachta

EMs: Marlene Quinn, Marcie Huhe, Steve and Terry Duerre

Lector: Marlene Quinn

Servers: Emma and Reagan Drees

Music: Pam Daley, Wendy Schatz

Ushers: Ethan Rice, Steve and Terry Duerre
Ray Schwarzhoff

Sunday, November 22— Mass in church and livestreamed

8:00 a.m. +Mary Jane Hudson

EMs: Julie Haskovec, Joyce Kapler, Boyd and Mary Turnbull

Lector: Mary Turnbull

Servers: Jordyn Fisk, Claire Kach

Music: Rita Roberts, Jamie Fisk

Ushers: Tony Roberts, Warren Steffen,
Joe and Julie Haskovec

10:00 a.m. Mass in church and livestreamed

+Verdell and Lois Haakenson

EMs: Jessica Kapler, Jodi Dull, Tom and Connie Frana

Lector: Rylee Kapler

Servers: Ava Daley, Noah Dietzenbach

Music: Dee Hosek, Deb Moellers

Ushers: Brad and Jodi Dull, Jerry and Wanda Reicks

*Do all the good you can, in all the ways you can,
In all the places you can, to all the people you can,
As long as ever you can.*

In Memory

Louie and Mabel Balk

Sanctuary Candle

Leonard and Cecilia Kapler

Altar Wine

Clair Svestka

Missalettes (November)

Stewardship of Prayer

Please pray for the sick of our parish, including the following and those listed in the Book of Petitions.

Parker Byrnes

Dianne Kovarik

Makiah Pierce

Dean Dietzenbach

Dorothy Barnes

Debra Winsell

Steve McCarville

Bill Smith

Mark Grube

Paige Nierling

Jerome Nibaur

Tom Thraenert

Brent Newman

Monica McGee Newman

Dick Ollendieck

Arlene Kuennen

Wilma Daley

Marcia Murray

Marie Kreitzer

Pat Smith

Randy Smith

Beckett Dietzenbach

Al Reicks

Leona Kriener

Elizabeth Yount

Sadie Thraenert

Wayne Carolan

Paula Growden

We clear the prayer list quarterly. Please contact the office at that time to have a name put on again if desired.

We are pleased to pray for the sick, if you would like to add a name, please call the parish office after receiving permission from the person to have their name published; however, to preserve space if a person has sufficiently recovered and can be removed from the prayer list, also please contact the parish office.

Ministry of Prayer Network: *If you would like to serve on this Prayer Network, please email the office at: DBQ047S@dbqarch.org. When a request is received, you will receive an email asking for your prayers for the immediate need. If you have an urgent need for prayer, call the office at 563 547-3565 to activate the prayer network.*

Stewardship of Offering

Nov. 8, 2020

Total Stewardship Contributions/Offertory Income	
Needed each week:	\$10,923.00
Last week's Envelope Contribution Income:	\$ 6,249.00
Last week's ACH Contribution Income:	\$ 568.00
Last week's offertory income:	\$ 401.30

Good stewards are like the industrious and reliable servants in today's Gospel, prudently using and multiplying the gifts entrusted to them by God.

Check out our website: notredamecresco.com

You can now contribute to Notre Dame Parish through the website using your checking account or credit card.

Also register as a new parishioner of Notre Dame Parish on the website. For more information, call the parish office.

Please note mass readings are available at USCCB.org and at Wordamongus.org

Pastoral Council will meet on Thurs., Nov. 19, 7:00 p.m., Notre Dame Church Hall—note date change due to Thanksgiving.

Knights of Columbus Mass in memory of the members of Council 1571 who passed away this year including:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>
Larrie Hove	Nov. 28, 2019
Urban Dietzenbach	Dec. 29, 2019
Vince Thraenert	February 23, 2020
Ted Crow	March 8, 2020
Larry Barnes	June 1, 2020
Dean Ollendieck	September 13, 2020
Jerry Slifka	October 16, 2020

will be held on Tues., Nov. 17, 7:00 p.m. (Note: there will not be a 5:15 p.m. mass on Tuesday). Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be served following mass in the church hall.

What's this STO all about? It's about supporting our kids, particularly those in families who otherwise may not be able to afford a Catholic school education and making the most out of your charitable contribution. If you file an Iowa income tax return, your contributions to the *Our Faith School Tuition Organization* (STO) qualify for a 65% tax credit. That means for every \$1,000 you donate, you receive an Iowa income tax credit of \$650, which reduces your Iowa tax bill by \$650. That means, for a maximum cost to you of \$350, you're able to provide \$1,000 in need-based assistance to families! And remember, a gift to the STO also qualifies as a charitable contribution on your federal income taxes, if you itemize deductions. To learn more visit www.ourfaithsto.org or call the Archdiocese of Dubuque at 800 876-3546 ext 219.

St. Cecilia Circle will be collecting dues this year instead of the November Dinner due to Covid. A letter has been mailed to the members of this circle. Your donation will be appreciated. Thank you.

St. Andrew Circle will be collecting dues this year. A letter has been mailed to the members of this circle. Your donation will be appreciated. Thank you.

Football Mania *Congratulations to the Winners for this week of football mania:* Dale Henkes-\$25; Jay Haskovec-\$25; and Pat Ferrie-\$25. Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets for this Notre Dame School's Fall Fundraiser. Tickets can still be purchased for the balance of the season by contacting the school. *Don't miss out on your chance to win!*

Circles of Faith Booklets are being compiled for 2021. As many projects, committees, etc. did not happen in 2020, we are keeping the circles, committees, etc. the same as in 2020. If you wish to change circles or committees, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

Sewing Circle could use items like pillowcases, flannel sheets, layette items, like onesies, baby clothes, stuffed toys, receiving blankets, etc. Also, if anyone would like to help sew bias tape on pillowcase dresses, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

Thank You

We are grateful for all the volunteers who offer their time and talent as good stewards for the betterment of the parish. This week we thank the members of the Catholic School Board.

Congratulations to Kevin and Miranda (Kerian) Englebret who were married at Notre Dame on Nov. 7.



Scrp Program now includes Dollar Fresh and HyVee as well as Pinter's, Ruppert's Ace Hardware, Fareway, Fisk's, Subway, Casey's, A & W, Long John Silvers, Sue-Z-Q and Kwik Star. Gift cards are available for purchase at the parish office. Please call to place your order, 563 547-3565. Note: SCRIP will be sold at the masses the weekend of **Dec. 5-6.**

Liturgical Ministry Schedule: There is a liturgical schedule for the month of Nov. available on the parish website. *If you are willing to serve as an EM, Usher, Lector, Server or Musician during the month of December, please contact the parish office, 563 547-3565.*

Dishes left from projects and funeral dinners are available in the breezeway at the south end of the church hall. Please pick them up as soon as possible. Thank you!

Prayer Shawl Ministry Prayer Shawls are available at the front entrance of the church and the front porch of the parish office to anyone who is ill or going through a hard time and needs to know that someone cares about them. We also have yarn available to pick up at the parish

Need Help With Your Heating Bill? The 2020-2021 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program has been established to help qualifying low income Iowa homeowners and renters pay for a portion of their primary heating costs for the winter heating season. You can complete applications by mail, email, phone, fax or online. Applications may be completed to April 30. For more information call in Cresco 563 547-4413; in Decorah 563 382-8436 ext. 150.

VFW Breakfast Third Sunday of the month Oct. through April. Next breakfast will be Sun., **Nov. 15.** 8:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m. VFW Hall, Cresco. Masks and Social distancing required. Menu: Regular, blueberry and chocolate chip pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, butter and syrup. Proceeds to be used for all local VFW Functions. Sponsored by VFW Post & Auxiliary 4561. Carryout or Dine In.

Accepting New Counseling Clients via Telehealth If you know of anyone struggling with their brain health during this time, our Catholic Charities Counselors are accepting new clients from any location in the Archdiocese of Dubuque. The telehealth process allows our counselors to meet with clients remotely via computer or other devices. Counseling provides individuals, couples, and families the ability to work out their challenges before they become a crisis, helping to maintain emotional health and strengthen relationships. Contact us at [563-588-0558](tel:563-588-0558) to be connected to one of our licensed professionals.

Book of Remembrance

During
the month of
November,
let us not forget
to remember
and pray for our
dearly departed
loved ones.



A Book of
Remembrance
is available on
Mary's altar for you
to write the names
of your
deceased loved ones
to be remembered
during the month of
November.
*Eternal rest grant
unto them, O Lord.*

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