



St. Mary's Parish

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November 19, 2017
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Assignments	
Saturday, Nov 25	5:10 PM
Lector	Al Schwart
Body	Cleone Cap & Wanda Flahive
Blood	Anne Lahart & Jenn Sinnott
Servers	Valerie Beary & Cindy Walton
Gift Bearers	Family of Joann Derby
Sunday, Nov 26	8:00 AM
Lector	Marsha Eastlick
Body	Lisa Dunn & Jack Scieszinski
Blood	Steve Hoskins & Pat Merrick
Servers	Elizabeth & Rachael Stoops
Gift Bearers	Family of Loretta Corso
Sunday, Nov 26	10:30 AM
Lector	John Scieszinski
Body	Jackie Maddy & Ann O'Brien
Blood	Lisa Hermesen & Karen McCarty
Servers	Paige Kidney & Payton Popson
Gift Bearers	Open

Mass Intentions			
Nov 21	Tue	5:10 PM	John Yacko
Nov 22	Wed	9:00 AM	Bernard Scieszinski
Nov 23	Thu	9:00 AM	Mass of Thanksgiving
Nov 24	Fri	9:00 AM	Mick Papich
Nov 25	Sat	5:10 PM	Joann Derby
Nov 26	Sun	8:00 AM	Loretta Corso
Nov 26	Sun	10:30 AM	Parishioners

The Sanctuary Lamp & The Holy Family Lamp are burning in memory of **Al, Mary & Dick Yarkosky**

Monroe County Churches Oct-Dec Mass Schedule

St. Mary's Albia

Tuesday, Thursday 5:10 PM

Wednesday, Friday 9:00 AM

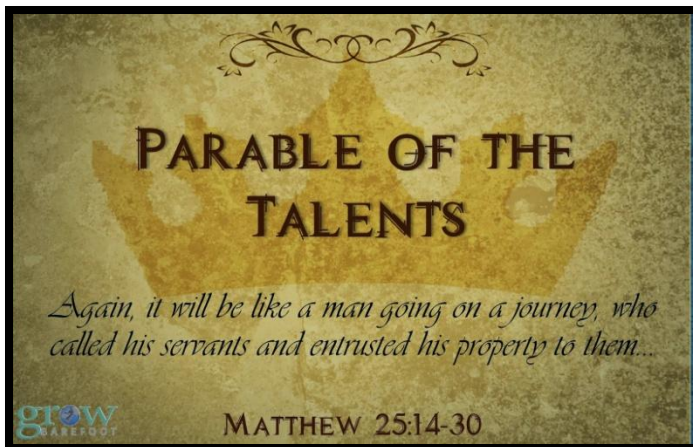
Saturday 5:10 PM

Sunday, 8 AM & 10:30 AM

St. Pat's Georgetown - Saturday 5:30 PM

St. Pat's Melrose - Sunday 8:30 AM

St. Peter's Lovilia - Sunday 10:30 AM



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Nothing and nobody can block the light that Christ puts in our hearts and on the face of His friends. ~ Pope Francis



Pastor's Corner

Gratitude is at the very heart of our response to our God. We join the people of our nation this week as we celebrate the national holiday, Thanksgiving. We recall the time in the very early days of our country when the Pilgrim settlers paused to give special thanks to God. As it is told, they invited Native Americans to join them, expressing thanks to them for their survival. Though for some people, secular symbols like pumpkins, turkeys, colored leaves and sketches of Pilgrims dominate, we try to keep God in the very heart of this celebration. Amidst the days off work, travel, coming together as families, football, and a big meal, we take time to lift our hearts in genuine praise to a loving and generous heavenly Father. We are having a Mass of Thanksgiving at 9:00 that morning. I hope that many people will come to give God glory in our greatest Thanksgiving, the Eucharist. I wish you safe travels and happy family gatherings. Know that my prayers are with you each day. ~Fr. Mike.

Stewardship A Way of Life	
November 12	
Sunday Envelopes	\$2242.00
Children's Envelopes	\$4.00
Offertory	\$562.12
TOTAL	\$2808.12

PRAYER REQUESTS		
Ella Teno	Tony Proske	Stefanie (Clark)Johnson
Dave Maddison	Patty McGee	John Pasut
Kevin Douglas	Tammy Collins	Kathy Caviness
Steve Maddy	Joe Sinnott	Terrence Pope
Carl Zotz	Bob Quinn	Rita Gergeley
Cathy Schuller	Dwight Proctor	Jason Wright
Katy Laurin	Libby Smith	Sue Archibald
Matt Chance	Joe & Ann Hayes	Tom Crall
Zeke Rockwell	Fr. Joe Miller	Joan Beary
Larry Bettis	Charlie Sinnott	Bill Crawford
Reggie Duncan	Barb Buntin	Jack Scieszinski
Jordan Beckman	Bill Crall	Mary Beaumont
Carol McGee	Bruce Guy	Sonny Williams
Lynne Hire	Rosalie Kung	Jerry Walton
		Benny Rogers*
The prayer list has been updated. If you would like a name added back on please call the office, 932.5130. Thank you.		
Military Prayer List		
Jason Hughes	Andy Merrick	Murray Stoffa
Cody McCarty	David Austin Riley	Tracy Warren
Pat McDonald	Aaron Smith	Cale Yarkosky
Matthew Hollinrake	Tyler Pasut	Connor Scully
Cole Kurimski		
* New addition to list		
Contact Marge Pasut, 932-2602, or the Religious Ed. Office, 932-5589 or scrallalbia@iowatelecom.net to start an intention.		
All prayer requests will be honored.		

Calendar	
Monday, November 20	
6:00 PM	Faith Formation Meeting
Tuesday, November 21	
9:30 AM	Rosary @ Oakwood
5:10 PM	Mass
Wednesday, November 22	
9:00 AM	Mass
5:30 PM	NO CCD
7:00 PM	NO CCD
Thursday, November 23	
Thanksgiving Day	
9:00 AM	Mass
9:15 AM	Rosary @ MCC
10:00 AM	NO Bible Study
5:10 PM	NO Mass
Friday, November 24	
9:00 AM	Mass Coffee/Donuts/Fellowship.
Saturday, November 25	
4:00 PM	Confessions
4:45 PM	Rosary
5:10 PM	Mass
Sunday, November 26	
8:00 AM	Mass
8:00 AM	RCIA
10:30 AM	Mass

Lord's Laughter

Why was Plymouth Rock so brave?
It was a little bold-er

The Mayflower weighed how much?
A Puri-Ton

What sound does a turkey's phone make?
Wing Wing.

Which side of the turkey has the juiciest
meat?
The Inside.

FAITH FORMATION

CCD Schedule

November 22nd

No Classes. Happy Thanksgiving!!!

November 29th

Regular CCD Class Schedule

Gr. 5 Pageant Practice

****Need Snack preparers @ 4:50 PM & Traffic Monitors @ 6:45 PM**
For December. Call Rel. Ed for details or to volunteer, 932-5589.

Faith Formation Committee Meeting

Monday, November 20 6:00 PM

PARISH LIFE

Thank you

Marlene & Barb Kosman, who purchased the Easter Candle in memory of the Kosman & Johnson Families.

Baptism Class

Monday, November 27th 6:30 PM. Please call Sharon to sign up, 932-5589.

ADA 2017/2018

As of November 2, pledges to ADA from St. Mary's were \$20,370. This is about 66% of our goal, \$30,632. Responses came from 87 households. We have quite a large number of households yet to respond. Please help us reach our goal. Thank you to all who have pledged. ~Fr. Mike.

Thanksgiving Day Mass Schedule

Wed., 11/22 5 PM Melrose;

Thu., 11/23 8 AM Georgetown; 9 AM Albia; 9:30 AM Lovilia.

Liturgical Ministers Needed

Thanksgiving Day

Lector-Lisa Dunn; Servers- Ava & Juliana Brown; Eucharist Ministers-TBA.

Friday, December 8th Immaculate Conception Masses

9 AM & 6:30 PM-Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers & Servers Needed.

Please call or text 641-895-0808 if you can help.

CCHD Collection

The annual appeal for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development will take place this weekend, November 18-19. Over 46 million people in our country live in poverty. This collection addresses the roots of poverty, enabling such people to help themselves to break this cycle. More information can be found at this internet website: www.usccb.org/cchd/collection. There will be a second collection for CCHD this weekend. There is an envelope in your packet for this purpose.

Bloodmobile: Tues., November 28 3-7 PM @ Trinity Methodist.

Thank you

Thank you to Dr. O'Hara for donating a shredder for our front office.

Bell Ringing

St. Mary's has two dates: Saturday, November 25, both at Hy-Vee and Jim and Charlie's; and Friday, December 15, at First Iowa State Bank, on the day of their Open House. I will place a sign-up sheet in the vestibule. Your volunteer time would be very much appreciated. ~Fr. Mike.

Altar & Rosary December Meeting

Tuesday, December 5th @ Diana & Dan Walkers' Cottage Bed & Breakfast. More details to follow.

Victorian Stroll Cookie Donations

The Victorian Stroll will be Saturday, December 2. Homemade cookies are needed for this amazing community event. They can be dropped off at the Chamber Office Thursday, Nov 30 between 9-3 or by NOON on Friday, Dec 1st.

First Iowa State Bank Christmas Open House

Friday, December 15, 2017 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Again, this year, guests may designate the church of their choice so that First Iowa State Bank may make a contribution of \$2.00 per signature. Cookies and coffee will be served.

SOCIAL ACTION

Sweatpants Drive

This year we are in need of sweatpants in various sizes for children in grades K-4. There will be a drop basket in the vestibule of the church. Thank you for your help!

Children's Charity

The Children donated over \$120 in the month of October for the Shoebox Project. Way to go, kids!!!!

The month of November will go towards the Albia Ministerial Association.

HELPING HANDS Christmas Baskets/Cranberry Sauce

All the local churches have been asked to give an item for the Annual Christmas Basket project. St. Mary's has been asked to give **Cranberry Sauce**. There is a basket in the vestibule.

Monroe County Nest Program

Free Parent Education classes for parents and children ages birth to 5 years of age. This is an incentive based program. Call 641-932-5612 to sign up today.

Human Trafficking Issues

The observance of Thanksgiving is often over-shadowed by Black Friday, a marketing sensation. Every day is a marketing opportunity for predators who shop globally on the internet.

U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking
(sistersagainsttrafficking.org)