



St. Mary's Parish

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September 17, 2017
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Assignments	
Saturday, Sept 23	5:10 PM
Lector	Sharon Steinbach
Body	Anne Lahart & Merle Regenold
Blood	Mary Anne Regenold & Marilyn Robnett
Servers	Megan & Morgan Teno
Gift Bearers	Open
Sunday, Sept 24	8:00 AM
Lector	Lisa Dunn
Body	Jack Baker & Marsha Eastlick
Blood	Dennis Amoss & Kyle Angran
Servers	Shannon McLain
Gift Bearers	Family of James L. & Lisa Crall
Sunday, Sept 24	10:30 AM
Lector	John Scieszinski
Body	Carol Reed & Terry Reed
Blood	Chris Anderson & Ann O'Brien
Servers	Paige Kidney & Payton Popson
Gift Bearers	Family of David Flattery

Mass Intentions			
Sept 19	Tue	5:10 PM	Jarred Crall
Sept 20	Wed	9:00 AM	William & Margaret Cummins
Sept 21	Thu	5:10 PM	Catherine Lynch
Sept 22	Fri	9:00 AM	Anointing Mass: For the Sick & Homebound
Sept 23	Sat	5:10 PM	Parishioners
Sept 24	Sun	8:00 AM	James L & Lisa Crall
Sept 24	Sun	10:30 AM	David Flattery
The Sanctuary Lamp is burning for Marie Grantino			
The Holy Family Lamp is burning for Jim Gilland			

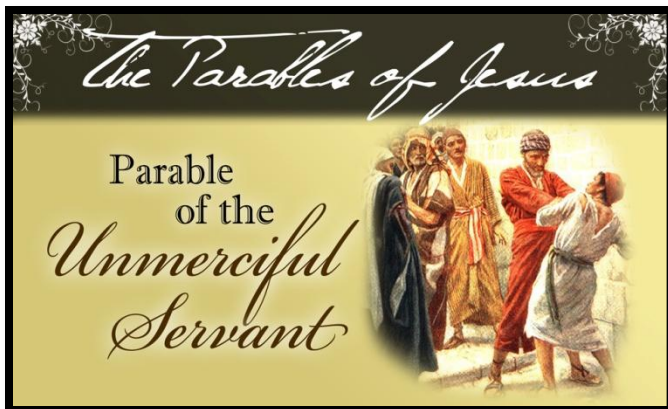
Monroe County Churches May-Sept Mass Schedule

St. Mary's Albia

Tuesday, Thursday 5:10 PM
 Wednesday, Friday 9:00 AM
 Saturday 5:10 PM
 Sunday, 8 AM & 10:30 AM

Weekend of Sept. 23/24

St. Pat's Georgetown - Saturday 5:30 PM
 St. Pat's Melrose - Sunday 10:00 AM (annual fall dinner)
 St. Peter's Lovilia - Sunday 8:00 AM



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Charity helps us to know the truth and truth calls for acts of kindness.
 ~ Pope Francis



Pastor's Corner

Each Fall season Catholic Church families begin programs of faith formation for youth. Here in our country, we have a celebration of "Catechetical Sunday" as time of recognition of the catechists and the programs. Each year a theme is chosen. This year the theme is "Living As Missionary Disciples." We always begin in a spirit of hope. Our faith is a treasure which we want to be passed on to future generations. The theme helps us to focus on that venture. Three words stand out. The first is "living." Catechesis is not just about a head trip, learning facts and figures. It is about living the faith, putting the faith into practice in our daily lives. Then there is the word "missionary." To be missioned is to be sent. All Christians are sent to proclaim the good news and not just those who go to foreign lands. The third word is "Disciples." To be a disciple is someone who learns from and follows the example of a master. In our case, the Master is Jesus. We want to grow in an intimate relationship with Him and his way. Thank you to all of our Catechists and our catechetical leaders, Sharon Crall & Kathy Brown. My prayers are with you daily. ~Fr. Mike.

Stewardship A Way of Life	
September 10	
Sunday Envelopes	\$2022.00
Offertory	\$506.86
Children's Envelopes	0
TOTAL	\$2528.86
Catholic University	\$543.00

PRAYER REQUESTS		
Ella Teno	Jerry Walton	Carol McGee
Dave Maddison	Tom Crall	Lynne Hire
Sandy Wycoff	Kevin Douglas	Tony Proske
Aaron Lutzinger	Steve Maddy	Patty McGee
Tracy Griggs Howe	Carl Zotz	Tammy Collins
Jason Wright	Georgia Steinhoff	Joe Sinnott
Jinx Amdor	Cathy Schuller	Bob Quinn
Sherie Wignall	Katy Laurin	Dwight Proctor
Becky Rozenboom	Matt Chance	Libby Smith
Mary Jo Crall Beary	Zeke Rockwell	Joe & Ann Hayes
Kevin Douglas	Lary Bettis	Fr. Joe Miller
Tom Adler	Reggie Duncan	Al Garreau
Brian Fugate	Jordan Beckman	Charlie Sinnott
John Popson		Barb Bunten*
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, September 18	
6:30 PM	Evangelization Meeting
Tuesday, September 19	
9:30 AM	Rosary @ Oakwood
5:10 PM	Mass
Wednesday, September 20	
9:00 AM	Mass
5:30 PM	CCD Gr 1-5
7:00 PM	CCD Gr 6-10 Gr. 9/10 Parent & Student Mtg.
Thursday, September 21	
9:15 AM	Rosary @ MCC
10:00 AM	Bible Study
5:10 PM	Mass
Friday, September 22	
9:00 AM	Anointing Mass/ Brunch & Flu Clinic to follow
Saturday, September 23 <i>ADA Kick off Weekend</i>	
9:30 AM-12:30 PM	Catechist Workshop in Ottumwa
4:00 PM	Confessions
4:45 PM	Rosary
5:10 PM	Mass
Sunday, September 24	
8:00 AM	Mass
9:00 AM	RCIA Come & See
10:30 AM	Mass
Melrose Fall Dinner	

Lord's Laughter

Church Bulletin Bloopers...

The outreach committee has enlisted 25 visitors to make calls on people who are not afflicted with any church.

Ushers will eat latecomers.

For those who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

The Rev. McArthur spoke briefly, much to the delight of the audience.

FAITH FORMATION

NCYC Parent/Student Meeting

Sunday, Sept 17 @ 9 AM.

CCD Schedule

September 20th 5:30 PM Grades 1-5;
7 PM Grades 6-10; Grades 9/10 Parent/Student Meeting.
September 27th 5:30 PM Gr. 1-5; 7 PM Gr. 6-10

NCYC Take Out Chili Fundraiser

Orders can be placed before/after Masses the weekend of Sept 30th & October 1st for pick up after Masses the weekend of October 7 & 8. More details to follow.

Junior High Youth Rally Save The Date

Sunday, October 15th In Iowa City. Contact the Religious Ed. Office, 932-5589 to register or for more information.

Fall Rummage Sale

Items for the Fall Rummage Sale will be accepted the week of **Thursday, Sept. 28 through Thursday, Oct. 5 ONLY. This is a change from past years.** Drop off items to Religious Education Wing, and the rooms will be marked with signs for sorting. Start cleaning out those closets & totes! Sale dates are October 6-7.

RCIA Come & See Session

Sunday, September 24th @ 9 AM.
Who can you invite?

PARISH LIFE

Evangelization Meeting

Monday, Sept 18 6:30 PM

Mass of Anointing/Brunch/Flu Clinic-Save The Date

Friday, Sept. 22 9 AM Mass followed by brunch.
Flu Clinic will also be available that morning after Mass.

Sacred Heart-Chariton Church Dinner

Sunday, Sept 17 11 AM-1 PM. See details on our bulletin board.

Melrose Fall Dinner

St. Patrick's Melrose is having their annual Fall Dinner and Auction Sunday, September 24th. Dinner runs from 11:00 - 1:30 and the Auction starts at 1:00. Cost for dinner is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 5-11, and free for 4 years and under. Come and have a day of fun with us!

St. Peter's, Lovilia Fall Dinner

Sunday, October 8th. Mass @ 10:30 AM. Followed by dinner and auction.

Bloodmobile

Tuesday, Sept 19 3 PM-7 PM. Trinity Methodist Church.

Catholic-Lutheran Dialogue

Last spring members of St. Mary's and St. Paul's Lutheran met in dialogue for eight sessions. The topic was our understanding of the Eucharist. We were pleased with the results. We will be meeting again this fall for six sessions: Thursday evenings, October 5, 12, and 19 At St. Paul's; October 26 (location TBA), November 2 & 9 here at St. Mary's. We meet from 6:30 to about 8 PM. There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule. We will be using the same book as in the spring. New participants are most welcome. We will need to know in the next two or three weeks if you will need a book. We ask for an offering of \$10 for the book. ~Fr. Mike

Communication with Parishioners

If you take the time to look around the exterior of our parish church/rectory/hall/education wing, you will notice that the faces of some of the bricks are beginning to peel away. We also have some windows which are in poor condition and leaking. After almost 40 years, our building is in need of major repair. The Finance Committee has studied the problem carefully, gotten bids from three architects, and been attentive to diocesan guidelines. The project will cost in the neighborhood of \$200,000. After all the preliminary work, we would anticipate starting the project next spring. We do have funds in reserve to cover the project. Now it is time to inform all of our parishioners of this need and solicit your backing. If you have questions, they may be directed to one of the Finance Committee members (Steve Hoskins, Chris Anderson, Joe Starcevic, Denny Amoss, Jack Scieszinski, Dale Steffen, Fr. Mike). We appreciate your interest and your support.

Baptism Congratulations

Through the waters of baptism we welcome, Chip Michael Lee Wynn, son of Kevin Wynn & Kailey Peterson.

Knight News

Knight of the Month Denny Amoss for all his hard work every day.
Youth of the Month Emma and Cooper Bradley
Family of the Month John Bradley family.

ADA 2017-2018

Kick-off weekend will be on September 23/24. There will be an insert in the bulletin. You can either mail it to the Diocese or bring it to church and we can mail a packet of them. Our goal this year is about the same as last year, about \$30,600. I am so grateful for your generous support of this appeal. ~Fr. Mike.

SOCIAL ACTION

Children's Charity September Cause



Coins For a Cause to help with disaster relief of Hurricane Harvey. Donations will be given to Hy-Vee who will match funds and then be sent to the Red Cross.