



St. Mary's Parish

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August 19, 2018
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Assignments	
Saturday, Aug 25 5:10 PM	
Lector	Peter/Isaac Greiner
Body	Cleone Cap & Bob Sinnott
Blood	Sharon Steinbach & Patty Yarkosky
Servers	Lily Buckingham & Hunter Keegel
Gift Bearers	Family of Bobby & Dennis Belzer
Sunday, Aug 26 8:00 AM	
Lector	Linda Lewman
Body	Jan Stalzer & Phil Stalzer
Blood	Sheryl Mae Rowe
Servers	Elizabeth & Rachael Stoops
Gift Bearers	Family of Art Townsend
Sunday, Aug 26 10:30 AM	
Lector	John Scieszinski
Body	Carol Reed & Terry Reed
Blood	Karen McCarty & Ann O'Brien
Servers	Ava Brown & Juliana Brown
Gift Bearers	Open

Mass Intentions			
Aug 21	Tue	5:10 PM	Marie Griffin
Aug 22	Wed	9:00 AM	Loretta Corso
Aug 23	Thu	5:10 PM	Cameron Haluska
Aug 24	Fri	9:00 AM	Mr. & Mrs. W.G. O'Hara
Aug 25	Sat	5:10 PM	Bobby & Dennis Belzer
Aug 26	Sun	8:00 AM	Art Townsend
Aug 26	Sun	10:30 AM	Parishioners
The Holy Family is burning in memory of Dec. Mbrs of the Steinbach/Evans Families The Sanctuary Lamp is burning for Pete Sarver's Family			

Monroe County Churches
St. Mary's Albia
 Tuesday, Thursday 5:10 PM
 Wednesday, Friday 9:00 AM
 Saturday 5:10 PM
 Sunday, 8 AM & 10:30 AM

June-August Rotation
 St. Pat's Georgetown - Sunday 10:30 AM
 St. Pat's Melrose - Saturday 5:30 PM
 St. Peter's Lovilia - Sunday 8:30 AM

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Daily Mass Readings August 19 2018

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading : Proverbs 9: 1-6
 Psalms : Psalms 34: 2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (9a)
 Second Reading : Ephesians 5: 15-20
 Gospel : John 6: 51-58



When we place ourselves at the service of our most vulnerable brothers and sisters we experience the joy of unconditional love.
~Pope Francis



Pastor's Corner

On Wednesday a report was made public regarding six dioceses in Pennsylvania which details sexual abuse of as many as 1000 children by about 300 Catholic priests going back to the 1940s. The report also accuses Bishops of cover-ups, non-reporting to authorities, placing priests in therapy and then, thinking them cured, restoring them to ministry where children were present. I listened to the report with different emotions: disbelief, anger, frustration, shame, sorrow, sadness. I hurt with the victims. I pray for the predators, who must be sick in mind and spirit. The Church's reputation is sullied. All priests carry the stigma. People may leave the Church because of the abuse. Yes, we are brought to the foot of the cross. We pray for reconciliation, for forgiveness, for a new beginning. It is certainly another wake-up call, with another recognition of human weakness and infidelity. Please, let us walk this road of sorrow together, never abandoning our trust in the presence of Christ among us and in the Church. Let's also remember all the good and holy priests and religious who have served God's People so faithfully over the years. We will survive this crisis. Let's pray that the healing touch of Christ may bring us to a new era of loving and faithful ministry in the Church. My prayers are with you each day. ~ Fr. Mike.

Stewardship A Way of Life	
Aug 12	
Sunday Envelopes	\$2967.00
Children's Envelopes	\$3.00
Offertory	\$523.18
TOTAL	\$3493.18

PRAYER REQUESTS		
Rob Singley	Cathy Schuller	Norene Wallingford
Karen Tuttle	Finn Carroll	Cathy Flattery
Zach Sohn	Judy Suggs Messer	Sr. Lucy Feehan
Elizabeth Moore	Dennis Wolfer	Karen Pardee
Daryl Regenold	Marty Robertson	Joan Beary
Sharon Stoffer	Dorothy Hoover	Kala Zaroni
Carl Zotz	Libby Smith	Dale & Evelyn Filloon
Ella Teno	Paetton Canfield	Robert Hollinrake
Danielle Wolfer	Rita Gergely	Anna Conley
Pat Flattery	Patty McGee	Jerry Walton
Lana Sohn	Peggy Murphy	Jim Baker
Martha Flattery	Joe Sinnott	John Pasut
		Marie (Hess) Pacha

Military Prayer List

Jason Hughes	Andy Merrick	Tyler Pasut
Cody McCarty	David Austin Riley	Murray Stoffa
Pat McDonald	Aaron Smith	Cale Yarkosky
Matthew Hollinrake		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, August 20	
Tuesday, August 21	
9:30 AM	Rosary @ Oakwood
5:10 PM	Mass
Wednesday, August 22	
9:00 AM	Mass
Thursday, August 23	
9:15 AM	Rosary @ MCC
10:00 AM	Bible Study
5:10 PM	Mass
Friday, August 24	
9:00 AM	Mass Coffee/Donuts/Fellowship
Saturday, August 25	
4:00 PM	Confessions
4:45 PM	Rosary
5:10 PM	Mass
Sunday, August 26	
8:00 AM	Mass
10:30 AM	Mass
Afternoon	Hall Rental
e-giving information and Q&A after each of the weekend Masses	

Lord's Laughter

Q: Have you heard about the teacher who was cross-eyed?

A: She couldn't control her pupils!

Q: What school supply is always tired?

A: A knapsack!

Q: What's the difference between a teacher and a steam train?

A: A teacher says, "Spit out that gum" a steam train says, "Chew chew!"

Kid: I think we need a new teacher.

Mom: Why is that?

Kid: Our teacher doesn't know anything, she keeps asking us for the answers.

Teacher: You've got your shoes on the wrong feet.

Pupil: But these are the only feet I've got!



FAITH FORMATION

RCIA-Bring Someone to Christ

Know of someone who is thinking about joining the Church? Contact Sharon Crall & she can talk with them about the RCIA process. RCIA is the way that people come into the Catholic Tradition from another denomination or if they are not baptized.

Incoming 1st Graders

Please contact the Rel. Ed. Office to register if you have a child who will be in 1st grade this coming fall (2018/19 school year).

Faith Formation Committee Meeting-Save The Date

Wednesday, August 29th

Catechist/Aide In Service Meeting-Save The Date

Wednesday, September 5th @ 6:30 PM

CCD Open House & Registration-Save The Date

Wednesday, September 12th. More details to follow.

PARISH LIFE

A Special Note

Kathy Brown has resigned as Religious Education Assistant to take a position with the Albia Community School District. St. Mary's great loss is the High School's great gain. Kathy served two years with willingness, diligence, loyalty, compassion and sacrifice. We will miss her but she remains aboard as our volunteer 9th grade catechist.

So... the Religious Ed. Dept. is in a transition period with several ideas afloat to assist Sharon and the Faith Formation Program. Please lend your help, prayers, and support as you see upcoming volunteer needs published. ~Fr. Mike & Sharon.

Altar & Rosary News

Hello Ladies! Vicki Gardner is the new Parishioner Notification committee chair for Election Day Dinner! Here is the low down...

1. You will still be contacting Sandra Anderson if you wish to switch or add a job as an EDD volunteer.
2. I will be putting up pie sign-up posters in the church vestibule around mid-September...so you can sign-up to gift us with a certain pie like cherry, apple, etc.
3. We will be stuffing and labeling the envelopes for each member's job description, time and donation duties at the October 2, Altar and Rosary meeting.
3. We will distribute the envelopes to our church members at weekend masses beginning October 13/14 through October 27/28. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via Facebook. I can't wait to eat Swiss Steak in November! Thanks for all you do! ~Vicki Gardner

A Gift for Students

St. Mary's Altar & Rosary would like to invite all students Pre K through college to select a school item from our display in the social hall. Our prayers are for all students to enjoy a safe and fun-filled school year. God Bless.

ST. PATRICK'S GEORGETOWN ANNOUNCES

Annual God's Portion Weekend Events

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

8th Annual Georgetown Open Golf Tourney
Check-in at 8:45am
9:30am Shotgun Start at Albia Golf & Leisure
(Call 777-9687 to pre-register by August 28)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

10:00am Mass in our Historical Church
11:00am-1:00pm Country Homegrown Dinner
with Roast Beef/Chicken
12:00 Noon Entertainment (South Grounds)
Country Store, Kids Games
1:00pm Live Auction on South Lawn
3:00pm Lawn Social (Sandwiches & Beverages
Served As Auction Continues)
Souvenirs, Raffle, Irish & Religious Items
A HEARTY IRISH WELCOME IS EXTENDED TO ALL!

Seton Catholic School News

Open House - Meet The Teacher Night on Tuesday, August 21 from 5:30pm-6:30pm. 1st day of school on Thursday, August 23. preschool 1st day Thursday, August 30. Preschool Teachers are scheduling Family Conferences with the teachers on August 21.

SOCIAL ACTION

Ministerial Association Emergency Office Needs

August suggestions: Dishwashing, laundry detergent, bleach, Kleenex, diapers, baby wipes, toilet paper and cleaning supplies.

Children's Works of Charity

August proceeds will go to a worthy cause of Father Mike's choosing in celebration of his 50th Anniversary of Ordination.

HELPING HANDS CENTER

Donations appreciated. Hours are Wed. and Thurs. from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Fri. and Sat. 9 a.m. to Noon. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!

COMING August 27th

St. Mary's is pleased to announce the introduction of an **electronic option** for making regular offerings. Contributions can now be debited automatically from your checking or savings account or processed using your credit or debit card. Our new electronic giving program offers convenience for you and provides much-needed donation consistency for our parish.

Carol will be available after each of the Masses Aug 25/26 to answer any questions you might have and to give a quick tutorial on how to sign up.