

December 22, 2019

St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate



The mission of the St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate is to use our love and faith to inspire and serve God's people by cultivating a welcoming Catholic Community – working as one and living as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Pastoral Directory

Pastor, Rev. Douglas Loecke (563)852-7805
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Pastorate Office

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Hours Monday – Thursday: 8:30am-4:30pm
Friday: 8:30am – 1:00pm

Pastorate Support Staff

Business Manager, Kerri Takes
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Aquin System of Catholic Education

Aquin Catholic Elementary School (563)852-3331
Principal, Vicki Palmer
E-mail vpalmer@aquin.org
Aquin Little Angels Early Childhood Ctr 563-852-7020
Director, Jenny Recker jrecker@aquin.org

New Parishioners

Welcome! Contact the pastorate office 563-852-3524

Baptisms

Baptism class required. Next class–Jan 6, 2020, 7pm
Contact Ray & Carol Noonan at 852-3181 to register for the class.

Contact the pastorate office to schedule a baptism.

Weddings

Contact Fr. Loecke at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Pastorate Council

Chuck Shanahan - Chair
Bob Green – Vice Chair
Kevin Schockemoehl - Secretary
Karen Knepper, Mike Otting,
Chuck Noonan, Ed Stoll, Eric Vaske

Parish Council Contacts

St. Patrick – Wanda Loewen
Sacred Heart – Chuck Noonan
St. Peter – Kevin Schockemoehl
St. Matthias – Bob Green

Pastorate Committee Opportunities

Call the Pastorate Office for more info
Community Life, Faith Formation, Liturgy, Social Justice

Prayer Requests

Eileen Steffen – 852-7168
Anita Gudenkauf – 852-3043
Shirley Curoe - 563-599-3973
Joyce Gibbs – 879-3271

Liturgy Schedule

(Cascade-C; Fillmore-F; Garryowen-G; Temple Hill-T
W/C-Word & Communion Service)

Mon Dec. 23	7:00am (C) Helen Dehner
Tue Dec. 24	7:00am (C) Harold Hosch 3:00pm (G) Special Intention 4:30pm (C) Special Intention 5:00pm (F) Special Intention 6:00pm (C) Special Intention
Wed Dec. 25	8:00am (C) Special Intention 9:30am (T) Special Intention
Thu Dec. 26	No Mass
Fri Dec. 27	7:00am (C) Pat & Lucille Noonan
Sat Dec. 28	1:30pm (F) Nuptial Mass for Justin McElmeel & Maggie Ryan 4:00pm (G) Merlin, Marion & Katie Mahoney & John Lynch 5:30pm(C) Charlie Green
Sun Dec. 29	8:00am(C) St Thomas Aquinas Pastorate 10:00am(C) Bill & Imelda Beringer

Confessions

Confessions are available 20 minutes before the 4:00pm Mass and immediately following the 5:30pm Mass.

Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 22, 2019

Pastorate

January 1 Mass

5:30pm New Year's Eve at Cascade

8:00am New Year's Day at Cascade

The Pastorate Office will be closed Tuesday, December 24, and Wednesday, December 25.

2020 At Home with the Word books are now for sale at the Pastorate Office or in the back of St. Matthias. They are available in the large and small print. The cost is \$8.00. Caring for Your Marriage – Advent is about waiting in the uncertainty of darkness. Ponder the times you have waited in the dark with a family member. Perhaps it was illness, or maybe fear, that kept you in vigil together. Be not afraid.

A special thank you to Joe, Peg & Jodi Reiff for the calendars provided to the Pastorate. Your kindness is appreciated.

Remember to use Scrip for your holiday Shopping!!

The Right to Life Group will be doing a can drive Friday January 10th 3:30pm thru January 12th @ 7pm. A trailer will be parked in the Aquin parking lot during that time. Save those cans from your Holiday parties.

Sacred Heart, Fillmore

Financial report as of November 30, 2019	
Sacred Heart	Actual YTD
YTD Income	\$42,633
YTD Expenses	\$31,743
Excess Income/Exp	\$10,890
Chart includes all income & expenses as of 11/30/19	

Sacred Heart Generosity: Dec. 14-15, 2019: Budget: \$2,173.00; Offertory: \$111.65; Children's Collection: \$12.00; EFT: \$50.00; Christmas: \$600.00; Total \$2,946.65

Liturgical Participation: (Tuesday, Dec. 24, 2019 – 5:00pm)
Lector: Claire Brown; *Commentator:* Chloe Bell; *Eucharistic Min.:* Carolyn Turnis, Joan Turnis; *Servers:* Megan Bergfeld, Corinne Rea; *Crossbearer:* Carli Recker

Church & Hall Cleaning - (by Dec 24, 2019) Chuck & Amy Noonan, Nic & Cody Noonan, Morgan & Laura Ryan, Chad & Keeley Curoe, Dennis & Amber Petesch, Martin Stoffel, Morgan & Laura Ryan

St. Patrick, Garryowen

Financial report as of November 30, 2019	
St Patrick	Actual YTD
YTD Income	\$78,600
YTD Expenses	\$87,748
Excess Income/Exp	-\$9,148
Chart includes all income & expenses as of 11/30/19	

St. Patrick Generosity: Dec. 14-15, 2019 – Budget: \$238.00; Christmas: \$300.00; Holy Days: 13.00; Total \$551.00

Liturgical Participation – Tuesday, Dec. 24, 2019 – 3:00pm)

Commentator: Denny Brackemyer; *Lector:* Megan Redmond; *Eucharistic Ministers:* Deb Redmond, Megan Redmond, Mary Pat Noonan, Janet Felton, Judy Coyle, Jean Brackemyer (Choir); *Ushers:* Bob Noonan, Donnie Meloy, Chuck Shanahan, *Acolytes:* Nicole Felton, Laura Rollinger; *Cross:* Allison Rollinger
Weekend Money Counters: Dec. 24, 2019– Loras Federspiel, Wanda Loewen

Liturgical Participation – Saturday, Dec. 28, 2019 – 4:00pm)

Commentator: Denny Brackemyer; *Lector:* Mike Molony; *Eucharistic Ministers:* Deb Redmond, Diane Vaske, Janet Felton; *Ushers:* Bob Noonan, Don Meloy; *Acolytes:* Nicole Felton, Laura Rollinger; *Cross:* Allison Rollinger
Weekend Money Counters: Dec. 28, 2019– Loras Federspiel, Wanda Loewen

Rosary before Mass: Dec. 28, 2019 – Pearl Shanahan

Church & Hall Cleaning (Dec. 2019): Chuck & Mary Shanahan, Lois Lynch, Don & Joan Meloy

St. Peter, Temple Hill

Financial report as of November 30, 2019	
St Peter	Actual YTD
YTD Income	\$34,757
YTD Expenses	\$61,353
Excess Income/Exp	-\$26,596
Chart includes all income & expenses as of 11/30/19	

St. Peter Generosity: Dec. 14-15, 2019 – Budget: \$215.00; Holy Days: \$5.00; Total: \$220.00

Liturgical Participation: (December 25, 2019 - 9:30 AM)

Lector: Marie Knepper *Commentator:* Marci Roe
Eucharistic Min.: Becky Trumm, Ellie Loes, Mary Stecklein; *Ushers:* Brett Schoenherr, Gary Fagan
Servers: Eldon Kurt, Adam Knepper, Ashlyn Schockemoehl; *Gifts:* Jim Welter; *Greeter:* Joe Trumm
Church Cleaners (before Dec. 25): Joe & Sara Trumm (leader), Kevin & Janet Schockemoehl, Eric & Stacie Schockemoehl, Ryan & Shelly Schockemoehl, Emmett & Denise Grant, Renee Coyle, John & Everlyn Noel, Jordan & Robert Trumm

Our Christmas Mass at St. Peter's is Wednesday, December 25, 2019 at 9:30 AM.

Thank You to all who helped with or participated in our holiday meal. Your presence is greatly appreciated!
Eucharistic Adoration & Rosary - Wed., January 8 - 7:00 PM.
Tickets for the Mid-Winter Fling & Dessert Auction may be purchased in the entry of the church starting this weekend. The Fling is Saturday, January 25th at the Legion Hall in Cascade with social time at 6:30 PM and dinner served at 7:00 PM. Sign-up sheets for desserts and "set up" volunteers are in the back of the church or by emailing Julie.

SAVE THE DATE!!!

**St. Matthias February Fun Night is
 Saturday, February 15, 2020**

St. Matthias, Cascade

Financial report as of November 30, 2019	
St Matthias	Actual YTD
YTD Income	\$261,552
YTD Expenses	\$288,344
Excess Income/Exp	-\$26,792
Chart includes all income & expenses as of 11/30/19	

St. Matthias Generosity: Dec. 14-15, 2019 – Budget: \$8,225.00; Offertory: \$326.20; Children’s Collection: \$31.75; EFT: \$4,507.00; Thanksgiving: \$120.00; Easter: \$20.00; Christmas: \$2000.00; Holy Days: \$25.00; Grain Bank: \$150.00.; Total: \$15,404.95

Liturgical Participation: (weekdays: Dec. 23-27, 2019) -
Server: Blair Gleason; *Lector:* Jean Conrad; *Euch.*
Ministers: Blair Gleason, Jean Conrad, Carol Noonan
Tuesday – Dec. 24, 4:30pm – *Lector* – Brynn Kolpin;
Commentator: Jean Conrad; *Giftbearers:* Kye & Brynn Kolpin; *Ushers* – Kelly Sullivan, Mike Gehl, Jeff & Dianne Reiter; *East Entrance Greeter:* Nick & Deb Holub;
Eucharistic Ministers: Pat Noonan, Natalie Frasher, Bard Ludwig, Katie Knepper, Jeanne Driscoll; *Servers:* To Be Announced; *Music:* Children’s/Teen Choir; *Family to Carry Baby Jesus:* Nick & Jeanette Callahan
Tuesday – Dec. 24, 6:00pm – *Lector* – Sheila Beringer;
Commentator: Randy Schell; *Ushers* – Bill & Kerri Takes, Fred Rogers; *East Entrance Greeter:* Mike & Jan Donovan;
Eucharistic Ministers: Gina Hemmer, Lilly Beringer, Vicki Kelchen, Bobbi Schell, Wayne Leytem; *Servers:* To Be Announced; *Music:* Dolphins/Piano Choir
Wednesday – Dec. 25, 8:00am – *Lector* – Barb Otting;
Commentator: Barb Sauser; *Ushers:* Daren Manternach, Steve Sauser; *East Entrance Greeter:* Tim & Jane Donovan; *Eucharistic Ministers:* Ronda Kurt, Lois Merkes, Linda Takes Davis, Dianne Koppes, Donna Callahan; *Servers:* To Be Announced; *Music:* Guitar Choir/Angie’s

Saturday – Dec. 28, 5:30pm – *Lector* – Kerri Takes;
Commentator: Mark Otting; *Ushers* – Bill & Kerri Takes;
East Entrance Greeter: Jan & Mike Donovan; *Eucharistic Ministers:* Barb Otting, Mark Otting, Kerri Takes, Linda Aschtgen, Jim Betzner; *Servers:* Carter Conrad, Sienna Roling, Lilly Supple; *Music:* Becky

Sunday – Dec. 29, 8:00am – *Lector* – Mary Frake;
Commentator: Naomi Steffen; *Ushers* – Wyatt Lynch & Fred Rogers; *East Entrance Greeter:* Tim & Jane Donovan;
Eucharistic Ministers: Ralph Maternach, Rita Manternach, Jean Mausser, Jerry McAllister, Karen McAllister; *Servers:* Waylen & Willy Lynch; *Music:* O’Brien’s;
Sunday – Dec. 29, 10:00am – *Lector* – John Trumm;
Commentator: Megan Oliphant; *Ushers:* Owen & Kristi Walleser; *East Entrance Greeter:* Shellie Schlemme;
Eucharistic Ministers: Sue Trumm, Sydney Weber, Debbie Wessels, Abby Welter, Dan Kurt; *Servers:* Samuel, Peter & Maggie Noonan; *Music:* Piano Choir (Becky/Dave)

CEW - Christian Experience Weekend. Do you need a break? Something missing in your life? Are you looking for something more? Consider taking time for yourself to make a Christian Experience Weekend (CEW)! Unplug from the

chaos of today and grow in faith, strengthen your personal relationship with God and get engaged with your Christian community. The Women's weekend is January 10-12 and the Men's is January 17-19. Applications are available in the church entrances and parish office. If you have questions please contact the Lay Directors Trisha Greenwood 563-599-4644 or Andy Stelken 563-590-7706 or visit website farleyepworthcew.org

From Julie Dunne:

As we celebrate Christmas & God’s greatest gift to us, may we take time to reflect on our many blessings.

I would like to thank all of the members of the St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate for everything you have done to make my work much easier.

Thank you to all of our pastorate nurses who said “yes” to assisting me with flu vaccines last fall; to Shellie & Kerri, for never-ending patience with me; to Fr. Loecke for trusting in me & believing in me to take on this ministry, you are an inspiration to many and a blessing to us all; to all of our Deacons and Pastorate staff, thank you for welcoming me and for all of the help you’ve given to me; to Jean Conrad for paving the way and always being present to help; to my husband Tom, you are my greatest supporter and rock. I could not do this without your love and support. Most importantly, thank you to our Pastorate members, for making me feel so welcome by your friendly smiles and kind words of encouragement, you always say “yes” when I call.

May God bless you all! Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!



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Wishing Everyone
 A Very
 Merry Christmas

from Fr. Loecke
 and the staff at
 St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate

