

April 19, 2020

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

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Aquin Catholic Elementary School (563)852-3331
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Aquin Little Angels Early Childhood Ctr 563-852-7020

New Parishioners

Welcome! Contact the pastorate office 563-852-3524

Baptisms

Baptism class required. Next class–June 1, 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
Joyce Gibbs – 879-3271

Liturgy Schedule

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

Mon Apr. 20	12:00pm (C)	Jerry & Phyllis Green*
Tue Apr. 21	12:00pm (C)	Charles Green*
Wed Apr. 22	12:00pm (C)	Paul & Anna Sauser*
Thu Apr. 23	12:00pm (C)	Bob & Shirley Sadler*
Fri Apr. 24	12:00pm (C)	Irwin Simon*
Sat Apr. 25	12:00pm (C)	The Family Members of the John G & Ella Kurt Family and Ed & Juanita Bergfeld*
Sun Apr. 26	12:00pm (C)	Dick & Nancy Sullivan and the Parishioners of St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate*

*Father will say Mass each day at noon at St. Matthias.
The church will not be open to anyone during this time,
but you can also honor God in your home each day at
noon with prayer to ask him for his help during this
difficult time.

Second Sunday of Easter, April 19, 2020

Pastorate

Caring For Your Marriage - "Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together...to breaking bread in their homes." (Acts 2:46) Does your family frequently join together to share a meal? Are other activities getting in the way of your breaking bread together? Commit to at least one family dinner night per week, and make it a time for sharing, praying, and strengthening your faith.

All Parish Cemetery Reminder:
Please remove any winter decorations on grave sites that will interfere with mowing and spring clean-up.

Weekly Adult & Children's bulletins - are still at in the back of St. Matthias, St. Patrick's & St. Peter's. You are welcome to them. You can also go to stapastorate.org to see the weekly adult bulletin.

Simplify your routine! We offer Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) for your contributions to your Parish. Enrolling is easy - complete a simple form and your bank account will automatically be debited around the 15th of each month! Contact Kerri or Shellie at the Pastorate Office to enroll or for more information.

FORMED - During this time at home, this is the perfect time to log onto Formed. **FORMED** provides the very best **Catholic** content from more than 60 organizations to help parishes, families and individuals explore their faith anywhere. Supporting thousands of movies, children's programs, ebooks, audio, parish programs and studies direct to your browser, mobile or connected device.

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- Go to formed.org
- You will go to sign in and they will prompt you to go to your email and from an email link, it will take you back to Formed

If you are just signing up for FORMED for the first time:

- Go to formed.org
- Click "Sign-Up" and find your Pastorate (St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate and then enter your name, email address and desired password.
- If you have any problems with logging on, please call the Pastorate Office at 563-852-3524.

Sacred Heart, Fillmore

Sacred Heart Generosity: Apr. 11-12, 2020: Budget: \$2,560.00; EFT: \$50.00; Easter: \$1,400.00; Total: \$4,010.00

St. Patrick, Garryowen

St. Patrick Generosity: Apr. 11-12, 2020 – Budget: \$1,592.00; Easter: \$1,240.00; Irish Breakfast: \$40.00; Total: \$2,872.00
St. Pat's Auction Reminder – Since you and/or your kids are home- maybe you can get creative and make something or buy local gift cards for this year's auction.

St. Peter, Temple Hill

St. Peter Generosity: Apr. 11-12, 2020 – Budget: 550.00, EFT: \$150.00; Easter: \$1,120.00; Total: \$1,820.00

St. Matthias, Cascade

St. Matthias Generosity: Apr. 11-12, 2020 – Budget: \$6,814.00; Offertory: \$15.00; EFT: \$4,507.00; Easter: \$8,715.00; Cash Club: \$6,075.00; Total: \$26,126.00

ARCHDIOCESE DISASTER RELIEF FUND

If you are in need of help or know of a family that is struggling due to job loss from COVID-19. There is Archdiocese Disaster Fund from Catholic Charities that can help. Please call Catholic Charities at 1-800-772-2758 or 563-588-0558 and tell them that you are referred to them by St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate.

If you or someone you know is in need of food, we can help you get connected to free food in the area:

Kids 18 & Under – Curbside breakfast & lunch from Mon-Fri 11:30-12:30 at Cascade Elementary

Seniors – The Northeast Iowa Area Agency of Aging provides home delivered meals to anyone over 60 Monday-Friday in the greater Cascade Area. There is a fee associated with these meals. For more information or to sign up call 1-800-423-2449.

Cascade Food Pantry – Opened every third Thursday from 3:00pm-5:30pm and every Thursday from 4:00pm-6:00pm. Call Diana at 563-852-3285.

Prayer During an Epidemic

Lord Jesus,
Hear our pleas, our good shepherd and divine physician.
We implore your mercy in the wake of an outbreak of serious illness and disease.

Guide our efforts to prevent contagion and make Preparations to care for those most vulnerable. Assist all Professionals and volunteers who work to eradicate the epidemic now spreading. May our actions be marked by your steadfast love and selfless service and never by panic or fear.

Bestow your comfort and healing to the sick, sustain and strengthen them by your grace. May they know your closeness as they carry the cross of illness.

And may all you have called from this life come to Worship you eternally with all the saints as you grant Consolation and peace to their mourners. Amen

Holy Mary, Health of the Sick, pray for us.
St. Joseph, Hope of the Sick, pray for us.
St. Rocco, protector against epidemics, pray for us.

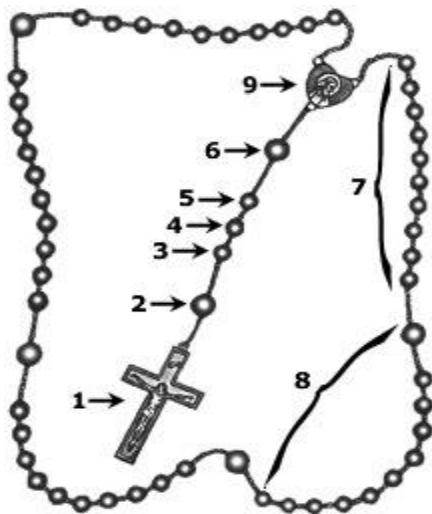
The Second Sunday of Easter is known as Divine Mercy Sunday. Saint Faustina: Mankind's need for the message of Divine Mercy took on dire urgency in the 20th Century, when civilization began to experience an "eclipse of the sense of God" and, therefore to lose the understanding of the sanctity and inherent dignity of human life. In the 1930s, Jesus chose a humble Polish nun, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, to receive private revelations concerning Divine Mercy that were recorded in her Diary.

Divine Mercy Sunday: St. Faustina's Diary records 14 occasions when Jesus requested that a Feast of Mercy (Divine Mercy Sunday) be observed, for example:

My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment...Let no soul fear to draw near to Me. ... It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy.

How to Recite the Chaplet

The Chaplet of Mercy is recited using ordinary rosary beads of five decades. The Chaplet is preceded by two opening prayers from the Diary of Saint Faustina and followed by a closing prayer.



1. Make the Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

2. Optional Opening Prayers

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

(Repeat three times)

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You!

3. Our Father

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, Amen.

4. Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen.

5. The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

6. The Eternal Father

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

7. On the 10 Small Beads of Each Decade

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

8. Repeat for the remaining decades

Saying the "Eternal Father" (6) on the "Our Father" bead and then 10 "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion" (7) on the following "Hail Mary" beads.

9. Conclude with Holy God (Repeat three times)

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

10. Optional Closing Prayer

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

Sacred Heart Easter Flowers

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St. Matthias Easter Flowers

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