



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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Pastorate Support Staff

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Director, Jenny Knapp jknapp@aquin.org

New Parishioners

Welcome! Contact the pastorate office 563-852-3524

Baptisms

Baptism class required.
Contact Ray & Carol Noonan at 852-3181 to register for the class.
Contact the pastorate office to schedule a baptism.

Weddings

Contact Fr. Mark 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 Aug. 31	7:00am (C) W/C
Tue Sept. 1	7:00am (C) Pat & Mary A. Noonan 8:30am (C) MaryBeth Althoff
Wed Sept. 2	7:00am (C) Vernon & Mae Becker
Thu Sept. 3	7:00am (C) Allan Hosch
Fri Sept. 4	7:00am (C) Living & Deceased Members of Catholic Daughters of the Americans Court 1926
Sat Sept. 5	4:00pm (G) Neal & Ellen Donovan 5:30pm (C) Robert Peryon
Sun Sept. 6	8:00am (C) Dick & Doris Putz 10:00am (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past.

If there is a funeral, there will be no 7:00am Mass.

Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time, August 30, 2020

From Fr. Mark

Today's gospel continues the story of Jesus instructing St. Peter and the other disciples. In last week's story, Peter proclaimed a great statement of faith in Jesus, and Jesus promised to give St. Peter the keys to the kingdom. In today's gospel, Jesus warns the disciples that he must go to Jerusalem to suffer, die, and be raised from the dead. Peter then rebukes Jesus, and says "God forbid" that such a thing should happen. Jesus then says to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan!"

Jesus called Peter "Satan". That must have really hurt Peter to hear that! "Satan" is a Hebrew word for "adversary". Jesus was not saying that St. Peter was the devil himself, but he is saying that when Peter tries to talk Jesus out of going to Jerusalem, Peter is opposing Jesus, and trying to block him from doing the will of the heavenly Father. Jesus uses this opportunity to teach the apostles a difficult truth: It is necessary for each of us to carry our cross. Jesus teaches us that if we always try to dodge suffering in this life, avoiding the cross at all costs, then we will end up forfeiting our life with Christ.

This week we begin celebrating mass with the Aquin students. Our masses will be Tuesday mornings at 8:30 AM. However, because of the requirements of social distancing, we are unable to have all the students in the church, even if we only had half of the students in church at one time. So, we have decided to have only one class at a time for Mass, in the Aquin school chapel, with the rest of the students attending mass via "live streaming" in the classroom. Teachers will distribute the Eucharist to the students participating in their classrooms. Parents, grandparents and other parishioners may also join us via live stream, by going to the school website. We realize this is not ideal, but this is what we will do for the coming weeks. Thanks for your patience with these restrictions we observe for our health and safety.

Eucharistic Adoration Each Week on Friday

Beginning Friday Sept. 4, we will have Eucharistic Adoration following the 7 AM Mass at St. Matthias Parish.

We are asking some people to sign up for 30 minute time slots, beginning at 7:30 AM, and concluding at noon. The Blessed Sacrament will be placed in repose starting at about 11:45 AM. We would like at least two people present for each 30 minute prayer slot.

We also welcome others who are not able to commit to a prayer time, but would still like to stop in, even for a few minutes.

The sign up sheet will be near the entrance to the church in Cascade. Thanks for your participation! Taking time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament can be a very powerful form of prayer!

Pastorate

Meetings:

St. Matthias Finance Council Mtg – Sept. 3, 5:30pm, Past. Off
Pastorate/All Parish Meeting – Sept. 8, Aquin Gym

6:30pm Pastorate

7:00pm All Parish Council

Faith Formation – Sept. 14, 7:00pm, Pastorate Office

School Board Meeting – Sept. 15, Aquin Library

6:30pm – Finance

7:00pm – Board Meeting

Pastorate Liturgy Meeting – Sept. 22, 6:30pm, Pastorate Off.

Reminder – CCD / RTR Registration: This is a reminder to families whose children attend public schools – You now register for CCD or RTR for the 2020-2021 school year. Contact Nicole Casey if you would like a covenant emailed or if you have any questions at dbq023ff@dbqarch.org or 852-3601. Registration covenants will also be available in the Pastorate Office.

Caring For Your Marriage – "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." (Mt 16:24) We never have to carry our crosses alone. Turn to Christ and allow your spouse to help you carry your cross as well.

Sacred Heart, Fillmore

Sacred Heart Generosity: Aug. 22-23, 2020: Budget:

\$340.00; Holy Days: \$20.00; Total: \$360.00

Liturgical Participation – Saturday, Sept. 12, 2020 – 4:00pm)

Commentator/Lector: Diane Callahan;

Ushers: Ann Callahan, Jenny Recker, Linda Recker

Sacred Heart Parish –

There will be an informational meeting at the church, September 17, 6:00pm. Parishioners and friends of Sacred Heart are encouraged to attend.

St. Patrick, Garryowen

St. Patrick Generosity: Aug. 22-23, 2020 – Budget: \$2,055.00;

Offertory: \$490.00; EFT: \$675.00; Total: \$3,220.00

Liturgical Participation – Saturday, Sept. 5 – 4:00pm)

Commentator/Lector: Margie Bradley;

Ushers: Rich Molony, Mark Redmond

Weekend Money Counters: Sept. 2020– Jean Thier & Tom Donovan

Church & Hall Cleaning (Sept. 2020): Leon & Dorothy Steines, Victor & Jean Their, Mike & Lisa Droeszler

St. Peter, Temple Hill

St. Peter Generosity: Aug. 22-23, 2020: Budget/Total: \$970.00;

Liturgical Participation: (September 19, 2020 - 4:00 PM)

Lector/Commentator: Jonah Manternach; *Eucharistic*

Minister: Shelly Schockemoehl; *Usher:* Ron & Chris Krapfl, Scot & Karen Knepper

Church Cleaning: Matt & Jennifer Manternach (leader), Lois Manternach, Loren & Lori Manternach, Drew & Stephanie Manternach, Tom & Mary Beth Stecklein, Sarah Foulks, Jill & Ken Ehlers, Dennis & Lora Hoffmann (before September 19)

The next Mass at St. Peter's is Saturday, September 19, 2020 at 4:00 PM.

St. Peter's Blood Drive: Wed., September 23, 2020 from 4:00 - 8:00 PM in the parish hall. Sign up on-line or call Julie for a time slot. Volunteers to work the night of the drive are also needed. Thank you.

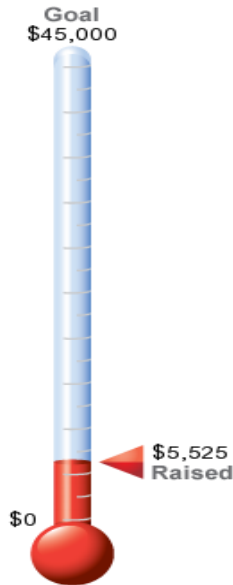
St. Matthias, Cascade

St. Matthias Generosity: Aug. 22-23, 2020 – Budget: \$6,149.00; Offertory: \$463.07; Holy Days: \$145.00; Fun Fest: \$1,575.00; Total: \$8,332.83

Liturgical Participation: (weekdays: Aug 31- Sept. 4, 2020)
- Lector/Eucharistic Minister: Jean Simon

There are Funfest envelopes in the back of St. Matthias church if you didn't get one with your budget envelopes or you misplaced it.

St. Matthias Parish Auction-Fun Fest Goal For 2020



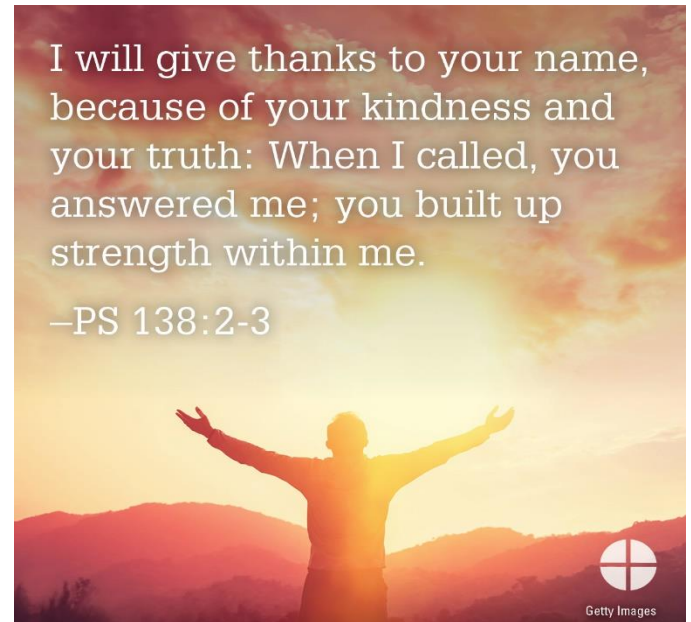
Goal to reach by
November 1st, 2020:
\$45,000

Amount Contributed as
of August 27, 2020:
\$5,525

Amount still needed:
\$39,475

We are at 12% of our
goal!

DATE: *Saturday, July 17, 2021.* More information on the celebration will be coming - so put this on your calendars now! **SEND IN A PHOTO OR TWO:** If you have one or two photos from your FCV experience, especially from the early years ('70s and 80's), we'd love to have it. Let us know the date/year and location of your service as well as naming anyone in the photo. If you know of other former FCV volunteers, please pass this information on to them as well. You can email photos to Sr. Shell (balekm@osfdbq.org) or send them to her at the FCV office, 3390 Windsor Ave., Dubuque, IA 52001.



That Man Is You (TMIY) is back! The popular men's group will resume for the fall season of year 4 on Saturday, September 12th, from 6:30-8:00 am, and will continue to be held at the Columbus Club Hall! While some details are still in the works, you can expect a more simple breakfast to start with and masks will be encouraged for situations where social distancing cannot take place. But know that there is plenty of space in the hall to spread out as necessary to meet the comfort level of all participants and small groups. Also, there is the possibility of a breakoff group that may move to a weeknight (Wednesdays?) to start over at Year 1 for those who would be brand new to TMIY, have missed some of the early content, or have conflicts on Saturdays. Stay tuned for more information! You can call Chris Casey at 563-542-0590 with any questions about each format. Everyone is welcome and you can just show up on Saturday morning!

CALLING ALL COMMON VENTURE FORMER VOLUNTEERS!

Can you believe that the Franciscan Common Venture (FCV) service program, sponsored by the Dubuque Franciscans, will celebrate 50 years next year? In preparation, we have an awesome committee working on some great ways to celebrate this wonderful milestone. We are calling on all former and future FCV volunteers to help make this not only a great celebration, but to move FCV into the next 50 years! Here are some things you can do now to prepare: **SAVE THE**

Help Us Build Communities in God's Vision of Justice

Holy Spirit,

We praise and thank you!

You anoint us to

bring glad tidings to the poor
proclaim liberty to captives
recover sight for the blind
free the oppressed
and build communities in keeping
with God's vision of justice.

Show us how to be

light of the world
salt of the earth
seeds that sprout love
and leaven that infuses humanity
with the desire to promote
human dignity and solidarity.

Help us to listen so that

those in poverty can lead our efforts to
proclaim a more hopeful vision
liberate captives from injustice
heal the blindness of the powerful
free us all from self-centeredness
and build community to overcome poverty.

Amen.