



# 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. Mark Osterhaus (563)852-3524  
E-mail dbq023@dbqarch.org  
Deacon Marvin Recker (retired) (563)879-3448  
Deacon Steve Strang (563)852-3435  
Deacon Ray Noonan (563)852-3181  
Deacon Joe Schockemoehl (563)852-3126  
Director of Faith Formation -  
Nicole Casey (563)852-3331  
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## Pastorate Office

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Phone (563)852-3524  
FAX (563)852-3528  
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Website www.stapastorate.org  
Hours Monday – Thursday: 8:30am-4:30pm  
Friday: 8:30am – 1:00pm

## Pastorate Support Staff

Business Manager, Kerri Takes  
E-mail dbq023bm@dbqarch.org  
Administrative Assistant, Shellie Schlemme  
E-mail dbq023sec@dbqarch.org  
Music Ministry, Becky Williams  
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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 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 Sept. 7	No Mass
Tue Sept. 8	7:00am (C) Stan Callahan, 8:30am (C) Lila Luensmann
Wed Sept. 9	7:00am (C) Walt & Mary Knepper 6:30pm (C) CCD Outdoor Mass Gracie Kane
Thu Sept. 10	7:00am (C) Alan Kurt
Fri Sept. 11	7:00am (C) Edwin & Juanita Bergfeld, Elaine Decker
Sat Sept. 12	4:00pm (F) Steven Rea & Dave Rea 5:30pm (C) The George & Irene Gleason Family
Sun Sept. 13	8:00am (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past. 10:00am (C) Leo Brickley

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

## Twenty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time, September 6, 2020

### From Fr. Mark

In today's gospel Jesus provides an outline of how to deal with conflict. When we have a grievance against someone we know, Jesus advises going to that person first and talking to him or her privately. If that doesn't lead to a resolution of the conflict, then we are to have one or two others go with us to talk and listen to the offending party, to establish the facts. So many times I could have avoided hurting others if I had just followed these two steps which Jesus suggests. So many times, we are not able to achieve harmony as a family, as a parish, or as a nation, because we are unable to agree on the facts. There are plenty of reasons why we have trouble agreeing on the facts. Some say we are "wired a certain way", and that makes it difficult to listen to each other without an immediate judgement. We are also influenced by who we trust as sources of information. We may be motivated by past resentments, or want to hold on to a dominant status, even if this is not healthy for everyone. If Jesus had to teach about resolving conflict and St. Paul had divisions in the first parishes he helped form, I guess we shouldn't be surprised by difficulties in getting along. The final part of the gospel is very encouraging: Jesus promises: "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." If we invite Jesus into the session we have with those with whom we have had conflict, we will have a better chance for a greater harmony and a better understanding.

### Eucharistic Adoration Each Week on Friday

Thank you for signing up for adoration time slots. We have all the slots filled except 10:30am-11:00am. If anyone would like to join our adoration schedule, please call the Pastorate Office at 852-3524.

### Pastorate

**Notice! There are some parishioners receiving messages claiming to be from Fr. Mark. This is a scam. Please do not respond to any messages like that as Fr. Mark would never ask for anything from you in this manner.**

### Meetings:

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

6:00pm – Finance

7:00pm – Board Meeting

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

### Aquin Catholic Elementary School

Live Student-led Masses on

YouTube: <https://tinyurl.com/y6qnl5uy>

Join us virtually Tuesday morning @8:30am or watch the recording later in the day. Don't forget to subscribe to the channel.

If everything works properly, our class masses should go Live on this YouTube Channel starting at 8:30am Tuesday morning. Feel free to share this link with parents or family members who are interested in watching.

### 8th grade students and parents,

This past week Dubuque County Right to Life made the decision that we will not be attending the March for Life in January of 2021. The safety of everyone was of the utmost concern.

Know that you are all welcome and encouraged to attend in January of 2022.

Even though the pilgrimage is not going to take place, there will still be many ways to show our pro-life commitment this coming year. DCRTL will be having its essay contest for 8th graders. Our pro-life October speaker will be online instead of in person. We are excited about our own Dubuque March for Life, rally, and chili lunch in January. I will keep you informed of events as they come up.

Our DCRTL office has many great movies, books, and information that are available to check out at no cost. I encourage you to make use of their great resources.

Feel free to call me with any question you might have.

Katie McGuire

Reminder – CCD / RTR Registration: This is a reminder to families whose children attend public schools – You can 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](mailto:dbq023ff@dbqarch.org) or 852-3601. Registration covenants will also be available in the Pastorate Office.

Caring For Your Marriage - "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." (Mt 18:20) Did you gather in Jesus' name today? Believe that Jesus is with you in your marriage, always. He promised. Ask for help.

### Sacred Heart, Fillmore

Sacred Heart Generosity: Aug. 29-30, 2020: Budget/Total: \$1,220.00

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

*Commentator/Lector:* Diane Callahan;

Ushers: Ann Callahan, Jenny Recker, Linda Recker

Church & Hall Cleaning September 2020:

Vicki Fangman, Kevin Johnson, Marty & Melissa McLees, Jesse & Sharon Meyer, Gerald & Trish Driscoll, Nick & Theresa White, Mike & Kris White, Mitch & Brenda Klepper

### 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. 29-30, 2020 – Budget: \$1,789.00; Holy Days: \$13.00; Total: \$1,802.00

**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. 29-30, 2020: Budget: \$970.00; Offertory: \$24.00; Picnic: \$150.00; Votive Stand: \$1.00; 1,145.00

**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 Sept 19)

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

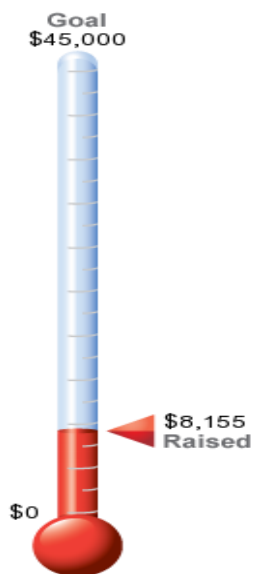
**St. Peter's Blood Drive:** Wed., September 23, 2020 from 4:00 - 8:00 PM in the parish hall. Sign up on-line or call Julie for a time slot. Volunteers to work the night of the drive are also needed. Thank you.

### St. Matthias, Cascade

**St. Matthias Generosity:** Aug. 29-30, 2020 – Budget: \$4,842.00; Offertory: \$385.50; Fun Fest: \$2,630.00; Total: \$7,857.50

**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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020:  
**\$45,000**

Amount Contributed as of  
August 31, 2020:  
**\$8,155**

Amount still needed:  
**\$36,845**

We are at 18% of our goal!

### Outdoor Pro-Life Stations of the Cross

Dubuque County Right to Life, Inc. will be hosting an **Outdoor Pro-Life Stations of the Cross** on Sunday, September 13, at Holy Ghost Church beginning at 6:00 PM. The Stations are located at the rear of the parking lot, but if the weather does not cooperate we will be using the Stations inside the Church. Light refreshments will be served following the Stations. This event is to promote prayer for the sanctity of all life, from conception to natural death. All are welcome, please join us!

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!

Please send a card to Jean Reiter for her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on Sept. 18. Also send a card to Pat Ward who is turning 96 on Sept. 18.

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Cascade, IA 52033

Pat Ward  
Shady Rest Care Center  
701 Johnson St NW  
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