

October 11, 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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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

Kevin Schockemoehl - Chair
Bob Green – Vice Chair
Mike Otting - Secretary
Karen Knepper, Chuck Shanahan
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)

Sat Oct. 10	1:30pm (C) Nuptial Mass for Jake Welter & Sara Stevenson
	4:00pm (F) Steven Rea & Dave Rea
	5:30pm (C) Alma Knepper
Sun Oct. 11	8:00am (C) Jerry & Phyllis Green
	10:00am (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past.
Mon Oct 12	7:00am (C) W/C
Tues Oct 13	7:00am (C) The George Kurt & Ed Rehak Families
Wed Oct 14	7:00am (C) The Paul Lehman Family
Thu Oct. 15	7:00am (C) The Deceased Members of the James Casey Family
Fri Oct. 16	7:00am (C) Justin & Cecelia Gavin
Sat Oct. 17	1:00pm (C) Memorial Mass for Dave Otting
	4:00pm (T) Randall Schoenherr, Joe & Jane Stanton
	5:30pm (C) Tom McMullen
Sun Oct. 18	8:00am (C) Living & Deceased Members of Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court 1926
	10:00am (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past., Roberta Coyle

Twenty-eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time, October 11, 2020

From Fr. Mark

Our first reading and the Gospel passage both describe big feasts, with abundant food and wine. Providing the hospitality are very important things. All the people have to do is respond to the invitation, and show up in proper attire. The invitation to the dinner is a gift, with the host bearing the cost. Still, some people are too busy, or just not interested. Many commentators have drawn the connection between these banquets in today's readings and the Eucharistic banquet God offers. It is the Lord Jesus who has picked up the cost of this meal, and continually offers his healing presence. It is sad that too often, we are busy with other concerns.

St. Paul writes about being content with his life in Christ, whether he is going hungry, or living with abundance. Paul writes that the secret of his contentment, no matter his condition, is that "I can do all things in him who strengthens me."

The saints remind us of the risks of living in abundance, especially if this abundance is gained at the expense of those who do not share our material comforts. We have heard plenty about the "top 1%", who have such a huge proportion of the world's wealth. Pope John Paul II wrote in his encyclical, "THE GOSPEL OF LIFE", that the gap between rich and poor is itself a respect life issue. I have to be mindful of the abundance in my own life, since I have more disposable income than most of the world's people. This is due in part to your generosity in the way you support me as pastor. It is important that when it comes to wealth, that our material blessings are shared with those in need. One wealthy person, who was a major donor to his parish and to international charities, told me: "Forget about the instruction 'Give until it hurts'. My advice is: 'Give until it feels good!'" That is why Paul's advice seems so wise. Paul was not saying that wealth is evil. He taught that the intensity of his life with Christ was not dependent on material wealth or the lack thereof. Rather, Paul proclaimed: "I can do all things in him who strengthens me."

Pastorate

MercyOne Pharmacy will be providing flu vaccines after Masses on **Oct 17-18** for anyone 6 months and older. The flu vaccine is free with most insurances and otherwise is a \$25 charge. We will submit the claims to insurance after the clinics and will contact any patients who have a copay. Two popular insurance companies do not allow patients to be vaccinated at a pharmacy, and these include Medical Associates and Iowa Medicaid for children under the age of 18. We are happy to vaccinate anyone covered by these plans for \$25. We will have the forms in the back of St. Matthias before October 17/18. Please fill out the form ahead of time and be sure to either fill out the insurance information or just attach a copy of your insurance card. Please wear a top that allows easy upper arm access as well. Vaccines will be given after all Masses on October 17th & 18th.

After 4:00pm Mass at Temple Hill
After 5:00pm Mass at St. Matthias
After 8:00am Mass at St. Matthias
After 10:00am Mass at St. Matthias

- The Pastorate Office will be closed Monday, October 15, 2020 from 8:00am – 1:00pm for a training class.

COVID Recovery Iowa will provide counseling, virtual activities, referrals and help find resources to help Iowans build coping skills and resilience. Iowans can access services. Call the Iowa Warm Line, 844-775-9276-Visit www.COVIDrecoveryiowa.org- Follow COVID Recovery Iowa on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

Bereavement Series: The Pastorate will host a 5 - part series for persons who have suffered the death of a loved one: Tuesday evenings starting October 13th, 7:00pm in the Pastorate office. Come to any or all sessions. For information, contact Dianne Reiter – 852-3962 or Jean Mausser – 852-7709.

The Cascade Knights of Columbus Council #930 will be holding a DRIVE THROUGH chicken fry on Saturday, October 17, from 5-8pm at the Columbus Hall. We will be serving a ½ chicken dinner with baked potato, coleslaw and dinner roll. The price will be \$10.00. **Dinner will be served as carry out only.** Please drive through and pick up a delicious fried chicken dinner and help our council support our local charities!

Fasting Brothers are men who commit to fasting one day a week in conjunction with their parish's Seven Sisters group exclusively for the intentions of their pastor. We are looking for 6 men in our pastorate who can make a one-year commitment to choosing one of the 6 days of the week (Sunday is not included) who will fast physically & spiritually for our pastor. Call Dianne Koppes or the Pastorate Office.

Aquin Catholic Elementary School

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 or 852-3601. Registration covenants will also be available in the Pastorate Office.

Caring For Your Marriage- "Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find." (Mt 22:9) Consider helping other couples as they prepare for the sacrament of marriage. Bringing others to Christ in their marriage will help to bring your marriage to Christ as well!

Due to the coronavirus and social distancing the annual Clarity Clinic banquet will be held online on Tuesday, October 13th at 6:30 p.m. To register to watch the 30 minute video go to: go.clarityclinic.com/2020banquet After you register, a link will be emailed to you on the day of the event to watch the banquet. Any questions, call Dennis at 557-3123.

Sacred Heart, Fillmore

Sacred Heart Generosity: Oct. 3-4, 2020: Budget/Total: \$235.00

Liturgical Participation – Saturday, Oct. 10, 2020 – 4:00pm)

Commentator/Lector: Ruth Rea

Ushers: Karen Callahan, Marty Mausser, Jean Mausser

Church & Hall Cleaning October 2020:

Kevin & Deb Rea, Dixie Schuster, Tom & Cheri Ryan, Linda Melloy, Jerry & Sara Melloy, Patrick & Samantha Ryan

St. Patrick, Garryowen

St. Patrick Generosity: Oct. 3-4, 2020 –

Budget: \$891.00; Offertory: \$93.00; Total: \$984.00

Liturgical Participation – Saturday, Oct. 24-:00pm)

Commentator/Lector: Mary Pat Noonan;

Ushers: Rich Molony, Mark Redmond

Weekend Money Counters: October 2020–

Jean Their & Tom Donovan

Church & Hall Cleaning (Oct. 2020):

Mark & Monica Redmond, Mike & Deb Redmond

October 25, 2020 is the St. Patrick Parish Auction & Raffle

The Auction will be outdoors and start at noon. Farm items will be auctioned at 1:00pm. There will be no lunch served. The raffle items are inside. People are still encouraged to bring their auction items the week before to the hall. You can also use the Auction envelopes for any cash donations. There are 3 ways to get your raffle tickets:

- As mention below, the raffle tickets can be purchased after the St. Patrick Mass on October 24.
- You can call any of the Parish Council Members to purchase tickets.
- You can purchase tickets the day of the Auction.

The St. Patrick Parish Raffle tickets will be sold after the St. Patrick Mass (Saturday, October 24th). It is \$25.00 per ticket and the raffle includes several cash prizes, including one each: \$500, \$400, \$300, \$200 and \$100. If you have questions, or you are not able to purchase tickets after Mass, please contact a council member.

Winners will be drawn on Sunday, October 25th, during our annual parish auction. Winners need not be present to win.

St. Peter, Temple Hill

St. Peter Generosity: Oct. 3-4, 2020: Budget/Total: \$85.00

Liturgical Participation: (October 17, 2020 - 4:00 PM)

Lector/Commentator: Marci Roe *Eucharistic Minister:*

Emily Trumm; *Usher:* Joe & Norine Strang, Madeline Manternach, Jennifer Manternach

Church Cleaning: Joe & Norine Strang (leader), Ron Krapfl, Chris Krapfl, Marty & Angie Rausch, Ray & Mary Finn, Ray & Jeanne Manternach, Cyndi Trumm, Kris Hansen (before October 17)

The next Mass at St. Peter's is Saturday, October 17, 2020 at 4:00 PM.

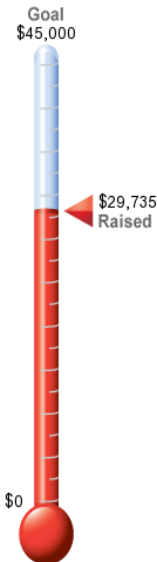
Rosary & Adoration at St. Peter's - Wednesday, October 14 at 7 PM.

St. Matthias, Cascade

St. Matthias Generosity: Oct. 3-4, 2020 – Budget:

\$4,270.00; Offertory: \$275.00; Fun Fest: \$1,650.00; Total:

\$10,415.50 **Liturgical Participation:** (weekdays: Oct. 12-16, 2020) - Lector/Eucharistic Minister: Jean Lynch



St. Matthias Parish Auction-Fun Fest Goal For 2020

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

Amount Contributed as of
October 4, 2020:
\$29,735

Amount still needed:
\$15,265

We are at 66% of our goal!

That Man Is You (TMIY) is back! Saturday's, from 6:30-8:00 am, and will continue to be held at the Columbus Club Hall! There is plenty of space in the hall to spread out as necessary to meet the comfort level of all participants and small groups. 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 any or all Saturday mornings!

Sacraments

Congratulations:

- ❖ Jake Welter & Sara Stevenson who were joined the sacrament of marriage this weekend. Jake is the son of Jim & Denise Welter.

David Otting Memorial Mass - There will be a Memorial Mass on Saturday, October 17th at St. Matthias. There will be a visitation from 11:30-12:45 before the Memorial Mass.

Jean Nauman wanted to thank you for all the birthday cards. She received more than 200 cards!! She wanted to say "God bless you always!"

