



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.

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We would like to recognize all those that have passed away from St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate that we honored last weekend.

Mary Beth Althoff
 Nick Beck
 Jerry Breitbach
 Mary Callahan
 Curt Curoe
 Bertha Feller
 Mary Jane Felton
 Ewald Gerken
 Mary Green
 Allan Hosch
 Marie Kivlahan
 Dennis Koppes
 Rodger Knepper
 Virginia Knepper
 Jim Krapfl
 Henry Kremer
 Connie Manders
 Ken McDermott
 Kathleen McDonnell
 Jean McLees
 Dolores McQuillen
 Richard Moore
 Marie Noonan
 Patrick Noonan
 Alfred Reiter
 Charles Sadler
 Angeline Sauser
 Lois Sullivan
 Adrian Vaske
 Betty Woerdehoff

Liturgy Schedule

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

Sat Nov 14	4:00pm (F) Roger Callahan 5:30pm (C) Susie Kurt, Lawrence & Bernadette Kurt
Sun Nov 15	8:00am (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past. 10:00am (C) Irwin Simon
Mon Nov 16	7:00am (C) W/C
Tues Nov 17	7:00am (C) Jim O'Neill 8:30am Aquin Online School Mass Dolores & Steven Kleitsch
Wed Nov 18	7:00am (C) Andy & Helen Laban
Thu Nov 19	7:00am (C) Carl & Marion Kremer
Fri Nov 20	7:00am (C) Ed & Lucy Green
Sat Nov 21	4:00pm (T) St Thomas Aquinas Past., Gary Kelchen & David Quint 5:30pm (C) Bub & Rose Leytem Family
Sun Nov 22	8:00am (C) Travis Kurt 10:00am (C) Lois Gudenkauf

Thirty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time, November 15, 2020

From Fr. Mark

Today we hear the parable Jesus tells of the three servants entrusted with the talents. In the time of Jesus, a "talent" was a unit of coinage of high but varying value, depending on its metal, (gold, silver or copper). These servants have a VERY wealthy master, since he can entrust such huge amounts of wealth to them. The first two servants in the parable are willing to be active investors of what the master has placed in their care. They share in their master's joy when the master returns. One of the problems the third servant has is that he fears the master, and so he buries the talent which has been entrusted to him in the ground. When the master returns, the talent the third servant has is taken away, and he is cast into the darkness.

How do we invest in our relationship with God? How do we use the time in our lives now, when God is not visible to us? One way to increase our awareness is, in the evening, to practice the prayer called the Examen. It was a method of prayer popularized by St. Ignatius of Loyola. This prayer was shared by Nicole Casey with the parents of First reconciliation students.

It is time set aside for reflection on where God is in your everyday life.

It follows these steps:

1. **Ask God for light.** (I want to look at my day with God's eyes, not merely my own.)
2. **Give thanks.** (The day I have just lived is a gift from God. Be grateful for it.)
3. **Review the day.** (I carefully look back on the day just completed, being guided by the Holy Spirit.)
4. **Face your shortcomings.** (I face up to what is wrong--in my life and in me.)
5. **Look toward the day to come.** (I ask where I need God in the day to come)

You can find out more about it at www.ignatianspirituality.com

We want to avoid living in fear of God, and how God might punish us when we mess up. The first two servants received the same wonderful reward. The master was not so much interested in results as he was in the efforts the servants made. God wants us to do the best we can with the talents we have been given!

Pastorate

We will celebrate the Rite of Anointing at all the masses next weekend. For safety purposes individual Qtips will be used to administer the oil.

We will accept your **Harvest of Blessings** envelopes through November 22, 2020. Thank you for all your generosity to date!

The Pastorate has ordered a new camera so that we can film our Masses however with a previous shutdown on many businesses, it is on backorder. We are hoping to receive it shortly and for you to be able to join us for Mass via livestream.

Caring For Your Marriage- "When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls." (Prov 31:10) Describe the

value of your wife in poetic terms today. If you are the wife, try filling in the blank: When one finds a worthy husband, his value is far beyond _____.

Since November is a month we think of being thankful, there are so many people behind the scenes that keeps our churches running. Here are just a some of the jobs that we owe a huge thank you for all they do throughout the year...

Sacristans:

Sacred Heart: Jean Mausser, Joan Turnis, Betty Wagner
St. Matthias: Carol Cigrand, Ernie & Jeanne Driscoll, Elona McLees, Maribeth Potter, Barb & Steve Sauser
St. Patrick: Pearl Shanahan

St. Peter: Mary Irene Peiffer, Julie Orris

Altar Decorators:

Sacred Heart: Joan Turnis
St. Matthias: Cathy Knuth, Mary Leytem, Altar flowers: Jean Conrad

St. Patrick: Vicki Noonan, Jean Recker

St. Peter: Norine Strang, Mary Irene Peiffer

Money Counters:

Sacred Heart: Marty & Jean Mausser

St. Matthias: CeAnn Brickley, Joyce Lynch, Ellen Lindauer, Shirley McDermott, Jeanne Driscoll, Jan Frasher, Bob Green, Deb Green, John & Linda Kremer, Jenny Beringer, Lavonne Kurt Maribeth Potter, Jean Lynch, Joe O'Brien, Ron Woerdehoff

St. Patrick: Tom Donovan, Loras Federspiel, Wanda Loewen, Adam Rollinger, Cathy Rubel, Chuck Shanahan, Eric Vaske

St. Peter: Joe & Sara Trumm, Joe & Norine Strang, Chris Krapfl, Dan Welter, Joe & Linda Schockemoehl, Nic & Diane Loes, Julie & Dennis Orris

Cemetery

Sacred Heart – Pat Rea, Nick Wagner

St. Matthias – Bill Gehl, Jean Simon, Jake Noonan

St. Patrick – Steve Gravel, Zip Gassman,

St. Aloysius - Don Claussen, John Martin

St. Peter – Ron Krapfl

Aquin Catholic Elementary School

We are very proud of the strong program we have at Aquin. If you are interested in visiting our school or want to learn more about it, for your children, please contact the school at 563.852.3331.

Our Holiday Scrip program starting Monday, November 2nd. For every \$200 of scrip you buy, your name will go in a drawing for a \$250 scrip certificate. Contact the school office at 563.852.3331 for more information or stop at one of our local banks.

Join us each Tuesday live for our Aquin student Masses. If you are unable to join us live, you can find the recorded Masses on our web site at www.aquin.org.

Sacred Heart, Fillmore

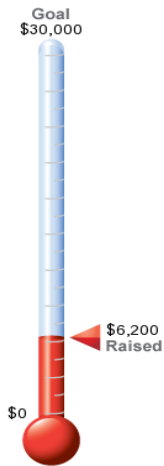
Sacred Heart Generosity: Nov. 7-8, 2020: Budget: \$270.00; Christmas: \$200.00; Auction: \$500.00; Total: \$970.00

Liturgical Participation-Saturday, Nov 14, 2020 4:00pm

Commentator/Lector: Carolyn Turnis

Ushers: Joan Turnis, Kathy Staner
Church & Hall Cleaning November 2020:
 Missy Stoll, Randy & Gina Gadiant, Mark & Angie Payne,
 Pat Delaney, Ed & Margie Stoll, Randy & Linda Roling

Lector/Commentator/Eucharistic Minister: Pat Noonan
 Ushers: Kelly Sullivan/Shellie Schlemme
Sunday – Nov. 22, 8:00am
 Lector/Commentator: Chris Casey/Eucharistic Minister Tara
 Noonan; Ushers: Tara Noonan, Bridget Rea
Sunday – Nov. 22, 10:00am
 Lector/Commentator/Eucharistic Minister: Jason McDermott
 Ushers: Ken & Karen McDermott



Auction Fundraising Goal to reach by December 31, 2020:
\$30,000

Amount Contributed as of November 8, 2020:
\$6,200

Amount still needed:
\$23,800

We are at 21% of our goal!

ALL OF HEAVEN by Jon Leonetti
 At every Holy Mass the Angels are there in all their splendor, the Saints are there in all their glory, Mary is there with all her love, and above all, God is there in all His majesty. Truly, at every Holy Mass, the entire Kingdom of God dwells before and within us. What a gift the Holy Mass is to the world.

St. Patrick, Garryowen
St. Patrick Generosity: Nov. 7-8, 2020: Budget: \$1,443.00; Offertory: 72.00; Auction: \$200.00; Holy Days \$25.00; Thanksgiving: \$70.00; Total: \$1,810.00
Liturgical Participation – Saturday, Nov. 28-4:00pm
 Commentator/Lector: Denny Brackemyer;
 Ushers: Matt King, Mike Redmond
Weekend Money Counters: November 2020– Chuck Shanahan & Eric Vaske
Church & Hall Cleaning (Nov. 2020):
 Bob & Vicki Noonan, Alan & Lois Gravel

St. Peter, Temple Hill
St. Peter Generosity: Nov. 7-8, 2020: Budget/Total: \$50.00
Liturgical Participation: (November 21, 2020 - 4:00 PM)
 Lector/Commentator: Kevin Schockemoehl
 Eucharistic Minister: Matt Manternach
 Usher: Lee & Marci Roe; Ty & Jeff Kelchen
Church Cleaning: Nic & Diane Loes (leader), Ron & Monica Fagan, Gary & Sue Fagan, Casey & Jackie Huston, Greg & Carol Bertling, Mike & Sharon Bertling (before November 21)
Our next Mass at St. Peter's is Saturday, November 21, 2020 at 4:00 PM.
Rosary & Adoration at St. Peter's - Wednesday, November 18 at 7 PM.

St. Matthias, Cascade
St. Matthias Generosity: Nov. 7-8, 2020 – Budget: \$5,479.00; Offertory: \$364.00; Thanksgiving: \$1,070.00; Christmas: \$100.00; All Saints: \$290.00; Grain Bank: \$3,167.00; Total: \$10,470.00

Thank you to all who donated to The St. Matthias FunFest Fundraiser this year. Our total to date is \$36,115.00, which is 80% of our goal. Thanks for everyone's generosity for making this fundraiser a success. Hopefully we will back next year with the FunFest in person!!!

Liturgical Participation: (Weekdays Nov 16-20): Jean Conrad
Saturday – Nov. 21, 5:30pm-

PICK OF THE WEEK
 November 15, 2020

MARY OF NAZARETH
 This film vividly captures Mary's profound faith and trust in God amidst the great mysteries that she lived as the Mother of the Messiah, as well as her compassion and concern for others and the deep love that she and Jesus shared for one another.

WATCH

SYMBOLON: KNOWING THE FAITH. SESSION 5: PETER AND THE KEYS
 This week is the Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul. Learn more about Peter's role in the Church and the imagery behind Jesus' famous words to Peter.

LEARN

ODE TO SAINT CECILIA
 In this Augustine Institute audio drama, Ode to Saint Cecilia tells the dramatic story of a modest young woman from Rome whose life transcends time to influence poets, composers, sculptors, and painters.

LISTEN

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“In order to perform an act of worship acceptable to the Lord, we have to recognize that each person, even the poorest and most contemptible, is made in the image of God.”

—Pope Francis, Fourth World Day of the Poor, November 15, 2020

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