

January 24, 2021



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
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Pastorate Office

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Hours Monday – Thursday: 8:30am-4:30pm
Friday: 8:30am – 1:00pm

Pastorate Support Staff

Business Manager, Kerri Takes
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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

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

Liturgy Schedule

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

Sat Jan 23	4:00pm (G) Bernard Firemen, Willard & Marie Noonan
	5:30pm (C) Richard & Murilla Gehl
Sun Jan 24	8:00am (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past. 10:00am (C) Pat & Mary A. Noonan, Allan Hosch
Mon Jan 25	7:00am (C) W/C
Tue Jan 26	7:00am (C) Deceased Members of Pete & Clara Strang Family 8:30am Aquin Mass Bee Gudenkauf & Ade Kurt
Wed Jan 27	7:00am (C) Bob & Shirley Sadler, Dolores McQuillen
Thu Jan 28	7:00am (C) Bob, Kathy & Pat Boyle, Fr. Carl Manternach
Fri Jan 29	7:00am (C) Deceased Members of John G & Ella Kurt Family, Margaret Koensigsfeld
Sat Jan 30	1:30pm (T) Nuptial Mass for: Ray Kurt & Dolly Till 4:00pm (T) Merlin Peiffer, Mr. & Mrs. Henry Peiffer & Family 5:30pm (C) Catholic Schools Week Mass Henry, Justin & Terry Joe Kremer
Sun Jan 31	8:00am (C) Al, Anne & Dave Quint 10:00am (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past.

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time, January 24, 2021

From Fr. Mark

In today's readings, we hear of the call of God to Jonah. But actually, this is not the first time Jonah was called. Jonah, did not want to engage in the mission God ordered. Jonah tried to escape God's mission by boarding a boat which headed in the opposite direction from where Jonah was supposed to go. However, when a storm came up, and Jonah was thrown overboard by the crew (Jonah's idea) in an effort to appease God, Jonah was then swallowed by a large fish (perhaps a whale). Only then, when he is called again, (in today's passage), does Jonah obey. And the reason Jonah does not want to obey God at first? Because God wants Jonah to preach to the people of Nineveh, the archenemy of the Israelites. Jonah would rather have God destroy the people of Nineveh. He hoped none of them would repent. But they did, and God spared them.

In the Gospel of Mark, we hear of the call of Simon Peter, Andrew, James and John. This version of the call of Andrew and Simon Peter is a little different from what we heard from last week's passage from the Gospel of John. These call stories remind us that we, too, are called to be disciples of Jesus.

"When we make the decision to become a disciple of Jesus Christ, we not only agree to take on an utterly changed way of being, but also agree to leave behind anything that might present an obstacle to our new mission. Indifference (to injustice, suffering), selfishness, prejudice, a stubborn pursuit of unworthy aims--none of these can be part of our new path. The Christian life is a continual process of discernment and formation" (from AT HOME WITH THE WORD)

In the story of Jonah, the people of Israel are asked to let go of one of their deepest grudges, and ask God to give their enemies another chance. I can ask myself, am I willing to ask God to bless those people I resent?

Pastorate

Our Pastorate collected a total of \$3,080.00 for the Religious Retirement collection in December. Thank you for your donations!

There are many things at the Lost and Found table sitting at the entrance of St. Matthias, including a black bracelet with silver metal accents and a pair of gloves. Please check to see if any of the items belong to you.

Meetings:

Faith Formation – Feb. 1, 6:30pm, Pastorate Office

St. Matthias Parish and Community Presbyterian Church will be holding their annual Ecumenical Service on this Sunday, January 24. The service will be held at St. Martin Church at 5:00 pm. All are welcome to attend this service which concludes the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Hope to see you there!

We would like to be able to use email more often as an additional way to contact our parishioners for various announcements, events, etc. throughout the year. Please contact the Pastorate Office at 852-3524 to provide your email address or verify your existing email address. This might also be a good time to call us with any address or phone number changes. Thank you!

Save the date

for the Annual Aquin System Gala on
Saturday April 17, 2021.

If you would like to volunteer or donate an item you can contact Abby Archer at 563-590-7439 or Karen Bergfeld at 563-599-0980.

We will be livestreaming the 5:30 Mass every Saturday and you can view it through Facebook. If you don't have a Facebook account, you can still watch Mass through our website at stapastorate.org and click on the Facebook link there. **If you would like to help with the livestreaming, please contact the Pastorate Office at 852-3524.**

The St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate Social Justice Committee

Pop-Up Food Pantry Saturday schedule - Saturday, January 30th in the St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate Office Basement at 408 3rd Ave NW, Cascade.

Caring For Your Marriage- Jesus' invitation to Andrew, "Come, and you will see," moves Andrew to introduce his brother Simon Peter to Christ. Has your family ever been a means of "inviting" someone to behold" God's love in their lives? Think about ways God provides opportunities for new beginnings in the midst of change.

That Man Is You (TMIY) has started for the spring semester meeting in person at the Columbus Club Hall from 6:30 to 8:00 am. It will continue through April 10, 2021 with the usual format of light breakfast, video presentation, and group discussion. Anyone is welcome to attend any week whether you have attended before or not! Feel free to call Chris Casey at 563-542-0590 with any questions!

Aquin Catholic Elementary School

We are already planning for the 2021-2022 school year. If you are interested in registering your child and/or learning more about Aquin, go to our school website at www.aquin.org. Find the Parent drop down tab and find Student Registration. Come be a part of Aquin.

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.

#beloved #beaquin

Local Access Channel Weekly Mass Schedule:

Monday	8:00am
Friday	3:00pm, 8:00pm
Saturday	8:00am, 4:00pm, 5:00pm, 6:00pm
Sunday	6:00am, 9:00am, 12:00pm, 4:00pm

Sacred Heart, Fillmore

Sacred Heart Generosity: Jan. 16-17, 2021: Budget: \$375.00; EFT: \$50.00; Auction: \$100.00; Total: \$525.00

Liturgical Participation-Saturday, February 13, 2020 4:00pm

Commentator/Lector: Marty Mausser; *Eucharistic Minister:* Karen Callahan; *Ushers:* Chuck & Amy Noonan

Church & Hall Cleaning Done by February 13, 2021:

Donnie & Kathy Staner, Tony & Laurie Decker, Marty & Megan Staner, Kelly & Jenny Ryan, Wayne & Lisa Bergfeld, Mark & Penny Schiltz, Randy & Wendy Bergfeld, Calvin & Alise Rea

Financial report as of December 31, 2020	
Sacred Heart	Actual YTD
YTD Income	\$64,225
YTD Expenses	\$39,233
Excess Income/Exp	\$24,992
Chart includes all income & expenses as of 12/31/2020	

St. Patrick, Garryowen

St. Patrick Generosity: Jan. 9-10, 2021: Budget: \$763.00; Initial Offering: \$3.00; Total: \$766.00

Liturgical Participation – Saturday, Feb. 6, 2021-4:00pm

Commentator/Lector: Wanda Loewen; *Euch. Min.:* Diane Vaske, *Ushers:* Rich Molony, Mark Redmond

Weekend Money Counters: February 2021

Jean Thier & Tom Donovan

Church & Hall Cleaning (Feb. 2021):

Dave & Pearl Shanahan, Bob & Sue Nolan, Karla Mahoney

Financial report as of December 31, 2020	
St Patrick	Actual YTD
YTD Income	\$93,187
YTD Expenses	\$74,882
Excess Income/Exp	\$18,305
Chart includes all income & expenses as of 12/31/2020	

St. Peter, Temple Hill

St. Peter Generosity: Jan. 16-17, 2021: Budget: \$1,860.00; Offertory: \$82.00; EFT: \$360.00; Rent: \$500.00; Total: \$2,802.00

Liturgical Participation: (January 30, 2021 - 4:00 PM)

Lector/Commentator: Sue Trumm

Eucharistic Minister: Kevin Schockemoehl

Usher: Ryan Schockemoehl, Joe Strang

Church Cleaning: Brian & LuAnn Manternach (leader), Joan Hoffmann, Jamie & Lisa Manternach, Ben Manternach, Todd Manternach, Jay & Maddi Manternach, Craig & Danielle

Manternach, Paul & Barb Peiffer, Jennifer Peiffer, Dan & Julie Finn (before February 20, 2021)
Rosary & Adoration at St. Peter's - Wednesday, January 27 at 7 PM

Financial report as of December 31, 2020	
St Peter	Actual YTD
YTD Income	\$92,522
YTD Expenses	\$57,438
Excess Income/Exp	\$35,084
Chart includes all income & expenses as of 12/31/2020	

St. Matthias, Cascade

St. Matthias Generosity: Jan. 16-17, 2021 – Budget: \$3,690.00; Offertory: \$361.75; EFT: \$5,364.00; Holy Days: \$45.00; Total: \$9,460.75

Liturgical Participation: (Weekdays Jan. 25-29): Jean Lynch
Saturday – Jan 30, 5:30pm-

Lector/Commentator/Eucharistic Minister: Barb Otting;

Ushers: Mark Otting, Kelly Sullivan

Sunday – Jan. 31, 8:00am

Lector/Commentator/Eucharistic Minister: Jean Conrad;

Ushers: Mike Rea, Matt Nauman

Sunday – Jan. 31, 10:00am

Lector/Commentator/Eucharistic Minister: Debbie Wessels;

Ushers: Ken & Karen McDermott

Financial report as of December 31, 2020	
St Matthias	Actual YTD
YTD Income	\$383,331
YTD Expenses	\$331,342
Excess Income/Exp	\$51,989
Chart includes all income & expenses as of 12/31/2020	

Super Bowl Breakfast – The St. Thomas Aquinas Knights of Columbus Council # 930 is having the annual Super Bowl Breakfast on Sunday, February 7, at the Columbus Hall in Cascade. THIS YEAR'S BREAKFAST WILL BE A DRIVE THROUGH EVENT. Serving scrambled eggs, hash browns, sausage patties, ham, and cinnamon rolls. Cost is \$8.00 per breakfast. Serving from 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Proceeds go to sponsor Cascade Area Right to Life, educational scholarships, and other local organizations. All are welcome!

Catholic Charities Counselors are accepting new clients from any location in the Archdiocese of Dubuque via telehealth. The telehealth process allows our counselors to meet with clients remotely via computer or other devices. Counseling provides individuals, couples, and families the ability to work out their challenges before they become a crisis, helping to maintain emotional health and strengthen relationships. Contact us at 563-588-0558 to be connected to one of our licensed professionals.