

April 4, 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

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Aquin Little Angels Early Childhood Ctr 563-852-7020

New Parishioners

Welcome! Contact the pastorate office 563-852-3524

Baptisms

Baptism class required. Next virtual class – March 15, 7pm. Contact Ray & Carol Noonan at 852-3181 to register for the class. Call the office 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

Liturgy Schedule

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

Sat April 3	8:00pm (C) Scott Koppes, Clyde & Delores Kean, Herby & Erma Koppes and Families
Sun April 4	Easter Sunday 7:00am (G) Shirley Hosch, James Molony 8:00am (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past. 9:00am (T) Roger & Mary Callahan, Gary Kelchen & David Quint 10:00am (C) Janet Staner 11:00am (F) Deceased Members of the Driscoll & Martin Families.
Mon April 5	7:00am (C) W/C
Tue April 6	8:30am (C) Karl (Butch) Kurt, Stan Callahan
Wed April 7	7:00am (C) Ellen Marie Shanahan
Thu April 8	10:30am (C) Memorial Mass for Chuck Henry
Fri April 9	7:00am (C) Dave Rea
Sat April 10	3:00pm (C) First Communion-family only 4:00pm (F) Kathleen & Paul McDonnell & Janice McDonnell 5:30pm (C) Travis Kurt, Pat Kurt, Alan Kurt
Sun April 11	8:00am (C) Ewald & Elizabeth Gerken 10:00am (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past., Al Smith & the H.N. Smith Family 12:00pm (C) First Communion-family only

Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021

From Fr. Mark

Happy Easter!!!

We welcome all of our members and all of our guests here today! Because of Covid 19, many of you have been away for a while. We appreciate your patience with our restrictions. In our efforts to help increase the safety of our parishioners, we are glad that you continue to wear masks and to practice social distancing. We are also grateful that many of you have been able to participate in the Mass through our livestream during the past several weeks. Hopefully things will get a little easier in the months ahead.

Easter is a wonderful time to consider God's blessings. We believe that Jesus Christ has risen from the dead, and that he wants to share that victory over death with you and me! In today's Gospel passage, three women, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, go to the tomb where Jesus' body had been laid, and found that the stone sealing the tomb had been rolled away. The women are told that the One who had been crucified was raised up, and is no longer in the tomb. The women were told to spread the good news of Jesus' victory. Their lives were changed! And now, 2000 years later, we still are believing that the good news of that Easter morning can change our lives, too.

The foundation of our belief in the Resurrection, the new life Jesus offers, is in what happened to his followers. They were given the gift of the Holy Spirit, and in spreading the teachings of Jesus and sharing in his Body and Blood, had become members of his Body, the Church. We have been offered that same invitation. By your presence with us today, in the church or watching via the livestream, you too, are invited to share in the resurrected life of Jesus. Keep coming back! Perhaps you are looking for a faith community to join. If you would like to join us, or find out more, please call us at 563 852 3524.

Congratulations to the two women who received the sacraments at our Easter Vigil: Alisha Smith and Ali Hutchins!

Thanks to all who have helped us in planning and participating in our Holy Week Services and Easter masses. We are grateful to our liturgical ministers, liturgy committee members, servers, singers and musicians. Lots of people have donated flowers in memory of loved ones, and others have helped decorate our churches in a beautiful way. We are grateful to all of you!

On behalf of the staff members of the St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate, Happy Easter!

Pastorate

Bereavement Series: The Pastorate will host a 5 - part series for persons who have suffered the death of a loved one: Tuesday evenings starting April 27, 2021, 7:00pm in the Pastorate office. Come to any or all sessions. For information, contact Jean Mausser – 852-7709 or 563-495-2206.

All Parish Cemetery Reminder: Please remove any winter decorations on grave sites that will interfere with mowing and spring clean-up.

Caring For Your Marriage- "He has been raised..." (Mk 16:6) He is risen! Alleluia! Today on this most holy of days, celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus with your family: a special meal, songs, prayers. Celebrate the freedom from sin and death we have in Jesus!

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.

Aquin is looking for a PT cleaner for the school. Interested candidates should contact Kelli Trumm at 563.852.3331. The position could be filled immediately or June 1st.

Aquin Little Angels Early Childhood Center

in Cascade, Iowa, is looking for immediate help for our center. Employment for full-time, part-time, and week-to-week positions are available. Applicants must be a minimum of 16 years old. Schedules will be completed week-to-week with a fluid number of hours. If you are interested, please complete an application via Facebook or submit your resume to aquinlittleangels@aquin.org.

The Annual Aquin System Gala on Saturday, April 17, 2021.

Sacred Heart, Fillmore

Sacred Heart Generosity: Mar. 27-28, 2021: Budget: \$1,215.00; Easter: \$100.00 Total: \$1,315.00

Liturgical Participation-Saturday, April 10, 2021 11:00am

Commentator/Lector: Megan Knapp; *Eucharistic Minister:* Jean Mausser; *Ushers:* Mike & Bridget Rea

Church & Hall Cleaning Done by April 1, 2021:

John & Sue Krogman, Randy & Jody Knapp, Dave & Sherry Menke, Pam Lynch, Tom Recker, Tom & Jennifer Hunt, Scot & Ashley Tumey, Andy & Megan Knapp

St. Patrick, Garryowen

St. Patrick Generosity: Mar. 27-28, 2021: Budget:

\$1,000.00; Easter: \$850.00; Irish Breakfast: \$370.00; Total: \$2,220.00

Liturgical Participation – Saturday, April 24, 7:00am

Lect/Comm: Wanda Loewen; *Euch. Min:* Diane Vaske;

Ushers: Chuck Shanahan, Bert Meloy

Weekend Money Counters: April 2021

Jean Thier & Tom Donovan

Church & Hall Cleaning (Apr. 2021):

Brian & Josey Noonan, Tom & Laura Ries, Jason & Laura Noonan

Even though we cannot gather as usual for our Irish

Breakfast this year, you are encouraged to support this event through your contributions to help us meet our budget needs for this fiscal year. If you indicate the Irish Breakfast on your contribution, you will receive credit for this on your contribution statement. The best way to do this is to make your contribution in a separate envelope marked "Irish Breakfast". If you have any questions, please contact the Pastorate Office. Thank you for your continued support of our parish!

Spring CLEANING - There will be a spring cleaning of the church and the hall on Saturday, April 17th. There will be a sign up in the back of church for you to indicate what time you can come help. Thanks!

St. Peter, Temple Hill

St. Peter Generosity: Mar. 27-28, 2021: Budget: \$140.00; Youth Budget: \$1.00; Total: \$140.00

Liturgical Participation: (April 17, 2021 - 4:00 PM)

Lector/Commentator: Madeline Manternach

Eucharistic Minister: Emily Trumm

Usher: Jay Trumm, Jason Kurt

Church Cleaning: Joe & Linda Schockemoehl (leader), Alex & Kayla Schockemoehl, Peter & Liz Lensen, Donnie & Kay Manternach, Ralph & Janice Trumm, Jay & Sue Trumm, Park, Jared, & John Trumm (before April 17, 2021)

Rosary & Adoration at St. Peter's - Wed., April 7 at 7 PM

St. Peter's Parish Blood Drive - Thanks to all who donated blood or helped with our parish blood drive on Monday. The crew was pleased with the 27 units that were collected!

We are looking for someone to do weed whipping around the church grounds and cemetery. You must be 18 yrs of age. Let Julie know if you are interested.

St. Matthias, Cascade

St. Matthias Generosity: Mar. 27-28, 2021 – Budget: \$6,432.00; Offertory: \$573.95; Easter: \$1,440.00; Total: \$8,445.95

Lit. Participation: (Weekdays Apr. 5-9): Carol Noonan
Saturday – April 10: 5:30pm –

Lector/Commentator/Eucharistic Minister: Pat Noonan

Ushers: Mike & Jan Donovan

Sunday – April 11: 8:00am –

Lector/Commentator: Cheryl Reiter; E.M.: Chuck Reiter;

Ushers: Matt & Carson Nauman

Sunday – April 11: 10:00am

Lector/Commentator/Eucharistic Minister: Jean Lynch

Ushers: Ken & Karen McDermott

THANK YOU to those who helped clean St. Matthias church. It was a big job well done. Your hard work is very much appreciated. Thanks again.

Knights of Columbus Scholarship

For a student to apply for the Cascade Knights of Columbus Scholarship, the student must be the son or daughter of an active member of the Cascade Council #930 of the Knights of Columbus. To apply check at the Guidance Office at Cascade High School or for more information, contact Tom Gleason 563.451.4376.

The Molony Foundation is now accepting applications

1. Nursing scholarships 2. 4-H scholarships

Applications can be found at St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate offices, Beckman, Cascade, Maquoketa and Western Dubuque High School guidance offices, NICC nursing department, Dubuque County Extension office or by sending a request to: molonyfoundation@gmail.com.

Applications must be received by April 5, 2021 to be considered.

10th Annual Cougar Pride Day-Seeking Jobs!

Cascade Jr./Sr. High School believes that spring is on its way and they want to help you out. Do you have any jobs or tasks needed to be done around your house or property? What about your neighbors? If so, the Cascade student body is beginning to plan for their 10th annual community service day in order to assist the community with certain responsibilities. On Wednesday, April 21st, the students and faculty will disperse in groups of about twelve to fifteen throughout the surrounding Cascade, Fillmore, Temple Hill, and Bernard areas to perform duties for the various residents or businesses. If needed, the students may pick up litter, paint sheds, do landscaping, or any other task requested by the person in need. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all jobs will be outside the homeowner's residence. The students will donate their service and effort while the residents supply the needed supplies for the services. If inclement weather occurs, a rain date is scheduled for Wednesday, April 28th. Any residents or organization who wish to request students to visit their home or property can contact Alisha Smith at Cascade High School at (563) 852-3201 ext. 1029 or email at alisha.smith@wdbqschools.org, by April 9th, 2021.

St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate Food Pantry would like to thank our **Aquin Matthew 25 Club**. They not only come over and help weekly carry food into the pantry, but they had a food drive and gathered enough non-perishable items to last the pantry for weeks. Today, they presented the pantry with a check for \$379.76 that they collected from and out of uniform day. We can not thank this wonderful group enough!!!



Front from L to R: Emma Noonan, Maria McCarthy, Ava Kremer, Hallie Kelchen, Harper Sconsa, Aubrey Trumm, Samantha Coyle, Back from L to R: Shellie Schlemme, Maggie Archer, Ella Nauman, McKinley Curtis, Izzy Rhomberg, Gabby Turnis, Riley Finn, Vicki Palmer and Fr. Mark Osterhaus. Not pictured: Jillian King, Gillian Dowe, William King

The club's mission will embrace Catholic social justice teachings while allowing our students to collaborate with our parish and community. They will be living out the message of Matthew 25: "For I was hungry and you gave Me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave Me something to drink, I was a stranger and you took Me in. I was naked and you clothed Me, I was sick and you looked after Me, I was in prison and you visited Me."

**Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord
The Mass of Easter Day**

Reading I Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Peter proceeded to speak and said:
“You know what has happened all over Judea,
beginning in Galilee after the baptism
that John preached,
how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth
with the Holy Spirit and power.
He went about doing good
and healing all those oppressed by the devil,
for God was with him.
We are witnesses of all that he did
both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem.
They put him to death by hanging him on a tree.
This man God raised on the third day and granted that
he be visible,
not to all the people, but to us,
the witnesses chosen by God in advance,
who ate and drank with him after he rose from the
dead.
He commissioned us to preach to the people
and testify that he is the one appointed by God
as judge of the living and the dead.
To him all the prophets bear witness,
that everyone who believes in him
will receive forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Responsorial Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

R. (24) This is the day the Lord has made; let us
rejoice and be glad.
Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his mercy endures forever.
Let the house of Israel say,
“His mercy endures forever.”
R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice
and be glad..
“The right hand of the LORD has struck with power;
the right hand of the LORD is exalted.
I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD.”
R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice
and be glad.
The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.
By the LORD has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes.
R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice
and be glad.

Reading II Col 3:1-4

Brothers and sisters:
If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is
above,
where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.
Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.

For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ
in God.

When Christ your life appears,
then you too will appear with him in glory.

Sequence Victimae paschali laudes

Christians, to the Paschal Victim
Offer your thankful praises!
A Lamb the sheep redeems;
Christ, who only is sinless,
Reconciles sinners to the Father.
Death and life have contended in that combat
stupendous:
The Prince of life, who died, reigns immortal.
Speak, Mary, declaring
What you saw, wayfaring.
“The tomb of Christ, who is living,
The glory of Jesus’ resurrection;
Bright angels attesting,
The shroud and napkin resting.
Yes, Christ my hope is arisen;
to Galilee he goes before you.”
Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life
obtaining.
Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning!
Amen. Alleluia.

Alleluia Cf. 1 Cor 5:7b-8a

R. Alleluia, alleluia.
Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed;
let us then feast with joy in the Lord.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Mark 16:1-7

When the sabbath was over,
Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James, and
Salome
bought spices so that they might go and anoint him.
Very early when the sun had risen,
on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb.
They were saying to one another,
“Who will roll back the stone for us
from the entrance to the tomb?”
When they looked up,
they saw that the stone had been rolled back;
it was very large.
On entering the tomb they saw a young man
sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe,
and they were utterly amazed.
He said to them, “Do not be amazed!
You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified.
He has been raised; he is not here.
Behold the place where they laid him.
But go and tell his disciples and Peter,
‘He is going before you to Galilee;
there you will see him, as he told you.’”

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of
the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer Meditation for Easter Octave

Halleluia! All glory, praise and honor to You, Most Glorious Lord Jesus! You have risen from the grave, You have conquered sin and death, You have opened the gates to Heaven! Halleluia! All praise and honor to You, Most Glorious Lord Jesus!

My Lord, hope is restored, joy and excitement are instilled in many hearts as You quietly, gently and gloriously rise from the dead and bring forth new life for this fallen world. Sweet Jesus, give me the eyes of faith that I may see and believe in Your Resurrection. Help me to know the effects of Your triumph in my life. As I come to know You, my resurrected Lord, help me to entrust to You all that I am and all that I hope to be. Help me to trust in the abundant Mercy that flows from Your resurrected soul.

Dear Lord, help me to enter deeply into the mystery of Easter during this eight-day celebration of the Octave of Easter. I pray that every day of this Octave will be a day of deepening trust and union with You in the glory of Your Resurrection.

Lord of Mercy, as our Church prepares for the glorious celebration of Mercy, poured out in a special way on the eighth day of this Octave on Divine Mercy Sunday, help me to open my heart more deeply than ever before to the abundance of Grace and Mercy You wish to bestow. Pour forth Your Mercy into my life and into the lives of all Your children. I offer You my family, friends, community and the entire world. I pray for the faithful, the sinner, the lost and confused, the clergy, our Holy Father and all of Your precious children. May we all anticipate, with eager hope, the abundance of grace You wish to dispense.

My Resurrected Jesus of Mercy, I trust in You. Jesus, I trust in You. Jesus, I trust in You!

Halleluia! All glory, praise and honor to You, Most Glorious Lord Jesus! You have risen from the grave, You have conquered sin and death, You have opened the gates to Heaven! Halleluia! All praise and honor to You, Most Glorious Lord Jesus!
Amen.

Wishing Everyone a

Blessed

Easter!!