

May 30, 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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### Pastorate Support Staff

Business Manager, Kerri Takes  
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Director, Angela Schrodt  
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### New Parishioners

Welcome! Contact the pastorate office 563-852-3524

### Baptisms

Baptism class required. Next virtual class – June 7, 2021, 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

### Pastorate Committee Opportunities

Call the Pastorate Office for more info  
Community Life, Faith Formation, Liturgy, Social Just.

### 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 May 29	4:00pm (F)	Deceased Members of the Driscoll & Martin Families
	5:30pm (C)	Fred Neiers, Tom Koppes, Scott Koppes, Herbie & Erma Koppes & Family, Herb Green
Sun May 30	8:00am (C)	St. Thomas Aquinas Past.
	10:00am (C)	Baccalaureate Mass Ed & Lucy Green
Mon May 31	8:00am (C)	Richard Henry Family
Tue Jun 1	7:00am (C)	Ken McDermott
Wed Jun 2	7:00am (C)	Joann T. Otting & Joseph Otting Family
Thu Jun 3	7:00am (C)	Living & Deceased Members of Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court 1926
Fri Jun 4	7:00am (C)	Fr. Ken Stecher
Sat Jun 5	4:00pm (G)	Kathleen & Paul McDonnell, Janice McDonnell, Janice Heister
	5:30pm (C)	Grace Roling, Joseph Kremer, George Kremer & Rosemary Kremer
Sun Jun 6	8:00am (C)	St. Thomas Aquinas Past.
	10:00am (C)	Tony Sieverding & Charles Kremer

# The Most Holy Trinity Sunday, May 30, 2021

## From Fr. Mark

Congratulations to all the graduates!!

I include our high school seniors, as well as those graduating from college, and those who are completing advanced degrees. May God bless you all as you take the next step in life!

We also celebrate Memorial Day on Monday. We recognize the sacrifices made by all the men and women who have served our country in the armed services. We pray in a special way for those veterans who have died.

Thanks also to all who do the work in our cemeteries. We have volunteers who help families in their selection of graves. We have people who mow and do the weed cutting close to the headstones. We have members of the Legion who aid in providing burial services.

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. Our readings from the Scriptures give us insights into the community of three Persons who are all God, and together ONE GOD. The sign of the cross is such a simple prayer, but when we make the sign of the cross, we are placing ourselves under the authority and protection of the Three Persons who together are ONE GOD.

In the first reading we hear of God's power and might as he cares for the people God himself has chosen.

In the second reading we hear that the holy Spirit bears witness that God has adopted us as his children.

In the Gospel, Jesus promises us that he will always be with us.

Our readings assure us that God, who is a community of love within God's own self as the Trinity, invites us to join with one another in that community of love as well.

## Pastorate

### Heal Our Land Holy Hour

"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear them from Heaven, and I will forgive their sins and will heal their land." 2 Chronicles 7:14

Our country is going through a dark time. But we believe God is calling us to change the course of history, taking seriously our duty of Christian witness. Together, we will adore Jesus Christ, and invite Him to make Himself present in our land, and by His Presence, to free it from the powers of darkness.

All are welcome to join us for Eucharistic Adoration with the specific prayer intention to "Heal Our Land" beginning Thursday, May 27, 2021 and continuing every Thursday night through October 7, 2021 from 6 to 7pm at St. Matthias.

A worship aide will be available for your convenience. Confession will be offered when Fr Osterhaus is available.

## Congratulations to our Pastorate Graduates:

Dane Bertling	Jonah Manternach
Ethan Boge	Ray Martin
Emily Conlin	Taylor Menster
Isaac Delarosa	Jackson McAleer
Libby Felton	Anna McDermott
Nicole Finzel	Cael McDermott
Nolan Frasher	Nate McDermott
Samantha Frasher	Carson Nauman
Sydney Gehl	Aidan Noonan
Eli Green	Nora Noonan
Tessa Hill	Emma Ostwinkle
Kyle Hunt	Cooper Rausch
Lauren Johnson	Rachel Rhomberg
Natalie Johnston	Ray Sietz
Vic Kauder	Carson Staner
Claire Knepper	Brody Supple
Alyssa Koppes	Kaleb Topping
Casey Koppes	Emily Trumm
Cody Kremer	Sydney Weber
Gabe Lange	Ted Weber
Julia Ludwig	

**Caring For Your Marriage-** "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." (Mt 28:19) We are called to lead others to Christ. Reflect on how you and your family are living out this call. Be witnesses to the love of Christ.

### Aquin Catholic Elementary School

*From the first day I walked into Aquin (five years ago) I knew how special this place was. The staff and students are exceptional and the community has been so supportive of us over the years.*

*Although COVID made us pivot everyday this year, we navigated through it successfully. Every year has had its ups and downs, but COVID didn't keep us from being an Aquin family. COVID could NEVER take away the love and spirit that lives and breathes at Aquin. You can feel it every day in the teachers and in their relationships with the students and the love and respect coworkers feel for each other.*

*It's been an honor serving as your principal these past five years and being a part of the Aquin family.*

*Blessings ~Ms. Palmer*

Aquin has a full-time/or part-time cleaning position beginning June 1st or August 1st. Contact Kelli Trumm at 563.852.3331 with details. Competitive hourly wage.

Aquin has a full-time lunch position. Contact Lois Merkes at [Imerkes@aquin.org](mailto:Imerkes@aquin.org) with questions.

**Looking ahead:**

Registration materials for the 2021-2022 school year will be available on our website at [www.Aquin.org](http://www.Aquin.org) by July 12th,

Registration for the 2021-2022 Aquin School year will be held on Tuesday, August 3rd from noon-6:00 pm. If you are unable to make it at that time, contact Kelli Trumm at 852.3331 to make other arrangements.

Our Back-to-School Scrip promo begins on August 3 through August 20. More details to come.

Open House has been scheduled for August 18th from 5:00-7:00

First day of school for our K-8 is August 23rd and August 24th for our Preschoolers.

**Sacred Heart, Fillmore**

**Sacred Heart Generosity:** May 22-23, 2021: Budget/Total: \$565.00

**Liturgical Participation-Saturday, June 12, 2021 4:00pm**

*Commentator/Lector:* Ann Callahan; *Eucharistic Minister:*

Joan Turnis; *Ushers:* Chuck & Amy Noonan

**Church & Hall Cleaning Done by June 12, 2021:**

Joan & Mike Turnis, Ted & Deb Mausser, Jerry & Kristen Miles, Richard & Hayley Leppert, Joe & Karen Meier, Joe Mausser, Jason Mausser, Marty & Jean Mausser

**St. Patrick, Garryowen**

**St. Patrick Generosity:** May 22-23, 2021: Budget (Including EFT): \$1800.00; Holy Days: \$74.00; Holy Days: \$13.00; Total: \$1,887.00

**Liturgical Participation – Saturday, June 5, 4:00pm**

*Lect/Comm:* Mary Pat Noonan; *Euch. Min:* Deb Redmond;

*Ushers:* Bob Noonan, Don Meloy

**Weekend Money Counters:** June 2021

Cathy Rubel & Adam Rollinger

**Church & Hall Cleaning (June 2021):**

Denny & Jean Brackemyer, Mike & Colleen Burke

**St. Patrick Cemetery** would like to remind you to take flowers off the cemetery so the graves can be mowed and trimmed for Memorial Day. If you put flowers on the graves for Memorial Day, they must be removed by June 14, 2021.

**St. Peter, Temple Hill**

**St. Peter Generosity:** May 22-23, 2021: Budget/Total: \$280.00

**Liturgical Participation:** (June 19, 2021 - 4:00 PM)

*Lector/Commentator:* Jen Manternach

*Eucharistic Minister:* Ryan Schockemoehl

*Usher:* Joe Trumm & David Trumm (before June 19, 2021)

**Church Cleaning:** Marci & Lee Roe (leader), Rick & Tammy Small, Dylan Roe, Jennifer Schoenherr, Dwight & Kathy Schoenherr, Bob & Janice Moriarity, Jennifer Schoenherr, Dwight & Kathy Schoenherr, Bob & Janice Moriarity, Dennis

& Deb Burgess, Nathan & Chelsee Roe, Gail Koppes, Tom & Sandy Duffy

**Rosary & Adoration at St. Peter's** - Wed., June 2 at 7 :00 PM.

**St. Peter's 48th Annual Pork Barbecue** is Sunday, June 27.

You should be receiving an envelope with tickets to sell and all the picnic information in it. Let Julie know if you did not receive one.

**Flowers placed in our parish cemetery for Memorial Day** will need to be removed by June 10th.

**St. Matthias, Cascade**

**St. Matthias Generosity:** May 22-23, 2021 – Budget:

\$28,067.00; Offertory: \$476.65; Holy Days: \$35.00; Cash

Club: \$1,920.00; Total: \$30,498.65

Lit. Participation: (Weekdays May 31- June 4, 2021): Carol

Noonan

**Saturday – June 5, 5:30pm** – *Lector* – Tom Gleason;

*Commentator:* Mark Otting; *Ushers* – Mike & Jan Donovan;

*East Entrance Greeter:* Jim & Judy Betzner; *Eucharistic*

*Ministers:* Linda Aschtgen, Jim Betzner, CeAnn Brickley;

*Servers:* Levi & Madelyn Reiter; *Music:* Becky/Megan/Katie

**Sunday – June 6, 8:00am** – *Lector* – Chuck Casey;

*Commentator:* Mollie Bergfeld; *Ushers* – Jake & Tara

Noonan; *East Entrance Greeter:* Tim & Jane Donovan;

*Eucharistic Ministers:* Jean Conrad, Julie Green, Anne

Kauder; *Servers:* Elijah Casey, Isaac Williams; *Music:* Becky

**Sunday – June 6, 10:00am** – *Lector* – Gina Hill Hemmer;

*Commentator:* Jean Lynch; *Ushers* – Steve Sauser, Jared

Weber; *East Entrance Greeter:* Shellie Schlemme; *Eucharistic*

*Ministers:* Kathy Beck, Gina Hill Hemmer, Emily Conlin;

*Servers:* Klaire Bergfeld, Samantha Coyle; *Music:* Dolphin's



**St. Matthias Parish  
Balance Budget Goal  
For 2021**

Total amount needed  
by June 30<sup>th</sup>  
to balance budget:

**\$110,000**

Amount Contributed as of  
May 23, 2021:

**\$72,138**

Amount still needed:

**\$37,862**

We are at 66% of  
our goal!

The Calvary Cemetery Board reminds you to remove all Memorial flowers and other items that are not on the foundation or in the vases by Tuesday, June 10, 2021

## **The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**

### **Reading I**

**Dt 4:32-34, 39-40**

Moses said to the people:

"Ask now of the days of old, before your time,  
ever since God created man upon the earth;  
ask from one end of the sky to the other:

Did anything so great ever happen before?  
Was it ever heard of?

Did a people ever hear the voice of God  
speaking from the midst of fire, as you did, and  
live?

Or did any god venture to go and take a nation  
for himself

from the midst of another nation,  
by testings, by signs and wonders, by war,  
with strong hand and outstretched arm, and by  
great terrors,

all of which the LORD, your God,  
did for you in Egypt before your very eyes?

This is why you must now know,  
and fix in your heart, that the LORD is God  
in the heavens above and on earth below,  
and that there is no other.

You must keep his statutes and commandments  
that I enjoin on you today,  
that you and your children after you may prosper,  
and that you may have long life on the land  
which the LORD, your God, is giving you  
forever."

### **Responsorial Psalm** **33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22**

R. (12b) Blessed the people the Lord has chosen  
to be his own.

Upright is the word of the LORD,  
and all his works are trustworthy.

He loves justice and right;  
of the kindness of the Lord the earth is full.

R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be  
his own.

By the word of the LORD the heavens were  
made;

by the breath of his mouth all their host.  
For he spoke, and it was made;  
he commanded, and it stood forth.

R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be  
his own.

See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who  
fear him,  
upon those who hope for his kindness,

To deliver them from death  
and preserve them in spite of famine.

R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be  
his own.

Our soul waits for the LORD,  
who is our help and our shield.

May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us  
who have put our hope in you.

R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be  
his own.

### **Reading II**

**Rom 8:14-17**

Brothers and sisters:

For those who are led by the Spirit of God are  
sons of God.

For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall  
back into fear,

but you received a Spirit of adoption,  
through whom we cry, "Abba, Father!"

The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit  
that we are children of God,

and if children, then heirs,  
heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ,

if only we suffer with him  
so that we may also be glorified with him.

### **Alleluia**

**Rv 1:8**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit;  
to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

### **Gospel**

**Mt 28:16-20**

The eleven disciples went to Galilee,  
to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them.  
When they all saw him, they worshiped, but they  
doubted.

Then Jesus approached and said to them,  
"All power in heaven and on earth has been given  
to me.

Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations,  
baptizing them in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,  
teaching them to observe all that I have  
commanded you.

And behold, I am with you always, until the end  
of the age."

### **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.

### **The Mystery of the Holy Trinity**

The Feast of the Most Holy Trinity leads us to contemplate the mystery of God who unceasingly creates, redeems and sanctifies, always with love and through love.”—Pope Francis, May 27, 2018.

The mystery of the Holy Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian faith and life. God reveals himself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The doctrine of the Trinity includes three truths of faith.

First, the Trinity is One. We do not speak of three gods but of one God. Each of the Persons is fully God. They are a unity of Persons in one divine nature.

Second, the Divine Persons are distinct from each other. Father, Son, and Spirit are not three appearances or modes of God, but three identifiable persons, each fully God in a way distinct from the others.

Third, the Divine Persons are in relation to each other. The distinction of each is understood only in reference to the others. The Father cannot be the Father without the Son, nor can the Son be the Son without the Father. The Holy Spirit is related to the Father and the Son who both send him forth.

All Christians are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. The Trinity illumines all the other mysteries of faith.

### **The Feast of the Visitation of Mary Monday, May 31, 2021**

This feast commemorates the three-month visit of Mary with her elderly cousin Elizabeth during Mary’s pregnancy with Jesus and Elizabeth’s with John the Baptist. The story appears in the first chapter of Luke’s Gospel. It recounts Elizabeth’s Spirit-filled greeting, acknowledging Mary as “the mother of my Lord,” and Mary’s beautiful response, the Magnificat, which begins, “My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord.” Introduced by the Franciscans in 1263, the feast became universal in the 16th century.