

August 15, 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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Pastorate Office

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Pastorate Support Staff

Business Manager, Kerri Takes
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Aquin System of Catholic Education

Aquin Catholic Elementary School (563)852-3331
Principal, Laura Herbers
E-mail lherbers@aquin.org
Aquin Little Angels Early Childhood Ctr 563-852-7020
Director, Angela Schrodt
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New Parishioners

Welcome! Contact the pastorate office 563-852-3524

Baptisms

Baptism class required. Next baptism class – Sept. 13, 2021, 7pm. Contact Dan & Janice Kurt to register for the class. Dan at 563-590-1605, Janice at 563-542-0456. Call the office to schedule a baptism.

Weddings

Contact Fr. Mark at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Parish Council Contacts

St. Patrick – Wanda Loewen
Sacred Heart – Brenda Klepper
St. Peter – Kevin Schockemoehl
St. Matthias – Kim Lynch

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 Aug 14	4:00pm (F) Betty White 5:30pm (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past.
Sun Aug 15	8:00am (C) Paul Ehlinger 10:00 am (C) Larry Nauman, John Umhoeffer, Deceased members of the Joe & Anna Otting Family and 62 Year Anniversary of Alan & Margie McDermott
Mon Aug 16	7:00am (C) W/C
Tues Aug 17	7:00am (C) Chuck Henry, Gloria Reiter
Wed Aug 18	7:00am (C) Larry Volk, Jim Reardon & Tony O'Connell
Thur Aug 19	7:00am (C) Darlene Konzett, Rosie Otting & Joanne Otting
Fri Aug 20	7:00am (C) Dick, Etheleen & Tim Driscoll
Sat Aug 21	4:00pm (T) St. Thomas Aquinas Past. 5:30pm (C) Patrick, Elizabeth & Kathleen Rogers
Sun Aug 22	8:00am (C) Ed, Millie & Kathy Hosch, Dick & Nancy Sullivan 10:00am (C) The Talbert Family, and Janet Staner

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 15, 2021

From Fr. Mark

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption. Though this event is not recorded in the Gospels, or in the Acts of the Apostles, we do believe that Mary "upon the point of death" was assumed into heaven. The Catechism teaches: "The Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory and exalted by the Lord as Queen of all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death."

Since Mary is our mother, too, she wants to share with her children everything good that God has done for her. So she would like God to bless us with eternal life in heaven, and to share in her joy and serenity. Mary's Assumption anticipates the sanctifying of the Church and the resurrection of God's children. Happy Feast of the Assumption!

Pastorate

Lost & Found: There is a large camera bag at the table in the entrance of the church. Please claim it if it is yours.

Meetings:

Past. Council Meeting, 6:30pm at Garryowen
Parish Council Meeting, 7:00pm at Garryowen

Don't forget that there is Bible Study on Saturday mornings at 9:00am at River Bend Retirement Center. Fr. Mark leads the study.

Would you or someone you know like to become Catholic?

Or maybe you are already Catholic & would like to learn more about your faith. Instructional classes will be offered on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm beginning August 25th. The classes are very informal with lots of time for discussion. If interested or know of someone who might be, please contact the Pastorate office at 852-3524 or Deacon Joe Schockemoehl at 852-3126.

Caring For Your Marriage- "May it be done to me according to your word." (Luke 1:38) Mary accepts her role as the mother of Jesus with humility and profound trust. How do you, as a couple, accept with humility and trust the roles and responsibilities God asks of you?

Heal Our Land Holy Hour

All are welcome to join us for Eucharistic Adoration with the specific prayer intention to "Heal Our Land" 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.

FORMED - During this time at home, this is the perfect time to log onto Formed. **FORMED** provides the very best **Catholic** content from more than 60 organizations to help parishes, families and individuals explore their faith anywhere. Supporting thousands of movies, children's programs, ebooks, audio, parish programs and studies direct to your browser, mobile or connected device.

If you are just signing up for FORMED for the first time:

- Go to formed.org
- Click "Sign-Up" and find your Pastorate (St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate and then enter your name, email address and desired password.
- If you have any problems with logging on, please call the Pastorate Office at 563-852-3524.

Aquin Catholic Elementary School

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 lmerkes@aquin.org with questions.

Looking ahead:

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.

Reminder – CCD / RTR Registration: This is a reminder to families whose children attend public schools – You now register for CCD or RTR for the 2021-2022 school year. Contact Nicole Casey if you would like a covenant emailed, if you would like to register online, or if you have any questions at dbq023ff@dbqarch.org Registration covenants will also be available in the Pastorate Office.

Volunteer with the Faith Formation Program

We have continuing needs for volunteers for our Wednesday evening program.

Volunteer to be a Catechist's Helper: volunteer to help the catechist in the classroom. You don't have to teach, just be an extra hand to help out the Catechist as needed.

Volunteer to be a Substitute Catechist: volunteer to teach in the classroom when a catechist is absent.

If you are interested in volunteering, or would like more information, please contact Nicole Casey at 852-3331 or email dbq023ff@dbqarch.org

Sacred Heart, Fillmore

Sacred Heart Generosity: Aug 7-8, 2021: Budget/Total: \$580.00

Liturgical Participation-Saturday, August 14, 2021 4:00pm

Commentator/Lector: Marty Mausser; *Eucharistic Minister:*

Karen Callahan; *Ushers:* Chuck & Amy Noonan

Church & Hall Cleaning Done by August 14, 2021:

Nick & Betty Wagner, Alyssa Wagner, Patty Kass, Cheri Hunt, Jared & Tori Callahan, Brad & Jessica Meier

St. Patrick, Garryowen

St. Patrick Generosity: Aug. 7-8, 2021: Budget: \$1,516.00;

Offertory: \$106.00; Holy Days: \$25.00; Total: \$1647.00

Liturgical Participation – Saturday, Aug 28, 4:00pm

Lect/Comm: Mike Molony; *Euch. Min:* Judy Coyle;

Ushers: Matt King, Denny Brackemyer

Weekend Money Counters: Aug 2021

Loras Federspiel, Wanda Loewen

Church & Hall Cleaning (Aug 2021):

Judy Schmit, Kevin & Deb Pfab, Matt & Melissa King

St. Peter, Temple Hill

St. Peter Generosity: Aug. 7-8, 2021: Budget/Total: \$65.00

Lector/Commentator: Karen Knepper

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Beth Stecklein, Rick Turnis

Usher: Ryan Schockemoehl, Nic Loes; *Servers:* Bayne

& Calvin Manternach, Samantha Coyle; *Gift Bearer:*

Matt Manternach; *Greeter:* Joan Hoffmann

Church Cleaning: (before August 21) Lois Andrews

(leader), Tom & Evelyn Stoll, Robert & Linda Stoll,

Doug & Amanda Stoll, Amanda Feldman, Liz & Al

Takes, Jake & Kara Takes, Warren & Bonnie Callahan,

Amanda & Chris Miller

Rosary & Adoration at St. Peter's - Wed., Aug. 18 at 7 :00 PM.

The next Mass at St. Peter's is Sat., Aug. 21 at 4:00 PM.

Many thanks to all of you who were able to attend.

Parish Blood Drive - Wed., Sept. 15, 2021 - 3:00-7:00 PM

St. Matthias, Cascade

St. Matthias Generosity: Aug. 7-8, 2021 – Budget:

\$5,905.00; Offertory: \$507.75; Children's Collection: \$19.00;

Fun Fest: \$90.00; Total: \$4,198.87

Lit. Participation: (Weekdays Aug 16-20): *Server:* Mark

Otting; *Lector:* Jean Simon; *Eucharistic Minister:* Jean Simon

Saturday – Aug 21, 5:30pm– *Lector:* Barb Otting;

Commentator: Mark Otting; *Ushers* – John & Diane Gerken;

East Entrance Greeter: Tom & Anita Gleason; *Eucharistic*

Ministers: Vicki Kelchen, Jack Kuriger, Jacquie Manternach;

Servers: Madeline & Nate Manternach; *Music:* Angie's

Sunday – Aug. 22, 8:00am – *Lector* –Claire Brown;

Commentator: Chris Casey; *Ushers* – Mike & Bridget Rea;

East Entrance Greeter: Dave & Jenice McLees; *Eucharistic*

Ministers: Jerry McAllister, Karen McAllister, Lois Merkes;

Servers: Ella Nauman, Hallie Kelchen, Millie Hosch; *Music:*

Dave

Sunday – Aug. 22, 10:00am – *Lector* –Claire Knepper;

Commentator: Debbie Wessels; *Ushers* – Kathy Beck, Shellie

Schlemme; *East Entrance Greeter:* Nick & Deb Holub;

Eucharistic Ministers: Claire Knepper, Katie Knepper, Joyce

McMullen; *Servers:* Samuel & Maggie Noonan; *Music:*

Dolphins

I will be working on a fall schedule for the weekend liturgical ministers. I am in great need of ushers for each Mass. If anyone that is confirmed and older would like to be an usher, please let the office know. Also, if anyone isn't signed up to be a lector, commentator, or Eucharistic Minister, and would like to be, please call the office at 852-3524.

Volunteer with Catholic Charities –

You can make a difference!

Catholic Charities is looking for enthusiastic, service-oriented, and dedicated individuals to join our team as volunteers. Our

Jail & Prison Reentry Services is seeking mentors and members of Circles of Support groups. Please visit our website to complete the online application by [clicking here](#).

For volunteers in the **Waterloo & Mason City** areas, please contact Daniel Shafer, at d.shafer@dbqarch.org or 319.272.2080. For volunteers in the **Dubuque** area,

please contact Karen Hoeger,

k.hoeger@dbqarch.org or

[563-552-0203](tel:563-552-0203).

FREE Legacy Planning Workshop – Monday, September 13. Attend the hour-long event at 6:30 pm. (Doors open 30 minutes prior.) The workshop location is at Beckman Catholic High School, 1325 9th St SE, Dyersville, IA 52040. (Virtual option also available.) RSVP:

www.OurCFAD.org/DVLegacy OR 563-875-7188 by Friday,

September 3. A panel of experts will answer your questions about estate planning, creating and updating a will, charitable gifts and more! Learn how you and your family can build a

meaningful legacy in support of causes you care about,

including local Catholic organizations. Hosted by The

Catholic Foundation and Beckman Foundation.

Archdiocese of Dubuque IMPACT

Formation Program for Adults

Do you thirst for a more intimate relationship with God? Do you hunger for increased knowledge of the Catholic faith? Do you desire to make a greater IMPACT in your parish and community? If yes, consider joining the next IMPACT cohort!

Through spiritual reading, dynamic presenters, engaging discussion, prayer experiences, and personal reflection, participants will be challenged to respond more fully to Jesus' call to mission—to IMPACT our world! The next two-year cohort begins in September of 2021 and will meet monthly (on Saturdays) at St. Mark Parish in Iowa Falls. For more

information and the application, please

visit: www.DBQArch.org/IMPACT.

The registration deadline is August 27th.

Prayer for The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Father in heaven,
all creation rightly gives you praise,
for all life and all holiness come from you.

In the plan of your wisdom
she who bore the Christ in her womb
was raised body and soul in glory to be with
him in heaven.

May we follow her example in reflecting
your holiness
and join in her hymn of endless love and
praise.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.