

September 19, 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
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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
Email aschrodt@aquin.org

Baptisms

Baptism class required. Next baptism class – Dec. 6, 2021, 7pm. Contact Dan & Janice Kurt to register for the class. Dan at 563-590-1605. Call the office to schedule a baptism. 563-852-3524

Weddings

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

New Parishioners

Welcome! Contact the pastorate office at 563-852-3524

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 Sept. 18	4:00pm (T) Members of the Gerken, Roe & Hughes Family, Florence Gavin 5:30pm (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past., and Larry Volk
Sun Sept 19	8:00am(C) Presentation of Confirmation Candidates Lawrence, Bernadette & Susie Kurt, and Pat & Lucille Noonan 10:00am(C) Fred Kremer, and Dave Gassman
Mon Sept 20	7:00am (C) W/C
Tues Sept 21	8:30am (C) Alfred Smith
Wed Sept 22	7:00am (C) Gene Hoffmann 5:00pm (C) Confessions
Thur Sept 23	7:00am (C) Mary Green, Lolly Finn
Fri Sept 24	7:00am (C) Carl Dolphin
Sat Sept 25	4:00pm (G) Shirley Hosch, Willard & Marie Noonan, People of Purgatory 5:30pm (C) Don Lindauer, Ray & Mag Kurt
Sun Sept 26	8:00am (C) Robert Luensmann, Bob & Marion Hosch, Cyril & Marilyn Wolfe and Deceased Members of the Wolfe & Nordhues Family 10:00am (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past., Andy & Helen Laban, Cheryl Fluhr *Fr. Mark will hear confessions every Wednesday evening from 5:00pm-6:00pm at St. Matthias Parish.

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 19, 2021

From Fr. Mark

Today we celebrate Catechetical Sunday. We gratefully acknowledge all those who teach the faith. We have dedicated parishioners who teach our students on Wednesday evenings and in our High School Release Time for Religion. We also have teachers and catechists who prepare our students for receiving the sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Confirmation. We have a team of people who participate in RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and RCIC, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Children. Our teachers at Aquin also serve as teachers of our faith in Jesus and in the Church.

For many of us, our parents and grandparents encouraged us to be in the practice of our Catholic Faith. Many of us have teachers, coaches, and parish staff members who over the years have inspired us to follow Jesus more closely. For others of us, it has been older brothers and sisters, aunts and uncles, teammates and classmates who have helped us to make following Jesus and worshipping with others a high priority. We are grateful to all the people in our lives who have led us to Jesus, and to be part of a worshipping community. Our patron saint for our pastorate, St. Thomas Aquinas, was a brilliant teacher whose writings have influenced millions of people over the centuries. Through his intercession, may we join in the mission of Jesus as workers in the fields of faith!

Pastorate

Our previous Office Manager Mike McCullough has passed away. His wake will be on Tuesday, September 21 from 3:00pm -7:00pm at Leonard Funeral Home (2595 Rockdale Rd in Dubuque). His funeral will be Wednesday, September 22nd at 10:30, St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Dubuque. Please keep his family in your prayers.

Bereavement Series: The Pastorate will host a 5 - part series for persons who have suffered the death of a loved one: Tuesday evenings starting October 16th, 7:00pm in the Pastorate office. Come to any or all sessions. For information, contact Dianne Reiter – 563-590-7956 or Jean Mausser – 852-7709.

Congratulations to those that renewed their church information that automatically entered them into a drawing for \$25 Scrip of Choice. There were 4 names drawn.

The following are the winners:

1. Ruth Green
2. Jake & Jackie McAllister
3. Jeff & Angie Boge
4. Greg & Alyssa Schmidt

Please pick up your prize at the Pastorate Office.

Part time job opening

The St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate is looking for a person to work about 5 hours per week to help coordinate parish ministries, including Befrienders, Communion to the homebound, and parishioner outreach. Please contact the office for a job description in the next 3 weeks. (St. Pastorate Office at 563-852-3524.)

Marriage Encounter

After the last year plus of pandemic life many of us are looking for a fresh start. Consider attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience. Upcoming dates and locations are October 22nd - 24th in Coralville, IA and November 19th-21st in Holstein, IA. Register at Iowa-wwwme.org or call 563-608-3305 with any questions.

October is Respect Life Month. At Birthright of Dubuque, we believe it is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth and the right of every child to be born. If you have this same passion for life, would you consider joining us in our work? We provide free, non-judgmental, confidential services to pregnant women in our community. To find out more about volunteering in our office or serving on the board, please contact Angie at 563-590-9064.

Caring For Your Marriage- “Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me.” (Mk 9:37) Your children are God’s gift to you, and loving them is a way to serve the Lord. Receive them into your marriage and show them Christ’s love.

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 Pies for Sale! If you would like to order pies, please do so by **October 1st**. There is a form attached to this weeks bulletin or you can find them at the Pastorate office or at the back of St. Matthias church. Thank you for supporting Aquin! ****If anyone has any apples for Pie Making Night that they would like to donate please call Angie Burger at 563-599-9435 or Meredith Lahey at (563) 542-3643.**

Sacred Heart, Fillmore

Sacred Heart Generosity: Sept. 11-12, 2021: Budget: \$1,565.00; Offertory: \$91.00; Total: \$1,656.00

Liturgical Participation-Saturday, Oct 9, 2021 4:00pm
Commentator/Lector: Claire Brown; *Eucharistic Minister:* Ruth Rea; *Ushers:* Kathy Staner & Ann Callahan;

Server: Jake Wagner

Church & Hall Cleaning Done by Oct. 9, 2021:

Mike & Bridget Rea, Kevin & Deb Rea, Dixie Schuster, Tom & Cheri Ryan, Linda Melloy, Jerry & Sara Melloy, Patrick & Samantha Ryan

St. Patrick, Garryowen

St. Patrick Generosity: Sept. 11-12, 2021: Budget/Total: \$223.00

Liturgical Participation – Saturday, Sept. 25, 4:00pm

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

Ushers: Chuck Shanahan, Bert Meloy;

Acolytes: Nicole & Kara Felton; *Cross:* Chase King

Weekend Money Counters: Sept 2021 - Adam Rollinger

Church & Hall Cleaning (Sept 2021):

Wanda Loewen, Dean & Kris Pfab, Adam & Tracy Rollinger

The St. Patrick Harvesting For Our Parish Raffle tickets will be sold after each of the St. Patrick Masses during the months of September & October. It is \$25.00 per ticket and the raffle includes several cash prizes, including one each: \$500, \$400, \$300, \$200 and \$100.

If you have questions, or you are not able to purchase tickets after Mass, please contact Wanda Loewen at 563-652-3281. Winners will be drawn on+ Sunday, October 31st, during our annual parish auction. Winners need not be present to win.

St. Peter, Temple Hill

St. Peter Generosity: Sept. 11-12, 2021: Budget/Total: \$270.00

Liturgical Participation October 16, 2021

Lector/Commentator: Linda Schockemoehl

Eucharistic Minister: Sue Trumm, Kay Manternach

Usher: Bob Moriarity, Rick Turnis; *Servers:* Luke & Nathan Schockemoehl, Ashlyn Schockemoehl

Gift Bearer: Eric Schockemoehl; *Greeter:* Madeline Manternach

Church Cleaning: (before Oct. 16) Joe & Norine Strang (leader), Ron Krapfl, Chris Krapfl, Marty & Angie Rausch, Ray & Mary Finn, Ray & Jeanne Manternach, Cyndi Trumm

Rosary & Adoration at St. Peter's - Wed., Sept. 22 at 7 PM.

The next Mass at St. Peter's is Sat., October 16 at 4:00 PM.

Parish Blood Drive - Thank you to all who donated or helped with our parish blood drive this past Wednesday. Your willingness to serve others is greatly appreciated.

St. Matthias, Cascade

St. Matthias Generosity: Sept. 11-12, 2021 – Budget: \$5,192.00; Offertory: \$494.24; Children's Collection: \$1.00; Holy Days: \$20.00; Fun Fest: \$2,085.00; Total: \$7,792.24
Weekday Lit. Participation: (Weekdays September 20-24):

Server: Bill Gehl; *Lector:* Jean Conrad; *Eucharistic Minister:* Jean Conrad

Saturday – Sept 25, 5:30pm – *Lector:* Kay Takes;

Commentator: Kay Takes; *Ushers* – Mike & Jan Donovan;

Eucharistic Ministers: John Gerken, Blair Gleason, Vicki

Kelchen; *Servers:* Lilly & Riley Supple; *Music:* Angie's;

Livestream: Blair Gleason

Sunday – Sept. 26, 8:00am – *Lector* – Loren Manternach;

Commentator: Megan Smith; *Ushers* – Mike & Bridget Rea:

East Entrance Greeter: Tim & Jane Donovan; *Eucharistic Ministers:* Dinne Koppes, Ronda Kurt, Loren Manternach; *Servers:* Millie Hosch, Ella Nauman; *Music:* Liz+Cantor
Sunday – Sept. 26, 10:00am – *Lector* – Amy Ludwig; *Commentator:* Debbie Wessels; *Ushers* – Brad & Luke Ludwig; *East Entrance Greeter:* Shellie Schlemme; *Eucharistic Ministers:* Amy Ludwig, Debbie Wessels, Shellie Schlemme; *Servers:* Cole & Maria McCarthy; *Music:* Dolphins

Knights of Columbus

We will be making calls to ask for help with the Tootsie Roll Drive. Proceeds go to the Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities. Please be generous and help us support this great organization.

- St. Matthias, Cascade - Saturday, September 25 and Sunday, September 26.

That Man Is You (TMIY) will resume once again this fall but with a twist! We are making a move to Wednesday evenings from 8:30 to 9:30 pm at the Columbus Club Hall starting on Wednesday, September 8th. Snacks will be served and adult beverages will be available with more of a "theology on tap" atmosphere. You can call Chris Casey at 563-542-0590 for more information! Plan to attend and bring a friend or family member.

The Annual Life Chain will be on Sunday, October 3rd. This is a great way to prayerfully spread the message of LIFE in our community with pro-life signs from 2pm - 3pm (signs will be provided). Dubuque County Right to Life, Inc. hosts two Life Chains: at Beckman Catholic High School along Highway 136 in Dyersville, and on the bend of Bluff Street and Highway 20 in Dubuque. Feel free to bring a chair if you cannot stand the whole hour. Please join Dubuque County Right to Life in spreading the pro-life message to our community.

The Knights of Columbus Council #930 is once again sponsoring "Coats for Kids" clothing drive starting September 10 and running through the end of October. If you have new or gently used winter apparell such as coats, hats, gloves, "hoodies," mittens, scarves, snow/ski pants, boots, etc. that you no longer need, please consider donating to people in our communities in need this winter. We are collecting both children's and adult sizes of all items. Due to COVID-19, we do ask that you please wash all items thoroughly before donating. Collection boxes have been placed at Cascade High School, Cascade Elementary, Aquin Elementary, Brother's Market, and the local parish churches. The distribution dates at the Columbus Hall in Cascade are Thursday, November 4, from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM, and Saturday, November 6, from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM.

The Cascade St. Thomas Aquinas Knights of Columbus

Council #930 will be holding a **DRIVE THROUGH** chicken fry on, Saturday, October 16, from 5-8 pm at the Columbus Club Hall. We will be serving a ½ chicken dinner with baked potato, coleslaw and dinner roll. The price will be \$10.00. **Dinner will be served as carry-out only.** Please drive through and pick up a delicious fried chicken dinner and help our council support our local charities!!