

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.

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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

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 Oct. 16 1:30pm (C) Nuptial Mass for:

Austin Lynch & Brianna Hostert

4:00pm (T) Randal Schoenherr, Florence

Gavin

Sun Oct. 17 5:30pm (C) Bob Tauke, Jerry & Phyllis

Green

8:00am (C) The Living & Deceased

Members of the Catholic " Daughters of the Americas Court 1926, Dolores McQuillen

10:00am (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past, and James Dowling

Mon Oct. 18 7:00am (C) W/C
Tues Oct. 19 8:30am (C) W/C
Wed Oct. 20 7:00am (C) W/C
7:00am (C) W/C

Thur Oct. 21 7:00am (C) W/C

Fri Oct. 22 4:00pm (G) Duane Recker, Merlin & Sat Oct. 23 Marion Mahoney, John Lynch & Katie

Mahoney, and 70th Wedding Anniversary

for Dick & Barb Molony

5:30pm (C) Leona Buckley & Louie Leibold

8:00am (C) Duane Schlemme

Sun Oct. 24 10:000am (C) St. Thomas Aquinas Past.

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Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 17, 2021

From Fr. Mark

In today's gospel, the apostles are having another argument about who has the highest status. Jesus has had to correct them several times about their competition for places of honor. In today's passage, James and John ask for the two highest places in heaven! Jesus asks them if they are willing to drink the cup from which he must drink. Jesus means the "cup of suffering". There is a biblical image in the Hebrew scriptures of being forced "to drink the cup of God's wrath". In the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus pravs to his heavenly Father: "Take this cup away from me". So it is a very sorrowful task to drink the cup of suffering. When Jesus asks if they can drink this cup, James and John quickly say "We can". It is true, both of these men will eventually suffer for the sake of Jesus and his mission, especially after Jesus ascends to heaven. But when the other ten apostles hear about how James and John try to get the jump on them for the places of honor in eternity, (to be seated next to Jesus in heaven), they are very angry. Jesus teaches all twelve that they need to humbly serve others if they want to be truly great in God's reign.

We probably know people who humbly do more than what is required and don't care if they receive special recognition. The model of leadership which the Church teaches is that of servant leadership. Mother Teresa is an example of a servant leader. Our Archbishop Michael Jackels is a good example of a servant leader. Jesus is our best example of the servant leader. He taught that "the Son of Man has come not to be served but to serve--to give his life in ransom for the many." Jesus fulfills the prophecy in our first reading from Isaiah: "Through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear."

This next week, I will go on retreat. Fr. Jim Miller will preside at masses next weekend.

Pastorate

Flu Vaccine: The Pastorate Health Ministry is giving flu vaccines after all the Masses Sat. & Sun. Oct 30-31 The vaccines is available for those 18 and older. This is being made possible through Mercy One Family Pharmacy. We thank them for their willingness to help meet the needs of our pastorate community.

The St. Thomas Aquinas Pastorate Memorial Mass is Saturday, November 6 at 5:30pm. If you had a loved one that is a parishioner that has passed away from November 2020-November 2021 and you haven't received an invitation to the Memorial Mass by October 15th, please call the office at 563-852-3524.

Corporal Work of Mercy

3. To clothe the naked: In times past, there may have been many people who only possessed the clothes on their backs, and those might have been so threadbare and worn out that the person might have been virtually naked. Although times have changed, and there are few people (in the western world at

least) who are so desperately impoverished, this Corporal Work of Mercy is still important and applicable today: how many people today are impoverished, in need of better clothing, in need of appropriately warm clothing for the winter, etc.? Could we be more mindful of the material needs of our brothers and sisters? See some examples of how to practice this below:

- Clean out the closet: do we have clothing that is in good condition that we seldom or never wear anymore? Could we give some or all of it to the poor, or so a group like the St. Vincent de Paul Society, which will give it to those in need?
- Suits and Dresses: Do you have suits (for men) or dresses (for women) that could be given to a charity? These could help people who are down and out to have really nice, well-fitting outfit for a job interview. Not only is it giving a person some good clothing, but it might also be the difference that helps a jobless person to get a new job and begin their new life!
- Remember: it is not charity to give our trashy clothing, or dirty clothing, to the poor. Let's give them clothing that is clean, in good condition, and befits their dignity as children of God.

Spiritual Work of Mercy

- 3. To admonish sinners: Do not judge, but be supportive in helping others find their way and correct their mistakes. Together we can learn to walk more closely with Christ. See some examples of how to practice this below:
 - In humility we must strive to create a culture that does not accept sin, while realizing that we all fall at times
 - Don't judge, but guide others towards the path of salvation (see Mt 7:1-2)
 - When you correct someone, don't be arrogant. We are all in need of God's loving correction.
 - We should journey together to a deeper understanding of our shared faith
 - "Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter from your brother's eye" (Mt 7:5)

Bereavement Series: The Pastorate will host a 5 - part series for persons who have suffered the death of a loved one: Tuesday evenings, 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.

<u>Caring For Your Marriage</u>- "Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all." (Mk 10:43-44) It can be exhausting to always be caring for your children and spouse. Remember who you are ultimately serving: Christ. He will give you strength (and rest).

Sacred Heart, Fillmore

Sacred Heart Generosity: Oct. 9-10, 2021: Budget: \$2,335.00; Offertory: \$77.00; Auction: \$3000.00; Total:

Liturgical Participation-Saturday, Oct. 30, 2021 4:00pm

Commentator/Lector: Megan Knapp; Eucharistic Minister: Jean Mausser; Ushers: Mike & Bridget Rea; Server: Jake Wagner Church & Hall Cleaning Done by Oct. 30, 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: Oct. 9-10, 2021: Budget/Total:

Liturgical Participation – Saturday, Oct. 23, 4:00pm

Lect/Comm: Denny Brackemyer; Euch. Min: Janet Felton;

Ushers: Kevin Felton, Steve Gravel;

Acolytes: Kara Felton, Chase King; Cross: Nicole Felton Weekend Money Counters: Oct 2021 – Wanda Loewen, Tom

Donovan; Church & Hall Cleaning (Oct 2021): Mark & Monica Redmond, Mike & Deb Redmond

PASTURE RENT: Sealed bids are now being accepted for the pasture rent. The pasture is approximately 45 acres. Please submit your bid by Sunday, November 7, 2021. Bids may be mailed to St Patrick Parish Attn: Pasture Bid, PO Box 699, Cascade IA 52033, dropped off at the Pastorate Office, put in the collection basket, or sent or given to one of the parish council members. Bids will be opened Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at the parish council meeting and the highest bidder will be notified by Friday, November 12, 2021. Bidding is open to anyone but St Patrick Parish members will be given first consideration. The three-year lease would begin March 1, 2022 with first annual payment due by that date. If you have any questions, please contact Tom Donovan at 563-879-3513 or any parish council member.

St. Patrick is in need of Mass ushers (both men & women). If you are interested in volunteering, call the Pastorate office at

The St. Patrick Parish Auction & Raffle will be October 31st! If you want to volunteer to help with this event, please call one

of the council members.

The St. Patrick Harvesting For Our Parish Raffle tickets will be available 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. You can also drop your raffle tickets in the Collection basket as well.

St. Peter, Temple Hill

St. Peter Generosity: Oct. 9-10, 2021: Budget/Total: \$720.00

Lector/Commentator: Linda Schockemoehl Liturgical Participation November 20, 2021 Lector/Commentator: LuAnn Manternach

Eucharistic Minister: Lois Andrews, Matt Manternach

Usher: Dave Heim, Eric Schockemoehl

Servers: Eldon & Katelyn Kurt, Nathaniel Manternach Gift Bearer: Scot Knepper; Greeter: Sue Trumm Church Cleaning: (before Nov. 20) Nick & Diane Loes (leader), Ron & Monica Fagan, Gary & Sue

Fagan, Greg & Carol Bertling, Sharon Bertling Rosary & Adoration at St. Peter's - Wed., Oct. 20 at 7:00 PM. Our next Mass at St. Peter's is Sat., Nov. 20 at 4:00 PM. There will be a soup supper following Mass to support Aguin students with Right to Life activities. Mark your calendars: St. Peter's Annual Christmas meal following the 4:00 PM Mass on Dec. 18th.

St. Matthias, Cascade

St. Matthias Generosity: Oct. 9-10, 2021 – Budget: \$4,112.00; Offertory: \$695.15; Children's Collection: \$15.00; Holy Days: \$10.00; Fun Fest: \$1,900.00; Total: \$6,732.15 Weekday Lit. Participation: (Weekdays Oct. 18-22): Server: Blair Gleason; Lector: Jean Simon; Eucharistic Minister: Blair

Saturday –Oct 23, 5:30pm– Lector: Kerri Takes; Commentator: Kerri Takes; Ushers – John & Diane Gerken; Eucharistic Ministers: Jim Betzner, CeAnn Brickley, Donna Callahan; Servers: Adam Knepper, Charlie Simon; Music: Liz & Cantor; Livestream: Kerri Takes

Sunday – Oct. 24, 8:00am – *Lector* – Ralph Manternach; Commentator: Chris Casey; Ushers – Mike & Bridget Rea: East Entrance Greeter: Chris & Nicole Casey; Eucharistic Ministers: Ralph Manternach, Rita Manternach, Lisa Merritt; Servers: Caleb & Elijah Casey; Music: Angie's

Sunday – Oct. 24, 10:00am – Lector – Barb Sauser; Commentator: Davis Manternach; East Entrance Greeter: Shellie Schlemme; Ushers Ken & Karen McDermott; Eucharistic Ministers: Barb Sauser, Davis Manternach, Joyce McMullen; Servers: Josie & Ellie Green; Music: Dolphins

St Matthias parishioners, we need your help to meet our goal for the Fun Fest Fundraiser! Currently, we are at 29% of our goal of \$45,000 and we need your help to get to 100% of our goal by November 1, 2021. Please use the Fun Fest/Auction envelope that is included with your envelope package or you can pick up an envelope in the back of church. You can also use your own envelope, just indicate the donation is for the Fun Fest. We appreciate your generosity and support!

Fall Cleaning for the St. Matthias Church will be Tuesday, November 16th, from 5-7 p.m. A couple of stepladders and an extra vacuum or two would be very useful along with buckets, etc. As in the past, many helpful hands have come to make this big job easier. Please plan to come, your help is needed and appreciated.

That Man Is You (TMIY) We are making a move to Wed. evenings from 8:30 to 9:30 pm at the Columbus Club Hall

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.

Community Presbyterian Church Drive-Thru Chili & Soup Supper – Monday, October 25th serving from 5-8pm at the church at 216 Polk Street, Cascade. Pre-School – Free, 5-12 years -- \$5.00, Others: \$7.00

Homemade Chili, Vegetable Beef Soup, Cream of Potato Soup, Homemade Bread, & Dessert