

Notre Dame Parish

Cresco, Iowa

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*"My soul proclaims
the greatness of
the Lord:*

*my spirit rejoices
in God my savior."*

Luke 1.46-47



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Celebration of Sacraments

Baptism Please contact the parish office to register for the required Baptism class, to schedule a Baptism or for more information. Next Baptism preparation class is scheduled for **Aug. 2, 2021**, 7:00 p.m. (*Note date is subject to change*).

Reconciliation Saturday 3:15—3:50 p.m.; Sunday 9:15—9:50 a.m. or contact the parish office or email Fr. Jacob at: dbqrouse@dbqarch.org to schedule an appointment to celebrate this Sacrament of God's forgiveness.

Marriage Contact the parish office at least six months before intended wedding date.

June 13, 2021

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 17:22-24; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10; Mark 4:26-34

Green is the color of the month—multi hued, lush, radiant. Growth is abundant right now—the perennials are in fullness; the newly planted crops seem to be leaping forth from the ground. God in creation is once again showing forth the wonders of His creative love.

All this kind of wonderful growth and creativity is used frequently in the scriptures to speak of the nature of God, and how God works with us and within us. Today's lessons speak of cedar trees springing forth from a planting; of mustard and wheat seeds being planted and then bearing fruit.

The "reign of God" is likened to those seeds. Jesus' preaching was like planting seeds, and he knew that. It would be God, his Father, who would give the growth. So he cast forth the seed of his word—and some of it grew then, some did not, just as today. Some bore fruit, some did not, just as today.

It is not our task to look around at others to try to see whether the reign of God is growing into fullness there. Only within ourselves can we ask whether God's planting is coming up green with the promise of rich harvest.

Next week's readings:

Job 38:1, 8-11; 2 Corinthians 5:14-17; Mark 4:35-41

Find something good in each person you meet and help it to grow.

Fr. Jacob will continue to live stream all weekday and weekend masses on his YouTube. You can access it by logging into our parish website: notredamecresco.com scroll down on the home page and click on the YouTube icon

Monday, June 14 No Mass

Pray for our vocations

Tuesday, June 15 Mass in church and livestreamed

Rosary at 4:55 p.m.

5:15 p.m. +Raymond and Evelyn Kostohryz

Wednesday, June 16 Mass in church and livestreamed

8:00 a.m. +Patricia Hauber

Thursday, June 17 Mass in church and livestreamed

9:00 a.m. +Urban and Mickie Drilling

2:00 p.m. Mass at Accura Care Center +Larry Baumler

Friday, June 18-Mass in church and livestreamed

8:00 a.m. +Tillie DeWalle

Saturday, June 19 - Mass in church and livestreamed

2:00 p.m. Wedding of Riley Bucheit and Madeline Toale

4:00 p.m. +Larry Barnes

EMs: Steve and Terry Duerre, Marlene Quinn

Lectors: Terry Duerre, Ethan Rice

Servers: Emma and Reagan Drees

Music: Pam Daley, Suzanne Ollendick

Greeters: Galen and Lavon Fye

Ushers: Steve and Terry Duerre, George Sobolik, Ray Schwarzhoff

Sunday, June 20- Mass in church and livestreamed

8:00 a.m. +Darrell and Mickie Riehle

EMs: Chuck and Sanna Feldman, Jim Truka

Lectors: Jim Truka, Ken Hubka

Servers: Jordyn and Julianne Fisk

Music: Margaret Sobolik, Jamie Fisk

Greeters: Chuck and Sanna Feldman

Ushers: Tony Roberts, Art Schwarzhoff, Dick Jones, Tom Mullen

10:00 a.m. Mass in church and livestreamed

+Vern Walker

EMs: Jed and Joyce Becker, Jessica Kapler

Lectors: Jessica and Rylee Kapler

Servers: Addison Bohr, Hadley Riehle

Music: Joe Wacha, Suzanne Ollendick

Greeters: John Schata, JoAnne White

Ushers: Jerry and Wanda Reicks, Brad and Jodi Dull

If you sow thistles, you will not reap corn.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule: There is a liturgical schedule for the months of June and July available on the parish website. *If you are willing to serve as an EM, Usher, Host Family, Lector, Server, Greeter or Musician, please contact the parish office, 563 547-3565. New ministers are always welcome.*

Altar Servers If you have received your First Communion and would like to become an altar server, please contact the parish office

In Memory

Joe and Peggy Rouchka Sanctuary Candle

Mary Jane Hudson Altar Bread

Patricia Hauber Altar Wine

Ireaneus and Catherine Moellers
Missalettes (June)

Stewardship of Prayer

Please pray for the sick of our parish, including the following and those listed in the Book of Petitions.

Parker Byrnes	Dianne Kovarik
Makiah Pierce	Dean Dietzenbach
Dorothy Barnes	Debra Winsell
Steve McCarville	Bill Rink
Arlene Kuennen	George Willis
Marian Wiltgen	Lori Schmitt
Don Neubauer	Bill Smith
Pat Smith	Randy Smith
Paula Growden	Cole Christopher
Bob Stoker	Nancy Pecinovskyy
Monica McGee Newman	Liz Yount
Lavon Hyberger	Jim Dietzenbach
David Gosch	Craig Church
Tom McGee	

Our sympathy. . .

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Al Reicks. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.

We clear the prayer list quarterly. Please contact the office at that time to have a name put on again if desired.

We are pleased to pray for the sick, if you would like to add a name, please call the parish office after receiving permission from the person to have their name published; however, to preserve space if a person has sufficiently recovered and can be removed from the prayer list, also please contact the parish office.

Ministry of Prayer Network: *If you would like to serve on this Prayer Network, please email the office at: DBQ047S@dbqarch.org. When a request is received, you will receive an email asking for your prayers for the immediate need. If you have an urgent need for prayer, call the office at 563 547-3565 to activate the prayer network.*

Stewardship of Offering

June 6, 2021

Total Stewardship Contributions/Offertory Income	
Needed each week:	\$10,923.00
Last week's Envelope Contribution Income:	\$ 5,384.77
Last week's ACH Contribution Income:	\$ 666.00
Last week's offertory income:	\$ 513.50

Like the sower in today's Gospel, I scatter as seed my gifts of time, talent and resources; and I trust that, by God's grace and in God's time, these small gifts of myself may grow and flourish and help to bring about the Kingdom of God.

Year of St. Joseph and the Year of the Family To celebrate these two occasions, please find children's activity booklets in the front entrance of the church for your child(ren) to enjoy.

Ministry Workshops will be held on June 14 and 15 for all current and new ministers in Notre Dame Church. You may attend either evening. Training for the following ministries will be as follows: EMs at 6:00 p.m.; Lectors at 6:30 p.m.; Ushers at 7:00 p.m. and Sacristans at 7:30 p.m. Servers, Musicians, Greeters and Host families will be contacted separately. If you would like to serve as an EM, Lector, Host Family, Greeter, Server, Usher, Sacristan, and/or Musician, please feel free to attend this workshop or contact the parish office.

Musicians Needed: If you would be willing to share your musical talent with your parish, Notre Dame Parish would appreciate volunteers for song leading and accompaniment. Please call the parish office.

Knights of Columbus will meet on Tues., June 15, 7:00 p.m., KC Room.

Fair Stand Day Chairpeople Meeting will be held on Thurs., June 17, 5:30 p.m., Notre Dame Church Hall.

Faith Formation Commission Meeting will be held on Thurs., June 17, 5:30 p.m., Joseph Room.

Bible Study reviewing the weekend readings will be led by Duane Heit on the following dates and times: June 16. 8:30 am in the Joseph room of the Parish Office building and 7 pm at A&W Long John Silvers. Choose either time to attend, no need to pre register, no required homework.

Cutting up chicken for the Fair Stand soup will be done on Mon., June 14, 8:00 a.m., Notre Dame church hall.

Reverse Collection will be held the weekend of **June 12-13**. Take a tag, buy the item and return it to church to be donated to the local food pantry.

Meals on Wheels Sign Up will be available the weekends of June 12-13 and 19-20 to deliver meals in July. Your help with this worthwhile project will be appreciated.

Totus Tuus 2021 will be held July 25-30. Join us for a week long Catholic summer camp for just \$5/per student or \$15/family! Grades 1-6 July 26—30th 9:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m.; Grades 7-12 July 25-29 7:00—9:15 p.m. More information and registration at <https://notredamecresco.com/totus-tuus>. T-shirts available for additional \$15—must order by June 20.

Notre Dame Food Stand at the Howard County Fair is still in need of workers.—**please call the parish office to volunteer to help a shift or two at the stand or Moo Mobile! Thanks!**

Scrip Program includes Dollar Fresh, HyVee, Pinter's, Ruppert's Ace Hardware, Fareway, Fisk's, Subway, Casey's, A & W, Long John Silvers, Sue-Z-Q, Atomic Pizza and Kwik Star. Gift cards are available for purchase at the parish office. Please call to order, 563 547-3565. *Scrip will be available in church the weekend of August 7-8.*

Knights of Columbus: Every knight joins for a reason whether to grow in faith, to serve our communities or to protect those most in need. Faith and Service are the reasons Knights of Columbus exists. We invite you to join us putting our Faith in Action. Visit www.kofc.org/joinus now till June 30th for free online. Use promo code McGivney2020

Thank You

We are grateful for all the volunteers who offer their time and talent as good stewards for the betterment of the parish. This week we thank the Faith Formation Commission.

Notre Dame Parish Food Stand at the Howard County Fair will be open Monday, June 21 through Sunday, June 27 to serve you homemade chicken noodle soup with rolicky; sliced pork sandwiches; homemade pies; hot dogs, sloppy joes, baked beans and homemade potato salad. *See you there!*

6th Annual Bible Reading Marathon - June 18 to 20 For the 6th year in a row, the entire bible will be read, cover-to-cover, right here in Howard County. Things will be done differently this year from the past. Rather than reading at Beadle park, round the clock. We are handing out short reading assignments that can be read whenever and wherever you want. Duane Heit will be in the back entry of the church following each Mass this weekend for anyone wishing to pick up a reading assignment. Or you can show up at Beadle Park Friday June 18 or Saturday, June 19 from 8 to 5 to receive a reading assignment to be read there or anywhere.

Save the Date! Notre Dame Catholic School's Tee Time for Technology will be held on Friday, July 16, 9:30 a.m. shotgun start. Sign up sheets available in the front entrance of the church and at the parish office and on school website.

50th Anniversary of Franciscan Common Venture Service Program

All former Franciscan Common Venture (FCV) volunteers and those interested in giving service, are invited to a virtual 50th Anniversary celebration *Seeds of Service, Fruits of Justice* to be held on Saturday, July 17, 2021 starting at 9 am. There will be a morning and an afternoon session. Sr. Pat Farrell, OSF, no stranger to service nor to justice, will be the keynote speaker. She participated in three FCV experiences and has ministered in Chile, El Salvador and Honduras. There will be time for sharing memories, fun, small and large group sharing and great conversation. The event is free, but registration is required. You can register using this link: <https://bit.ly/2Ts7rFv> For more information: commonventure@osfdbq.org. FCV is sponsored by the Franciscan Sisters of Dubuque.

Don Davis Good Samaritan Fund Donations are always accepted for this fund through Notre Dame Parish and will be deposited in the local Salvation Army account administered by CUSB. It will provide a centralized community resource for all Cresco area churches to refer requests for emergency financial assistance. For more information, contact the parish office.

Winneshiek County Health will be hosting a Covid Vaccination clinic in the basement at Calmar Lutheran Church this Sunday from 10:00-Noon. The clinic is open to the public and no appointments are required. They will have the Pfizer Vaccine for anyone 12 years and older with the followup shot 4 weeks later. The single dose J&J vaccine will be available to anyone 18 and older.

Giving Thanks for Summer

Father, Creator of all, Thank You for summer!

Thank you for the warmth of the sun and the increased daylight.

Thank You for the beauty I see all around me and for the opportunity to be outside and enjoy Your creation.

Thank You for the increased time I have to be with my friends and family, and for the more casual pace of the summer season.

Draw me closer to You this summer.

Teach me how I can pray no matter where I am or what I am doing.

Warm my soul with the awareness of Your presence and light my path with Your Word and Counsel.

As I enjoy Your creation, create in me a pure heart and a hunger and a thirst for You.

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