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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5 pm @ St. Isidore
Sunday: 8:30 am @ St. John
Weekday Mass Schedule
As stated in the weekly bulletin
Confessions Sunday: 8 am or by appointment

Main Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:
8 am - 5 pm
Friday:
7 am - 3:30 pm

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212 7TH ST. SE
MOUNT VERNON, IA

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AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES

*Working Together To
Build the Kingdom of God*



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God. - Jn 3:20-21

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Year of Seeking and Healing through Prayer and Kindness

Faith Formation Information by Linda Hansmeier

“When we gather every Sunday as the Body of Christ, we fulfill the Lord’s command to “do this in memory of me.” Luke 22:19



This past weekend the First Communion families met in the lower level (under Covid-19 guidelines) to pick up their First Communicants materials as they begin preparing their child for their First Holy Communion. Not only is this a special time for these families, it is also an incredibly special time for our entire parish community.

At the First Communicants baptism they were welcomed into the community and from that moment on the baptized were given the love and support of the entire community throughout their lives. Preparing for First Holy Communion is a continuation of the faith journey that began with their baptism.

Not only are mom and dad the first teachers of their child, we as a community are also entrusted to provide teaching and training through how we model our love for Christ. It is in the family first and then the community that sets the stage for how our children come to participate in the celebration of the Eucharist during the Mass. actively and consciously. In the coming weeks, before First Communion takes place on April 18 and April 25, take time to pray for our 19 First Communicants and their families as they prepare their children to participate in the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist to become full members of the Body of Christ.

Youth and Young Adult Ministry



This year, St. John’s is blessed to have 27 sophomore students who have been on their journey towards Confirmation since September. Our candidates have one more preparation class which will be a Confirmation Retreat on April 18th. They will receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday, May 5th. Thank you to all of you for the support you have provided our Candidates through out the year. Youth Ministry will be featuring our candidates through the next several weeks. We humbly ask for your prayers for our candidates as they are nearing their long-awaited sacrament.

Pictured below are candidates Jason Hoagland, Jackson Rhomberg and Skyler Stoner.



Confirmation May 5, 2021

Sunday, March 14th

NO FF CLASSES THIS WEEK - Spring Break

5:30 pm - Stations of the Cross

March 16th

6:30 pm - Faith Formation Committee Mtg.

March 17th

6:30 am - Finance Council Mtg.

8:30 am - Mass

9:00 am - St. Anne's Group

8 - 10 pm - Adoration



Friday, March 19th

8:30 am - Mass

9:00 am - Stations of the Cross

Sunday, March 21st

8:30 am - Preschool FF Class

9:30 am - K - 3rd FF Classes

5:30 pm - Stations of the Cross



Annual Lenten Fish Fries will look different this year due to COVID, it will be drive-up only.

Dinner includes fried battered Cod, a bake potato, coleslaw, dinner roll, and a large fresh baked cookie, all for \$10, **cash only**.

Located behind Casey's at the corner of Hwy 13 and Mount Vernon Rd. Hours are 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm.

Liturgical Ministers March 21st

Sacristan: Jim Kendall

EM: Allison Nissen Bev O'Connor
Larry Poduska Fr. Andrew

Lectors: Dave Klostermann Charlie Liberko

Servers: Jenna Woodward Joey Rhomberg

Hospitality: Jamie & Annalyn Elloren family
Brett & Diane Kimm
John & Stephanie Brehm family

Weekly contributions needed..... \$5,326.92

March 1, 3, 5 and 7, 2021

Budget, Adult.....	\$3,075.00
Loose Coin/Currency.....	\$ 104.00
Heating.....	\$ 30.00
Facility Up-Keep.....	\$ 25.00
Snow Removal.....	\$ 55.00
Alms Giving.....	\$ 417.00
ACH Monthly MVB	
Budget, Adults.....	\$5,730.00
Total Collected.....	\$9,436.00

YTD collection needed.....	\$191,769.12
YTD collections received.....	\$208,727.78
YTD.....	\$ 16,958.66



Wednesday, March 14th

8:30 am - Faye Pitlik

Friday, March 19th

8:30 am - Special Intention

Sunday, March 21st

8:30 am - Judy Diers

Readings for the week of March 14, 2021

- Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 or 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
- Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54
- Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [8]/Jn 5:1-16
- Wed.: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 [8a]/Jn 5:17-30
- Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47
- Friday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
- Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53
- Next Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 or Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45