**May 16, 2021—Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**

God mounts His throne to shouts of joy; a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

**Catholic Parish**
**Le Mars, IA**
712-546-5223

**St. James Catholic Church**
109 6th Ave. SW

**St. Joseph Catholic Church**
605 Plymouth St. NE

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**MISSION STATEMENT**

To love and serve God and neighbor by the way we worship, assist those in need, and educate in the faith with fidelity to Sacred Scripture and the tradition of the Catholic Church.

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**CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE!!**

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**ST. JAMES**
- Tues.-Fri. Noon
- Saturday 5:30PM
- Sunday 8:00AM
- Sunday 12:30PM (Spanish)

**ST. JOSEPH**
- Mon.-Fri. 8:45AM
- Saturday 4:00PM
- Sunday 9:30AM
- Sunday 11:00AM

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**VBS:** Registration for VBS, June 7-10, is open on our website, [www.allsaintslemars.org/vbs](http://www.allsaintslemars.org/vbs) and will close on May 28. VBS is offered for children who were in Preschool (must be 4 years old) through 5th grade in this last 2020-2021 school year. We are in need of several more volunteers to be Group Leaders or to help with the Faith, Crafts, Games, Snacks, and Music Stations. Contact Karmen at darwink@allsaintslemars.org for more information.

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**COMING TO MARY, MOTHER OF GOD AND MOTHER OF THE CHURCH!** Mary embraced God’s will, freely choosing to cooperate with His grace and therefore fulfilling a crucial role in the plan of salvation. She is our model of perfect discipleship.

- Through the centuries, and especially in the month of May when we celebrate Mother’s Day, the Church has turned to the Blessed Virgin in order to draw closer to Christ. You are encouraged to make a visit either alone or with your family to the west side altar (“Mary’s Altar”) to spend some time in prayer and reflection.
- We thank Catholic Daughters for donating flowers for the 2nd Sunday “In Memory of Moms past, present and future”.
- We thank Lynn & Mary Steckelberg and Mary Hartman for donating flowers for this 3rd Sunday “In Memory of Family”.

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**BAPTISM:** Pre-baptism class for parents planning on the baptism of an infant will be May 30 at 2PM in Richter Hall. You can register online at allsaintslemars.org, click on forms, or call the parish office. Social distancing will be observed for the safety of all attending.

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**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS:** Next meeting will be Monday, May 24, at 6:30PM, serving desserts with free will offering. We will have guests, Richard Seivert and Carolyn Bickford presenting information about “Then Feed Just One”.

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**MEMORIAL DAY:** There will be no Mass Monday, 5/31 and the office will be closed in observance of the holiday. We will also begin summer hours starting that week from 8AM to 1PM.

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**HOLY BAPTISM**

- Sofia Salvans, daughter of Omar Padilla & Valeria Salvans was baptized May 10 and has joined the Catholic Faith through the waters of baptism. Welcome to the faith Sofia!
GEHLEN CATHOLIC - “THEN FEED JUST ONE” would like to thank everyone from All Saints Parish along with all those from throughout the community; clubs, businesses, churches, and individuals that contributed to this year’s food packing event. With your financial help the students at Gehlen, TK through Seniors, were able to pack 147,960 meals for shipment to hungry and malnourished children in Honduras. We hope next year we can again invite many from the surrounding area to join us as we continue this ministry of feeding the hungry. Once again thank you to all.

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CONFESSIONS
Before weekend Masses and Wednesdays 5-6PM at St. Joseph.

CHRISTIAN NEEDS CENTER-MAY 2021
Jelly Cleaning Products
Pancake Mix Laundry Soap (small size)
Pancake Syrup

ADORATION OPEN HOURS
Mondays: 1PM Fridays: 12Noon-3rd week
Tuesdays: 12Noon Fridays: 1PM
Fridays: 7PM 1st week

THE LUMEN, OUR DIOCESAN NEWSPAPER: RENEWAL TIME! The renewal notice should have arrived. Please renew your subscription (or you will not receive The Lumen!)

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Mon. May 17 - 8:45AM All Saints-St. Joseph
  Alice Vaske;
Tues. May 18 - 8:45AM All Saints-St. Joseph
  Don Schnepf;
  - 12:00NOON All Saints-St. James
  Gary Mouw;
  - 7:00PM All Saints-St. Joseph-Baccalaureate
  Carol Janes; Margaret Moir; Patricia Becker;
Wed. May 19 - 8:45AM All Saints-St. Joseph-GEHLEN MASS
  Francisco Beltran (Spec.Int.);
  - 12:00NOON All Saints-St. James
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LeRoy (Bday) & Marlene Harpenau;
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  - 5:30PM All Saints-St. James
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Adult Tithing $ 15,622.08
All Saints Repair/Maint. 575.00
Annuity Donations 550.00
Auto Withdrawal-General 2,880.00
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