Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be His own.

St. James Catholic Church
109 6th Ave. SW
St. Joseph Catholic Church
605 Plymouth St. NE

May 30, 2021—Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Catholic Parish
Le Mars, IA
712-546-5223

AS HAS BEEN MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY, we have considered moving to one Saturday evening Mass during the summer months (June – August) as Mass crowds decrease due to summer vacation and travel. THIS IS THE YEAR: BEGINNING THE WEEK OF JUNE 12/13, SATURDAY EVENING MASS WILL BE AT 4:30PM AT THE ST. JOSEPH BUILDING.

THE 8:45AM DAILY MASS AT ST. JOSEPH will return to the daily Mass / adoration chapel next week beginning Tuesday, June 1.

MUSIC AND HYMNALS: With the prohibition of printed resources, we did not order the customary Breaking Bread Hymnals, not knowing whether we would be able to use them, and to avoid the unnecessary expense. Therefore, each weekend until Advent, we will offer a printed worship aid with the music for Mass that can be picked up at the door of the Church, and left at the end of the pew as you leave.

HELP YOUR PARISH!: Do you attend Mass weekly? Do you usually attend the same Mass? Please consider signing up for our Hospitality / Usher ministry! Available for men, women, responsible children, and especially for families even with smaller children – who love to help!! Needed: 4 at St. Joseph, 2 at St. James. What do you need to do?
• Be there 15 minutes early to greet people and hand out worship aids (and prove that Catholics aren’t unfriendly, as we are often accused!)
• Take up the collection
• Bring up the collection and gifts (if there are no assigned gift bearers)
• Distribute bulletins as people leave
• Put the Sunday collection in bags and return baskets to the usher’s room
• Pick up worship aids from the ends of the pews and return them to the church entrance for use at the next Mass. Rocket Science? Not at all. It just takes people willing to get involved and serve. And if enough individuals / families volunteer, it would not be every week!!!!! Training would be given.

VBS: If you would like to support our Vacation Bible School program, we are in need of parishioners to donate the following snack items:
• Bags of regular M&Ms (5 are needed)
• Goldfish (5 bags needed, not individually wrapped)
• Mini Marshmallows (4 bags are needed)
• Frozen Sliced Peaches (7 bags needed)
• Frozen Sliced Strawberries (4 bags needed)
• Peach Ring Candy (7 bags are needed)
• Pretzel Sticks (3 bags are needed)

Gift cards to Walmart are also very helpful in covering costs for craft and additional snack items! Please contact Karmen at the parish office or at darwink@allsaintslemars.org in advance, if you plan to donate any of these items to avoid duplication. Thank you for your generosity!

COME TO MARY, MOTHER OF GOD AND MOTHER OF THE CHURCH
• We thank Kathy Marienau and family for donating flowers for this 5th Sunday “In Honor of Marge Livermore”.

FAITH FORMATION: Registration for the 2021-2022 school year is available online at www.allsaintslemars.org/faithformationregistration. It includes registration for Faith Formation programs for children ages 3 through 10th grades, including Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Family of Faith, Sacramental Preparation, and Discipleship Groups. Registration closes on June 15.

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

WANTED: LITURGICAL ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR FOR ST. JAMES: “Liturgical Environment Coordinator” that is a fancy term for someone to head up the crew that decorates for the different liturgical seasons. Please contact the parish office.

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OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY
• Meg Alesch entered eternal life May 24, 2021. She was the mother of Ken (Melanie) Alesch, sister to Don (Mary Jane) Kellen and Dick (Norrine) Kellen of our parish.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.
RUHBARB PIES: THANKS to those
- who cut and froze rhubarb,
- those who helped make 116 pies on Tues. As we ran out of supplies this week, we will finish on June 2nd, starting at 5PM,
- who volunteered to work the Pork Loin dinner,
- who signed-up to bring bars for the dinner.

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