

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

	Saturday 5:00 PM Nov.28	Sunday 8:30 AM Nov. 29	Sunday 10:30 AM Nov. 29
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Cathy Thee Susan Sundlin	Lauren Cunningham Sharon Crowley	Shawna Ditsworth Toni Nicks
Lectors	Cyndy Powers	Danette Tolan	Scott Trautman
Altar Servers			
Hospitality Ministers	Dale Vortherms	Ron Crowley	Jason Kirschbaum Alan Ditsworth
Music Ministers	Donna Williams		
Videographer	Jeff Thee		

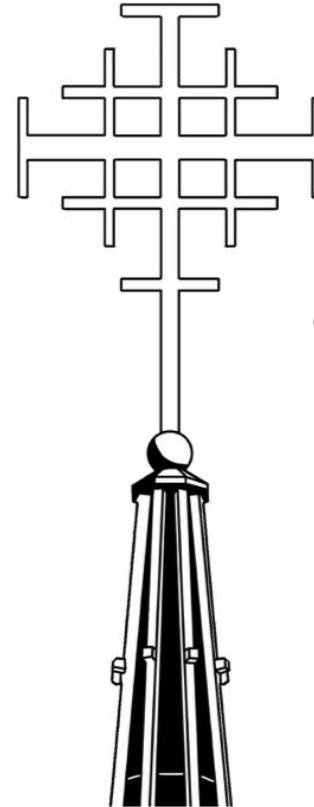
Liturgies and Events This Week

<u>Monday, Nov. 23</u> No Mass <u>Tuesday, Nov.24</u> 5:30PM Mass +John Steinkamp	<u>Wednesday, Nov. 25</u> 12:00Noon Mass 12:30-4:00Adoration + Noel Schoo	<u>Thursday, Nov.26</u> Thanksgiving Day 8:00AM Mass +Mary Williams <u>Friday, Nov. 27</u> 12:00Noon Mass +Deceased Members of the Staver & Jessen Families	<u>Saturday, Nov. 28</u> 5:00PM Mass +Gladys Doocy <u>Sunday, Nov.29</u> 8:30AM Mass +Ed & Eleanor Schnurr 10:30AM Mass + L.D. of St. Mary's
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The sanctuary lamp burns this week for Special Intentions

Stewardship for November 15, 2020 Adults: \$5,450.91 Online: \$ 426.00 Guatemala: \$ Special: \$	<p><i>Be a WILLing Christian.</i></p> <p><i>Remember St. Mary's in your will.</i></p>
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St. Mary's Parish



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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 22, 2020

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Baptism – Contact the office to inquire about pre-baptismal class.

Marriage – Contact the office at least six months before date of wedding.

Confessions – Wednesday 3:30PM, Saturday 4:00PM, Sunday 10:00AM.

Eucharistic Adoration – Wednesday 12:30PM – 4:00PM.

Event Changes at St. Mary's

The governor's mandate of last week means that effective immediately no gatherings are allowed on church property other than liturgical events such as Mass, sacraments and adoration. All Religious Education classes, RCIA, bible studies and gatherings (including rental of the parish hall) are suspended for the time being. We will keep everyone updated on this, and any other changes, as we receive them. If you have any questions, please call the parish office.

Thanksgiving Day Mass

We will be having mass on Thanksgiving Day at 8:00AM. What a beautiful way to thank the Lord for all his blessings he has given us.

Parish Office

A reminder that the parish office will be closed on Thursday, November 26th and Friday, November 27th for Thanksgiving. The staff at St. Mary's would like to wish all of you a Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving.

Christmas and New Year's Masses

It is hard to believe how quickly Christmas is approaching. We would like to let you know the mass times so you can plan accordingly. Christmas Eve we will have mass at 4:30PM and 7:30PM. Christmas Day is at 8:30AM. New Year's Eve is 5:30 and New Year's Day is at 9:00AM.

Knights of Columbus Raffle

The St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Council 5043 is holding a raffle. Tickets are \$50.00 each. It is a 50/50 raffle; 5 winners are guaranteed. 1 winner of 20%, 2 winners of 10% and 2 winners of 5% of the 50% payout. Drawing at 6:00PM on Monday, December 21, 2020. Contact Ron Smith at 712-320-0076 or any Knight.

Confirmation Reminder

A friendly reminder to all first-year confirmation students; please work on your confirmation handbook interviews, your service hours, homily notes and saint selection paper. Second-year students should also be working on service hours and homily notes. In addition to that, you should make a decision about your sponsor and begin the 5 modules with them. If you have any questions, give Mary a call or shoot her a text.

Religious Education Parent Meeting for December

Our preparation meeting for all parents was held on Wednesday, November 18th. If you were not able to join the meeting live via Zoom please check your inbox for the link to the said meeting. These meetings are important for parents to view in order to be prepared to help your family continue to grow in faith while we are experiencing this difficult time of separation. Let Mary know if you have any questions.

Be a Winning Family

Beginning this month, families are encouraged to share their awesome at-home religious education success! When your family completes an activity, prays together, work on its faith journey poster or any activities related to doing religious education work from home, send a picture of it to info@stmarysspiritlake.org for a chance to win one of several monthly prizes. Prizes will vary from month to month but may include gift cards for dining or groceries, at-home movie night fun bags, or family games. Feel free to send your pictures (one per week, maximum four per month) any time. Winners will be announced at our community nights, which are held the first Wednesday of each month. Have fun and keep growing in faith together!

Want to Lower your Iowa Tax Liability?

A great way to save on your Iowa taxes is to support the Monsignor Lafferty Tuition Foundation. Monies contributed to MLTF assist families who send their children to a Catholic school with tuition scholarships. The donor receives a 65% state tax credit. Families benefit and the donor benefits! Contact your tax consultant or call Susan at the diocese at 712-233-7513 for more information. Deadline is December 31, 2020.

The Giving Tree Is Up

All families and individuals are asked to check out this year's "Giving Tree" in the narthex of the church. St. Mary's collects items for charity throughout Dickinson County. Beneficiaries are Upper Des Moines Opportunity, The Discovery House, The Cherish House, Hope Haven and other individuals in need. Simply choose an ornament from the tree and carefully follow the instructions on it. Some items should be wrapped while others should not. Some have a strict deadline for return while others have a more flexible return date. Thank you in advance for your generosity. If you or anyone you know of is in need of assistance this holiday season, talk to Donna in the parish office.

Please Keep in Your Prayers

All Confidential Prayer Chain requests may be directed to Jean Mohr, our Prayer Chain Coordinator at 712-336-2559 or 712-320-5433. Prayer intentions may be entered in the Prayer Request book, which can be found in the narthex of the church.

Upper Des Moines Food Pantry

During the Month of November, St. Mary's is responsible for picking up food at Wal-Mart and transporting it to Upper Des Moines in Spirit Lake. The pick-up dates are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings during November. We ask that you be at Wal-Mart at 9:00AM on those days and go to the produce area. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. Thank you in advance for volunteering for this very worthy cause.

31st Annual Tree of Love at Lakes Regional Hospital

Pay tribute to loved ones, plan now to pay tribute to loved ones with a \$5 heart keepsake ornament hand painted by Arlene Krogman and Esther Jepsen. Tributes can be for a birthday, anniversary, memorial, holiday greeting, etc. Hearts and acknowledgement cards are available at the hospital east entrance or call Willy at 712-339-4012 or Leah at 712-336-4845. Proceeds benefit scholarships from the Lakes Regional Hospital volunteers entering the healthcare field and Meals on Wheels. We will not have a tree lighting ceremony this year, but the tree will be lit nightly in the east LRH courtyard, so please drive by!

