

## Liturgical Ministries Schedule

	Saturday 5:00 PM Feb. 13	Sunday 8:30 AM Feb. 14	Sunday 10:30 AM Feb. 14
<b>Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Curt Smith Sandie Smith	Mary Emgarten Susan Lynn	Kim Kirschbaum Cathy Thee
<b>Lectors</b>	Jean Mohr	Ron Crowley	Sylvia Jennings
<b>Altar Servers</b>			
<b>Hospitality Ministers</b>	Sam Odendahl	Andrew Vortherms	Pam Wingert
<b>Music Ministers</b>	Cain Junkman	Cain Junkman	Charlene Hamann Donna Davis
<b>Videographer</b>	Greg Rolling		

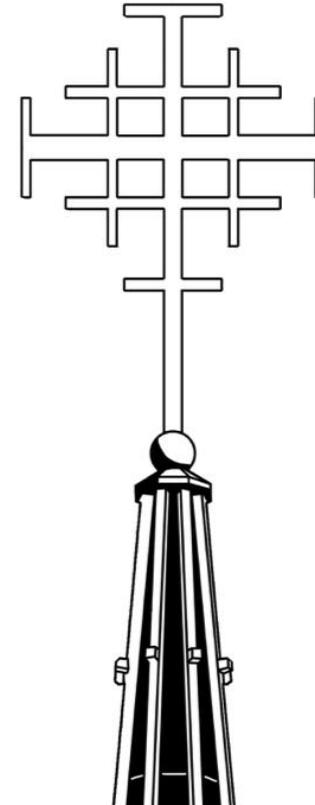
## Liturgies and Events This Week

<b>Monday, Feb. 8</b> No Mass	<b>Wednesday, Feb. 10</b> 12:00 Noon Mass	<b>Thursday, Feb. 11</b> NO MASS	<b>Saturday, Feb. 13</b> 5:00 PM Mass
<b>Tuesday, Feb. 9</b> 5:30 PM Mass +Dee Hauber & David Hauber	12:30-4:00 Adoration + Kenneth Banks	7:30 AM Rosary	+Gladys Doocy
		<b>Friday, Feb. 12</b> NO MASS	<b>Sunday, Feb. 14</b> 8:30 AM Mass
		12:00 Noon Rosary	+L. & D. of St. Mary's + Besch/Kollasch Families

The sanctuary lamp burns this week for the terminally ill or chronically ill.

<b>Stewardship for January 31, 2021</b> Adults: \$2,689.69 Online: \$ 684.00 Guatemala: \$ Special: \$	<i>Consider the work of God by including St. Mary's in your will!</i>
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# St. Mary's Parish



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## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### February 7, 2021

## Parish Staff

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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.

### **Mass Schedule**

Please note that there will NOT be Mass at 7:30AM on Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup> or Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:00Noon. However, there will be a rosary said at those times that Mass was scheduled. Please plan to come join us in this beautiful prayer.

### **Welcome Back Students**

It was wonderful to have many of our students back in the church for religious education this week! Thanks to all parents, guardians, and catechist for your commitment, flexibility and love throughout the previous months. We are blessed with the opportunity to be together again.

### **Ash Wednesday**

The solemn season of Lent begins Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence. Catholics are to avoid eating between meals and to abstain from meat. Two small meals and one regular sized meal is the custom. Fasting and prayer for a day demands a little attention and planning. It is a day of focus and intention and the fasting helps prolong that experience on the Lord and his presence in our lives. We will have **Ashes Services on Wednesday at 7:30AM, 4:00, 5:00, 6:00 and 7:00PM**. There will be one **Mass at 12:00Noon** that day.

### **Confirmation Mass Scheduled**

There is a slight change in plans for confirmation in March. The date for confirmation mass is still March 21<sup>st</sup>, but it will be here at St. Mary's and the time has changed to 4:00PM. Please pray for all of our students and sponsors as they continue to prepare for this wonderful sacrament.

### **Confirmation Retreat**

All confirmation students are scheduled for a retreat being held here at St. Mary's on February 28<sup>th</sup> beginning at 4PM. Sponsors are also welcome to attend. Guest speakers, group talks, and fun are on the agenda. Be watching for more details.

### **COVID-19 Updates**

Several updates were announced by Bishop Nickless this week in regards to COVID-19 limits and restrictions. Beginning February 1<sup>st</sup>, in-person parish meetings may take place. This includes council meetings, board meetings, adult education, Bible studies, RCIA, CDA, KC and other meetings of this type. Religious Education meetings can also resume. Please watch your emails for updates on Religious Education. One cantor is allowed to sing at any liturgy, but congregational singing is still prohibited. There can be no funeral or wedding dinners or receptions, no parish hall rental or indoor dining. Face masks and social distancing protocols are still in force for anyone entering the church or its buildings. Camp CAYOCA is cancelled for the summer. Please call the church office with questions.

### **Religious Education Updates**

All parents should check their email inbox for an important update on our religious education schedule. In short, we will be meeting again face to face as an option for religious education. The other option is to continue with the Family of Faith curriculum from home. You may choose whichever works best for your family. PK-4<sup>th</sup> grades will meet 5:15-6:00 and the 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> grades will meet from 7:00-8:00. 5<sup>th</sup> grade will continue to learn from home. Call Mary if you have any questions.

### **Steubenville Registration Form Now Available**

Plans are in the works for Steubenville-St. Paul this summer! The dates are July 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> and registrations are being accepted now. The registration deadline has been extended, but on a come first basis. Paper forms are available in the narthex and all parents and guardians should have received paper forms by email this week. A \$200.00 deposit is required. If you have any questions about the event, please contact Mary Brandt.

### **Youth Group Meetings Scheduled**

High school youth group will meet Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup> (note date change) at approximately 11:15, or immediately after the 10:30 Mass. Middle school will meet Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at 11:15, or immediately after the 10:30 Mass. We will be done at 12:30.

### **2021 Breaking Bread Books**

In keeping with the protocol with the diocese and the pandemic, we still cannot put our missals in the pews. We have decided to put the books on sale for a suggested donation of \$5.00. They are located on the rack in the narthex of the church. You can place your donation in the basket on the shelf. These books are yours to keep to use at home or bring to church.

### **Attention Singers**

We can resume the use of cantors at our liturgies with limited use. We are looking for additional people who would be interested in cantoring. Please contact Cain at [music@stmarysspiritlake.org](mailto:music@stmarysspiritlake.org).

### **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.

### **Baby crib**

If you or if you know of a family who is need of an used crib, a parishioner has one that they would like to donate. It is in good condition and has an adjustable side rail. Please contact Donna in the office for more details, 712-336-1742.

### **Fish Fry Fridays**

St. Patrick's Duhigg Center, Estherville, will have Fish Fry Fridays on February 19<sup>th</sup>, and the 26<sup>th</sup>; March 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. They will be serving fish, potatoes, coleslaw, roll and dessert. It is drive-up and carry-out only! Serving from 4:30-6:30PM. \$10.00 Adults, \$5.00 Kids under 5.

### **Pope Francis Speaks to our Hearts**

#### *How Beautiful*

Let us open the doors to the Spirit; let ourselves be guided by him and allow God's constant help to make us new men and women, inspired by the love of God which the Holy Spirit bestows on us! How beautiful it would be if each of you, every evening, could say, "Today at school, at home, at work, guided by God, I showed a sign of love towards one of my friends, my parents, an older person!" How Beautiful!

