

Daily Readings for the Week of June 20, 2025

July 20: Genesis 18:1-10/ Psalms 15:2-5/ Colossians 1:24-28/ Luke 10:38-42
July 21: Wisdom 8:9-16/ Psalms 67:2-5, 7-8/ Luke 9:1-6
July 22: Exodus 14:21--15:1/ Exodus 15:8-10, 12, 17/ John 20:1-2, 11-18
July 23: Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15/ Psalms 78:18-19, 23-28/ Matthew 13:1-9
July 24: Exodus 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20/ Daniel 3:52-56/ Matthew 13:10-17
July 25: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15/ Psalms 126:1-6/ Matthew 20:20-28
July 26: Sirach 44:1, 10-15/ Psalms 132:11, 13-14, 17-18/

Liturgical Ministries

Schedule for July 20, 2025

Lector: Mark
Greeters/Gifts: Denniston Family
Servers: Declan/Kevin
Money Counters: Mark/Mary
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Mark/Doris

Schedule for July 27, 2025

Lector: Shari
Greeters/Gifts: Leeper Family
Servers: Kevin/Evie
Money Counters: Jon/Kris
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Jon Margo

Today's Mass Intention
Carol Vosberg

Mass Intention July 27, 2025

Paul & Mary Lasack

Priest Visit to the Homebound

If you are sick or homebound or know someone who is, and would like Fr. Andrew to visit and pray, contact the main office at 319-320-5003 or email Fr. Andrew at DBQ137@dbqarch.org.

PRAYER
CORNER



Betty Anderson, Karen Kleineck, Bill Ihns, Mary Hansen,
Marilyn Stevenson, Julie Ahrendsen, Margaret Fowler,
Carrie Leeper, Larry Marek, Carl Koppes, Marsha Lasack,
Paul Rowan, Chris Gibbs, Wendy Larive, Fr. Andrew

SACRED HEART



July 20, 2025

Sacred Heart Office Hours

Mon., Wed., Fri.

10:00am-11:00am

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St. John the Baptist (Mt. Vernon)

Office Hours:

Tues.: 8:00am-5:00pm, Fri.: 7:00am-3:30pm

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16th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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PASTOR SPEAKS

Journey in Faith – Part III Embracing the Mission and Vision of the Archdiocese of Dubuque

Dear Friends,

In last week's bulletin, just like the preceding week, I wrote about the Journey in Faith, which is a pastoral planning the archdiocese is seeking to undertake with the sole reason to do more than just revitalize the parishes within the archdiocese. I introduced to you the new mission and vision of the archdiocese that support the transformation of parishes and parishioners:

Mission: *Empowered by the Holy Spirit through prayer, Sacraments, and Scripture, our archdiocesan mission is to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ, thereby transforming our community to become more like Him in thought, word, and deed.*

Vision: *We are an engaged archdiocesan community of joyful missionary disciples, centered in our Eucharistic relationship with Jesus Christ and united through our legacy of faith.* This week, I continue with the topic, emphasizing the crucial role each of us plays in living out the **Journey in Faith** that the archdiocese is seeking to roll out. Our active participation is key to keeping our parishes engaged and flourishing. In other words, the archdiocese is counting on us. What does the archdiocese want from us? It wants our commitment and involvement.

It is simple. We are to be excited and prepared to embrace the new realities that we face. Once understood, being on a journey together will require us to be aware that what we are accustomed to or have been doing for some time can be done in other ways.

New realities connote a change, a change that brings with it opportunities for growth and renewal. Whether it's a change in our own situation or the situation around us, it's an opportunity to start thinking of doing something different. Even if things have not changed dramatically for us, but for others, it's an opportunity to do something different, to make a positive impact.

As Catholics, we are guided by the principles of authentic *worship, prayers, charity, and life-long learning*. These are principles that drive our personal and collective lives.

The worship that directs our focus to the participation in the sacramental life of the Church, especially through the Eucharist and Reconciliation is something every Catholic values and should continue to value because it connects us to God and the Christian community. Charity, by which we respond to the needs of others and the church in imitation of Christ, is to be pursued too. Through prayer, we grow our relationship with God through personal conversion and lifelong learning by which we are open to the Holy Spirit to teach us new things. And we follow these principles because we understand that we are not complete. God is not done with us yet; so, we must continue to avail ourselves of the Holy Spirit's prompts.

God bless you and have a great weekend!

News

The Ladies of the Sacred Heart meeting on July 27th after Mass. Please mark your calendar so you can spend one hour after Mass discussing ways of helping our church stay viable.

Remember to mark September 5-6 on your calendars for our next kolache bake.



Hope for Caregivers

During this Jubilee Year, Pope Francis has encouraged us to focus on “the hope that does not fade.” Hope is an especially important ingredient for healthy living as caregivers, who face stress, isolation, and sometimes ask where God is in their situations. This group is for anyone caring for a child, parent, spouse, or loved one with a chronic illness or disability. Through Scripture, prayer, and discussion, the group will affirm and encourage each other. Zoom connection will be offered for those who are not free to meet in person. We will meet on July 21 (and on the third Monday each month) from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Clare Room at St. Pius X. Questions or more information: marthahanley2@gmail.com.

WEEKLY OFFERING

July 13, 2025 Collection	
Envelopes	\$ 330.00
Offertory	31.00
Candles	12.00
Total	\$ 373.00
Building Fund	5.00

Baptism Information

If you wish to have your child baptized, please contact Wendy Swan at (319) 320-5003 or e-mail dbq155sec@dbqarch.org to get the process started.

Please have all bulletin submissions to Wendy Swan by Wednesday PM