

THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF ST. CECILIA • ST. MARY • ST. PATRICK

June 13 & 14, 2026

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Sacramental Emergencies

In the event of an emergency, please contact Fr. Ray Higgins at (641) 747-2569 for the emergency number.

Sacrament Guidelines:

Contact the Rectory to make arrangements prior to marriage and baptismal sacraments.

Bulletin Announcements:

Send bulletin announcements to Misean at stmpcsecretary@outlook.com by 8PM Tuesday.

PARISH announcements



St. Mary's RAGBRAI Supper

July 20, 2026

430PM until food is gone (feeding 1000)

Beef and noodle sign up

Needs:

- 300lbs beef roast, 45 pans of bars (24 count) and volunteers
- Beef will need to be delivered to the hall refrigerator by Thursday, July 17th
- Bars will need to be delivered to the hall by 10AM on July 20th

Cash donations and questions can be directed to: Kim Patrick 641-757-1605

Geri Thompson 641-757-1696

Robyn Corkins 515-321-0762

Please take this opportunity to show hospitality and serve our RAGBRAI guests.

There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church.

Please see letters in pews for more info.

Ragbrai- St. Mary

St Mary's will be holding a
Ragbrai Mass on Monday evening
July 20, at 5:00PM



Added Mass

Reminder that an added Saturday evening Mass will take place during the summer in Panora at 6:30PM.



ST. CECILIA PARISH

220 N 1ST ST.
PANORA, IA 50216



ST. MARY PARISH

603 MAIN STREET
GUTHRIE CENTER, IA 50115



ST. PATRICK PARISH

214 PRAIRIE STREET
BAYARD, IA 50029

FROM THE DESK OF

Fr. Ray Higgins



Dear Parishioners,

This weekend's Gospel, Matthew 9:36 to 10:8, offers a beautiful look into the heart of Jesus. St. Matthew tells us Jesus was "moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd." Before sending out His Apostles, Jesus first noticed the people's needs, hurts, fears, and struggles. He looked at them with compassion, not judgment.

That same compassion continues today. Jesus still sees people's burdens: loneliness, illness, grief, family struggles, financial worries, uncertainty, and the challenges of faith. His response is to send laborers into His harvest, not to abandon His people. The Apostles were sent to proclaim the Kingdom, heal the sick, and bring hope.

This mission is not only for priests and deacons, but for all baptized Christians. Each of us is called to show Christ's love at home, at work, at school, and in our community. Simple acts like kindness, listening, encouragement, inviting others, or promising prayer are powerful ways to share the faith. The harvest is great, and the Lord calls ordinary people to do His extraordinary work.

As we get ready for Father's Day on June 21, let us remember the important role fathers have in God's plan. Fathers show God's fatherly love through sacrifice, guidance, protection, and faith. Whether they are fathers, grandfathers, stepfathers, godfathers, mentors, or father figures, they often shape lives in ways we may not fully appreciate until later.

In a world that sometimes questions fatherhood, the Church reminds us how important fathers are in families and society. Strong fathers help build strong families, and strong families help build strong communities. Let us be thankful for men who take on this responsibility with love.

This week, I encourage everyone to pray for fathers: those raising children, those expecting their first child, those facing challenges, those who have lost children, those whose children have left the faith, and those who have passed away. May God give them strength and bless them with wisdom, patience, courage, and peace.

Just as Jesus looked at the crowds with compassion, may we learn to see each other with that same love. May each of us answer His call to help in His harvest, bringing hope and mercy to everyone we meet.

May God bless you and your families.

In Christ,

Father Ray

UPCOMING events



Christ Our Life Catholic Conference

When: September 26 & 27, 2026

Where: Casey's Center Des Moines

Why: To hear world-class speakers, learn more about our faith, be inspired, worship and praise God in community with thousands and experience the joy of His presence!

How: Attend in person or livestream

Cost: \$30 for the entire weekend
23 and under FREE!



Scan the QR code to
to purchase tickets

For more information, go to:
ChristOurLifelowa.com

Let's Believe...Live...and Celebrate Our Faith!

Couples- If you enjoy the warmth of summer, why not sign up for the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and bring some more warmth and intimacy to your marriage. For more information call Denise and Greg at 563-920-9419 or sign up at wwme.org.

Upcoming dates: October 9-11,
2026 in Epworth, Iowa and February
12-14, 2027 in Dubuque, Iowa.



Bible Studies



Old Testament



Old Testament: Book Overviews |
The Bible Project

New Testament



New Testament: Book Overviews |
The Bible Project

HEARTLAND FOR KIDS presents a benefit concert for MARY'S MEALS



JASPER WINERY

Thursday, August 27 5:30-8:30

2400 George Flagg Pkwy, Des Moines, IA 50321



Josh Leo
Phoenix Mendoza
and Kitty Steadman

Enjoy a family fun evening with Nashville musicians Phoenix Mendoza and Josh Leo and Kitty Steadman at Jasper Winery while raising money for Mary's Meals. Any monetary donation will help the world's most vulnerable children receive an education and provide them with enough to eat. Fun activities available for the kids. Food sponsored by the Knights of Columbus will be available for a free will donation.

MARY'S MEALS is currently feeding over 3 million children in 16 of the poorest countries in the world. The life changing meals they provide make it possible for hungry children to come to school and give them the energy they need to concentrate and participate in class.

\$25.20
FEEDS A CHILD FOR THE ENTIRE SCHOOL YEAR



To donate online please go to: www.marysmealsusa.org





WEEKLY calendar

Saturday

4:00 PM Confessions, Bayard
4:15 PM Divine Mercy, Bayard
4:30 PM Mass, Bayard

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4:00 PM Confessions, Bayard
4:05 PM First Saturday Rosary, Bayard
4:15 PM Divine Mercy, Bayard
4:30 PM Mass, Bayard
6:00 AM Confessions, Panora
6:30 PM Mass, Panora

Sunday

7:30 AM Confessions, Panora
7:45 AM Divine Mercy, Panora
8:00 AM Mass, Panora
9:00 AM-10:00 AM Adoration, Bayard
9:15 AM Divine Mercy, Guthrie Center
9:30 AM Mass, Guthrie Center
10:30 AM Confessions, Guthrie Center

Monday

No Mass

Tuesday

3:30 - 4:30 PM Adoration, Panora
5:15 PM Confessions & Divine Mercy, Bayard
5:30 PM Mass, Bayard

Wednesday

7:45 AM Confessions & Divine Mercy, Panora
8:00 AM Mass, Panora
9:00 AM Prayer Group, Panora
3:30 PM Adoration, Guthrie Center (TIME CHANGE)

Thursday

7:45 AM Confessions & Divine Mercy, Panora
8:00 AM Mass, Panora

Friday

7:45 AM Confessions & Divine Mercy, Guthrie Center
8:00 AM Mass, Guthrie Center

MASS intentions



Sat., June 13 at 4:30 PM — Mass for the People

Sun., June 14 at 8:00 AM — Brennen Cox

Sun., June 14 at 9:30 AM — Travie & Bodie Clark

Tues., June 16 at 5:30 PM — Kenny Ludwig

Wed., June 17 at 8:00 AM — Orville Leinen

Thurs., June 18 at 8:00 AM — Viola Rohe

Fri., June 19 at 8:00 AM — Paul & Agatha Sailer

Sat., June 20 at 4:30 PM — Seidl Family

Sun., June 21 at 8:00 AM — Mass for the People

Sun., June 21 at 9:30 AM — Bill Holle

Tues., June 23 at 5:30 PM — Crosier Family

Wed., June 24 at 8:00 AM — Marietta Bellington

Thurs., June 25 at 8:00 AM — Living & deceased members of
Leon & Donna Kennebeck families

Fri., June 26 at 8:00 AM — David & Rita Halsey

Chaplet of Divine Mercy Closing Prayer

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless, and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments, we might not despair, nor become despondent, but with great confidence, submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy Itself. Amen.

WEEKLY offerings



St. Cecilia Weekly Offering

Sunday weekly offering— \$2,947.92
ADA Goal \$23,161 ADA Balance Due \$10,256

St. Mary Weekly Offering

Sunday weekly offering— \$1,129.50
ADA Goal \$14,880 ADA Balance Due \$4,735

St. Patrick Weekly Offering

Sunday weekly offering— \$176
ADA Goal \$9,572 ADA Balance Due \$1,746