

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

January 28TH & 29TH, 2023

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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

PARISH
announcements



St. Patrick's Ladies Guild meeting

February 4th, following Mass

We will be discussing Beef N Noodle dinner

St. Patrick-- First Saturday Rosary

St. Patrick's will begin the devotion of First Saturday Rosaries before the 4:30PM Saturday Vigil Masses.

A sign up sheet can be found in the back of the church for Rosary Leaders.

Rosary will start at 4:05 pm. each month

SAVE THE DATE-- St. Patrick's

Jon Leonetti Lenten Retreat
March 22 and 23 at St. Patrick's
starting at 6:30PM each night

Volunteers Needed

Hospice of the Midwest in Guthrie are constantly looking for passionate volunteers who feel called to help out and socialize with our patients. Any parishioners interested can contact

Maddie Christensen at 712-304-5268



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 & Bishop Joensen



Dear Parishioners,

We are coming to the end of the first month of 2023 (time sure does go by fast) and in a few weeks on February 22, we will begin the season of Lent with Ash Wednesday. Mass times will be forthcoming. Last weekend it was announced of the future Mass time changes for St. Cecilia and St. Mary parishes beginning the First Sunday of Lent. Sunday February 26, St. Cecilia Mass time will be 8:00 am and St. Mary Mass time will begin at 9:30 am. I want to thank all those who shared their input over the last several months concerning the proposal for Mass time changes and both St. Mary and St. Cecilia Council members for their discussions and voting on the matter.

The Bishop has begun a new fund called the Parish Solidarity Fund and wishes to give parishioners an opportunity to donate which helps local parishes in our Diocese when difficulties or disaster strikes. We will offer an opportunity for that collection next weekend.

I pray your week will be filled with many blessings. Fr. Ray

Dear Friends in Christ,

The period between the Christmas and Lenten Seasons includes a weekend designated for a special collection benefitting the new Parish Solidarity Fund. Our Diocese has a long and rich history of responding in solidarity to the needs of missions throughout the world and to needs arising closer to home caused by natural disasters.

That same spirit of solidarity was evident last year when I related the need of one of our own diocesan parishes who faced challenges introduced by the flooding of the Missouri River and the impact of COVID. Together, those factors had nearly doubled the estimated cost of the proposed St. Mary Parish Faith Formation Center in Hamburg, IA. Your remarkable generosity in reaching out to a “mission” in our own Diocese was inspiring. It was my privilege to present a substantial check to Fr. Tom Thakadipuram and parishioners when I visited the site last March, and then to rejoice and give thanks to God for YOU when I dedicated and blessed the center this past November. What a joyful “thanksgiving day” that was!

In the end, your generosity exceeded what was needed to support St. Mary Parish, and so those remaining monies are the “seed” for our new diocesan Parish Solidarity Fund. As we build the Solidarity Fund, we will be more consistently able to respond to critical needs that arise in any of our parishes.

I recall the words of Pope Francis in an address to world leaders. “Solidarity entails the awareness of being part of a single body, while at the same time involving a capacity on the part of each member to sympathize with others...Solidarity is no mere ideal; it is expressed in concrete actions that draw us closer to our neighbors.”

Thank you in advance for your support of our Diocese of Des Moines Parish Solidarity Fund. Together we strengthen the spirit of solidarity our Holy Father recounts; we will be equipped to lift up our brothers and sisters in other parishes who face urgent challenges.

At the same time, I pray that the God who is never outdone in generosity supplies abundant graces in the face of your own spiritual, familial, and personal needs.

Faithfully in Christ, Most Rev. William M. Joensen, Ph.D., Bishop of Des Moines



He Called, So We Go.

1 Peter 4:10

Blessman International 11th Annual Gala Tuesday, April 25

Airport Holiday Inn
6611 Fleur Drive, DSM

Blessman International would be honored by your presence at our 11th Annual Gala on Tuesday, April 25, 2023. Learn how **God** is working through ordinary people to accomplish incredible works in South Africa.

Dear parishioners,
Formed.org is now featuring the new full length documentary movie about St. Mother Teresa! Contained within is actual footage of St. Teresa and different Missionary Sisters from around the world. It is an excellent watch. Grab your family and some popcorn and let yourselves be spiritually inspired by this beautiful Saint!!



CATHOLIC resources



In response to countless requests, Ascension is launching *The Catechism in a Year (with Fr. Mike Schmitz)* on January 1, 2023!

With this podcast, Catholics will:

- 1) Read the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church in 365 days
- 2) Understand the essentials of the Catholic Faith and why they matter
- 3) See how Church teaching is rooted in Sacred Scripture
- 4) Absorb over 2,000 years of Sacred Tradition
- 5) Encounter God’s plan of sheer goodness
- 6) Transform their relationship with the Church that Christ founded.

If you have ever wanted to **understand what it means to be Catholic** and allow those truths to shape your life—this podcast is for you!

If you’ve struggled to read the Bible, this podcast is for you. Ascension’s *Bible in a Year* Podcast, hosted by Fr. Mike Schmitz and featuring Jeff Cavins, guides Catholics through the Bible in 365 daily episodes .

Each 20-25 minute episode includes:
Two to three scripture readings, a reflection from Fr. Mike Schmitz, a guided prayer to help you hear God’s voice in his Word

Unlike any other Bible podcast, Ascension’s Bible in a Year Podcast for Catholics follows a reading plan inspired by the Great Adventure Bible Timeline® learning system, a groundbreaking approach to understanding Salvation History developed by renowned Catholic Bible teacher Jeff Cavins. Tune in and live your daily life through the lens of God’s word!



WEEKLY calendar

Saturday

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

Sunday

8:00 AM Confessions, Panora
8:15 AM Divine Mercy, Panora
8:30 AM Mass, Panora
9:00 AM-10:00 AM Adoration, Bayard
10:00 AM Confessions, Guthrie Center
10:15 AM Divine Mercy, Guthrie Center
10:30 AM Mass, 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
4:30 PM Adoration, Guthrie Center

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

WEEKLY offerings



St. Cecilia Weekly Offering - \$1,894²⁵

St. Mary Weekly Offering - \$1,079⁰⁰

St. Patrick Weekly Offering - \$849⁰⁰

MASS intentions



Sat Jan 28th at 4:30 PM - Intentions of Bernette Ramaekers
Sun Jan 29th at 8:30 AM - Jeremy Biondi
Sun Jan 29th at 10:30 AM - Travis Crees Family and Dorothy Barnes
Tues Jan 31st at 5:30 PM - Rose Marie McAlister
Wed Feb 1st at 8:00 AM - Living members of Leon & Donna
Kennebeck Family
Thurs Jan Feb 2nd at 8:00 AM - Ed & Jeanne McDermott
Fri Feb 3rd at 8:00 AM - NO MASS
Sat Feb 4th at 4:30 PM - George, Miranda and Maritza Holland
Sun Feb 5th at 8:30 AM - Eddie Dorsett & Family
Sun Feb 5th at 10:30 AM - Rob Kloewer Family
Tues Feb 7th at 5:30 PM - Ty Brown
Wed Feb 8th at 8:00 AM - Deceased members of Tim & Carla
Fitzgerald Family
Thurs Jan Feb 9th at 8:00 AM - Ed Buchanan
Fri Feb 10th at 8:00 AM - Lucille Sewell

Attention: On the first Friday in February (Feb 3rd), Fr. Ray will not be available to say Mass. Below is a mass schedule for anyone wanting to celebrate First Friday devotions on Friday, February 3rd.

Mass schedule at Churches nearby:

Adel- St. John, Friday Mass: 8:30AM
Adair- St. John: No Friday Mass
Audubon- St. Patrick, Friday Mass: 7:30 AM
Perry- St. Patrick, Friday Mass: 8:00 AM
Stuart- All Saints, Friday Mass: 8:30 AM

Ignite Campaign

St. Patrick

Parish Goal- \$55,000
Pledged- \$58,910 (107.11%)

St. Mary

Parish Goal- \$80,000
Pledged- \$37,050 (46.31%)

St. Cecilia

Parish Goal- \$105,000
Pledged- \$80,680 (76.84%)