

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

April 13th & 14th 2024

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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



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

FIRST COMMUNION candidates



Braxton Gibson



Kierra Gibson



Benjamin Grossman



Victoria Servello

St. Cecilia's
candidates



Thomas Servello

St. Mary's
candidates



Quinn Lensch

Huck Hansen



Merrick Schreiber

Kroy Redfern

FROM THE DESK OF

Fr. Ray Higgins



Dear Parishioners,

I hope this letter finds you all in good health and high spirits. This weekend, while I am attending the State of Iowa Knights of Columbus Convention, Fr. Mike Peters will be presiding over the Masses. Please warmly welcome him and offer your support as he celebrates the Mass.

Congratulations to all our First Holy Communicants! It is a joyous occasion to witness these young members of our community receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. May their faith continue to grow and guide them throughout their lives.

I want to express my gratitude to all those who participated in the Divine Mercy Sunday Eucharistic Adoration and Prayer. Thank you to those who helped create this special occasion to honor our Lord's Divine Mercy. You are an inspiration to us all. May the Mercy of our Lord be showered upon us and our community through your prayers.

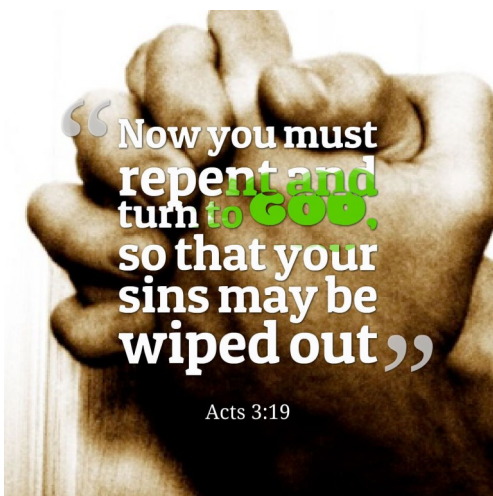
On a different note, I invite all of you to St. Mary's Parish Hall for a light supper on Wednesday, April 24th. Please let the office know how many will be attending so that we can prepare the right amount of food. This gathering will allow us to come together and introduce an adult education opportunity. We hope to have lively discussions at these educational opportunities so that we grow in our faith and deepen our understanding of the teachings of the Church.

This Sunday's Gospel, from the 3rd Sunday of Easter Year B, teaches that the Risen Christ is always present in our lives, even in moments of doubt or disbelief. Just as He appeared to the disciples on the road to Emmaus and revealed Himself through the breaking of bread, let us remain open to the presence of Christ in the ordinary moments of our lives.

I wish you all a blessed week ahead. May the love and peace of our Lord be with you always.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Ray



Congratulations on
First Communion,
Sullivan Wurzer!





UPCOMING events

Theology on Tap.

Join Fellow Young Catholics to be enlightened by our very own Director of Marriage & Family Life for the Diocese of Des Moines & Catholic Charities, Adam Storey. Food will be provided as courtesy as well as the best beer in town available for purchase (I may be a bit biased).

Time/Details: 6:00 PM Food & Fellowship; 7:00 PM Talk (What Does it Mean to Be Human?); Friday, April 19, 2024.

Location: Confluence Brewing, 1235 Thomas Beck Road, Des Moines, Iowa 50315

Our World Needs Prayer. Join Fellow Iowans to Pray A Monthly Rosary. Iowa State Capitol - West Side Steps. Third Sunday of Every Month in 2024 at 1:30 PM.

Time/Details: 1:30 PM at the Capitol on Sunday, April 21, 2024 to pray for our country.

Location: Iowa State Capitol, 1007 E Grand Ave, Des Moines, IA 50319, West Side Steps

Special Details for this Specific Sunday:

The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe which converted the Aztecs has been replicated and travels the United States on an explicit mission to end abortion. It is carried into Churches and it is brought in front of abortion clinics nationwide. Abortions have been prevented and many abortion centers have closed after visitations by the Miraculous Image. In Iowa, since the 2012 visitation of the Missionary Image, 18 of 26 Planned Parenthood centers have closed. You are invited to touch this important sacramental and ask our Mother to pray for you and your intentions.

Save the date to welcome new members to St. Mary and St. Cecilia: Jamie Terwilliger, Sarah Clark, Tyler Nelson, John Jenkins, Braxton Gibson, and Kierra Gibson.. (Photos coming soon)

A light meal will be served on Wednesday, April 24 at 6:30 in St. Mary parish hall. Please RSVP to Deacon Dennis (deacondennisp@gmail.com) or Deacon Dick (515-371-6135) by April 21 if you plan to attend to ensure we have adequate food available.

PARISH announcements



St. Cecilia's Scholarship

The Knights of Columbus have instituted a one-year non-renewable scholarship for any qualified high school senior planning to enroll in any accredited post-secondary educational institution. There are 2 - \$500.00 scholarships available. The successful applicant must demonstrate that they have been an active Catholic at **St. Cecilia Parish**. Applications are on the table in the front entry. Applications are due 4-22-24.

St. Mary's Parish

St. Mary's parish offers tuition assistance for families of children going to Catholic Youth Camp.

Complete the form that will be in the back of St. Mary's church or online if you would like to receive tuition assistance from St. Mary's to attend Catholic Youth Camp at St. Thomas More this summer.

Please turn in the form into the offering plate at church by Sunday, April 28th.

THE GOD OF ABRAHAM ISAAC AND JACOB



COUNCIL meetings

St. Patrick - Tuesday, April 16th at 6:30 PM
St. Mary - Wednesday, April 17th at 6:00 PM
St. Cecilia - Thursday, April 25th at 6:30 PM



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

7:45 AM Confessions, Panora
8:00 AM Divine Mercy, Panora
8:15 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
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

All Parish Reminder for Weekly Offerings

Offerings can go directly to the general fund, the building fund, cemetery or ADA.

Please put your parish and chosen designation of offering in the memo line.

MASS intentions



Sat April 13th at 4:30 PM - Mass for the People
Sun April 14th at 8:15 AM - Eddie Dorsett & Family
Sun April 14th at 9:30 AM - Kathryn Murtaugh
Tues April 16th at 5:30 PM - Rose Marie McAlister
Wed April 17th at 8:00 AM - Deceased members of Callahan Family
Thurs April 18th at 8:00 AM - Deceased members of Holland Family
Fri April 19th at 8:00 AM - Karen Fitzpatrick

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Wed April 24th at 8:00 AM - Deceased members of Callahan Family
Thurs April 25th at 8:00 AM - Deceased members of Holland Family
Fri April 26th at 8:00 AM - Karen Fitzpatrick



Mass intention envelopes can be found in the back of church. Please fill in the requested information, add your donation and place the envelope in the collection plate.

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 - \$2,011⁰⁰
ADA Goal \$22,535 ADA Balance Due \$15,970
St. Mary Weekly Offering - \$700⁰⁰
ADA Goal \$16,169 ADA Balance Due \$10,344
St. Patrick Weekly Offering - \$2,199⁵⁰
ADA Goal \$11,945 ADA Balance Due \$8,745