

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

August 12th & 13th, 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  
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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

## HOLY DAY mass times



### The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass times are scheduled as follows:

**Monday August 14—St. Mary's at 6:30PM**

**Tuesday August 15th—St. Cecilia's at 8:00AM**

**Tuesday August 15th—St. Patrick's at 5:30PM**

### Help NEEDED— All Parishes

Please prayerfully consider becoming a marriage prep sponsor couple for our parishes. Training options would be either a one day in person training or an online option. You would meet with engaged couples who want to be married in the Catholic faith to share your journey, learn about theirs and review their FOCCUS compatibility inventory with them. It doesn't matter if you've been married 5 or 50 years.

Contact Deacon Dennis 641-757-0851 or Kim Patrick 641-757-1605 to learn more.

Date: August 19

Mass: 9:00 AM at the Grotto, St. Anthony's  
Procession: 10:00 AM to St. Ambrose Cathedral

Lunch Served at Pastoral Center  
Enjoy a delicious lunch after the procession!  
Transportation back to St. Anthony's provided.

Let Us Know You're Coming!

Registration not necessary but appreciated.

Scan the QR code to register.

Your RSVP helps us plan for the event.

Come together in faith, love, and hope!

All are welcome to this grace-filled  
gathering.



# FROM THE DESK OF

Fr. Ray Higgins



Dear Parish Family,

A reminder of the upcoming holy day of obligation, the Feast of the Assumption of Mary into heaven. This joyful feast celebrates the belief that Mary, the mother of Jesus Christ, was taken up body and soul into heaven after her death. The Assumption of Mary is a reminder of our own destiny. As Christians, we believe that we will one day be raised up to heaven to be with God.

In the readings for Sunday, we hear stories of faith, hope, and love. In 1 Kings 19, Elijah is exhausted and discouraged after being hunted by King Ahab and Queen Jezebel. He prays, God strengthens him and Elijah can now hear God in a whisper and even stay in the still and quiet of His heart. This story gives Elijah and you and I hope and strength to continue our mission in life.

Psalm 85 is a psalm of hope. It speaks of God's love and faithfulness, and it asks for God to restore his people. This psalm can give us hope in times of difficulty.

Matthew 14:22–33 is the story of Peter walking on water. This is a miraculous story that shows us the power of faith. When Peter keeps his eyes on Jesus, he is able to walk on water. But when he takes his eyes off of Jesus, he begins to sink. This story reminds us that we need to keep our eyes on Jesus and anything is possible (water represents potentiality or possibility) when we keep our attention and faith fixed on Jesus.

These texts can all help us to grow in our faith, hope, and love. They can give us strength in times of difficulty, and they can remind us of God's love for us.

I hope you have a blessed week!

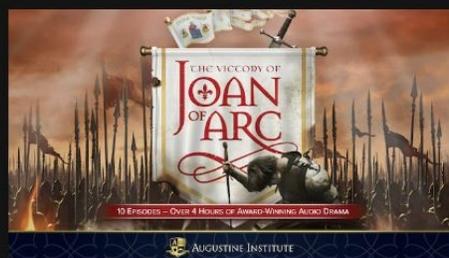
FORMED has been renewed by all three parishes through the next year. Please use this amazing resource.

Fr. Ray

## FORMED's Favorites



The Chosen



The Victory of Joan of Arc...



Bakhita: From Slave to S...

# PARISH announcements



## St. Mary's Religious Education Meeting

There will be an important meeting to determine the direction of the Religious Education (RE) program at St. Mary's at **6pm Wednesday August 16th** in the parish hall. At this time, there is a great need of catechists to teach grades 1st-7th. There will be a letter sent out to all families who are members of St. Mary's that will cover a few concerns and questions that have been mentioned this summer. This meeting is for parents and other concerned adults of the parish. The Confirmation program will also be discussed.

## St. Mary Parish

There is a tablet in the back of church to write any building and maintenance items that anyone sees may need attention in our church, rectory or hall.

## Ministry Sessions

Whether you currently serve as Lector or Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister or have an interest in doing so, you are asked to attend one of the following meetings.

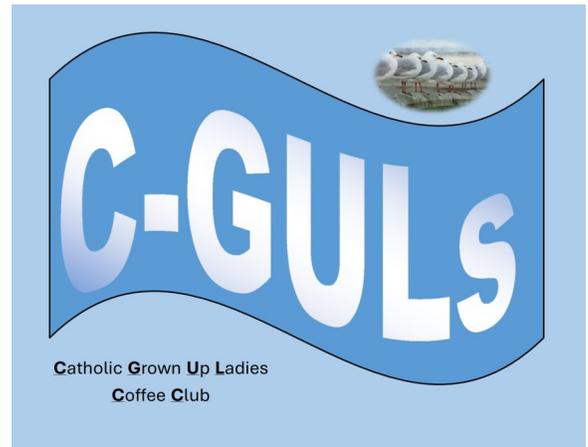
August 19th St. Patrick after the 4:30PM Mass

August 20th at St. Cecilia after the 8:00AM Mass

August 20th at St. Mary after the 9:30AM Mass.

Then due to the significant nature of these ministries, those participating will be commissioned at each of the Masses on the next weekend, August 26th and 27th.

Please contact Deacon Dick and Connie Ziller or Deacon Dennis to let us know of your desire to continue or begin one or both of these ministries.



## CGUL's Coffee Group

Will meet at **2pm Wednesday August 16th** in the lower level of St. Mary's parish hall. We can't agree on the kind of coffee, so we decided to go "BYO". –*Brenda W.*

## St. Cecilia- Can you help?

St. Cecilia's is asking for volunteers to head the chicken dinner this year.

If you are interested in becoming a catechist, please contact Brenda Wedemeyer at [stcstmstpbw@gmail.com](mailto:stcstmstpbw@gmail.com) or 641-740-1079

## Silent Women's Ignatian Retreat by Sharon Doran: Women of Hope who Find God in All Things

Get away from the hectic pace of life and take time to deepen your relationship with God by engaging your heart, mind, body and eternal soul. Hear God speak to your heart in the community of silence. There will be 11 preached conferences by Sharon Doran who combines her love of Sacred Scripture with the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius.

August 24-27, 2023 At Creighton University Retreat Center in Griswold, IA, 1 hour east of Omaha and 1.5 hours west of Des Moines. Cost for lodging, meals and retreat: \$425. Check-in between 4:30-5:30pm on Thursday & concludes Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Register at [creighton.edu/curc](http://creighton.edu/curc) or by using this QR code:





# 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

7:30 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  
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

### 13 August 2023, Sunday

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First:** First Kings 19: 9a, 11-13a

**Psalm:** Psalms 85: 9, 10, 11-12, 13-14

**Second:** Romans 9: 1-5

**Alleluia:** Psalms 130: 5

**Gospel:** Matthew 14: 22-33

# MASS intentions



Sat Aug 12th at 4:30 PM - Jeanne Provenza  
Sun Aug 13th at 8:00 AM - George, Miranda & Maritza Holland  
Sun Aug 13th at 9:30 AM - Mass for the people  
Tues Aug 15th at 5:30 PM - Cathleen Wessling  
Wed Aug 16th at 8:00 AM - Jim & Vickie Meyer Family  
Thurs Aug 17th at 8:00 AM - Dee Suther & deceased family members  
Fri Aug 18th at 8:00 AM - Scott Bauler

Sat Aug 19th at 4:30 PM - Lawrence Hoffmann  
Sun Aug 20th at 8:00 AM - Mass for the people  
Sun Aug 20th at 9:30 AM - Bill & Charlotte Holle  
Tues Aug 22nd at 5:30 PM - Rose Marie McAlister  
Wed Aug 23rd at 8:00 AM - Jim & Vickie Meyer 50th Anniversary  
Thurs Aug 24th at 8:00 AM - Alan Nagel  
Fri Aug 25th at 8:00 AM - Pat Murtaugh



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.

# WEEKLY offerings



St. Cecilia Weekly Offering - \$2,522<sup>00</sup>  
ADA Goal \$20,493 Balance Due \$6,132  
St. Mary Weekly Offering - \$1,803<sup>00</sup>  
ADA Goal \$14,718 Balance Due \$3,998  
St. Patrick Weekly Offering - \$1,595<sup>00</sup>  
ADA Goal \$11,199 Balance Due \$3,349

### All Parish Reminder for Weekly Offerings

Offerings can go directly to the general fund, the building fund. ADA or Ignite Campaign.  
Please put your parish and chosen designation of offering in the memo line.