

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

August 1 & 2, 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.



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

PARISH announcements



Beginning next Saturday night, August 8th St. Cecilia's mass will be at 6pm instead of 6:30 pm for the rest of the summer.

Reminder St Patrick Second Collection

A second collection will be taken at Mass this week (August 1) and quarterly for the Coon Rapids-Bayard Food Pantry. Your donation could be cash or check. Checks should be made out to Coon Rapids-Bayard Food Pantry.

Reminder St Mary's Parish Second Collection

A second collection will be taken this week (August 1) and quarterly at St. Mary's for New Opportunities and Association of Churches food pantry.

St Cecilia's Knights of Columbus Tootsie Rolls

St Cecilia's Knights of Columbus will be selling Tootsie Rolls for charity after mass this weekend on 8/1 and 8/2 at St Cecilia's.



COUNCIL meetings

St. Cecilia - Thursday, August 6 at 6:30PM

St. Patrick - Tuesday, August 11 at 6:30PM

St. Mary - Wednesday, August 12 at 6:00PM

FROM THE DESK OF

Fr. Ray Higgins



Dear Parish Family,

Sometimes we might doubt God's love, even though He always cares for us. In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus feeds five thousand people, reminding us that God sees our needs, has compassion, and gives us more than enough. When life gets tough, it's normal to wonder if God has forgotten us, but He never does. Like the disciples, we might focus on what we lack, but Jesus invites us to trust Him with what we have. This week, before you go to bed, try asking yourself, "**Where did God quietly care for me today?**" Then thank Him for three ways He was present. The more we remember, the more we notice that God's love and presence have always been with us.

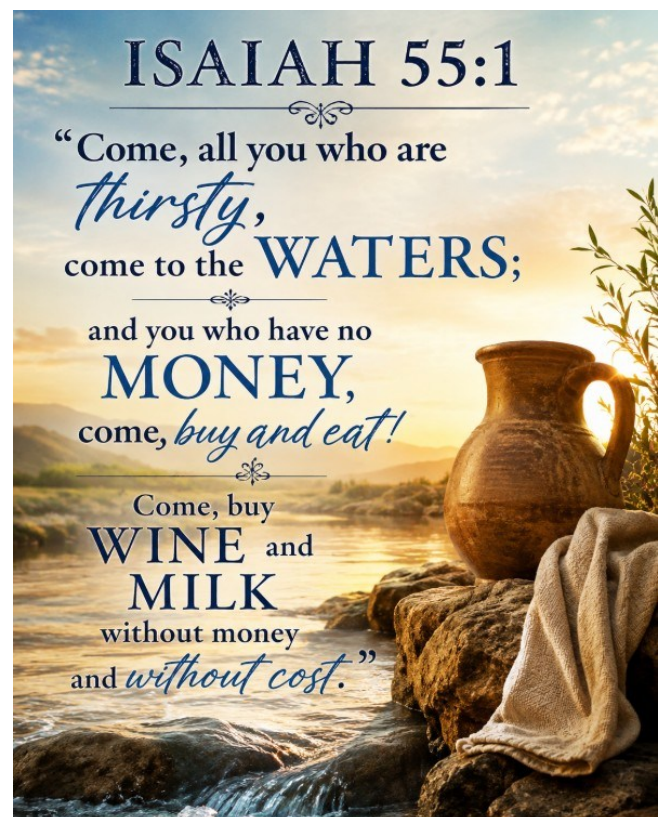
Mass Time Change – Beginning Saturday, August 8

Beginning **Saturday, August 8**, the **Summer Saturday evening Mass at St. Cecilia in Panora will start at 6:00 p.m. instead of 6:30 p.m.** I usually finish early at St. Patrick in Bayard, so I should be able to arrive in Panora for the earlier time. **Please keep this change** in mind and share it with your family, friends, and other parishioners. All other Mass times and parish activities will stay the same.

I pray that this week the Lord helps us see His love, care, and faithful presence in our lives.

God bless,

Fr. Ray Higgins

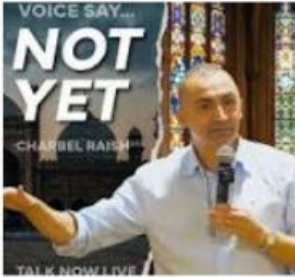


UPCOMING events



CHRIST OUR LIFE CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

Charbel Raish



Although Australian Charbel was raised by Catholic parents, during his final year of high school he was led by a sheik from Jordan to become Muslim. However, Jesus and His Blessed Mother Mary directly convinced Charbel to retain and embrace his Catholic faith. Charbel created Parousia Media and continues to fulfill God's desire for him to share the

good news of the Gospel throughout the world.

Join Charbel and eight other world-class speakers for a faith-filled, life-changing event in Des Moines.

September 26 & 27, 2026 Casey's Center

Scan the QR code to buy tickets

Go to ChristOurLifelowa.com for complete information

In person or Livestream



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



St. Thomas More Center— Job Opportunity

Home of Catholic Youth Camp in
Panora

NOW HIRING FACILITIES MANAGER

This is a full-time, year-round position with benefits.

On-site housing available.

stmcenter.com/job-openings

Contact Jason Anderson: jason@stmcenter.com



The Ragbrai Fundraiser made \$12,096.46.

The goal was \$12,000!

Thanks again to everybody for donations and help!
This will help so much in rectory repairs!



ST. MARY religious education

As we prepare for a new Religious Education year, we're refreshing and organizing our classroom supplies.

If you'd like to support our RE program, we'd be grateful for your help! You can purchase needed items from our Amazon Wish List at <http://bit.ly/stmaryRE>

or contact Jamie Terwilliger if you would prefer to make a monetary donation.

Thank you for your generosity and for helping us provide a welcoming, faith-filled learning environment for our students!

Do you know a couple who have been married 70, 75 or more years? Worldwide Marriage Encounter highlights and honors couples who have very long marriages. Every state in the US will honor one nominated couple who is married the longest. Please nominate a couple by going to wwme.org and nominate them at the top of the page. Nominations should be in by September 1st. For questions call 641-753-6953.

MARRIED COUPLES. Give your marriage a well-deserved vacation. Plan to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and come back with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy! The next weekends are October 9-11, 2026 in Epworth and February 12-14, 2027 in Dubuque. Register at wwme.org or contact Denise and Greg at 563-920-9419.





WEEKLY calendar

Saturday

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

Saturday

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 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.

MASS intentions



Sat., August 1 at 4:30 PM — Mass for the People

Sat. August 1 at 6:30 PM — Dan Donahey and James Ward
Families

Sun., August 2 at 8:00 AM — Dan Donahey and James Ward
Families

Sun., August 2 at 9:30 AM — Don Reinhart

Tues., August 3 at 5:30 PM— Crosier Family

Wed., August 5 at 8:00 AM — Eddie Dorsett & Family

Thurs., August 6 at 8:00 AM — Marilyn Ludwig

Fri., August 7 at 8:00 AM — Jean Knobbe

Sat., August 8 at 4:30 PM — Matt Murrane

Sat. August 8 at 6:00 PM — Mass for the People

Sun., August 9 at 8:00 AM — Johnny & Catherine Vogel Family

Sun., August 9 at 9:30 AM — George, Miranda & Maritza

Tues., August 11 at 5:30 PM— Living & deceased members
Higgins Family

Wed., August 12 at 8:00 AM — Joe, Lucy and Jerry Wolterman

Thurs., August 13 at 8:00 AM — Orville Leinen

Fri., August 14 at 8:00 AM — Deceased family members of
Kevin & Peggy Dentlinger

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- \$1,909.05
ACH- \$875

ADA Goal \$23,161 ADA Balance Due \$8,281

St. Mary Weekly Offering

Sunday weekly offering— \$1,044
ACH- \$1,839

ADA Goal \$14,880 ADA Balance Due \$284

St. Patrick Weekly Offering

Sunday weekly offering— \$157
ACH- \$1,210

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