

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

	Saturday 5:00 PM August 31	Sunday 8:30 AM Sept. 1	Sunday 10:30 AM Sept. 1
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Mary McClurg Jean Mohr Eileen Skogerboe Jed Skogerboe *Curt Smith *Sandy Smith Susan Sundlin	Jim Alger Judy Alger *Deb Brown Sharon Crowley Kellie Ferguson Mary Lou Korwes *Danette Tolan Jim Staver Doug Zemler	Mary Brandt Annette Eckert Bob Huls Jeannie James *Sylvia Jennings Kim Kirschbaum Kasey Kirschbaum Jenny Marhula *Pam Wingert
Lectors	Cyndy Powers	Shannon Adams	Scott Trautman
Altar Servers	Abigail Scott Brent Scott	Karli Olsen Catherine Straus Emma Straus Izzie Wycoff	Alicia Brandt Ben Fisher Owen Lalumendre Kiana Leistikow
Hospitality Ministers	Vince Elser Joe Endres Dan Lempiainen Marv Spieker	Ron Crowley Bob Emgarten Jim Leinbaugh Thad Wiedemeier	Mike Davis Margie Lynch Tom Lynch Bob Shaw
Music Ministers			
Gift Bearers	The Endres Family	The Lee Family	The Block Family

Liturgies and Events This Week

Monday, Aug. 26 No Mass	Wednesday, Aug. 28 12:00Noon Mass <i>Special Intention (T.S.)</i> 12:30PM Adoration 4:00PM Benediction	Thursday, Aug. 29 NO MASS	Saturday, Aug. 31 5:00PM Mass + <i>Living & Deceased of St. Mary's</i>
Tuesday, Aug. 27 5:30PM Mass + <i>Dick Behrens</i>		Friday, Aug. 30 12:00Noon <i>Special Intention (M. & D. W.)</i>	Sunday, Sept. 01 8:30AM Mass + <i>Robert Matuska</i> 10:30AM Mass + <i>Mike Dailey</i>

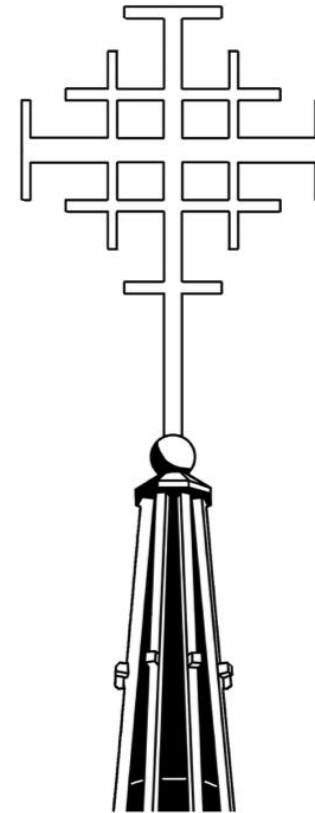
The sanctuary lamp burns this week in memory of Jason Schoo

Stewardship for August 18, 2019

Adults: \$ 4,483.00
Loose: \$ 1,759.07
Dollar: \$
Guatemala: \$ 379.57
Special: \$233.00--Assumption

You can tell what people care about by seeing their cancelled checks—and reading their wills!

St. Mary's Parish



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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 25, 2019

Parish Staff

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Baptism – Contact the office to inquire about pre-baptismal class.

Marriage – Contact the office at least six months before date of wedding.

Confessions – Wednesday 3:30PM, Saturday 4:00PM, Sunday 10:00AM.

Eucharistic Adoration – Wednesday 12:30PM – 4:00PM.

Mass Schedule

Please note that there will NOT be daily Mass on Thursday, August 29th.

Catechist Annual Gathering-August 28

All catechists and assistants helping with the religious education program this year are invited to attend the gathering meal and meeting on August 28th starting at 6:30PM. Please RSVP to the parish office by Monday, August 26th. A variety of appetizers and desserts are planned for the meal. Thank you to all who have come forward and volunteered for this important and holy job. You are very appreciated!

VIRTUS Training Offered Here

Anyone who works with our youth in any capacity, either now or in the future, is required to attend a VIRTUS seminar. VIRTUS is our diocesan program that helps all of us know how to protect our communities against abuse. All are welcome to attend, the cost is free. You can register online at virtus.org. Click on “first time registrant”. Our session can be found among the list of many being held in the Sioux City diocese. Ours will be August 28th from 4-6:30PM. If you have any questions, please call the parish office.

Online Religious Education Registration Now Open

All parents with students in grades PK (must be 4 years old) through senior are asked to please register your child for religious education. Go to www.stmarysspiritlake.org, click on “study” then choose “youth education” to access the form. Once the form is submitted, an email confirmation and invoice will be sent to parents. This may take a few days. Payments can be made in the designated box on the table in the narthex. The first day of religious education will be September 11th, which is a potluck meal beginning at 6:00PM. Please call the office if you have any questions.

Religious Education Starting September 11th, Potluck Planned

All families are to join together for our opening week of religious education on September 11th, at 6:00PM. This is an important event for all families to attend because we will be handing out schedules for the year, share information on the new MyParish App to help our parish stay connected, and give everyone details on plans for the new year! Families whose last names start with the letters A-M are asked to bring a side dish or salad, those starting with N-Z are asked to bring dessert. Burgers and hot dogs will be provided along with lemonade, water and milk. Please register your children for religious education by logging on to www.stmarysspiritlake.org, click on “study” and the “youth education” to access the registration form. It just takes a few minutes!

KC Meeting

The monthly Knights of Columbus meeting will be held on Monday, August 26th at 6:00PM at the Pizza Ranch.

Phone App to be used for Parish Communication

The Sioux City Diocese has rolled out a plan for all parishes to use the myParish app for timely and complete communication with all members of the church. St. Mary’s will utilize this App for everything from religious education updates, cancellations and reminders, to small group communications, ministry schedules, and Mass times. You can download it to your smart phone right now. Once downloaded, simply search for St. Mary’s, Spirit Lake and make it a “favorite”. As we learn more about all the features it has, we will share them with you! Please take a moment to do this today!

Please Keep in Your Prayers

All Confidential Prayer Chain requests may be directed to Jean Mohr, our Prayer Chain Coordinator at 712-336-2559 or 712-320-5433. Prayer intentions may be entered in the Prayer Request book.

FORMED is Available for You

If you have not checked out the awesome movies, audio programs, books and Bible studies FORMED has to offer, now is a great time to get started! St. Mary’s has a subscription which means you can get all of those wonderful materials absolutely FREE! It only takes a few seconds to set up an account. Then thousands of resources are there for you to enjoy. Check it out on www.formed.org. To create an account use the parish code: N2MPXZ. Please contact the parish office if you need assistance.

Eternal Rest

Your prayers are requested for the souls of Richard Ratcliff, a parishioner of St. Mary’s, whose funeral was here this past Tuesday. Also, for Jason Schoo, nephew of Donna Williams, who passed this last Monday in Omaha, NE. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.

Guatemala Mission Trip Informational Meeting

If you would like to know more about the San Lucas Mission, Guatemala, please come to an informational meeting at 9:30AM, Sunday, September 8th. Come learn about the upcoming mission trip in January. Hear about all the ways the mission is serving the area of San Lucas and how you can be a part of that experience. All parishioners are encouraged to experience the graces of working side by side with those having the greatest need. Doing so will leave you changed forever and for the better. Contact Mary in the office if you have questions.

Guest Speaker and Holy Hour

All are welcome to St. Mary’s on October 6th at 6:00PM to hear speaker Maggie DeWitte, Executive Director at Iowans for LIFE. Maggie is at the forefront of the pro-life movement here in Iowa and nationally. She will share the work being done on behalf of the unborn and for all life. Following her presentation, we will have an Eucharistic Holy Hour. Be watching the bulletin and the myParish app for more details as they become available.

Fall Book Study for Everyone

Would you like to learn more about what the church teaches on social issues in a relaxed social setting, or have enough knowledge about your faith to defend it? Would you like to learn the “why” behind what we do in Mass? Would you like to continue to grow in your relationship with God? If you have ever felt the desire to grow in any of these areas, please join us for a new book study starting on September 18, 2019, and continuing on Wednesday evenings from 6:45PM to 8:00PM. We will read Gus Lloyd’s “A Minute in the Church” books, which offer short one minute chapters that explain teachings and doctrines in the church, as well as give explanations of Catholic practice and devotion. Gus Lloyd is a popular speaker and radio host, and you can hear Gus every weekday morning on Seize The Day on the Catholic Channel on Sirius XM Channel 129 from 6:30AM to 9:00AM. The more we know about God, the more we come to love God. Cost of the four book series is \$15.00. You may pay and receive your books on the first evening. There is a sign-up sheet along with samples to look at in the Narthex. Please call/text Shawna Ditsworth with any questions at (712)339-1845.

