

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

	Saturday, 5:00 PM January 18	Sunday, 9:30 AM January 19
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Connie Chapman Larry Chapman Eileen Skogerboe Jed Skogerboe *Curt Smith *Sandra Smith Susan Sundlin	Mary Brandt Sharon Crowley *Peggy Folan Kasey Kirschbaum Mary Lou Korwes *Monica Niccum Sharon Schrunk Cathy Thee Danette Tolan
Lectors	Dave Hansen	Sylvia Jennings
Altar Servers	Sam Odendahl Josh Wavra Abigail Scott	Jasper Robinson Tyson Robinson Isabella Marx Taylor Schneider
Hospitality Ministers	Jim Carney Vince Elser Joe Endres Marv Spieker	Larry Bortscheller Mike Davis Alan Ditsworth Duane Kolar
Music Ministers	Charlene Hamann Gaylene Rolling	Charlene Hamann Shauna Donovan
Gift Bearers	The Endres Family	The Block Family

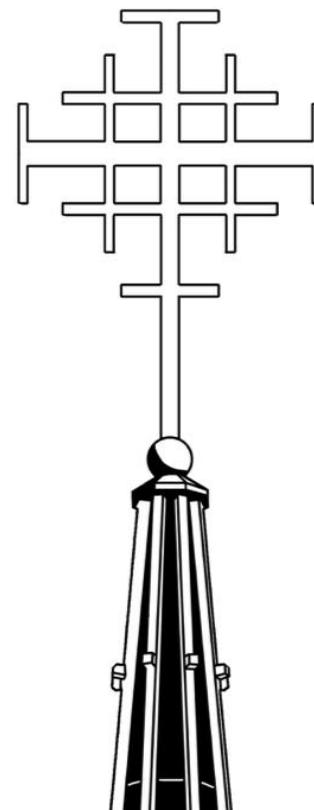
Liturgies and Events This Week

Monday, Jan. 13 No Mass Tuesday, Jan. 14 5:30PM +Don Willis	Wednesday, Jan. 15 12:00Noon Mass +Harold Overmann 12:30-3:30 Adoration 4:00PM Benediction Religious Education	Thursday, Jan. 16 7:30AM +Dora Rooney Friday, Jan.17 12:00Noon Mass +John Steinkamp	Saturday, Jan. 18 5:00PM Mass + Jean Rusch Sunday, Jan. 19 9:30AM Mass +Living & Deceased of St. Mary's
---	--	--	--

The sanctuary lamp burns this week for The Living & Deceased of the Dave Hansen Family

Stewardship for January 5, 2020 Adults: \$ 4,060.00 Loose: \$ 935.29 Dollar: \$ 213.05 Guatemala: \$ Special: \$	<i>Is your will keeping up with you? With your Christian commitments?</i>
--	---

St. Mary's Parish



1005 Hill Avenue
P.O. Box 354
Spirit Lake, Iowa
712.336.1742 office
712.336.1013 fax

www.stmarysspiritlake.org

The Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2020

Parish Staff

Pastor

Rev. Paul Kelly

pastor@stmarysspiritlake.org

Parish Secretary

Donna Williams

secretary@stmarysspiritlake.org

Choir Director

Allison Oyler

Director of Religious Education
& Youth Ministry

Mary Brandt

youth@stmarysspiritlake.org

Religious Education
Assistant

Danette Tolan

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 9:00AM.

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

Prayer Chain Coordinator – Jean Mohr – 712-336-2559 or 712-320-5433.

Church Decorations

TODAY, Sunday, January 11th, we will be taking down the Christmas decorations. We will start approximately 11:00 AM. All are welcome; many hands make light work. Again, thank you to the dedicated crew that worked so hard to make our church so beautiful for the season!

Pancakes

Sunday, January 19th, our breakfast crew will be serving up their delicious pancake breakfast along with all the other delights. Come on over to the parish hall from 9:00AM until noon.

Steubenville Registrations are Rolling In

Registration forms for Steubenville of the Rockies are available on the south kiosk in the back of the church. Registration deadline is set for Sunday, January 12th. Registrations are being accepted first-come, first-served basis. All registrations require a \$200.00 deposit. Registration forms can be turned in to the parish office or dropped in the collection basket at Mass. The dates for the trip are June 18th (late evening departure) through June 24th (late evening arrival), 2020. Call Mary in the office if you have any questions

Religious Education

We will resume religious education classes on January 15, 2020 at the regular time.

New Year, Stronger Faith

Don't let this time of new beginnings go by without recommitting to your faith! FORMED offers thousands of outstanding modern, theologically-sound resources for spiritual growth. There are movies, bible studies, feature films, children's programs, award-winning series, and so much more. You must explore the website to get a true understanding of the depth and breadth of the offerings that are available! It costs nothing and is available anywhere you have internet access. Log on to FORMED.org and set up an account today and make this the best year of faith yet! You will need the parish code to register the first time. It is N2MPXZ. Call the office if you have any questions.

Knights of Columbus to Hold Spelling Bee

Area boys and girls grades 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th are welcome to compete in the 2020 Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee. Iowa Great Lakes Council 5043 is sponsoring the always-entertaining contest Thursday, January 16th at the Spirit Lake Middle School music room. Free on-site registration – requiring a parent's signature- will begin at 3:30PM in the hallway outside the music room.

Christ Our Life Catholic Regional Conference

Save the Date! September 26th & 27th, 2020 at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines, IA. Hear world class speakers, celebrate Mass among thousands, fill your spirit with music, attend reconciliation, visit Jesus in adoration and feel your soul rejoice. To learn more, contact Jenny Marhula, at 1-701-799-1856, or jennymarhula@gmail.com.

4th Degree K of C

The 4th Degree K of C members of Assembly #1607 will have their monthly meeting on January 14th at Mill Creek Lounge in Milford. Social at 6:00PM with meeting to follow. The main item on the agenda is the regalia position for Assembly #1607.

Adoration

Just as you can't be exposed to the sun without receiving its rays, neither can you come to Jesus exposed in the Blessed Sacrament without receiving the divine rays of his grace, his love, His peace. "Christ is truly the Emmanuel, that is, God is with us, day and night, he is in our midst. He dwells with us full of grace and truth. He restores morality, nourishes virtue, consoles the afflicted, strengthens the weak." (Pope Paul VI, Mysterium Fidei).

We are in need of a few people who would be willing to spend an hour or half an hour each Wednesday before the Blessed Sacrament. We can put you on a rotating cycle if we have enough people sign up. You can talk to Fr. Kelly or contact Donna in the parish office.

Reminder

We need your announcements for the weekly bulletin to the office by Wednesday noon. You can either call the office, 712-336-1742, stop in the office, or email to secretary@stmarysspiritlake.org.

Pope Francis Speaks to Families

Mary's faith is the fulfillment of Israel's faith, the whole journey, the whole path that people awaiting redemption is contained in her, and it is in this sense that she is the model of the Church's faith, which has Christ, the incarnation of God's infinite love, as its center.

How did Mary live this faith? She lived it out in the simplicity of the thousand daily tasks and worries of every mother, such as providing food, clothing, caring for the house---It was precisely Our Lady's normal life which served as the basis for the unique relationship and profound dialogue which unfolded between her and God, between her and her Son. Mary's "yes," already perfect from the start, grew until the hour of the cross. There her motherhood opened to embrace every one of us, our lives, so as to guide us to her Son. Mary lived perpetually immersed in the mystery of God-made-man, as his first and perfect disciple, by contemplating all things in her heart in the light of the Holy Spirit, in

