

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

	Saturday, 5:00 PM March 28	Sunday, 9:30 AM March 29
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	NO MASS	NO MASS
Lectors		
Altar Servers		
Hospitality Ministers		
Music Ministers		
Gift Bearers		

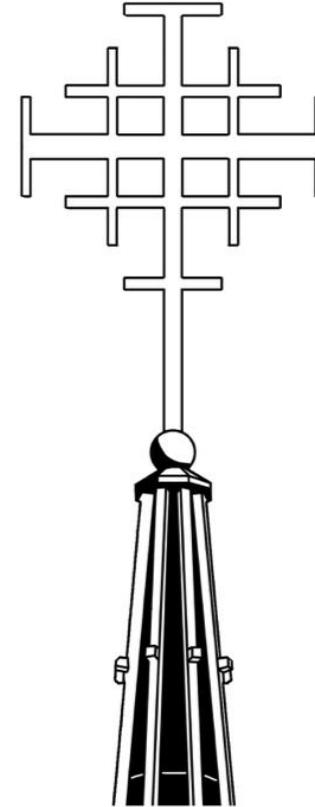
Liturgies and Events This Week

Monday, March 23 No Mass	Wednesday, March 25 No Mass +Janet Iedema	Thursday, March 26 No Mass +Connie Schoo	Saturday, March 28 No Mass +Vic & Helen Kellen Family
Tuesday, March 24 No Mass +Dee Hauber & David Hauber		Friday, March 27 No Mass +Special Intentions (R.&J.J.)	Sunday, March 29 No Mass +Arnold Tolan & L.&D. of St. Mary's

The sanctuary lamp burns this week for Arnold Tolan

Stewardship for March 16, 2020 Adults: \$3,983.00 Loose: \$1,254.62 Dollar: \$ Guatemala: \$ 224.23 Special: \$	<i>Honor a loved one with a memorial gift created in your will!</i>
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Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 22, 2020

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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 9:00AM.

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

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

St. Mary's Offers Weekly Mass Online

Beginning this weekend, Fr. Kelly will be offering Holy Mass remotely. The link will be posted in four locations. You can find it through messages in the MyParish App, on our St. Mary's website at www.stmarysspiritlake.org, on Facebook's "Okoboji Broadcast with Jeff Thee", and our St. Mary's Youth Facebook page. This will be uploaded each Saturday by around noon. Simply go to one of those locations, click on the corresponding link, and you will be directed to the YouTube channel with the recording. This is a private recording of the Mass. Please call the office if you have any questions about this. You will need to have an internet connection to view the recording.

Stay Connected with Us

Stay up to date with church and faith formation by checking out our website and Facebook pages. If you are on Facebook but are not in the St. Mary's Youth private group yet, simply "friend" Mary Brandt and she will add you to the group. She will be posting daily reflections, prayers and other information to keep you and the kids busy during this time. Technology truly is our friend and a great way to stay in touch.

FAQ About Church Functions Right Now

How will I worship on the weekend if we don't have Mass? Mass will be offered every weekend online (see details in this bulletin). There are many other options for daily and weekly Mass on EWTN, online and links that are on our website, www.stmarysspiritlake.org. If you are having a difficult time finding a way to view a mass, call the parish office and we will do what we can to help. *What about religious education for my kids? What can I do to keep them learning their faith?* The St. Mary's website has a long list of ideas and options for families. These include projects and prayer services, The Magnificat for free online, daily mass and a lot more. It is worth taking the time to check these out. *Can I at least come to church to pray on my own?* Yes! The church will be open for private prayer during regular hours. Please adhere to the "social distancing" protocols that have been established. Maintain personal distance with others and wash your hands upon entering and exiting the church. Feel free to utilize prayer apps and devotionals while you are here. Please be respectful of others prayer space. *How can I make a contribution if there is no Mass?* The St. Mary's website is currently being equipped to take online contributions. This may take a few days before it is live, however. You can also bring papers or contributions to the office. If it is closed, simply slide it under the office door. *What about the bulletin?* You can find it each week under the "bulletin" tab on MyParish App, or you can stop by the church and pick one up as a few will still be printed.

Scholarship Sponsors Needed

Several students are in need of financial support for their trip to the Steubenville of the Rockies conference, which is scheduled for June. Full and partial scholarships have been requested by nine students. The Steubenville conference has been the lifeblood of St. Mary's youth for over 30 years and continues to impact young people deeply each year. If you are able, please consider supporting one of these students in his or her faith journey by contributing to the scholarship fund. Contact Mary Brandt if you have any questions or would like to donate. Thank you!

A Prayer at this Difficult Time

In this time of need, I invite all the faithful to seek together the maternal intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and I share this prayer with you:

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,
Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.
We fly to you today as your beloved children.
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,
As you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother,
And gain for our nation and world,
And for all our families and loved ones,
The protection of your holy angels,
That we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted,
We ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance.
Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful,
Wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing,
Teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind.
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence,
Knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother,
Health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,
Keep us in the embrace of your arms,
Help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

