



St. Mary - Holy Cross Parish

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The Most Holy Trinity

June 12, 2022



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

June 19, 2022

It is customary at St. Mary-Holy Cross after the final song, the assembly kneels and silently prays the "Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be" for the next person of our Parish who dies. Parishioners near death have expressed the comfort they experience knowing the Parish Community is praying for them. Please join us in this sacred prayer.

Dear Friends in Christ:

As I type this, recent daily Mass readings come from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount of the fifth chapter of Matthew. While Jesus reinforces the Commandments, he also aims for the listeners' deeper understanding and following of them. For example, at one point he says, "You have heard that it was said to your ancestors, 'You shall not kill; and whoever kills will be liable to judgment.' But I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment." It is sinful to kill. It is also sinful to harbor the anger that is at the root of the killing. Such introspection on our part can be applied to other sins, but the most prominent at this time in our society and culture seems to be that of abortion. Laws that restrict the sinful act are enacted and enforced, but we also need to pray and work for the conversion of hearts and minds so that people love that innocent life and reason as to why it is wrong to kill it. ~ *Father Andrew*

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Mass Schedule	Tuesday	5:30pm	Holy Cross
	Wednesday	5:30pm	St. Mary
	Thursday	8:00am	St. Mary
	First Friday	9:00am	St. Mary
	Saturday	5:00pm	St. Mary
	Sunday	8:00am	Holy Cross
	4th Sunday	12:00pm	St. Mary

Reconciliation: St. Mary: Wednesdays 4:45 - 5:15pm and Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30pm; or by appointment.

Baptism: Contact Fr. Andrew

Marriage: Contact Fr. Andrew at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date.

Priesthood/Religious: www.vocationsonline.org

Mass, Reconciliation and Adoration

Tuesday, June 14

5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross †Mary Beth Bump

Wednesday, June 15

4:45 - 5:15pm Reconciliation, St. Mary

5:30pm Mass, St. Mary †Joseph Johll
~ followed by Adoration

Thursday, June 16

8:00am Mass, St. Mary †William & Caroline Prolansky

Saturday, June 18

4:00 - 4:30pm Reconciliation, St. Mary

5:00pm Mass, St. Mary †Dick & Helen Opperman

Sunday, June 19

8:00am Mass, Holy Cross †Craig Hand

10:00am Mass, St. Mary People of the Parish

Tuesday, June 21

5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross †Edward & Lorraine Prolansky

Wednesday, June 22

4:45 - 5:15pm Reconciliation, St. Mary

5:30pm Mass, St. Mary †Isaac Beying
~ followed by Adoration

Thursday, June 23

8:00am Mass, St. Mary Melvin Ward Family

Saturday, June 25

4:00 - 4:30pm Reconciliation, St. Mary

5:00pm Mass, St. Mary †Mary Fisher

Sunday, June 26

8:00am Mass, Holy Cross †Patrick Phelan

10:00am Mass, St. Mary †Bernardine Gorman

12:00pm Mass, St. Mary People of the Parish

Are You New to Our Parish?

We welcome you to our family of St. Mary-Holy Cross and invite you to become a member of our parish! Please fill out a registration card found in the vestibule of St. Mary or Holy Cross or on our website. We are glad you are here!

✠ For Pastoral assistance, please contact Fr. Andrew at 515-367-2685 or Fr.Andrew@saintmaryhc.org.

Upcoming Parish Council Election

The weekend of June 25/26 the ushers will hand out election ballots and collect them at each Mass. Any member of our parish 18 years of age or older can vote. Any parish member unable to attend a Mass that weekend must submit their election form **in person** to the Parish office between June 20 and noon on Friday, June 24. The election form including candidate bios is included in this bulletin and is available on the parish website home page under "Forms". Please feel free to reach out to any of the current Parish Council members for more information.

Diocesan Covid Updates

Masks are optional for all during Mass and indoor activities and not required to distribute Holy Communion. Please discern the use of masks based on your own health and potential immunity to COVID-19. **If you wish to receive Communion on the tongue, please receive from Fr. Andrew (he sanitizes after each).** Masks and hand sanitizer are available. *Diocesan updates:*
<https://www.dmdiocese.org/resources/worship/coronavirus>



TO ALL
OUR DADS!!

A Summer Blessing

Walk along beside me, Jesus,
As I begin the months of summer.
As I work, play, enjoy family time and friendships,
May I hear your voice within me,
Guiding me toward all that is right and good.
Give me faith in Your presence,
Knowing that You walk beside me in everything I do.
Gracious and loving Jesus,
Thank you for the gift of summer.
May the warmth of its sun and the beauty of its light
remind me daily of Your love for me.
Amen.

Parish Council
Meeting: June 28, 6:30pm, Social Hall
Finance Council
Meeting: June 21, 6:30pm, Social Hall
Stewardship
Meetings: June 13 & July 11, 6:00pm, Ed Center
Knights of Columbus
June 12 & July 17, 6:40pm Rosary, 7:00pm Meeting, Hall

Fr. Andrew will be available and in the office off and on June 14 and 15 so please call or email him first. The Parish Office is closed June 16 & 17. Contact Fr. Andrew in an emergency; no matter day or time. St. Mary's Church building will be open 10am to 8pm on June 14, 15 & 17 and 8am to 8pm on June 16.

Coming Events

- ✠ **Facilities in Use:** CGS Training through June 15, Ed Center Hall/Kitchen — 4th Degree KofC mtg, June 13, 6:00pm Hall
- ✠ **Crafts, Games & Conversation:** Thursday, June 16, 9:00am, Social Hall
- ✠ **Weekend of June 18/19:** Food Pantry collection for Catholic Charities Emergency Family Shelter
- ✠ **Vacation Bible School:** Tuesday, June 21 - Thursday, June 23, 5:00-7:30pm, St. Mary
- ✠ **Farewell Celebration and Potluck for Father Andrew:** Sunday, June 26, 1:00pm, St. Mary

Crafts, Games & Conversation!!

Join us Thursday, June 16, 9:00am in the Social Hall. This gathering time includes board games and cards by those who are not so crafty! There's good conversation, fellowship, laughter, and sharing of stories, which all bring about community building.



Food Pantry Collection

Please bring non-perishable food items to Mass the weekend of June 18/19; we will also take up a monetary collection. Thank you for your continued generosity. Your donation will assist Catholic Charities Emergency Family Shelter.

In Sympathy and Compassion

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Catherine "Anita" Brendeland, mother of Joyce Volz, who passed away Wednesday, and for her family that they know the compassionate presence of Christ in their time of loss.

✠ *Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord,* ✠
and let perpetual light shine upon her.

Religious Education

Preschool - 6th Grade Coordinators

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We hope you are enjoying your summer break! Now is a great time to register for the upcoming Religious Education year! Please see the website or your email for the registration form; copies are also available at St. Mary and Holy Cross. You can fill the form out and email a copy to Barb (bliske@saintmaryhc.org) or drop it off at the office.

We look forward to serving your families this year!

S.T.O.R.M. Report

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Join Us For a Farewell Celebration Honoring Father Andrew!

Sunday, June 26 at 1:00pm we will gather for a potluck meal. We ask families with last names A - M to provide side dishes and families with last names N - Z to provide desserts. Main dish, lemonade, water and table service provided. Come and wish Father well and enjoy time with fellow parishioners!

Thank You for Your Support!

Our May 26 blood drive collected 28 blood products, slightly below our average, which will sustain or save up to 84 lives. Of the 32 people who registered to donate (seven more than our goal), 24 were able to do so. Thank you to the following who came to donate blood or provided treats and/or volunteered at the drive: Diane and Lee Coles, Susan Pratt, Rita McClain, Renee Spratt, Dona Cowman, Judy and Gary Sesker, Patrick Cory, Scott Schaeffer, Kathy Petersen, Craig Ellyson, Tim and Lisa Kautza, Pat Hand, Ana Kautza, Lori and Andrew Cory, Janean Struthers, Pat O'Connor, Lorrie Hanlon, Bill Dunbar, Tawna Kerr, Hope Paine, Roger Bender, Kathleen Greenwood, Shonda Hay, Mary Ward, Jill Swanson, Suzette Bartleson, Richard Bascom, John Bair, Doug Jones, Janet Stewart, Joe Rumbaugh, Garrett McClain, and Tom Rooney.

Please schedule an appointment (required, no walk-ins yet) for our August 25 (3:00-7:00pm) drive either by signing-up on the bulletin board in the vestibule at St. Mary Church or visiting www.lifeservebloodcenter.org. If you have difficulties or questions, please call LifeServe Blood Center, 800-287-4903, and tell them you wish to sign-up to donate at the Elkhart Community Blood Drive. Volunteers and treats for the canteen are always needed. Please contact Lisa & Tim Kautza if you wish to help, kautza@netins.net / 515-964-7687).

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Give thanks for each day...

You'll never get to live it over again.

Weekly Collection Financial Update

	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget</u>	
Tithes/Plate/	\$5,129	\$5,642	May 29
Youth/Bldg. Fund	\$3,279	\$5,642	June 5

Year to Date Tithes/Plate/Youth/Bldg. Fund

<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
\$285,357	\$276,458	\$260,337

2022 Annual Diocesan Appeal

Please consider how you are able to help support the work of the Diocese. Pledge cards are available in the vestibule and can be returned by mail to the parish office or dropped in the collection basket at Mass. If donating by check, please make it out to the Diocese of Des Moines. You can also donate at <https://www.dmdiocese.org/giving>; choose our parish from the "Designate" dropdown.

<u>Goal</u>	<u>Pledged</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Unpaid</u>	<u>Amt. Due</u>
\$54,744	\$42,415	\$39,540	\$2,875	\$15,204

Thank you to those who've already donated so generously!

Laudato Si

A weekly tip on Caring for Our Common Home

Talk with fellow parishioners about the possibility of sharing rides to Mass and other parish events as a way of reducing your carbon footprint. You can take this a step further by organizing occasional walk-to-church weekends.

See *On Care for Our Common Home* at

<https://www.saintmaryhc.org/on-care-for-our-common-home>

Thank You's

Just a note to thank you for thinking of and praying for Jack. We are so blessed to have two lovely churches to attend. Plus the atmosphere of a small county Catholic Church and family. God Bless. ~ Jack & Terry Sabol

Dear Father Windschitl,

Thank you to you and the lovely people in your congregation for your ongoing support to IMPACT. Your generous gifts mean so much to so many families. You are a lifeline.

Gratefully,

Terri Speirs, IMPACT Community Action Partnership

We want to say thank you for everything done to make the lunch for Bob's funeral so special. We surely appreciate all who donated food. ~ Bob Cory Family

June 18/19 Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, 5:00pm Mass, St. Mary

Lector: Bob Selby
Host Distributor: Joe Rumbaugh
Ushers: Joe Rumbaugh, Jim Hudson
Music: Drew and Lorrie Hanlon

Sunday, 8:00am Mass, Holy Cross

Lector: Sheri Fogarty
Usher: Sandra Hunter
Music: Drew and Lorrie Hanlon

Sunday, 10:00am Mass, St. Mary

Lector: Jill Swanson
Host Distributor: Jill Swanson
Ushers: Bill & Kelly Dunbar
Music: Garrett McClain, Karon Lacey, Celeste Muehlenthaler

June 25/26 Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, 5:00pm Mass, St. Mary

Lector: Kris Sexton
Host Distributor: Bill Sexton
Ushers: Drew Hanlon, Bill Schmitt
Music: Lisa Jones, Mary Schmelzer

Sunday, 8:00am Mass, Holy Cross

Lector: Jackie Crouse
Usher: Brett Beukema
Music: Drew Hanlon, Stacey Rooney

Sunday, 10:00am Mass, St. Mary

Lector: Kris LeRoy
Host Distributor: Mike Nehring
Ushers: Gregg Richwine, Dennis Schmidt
Music: Christine Muehlenthaler, Karon Lacey, Celeste Muehlenthaler

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Money Counters

June 12: Sharon Morris, Brenda Nehring

June 19: Kathy Daup and Dona Cowman

June 27: Sharon Morris, Sue White



Glass is 100% recyclable and can be recycled endlessly without loss in quality or purity.

July Wine & Cheese and Coffee & Donuts

We would love to offer this after Masses on July 2 & 3 but we need volunteers to host. Please contact the office to help!

Prayer Chain

If illness or a crisis strikes your family or friends, please don't hesitate to contact us so members of our Parish may offer prayers for those in need. For requests or to participate in our Prayer Chain, please contact Barb, bliske@saintmaryhc.org / 515-367-2685. *If the request is not for you, please ask permission of the one it is for to be on our prayer chain.*

Summer Bulletin Submissions

If you wish to have something included in the bulletin, please email your information to bliske@saintmaryhc.org, by Wednesday, June 22 for the June 26 & July 3 bulletin and by Wednesday, July 6 for the July 10 & 17 bulletin. Thank you!

If you are traveling this summer....check out Mass times and Catholic Church locations at

www.Masstimes.org



Readings and Questions for Faith Sharing

The Most Holy Trinity, June 12

Theme: God is love.

Reading I: Proverbs 8:22-31 • I was present at the creation of the world.

Reading II: Romans 5:1-5 • We are at peace.

Gospel: John 16:12-15 • The Father and I are one and the Holy Spirit will receive what I give and tell you about it.

For Children: God fills us with love. How will you show your family that you love them as God loves them?

For Youth: When Jesus left the world, He sent the Holy Spirit to be with us. Have you ever given something important to someone else as a sign of your love for them? Have you ever experienced the Holy Spirit as a similar gift to you?

For Adults: Today we celebrate the relationship of love among the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. In what similar community of love do you live?

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, June 19

Theme: Jesus continues to offer himself to us and feed us in the Holy Eucharist.

Reading I: Genesis 14:18-20 • Blessed by God most High!

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 • Each time you eat this bread and drink from this cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord.

Gospel: Luke 9:11b-17 • Christ feeds us.

For Children: How can you share what you have received from Jesus with others this week?

For Youth: Each week, when we celebrate the Holy Eucharist we are asked to "do this in remembrance of me". How else do you acknowledge the importance of Jesus in your life? Through prayer? Through the ways that you treat others?

For Adults: How can you prepare yourself to be nourished by Jesus in the Eucharist?