



# St. Mary - Holy Cross Parish

460 NW Washington Avenue Elkhart Iowa 50073



## Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

June 3, 2018



## Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 10, 2018

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*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.*

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Dear Friends in Christ:

With today's celebration of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ, the special seasonal prayers we've prayed since Ash Wednesday come to an end, and we return to "Ordinary Time" of the Liturgical Year. But don't think that the presence and action of God is any less now than during the special times and seasons. Our designation of extra-ordinary times and seasons doesn't mean that God is more present and active in our lives and the world than in Ordinary Time. Rather, our observing times and seasons such as Lent and Easter is meant to better awaken and attune us to particular aspects of God's perpetual presence and action within and around us, God who is with us always and everywhere, moment by moment. It sometimes happens that attendance at Mass and participation in Church activities drop off during the summer months. But this doesn't necessarily mean we are less "spiritual" or far from God because we are far from Church. In fact, all our summertime travel, vacation, and outdoor activities can also be extra-ordinary experiences of grace and blessing, if we but keep our "grace-colored glasses" on clean. May that be the case for us all this summer.

Fr. Dan

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<b>Mass Schedule</b>	Wednesday	5:30pm	Holy Cross
	Thursday	8:00am	St. Mary
	First Friday	8:00am	St. Mary
	Saturday	5:00pm	St. Mary
	Sunday	8:00am	Holy Cross
		10:00am	St. Mary

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30p.m. St. Mary

**Baptism:** Contact the Parish Office about a preparation program

**Marriage:** Contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date

**Priesthood and Religious Life:** See Diocesan website at [www.dmdiocese.org/vocations.cfm](http://www.dmdiocese.org/vocations.cfm)

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## Masses

<b>Wednesday, June 6</b>		
5:30pm	Holy Cross	† <i>Beryl, Ed &amp; Dean Moreland</i>
<b>Thursday, June 7</b>		
8:00am	St. Mary	† <i>Bobby Gower</i>
<b>Saturday, June 9</b>		
5:00pm	St. Mary	† <i>Brad West</i>
<b>Sunday, June 10</b>		
8:00am	Holy Cross	† <i>Bill Davis</i>
10:00am	St. Mary	<i>For the Parish</i>
	<i>Confirmation Liturgy</i>	
2:30pm	St. Mary	<i>For Confirmation Students</i>
<b>Wednesday, June 13</b>		<b>Communion Service</b>
5:30pm	Holy Cross	
<b>Thursday, June 14</b>		<b>Communion Service</b>
8:00am	St. Mary	
<b>Saturday, June 16</b>		
5:00pm	St. Mary	† <i>Rick McQuiston</i>
<b>Sunday, June 17</b>		
8:00am	Holy Cross	<i>For the Parish</i>
10:00am	St. Mary	† <i>Ron Hamm</i>

## Welcome To Our New Members!



We welcome the following folks who have joined our Parish:

*Matt and Leah Kovacevich, and children Ellie and Will, who live in Cambridge.*

*Tim and Geneveve Loraditch and children Veronica, Peyton, Felicity, Justice, Mercedes and Titus, from Elkhart.*

*Nick and Ashley Segal and children Aiden, Grayson and Anderson, who live in Bondurant.*

*Bob and Susan Selby, from Ankeny.*

*Ben and Britnie Nerem, and their children Averee, Jameson and Nellie, who live in Elkhart.*

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## 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 and Holy Cross or on our website. We are glad you are here!

## Last Call: Helping Hands Needed!



Volunteers are needed to sing, serve, lector and greet at the Confirmation Liturgy on Sunday, June 10, 2:30pm. Sign up in the vestibule of St. Mary or contact Nicole Cory as soon as possible, 515-313-3014/ncory@saintmaryhc.org. Thank you!!

## ... "Mourning Coffee" Is Here For You ...

Grief is unique ... but ... growing through your grief can be eased when it is shared as we learn how to heal. "Mourning Coffee" resumes weekly gatherings Monday, June 4 at 10:00am in the Conference Room, for our Church family as well as anyone who may like to join in the process of learning skills to cope with a heart that can feel broken days or even years from the loss of a loved one in the journey called bereavement. Questions? Call/text Paula Garoutte, 515-306-6633 or email paulasongbird@msn.com.

## In Sympathy and Compassion

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Albert Ackerman, infant son of Jacob and Heidi, and for the family that they know the compassionate presence of Christ during this most difficult time.

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

Sunday Scripture Prayer and Study  
Wednesday, June 6, 7:00pm, Conference Room

Meditative Prayer Time  
Saturdays, June 9, 23 & 30, 8:00-9:00am, Office

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
Thursday, June 21, 7:00pm, Holy Cross

Cross Ministry Meeting  
Wednesday, June 27, 6:00-7:30pm, Social Hall

Finance Council  
Meeting: Tuesday, June 19, 7:00pm, Conference Room

Stewardship Committee  
Meeting: Tuesday, June 12, 6:00pm, Office Area

Knights of Columbus  
Meeting: Sunday, June 10, 7:00pm, Social Hall

Funeral Luncheon Call Leaders, Team 2  
Tara Huntrods, Melissa Robinson, Jessica Ward

## Coming Events

✠ **Mourning Coffee:** Meets Mondays beginning June 4, 10:00am, Conference Room

✠ **Monday, June 4:** Accountability Partners meeting, 6:00pm, Social Hall

✠ **Weekend of June 16/17:** Food Pantry collection for Catholic Charities Emergency Family Shelter

✠ **Collecting garage sale items:** June 16-July 8, Youth Area

✠ **Wednesday, June 20:** Friends of St. Francis meeting, 6:30pm, Social Hall

✠ **Saturday/Sunday, July 7/8:** Farwell reception for Fr. Dan after 5:00pm or 10:00am Mass, Social Hall

## Music News

**Music Coordinator: Celeste Muehlenthaler**  
515-577-9394 / celestemu@msn.com

We are looking for additional singers and instrumentalists for our Confirmation Liturgy on Sunday, June 10 at 2:30pm. I hope to hear from you!

We plan to have special music for Fr. Dan's 40th anniversary/final Masses here on July 7/8. If interested please contact me soon. Thanks.

## Pastoral Assistance ✠

Please contact Fr. Dan Krettek, 515-423-2888, or Deacon Terry Schleisman, 515-669-6158, for pastoral assistance or if a family member is in a care facility, home-bound, or hospitalized, and they wish a visit. *Fr Dan is away on Retreat June 11-15.*



Going on vacation? Go to [www.Masstimes.org](http://www.Masstimes.org) or call 1-858-207-6277 for nationwide Mass times and Catholic Church locations.

Please keep these students in your prayers;  
they will be receiving the  
Sacrament of Confirmation June 10th.

Andrew Ausman	Jackson McClain
Karley Mae Bartleson	Emily Miller
Abigail Bruce	James Miller
Emma De Costa	Riley Miller
Carla Edleman	Jennie Moore
Olivia Gehrke	Haleigh Penton
Isabell Hobbs	Jacob Reid
Lydia Johnson	Sophie Schaffer
Ella Kahler	Ethan Smith
Emma Kahler	Hunter Soyer
Jared Laffey	Nolan Sullivan
Elizabeth Leu	Jonathan Wong

## Religious Education

**PreK-6, Stacie Hergenreter, Catechetical Leader**  
shergenreter@saintmaryhc.org, 515-491-3876

By this time, students are out of school and summer break has started! Hopefully everyone is getting adjusted to the new routine and a lot of fun and special family moments occur throughout the summer. As routines are developed, please make sure to find time to pray with your children, to do service projects and to attend Mass. These are important actions to take to continue to grow their faith. One thing I love to do with my family is to go out into nature and talk about all of the beautiful things God has created and how we need to be thankful for what we have. Growing faith is no easy task but taking little steps each day can go a long ways and as we know, growing faith is a never ending journey while we are here on this Earth!

**VBS (Vacation Bible School) - June 18 -21.** We are close to having enough volunteers; if anyone else is interested your help would be greatly appreciated! Also, if you have not signed up your child, please do so ASAP so we know how much food will be needed.

We are collecting the following food items and donations will be given to *The Blessing Box* in Elkhart. Thank you in advance for your never ending generosity for those in need.

*Peanut Butter and Jelly - Monday*  
*Granola Bars, Microwave Easy Mac & Cheese - Tuesday*  
*Cereal - Wednesday*  
*Canned Fruit and Spaghetti O's - Thursday*

**Please remember to register your children for classes next Fall, forms are in the vestibule.**

**Grades 9 & 10, Nicole Cory, Confirmation Coordinator**  
ncory@saintmaryhc.org, 515-313-3014- texts welcome!

Confirmation Liturgy rehearsal and dinner for sponsors and students is Saturday, June 9 following 5:00pm Mass at St Mary.

Confirmation Liturgy is Sunday, June 10, 2:30pm. Students being confirmed should be there by 2:00pm.

**We are still looking for volunteers to sing, serve, lector and greet at the Confirmation Liturgy. Please let me know if someone in your family would like to help!**

\*\*\*\*\* S.T.O.R.M. news on back page.

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## Weekly Collection Financial Update

May 27 Week 48

	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Tithes/Plate/Youth/Guests	\$6,299	\$5,234

*Year-to-Date*

	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Tithes/Plate/Youth/Guests	\$250,760	\$251,216	\$243,097
Cemetery Collection:	\$1241.00		

## 2018 Annual Diocesan Appeal

Please prayerfully consider what you are able to give to this Appeal. Pledge cards are in the pews and can be returned in the collection basket at Mass or to the Parish Office, or you may donate on the Diocesan website: <http://www.dmdiocese.org/ada-online-giving-instructions.cfm>. Everyone's participation is need! Thank you.

<u>Parish Goal</u>	<u>Pledge Total</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>Balance Due</u>
\$53,806	\$36,150	\$31,593.75	\$22,212.25

## Food Pantry Collection

Our collection June 16/17 is for Catholic Charities Emergency Family Shelter. They are in need of diapers and baby supplies. We will also take up a monetary collection. Thank you for your generosity in sharing with those in need.

## Thoughts from Me & My House

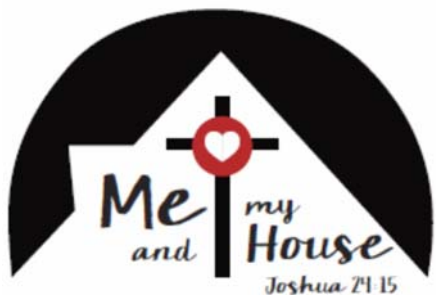
Hello SMHC Parish,

Just in case you missed the introduction of **Thoughts from Me & My House** in the bulletin in April, here it is again! It is a new column in our bulletin and will be updated bi-weekly. Sometimes this will be an insert or on one of the bulletin pages, depending on the length. It is designed to give ideas, advice, and provide local and worldwide Catholic news. We are looking for fun and creative ways to engage as many people of our Parish as possible. If you have an idea, question, or response: please send an email to [joshua2415smhc@gmail.com](mailto:joshua2415smhc@gmail.com). We want to hear from you!

Vacation Bible School is coming to our Parish from June 18<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> for current preschoolers through 4<sup>th</sup> grade. "Shipwrecked: Rescued By Jesus" VBS is sure to be a hit this summer! There are so many different summer camps for kids to choose from and VBS has the best of all worlds. Not too long, not too short and packed full activities! How do we love VBS? Let's count the ways!

- 1) **FOOD:** No one can deny that with each year of VBS, the food gets more delicious and fun! Our kitchen volunteers under the guidance of Lisa Kautza are sure to please the crowd!
- 2) **MUSIC:** Who doesn't love to sing and dance? VBS is full of fun music and dances to go along with it, don't forget to ask your kids to show you their moves!
- 3) **CRAFTS:** Handmade is the best, and all the kids will be buzzing to show you what they've made!
- 4) **FUN:** Object lessons to challenge the imagination and keep those hands busy!
- 5) **FAITH:** Add time for the Bible and God to all the fun, and VBS is complete!

What makes VBS even MORE fantastic? Volunteers! The names and faces you see all the time, and the new ones that come each year! Don't worry if your child is older than 4<sup>th</sup> grade, there are many opportunities to help. Contact Stacie Hergenreter to register or with any questions you may have. Hope to see you there!



## Accountability Partners

Do you have goals you would like to achieve and need some motivation to help you get there? Spiritual, emotional, religious, or physical goals? Try an accountability partner! We will meet as a large group on Monday, June 4 at 6:00pm at St. Mary. If you've already chosen a partner, that's great! Please attend the meeting together. If you haven't, please come to the meeting and be paired up with someone. Contact Nicole Cory with any questions, 515-313-3014 or [ncory@saintmaryhc.org](mailto:ncory@saintmaryhc.org).

## Fr. Dan's Farewell!

Hope you plan to join us either Saturday, July 7 after 5:00pm Mass or after 10:00am Mass Sunday, July 8, to wish Fr. Dan farewell and also to celebrate his 40th Anniversary of Priesthood! Keep an eye on your email for opportunities to help out with the celebration.

## Mark Your Calendar!

Please set aside some time on your calendar July 6-11 to help clean the rectory. We will be asking for one or two people to sign up per room to do a deep clean and also for volunteers to clean the garages. This can be done during the day or in the evening. A sign up will be available soon.

## Thank You!

Many words of thankfulness and gratitude to all those who took the time to put up and/or retire the flags at Holy Cross Cemetery for Memorial Day Weekend. All the displayed flags were a very emotional and beautiful sight.

~ Lynn and Chris Schreurs

## 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, contact Barb at [bliske@saintmaryhc.org](mailto: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.*

## JustFaith:

### Living Simply, Loving Compassionately

JustFaith is a small group program comprised of three phases that help you explore today's issues through the lens of your faith, and discover how you can make a difference. Through reflection, discussion and encounter you will learn more about living simply and loving more compassionately. Phases can be taken separately or together. Contact the Center for Social Ministry for more information, 515-782-3054/[centerforsocialministry@gmail.com](mailto:centerforsocialministry@gmail.com) or visit [www.centerforsocialministry.org/programs/justfaithministries/justfaith](http://www.centerforsocialministry.org/programs/justfaithministries/justfaith).

## Volunteer Needs with Catholic Charities

*Can you assist with any of the following?*

- \* Help teach refugees how to keep their apartments nice and clean. (Tuesday, Friday 1:00–3:00pm.)
  - \* Refugee Apartment Setup (Thursday, Friday 1:00-3:00pm)
  - \* Help teach financial literacy at our Outreach Center with Shontrelle Johnson (3rd Tues. of month, 10:30– 11:30am)
- To volunteer with Catholic Charities of Des Moines or if you have questions, contact Kaitlin Damerval 515-237-5091 or [volunteer@catholiccharitiesdm.org](mailto:volunteer@catholiccharitiesdm.org).

# S.T.O.R.M. News

## Grades 7-12 Youth Coordinators

Melissa Kahler, [mkahler@saintmaryhc.org](mailto:mkahler@saintmaryhc.org), 515-290-2830

Andrea Fisher, [afisher@saintmaryhc.org](mailto:afisher@saintmaryhc.org), 515-240-5059

**Summer Kick Off:** Overnight lock-in Friday June 15, 9pm to 7:30am Saturday, June 16 at St. Mary. All SMHC 7th - 12th graders invited! Friends are welcome as well! Cost: \$5/person, payable at Lock-In. Permission slips are in the vestibule and on the website; please complete, sign and return to the S.T.O.R.M. box in St. Mary vestibule by June 10! Please contact Andrea Fisher for more information.

## Liturgical Ministers

### Saturday, June 9, 5:00pm, St. Mary

Announcer Lisa Schoening  
Lector Cory Schoening  
Cup Bearers, Host Dist. Tony Kuehn, Kris & Bill Sexton  
Altar Servers Hunter Halligan, Isabella Kuehn, Daniel Schoening  
Ushers Doug, Patrick & Thomas Jones, Bill Schmitt

### Sunday, June 10, 8:00am, Holy Cross

Announcer Celia Shedd  
Lector Jackie Crouse  
Cup Bearer Jon Hand  
Altar Server Kelcie Shedd  
Ushers Mike Phelan, Mike Veasman

### Sunday, June 10, 10:00am, St. Mary

Announcer Joe Dunham  
Lector Lori Dunham  
Cup Bearers Tom Ausman, Marion Panyan  
Host Distributor Carol Weber  
Altar Server Griffen Muth  
Ushers Dennis Schmidt, Bill & Kelly Dunbar, Dave Pottebaum, Merle Olberding

### Saturday, June 16, 5:00pm, St. Mary

Announcer Jerry Barnwell  
Lector Kathy Claussen  
Cup Bearers Drew Hanlon, John Zidon  
Host Distributor Deacon Terry  
Altar Servers Olivia Naragon, Bennett Bruns, Mason Reynolds  
Ushers Mark Lengel, Tom Bowman, Dawn Reynolds, Jim Hudson

### Sunday, June 17, 8:00am, Holy Cross

Announcer Lynn Schreurs  
Lector Lowell Crouse  
Cup Bearer Deacon Terry  
Altar Server Aiden Phelan-Ruden  
Ushers Sandra Hunter, Tracy Irwin

### Sunday, June 17, 10:00am, St. Mary

Announcer Susan Genalo  
Lector Kris Sturtz  
Cup Bearers Matt Miller, Mike Nehring  
Host Distributor Deacon Terry  
Altar Server Cael Tollefson  
Ushers Doug Zehr, Brodie Gilligan Family

## Money Counters

**June 3:** Carol Weber, Sharon Morris

**June 10:** Sharon Morris, Kathy Daup

**June 17:** Dona Cowman, Sue White

**SAYWHAT?** In one year in the United States, the recycling of steel saves enough energy to heat and light 18,000,000 homes!

## Readings and Questions for Faith Sharing

### Solemnity of the Body and Blood Of Christ, June 3

*Theme: Jesus is our food for the journey.*

*Reading I:* Exodus 24:3-8 • God made a covenant with us.

*Reading II:* Hebrews 9:11-15 • We will receive the promise of eternal salvation.

*Gospel:* Mark 14:12-16, 22-26 • He took break, blessed and broke it.

*For Children:* Why do you like receiving Holy Communion?

*For Youth:* What does it mean for you that bread and wine become Jesus' Body and Blood? What feelings surface?

*For Adults:* When you receive Holy Communion and hear the words "Body of Christ...Blood of Christ" what are some of the thoughts and feelings that you have?

### Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, June 10

*Theme: Following God's Will*

*Reading I:* Genesis 3:9-15 • God confronts Adam and Eve.

*Reading II:* 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 • God has an eternal dwelling place for us in heaven.

*Gospel:* Mark 3:20-35 • Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.

*For Children:* Why do our parents and teachers have rules we need to follow? Why do you think God has rules for us to follow?

*For Youth:* God created us with freedom to follow or ignore His will for us. How can you discover God's will for you?

*For Adults:* We are vulnerable to sin. Our sins most often lead to shame, mistrust, and blaming. How can following God's will free you from these destructive actions?

