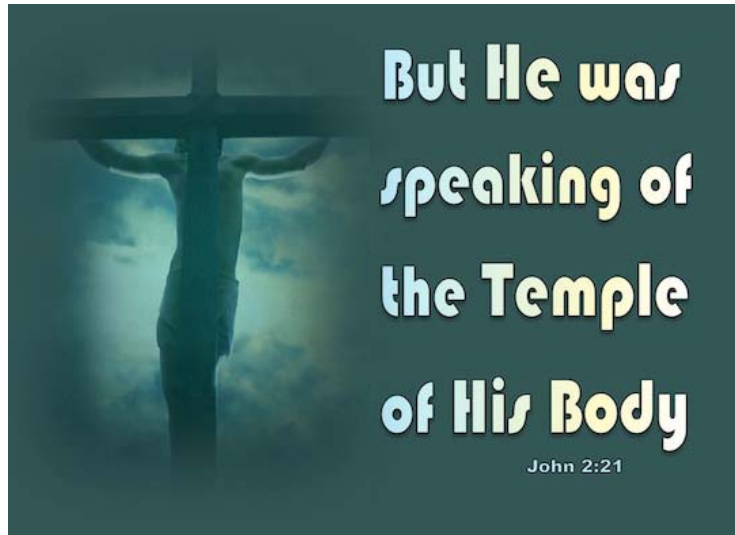




# St. Mary - Holy Cross Parish

460 NW Washington Avenue Elkhart Iowa 50073



**Third Sunday of Lent  
March 4, 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:

We have nearly survived another winter. I seem to measure my length of life by winters survived. I, and many others, have a condition known as S.A.D., or seasonal affective disorder, that makes life difficult due to a decrease in sunlight brought on by shorter days and by long periods of overcast days. It can have a negative effect on mood. Winter can bring on sadness caused by the extreme cold that can kill and injure, which reminds us of our vulnerability. There is a noticeable absence of birds and furry creatures moving in the landscape in the dreary winter days. Through all this dread and dreariness, we have to remember that God is with us and will remain with us throughout all that we endure.

Now the temperatures creep a little higher each day; the lows are not as fiercely low as a month ago, and the days are getting longer in the amount of sunlight each day. Our friends are returning from Florida, Texas, and Arizona with suntans!! A little over a month from now, springtime and the liturgical calendar with the celebration of Easter will coincide. Easter is the most joyful of our Christian seasons as it reflects Jesus' Resurrection and His promise to us of our own resurrection! Happy days are here again!! What a cause for rejoicing!

Blessings, Deacon Terry

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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)

## Masses and Stations of the Cross

### Wednesday, March 7

5:30pm Holy Cross †*Jim Shaw*

### Thursday, March 8

8:00am St. Mary †*Theresa Kaltenheuser*

### Friday, March 9

6:00pm St. Mary Stations of the Cross & Chaplet of Divine Mercy

### Saturday, March 10

5:00pm St. Mary †*Reba Olejniczak*

### Sunday, March 11

8:00am Holy Cross †*Bill Davis*  
10:00am St. Mary *For the Parish*

Sunday Scripture Prayer and Study  
Wednesdays, March 7, 14, 21 & 28, 7:00pm, Conf. Room

Meditative Prayer Time  
Saturdays, March 10, 17, 24 & 31, 8:00-9:00am, Office

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
Thursday, March 15, 7:00pm, St. Mary

Pastoral Council  
Next meeting to be announced.

Finance Council  
Meeting: Tuesday, March 20, 7:00pm, Conference Room

Stewardship Committee  
Meeting: Tuesday, March 13, 6:00pm, Office Area

Knights of Columbus  
Meeting: Sunday, March 18, 7:00pm, Social Hall

Funeral Luncheon Call Leaders, Team 1  
Jean Bruns, Kristi Edleman, Kim Remsburg

## Welcome To Our New Members!



We welcome to our Parish family **Susan Hobart** who lives in Huxley.

## New Birth by Water and the Holy Spirit



Celebrate with us in welcoming into our Faith

**Alex Joseph**

Son of Scott and Emily Weber

## 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!



## How's Lent Going?

We hope you will consider forming your personal faith by participating in ongoing offerings ... Meditative Prayer Time ... Scripture Prayer & Study ... Stations of the Cross... Reconciliation ... Adoration. Please also take advantage of the reflection resources and Rice Bowl in the vestibule.

## Stations of the Cross & Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Please join us this Friday at 6:00pm for a condensed version of the Stations of the Cross followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. This sung meditative prayer using rosary beads, reflects on the Lord's mercy in His sorrowful passion.

*Following this, gather with us for a Lenten meal and fellowship in the Social Hall.*

## 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.

## Encounter Lent, Companions on the Journey

In Burkina Faso, we encounter Safiata, a mother, grandmother and farmer who relies on the money she makes from her crops to put her children through school. How can our purchases this Lent support farmers and artisans? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit [csrcebowl.org](http://csrcebowl.org) for more.

*Rice Bowls are located with the Lenten Resources.*



## Coming Events

†**Sunday, March 4:** Men's Choir practice, 11am, St. Mary  
— *Social Hall in use, 1:00-5:00pm*

†**Wednesday, March 7:** *Office opens at 10am*

†**Friday, March 9:** Stations of the Cross and Chaplet of Divine Mercy, 6:00pm, St. Mary, followed by a meal, Hall

†**Sunday, March 11:** Easter Vigil Choir practice, 11am, SM

†**Sunday, March 18:** Lenten Reconciliation Service, 2:00pm, St. Mary

†**Monday, March 19:** Final book study for *Enrique's Journey*, 6:30pm, Social Hall

†**Sunday, March 25:** *Jesus Christ Superstar* movie, 3:00pm, pot luck snack at 2:30pm, Social Hall

## Music News

**Music Coordinator: Celeste Muehlenthaler**  
515-577-9394 / [celestemu@msn.com](mailto:celestemu@msn.com)

Rehearsal for our Men's Choir is today right after 10:00am Mass. We welcome any men who'd like to come try this out! Our Easter Choir rehearses next Sunday after 10:00am Mass. Anyone who'd like to sing is welcome!

We are looking for students and adults to provide musical accompaniment for our Masses at St. Mary. Would YOU be interested? There can be training and we can work into it slowly. Please contact me to find out more! Thank you for considering this request.

## Lenten Reconciliation Service

You are encouraged to attend our Service on Sunday, March 18, 2:00pm at St. Mary. Additional priests will assist with individual confessions.

***Come experience the healing power of Christ!***



## Pampered Chef S.T.O.R.M. Fundraiser

Our catalog party is open through March 18! Catalogs are available in the vestibule. Email Lisa Kautza at [pclisak@gmail.com](mailto:pclisak@gmail.com) to place an order or you may also order at [pchefparty.com](http://pchefparty.com) and enter PARTY CODE 626193. Orders need to be paid in advance by credit or debit card, cash or check (make checks to Lisa Kautza). Place checks/cash in an envelope marked Pampered Chef Youth Group fundraiser along with your name, and place in collection basket. Funds raised will help pay for youth to go to Steubenville St. Paul in July. This is a Eucharistic centered retreat for high schoolers and is held at St. Thomas University in St. Paul, MN.

## In Sympathy and Compassion

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Rick McQuiston of our parish, who passed away Monday, and for Lori and their family as they mourn his passing.

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

### Religious Education

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

Thank you to all families that brought goodies for the fish fry as well as a big thank you to the kids that participated in the Stations of the Cross!

#### Key Dates for RE Classes in March:

March 7 - Class                      March 21 - NO CLASS  
March 14 - NO CLASS              March 28 - Class

#### Key Dates for First Eucharist:

Friday & Saturday, March 23 & 24: Self guided Stations available in the Ed Center; workbooks are due then as well.

#### Service Project for March:

We will be collecting books (new or used) and they will be distributed to children's hospitals.

**RE FEES: If you have not paid your fees in full, please do so in the next few weeks. Thank you.**

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

**C1 & C2 Sessions:** Sundays, March 4 & 25, 6:00-7:30pm

**Our March 4 session** may run a little late; we plan to have Father Dan say a few words at the beginning.

*Volunteers are needed for:*

KofC Fish Fry on March 16  
Serve Lenten Meal on March 23  
Coral Reading of the Passion on March 30

**Grades 7-12, Melissa Kahler, Youth Coordinator**  
*mkahler@saintmaryhc.org, 515-290-2830*

#### ATTENTION EDGE & High School teens:

Silhouette Stations of the Cross "actors" needed! We need 4 to 10 teens who are willing to lead and participate in this moving presentation of the Station of the Cross. No need to be nervous or shy about the acting; we will have plenty of time to rehearse and you are behind a screen! We rehearse today, Sunday, March 4, 6:00-8:00pm in the Youth Area. Additional rehearsals are Sundays, March 11 & 18 from 6:00-8:00pm in the Ed Center and Wednesday, March 21 from 6:00-8:00pm in Church. Our final rehearsal is Friday, March 23 right after school; then present the Stations to the Parish at 6:00pm. Please text or call Melissa, 515-290-2830, soon to sign up to help with this powerful experience.

**Would you like to go on a fun retreat** with other 8th-12th graders? The Steubenville retreat is July 27-29 in St. Paul, MN. Cost is \$310 with \$50 required now. Cost includes six meals, registration cost, transportation, pizza party, and a T-shirt. For more information or to watch video testimonials go to [www.partnershipforyouth.org](http://www.partnershipforyouth.org) or contact Andrea Fisher.

**EDGE (7th-8th grade):** We meet on March 7 & 28. No gatherings March 14 or 21.

**S.T.O.R.M (9th-12th grade):** We meet for Youth Group

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### Weekly Collection Financial Update

	Received	Budget	
Tithes/Plate/	\$3,198	\$5,234	<b>Feb. 17/18</b>
Youth/Guests	\$2,164	\$5,234	<b>Feb. 24/25</b>
<i>Year-to-Date</i>			
	Received	Budget	Last Year
Tithes/Plate/Youth/Guests	\$178,782	\$183,178	\$179,501
Food Pantry Collection: \$723.07			

### 2017 Annual Diocesan Appeal

Parish Goal	Pledge Total	Payments	Refund
\$ 56,442	\$ 53,841.64	\$ 57,091.64	<b>\$ 694.64</b>

**2018 Appeal:** Bishop Pates sent information and a pledge card to each household. Please prayerfully consider what you are able to give and **mail your pledge directly to the Diocese.** Please join our Parish and the Diocese to continue God's work of spirituality, charity and education. Thank you.

### A Child's Letter to God

Dear GOD,

The bad people laughed at Noah - "You made an ark on dry land you fool." But he was smart, he stuck with You. That's what I would do. ~ Eddie

## Parish & Friends Bereavement Group

The "Mourning Coffee Club" resumes on Monday, March 12 at 10:00am in St. Mary's Conference Room. We offer a supportive community where we not only share fellowship with others who are in this new stage of life, but also learn about the process of grieving and how to become more comfortable during this difficult period of readjustments.

Come discover where you are in your journey and in your ability to cope ... and ... if you've successfully closed that window, we welcome you to also come and share the tools you've used in times of crisis.

Call or text your interest and questions to Paula Garoutte at 515-306-6633 or email paulasongbird@msn.com.

## Opportunities to Share the Journey



Join with Pope Francis, Bishop Pates and Friends of St. Francis over the next two months in their initiative **Share the Journey – Love Your Neighbor** to

welcome migrants and refugees fleeing poverty and conflict in their search for a better life for their families. You can ...

... join the second and final book study of *Enrique's Journey* (Sonia Nazario) **March 19** at 6:30pm in the Social Hall. Used copies are available online for \$5.00-6.00+ and there's still plenty of time to read this true, eye-and heart-opening story.

... welcome newcomers to our diocese by contributing financially **March 24 - 25** to a special Catholic Charities collection for those in need including refugees and Latino people.

... contribute personal care and/or cleaning items for refugee resettlement in the diocese in collection boxes **April 4-23**

... open your hearts to poor and vulnerable brothers and sisters through a reflective *One on the Journey* prayer walk in the Social Hall **April 7 - 23**.

... keep your eyes open for eye-opening factoids on migration and refugees in the bulletin from now through **April and beyond**.

... find out more about Catholic teaching in the brochures provided by Bishop Pates "*Welcoming the Refugee and Migrant*" in the vestibule **until they're gone**.

... have specific questions answered after Masses at St. Mary Church **April 21 & 22** by Sol Varisco, former immigration program director of our diocese and current executive director of Justice For Our Neighbors.

*Watch for more details about all.*

## Movie Afternoon

Join us to watch Jesus journey to Jerusalem in a different, yet Scriptural perspective. "Jesus Christ, Superstar" will be shown in the Social Hall on Palm Sunday, March 25, beginning with snacks at 2:30pm. The movie was highly criticized at the time of its release, but is now seen as how Jesus' disciples tried to understand the true God / true man aspect of Jesus.

The music is fantastically engaging. Copies of lyrics and an interpretation of the various scenes to assist in understanding the connection of the movie to Scripture will be available on the table in the gathering area to take home and review in advance of the showing.

## Thank You's

Thank you to our awesome team of teenagers and adults who planned and worked on the 8th Grade Retreat - **God is Timeless**. The teens put in 30+ hours of hard work to make a fun, prayerful day of fellowship for 17 of our St. Mary-Holy Cross 8th graders. God has truly blessed youth ministry with so many young leaders at SM-HC. The team consisted of the following people; Amy, Megan and Jennifer Theulen, Sophie and Kelly Hoffmeier, Andrew Ausman, Nichole Clemens, Bridget, Perry and Natalie Smith, Julia, Andrea and John Fisher, Haleigh Penton, Nicole Cory, Jennie Moore, Karley Bartleson, and Ella, Emma, Abbey and Joel Kahler. We had many of our EDGE families provide food donations for our day of retreat and this kept everyone happy! THANK YOU AGAIN!

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Huxley Food Pantry, I thank you for your generous donation of \$550.25. We get food donations all the time, but with the money we buy food from the Food Bank of Iowa for 14 cents a pound! And if I buy from our local Fareway store, every other week or so I spend: \$6.98 on eggs (5 dozen, repackaged into cartons of 6), \$8.00 on pudding cups, \$1.99 on a bag of onions, \$9.99 on cheese slices (72 slices, repackaged into bags of 12 slices), and \$1.98 on margarine (4 sticks, repackaged in bags of 2 sticks). That comes to \$28.94. So, your donation will go a long way in providing these items to our clients. Again, thank you for your generosity. *Jackie Rasmussen, Director*

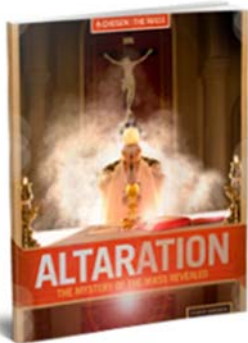
## Auto Debit for Tithing

You are encouraged to use the convenient service of automatic withdrawal from your bank account for your tithing; You designate a dollar amount to be automatically withdrawn from your account on a monthly basis on a pre-determined date. Please contact Peter Relyea at 515-367-2685/ prelyea@saintmaryhc.org, with questions.

## What's That Funny Look On Your Faith?



Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, March 11  
Spring ahead 1 hour!



By Mark Hart

Please join us for this 5 part workshop! Each one will be held after 10 AM Mass at St Mary. They should last no longer than an hour.

- Sunday March 18<sup>th</sup>
- Sunday March 25<sup>th</sup>
- Sunday April 8<sup>th</sup>
- Sunday April 15<sup>th</sup>
- Sunday April 29<sup>th</sup>

Light Snacks will be provided. Please RSVP to Nicole Cory. 515-313-3014 Calls and Texts Welcome! [ncory@saintmaryhc.org](mailto:ncory@saintmaryhc.org)

## The Mass as You Have Never Seen it Before!

Through a unique learning experience, including powerful cinematography and workbook resources, you will come to see the Mass and the priesthood in a dramatically new way.

*Altaration* is designed to stir thought, create conversation, dispel myths, and inspire souls to a deep and lasting love for the Mass. The goal of *Altaration* is not to fill your heads with information but to pierce our hearts with transformation.

*After experiencing the “why” behind the “what” of the Mass, you will...*

- Enter prepared,*
- Participate with sincerity,*
- And exit with purpose!*



*“In this moment of time, when we as members of the Church have so much to do in the realm of evangelization and catechesis, Mark Hart and Ascension Press bring forth a wonderful production entitled, Altaration: The Mystery of the Mass Revealed. This well-produced program offers a contemporary and rich presentation of the source and summit of our faith – the Eucharist.*

*Altaration beautifully brings us to a deeper understanding of the great gift of the Eucharist and challenges us with the mission of using the grace we receive from this Sacrament in our service of God and His people. Mark Hart once again brings forth a powerful, thorough and contemporary catechesis to the rich traditions and truths found in our Catholic faith.”*

– Bishop Edward Burns, Diocese of Juneau

## Liturgical Ministers for Next Weekend

### Saturday, March 10, 5:00pm Mass, St. Mary

Announcer Jack McDermott  
 Lector Lisa Jones  
 Cup Bearers Diane Cronk, Patty Devereux  
 Host Distributor Mike Devereux  
 Altar Servers Joseph, Abigail & Emily Devereux  
 Ushers Doug, Patrick & Thomas Jones, Tom Bowman

### Sunday, March 11, 8:00am Mass, Holy Cross

Announcer Anne Davis  
 Lector Sheri Fogarty  
 Cup Bearer Jon Hand  
 Altar Server Isabella Kuehn  
 Ushers Sandra Hunter, Tracy Irwin

### Sunday, March 11, 10:00am Mass, St. Mary

Announcer Kris Sturtz  
 Lector Garrett McClain  
 Cup Bearers Jacki & Tom Ausman  
 Host Distributor Garrett McClain  
 Altar Server Andrew Ausman  
 Ushers Tammi & Jackson McClain, Jerry McClain, Merle Olberding, Dave Pottebaum

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## Money Counters

**March 4:** Sharon Morris, Kathy Daup  
**March 11:** Dona Cowman, Carol Weber

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## Catholic Youth Camp Registration is Open!

Registration is conducted on a "first come, first serve" basis and is only online at [stmcenter.com](http://stmcenter.com). Camp is open to 3rd-12th graders. Information cards are in the vestibule.

*Our Parish will contribute \$100 of the fee to CYC for each child of our Parish who attends. Please notify Barb in the office when you have registered your child.*

## Beginning Experience Open House

What if the worst thing you think could happen and does, like you are widowed, separated or divorced? What if life changes in the blink of an eye? How do you cope? How do you deal with the grief, loss and pain? Beginning Experience can help. You don't have to suffer alone. We have walked through similar feelings which you are facing in your life. We are willing to walk with you in this journey discovering a new hope and meaningful life. We meet three Friday nights: March 16, 23 and April 6 from 7:00-8:30pm at St. Augustin Church Hall (42nd & Grand Ave, DSM). The open house gives beginning steps of healing and is also an invitation to attend our weekend of April 20 - 22.

If you wish to know more about the healing process, contact Dana Reed, 515-975-3745, Mike Losee, 515-360-8268 or Father Bob Schoemann, 515-418-1938.

## Catholic Movie Reviews

Go to [www.catholicnews.com/movies.cfm](http://www.catholicnews.com/movies.cfm) for reviews of current and old movies.

See Diocesan events at [www.dmdiocese.org](http://www.dmdiocese.org) and offerings sponsored by St. Joseph Ed Center at [www.sjeciowa.org](http://www.sjeciowa.org)



Between one half and three quarters of undocumented immigrants pay state and federal taxes, pay sales taxes where applicable, and pay property taxes, directly if they own their homes and indirectly if they rent.



## 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.*

## Winter Weather Cancellations



Whenever North Polk School is closed or evening school activities cancelled due to weather; activities here at the Parish will be cancelled as well. In most instances, Masses - daily and weekend - will not be cancelled. If there is a need to cancel weekend activities it will be on the three major TV networks; WHO radio and KWKY Catholic Radio.

## A Very Important Thing To Do For Lent!

Once a month, once a week or somewhere in between, we need Communion Ministers for area hospitals. No previous training or experience is required. Come to a training Saturday, March 10, 9:00am at St. Ambrose Cathedral in their Parish Hall, to be a Minister for Methodist, Blank, Lutheran, Broadlawns and Methodist West Hospitals. We need you! Just show up. If interested, but not able to attend this training, please email Fr. McLaughlin at [michael.mclaughlin1746@gmail.com](mailto:michael.mclaughlin1746@gmail.com). Even if you already are a trained and practicing Communion Minister, you need to take this training. Thank you.

## Des Moines Area Reconciliation Services

|                             |          |         |
|-----------------------------|----------|---------|
| St. Augustin                | March 7  | 6:00pm  |
| St. Theresa                 | March 7  | 7:00pm  |
| St. Pius                    | March 8  | 7:00pm  |
| Basilica of St. John        | March 10 | 10:00am |
| Our Lady's Immaculate Heart | March 11 | 3:00pm  |
| Christ the King             | March 11 | 7:00pm  |
| St. Mary-Holy Cross         | March 18 | 2:00pm  |
| St. Mary of Nazareth        | March 18 | 3:00pm  |
| St. Luke the Evangelist     | March 18 | 4:00pm  |
| Ss. John and Paul           | March 19 | 7:00pm  |
| St. Catherine of Siena      | March 22 | 6:00pm  |
| St. Anthony                 | March 24 | 9:15am  |

## Readings and Questions for Faith Sharing

### Third Sunday of Lent, March 4

*Theme: We must do what God wants.*

*Reading I:* Exodus 20:1-17 • Keep my commandments.

*Reading II:* 1 Corinthians 1:22-25 • Christ is the power of God.

*Gospel:* John 2:13-25 • In three days, I will raise it up.

*For Children:* Share one way in which you "honor your father and mother."

*For Youth:* Jesus was angry – as we all get at times. When is your anger a good thing? When is it not?

*For Adults:* As you hear the Commandments proclaimed today, which one of them really strikes you?