

# ST. MARY PARISH

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## LIVE THE LITURGY: We Bear the Name of the Lord

source: Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman, LPi

The name of the Lord is a curiously powerful thing. Say it deliberately, even in a group of people who are not particularly religious, and you'll know what I mean. There is a shift in the mood, a change in the atmosphere. When we utter the name of the Lord, He turns His head.

Once, in confession, I admitted to the sin of using the Lord's name in vain. "When you do that, tell God that you love him," advised the priest, who was wise enough to know that I would repeat this sin at some point. "You've said His name, after all. You have His attention."

We hear the name of the Lord, and we think of what it represents — John 3:16, salvation history summed up in a neat little sentence, the why and the how and the who of it all laid out before us. The Lord, so slow to anger that He offers us a million chances. The Lord, so rich in kindness and fidelity that He literally gave Himself to us that we might be saved.

But the name of the Lord is more than that. It is not just a symbol, it is an invitation. I think of Moses clutching the commandments, beseeching the Lord: "Come with us. Forgive us. Receive us as your own." The Lord accompanies us down the mountain. We bear the name of the Lord into the world with us wherever we go.

I have to ask myself: do I do that name justice?

*"Blessed is your holy and glorious name, praiseworthy and exalted above all for all ages."* — Daniel 3:52

### OPEN HOUSE RIGHT AFTER MASS!!!

Come tour St. Mary School, now Parish Center after the 5:30 and 10:00 Masses June 10 & 11. Look around, enjoy a treat, share ideas, and vote for your favorite St. Mary School teacher(s). Rooms will be named for those with the most votes. Hope to see you there!

### From the Desk of the Pastor . . .

My sincerest thank you to the parishioners of St. Mary, St. Joseph and Immaculate Conception parishes for planning, organizing, working and attending my Jubilee celebration. It was a joyous and memorable event! May God bless you in your kindness to your pastor.

**Thank  
You!**

## BAPTISM INTO THE FAMILY OF GOD & OUR COMMUNITIES OF FAITH:



Sunday, June 18 at St. Mary, Guttenberg after Mass

**Oakley John Anderegg**

son of David J. & Keisha (Harbaugh) Anderegg

May you grow in age, knowledge & wisdom in the Lord!

## Mass Schedule: June 12 – June 18, 2023

**Mon., Jun 12:** [No Mass Scheduled]

**Tues., Jun 13:** [No Mass due to Vacation Bible School]

**Wed., Jun 14:** 8:30 A.M. – St. Mary, Guttenberg  
*Betty (Hartmann) Miller*

**Thur., Jun 15:** 10:00 A.M. – Guttenberg Care Center  
*Leon Berns & Pete Davis*

**Fri., Jun 16:** [No Mass Scheduled],  
Feast of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

**Sat., Jun 17:** Vigil of Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
4:00 P.M.—St. Joseph, Garnavillo  
*Phil Moser & Kathleen Nieland*  
5:30 P.M.—St. Mary, Guttenberg  
*John, Ryan, Theresa & Mark Ryan*

**Sun., Jun 18:** Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
8:30 A.M. – Immaculate Conception, N. Buena Vista  
*People of the Parish*  
10:00 A.M. – St. Mary, Guttenberg, Mass. *Live Streamed*  
*Julius & Camilla Balk Family*

## GOSPEL REFLECTION:

source: [young-catholics.com](http://young-catholics.com)

### The Importance of Humility and Gratitude in Remembering God's Blessings

The first reading for Corpus Christi from Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14B-16A reminds us of the importance of humility and gratitude in our relationship with God. The passage describes how the Israelites were led through the wilderness by God and provided for in miraculous ways. They were reminded that God's provision extended far beyond their material needs – they were given His Word to guide them and sustain them in their journey.

The message we hear on Corpus Christi is still relevant for us today. It is all too easy to become prideful and forgetful of God's blessings when we are comfortable and things are going well. We might begin to take our possessions or accomplishments for granted, or feel as though we have achieved success on our own merit. However, this passage reminds us that all good things come from God – our talents, our material goods, and even the opportunities that we encounter.

Rather than becoming complacent or boastful, we are called to trust in God's word and blessings. We are reminded to stay humble and recognize our dependence on God. We should approach our lives with a sense of gratitude, knowing that we have been given so much and recognizing that our lives are sustained by God's grace.

In practical terms, this might mean setting aside time each day for prayer or meditation, expressing thanks for the blessings in our lives, or simply taking time to acknowledge the people and circumstances that have contributed to our success. By doing so, we cultivate a deeper sense of humility and gratitude, recognizing that all good things come from God and that we are called to be good stewards of the blessings that we have received.

No matter how large the world we call our own, no part of our contact is as important as our children. Not only are we called to share the message of hope with them, but they see by our actions how we live the Good News in the world with which we come in contact.

#### "Save Time and Donate Online!"

Online Giving is available with WeShare, an easy and convenient way to save time and support the church. Goto: <https://maryicjoseph.weshareonline.org/>



**Food Shelf Weekend:** The 2nd collection this weekend will be for the food pantry at the Family Resource Center in Guttenberg.



30th Annual Julyfest St. Joseph's Parish, Farley, Iowa

**Sunday, July 9**

Polka Mass at 9:30; Parade at 11:00

Food, Games, Tractor Display, Auction & More

### 9th Annual Benefit Golf Outing, Divine Word College, Friday, July 21, 2023

Proceeds from the golf outing go to the student scholarship fund to assist Divine Word students as they prepare for a life of sharing the Gospel as Catholic priests, brothers and sisters.

1:00 PM Shotgun Start; 18 hole Four-person Best Shot; Timberline Golf Course, Peosta Iowa

**To register your foursome, sponsor our event or for more information, please contact**

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### Church Door Replacement Project Update

Please note the bank will not accept two-party checks. Please make your checks out directly to the **Knights of Columbus**.

#### **A Stewardship Moment**

The Scriptures today remind us that "we, many though we are, are one body for we all partake of the one loaf." How are we using our gifts of time and talent to build up the Body of Christ?

### **Upcoming Parish Events . . .**

June 10: Women's Faith Sharing, 1pm @ Sodes

June 10/11: Parish Center Open House after Masses

June 12-16: Vacation Bible School, St. John's Church

June 24: Women's Faith Sharing, 1pm @ Sodes