
MASS SCHEDULE: DECEMBER 1 - 7, 2014 A.D.

- Mon. Dec. 1 [NO MASS SCHEDULED]
- Tues. Dec. 2 8:30 A.M. Garnavillo Tower Living Center
Herman & Theresa Mueller
- Wed. Dec. 3 8:30 A.M. Guttenberg School Mass
"St. Francis Xavier" John/Mark/Teresa Ryan
- Thurs. Dec. 4 10:00 A.M. Guttenberg Care Center
Dec'd of Spielbauer Family
- Fri. Dec. 5 [No Mass Scheduled]
- Sat. Dec. 6 VIGIL OF SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
4:00 P.M. Garnavillo - Sylvester Wille
[Confessions ½ hour before Mass]
5:30 P.M. Guttenberg Larry & Mardell Meisner
[Confessions after Mass]
- Sun. Dec. 7 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
8:30 A.M. North Buena Vista - People of the Parish
[Confessions ½ hour before Mass]
10:00 A.M. Guttenberg - Mary Lou Gulbro [Anniv.]
[Confessions after Mass]

UPCOMING MEETINGS: St. Joseph of Garnavillo

- Tues. Dec. 9 6:30 P.M. – Finance Council
7:00 P.M. – Parish Council

COLLECTION - Weekend of Dec. 13 & 14 – Religious Retirement envelope in your budget boxes. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests have spent their lives ministering to others often for little, if any, pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate savings for retirement and health care. Your gift to the collection supports the day-to-day care of roughly 35,000 senior religious, providing necessities such as prescription medications and nursing care. Please be generous to those who have given a lifetime to the Church and parish schools.

CHRISTMAS CONCERTS - Wed. Dec. 3 - 6:30 P.M.

St. Mary/Immaculate Conception School

Sun. Dec. 14 - 7:00 P.M. Clayton Ridge High School

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

Sun., Dec. 7 - Buenie Annual Soup Luncheon serving 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come join us for a hot bowl of soup and a great sandwich along with dessert & beverage. New this year a Vendor show & Christmas crafts.

ARE YOU REGISTERED IN A PARISH? As we come to the end of another fiscal year it is important that you are registered in a parish. Boxes of envelopes will soon be distributed in all three of our linked parishes. **You membership entitles you to all the benefits that your parish offers.** Sadly 1/3rd of registered parishioners give nothing to the support of the parish expenses. St. Joseph of Garnavillo contact Janice Berns, Immaculate Conception of North Buena Vista contact Mary Breitbach and St. Mary of Guttenberg contact Fr. Bries if you need envelopes.

REMINDER that first weekend of each month is our collection for the food pantry at St. Olaf's after communion.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES – The Elementary and Middle School classes will meet on Wed., Dec. 3rd. High School classes will **NOT** meet because of the Christmas concert.

WHO ARE THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS? The KC's are an organization of Catholic men and their families founded by Father Michael J. McGivney of New Haven, Connecticut to render financial aid to members and their families. They are a *fraternity* of men volunteering in numerous parish activities, a *charity* helping those with special needs, *unity* with our parish and the pope, and *patriotism* to our nation under God. Please consider joining and be a member of an active group of men by calling: Marvin Althoff 252-1225, Al Schlueter 252-1382, or Gerald Kennicker 252-1905.

YOUTH MASS – The 2015 St. Mary Confirmation class will be leading the rosary and taking part in the liturgical roles before and during the 10 A.M. Mass on **Dec. 14th**. Please join us in the liturgy. After Mass we will be serving coffee and donuts and having a bake sale, with the proceeds to benefit Mary's Meals. A free will donation will be taken. We will also be showing a short but powerful video about the work that Mary's Meals does in 3rd world countries. Please join us on Dec. 14th.

THE WITNESS is our archdiocesan Catholic newspaper. If you would like to subscribe to the Witness newspaper, application forms are in the copies in the back of church. The price is \$25.00 per year.

SUPPORT ST. MARY IC SCHOOL BY PURCHASING SCRIP at Fidelity Bank and Peoples State Bank for your holiday and everyday needs. Or, you can order **SCRIP** by emailing Kim at ktmoser@alpinecom.net. The receipts of your purchases from Kuempel True Value Hardware are redeemable, also, a part of the SCRIP program.

THE CATHOLIC TV NETWORK, America's Catholic Television Network is now available to cable and satellite provider in our area. Please help provide this upbeat, youthful and exciting Catholic network and a powerful resource to the people of our area and the entire nation. To help, simply visit **GetCatholicTV.com** as an easy way to petition your cable or satellite provider.

PRAYER SHAWLS - The Parish Life Committee is seeking someone who can help make or distribute "**Prayer Shawls**". Please contact Lois Davis at 252-1858.

HUMOR - Thoughts to Ponder • Some people's minds are like concrete – all mixed up and permanently set. • People are funny; they want the front of the bus, the middle of the road, and back of church. • Stop, drop, and roll won't work in hell. • Don't wait for six strong men to take you to church. • If God is your copilot, swap seats!