
MASS SCHEDULE: DECEMBER 8 - 14, 2014 A.D.

- Mon. Dec. 8 8:30 A.M. Guttenberg School Mass**
“Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the BVM”
People of the Parish
- Tues. Dec. 9 8:30 A.M. Garnavillo Tower Living Center
Leonard & Melinda Maiers
- Wed. Dec. 10 [No School Mass due to Mass on Monday]**
- Thurs. Dec. 11 8:30 A.M. Guttenberg River Living Center
Special Intention [Lois Goerd]
- Fri. Dec. 12 [No Mass Scheduled]
- Sat. Dec. 13 VIGIL OF THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
4:00 P.M. Garnavillo - Lee Smith
[Confessions ½ hour before Mass]
5:30 P.M. Guttenberg People of the Parish
[Confessions after Mass]
- Sun. Dec. 14 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
8:30 A.M. North Buena Vista - Frank Kennicker
[Confessions ½ hour before Mass]
10:00 A.M. Guttenberg - Rita Mae McGuire
[Confessions after Mass]

POINSETTAS FOR CHRISTMAS - If you would like to donate a poinsettia in memory of loved ones you can either purchase one or put monies in an envelope and mark poinsettia. Poinsettia or money toward them would be appreciated. It really helps keep the church cost down.

THANK YOU FROM BIRTHRIGHT OF DUBUQUE
Many thanks for the baby items. We appreciate your generosity. Your gifts will help us “Love Them To Live!” Blessings

UPCOMING MEETING - St. Joseph of Garnavillo
Tuesday, Dec. 9 6:30 P.M. Finance Council; 7:00 P.M. Parish Council

COMING AREA EVENTS

Sun. Dec. 7 Buenie Annual Soup Luncheon
serving 9 a.m.- 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 with Avon, Thirty One, Gold Canyon, YL Essentials, Pampered Chef, Origami Owl, Celebrating Home, Norwex, Scentsy, It Works, Tastefully Simple, Tupperware, Beauty and the Bow, Advocare and more plus Christmas crafts.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

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

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 MASS SCHEDULE:

Wed. Dec. 24 CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00 P.M.	Guttenberg	Children’s Mass [Fr. B.] Orrin Troester
4:00 P.M.	Garnavillo	Children’s Mass [Fr. K.] Emmett & Madona Rademacher
6:00 P.M.	Guttenberg	Adult Choir Mass [Fr. K.] Imogene [Bries] Feldmann (Months Mind)
6:00 P.M.	N. Buena Vista	Children’s Mass [Fr. B.] People of the Parish

Thurs. Dec. 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

9:00 A.M.	Guttenberg [Fr. Bries] Fritz/Rose/Joe/John Kann
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CHOIR PRACTICE will be on *Wednesday*, December 10th & 17th, 7:00 P.M., in preparation for the Christmas season.

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 AM 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.

STO – The Our Faith, Our Children, Our Future School Tuition Organization awarded nearly \$4.1 million in 2014 in need-based tuition grants to almost 3,200 students, representing over 32% of the students attending Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of Dubuque. Families are eligible for STO assistance if their taxable income is at or below 300% of the federal poverty rate for the previous tax year. The STO grants are made possible through the support of hundreds of donors across the Archdiocese. These donors not only receive the satisfaction of helping thousands of students, but also receive an Iowa income tax credit equal to 65% of their total donation. In addition, their entire gift is eligible for federal income tax deductibility. The goal for the 2014 tax year is \$5.7 million. Donor applications, as well as a complete explanation of the program are available at www.ourfaithsto.org. This program benefits all of the Archdiocese, please support and share this program with others.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES will meet on Wednesday, December 10th.

HUMOR – A lady lost her handbag in the bustle of Christmas shopping. It was found by an honest little boy and returned to her.

Looking in her purse, she commented, “Hmmm.... That's funny. When I lost my bag there was a \$20 bill in it. Now there are twenty \$1 bills.”

The boy quickly replied, “That's right, lady. The last time I found a lady's purse, she didn't have any change for a reward.”