
MASS SCHEDULE: DECEMBER 22 - 28, 2014 A.D.

Mon. Dec. 22 [No Mass Scheduled]

Tues. Dec. 23 8:30 A.M. Garnavillo Tower Living Center
People of the Parish

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 & Madonna Rademacher

6:00 P.M. Guttenberg – Adult Choir Mass [Fr. K.]
[Cantata before Mass]

Imogene [Bries] Feldmann (Months Mind)

6:00 P.M. N. Buena Vista – Children’s Mass [Fr. B.]
[Cantata before Mass]

Wilfred, Christina & Marie Schmidt

Thurs. Dec. 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

9:00 A.M. Guttenberg [Fr. Bries]
Fritz/Rose/Joe/John Kann

Fri. Dec. 26 [No Mass Scheduled]

Sat. Dec. 27 VIGIL OF THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

4:00 P.M. Garnavillo [Fr. K]
50th Wedding Anniversary

Jerome & Carolyn [Kainz] Koopman

5:30 P.M. Guttenberg - Leonard & Editha Hartmann
[Fr. B]

Sun. Dec. 28 FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

8:30 A.M. North Buena Vista [Fr. B.]
People of the Parish

10:00 A.M. Guttenberg [Fr. B] Don Evers

REMINDER FROM I.R.S - contribution for 2014 must be postmarked by December 31, 2014 to be credited for year 2014.

SUPPORT ST. MARY’S 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.

POINSETTIAS 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.

THE TOPIC FOR THE DECMEBER “CD OF THE MONTH” is: **“Faith at Work & the Holy Moment** by Matthew Kelly answers many business and ethical questions in this presentation which was made to the Catholic Business and Ethics Conference. All CD’s sell for \$3.00 each.

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.

NOTICE - St. Mary’s Parish Life Committee still has several copies for sale of the **“Three Parish Directory,”** \$25.00 each. We will not be printing any more after these are sold. Please contact Jim Pfaffly, 252-3553, or Jerry Balk, 252-2361 for a copy.

NEW CD'S have been added recently to the wide selection of **spiritual topics** available in the entryway of St. Mary's Church. The new topics added are: **"Seven Deadly Sins-Seven Lively Virtues"; "The History of Salvation"; "Why Is There Hell"; "Confession"; "Praying the Rosary Like Never Before "** and **"Anger and Forgiveness."** All CD's are available at \$3.00 each

PLAYING THE BELLS AT THE 4:00 PM MASS - All children preschool-4th grade are welcome to proceed in before Mass and play the hand bells at 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - The Parish Life Committee is seeking someone who can help make the **"Prayer Shawls"** and also help manage and distribute the shawls. This ministry helps provide comfort and well-being for those in our parish community who need prayers. Contact Lois Davis at 252-1858.

THE WITNESS is our archdiocesan Catholic newspaper. If you already have a subscription, you will be sent a notice in the mail at time of renewal. 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.

HUMOR - You know you're getting old when Santa starts looking younger.

When you stop believing in Santa is when you start getting clothes for Christmas.

What do you get when you combine a Christmas tree with an iPad? A pineapple.

Nothing is as mean as giving a child something useful for Christmas.

One woman said that her husband's idea of getting into the Christmas spirit is to become Scrooge.

I once bought my kid a set of batteries for Christmas with a note on it saying, "Toys not included."