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**MASS SCHEDULE: JANUARY 4 - 10, 2016 A.D.**

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Mon. Jan. 4 [No Mass Scheduled]  
"St. Elizabeth Ann Seton"

Tues. Jan. 5 8:30 A.M. Garnavillo Tower Living Center  
"St. John Neumann" [Sacrament of Anointing] LaVerne Duwe

Wed. Jan. 6 8:30 A.M. Guttenberg 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade School Mass  
[Sacrament of Anointing after Mass] People of the Parish

Thurs. Jan. 7 10:00 A.M. Guttenberg Care Center  
[Sacrament of Anointing during Mass] Ruth Sorenson

Fri. Jan. 8 [No Mass Scheduled]

Sat. Jan. 9 **VIGIL OF BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

4:00 P.M. Garnavillo

Suzanne Stoeffler [1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.]

[Sacrament of Anointing ½ hr. before Mass]

5:30 P.M. Guttenberg William & Kay Vogt

[Sacrament of Anointing after Mass]

Sun. Jan. 10 **FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

8:30 A.M. North Buena Vista

Chris Hefel, Clark Hefel & Jim Hefel

[Sacrament of Anointing ½ hr. before Mass]

10:00 A.M. Guttenberg - Rosina Harber

[Sacrament of Anointing after Mass]

**EXTRAVAGANZA 2016** – Feb. 13, Social Hour/Raffle/Silent Auction 5:00-6:00 P.M. Dinner Served 6:00-7:00 P.M. Hypnotist Show 7:30 P.M. Dinner/Show Ticket \$35 (Advanced Tickets Only, limited number will be sold). (Two Meat Buffet, Potato, Vegetable, dinner roll, salads and dessert). For tickets call 563-252-1577 or [eschmelzer@smic.pvt.k12.ia.us](mailto:eschmelzer@smic.pvt.k12.ia.us)

**THANK YOU** to all those who made our Christmas celebrations a beautiful home for Jesus' Birthday. Feast of Baptism of the Lord ends the Christmas season and we return to ordinary time in the Church Year.

**FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR** - Thank you for all the Christmas cards and gifts. May God bless you for your kindness to His priest.

**LIVING THE YEAR OF MERCY** - Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has announced an Extraordinary Jubilee **Year of Mercy** from Dec. 8, 2015 to Nov. 20, 2016. The Archdiocese of Dubuque has a number of resources and opportunities to help you experience and share God's mercy during this Jubilee Year. Visit the Year of Mercy section on the archdiocesan website ([DBQArch.org/YearofMercy](http://DBQArch.org/YearofMercy)) to access: (1) an Instructional document from Archbishop Jackels, (2) information about special liturgies during the year, (3) Cathedral pilgrimage opportunities, (4) works of mercy service project details, (5) activities & media for families, youth & adults and (6) prayer & music resources.

**THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED FOR THE CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:** In memory of Butch Faust, in memory of John Froehle, in memory of Cyril Liefeld, in memory of Dorothy & Francis Johnson, in memory of Bob Hartmann, in memory of Richard Goerdt, in memory of Dan & Rose Liefeld family, in memory of Irish & Shirley Degan, in memory of the deceased of Tom & Helene Kuempel family and in memory of the deceased of Jim & Maggie Schlueter family.

**THE NEXT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST** will be on January 31<sup>st</sup>, when "**The Make a Joyful Noise SMIC Youth Choir**" sings again.

**UPCOMING MOVIE** - On January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016, the movie, "**WAR ROOM**," will be presented in St. Mary's Brinkmann Hall after the 10 o'clock Mass with a **FREE** luncheon and the movie starting approximately at 11:20. From the award-winning creators of *Fireproof* and *Courageous* comes *War Room*, a compelling drama with humor and heart that explores the power that prayer can have on marriages, parenting, careers, friendships, and every other area of our lives.

**SCRIP** is now sold in the entryway of church. **Support St. Mary's IC School** by, also, 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](mailto:ktmoser@alpinecom.net). The receipts of your purchases from Kuempel True Value Hardware and Brown's Service Department are redeemable as part of the **SCRIP** program.

**ST. MARY'S SCRIPTURE STUDY** will consist of 13 lessons of "**Isaiah: Prophetic Book of the Old Testament.**" There will be 7 lessons starting on Wednesday, February 3, 2016, at 9:15 A.M. and on Thursday, February 4, at 7 P.M. The final 6 lessons will start on Wednesday, September 21, and Thursday, September 22. The cost of the study material for the entire study session is \$15.00. For further information and to sign up, please contact Jerry Balk, 252-2361.

**THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS** will not meet in January. The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, at noon, at St. Patrick's Parish Hall in Monona.

**MANY THANKS** to our sacristans and volunteers who made our 3-linked parishes/churches a most beautiful place to celebrate Jesus' birthday. May God bless you all in a special way in the New Year of the Lord 2016!!!

**"THANK YOU"** to all the participants of the Knights of Columbus, "**Living Rosary.**" Mark your calendars for the next "**Living Rosary**" on January 30<sup>th</sup> and January 31<sup>st</sup>. The rosary will start 25 minutes before Mass and you can participate by reciting the prayer for the bead of the rosary you are holding.

**HUMOR** • My New Year's resolution is to stop hanging out with people who ask me about my New Year's resolutions.

- You know it's time for a New Year's resolution to lose weight when you step on a talking scale and it says, "One at a time, please!"
- In 2016, may your neighbors respect you, troubles neglect you, angels protect you, and heaven accept you.