
MASS SCHEDULE: JANUARY 18 - 24, 2016 A.D.

- Mon. Jan. 18 [No Mass Scheduled]
- Tues. Jan. 19 8:30 A.M. Garnavillo Tower Living Center
Vocations to Priesthood & Consecrated Life
- Wed. Jan. 20 8:30 A.M. Guttenberg Grade School Mass
Lawrence 'Pete' Ludovissy
- Thurs. Jan. 21 10:00 A.M. Guttenberg Care Center
Larry Spielbauer
- Fri. Jan. 22 [No Mass Scheduled]
- Sat. Jan. 23 **VIGIL OF THIRD SUNDAY IN TIME**
4:00 P.M. Garnavillo
[Mass with Archbishop Jackels]
5:30 P.M. Guttenberg - People of the Parish
- Sun. Jan. 24 **THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
8:30 A.M. North Buena Vista
Sophia Ries; Wilfred & Marie Schmidt
10:00 A.M. Guttenberg - Ruth Sorenson

BAPTISM INTO THE FAMILY OF GOD & OUR COMMUNITIES OF FAITH

Sunday, Jan. 24, 2016 – St. Mary of Guttenberg – after Mass
Kade Nicholas McGuine, son of Kiley & Mary Grace
(Gempero) McGuine

Sunday, Jan. 30, 2016 – St. Mary of Guttenberg – after Mass
Korbin Eldon Kuhlman, son of Ross & Laura (White) Kuhlman

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.

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. **Mercy is** the forgiveness we receive from God, which we as followers of Jesus give to others. **Mercy is** also God's kindness to us, and ours to others, caring about and caring for others: sharing, serving, even sacrificing oneself for the benefit of another. **Mercy is** blind, both that which we receive from God, and what we show to others: blind to the identity of the other, and to whether the other is deserving, or is aware of what is being done, or is grateful. All of that is irrelevant to whether God shows us mercy, and likewise to whether we show mercy to others. **Mercy is** free. There is no sense in which someone is owed mercy, as if out of justice. In fact, mercy trumps justice, giving more than is deserved, or requiring less in reparation. **Mercy is** the heart of the practice of our religion. It is the fulfillment of the law, prophets, and the teaching of Jesus. And it is the clearest indicator of whether or not we are true followers of Jesus. **God is mercy!**

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS - We will be running a class for parents of children who need baptism. Please call Deacon Pfaffly (252-3553) to find out more. Don't delay because the class will be scheduled soon.

UPCOMING MOVIE - On January 24th, 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.

BROWN'S SALES & LEASING 2nd ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF will be Saturday, January 30th from 11:00 AM until 1 PM. Free Will Donation. All proceeds go to the music programs at CRE and St Mary's Schools. Sign up by Jan 28th.

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

PHOTOS FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION FOOD DRIVE can be seen by clicking on the Faith Formation tab of our three parish website, maryicjoseph.org It is truly remarkable that the high school students and their adult leaders could gather as much food as they did in such a short time. Thanks to everyone for their generosity.

“THANK YOU” to all the participants of the Knights of Columbus, **“Living Rosary.”** Mark your calendars for the next **“Living Rosary”** on January 30th and January 31st. 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.

THE NEXT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST will be on January 31st, when **“The Make a Joyful Noise SMIC Youth Choir”** sings again.

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. The receipts of your purchases from Kuempel True Value Hardware and Brown’s Service Department are redeemable as part of the SCRIP program.

HUMOR – Q: How do you make varnish disappear?
A: Remove the r! **Q:** Why did the one-handed man cross the road?
A: To get o the second-hand shop. **Q:** What kind of fish can’t swim?
A: Dead ones. **Q:** How do you tell the difference between alligators and crocodiles?
A: That is easy; one you will see you **later**, and other will you see **after a while**.