
MASS SCHEDULE: NOV. 28 – DEC. 4, 2016 A.D.

Mon. Nov. 28 [No Mass Scheduled]

Tues. Nov. 29 8:30 A.M. Garnavillo Tower Living Center
Vocations to Women's Religious Life

Wed. Nov. 30 8:30 A.M. 1st Grade School Mass
"St. Andrew" Beatrice Barron

Thurs. Dec. 1 10:00 A.M. Guttenberg Care Center
Melvin & Ruby Matt

Fri. Dec. 2 [No Mass Scheduled]

Sat. Dec. 3 Vigil of Second Sunday of Advent
[Confessions before Mass at Garnavillo]
4:00 P.M. Garnavillo People of the Parish
5:30 P.M. Guttenberg Bill & Kay Vogt
[Confessions after Mass at Guttenberg]

Sun. Dec. 4 Second Sunday of Advent
[Confessions before Mass at N. Buena Vista]
8:30 A.M. North Buena Vista
Fr. Joe McGuire & Honey Cummer
10:00 A.M. Guttenberg
[Confessions after Mass at Guttenberg]

CHRISTMAS 2016 IS ON A WEEKEND THIS YEAR

Sat. Dec. 24 CHRISTMAS EVE
4:00 P.M. Guttenberg – Children's Mass
4:00 P.M. Garnavillo – Children's Mass
6:00 P.M. Guttenberg – Adult Choir with cantata 5:30
6:00 P.M. North Buena Vista – Children's Mass

Sun. Dec. 25 CHRISTMAS DAY
9:00 A.M. Guttenberg

REMINDER - Internal Revenue Service requires all contributions to your parish church must be postmarked no later than Dec. 31, 2016 to receive charitable credit for the year 2016.

CHOIR PRACTICE will be on *Wed.*, Nov. 30th at 7:30 P.M.

FAITH FORMATION (Religious Education) CLASSES

continues for all students this Wednesday, Nov. 30th. Elem. and middle school classes will run from 6:00-7:15 PM, followed by the high school classes which run from 7:15 – 8:45 PM.

WHAT IS THE STUDY OF THE "ACTS OF THE

APOSTLES?" The church begins to expand beyond Jerusalem with the apostles spreading the good news of the gospel, the conversion of Paul, the inauguration of the Gentile mission, and the apostles Mission to the ends of the earth. **What do these Biblical stories mean to us in today's world?** More information to follow, but do consider our Scripture Study on February 22, 2017.

THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS December meeting will be held at St. Mary's on Dec. 6th at 12:00 Noon, in Brinkmann Hall in Guttenberg. Please remember to bring your **Gift for Giving** for struggling families to be delivered this month. Also, bring items for our silent auction for our Christmas December party.

YOUR TRASH TO CASH—St. Mary's IC School collects the UPC codes from Best Choice and Our Family brand products, and turns them into cash, as well as the "Money for Education" labels from Betty Crocker, General Mills, and Campbell's brands. Other recyclable items include: inkjet & toner cartridges, digital cameras, GPS devices, MP3 players, headsets, and cell phones. Redeemable beverage cans with Iowa deposit are collected as part of the recycling program, too.

PLEASE HELP! Our list of Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, and Rosary leaders is getting shorter. Please consider giving of your time and volunteering for one of these jobs. Training will be provided. Contact Deacon Jim Pfaffly at 252-3553 if you are willing to volunteer.

CHRISTMAS CONCERTS - Clayton Ridge high school students' concert is Sunday, December 11, 7 PM. **St. Mary IC School** students' concert is Wednesday, December 14, 6:30 PM. Concerts are at St. Mary's Church.

M.A.S.S. “Men Actively Seeking Spirituality:” We, as a group of Christian men, discuss articles concerning: Pope Francis’s influences and challenges, marriage, sin, divorce, recent gospels and epistles from our Sunday’s homilies, current world events, children’s challenges, our own concerns, etc. Our meetings are located in the basement of the old St. Mary School in the Knights of Columbus meeting room. The meetings are held weekly on Tuesday nights, from 6:30-8:00 P.M., but not on the first week of the month due to a Knights of Columbus regular meeting. All Christian men and high school boys are encouraged to **give it a try.**

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: Robert Kies 252-4030, Al Schlueter 252-1382, or Gerald Kennicker 252-1905.

SUPPORT ST. MARY’S IC SCHOOL for your everyday needs by purchasing **SCRIP** after the weekend Mass, at Fidelity Bank and Peoples State Bank. 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. Check for details at school office.

HUMOR - A police officer jumps into his squad car and calls the station.

“I have an interesting case here,” he says. “A woman shot her husband for stepping on the floor she just mopped.”

“Have you arrested her?” asks the sergeant.

“No, not yet. The floor’s still wet.”