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**MASS SCHEDULE: JANUARY 16-22, 2017 A.D.**

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Mon. Jan. 16 [No Mass Scheduled]

Tues. Jan. 17 8:30 A.M. Garnavillo Tower Living Center  
Angie Berns

Wed. Jan. 18 8:30 A.M. Grade School Mass  
LaVerne Bouska

Thurs. Jan. 19 10:00 A.M. Guttenberg Care Center  
Marguerite Berns

Fri. Jan. 20 [No Mass Scheduled]

**Sat. Jan. 21 VIGIL OF THIRD SUNDAY IN TIME**  
4:00 P.M. Garnavillo Jon Burlingame  
5:30 P.M. Guttenberg Larry & Mardell Meisner

**Sun. Jan. 22 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
8:30 A.M. North Buena Vista  
Janet Bleile & Jeff Riniker  
10:00 A.M. Guttenberg - People of the Parish

**THE NEXT Knights of Columbus Breakfast** will be on Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017, when **“The Make a Joyful Noise SMIC Youth Choir”** sings again for **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK.**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST** will be held Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, from 7:30-11:30 AM, at St. Mary Church in Brinkmann Hall, Guttenberg. They will be serving biscuits and gravy, smoked sausage, scrambled eggs, hash browns, fruit, rolls and drinks. Carry-outs will be available. This is a ‘free will’ offering (\$7.50 suggested). Please come and enjoy breakfast with them.

**BAPTISM INTO THE FAMILY OF GOD & OUR COMMUNITIES OF FAITH** - Sat., Jan 21 – St. Joseph of Garnavillo – before Mass - Grayson Joseph Berns, son of Trent & Aarica [Landt] Berns.

**HUMOR** - Nature abhors a vacuum, but not as much as a cat does.

**FAITH FORMATION RESUMES** for elementary and middle school students on **Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 PM.** High school students will resume classes on **Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, at 7:15 PM.** Please be prompt.

**UPCOMING MOVIE** - On January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017, the movie, **“CROWN FOR CHRISTMAS,”** 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. It is an endearing story of a neglected little girl, a preoccupied single parent, and a remarkable young woman, Allie, who brings fresh air to their relationship. In some ways this is a modern retelling of The Sound of Music--minus six children and the singing. The cold King Maximilliam warms as he watches Allie and Theodora bond. Their relationship forces him to reconsider his duties and soften to become a better father.

**WHAT IS THE STUDY OF THE “Acts of the Apostles?”**  
The Book of Acts traces the first thirty years of Christian history from the Ascension of Jesus in Jerusalem to the imprisonment of Paul in Rome. It is Luke’s intention to continue the story of Jesus through the life and mission of his first disciples. Though it is also the work of a careful historian, whose accuracy and reliability are increasingly confirmed in modern research, Acts is far from being a lifeless chronicle of facts and figures. Luke brings out the *moral* lessons of history by highlighting the particular people and events that exemplify universal moral truths. For him, the apostles and their opponents are living icons or vice versa whose actions encourage or discourage certain forms of behavior in light of the gospel.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** March 4<sup>th</sup>, **Extravaganza—Dueling Pianos;** April 22<sup>nd</sup>, **Confirmation;** April 23<sup>rd</sup>, **First Communion.**

**THE LIVING ROSARY** will be prayed promptly **after the mass** on Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, inviting parishioners to join the Knights of Columbus. It will be prayed for the intentions of aborted babies, abused children and abused women.

**THE TOPIC FOR THE CD OF THE MONTH IS “Building Your Life on Rock.”** Ralph Martin provides practical advice on how to build our lives on “rock” and equip ourselves spiritually so that we can reach out to others with true charity. All CD’s presently on sale for \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.

**12 Prayers to Help You Receive All the Gifts God Has for**

**You** - “Lord, get me out of the driver’s seat even if you have to pry my hands off the steering wheel...” Patti Armstrong  
Imagine meeting God on the other side of eternity and discovering that he had untold blessings to give you and a myriad of places to take you to but you had closed the door on all of it? Here are 12 prayers for help us receive all God’s gifts to us. (5) Help me to trust you more than I trust myself. Remind me that you are the one that keeps the earth in orbit.

(6) Lord, get me out of the driver’s seat even if you have to pry my hands off the steering wheel. My GPS is nothing compared to your God Positioning System. Just stick me in the back seat and tell me to stop asking how long until we get there.

(7) Dear God, pinch me when you catch me comparing myself with others. No, on second thought, knock me right on the head. Comparisons invite envy, pride, and jealousy. Remind me that I am special and that this is just between you and me.

(8) Jesus, I am so distracted sometimes. Please help me to pay more attention to you by praying and going to adoration and receiving the sacraments more often. I can’t receive your presents very well if I am not present to you. “I am more and more convinced that everything comes from prayer and that, among the calls of the Spirit, this is the first and most urgent one we should respond to,” Fr. Jacques Philippe

(To be continued next week.)

**EUCHRE TOURNAMENT** – Eagle Ridge Independent & Assisted Living will be hosting a Euchre Tournament on Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>. The tournament will begin at 1:30 p.m. in the Eagle Ridge Dining Room with refreshments and prizes for highest scores. Please call Billee Jo at 563-252-2288 with any questions or to reserve your seat.