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**MASS SCHEDULE: JANUARY 23-29, 2017 A.D.**

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- Mon. Jan. 23 [No Mass Scheduled]  
“Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children”
- Tues. Jan. 24 8:30 A.M. Garnavillo Tower Living Center  
“St. Francis de Sales” Angie Berns
- Wed. Jan. 25 8:30 A.M. 1<sup>st</sup> Grade School Mass  
“Conversion of St. Paul” Ronald & Agnes McDonell
- Thurs. Jan. 26 8:30 A.M. Guttenberg River Living Center  
“Feast of Ss. Timothy & Titus” People of the Parish
- Fri. Jan. 27 [No Mass Scheduled]
- Sat. Jan. 28 VIGIL OF FOURTH SUNDAY IN TIME**  
4:00 P.M. Garnavillo - Ed Burlingame  
5:30 P.M. Guttenberg - Herman & Theresa Mueller
- Sun. Jan. 29 FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
8:30 A.M. North Buena Vista  
Rev. Paul McGuire & Walter Boge  
10:00 A.M. Guttenberg  
Bernard Ellerbach [Months Mind]

**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.

**UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS****St. Mary of Guttenberg**

- Mon. Jan. 30 7 p.m. – Finance Council; Held in rectory.  
8 p.m. – Parish Pastoral Council

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST** will be held Sunday, February 5<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.

**FAITH FORMATION** for elementary and middle school students will be on **Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00-7:15 PM.** High school students have class from **7:15-8:45 PM.** Please be sure to remind your friends and be on time for class.

**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.

**“The Make a Joyful Noise SMIC Youth Choir”** sings again for **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK** on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**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.

**ST. MARY'S SCRIPTURE STUDY** will consist of 10 lessons of **"ACTS OF THE APOSTLES."** There will be 5 lessons starting on Wednesday, February 22, 2017, at 9:15 A.M. and on Thursday, February 23, 2017, at 7 P.M. The final 5 lessons will start on Wednesday, September 20, and Thursday, September 21. 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 or Jim Pfaffly, 252-3553.

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

**12 Prayers to Help You Receive All the Gifts God Has for You** - (continued from last week).

9) Dear Lord, Help me to stop arguing with you. How silly to think I can convince you of anything. You know my desires and you know what is best for me. Instead of arguing, help me to think of asking to be open for whatever you have for me.

(10) God, I need help not just to stop complaining but also to see that the very things I'm complaining about are blessings. Help me to learn and love through them rather than to grumble. And when people make my life difficult, remind me that the measure with which I measure will be measured back to me (Luke 6:38). Thank you for the opportunity to receive undeserved mercy when I give it to others.

(11) Rather than rushing by them, help me to see the angels you are putting in my path to lead the way so that I don't get lost.

(12) Dear Jesus, I surrender to your plan just as you surrendered to a plan that no one could have imagined would be the way to salvation for all mankind. I'm choosing today to accept everything you have for me. Please give me the courage and openness never to refuse your gifts.

**HUMOR; Making Amends** - After hearing a sermon on Psalm 52:3-4 (lies and deceit), a man wrote the IRS, "I can't sleep knowing that I have cheated on my income tax. Enclosed is a check for \$150. If I still can't sleep, I'll send the rest."