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**MASS SCHEDULE: MARCH 5 – 11, 2018 A.D.**

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- Mon. March 5 [No Mass Scheduled]
- Tues. March 6 8:30 A.M. Garnavillo Tower Living Center  
Marvin Vaske
- Wed. March 7 8:30 A.M. Guttenberg 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade School  
Martin Lee
- Thurs. March 8 8:30 A.M. Guttenberg River Living Center  
Neil Walke
- Fri. March 9 4:30 P.M. Garnavillo**  
**[DAY OF ABSTINENCE]**  
**“Way of Cross & Mass - LaVerne Duwe**
- Sat. March 10 VIGIL OF FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**  
4:00 P.M. Garnavillo Mary Jane Steger  
5:30 P.M. Guttenberg People of the Parish
- Sun. March 11 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**  
8:30 A.M. North Buena Vista  
Elmer & Madeline Wagner Family  
Eldora Ploessl [1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.]  
10:00 A.M. Guttenberg SMIC Youth Mass  
Joe Nieland

**CONFESSIONS** during Lent weekend before Mass at Garnavillo & N. Buena Vista. Confessions after Mass at Guttenberg.

**FAITH FORMATION CLASS - Sun., March 4<sup>th</sup> for 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> - Grade Youth Ministry at St. Mary of Guttenberg.**

**CLAYTON COUNTY WOMENAGE GATHERING**  
**Tuesday, March 13 at noon at Kaffee 1858.**

Bring your donations to support struggling families referred by agencies in Clayton County.

**“DAILY REFLECTIONS FOR LENT”** booklets are available in the entry ways, provided **FREE** by your Parish Life Committee. Have a prayerful Lenten season!

**A REVIEW OF OUR FAITH!** Reverend Jerry Kopacek, spiritual director for St. Pius X Seminary at Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa, will give an overview of how the Catholic Church understands the process of divine revelation. This will involve a particular focus on the Bible, the Church’s role in the origin and development of the Bible as we have it now, and how the Church understands the important relationship between Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition in helping us to know divine truth. The presentation will be in St. Mary’s Catholic Church, 6:30-8:30 PM, Monday, March 12 & Tuesday, March 13, with exposition and Benediction to complete the service. These are two different presentations. The public is welcome to attend followed by a reception downstairs in Brinkmann Hall, sponsored by St. Mary’s Parish Life Committee.

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL**

Many will have received a letter with envelope enclosed. Attached to the bulletin is an opportunity for every member of the parish to support this appeal, which is a vital component in supporting the work of protecting the poor and vulnerable in the Archdiocese of Dubuque. **[As a reminder, it is important that parishioners send their gifts directly to Catholic Charities.]**

**REGULATIONS FOR LENT**

- 1.) **Fasting** means one full meal and two lighter meals with no eating between meals. Catholics who are eighteen and not yet sixty years old are asked to observe fast days on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- 2.) **Abstinence** means not eating meat on Ash Wed., & all the Fridays of Lent. Catholics fourteen years and older are bound to abstinence.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Sun March 18** First Fall Festival planning meeting after 10AM mass.
- Sat March 24** 9-Noon. Bread making with the 2nd grade
- Sun April 8** First Communion

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST** will be held Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, from 7:30-11:15 AM, at St. Mary Church in Brinkmann Hall, Guttenberg. Carry-outs will be available. This is a 'free will' offering (\$7.50 suggested).

**SPENDING TIME WITH A CRUCIFIX! “We proclaim Christ crucified...1Corinthians 1:23.”** I flew to Incheon, South Korea, several years ago, landing at night. Two of our Korean sisters picked me up at the airport and drove me through the city to their convent. Something struck me as we drove along: I saw dozens of red neon crosses dotting the cityscape. Though the population of South Korea is only 29% Christian (of which 11% are Catholic), the cross is very present there—especially at night. Obviously, Korean Christians are still living out what St. Paul said to the Corinthians. *At this midpoint in Lent*, it might be good to spend a little time with a **crucifix**. Simply sit or kneel with one, gaze at it, talk to your **crucified Jesus**. Bring him your own pains and sorrows. Share your hopes and dreams with him. Thank him for his great love. *By Sr. Melannie Svoboda, S.N.D.*

**ALUMNI BANQUET!** - St. Mary Immaculate Conception alumni committee invite all who have attended St. Mary Grade, High School and Immaculate Conception Grade School to the annual banquet on Saturday, June 2, 2018 at St. Mary's Brinkmann Hall. Special acknowledgement will be given to the "50 year" high school graduates, the last class to graduate from St. Mary's High School in 1968. **Please inform of your plans to attend:** St. Mary IC School, P.O. Box 100, Guttenberg, Iowa 52052, 252-1577, [eschmelzer@smic.pvt.k12.ia.us](mailto:eschmelzer@smic.pvt.k12.ia.us) or Vernon Heck 252-1213, Sonya Bush 451-2884, Beth Sadewasser 252-3285, Austin Greve 880-3899, Phoebe Johnson 252-2275, Gail Broxson 880-2192, Pat Kolker 252-2218, OR email Erin Schmelzer at [eschmelzer@smic.pvt.k12.ia.us](mailto:eschmelzer@smic.pvt.k12.ia.us)

**HUMOR • Q:** Why is it so hard for a leopard to hide?  
**A:** Because it's always spotted! **Q:** What's a cat's favorite song? **A:** Three blind mice. **Q:** What do you call the cat that was caught by the police? **A:** The purpatrator.