

# ST. MARY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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## God is guiding you!

(He has done it before, and He is doing it now)

“These are such troubling times. What do I Do? Where do I turn?” . . . are the kinds of thoughts that many people are dwelling on these days. This Sunday’s first reading from Deuteronomy reminds us of the answers to these questions. . .

God is guiding you, follow Him and He will take care of you in surprising ways.

In that reading (Deuteronomy 8:2-3) we are reminded that:

-In the past “God has directed all your journeying in the desert.” Today’s world is a different kind of desert, but a desert none the less. We have to be present of mind and watch for His guidance.

-As with then, this is an opportunity to demonstrate that “it was your intention” to follow Him. Today is similar in this regard in that we must constantly pay attention to what he has called us to do (live out His commandments) in our everyday lives’.

-This reading tells us that He “then fed you”. In other words, you follow, and He delivers.

-Even better is the fact that God fed them and will take care of us with “a food unknown to you and your fathers” (manna). This was an unknown and miraculous solution that was totally unconceivable, and that is how God will take care of us again today . . . in amazing and unexpected ways.

-Finally, we are reminded that “not by bread alone does one live, but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.” We have to listen to be able to recognize His guidance.

The bottom line . . . today we are in a desert just like the Israelites were when they left Egypt, but take heart because . . . God is guiding you just as He did the Israelites. We too have to believe that He is guiding us, follow His Commandments (guidance), and look for Him to take care of our needs realizing that He will do it in unexpected ways and recognize that it is God that is the one that is saving us.

Dear Lord . . . I pray that as our people seek you, that you bless them in unexpected and miraculous ways so that like your people of old they recognize your hand in their life. I pray this in Jesus’ name.

Fr. Marvin Bries

### Streaming Live Sunday Mass

Guttenberg Channel 6 and Facebook(FB)

**Sunday, June 14, 10 AM**

**Sunday, June 21, 10 AM (FB only)**

**Sunday, June 28, 10 AM**

Fall Festival Planning Meeting

**Sunday, June 14** after 10:00 am Mass.

Raffles will be discussed.

Flowers for Mothers: The Knights of Columbus will be giving flowers to mothers at all Masses Father’s Day weekend, June 20/21 . The flowers that are left over will be available at the week day Masses.



**Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, and Ushers :** The July sign up sheets are in the confessional room. At this point in time, we will not have greeters, servers or rosary.

### **Public Mass Schedule: June 15- June 21, 2020**

**Please use sanitizer as you enter church & practice social distancing.**

**Mon., Jun 15:** [No Mass Scheduled]

**Tues., Jun 16:** 8:30 A.M. – St. Joseph, Garnavillo  
*Noreen Rowland (C.D. of A.)*

**Wed., Jun 17:** 8:30 A.M. – St. Mary, Guttenberg  
*Lester & Marie Gorton & Marry Bries*

**Thur., Jun 18:** 8:30 A.M. – Immaculate Conception, N. Buena Vista

**Fri., Jun 19:** [No Mass Scheduled],  
“Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus”

**Sat., Jun 20:** VIGIL OF TWELFTH SUNDAY IN TIME  
4:00 P.M. – St. Joseph, Garnavillo  
*Eileen Walz*  
5:30 P.M. – St. Mary, Guttenberg  
*Annie Ries*

**Sun., Jun 21:** TWELFTH SUNDAY IN TIME, *Father’s Day*  
8:30 A.M. – Immaculate Conception, N. Buena Vista  
*People of the Parish*  
10:00 A.M. – St. Mary, Guttenberg,  
*Bernice Haas*

## Mass Readings for June 14, 2020

**Reading 1 [Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a](#):** Moses said to the people: "Remember how for forty years now the LORD, your God, has directed all your journeying in the desert, so as to test you by affliction and find out whether or not it was your intention to keep his commandments. He therefore let you be afflicted with hunger, and then fed you with manna, a food unknown to you and your fathers, in order to show you that not by bread alone does one live, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of the LORD. "Do not forget the LORD, your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery; who guided you through the vast and terrible desert with its saraph serpents and scorpions, its parched and waterless ground; who brought forth water for you from the flinty rock and fed you in the desert with manna, a food unknown to your fathers."

### Responsorial Psalm [Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20](#)

R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

Glorify the LORD, O Jerusalem; praise your God, O Zion. For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; he has blessed your children within you. /R/

He has granted peace in your borders; with the best of wheat he fills you. He sends forth his command to the earth; swiftly runs his word! /R/

He has proclaimed his word to Jacob, his statutes and his ordinances to Israel. He has not done thus for any other nation; his ordinances he has not made known to them. Alleluia. /R/

**Reading 2 [1 Cor 10:16-17](#):** Brothers and sisters: The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.

**Sequence:** Lo! the angel's food is given To the pilgrim who has striven; see the children's bread from heaven, which on dogs may not be spent. Truth the ancient types fulfilling, Isaac bound, a victim willing, Paschal lamb, its lifeblood spilling, manna to the fathers sent. Very bread, good shepherd, tend us, Jesu, of your love befriend us, You refresh us, you defend us, Your eternal goodness send us In the land of life to see. You who all things can and know, Who on earth such food bestow, Grant us with your saints, though lowest, Where the heav'nly feast you show, Fellow heirs and guests to be. Amen. Alleluia.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.** I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever. **R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Gospel [Jn 6:51-58](#):** Jesus said to the Jewish crowds: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever."

The Knights of Columbus are conducting virtual degrees online until July 1st. Any male catholic 17.5 years and older wishing to join and become a 3rd degree Knight can send a request to [membership@iowakofc.org](mailto:membership@iowakofc.org) and we will send you the required link to join. This also includes any 1st degree Knights that wish to become 3rd degree Knights. For new members, you can also join online and become an E-member, enter Promo Code GIVE2020 and your membership dues will be donated to the Knights of Columbus program "Leave No Neighbor Behind" and the Supreme Council will match the donation. This program was created to help with Covid19 relief efforts.

### Upcoming Events . . . .

Jun 14: Fall Festival Planning Meeting; after 10am Mass

Jun 20/21: KC Distribution of Flowers

Jun 28: 1st Communion

Jul 4/5: Food Shelf Weekend

Jul 24: Divine Worth College Seminary 6th Annual Benefit Golf Outing(Proceeds to student scholarship fund)

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