

ST. MARY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week:

God's messengers always seem to get mocked. They speak a truth that some folks do not want to hear. While on the one hand we admire them, we also are quite happy keeping them at a distance. After all, they are not referring to me but someone else, aren't they? We often wrongly conclude that because we may be more avant-garde, contemporary, politically sensitive, and untraditional, we are somehow more in the light than others. People tend to prefer darkness more than light, even the most spiritually sensitive among us. The light always carries with it the richness of God's mercy and compassion which see beyond ideologies and concepts to relationships that cultivate life, earthly and eternal. Every hand of compassion and mercy extended to a human being must always point back to God. The call always involves ordering our lives in accord with our truth and essence of being. As God never forgets us, we must never forget God. Now is the time to take stock of our infidelity and return to the light, even though it is difficult to look at.

KC Pancake and Sausage Breakfast,

Drive-thru Style



St. Mary Church Parking Lot
Sunday, March 14

8:30am—11:30am

Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs,
Hashbrowns and Cinnamon Rolls

Free will donation.

Proceeds to the handicap ramp project.

World Day of Prayer

Monday, March 22 at 1pm



St. John's Lutheran Church,
Guttenberg.

All are invited to the service.
Masks are required and social
distancing will be observed.

Spring Forward this Weekend



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Youth Ministry Events/Activities

Youth Ministry is meeting on Wednesdays during Lent from 6:30-8:00pm., with a meal at 6:30.

March 17th- St. Patrick's Day party

March 24th- Adoration and Reconciliation

The public is invited to write their sins down on paper, place in an envelop and they will be burned. General absolution will also be given.

March 31st- practice for Live Passion.

Good Friday, Apr 2, 3 PM—Live Passion

April 9: Registration and \$125 deposit due for the **National Catholic Youth Conference** which will be Nov. 18-21.

Share the Gospel: When the Hebrews sinned in the desert, snakes came to bite them. Moses lifted up a metal snake in the desert. If God's people looked at the metal snake, their painful snake bites would be healed. Instead of dying from their snake bites, they would live. Our sins are a lot like those snake bites. Sins turn us away from God, hurt us, and hurt other people. When Jesus was lifted up on the cross, he washed our sins away. Jesus gave us healing and forgiveness. We don't need to die from our sins. We can believe in Jesus, follow God with our whole hearts, and live forever.

Public Mass Schedule: Mar 15 – Mar 21, 2021 Please use sanitizer, practice social distancing & wear a mask

- Mon., Mar 15:** Mass of Christian Burial for Barbara Mohning
11:00 AM, St. Joseph, Garnavillo
Visitation 10-11am, at the church
- Tues., Mar 16:** 8:30 A.M. —St. Joseph, Garnavillo, Mass
Paul Puelz & Amy Hoeger
- Wed., Mar 17:** 8:30 A.M. – St. Mary, Guttenberg, 6th/7th Grade
Charlie Bries & Owen Kann
- Thur., Mar 18:** [No Mass Scheduled]
- Fri., Mar 19:** 2:30 P.M. - SMIC School "Way of the Cross"
"Feast of St. Joseph"
- Sat., Mar 20:** VIGIL OF FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
3:45 P.M. - Garnavillo - Way of the Cross
4:00 P.M. – St. Joseph, Garnavillo - Mass
Dorothy Eglseder (C.D. of A.)
5:15 P.M.— Guttenberg, Way of the Cross
5:30 P.M. – St. Mary, Guttenberg, Mass
Carolyn Carrier & Bernice Haas
- Sun., Mar 21:** FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
8:15 A. M. - N. Buena Vista –Way of the Cross
8:30 A.M. – Immaculate Conception, N. Buena Vista,
Live Streamed 9:45 A.M., Guttenberg -Way of the Cross
Live Streamed 10:00 A.M. – St. Mary, Guttenberg, Mass
Joanne Clark & Bob Gerken

Mass Readings for March 14, 2021:

Reading I, [1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a](#) : The LORD said to Samuel: “Fill your horn with oil, and be on your way. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen my king from among his sons.” As Jesse and his sons came to the sacrifice, Samuel looked at Eliab and Thought, “Surely the LORD’s anointed is here before him.” But the LORD said to Samuel: “Do not judge from his appearance or from his lofty stature, because I have rejected him. Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the LORD looks into the heart.” In the same way Jesse presented seven sons before Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen any one of these.” Then Samuel asked Jesse, “Are these all the sons you have?” Jesse replied, “There is still the youngest, who is tending the sheep.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Send for him; we will not begin the sacrificial banquet until he arrives here.” Jesse sent and had the young man brought to them. He was ruddy, a youth handsome to behold and making a splendid appearance. The LORD said, “There—anoint him, for this is the one!” Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David.

Responsorial Psalm, [23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6](#) : **R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. **R.**

He guides me in right paths for his name’s sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side With your rod and your staff that give me courage. **R.**

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. **R.**

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come. **R.**

Reading II, [Eph 5:8-14](#) : Brothers and sisters: You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth. Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the fruitless works of darkness; rather expose them, for it is shameful even to mention the things done by them in secret; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it says: “Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light.”

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, King of Endless Glory I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, King of Endless Glory, [Jn 8:12](#)**

Gospel, [Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38](#): As Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth. He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, “Go wash in the Pool of Siloam” — which means Sent —. So he went and washed, and came back able to see. His neighbors and those who had seen him earlier as a beggar said, “Isn’t this the one who used to sit and beg?” Some said, “It is,” but others said, “No, he just looks like him.” He said, “I am.” They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath. So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, “He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see.” So some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, because he does not keep the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a sinful man do such signs?” And there was a division among them. So they said to the blind man again, “What do you have to say about him, since he opened your eyes?” He said, “He is a prophet.” They answered and said to him, “You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?” Then they threw him out. When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered and said, “Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “I do believe, Lord,” and he worshiped him.

Upcoming Events . . .

Mar 14: 8:30—11:30 KC Drive Thru Breakfast

Mar 20: 9-11am, 1st Reconciliation, SMIC Gr.2

Mar 28: Palm Sunday

Apr 4: Easter

Apr 6: CDA Mtg, Noon, Brinkmann Hall

Apr 11: 1st Communion, SMIC Gr.2

Immaculate Conception Parish, N. Buena Vista
**SPRING DRIVE-THRU
BREAKFAST**

Sunday, March 28 2021

~ serving 8am-12 Noon ~

Scrambled Eggs, Smoked Sausage, Ham,
Hashbrowns, Cinnamon Roll and Milk

\$10.00 per Carry-out Meal

Vendors present in hall



**BAPTISM INTO THE FAMILY OF GOD &
OUR COMMUNITIES OF FAITH:**

Sunday, Mar 21 at St. Mary, Guttenberg after Mass

Ayven Victoria Kann

daughter of Rich & Haylee [Bockenstedt] Kann



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Sunday, Mar 21 at St. Mary, Guttenberg, 1 pm

**Keira Lynn Willet-Gau**

daughter of Matthew & (the late) Michele [Willet] Gau

May you both grow in age, knowledge & wisdom in the Lord!