

ST. MARY PARISH

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LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week:

A Prayer to Brighten the Lives of Others

O God,
who cover yourself with light as with a garment,
shine in us,
putting to flight all the forces
of darkness and guilt,
of sin and selfishness.
Shine also through us
to any that live in shadow,
and so fill us with your radiant spirit
that we may be a lamp unto a neighbor's feet,
and a light unto their path.
And when this day is done,
may ever face we have met
be the brighter for our meeting,
and every heart braver,
with new joy and cheer and grace and
strength.

— Theodore Parker (d. 1860)
(from *The New Saint Joseph People's
Prayer Book*)

“Dear young people, let us not be
satisfied with a mediocre life. Be
amazed by what is true and
beautiful, what is of God!”
~ Pope Francis

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank the
Parish Life for providing the refreshments after the
Blessing of the ramp. We would also like to thank
everyone who helped make the new ramp possible.

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR: October is the month of the
rosary to be said at home by every family member. It is also when we
submit Mass attendance counts to the Archdiocese. Bring your family
and invite others who have not been to weekend Masses. **The future
of your parish is up to you in prayer and worship in your
home church!**

Mass Schedule: September 26, – October 2, 2022

Mon., Sept 26: [No Mass scheduled]

Tues., Sept 27: 8:30 A.M.—St. Joseph, Garnavillo
“St. Vincent de Paul” – *Dec'd of Tschirgi Family*

Wed., Sept 28: 8:30 A.M. – St. Mary, Guttenberg
Irene [Kann] Waterman & Alvina [Kann] Ingwersen

Thur., Sept 29: – [No Mass Scheduled]
“Feast of the Archangels - Michael, Gabriel and Raphael”

Fri., Sept 30: [No Mass Scheduled], “St. Jerome”

General Absolution of One's Sins this weekend at all 3- linked parishes!

Sat., Oct 1: Vigil of 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 P.M.—St. Joseph, Garnavillo
Clarence Hoeger & Hilda Wagner
5:30 P.M.—St. Mary, Guttenberg
People of the Parish

Sun., Oct 2: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 A.M. – Immaculate Conception, N. Buena Vista
10:00 A.M. – St. Mary, Guttenberg, Mass, Live Streamed
JoAnn [Bries] Wille

Fall Fundraiser Information

Donations/Raffle:	\$13,835
Silent Auction:	\$ 4,880
Less Prizes Paid Out:	\$ 1,500
Net:	\$20,215

Thank you!

ArchdioceseOne Kick Off Live Stream Sept. 28, 2022 at 7:00 PM

You're invited to join Archbishop Jackels
for a live-streamed ArchdioceseOne
kickoff on September 28, 2022 at 7:00PM.
Archbishop Jackels will launch the parish
phase of ArchdioceseOne by showing our
appeal video, talking to you about our
financial beneficiaries, as well as the
spiritual benefits we hope to achieve. At
the end, we'll answer questions that come
in ahead of time or live through the chat
function. Please register for this event now
by using this link: [https://
archdioceseone.org/live-launch-event](https://archdioceseone.org/live-launch-event).
Once there, click on the button titled:
**Register for the Live Launch Event
HERE**

GOSPEL REFLECTION: Seeing Beyond Your Suffering

“There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man’s table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores.” [Luke 16:19-21](#)

From one perspective, Lazarus was existing in a very undesirable state. He was poor, starving, and miserable. He was covered with sores that dogs would lick. This is very descriptive language used by Jesus and it’s helpful to do your best to imagine this miserable physical state that Lazarus was in.

The key to this story is that even though Lazarus was in a miserable physical condition, his soul was in the hands of God. We know that to be true, because we are told that when he died, he was “carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham” ([Luke 16:22](#)).

This story provides us all with an opportunity to look at what is most important in life. The rich man had all he wanted in this life but clearly lacked charity on account of the fact that he ignored the physical needs of Lazarus. For that reason, the rich man was spiritually impoverished, whereas Lazarus was spiritually prosperous.

When you can keep your eyes on what is most important in life, spiritual wealth, it will make the many other hardships you endure less burdensome. Perhaps you will never be in the same physical condition as Lazarus, but you may encounter other great pains and hardships in life. When this happens, the tendency may be to become fixated upon those sufferings and to take your eyes off your interior union with God.

Reflect, today, upon how you would deal with living like Lazarus. Reflect upon what your own “sores” are in life. They may be varied in type, degree and number from those of other people’s sufferings, but they will be encountered in your life. As you identify your suffering, turn your eyes from it to the presence of God in your soul, and allow His presence to fill you with the riches of His grace.

Lord, I offer to You my suffering and pain, my misery and hurt. Help me to always keep my eyes on You and to seek satisfaction only in the riches of Heaven. Fill my heart, especially, with love of You and charity for others so that I will be truly rich in what matters most. Jesus, I trust in You.
source: [mycatholiclife.com](#)

St. Joseph Parish, Garnavillo ~ Hog Roast

Saturday, October 8, 5-7 pm

The Clarity Clinic/Pregnancy Center fundraising banquet will be on Thursday, October 6 at the Grand River Center. Doors open at 5:45 and Dinner is at 6:30. Kathy Cook will be the speaker. There is no cost to attend and there will be an appeal at the end of the evening. Dress is business casual. You must RSVP to attend. Please call the clinic at 557-3123 or email: dennis.rima@clarityclinic.com

Gospel reflection questions for children:

September 25 — Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Lk 16:19-31: Last week Jesus reminded us about using money. This week Jesus tells a parable about a rich man who passes a beggar named Lazarus every day but gives him nothing. When they die, the beggar is rewarded, but the rich man suffers for neglecting the needs of those around him.

**Sharing includes time and talents, as well as things.
How can you share your time and gifts with someone?**

A Stewardship Moment

The sin of the rich man in today’s parable was not that he was rich, but that he failed to share his wealth with the beggar at his gate. He knew Lazarus, perhaps walked by him every time he came in or out, but did nothing to relieve his suffering. Is there a Lazarus in my life? What am I doing to help?

Faith Formation Classroom Helpers Needed:

Classroom helpers needed to assist students that need help. If you time permits, please consider volunteering in a Faith Formation classroom. Call Erin at 563-880-7471.

Upcoming Parish Events . . .

- Oct 4: Scripture Study, 8:30am, Brinkmann Hall
CDA meeting at noon in Monona
KC Meeting, 7:30 pm
- Oct 5: Faith Formation, 6-7pm for grades 2-6
Youth Ministry: 6:15-8pm for gr 7-12
- Oct 6: Scripture Study, 6:30pm, Brinkmann Hall
- Oct 11: Scripture Study, 8:30am, Brinkmann Hall
- Oct 12: Faith Formation, 6-7pm for grades 2-6
Youth Ministry: 6:15-8pm for gr 7-12
- Oct 13: Scripture Study, 6:30pm, Brinkmann Hall
- Oct 18: Scripture Study, 8:30am, Brinkmann Hall
- Oct 19: Faith Formation, 6-7pm for grades 2-6
Youth Ministry: 6:15-8pm for gr 7-12
- Oct 20: Scripture Study, 6:30pm, Brinkmann Hall
- Oct 23: Parish Life Social Gathering after Mass
- Oct 25: Scripture Study, 8:30am, Brinkmann Hall
- Oct 27: Scripture Study, 6:30pm, Brinkmann Hall
- Oct 30: **Youth Mass, Trick your Trunk**

Please submit newsletter items by Tuesday night to:
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