

The Parishes of

St. Patrick's
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St. Mary's
404 5th Avenue
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“Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. **Receive the Holy Spirit.**”

Pentecost Sunday, June 9th, 2019

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From The Desk of Fr. Merlin

June 9, 2019 Pentecost Sunday

On Pentecost, the disciples go from fearful and hesitant to confident and bold. May we open ourselves to receiving the Holy Spirit so that we may live the fulness of discipleship.

We Now Have 2 New Priests and 1 New Transitional Deacon

Last weekend was a very special weekend as we welcomed into our diocese two new priests---**Fr. Tim Pick and Fr. Ross Caniglia** Fr. Tim will be assigned to the Carroll Area and Fr. Ross will be assigned to the cluster in the Boone area. **Rev. Mr. Travis Crotty** will be assigned to the Mater Dei Parish in Sioux City for the summer before he returns to the seminary for one final year. It was a great day, with great music, an amazing liturgy and a great crowd to celebrate with these men and their families. Keep them in your prayers as they begin their new journey in life and let this be a reminder to **continue our prayers for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.**

A Number of Thank You's

I want to first of all thank the people who responded on Sunday to house the Missionary Sisters when they come to speak at our parishes on July 27th and 28th. It is a real sign of hospitality and will be so much better than having the Sisters stay at a hotel. I look forward to having the Sisters here for the Missionary Appeal this year.

Secondly, I want to thank everyone who responded so quickly to the commissioning of the Eucharistic Ministers. We have only a few to be commissioned so I will do them privately after a future weekend Mass. A reminder that if there is an interest in sharing your time with this ministry let me know.

Finally, thank you to all those who provided food and drink for the auction at Armstrong on Tuesday. Also, to the many people who had to spend many hours running the concession stand. Now it is onto the 4th of July concession stand. God bless all the people involved in the above events.

Collection for the Domestic Churches

This weekend, June 8th & 9th is our annual collection for the **Domestic Churches**. On the great feast of Pentecost, let us be mindful of those in need, even in our own country. This year to reduce the number of collections this combined collection supports the needs of the poor here at home, through both the **Black and Indian and Catholic Home Missions**, which builds parish and school buildings and trains priests, sisters and catechists for those communities. A part of this collection is also for the **Catholic Communication Campaign** which supports evangelization efforts through radio programming in several languages and finally **OUR ARCHDIOCESE OF MILITARY SERVICES COLLECTION**. The money from this collection will meet the needs of Catholic men and women in the military serving throughout the world. The money collected from this Domestic Church collection will be divided between these three causes. The envelopes are in your packet. Please be generous if you can.

Hospital Stays or Surgeries

A reminder that if you are planning on having a surgery and would like to receive the Sacrament of Healing before you have the surgery give me a call and I will be glad to provide that sacrament. If you are in the hospital give me or the office a call so I can come to visit. With the new laws the hospital cannot give out your name unless you give them permission. They will also call if you ask them to do it. In the meantime, let's all continue to pray for the safety of everyone in our parish and pray to keep us all healthy.

Campaign Support

I continue to thank all those who have contributed to our campaign. We pray for you and I continue to pray for all those who are praying about their future gift. We have hit another high point---keep up the good work. Any amount will help us reach our goal.

Food for Thought

Funny how we can't think of anything to say when we pray, but how easy it is to chat with a friend.

Funny how thrilled we get when a baseball game goes extra innings, but we complain when a sermon is longer than usual.

Funny how we need a two-three week notice to fit a church event into our schedule but can adjust at the last minute for other events.

“**Breath into me, Holy Spirit**, that my thoughts may all be holy. Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, too may be holy. Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy. Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend all that is holy. Protect me, Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy.” Amen ~ St. Augustine

Catholic Daughters

Catholic Daughters will meet Tuesday evening, **June 11th** at 6:30 pm in the Duhigg Center with a potluck followed by the Rosary and meeting. Chairman- Madonna Johnson, Committee- Beth Ricke, Lisa Nitchals, and Helen Moffitt.

Marriage Bans Announced

St. Mary’s parish is proud to announce the upcoming marriage of **Brandon Kollasch** and **Olivia Evans**, on June 15th. Let us keep them in our prayers.

St. Patrick’s parish is proud to announce the upcoming marriage of **Gustavo Saenz & Mariajose Rodrigues** on June 29th. Let us keep them in our prayers.

Cemetery Reminder: Those who have put decorations on graves at the cemetery are asked to **remove all flowers and decorations that are on the grass/ground by June 10th**. Permanent urn stands, hooks and vases can remain but must have a pre-drilled hole into the monument foundation, they are not to be placed directly into the ground. This is necessary to make mowing possible. Thank you!!

Bulletin Sponsors

We wish to thank all those businesses that support our parishes with advertisement in our parish bulletin. Please thank these businesses with your business and a word of appreciation. Their support means your gifts can be used for direct ministry within the church.

Renewal letters will be sent in July. To become a new bulletin sponsor please contact the parish office, 362-5851.

Thank you!

St. Patrick’s parishioners if you are going to use the Building Fund envelopes in your packet for your Heating and Spiritual Growth pledge payments, PLEASE mark Heating & Spiritual Growth on the envelope otherwise it may go in the Building Fund account rather than be subtracted from your pledge. THANK YOU!!!

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Fr. Dale Koster, a former Pastor (12 yrs.) of St. Mary’s parish. Fr. Koster died Friday May 31st and his Resurrection Liturgy was Tuesday in Breda IA. Please keep Fr. Koster in your prayers.

Please Pray For: Maxine Gout, Kevin Klingbeil, Connie Humble, Ken Molacek, Helena Irmiter, Rebecca Bermer, Marita Kenyon, Delbert Petersen, Diane Elling

Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat Confidential, caring Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat for post-abortion healing; women, men, and couples June 21-23, 2019, near Carroll, Iowa. Email rachelshelpersofiowa@gmail.com or call 712-943-5550 for more information.

Heating & Spiritual Growth

Total Pledges/Cash (102) \$161,979.13

Sponsor of the week: **Motor Inn, Inc.**

Parish Financial Blessings

Year-to-Date Giving Information

July 1st - June 4th, 2019

St. Patrick’s

Total Income \$ 269,899.90
Total Expenses \$ 303,766.13

Difference - 33,866.23

Sunday Collection: June 1st- 2nd \$ 3,740.00

Automatic (ACH) Deposits \$ 2,205.00
Children’s Collection \$ 18.58
Loose Collection \$ 180.11
Spanish Mass \$ 170.00
2nd Collection \$ 195.00
Building Fund \$ 115.00
Cemetery Care \$ 70.00

Bills

Payroll & Taxes \$ 12,560.90
Insurance/Retirement \$ 2,559.49
Work Comp pmt \$ 927.00
Missalettes \$ 801.59
Supplies: Computer/Altar/Education \$ 213.04
Property & Liability \$ 1,023.00
Neighbor Fund \$ 250.00
Hispanic Ministry \$ - 200.00

St. Mary’s

Total Income \$ 60,711.59
Total Expenses \$ 56,368.32

Difference + 4,340.27

Sunday Collection: June 2nd \$ 1,437.50

Automatic (ACH) Deposit \$ 115.00
Loose Collection \$ 87.00
Candle \$ 3.00

Bills

Payroll & Taxes \$ 325.96
Payroll & Taxes-Shared exp \$ 1,690.60
Telephone/Internet/Cable-Shared exp \$ 104.66
Supplies: Gas/Electric-Shared exp. \$ 133.34
Organist – May \$ 200.00
Repairs & Maintenance \$ 35.64
Property & Liability \$ 363.00

Other Events

The Bloodmobile will be at the Community Center in Armstrong on Wednesday, **June 12th** from 1:00 – 6:00 pm. If you have questions or want to make an appointment call Marla Newlin at 712-868-3303 or Helen Blomstrom at 712-864-3709. You may also visit redcrossblood.org, or call 1-800- 733-2767. Walk-ins are always welcome.

Liturgies and Events This Week

Saturday, June 8th

4:30 pm Mass at St. Patrick's
+ *Bueltel family*
5:30 pm Eucharist Commissioning

Monthly Food Drive Weekend

Sunday, June 9th

8:30 am Mass at St. Mary's
Living & Deceased of our Parishes
10:30 am Mass at St. Patrick's
+ *Fran Nicol*
11:30 am Eucharist Commissioning

Monday, June 10th

No Activities

Tuesday, June 11th

8:00 am Mass at St. Mary's
+ *Doris Wycoff*
6:30 pm CDA Meeting/Potluck (DC)

Wednesday, June 12th

7:30 am Mass at St. Patrick's
+ *Jack Wagner*
8:00 am Adoration at St. Patrick's (until noon)

Thursday, June 13th

8:00 am Mass at St. Mary's
+ *Maxine Leonard*
No Mass at Pearl Valley
5:30 pm Respect Life Rosary at St. Patrick's

Friday, June 14th

7:30 am Mass at St. Patrick's
+ *Jim Johnson*

Saturday, June 15th

2:00 pm Kollasch/Evans Wedding- SM
4:30 pm Mass at St. Patrick's
+ *Ron Heinrichs*

Sunday, June 16th

8:30 am Mass at St. Mary's
+ *Madeline Gerlach*
10:30 am Mass at St. Patrick's
Living & Deceased of our Parishes
+ *Kenneth & Lilian Thompson*
12:00 pm Mass in Spanish (SP)
+ *Leona Leonard*

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

	St. Patrick's Saturday, 4:30 pm June 15th	St. Mary's Sunday, 8:30 am June 16th	St. Patrick's Sunday, 10:30 am June 16th
Ministers of the Altar	Madison Burton Lynzie Burton	Hope Steinberger Hannah Neilsen	Emmerson Blair Delanie Rezac
Ministers of the Word	Tom Evans	Gene Tigges	Lori Smith
Ministers of the Eucharist	Mike Maloney Pat Metzger Helen Moffitt Keith Moffitt	Mike Rezac Karen Fisher Jean Merrill Lupe Kollach	Paul Anderson Mary Herum Marlene Walthart Larry Walthart
Ministers of Hospitality	Jean Barnes Mark Reardon Gary Roth Volunteer	Neilsen's	Mary Duitsman Gail Jasper Donna Mart Christopher Schmaus
Door Keepers		Joyce VonBank	
Music Ministers Cantors	Joyce Schultz Karen Reardon	Deb Rudd Brenda Jones	Joyce Schultz Mary Moorman

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