

HOLY FAMILY PARISH**Sacred Heart
Grundy Center****Queen of Heaven
Reinbeck****St. Mary
Dike****St. Patrick
Parkersburg****Rev. Dennis J. Quint - Pastor
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dbq095sec@arch.pvt.k12.ia.us**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****MASS INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST 7-12**

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| Tues. 7:00 a.m. (Parkersburg) | Special Intention CM |
| Wed. 6:00 p.m. (Grundy Center) | Thomas Benzmilller |
| Thur. 7:00 a.m. (Reinbeck) | Bruce Stephan |
| Fri. 7:00 a.m. (Grundy Center) | Mary Rouse |
| Sat. 5:00 p.m. (Grundy Center) | Women Foresters |
| Sun. 8:00 a.m. (Reinbeck) | For the People |
| 10:00 a.m. (Parkersburg) | Deceased of KC Council 5390 |

*Happy Anniversary to Holy Family Parish!
Erected by Archbishop Jerome Hanus on
August 6, 2004 our parish celebrates three years of
uniting Catholics in Black Hawk, Butler,
Grundy and Tama counties.
Thanks for your sacrifices that have born great fruit.*

From the Pastor

Soon we will be pulling together those individuals who would like to explore what membership in the Catholic church entails and what Catholic faith is all about. If you know of someone who would like to begin this time of inquiry, contact the parish office. Initially I typically mail letters to couples in interfaith marriages to spark interest. I then follow up with a phone call to answer questions and to see if these individuals would like to participate. Along the way, participants may decide that the timing is not right and choose to discontinue, which is fine.

We also need current Catholics who will come to the sessions and offer input or help prepare the treats or serve as sponsors or even help with catechesis. If you would like to assist in the formation of these individuals, give me a call. People remark about how much they grow and learn about their faith through this process. We typically meet 3 times a month for 1 ½ hours. While we have met on Thursday nights most recently, we formulate a schedule that meets the needs of our participants. Our sessions include time for prayer, catechesis/instruction, and community building. During the sessions we consider topics such as the sacraments, morality, the Bible, and the organization of the church. It's a privilege to walk the journey of faith with our candidates (baptized Christians) and catechumens (non-baptized individuals).

Other items:

- Schedules for liturgical ministers can be viewed on our parish website. Thanks to DeWayne Purdy and Kathy Peiffer for their assistance in maintaining our website. We are in the process of trying to place more of our schedules and information there for easy access.
- Cards are available at all church entries to sign up for a time to pray before the Blessed Sacrament at Columbus High School. Perpetual adoration will begin there starting in September. Contact Fr. Quint for further details.
- Next weekend I will celebrate my niece's wedding in Manchester. Fr. Nick March, the associate pastor there, has agreed to celebrate the Masses here and I will celebrate Masses there. Fr. March has been ordained 3 years and is from Hiawatha. I am grateful for his willingness to trade.

Marriage Encounter Take fresh look at your marriage. This weekend experience is designed to give married couples the opportunity to examine their lives, to share their feelings, their hopes, disappointments, joys and frustrations, and to do so openly and honestly. It's neither a retreat nor a clinic. It's a time for you and your spouse to be alone together, to rediscover each other and together focus on your relationship. Whether married a long time or short, a marriage can never be too good. Take a brochure from one of the church bulletin boards. Dates are Oct 12-14 Cedar Rapids and Feb 8-10 Cedar Falls. Contact Roger and Marsha Luensmann for info 563-927-4352 or www.iowa-wwme.org

Bible study will finish the current study: Good News in New Places at 6 pm today, Sunday, Aug. 5, at Grundy Center. All are encouraged to join the group for the next study, the Gospel of Matthew. Take some time to meet Jesus as the Master Teacher through Matthew's Gospel. This study will begin August 26 and continue with 9-10 sessions through the fall. Bible study meets every-other Sunday, alternating between GC and Pburg. Call the parish office by Monday, August 13 to register, so that materials can be ordered.

Beginning Experience Single again? From Friday evening to Sunday afternoon, discover help for the heartache of separation, divorce, and widowhood. Time for presentations, private reflection, and group sharing is included. Next opportunity Nov 16-18 at Shalom Retreat Center, Dubuque. Contact the Family Life Office at 800-876-3546 for details and take a brochure from the church bulletin board.

Sympathy and prayers are extended to the family of Jim O'Donnell whose funeral we celebrated last week at St. Patrick in Parkersburg. May the angels lead him into paradise and may the martyrs come to welcome him.

Cantors A day-long Cantor Workshop will be held on Saturday, August 11 from 10 am - 3 pm at St. Raphael Cathedral in Dubuque. Presentations will be on the spirituality and ministry of cantors with practical approaches and individual assistance in leading the sung prayer of the assembly. The fee of \$20 will be paid by our parish and includes lunch. Please register by August 8 through the Office of Worship (800-876-3546) or by calling Fr. Quint.

Hope & Healing Ministries a Ministry of the Diocese of Davenport, is sponsoring a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion. The retreat will be held in Cedar Falls September 14-16. The confidential, supportive retreat is for anyone hurting inside after abortion. For more information, to donate, or volunteer please call (563) 322-1645, or email hopeandhealing@davenportdiocese.org. Scholarships are available. You can also visit www.rachelsvineyard.org, www.davenportdiocese.org/hopeandhealing, or call a national hotline at 1-877-HOPE-4-ME.

Liturgical Space Subcommittee will meet with the interior designer and architect on Wednesday, August 8 at 6:30 pm in the church hall, Grundy Center, to review carpet, tile and paint samples.

Catholic Worker House celebrates its 25th Anniversary on Wed, August 22 at 321 E. 8th St., Waterloo. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. George Kamik at 5:15 pm followed by a cookout and entertainment. In case of rain, the Mass and ceremony will relocate to Queen of Peace. The Catholic Worker Movement was founded in 1933 in New York by Dorothy Day and Peter Maurin. It was started to live the gospel by providing hospitality for the homeless and poor of our society, and addressing social justice issues. The St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Worker House (at 321 and 322 E. 8th St.) was opened in February, 1982 by a small group lead by Nancy Hemesath. Providing community meals and shelter for men, women and families, this outreach receives no government or archdiocesan funding. There is some local parish support but it is sustained mainly by local and community individuals and groups. It is staffed strictly by local volunteers. Everyone is invited to attend the celebration of this ministry that has made a difference in our community and our world. Call 232-2116 for more info.

American Martyrs Retreat House

Serenity Weekend retreat for those with chemical addictions will be held August 10-12. Facilitated by a great team, it is relaxed yet meets the needs of those attending with difficulties saying "no" in their lives to alcohol and drugs. A \$25 registration fee holds a room for those participating. Please send this ahead of time to AMRH, 2209 N. Union Rd., Cedar Falls, IA 50613

Marian Retreat August 17-19 conducted by Fr. Roger Katz. His theme is: the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary. Opening Friday evening at 8 pm with Mass followed by a conference. Retreat concludes on Sunday after lunch. Offering is \$104 for the retreat, director, room and board - a real bargain!

School Supplies Gladbrook Reinbeck School Supplies Drive starting August 1. Please donate school supplies such as Kleenex, 24-ct crayons, erasers, glue sticks, 70-page wide-ruled notebook paper, hand sanitizer, 3x5 pkg note cards, zip lock baggies (qt or gallon), colored pencils at one of boxes that will be at local merchants. Supplies will be sent to the local schools for the teachers to distribute to the needy.

Ushers at all churches, please remember it is your responsibility to 1) seat parishioners, especially as Mass time gets close and they need assistance finding spaces; 2) take up the collection – get into place during the intercessions so you can begin right away when the preparation of the gifts song starts. You may also need to find someone to bring up the gifts if no one is ready; 3) distribute bulletins after Mass. Your ministry is vital to a good worship experience.

Holy Day Wednesday, Aug 15 is a holy day of obligation, the solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Masses will be Tues, Aug 14 at 7 pm in Parkersburg; Wed, Aug 15 at noon in Grundy Center and 7 pm in Reinbeck.

Hymn Sing in conjunction with the town celebration in Parkersburg will be hosted at St. Patrick at 6 pm Sunday, Aug 19. All are welcome.

Pews If you are interested in having one of the dark pews along the two sides of the church at Parkersburg, please contact Bill Hammar 346-1694. Two of the long pews left from St. Mary, Dike are available as well.

Sweet corn Thanks to everyone who donated and helped to freeze the sweet corn for our fall dinner in Parkersburg.

Faith Formation Registrations need to be completed and submitted to the office or to any of the site managers. If you have misplaced them, you can access them at www.holyfamilycatholicparish.org. Please make sure that you fill out both forms (CCD/FF registration and field trip packet).

High School Lock-In will be held August 11-12 in Grundy Center beginning with 5 pm Mass at Sacred Heart. If you are a high school student wanting to participate or an adult willing to chaperone, please contact Lyndsay at the office.

Pictures If you have joined our parish since 2002 and have not submitted a picture to us, please do so. You can email or mail it to the office. Pictures can be returned. The supplemental composite will be printed Thursday. We are especially grateful for pictures of our new parishioners from the former Blessing parish.

Avalanche Ranch Bible School for our parish will be offered August 6-10 from 6:15-8:30 pm at St. Patrick, Parkersburg. This Catholic version of Bible School includes time for learning, building community, and fun. Maybe you can carpool with other Catholics in your area and participate. Please contact Tamara Tingle at 346-1209 to register your child. If you would like to assist, contact Tamara Tingle or Sue Jansen.

Scriptural Rosary Join us 7 pm on Monday, August 6, at Helen Lang's home, 1005 H Avenue, Grundy Center. All are welcome

Card Party Tues, Aug 7, at 6:30 pm at the Westview Estates Independent Living Center next to the nursing home in Reinbeck. Bring a \$1 and join us for 500.

Adult Catechism group will meet again on Wednesday, Aug 8 at 7 pm at Beth Anne McDaniel's home in Parkersburg.

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| Music | Rita Forker | Judie Krebsbach | Joan Nelsen |
| Cantor | Don Davidson | Gloria Rickert | Kathy Hosch |
| Extraordinary | Dean Eslinger | Robert Rickert | Nancy Brannon |
| Ministers | Linda Eslinger | Mary Linder | John Tuve |
| of | Pam Delagardelle | Kathy Etringer | Gene Brandt |
| Holy | Susan Halbach | P.J. Holbach | Ann Badger |
| Communion | Kathy Zeiner | Laurie Holbach | Matt Herrick |
| Greet | Charles Haman Family | Tom Pippert Family | Kathy & Jimmy Clark |
| Gifts | John & Rose Kramer | Tom Pippert Family | Tony Dunn Family |
| Lector | Sarah Nilles | Jon Steimel | DeWayne Purdy |
| Lector | Pam Delagardelle | ----- | Greg Lievens |
| Server | Kevin Benson | Kyle Snider | Meghan Flanigan |
| Server | Michael Nilles | John Etringer | Biz Petersen |
| Usher | Rick Nilles | Greg Snider | Mike Williams |
| Usher | Al Brandl | Jeff Etringer | Linda Williams |
| Sacristan | J. Coleman / J. Kershaw | Video: Pam Heithoff | Martha Andersen |

