

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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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**Liz Nilles, Secretary
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Tues. 7:00 a.m. (Parkersburg)	James O'Donnell
Wed. 6:00 p.m. (Grundy Center)	NO MASS
Thur. 7:00 a.m. (Reinbeck)	Fr. Ruhland
Fri. 7:00 a.m. (Grundy Center)	Don Kopsa
Sat. 5:00 p.m. (Grundy Center)	George Lang
Sun. 8:00 a.m. (Reinbeck)	For the People
10:00 a.m. (Parkersburg)	Carlita Hosch

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).

From the Pastor

One of the archdiocesan bodies on which I serve (along with the Worship Commission, Priestly Life and Ministry Committee, and Priests' Personnel Board) is the advisory committee to our archdiocesan newspaper, *The Witness*. The editor, Sr. Carol Hovermann, has been looking for ways to improve the publication and circulation. Our committee has recommended a change in format by moving towards a tabloid layout so that the pages will be smaller, and thus, the paper more easy to read. In addition, the newspaper will likely receive a makeover in its design and content. In a recent survey, many readers commented that they enjoy reading columns from the archbishop. They also appreciate increased local coverage of events taking place in the various parishes and schools throughout the diocese. If you don't subscribe to *The Witness*, consider doing so today. It only costs \$20 for the entire year for this weekly publication. Subscription cards are available from the parish office. A subscription to this newspaper can be a great gift for an anniversary or birthday. I also subscribe to the *National Catholic Register*, a national Catholic weekly newspaper, that does a fine job of providing news articles as well as items to grow in knowledge of one's faith. Catholic News Service at <http://www.catholicnews.com> is also a fine resource for recent developments in the church. Being aware of such events allows us to enter conversations with co-workers and family members in a more informed manner.

Other items:

- Thanks to Beth Anne McDaniel and Richard Benson for assisting our CFF, Lyndsay, with the high school lock-in last weekend. They had fun.
- My niece's wedding last weekend was beautiful. It was also nice to celebrate Masses in Ryan and Manchester again.
- We need someone to assist as a catechist for faith formation at Grundy Center. You can choose the grade level! We also need some table discussion leaders for the high school section at Grundy Center. Lastly, we need a second "Site Manager" to assist Rick Nilles at Grundy Center with handing out materials, facilitating opening prayer, etc. Thankfully positions are filled for the Parkersburg site, especially due to the kindness of parishioners from the Dike area. We are looking forward to another great year. We plan to have all grades meet Wednesdays 6:30 – 7:45 pm.
- This week I sent letters to some of our parishioners who have interfaith marriages to see if there is interest in participating in the RCIA process this year. If you would like more details about the process of becoming Catholic, please give me a call. We'll begin meeting in September.
- An updated directory of parishioners to supplement our last pictorial directory in 2002 is available at church entries.
- This week the building committee will meet to consider bids we receive from subcontractors last week.
- Thanks to the Eisenmans and Smeins for trimming the bushes at our churches.

Our Parish Mission

Holy Family Parish unites Catholics in Grundy and Butler counties to worship, to proclaim the gospel, and to build community. Rooted in a rural culture, we accept our responsibility to bring glad tidings to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives, and to console the suffering through the power of the Holy Spirit. By the grace of God, we prepare faithful and moral leaders in the Catholic tradition to bring the light of Jesus Christ to others in word and deed. We rejoice in the gift of our youth and support their desire for holiness.

Skating We'll have a blast! Join us for rollerskating at the Black Hawk Rollerdrome in Cedar Falls (1800 Lincoln Ave) on Saturday, Sept 8 from 1-3:30 pm. Cost is just \$4 including skates and roller blades. Bring your friends and meet at the drome. Sponsored by the parish life committee.

Confessions are offered each Saturday around 4:15 pm, before Mass in Grundy Center.

Fall Dinner We need someone to coordinate the fall festival at St. Patrick, Parkersburg. The dinner will be held on Sunday, Nov 4 from 11-2 pm. Past chairpersons have indicated their willingness to guide this year's chairs and there is a binder of suggestions as well. Subcommittees run smoothly. Basically the chairpersons gather the various committees together a couple of times to be sure details are addressed. They also attend to the raffle and printing of tickets. Please contact Fr. Quint for more info. Time is running out.

Liturgy Committee meets on Monday, Aug 20 at 7 pm in Grundy Center in the church hall.

Building Committee meets on Wednesday, Aug 22 at 6 pm in Grundy Center in the church hall.

In-service for catechists assisting with faith formation (CCD) at both Grundy Center and Parkersburg this year will take place Wednesday, Aug 29 in the church hall in Grundy Center. Catechists for all grades K-12 will meet at 7 pm. Contact Lyndsay with questions.

Woodworkers If you have a gift for working with wood, please contact Fr. Quint. We need to re-fit the stained glass windows from Dike into new frames that can be hung in the new church, lower level, with backlighting.

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.

Spirit and Truth Conference Information on this spiritual renewal opportunity for adults and teens on Saturday Sept 15 is available on church bulletin boards. The event will be hosted at Loras College in Dubuque. Nationally known speakers include Steve Ray, Teresa Tomeo, and Fr. Richard Simon. Visit www.springtimeofhope.org for details or call 563-583-6117.

Reinbeck extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion – remember that the first person listed on the schedule each Sunday is responsible for taking Holy Communion to the shut-ins. Our parishioners look forward to receive the Sacrament, so your diligence is appreciated.

Sympathy Our deepest sympathy and prayers are extended to the family of Lorene Connell, whose funeral we celebrated last Saturday. May she know the fullness of God's peace and love in the heavenly kingdom.

Hymn Sing in conjunction with the town celebration in Parkersburg will be hosted at St. Patrick at 6:00 pm Sunday, Aug 19. All are welcome.

NCYC students, parents and chaperones meet Sunday, Aug 26 at 11 am, after Mass at St. Patrick, Parkersburg in the church hall.

Open House We will be having an open house at each site of Faith Formation this year so families can come and see where their children's classrooms will be and get a tour of the Faith Formation space. The Grundy Center Site will be open after the 5 pm Mass on August 25 and the Parkersburg site will be open after the 10 am Mass on August 26. Join us for some juice and cookies and see our facilities.

Carpools Now is a good time to start thinking about who you can carpool with to Faith Formation sessions. If you need assistance finding someone to carpool with you can call the office and we would be happy to give you some suggestions.

Women Forester's meeting is 9 am on Saturday, August 25 at Shirley Halbach's home, Grundy Center. All are welcome to attend.

School Supplies Gladbrook Reinbeck School Supplies Drive has begun. 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. Thanks for being a good Samaritan and support this project developed by our parish social concerns committee.

Operation Threshold Food Pantry Grundy Center, is in need of supplies: canned fruit, paper towels, toilet paper, Kleenex, napkins, tomato soup, tomato juice and macaroni and cheese. You can leave items in the back of the Sacred Heart church to be taken to Operation Threshold.

Scriptural Rosary Will not be held on Monday, August 20.

Natural Family Planning class series will begin on Saturday, August 25, from 9am-noon at St. Edward Catholic Church in Waterloo. Learn why the Catholic Church prohibits unnatural forms of birth control, as well as a method of family planning that is effective and strengthens marriages. Three meetings spaced one month apart. Come to first class to learn how it works with no obligation to pay course fee. Make payment later if you wish to continue. For info or to register for first or all classes call Russ or Kathy at (319) 988-3202. Preregistration required.

Welcome Our parish welcomes Dave and Terry Hemann of Reinbeck. May their faith be nurtured as they participate in church life.

Catholic Worker House celebrates its 25th Anniversary on Wed, August 22 at 321

Thank you to everyone that donated time, energy and supplies to make Avalanche Ranch Bible School a big success!!! We had an talented group of adults, high schoolers, and crew leaders that freely gave of their time and talent! We had 38 different children from Dike, Grundy, and Parkersburg who were "Wild about God" participate during the week! What a great week it was!

	August 25 5 pm @ SH	August 26 8 am @ QH	August 26 10 am @ SP
Music	Jerry Zeiner	Jean Stephan	Lyndsay
Cantor	Don Osterhaus	Steve Tschertner	Alex
Extraordinary	George Centeio	Jon Steimel	Rita Amling
Ministers	Sue Halbach	Paula Gorres	Julie Dunn
of	Tim Melloy	Kathy Etringer	Mary Ann Bergman
Holy	Barb Melloy	Robert Rickert	Nancy Brannon
Communion	Cheryl Osterhaus	Diane Stephan	Bob Sullivan
Greet	Gary Mauer Family	Dean & Donna Larsen	Jeff Badger Family
Gifts	Gary Mauer Family	Dean & Donna Larsen	Mike Williams Family
Lector	Don Davidson	Mary Linder	Mary Sullivan
Lector	Steve VanderPol	-----	Arnold Schwerts
Server	Russell Benson	John Etringer	Zach Dunn
Server	Drew Riesberg	Ashley Labarge	Amanda Dunn
Usher	Dean Eslinger	Dale McIntyre	McDaniel Family
Usher	Kevin Kuester	Wilbur Kielly	McDaniel Family
Sacristan	J. Coleman/J. Kershaw	Video: Tom Pippert	Mary Schwennen