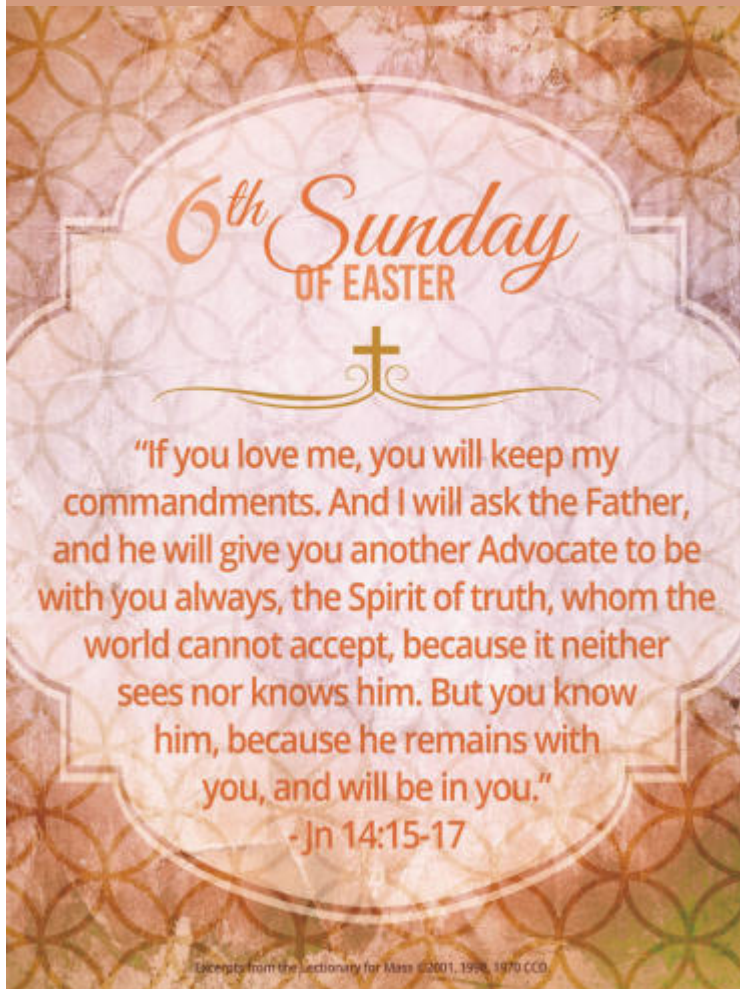


May 17, 2020

Highway 60 Catholic Cluster



Together we share our talents and resources to foster unity among ourselves and one another as we strive to live a life of Christian service with Christ as our example and the Holy Spirit as our guide.

Weekend Mass Times

Daily and Weekend Masses are cancelled for 8 weeks.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By appointment only

Baptism

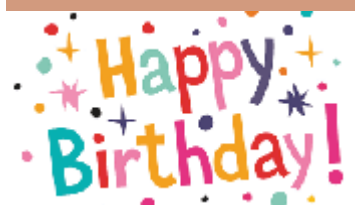
Please contact the parish office for more information about baptismal preparation and scheduling your baptismal ceremony.

Holy Matrimony

Please contact the parish office six months prior to the anticipated wedding date.

Adoration

You will be notified when adoration resumes.



Happy Birthday
Fr. Siby,
May 20.

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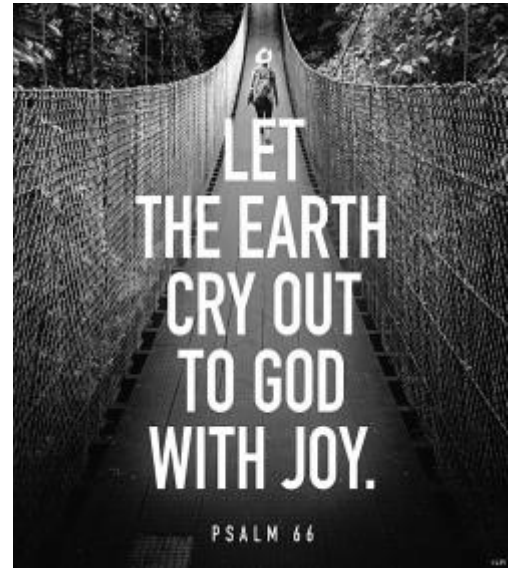


St. Patrick's School News

St. Patrick School for youth will resume in August.

School Office hours will be 8:30-3:30 Monday through Friday through May.

SCRIP—BUY SCRIP & SEND GIFTS CARDS for graduations, birthdays and other special occasions! School office is open Monday-Friday 8:30- 3:30 pm for SCRIP purchases!



We will not be having a St Andrew CDofA or St Andrew Guild meeting for the month of May. Please contact Lila Hatting at 712-461-1684 or lfh1345@premieronline.net if you have any questions/etc. for Catholic Daughters. Contact Susan Truckenmiller (712-461-0096) if you have any questions, etc. for the Guild.

St. Andrew is hosting a Rosary, the Prayer to St. Michael and the Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (found on-line) for the intention of the overturning of Roe Versus Wade and the end of abortion and infanticide on Wednesdays. **Join us from home, praying the Rosary.**



St. Mary and St. Andrew Parish Family would like to offer their sympathy to Phylis Honkomp on the death of her daughter Pat Corbett. Pat Corbett, 67, of Cedar Rapids, passed away Thursday, May 7, 2020, at home. Patricia Ann Honkomp was born March 9, 1953, to Charles and Phyllis (Schoo) Honkomp, Ashton, Iowa. Memorial Services will be at a later date.



Mother's Day and Father's Day Flowers fundraiser for CDA to honor or in memory of your mother. Cost of the carnation is \$ 6.00 each and the flowers will be on the altar when Mass resumes. Orders must be prepaid and turned in before June 1, 2020. Thank you for supporting the St. Andrew's CDA. Contact Betty Wessels 754-3796 or Carole Hensch 754-2956. Extra order forms are in the entry of the St. Andrew office.

Contact information for St. Patrick Parish office is 712-324-0160 or email bksheldon@scdiocese.org.



Please use this email for all St. Patrick requests including bulletin, business and church related activities. Normal hours will be 8:30 a.m.—12 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Thank you to the parishioners of St. Patrick for meeting the TAO Goal for 2019/202. Your continued support of St. Patrick is greatly appreciated.





CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GRADUATES Of St. Andrew and St. Mary

Eric Jungers, son of David and MaryAnn Jungers; Adrian Mejia, son of Roman Mejia and Santa Esquivel; Jacob Nasers, son of Joseph and Jodi Nasers; Alberto Ortiz, son of Delfina Castelan; Branigan Steichen, daughter of Mike and Julie Steichen; Trevin Wasmund, son of James Wasmund and Jill Heidebrink.



CONGRATULATIONS

to our St. Patrick High School Seniors!

Alejandro Olivares, Haidi Garcia, Logan Moore, Mallory Nilles, Manual Pimentel, Daniel Pimentel, Emily Prewitt, Drew Theis, Kate Theis, Lexi Winkel.



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained:

Saints or Sinners?

Question:

I have been going to Mass for years and have always wondered: why do we make the three signs of the cross before the Gospel?

Answer:

Certainly, many people go to Mass or other devotions, doing and saying things out of habit or reverence and not really understanding the reasons behind some of these things. But everything we do has a meaning or purpose that helps us to worship better, proclaim our beliefs, or focus the attention of the people on something that has a greater importance or significance. A review of the meaning of various gestures and practices can help us have a deeper appreciation for what we do.

There is a little prayer that goes with the three crosses before the Gospel: "May the words of the Holy Gospel be on my mind, on my lips and in my heart." In standing to hear the Gospel, we acknowledge that Jesus is present, and the words of the Gospel are addressed to us. All of the gestures and special postures we adopt before the Gospel are intended to help us prepare for hearing the Word as well as act on it. The incense, the Alleluia, the deacon or priest, and the special dialogue and announcement that introduces the Gospel help us focus our attention on the Good News we are about to hear. The three signs of the cross show our desire and good intention to hear and live the Gospel.

From the office of Bishop Walker Nickless, use the following link to keep up on the latest updates <https://www.scdiocese.org/messages-from-bishop>



Prayer During A Health Crisis

Compassionate and Loving Father, In the face of confusion and concern impart to us the calm of your presence. In You allow us to find hope and healing. Be with those who serve the sick and give them Your caring hands. Be with those who lead and give them Your Spirit of wisdom. Be with those who have fallen ill and give them Your comforting heart. Wrap your arms around our world and hold us in your love. Allow us at this time of trial to then serve as instruments of that love to all we meet. We ask this in Your Name. **Amen.**



Fr. Siby celebrates a private Mass daily at 3p.m. This Mass will be offered for the people of the parish and that day's Mass Intention. If you are able, at 3p.m. light a candle then read the scripture, pray the Rosary or pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Offer your reading or prayers for the people affected by the virus.

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them" (Mt 18:20). When unable to attend Mass or receive holy Communion, we can unite ourselves more closely through reading, studying, praying with and discussing the Scriptures as a family. Consider the daily readings offered in the Lectionary.

A prayer from St. Alphonsus Liguori

"My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen."

Resources for Mass

Catholic Extension- Sundays at 10:00 AM—<https://www.catholicextension.org/stories/sunday-catholic-mass-online>

EWTN online and on TV: <https://www.ewtn.com/> --televised, radio, and online each day at 7AM, 11AM, 6PM

Sioux City area: 88.1 <https://www.fhcradio.com/>--Mass at 9AM on Sunday

Iowa Catholic Radio: <https://www.iowacatholicradio.com/> 7AM Sunday Mass from EWTN

You Tube –you can do a search for Catholic Mass and find many more.

Weekly Readings

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Jn 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10 [8a]/Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 16
Ashton Lowell and Darlene VanBriesen

Sunday, May 17
Sheldon/Sibley Bob Brinkman, Dean Seivert, Teresa Nasers, For the Parishes of the Cluster and Myles Sweeney Family
(Español)

Monday, May 18—No Mass

Tuesday, May 19
Sibley Mary Jean Krogman and For the Poor Souls in Purgatory and Special Intention

Wednesday, May 20
Ashton Norma Niichel

Thursday, May 21
Sibley Deceased Members of the Kennedy Family

Friday, May 22
Sheldon Ed & Elenore Thole

Saturday, May 23
Ashton Gerald & Rosella Croatt

Sunday, May 24
Sheldon/Sibley Edna Finn, The Parishes of the Cluster and Orville & Betty Gloden
(Español)



What Next?

God was talking to one of his angels and said, "Do you know what I have just done? I've just created a 24-hour period of alternating light and darkness on Earth. Isn't that great?"

The angel said, "Yes, but what will you do now?"

God said, "I think I'll call it a day."

LITURGICAL LIFE RESPONDING TO THE CALL

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

Calculating Love

Have you ever Googled the word "love"? If you did, you may have come across something called the Love Calculator. It is a website where you can supply two names, and the percentage chance of a successful relationship is calculated. Curious, I entered my name and my wife's. Twenty percent! I hope my wife doesn't read this!

I then decided to add my name and God. A whopping thirteen percent! Then for the last attempt, I put in my name and Jesus. A very disappointing zero percent! Am I that unlovable? Of course, then I read the small print at the bottom of the page: "Please note that this site has no serious intention whatsoever." Shocking!

The truth is, the modern world increasingly seems to have no real idea what love is or how to determine when love is real. That makes the seemingly simple words of Jesus about loving God and your neighbor very complex indeed. How can you love God with your all your heart, soul, and mind when you have no idea what the act of loving means? And then, what constitutes loving a neighbor? To make it more complicated, Jesus commands you to love them like you love yourself. I bet you can agree with me that there are a lot of people out there who do not even come close to loving themselves. Knowing what love is in modern times is just not that easy. How is a well-meaning person able to find out the true meaning of love?

You don't know what true love is? I think you do. Turn your eyes to that crucifix hanging in your church, home, or office. The answer was given over 2,000 years ago, and the image remains for the entire world to see.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Weekly Giving

St. Patrick May 10

Adult	\$3,945.00
TOTAL	\$3,945.00

Year to Date Income:

2020	\$108,748.22
2019	\$114,306.26
2018	\$ 97,316.48

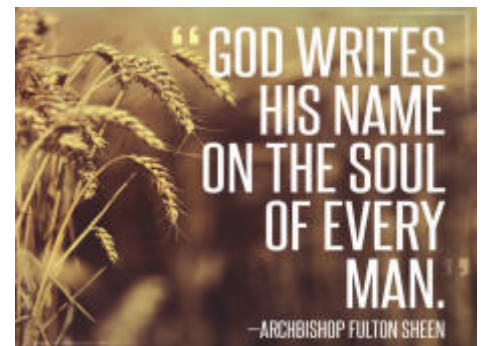
St. Andrew and St. Mary Stewardship May 10

Adult	\$2,162.00
Cemetery	\$ 25.00
VBS	\$ 45.00
Building Fund	\$ 50.00

Building Fund Drive Goal \$75,000.00
Received \$36,612.62

Together As One Goal	\$19,738.00
Pledged	\$18,595.48
Received	\$17,835.48

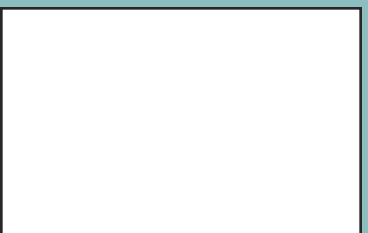
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