

*June 7, 2020*

## *Highway 60 Catholic Cluster*



### *THE MOST HOLY TRINITY*

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. - Jn 3:17

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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.

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# St. Patrick, St. Mary and St. Andrew

## Cluster Connection ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM AROUND THE CLUSTER

### 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 June 15.

**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!

**Word Among Us**—This daily devotional for Catholics can be picked up at the School Office. They are free and offer the daily scripture readings.

**NEW VOLUNTEERS WITH YOUTH** - We are ALWAYS needing more role models and volunteers to inspire our youth in our churches, Catholic School and Religious Education Program! Our Diocese requires that all volunteers with youth take a one-time Virtus Training about protecting our children. This training is now being offered online! If you plan to volunteer with our youth this next year, please sign up for this training at **Virtusonline.org** under "First Time Registrant". Call Paulette with any questions at #324-3181 or Christy Funk at #754-2739.

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.**

**School Kitchen Assistant Needed** - Love kids and the perk of extra spending money? St. Patrick's School is needing an assistant in our lunch room from about 11-12:30 pm Monday through Friday during the school year. Please call the school office if interested at #712-324-3181.

## Lumen Media

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**STAY UPDATED ON OUR CATHOLIC NEWS!** - Our Catholic newspaper "The Globe" will have a new name "The Lumen" (Light) and a modern update starting June 4th! Subscription renewal letters were sent out, so please subscribe for \$30 a year to stay updated & educated on your Catholic faith - especially as changes will continue to happen in our churches over the next year! The Diocese's social media platforms such as Facebook, Twitter and Instagram will also be full of current information! Finally, don't forget to also see updates & Bishop's letters on the Diocese website at [scdiocese.org](http://scdiocese.org).



**Ministries at Masses when they open** - As we begin to plan for Masses to start again, (no date has been set yet by Bishop Nickless) we would like to make a new list of people interested in helping with the ministries of commentating/lectoring, Eucharistic Ministers, ushering, cantoring and possibly videotaping. Bishop Nickless is still encouraging those over the age of 65 and under the age of 2 to stay home for a while longer for their safety. This, along with summer traveling, will leave us a bit short on volunteers so your assistance is appreciated!

*Please email or call Paulette if you wish to volunteer at St. Patrick's - #712-324-3181 School Office or [pkarolczak@stpatrickssheldon.org](mailto:pkarolczak@stpatrickssheldon.org)*

*Please call or email Christy Funk if you wish to volunteer at St. Mary's or St. Andrew's - #712-754-2739 or [standrewsibley@premieronline.net](mailto:standrewsibley@premieronline.net).*

**Free Food Available:** The Food Bank of Iowa mobile pantry will be distributing food on Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 p.m. at the Sibley Christian Reformed Church at 115 Maple Dr., Sibley. This month the food will be boxed ahead of time and people will be asked to drive under the car port, stay in their cars, and the food will be loaded for them. If you or anyone you know could use some help with food, please come.

St. Mary's School in Worthington, MN is looking for an elementary and preschool teacher who wants to utilize their passion for teaching and share their faith with a diverse student population. Our school offers a Christ-centered learning environment for students in Preschool through Sixth Grade. This is a unique opportunity to work with small class sizes and help us fulfill our mission of Academic Excellence, Faith Formation, and Christian Service. You will work with a supportive staff and administration. . Please visit our website at [www.smswgtm.org](http://www.smswgtm.org) to learn more about our school. The positions are available for the 2020-2021 school year and applicants need to have a valid Minnesota teaching license. We offer a competitive compensation and benefit package. Please email your resume and references to [info@smswgtm.org](mailto:info@smswgtm.org). We look forward to hearing from you!

**McCallum Museum Updates: NO Summer Sunday Series in 2020:** McCallum Museum Board has decided to postpone the 2020 Summer Sunday Series, "All About Trains" until the summer of 2021. Considering the COVID-19 Pandemic, the board felt it important and desirable to keep the health and well-being of our volunteers and visitors in mind. Open schedule beginning June 7, 2020. **SUNDAY** hours open 2:00-4:00pm. Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment only from 2:00 - 4:00pm. Call McCallum Museum at 712-754-9278 and leave a message. You can stay connected to McCallum Museum by following us on Facebook. Link: <https://www.facebook.com/mccallummuseum>

**McCallum Museum Membership Drive:** The current crisis is taking a distressing financial toll on our museum and our fundraising for the FARM SHED. If you would like to become a member of the Osceola County Historical Society and help with our day-to-day operations and collections care expenses. Please send your donation to: OCHS, 354 9th Street W, Sibley, IA. We sincerely appreciate your continued support of our outstanding museum.



**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."

## Mass Intentions

### Weekly Readings

**Sunday:** Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

**Monday:** 1 Kgs 17:1-6/Ps 121:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [cf. 2]/Mt 5:1-12

**Tuesday:** 1 Kgs 17:7-16/Ps 4:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7a]/Mt 5:13-16

**Wednesday:** 1 Kgs 18:20-39/Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and 8, 11 [1b]/Mt 5:17-19

**Thursday:** Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13 [2a]/Mt 5:20-26

**Friday:** 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14 [8b]/Mt 5:27-32

**Saturday:** 1 Kgs 19:19-21/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/Mt 5:33-37

**Sunday:** Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12]/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

#### Saturday, June 6

Ashton David Imhoff and Dorothy Imhoff

#### Sunday, June 7

Sheldon/Sibley John Cain, Robert Nasers and (Español) For The Parishes of the Cluster

#### Monday, June 8—No Mass

#### Tuesday, June 9

Sibley Dallas Poss and For the Poor Souls in Purgatory and Special Intention

#### Wednesday, June 10

Ashton Helen Kreber

#### Thursday, June 11

Sibley Teresa Nasers

#### Friday, June 12

Sheldon Kelly Roth and For the Poor Souls in Purgatory and Special Intention

#### Saturday, June 13

Ashton Steve Schwebach and Laurence Johannes

#### Sunday, June 14

Sheldon/Sibley Marilyn Ulrich, Judy Birzer, and (Español) For The Parishes of the Cluster



## WHY DO WE DO THAT?

### Catholic Life Explained:

*What is the purpose of the Pope*

Question:

Why do Catholics have a Pope?

#### Answer:

To answer the question of why Catholics have a pope, we have to pull the lens back and think about the very nature of the Church herself. According to the Nicene Creed (which is the statement of beliefs that we recite each Sunday at Mass), we profess that the Church is “one, holy, catholic, and apostolic.” These adjectives are called the marks of the Church, and they help us see that the Church is bigger than just our individual parish communities or even the Christians living in a particular region or country.

To help ensure that the community of disciples would remain united in a communion of love, Jesus entrusted the Apostles with special authority to teach, heal, and forgive sins in his name. And from among this group, Jesus chose Simon Peter to play a special role, designating him as the “rock” on which the Church was to be built (see Matthew 16:18-19; John 21:15-17). Peter “the Rock” became the visible sign of union within and among the Apostles. In time, as Peter and the other Apostles passed away, other men were chosen to take their place. The successors of St. Peter — who we honor as the first Bishop of Rome — and the successors of the other Apostles (the bishops) continued the work entrusted by Jesus to that first generation of Church leaders.

According to long-standing tradition, the successor of Peter was Linus, who was followed by Cletus, who was followed by Clement I, etc. This line of succession continues to Pope Francis in our own time.

Over the centuries, these Bishops of Rome — who came to be known as the “pope” (from papa, which means “father” in Latin) — still continue to act as the “rock” of the Church and as the visible sign of unity for all the Catholic Christians. The pope, more than any other bishop, stands as the Church’s primary teacher and as pastor of the Church throughout the world, helping to ensure that the Church remains what Jesus intended her to be: one, holy, catholic, and apostolic.

To learn more, see the “Catechism of the Catholic Church” (no. 857-862 and 880-882).

**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>

"With regard to resuming public Masses in our parishes, the Diocese of Sioux City has based and will continue to base decisions on scientific data and reliable projections. There is a number of criteria the Diocese is waiting to be met before it is deemed safe and responsible to open up churches again. This includes the downward trajectory of new COVID-19 cases reported within a 14-day period, the downward trajectory of hospital bed, intensive care, and ventilator usage, and the downward trajectory of daily death reports. In addition to these things, it is necessary to have adequate contact-tracing and a robust testing program. Achieving these conditions will indicate that it is reasonably safe to resume, with precautions, the public celebration of the Mass."

TRINITY SUNDAY



Ends June 15.  
Have you made a gift?  
#keepyourdiocesestrong

Thank you to the parishioners of St. Patrick, Sheldon for meeting the Together as One goal.

St. Andrew and St. Mary are \$1,142.52 short of meeting the goal. Thank you to everyone that has helped contribute towards the goal. Together as One ends June 15, and if St. Andrew and St. Mary have not met the goal by then, the parish will be required to pay the difference to the Diocese from the general fund.

## Weekly Giving

### St. Patrick May 31

Adult	\$1,853.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,853.00</b>
Holy Land	\$ 5.00

### Year to Date Income:

2020	\$118,383.64
2019	\$127,748.77
2018	\$110,758.26

### St. Andrew and St. Mary Stewardship May 31

Adult	\$2,060.00
Religious Ed	\$ 100.00
Cemetery	\$ 55.00
Building Fund	\$

Building Fund Drive Goal \$75,000.00  
Received \$36,862.62

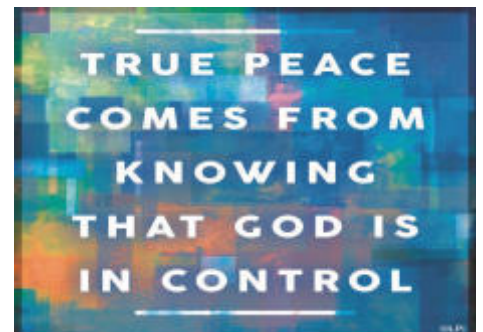
Together As One Goal	\$19,738.00
Pledged	\$18,595.48
Received	\$17,835.48

The Diocese of Sioux City is at 80% of the total goal.

Obviously, we are experiencing difficulties in our lives as we cope with COVID-19, but it is so important to show that we are a strong Diocese here in Northwest Iowa! Let's use this last week to let people know how important our parishes, schools, staff, educators, clergy, and faith are to us!

Together as One offers our Diocese a way to be the arm of support to all of our locations, as well as to offer resources for faith formation. We need to keep our Diocese strong and vibrant, so if you haven't had the opportunity to give or you have extra that could be given, please consider donating to the Together As One fund. You can mail your check to the office at PO Box 97, Sibley, IA 51249. Please make your check out to Together as One or TAO.

Thank you to everyone in our cluster for your continued support of our parishes and the Diocese of Sioux City.



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