

St. Mary's, St. Joseph & Annunciation Cluster Parishes

We are All One Family at the Table of the Lord

Penance – Before Weekend Masses & First Friday

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January 5th, 2020 – The Epiphany of the Lord

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020

Liturgy Schedule

Monday – NO MASS

Tuesday – 8:00 AM (W) – Tommy Don Lynch Family

Wednesday – NO MASS

Thursday – 8:00 AM (D) – Cletus McGrane

Friday – 8:00 AM (CR) – Ed Anthofer

Saturday - 6:30 PM (W) – Helen Schmitz

Sunday - 8:00 AM (D) – Vernon, Martha, Allen & Duane
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10:00 AM (CR) – Ryan Handlos & Family

Just a Reminder: Mass Intentions are now \$10.00.

Mass intention envelopes and new membership forms may be found in the back of church.



THOUGHTS OF THE WEEK:

...on entering the house (the magi) saw the child with Mary his mother. They...did him homage...and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Matthew 2:11

One Epiphany Sunday not long ago, the family in the pew in front of me had a little boy of about six. When Mass ended, he ran up to the stable at the side alter and put a tiny wrapped package in the manger by Jesus. He turned and said to everyone watching, "You don't have to be a king to bring a gift to Jesus! He's going to love this!"

His insight touched me. We are all invited to bring a gift to Jesus. What could we bring that he would really love? What he wants most is some act of love. As this feast day unfolds, see what special chance to love might occur in your life, a chance to encourage, to welcome, to forgive, to share you.

Please Pray: *Dear God, who led the kings by starlight, give us your light today, that we might see and respond with love—and bring that gift to your son. Amen.*

ANNUNCIATION - COON RAPIDS

Weekly offerings:

For Week of 12/29/19

Adults \$5,273.00; Youth \$6.00; Loose \$106.00

Catholic Charities \$25.00; Christmas \$60.00

1/31/19

Adults \$1,650.00; Christmas \$40.00

Catholic Charities \$20.00

Solemnity of Mary

Adults \$1,550.00; Loose \$109.00

ANNUNCIATION LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS:

Prayer Chain: Carlene Dorpinghaus 999-5353

Sunday, January 12th/10:00am-Youth Mass

\$ Counters – Cathy Nees/Patty Deeth

R – Youth Mass

S – Youth Mass

L – Youth Mass

EM– Tammy Tunning/Jennifer Derner/Sandy Wurr

G – Youth Mass

U – Youth Mass

RIDES TO ANNUNCIATION: If there is an elderly person or shut-in from Coon Rapids that would like a ride to Sunday Mass during the winter months because of bad weather/unsafe driving, Jon and Lori Esdohr would be happy to give you a lift and bring you to church. Please call Lori Esdohr @ 712-830-0596 with inquires/questions.

THANK YOU: Thank you to those individuals who have thought of the less fortunate of Coon Rapids the past few months and put donations in the food pantry box in the back of church. The CR Food Pantry is always in need of food/cleaning supplies/paper products/baby products. Thank you for your continued generosity.

BINGO @ THOMAS REST HAVEN: The Annunciation Ladies Guild hosts Bingo at the Thomas Rest Haven every third Friday afternoon of the month. We currently are in need of more volunteers to assist with this. Approximately 3-4 people are needed each month to call the numbers or assist the residents with their cards. Is this something you can help with? Please contact Rose Eickman @ 712-210-3186 if you can assist your church in this capacity.



TOGETHER AS ONE: Diocesan Annual Appeal: It's here! It's the new year! Why not start off the new year with your pledge to Together As One? Please prayerfully consider giving a gift to our Diocesan Annual Appeal. Let's work Together as One to help support our future. Thank you to those who have graciously donated thus far. We are grateful for your response and generosity. Please continue to drop off your pledges in the collection basket. Your help is needed to reach our parish goal. **Please consider a donation of any amount.**

THANK YOU!: I want to thank all my family and friends for making my 90th birthday so fun and memorable with the open house and all the birthday cards and phone calls received! *Ralph Bock*

ST. JOSEPH'S – DEDHAM**Weekly offerings:**Christmas Morning

Adults \$7,125.00; Youth \$31.00, Loose \$270.25

Catholic Charities \$260.00

For Week of 12/29/19

Adults \$4,295.00; Youth \$30.00; Loose \$183.00

Solemnity of Mary:

Adults \$2,010.00; Loose \$175.00

Cemetery \$400.00

ST. JOSEPH LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS:

Prayer Chain: Birdie Meiners 683-5653

Sunday, January 12th/8:00am-Synthia

\$ Counters – Steve & Mary Mikkelsen/Susie Hulst

Greeters – Weston & Susie Hulst Family

S – Ethan & Joel Klocke

L – Sue Seidl

EM – Steve Seidl/Steve & Mary Mikkelsen

G – Chris Hoffman Family

U – Weston Hulst/Brian Klocke

DEDHAM GO-GETTERS 4H CALANDERS: The Dedham Go-Getters Community calendars are ready! They include birthdays and anniversaries of locals from both Dedham and Coon Rapids. Each calendar is only \$3. Please contact Connie Ankenbauer at 712-683-5570 or connieankenbauer@gmail.com.

INTERESTED IN MAKING SOME MONEY WHILE SPENDING A FEW EXTRA HOURS IN GOD'S HOUSE? St. Joseph Parish is in need of someone to clean the inside of our church...approximately 2-3 hours per week, flexible hours. If interested or want more information, please contact Tom Seidl at 712-790-0852.

**ST MARY'S – WILLEY****Weekly offerings:**Christmas Eve:

Adults \$1,780.00; Loose \$392.00

Catholic Charities \$40.00

For Week of 12/28/19

Adults \$2,005.00; Loose \$89.00

Catholic Charities \$100.00

ST. MARY'S LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS:**Saturday, January 11th/6:30pm**

Money Counters – Jaynie Ferneding/Al Meiners

Servers – Kerigan Schreck/Max Schreck

Lector – Bill Schreck

EM's – Dale & Lori Schon

Gifts – Jeff & Peggy Klocke

Children's Ministry – Jill Rath

Ushers – Gene Schultes/Tom Sibbel

Music – Martha Sibbel

BAPTISM AT ST MARY'S: Baptismal congratulations go out to Tessa Jean Ludwig. Tessa was baptized December 27th at St. Mary's Parish. Tessa is the daughter of Ryan & Nicole Ludwig. Please welcome this newest member to our Catholic family.

MAGNIFIKID: Mass guides will be available at the main entry to St Mary's to youth that are *not* attending Children's Liturgy. Recommended ages are grades 2-5. MagnifiKid is great for those preparing for First Communion. Use the copy during mass and take it home for family and child activities. The kids will love reading the Adventures of Brother Goodventure before mass and explanations of the readings. The first week of the month will include an insert for family prayer for the month.

KUEMPER NEWS:

TWO KUEMPER CONVERSATIONS: Saturday, Jan. 4, 2020, following the 5pm Mass at Sacred Heart Church in Templeton. Join an open forum of "*Kuemper Conversations*" with Kuemper president, John Steffes. Hear latest news of Kuemper; ask questions and have dialogue. Also Sunday, Jan. 5, 2020, following the 10am Mass at St. Bernard's Church in Breda. We will remain in church following Mass for both events. All are welcome.

SPONSOR-A-STUDENT AT KUEMPER: You can enjoy giving an exceptional gift to a Kuemper student by making a gift to the *Fr. Kuemper Society*. Your gift will be helping a deserving student attend our parish school. Last year, over 580 children at Kuemper received tuition assistance – 54% of all Kuemper students. **Without tuition assistance, these families probably would not be able to have their children in your parish's Catholic school.** Feel free to drop your gift in the collection basket marked "Sponsor-a-Student" or Mail to: Sponsor-a-Student, Kuemper Foundation, 116 S. East St., Carroll, IA 51401. Thank you for promoting the educational mission of your parish.

SMARTER GIVING: IRA owners who are 70 ½ may give a donation directly from their IRA to charity and exclude that distribution from taxpayer's income which saves on taxes. Please remember your parish and the Kuemper Foundation in your list of charities.

WILL POWER: Would you consider including Kuemper or your parish as a beneficiary in your Will or life insurance policy? Including a non-profit is beneficial for tax purposes and makes the statement that you support the mission of sharing the Good News of Christ through them.

SCRIP NEWS: Use Scrip for all your purchases. Not a scrip user? Contact Sarah Muhlbauer to get started & start saving on your tuition! sbmuhlbauer@kuemper.org or 712-792-2123 ext. 624. Scrip resumes January 6th.

NEWS FOR EVERYONE:

2020 GIVING ENVELOPES: Your 2020 parish giving envelopes are here and are in the back of church at all three parishes. Please pick yours up before you leave church. This will save us on postage to mail them out.

STEBENVILLE OF THE ROCKIES: Students in grades 8-12 are invited to attend the Steubenville Conference June 19-23. Steubenville is a high-energy youth conference where thousands of teens are invited to encounter Jesus Christ through dynamic speakers, engaging music, the Sacraments, small group discussions, and fellowship with other teens. This year's conference will be held in Denver. Deposit is due January 15th. Please contact Katherine Tillinghast @ krillinghast@kuemper.org or Martha Stout @ mmstout@kuemper.org for more information.

SAVE THE DATE! Christ our Life Catholic Regional Conference. It is in Des Moines @ the Wells Fargo Arena on September 26th & 27th, 2020. Log onto: Christourlifeiowa.com for registration & information. Purchase your tickets and book your hotel room for a wonderful, spiritual weekend.

PRO-LIFE AMENDMENT: Tom Chapman, Executive Director of the Iowa Catholic Conference, will be at Corpus Christ Parish Center in Fort Dodge on January 30 at 6:30PM to speak about the proposed Pro-Life Amendment for the Iowa Constitution.