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October 1st, 2023
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



	Oct 1 st		Oct 8 th
<i>Cross Bearer</i>	Anakin Lance		Anakin Lance
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Bonnie Strong, Deb Ehrecke		Phyllis Avesing, Megan Kocal
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	7 th Grade Class		Cory & Amy Neff
<i>Hospitality/Greeters</i>	Mark & Dawn Thompson 7 th Grade Class		Kelley Kitlarz, Deb Ehrecke
<i>Lectors</i>	Dean Ehrecke		Bonnie Strong, Sara Ehrecke
<i>Altar Servers</i>	Phyllis Avesing, Ivy Klaren		Scott & Ethan Kitlarz
<i>Ushers</i>	7 th Grade Class		Bob Brus, Wendy Schnack

GROW IN YOUR FAITH!

INCREDIBLE Details of Eucharistic Miracles

Please listen to these instances in how the Eucharist was tested to be living heart muscle, Eucharistic Miracles to help our faith! Our God is awesome! Please share with your Catholic and non-Catholic friends!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZbSjuMxXX-E>



October is the month of the Rosary! Plan to attend October 8 after Mass at Blue Grass St Andrew. Miracles and faith grown through the Rosary. Bring your coffee and cookies and come into the parish Hall to learn about relatively recent miracles witnessed by those with faith in the intercession of Mary through the Rosary, learn how and why we say the Rosary, and benefits from recitation of the Rosary, and about intercession as promised by Mary, Jesus' and our Blessed Mother. A beautiful basket full of Rosaries has been placed on the table in the gathering space, Rosaries for you to keep and use. Feel free to take one.

Welcoming & Belonging News –

Tuesday, October 3rd at 6pm those interested in **Welcoming & Belonging** will meet to discuss options for our parish. **Everyone** is welcome. To review diocesan resources including videos, presentations, speeches, and recommended best practices please go to the following diocesan link;

<https://davenportdiocese.org/welcoming-belonging>



Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism

The Knights of Columbus's next meeting will be **Monday, OCTOBER 2ND, 2023, @ 7 pm** in the Parish conference center. For more information don't hesitate to contact Chris Rubley at 563-594-9851 or Clemente Escalante at 563-554- 0787.

Planning for Upcoming Events:

- **ADA** (Annual Diocesan Appeal) will be held during the month of October.
 - **Funeral Preparation Class** – if you would like help in preparing the Mass and Worship service for you or a loved one's funeral, please contact Deacon Dan. There is a booklet available also.
 - **ICYC 2024 (Iowa Catholic Youth Conference)**: The 3rd annual ICYC which targets those in grades 6-8 and their parents is set for **Sunday, March 24, 2024**. Mark your calendars! The event will take place at **Regina Education Center in Iowa City** and will feature nationally-known **Scally Brothers Band** (<https://www.thescallybrothers.com/>). More information will be available later this Fall.
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Mass Ministry Signup – will be held during October for the following Ministries: Greeters, Ushers, Gift Bearers, Altar Servers, Lectors, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC). A short description of each Ministry and a Sign-up form for each Ministry will be in the Gathering Area after Mass. **Please** contact Deacon Dan, or one of the Lay Ministers you see to answer questions. Even though you have served before, please sign up again.



Remember October 1st is Cell Phone Sunday (right after mass) for our new and exciting “Formed” website. This has many studies, movies, audio dramas, talks, e-books, and even cartoons for the children. So please consider taking a look and bring your cell phone to mass on October 1st!!!



Mary's Angels will hold their next meeting on **Monday, October 2nd at 6 P.M.** All Parish ladies are welcome to attend!!

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, October 1:	Rosary 10:00 am (CH) Mass 10:30 (CH) 7 th Grade Mass <i>Mass Intention: Tony Mack</i>
Monday, October 2:	Mary's Angels – 6PM (PCR) Knights of Columbus Meeting – 7PM (PCR)
Tuesday, October 3:	Welcoming & Belonging Committee – 6PM (PCR)
Wednesday, October 4	No events scheduled
Thursday, October 5:	Communion Service 9am (Courtyard Estates)
Friday, October 6:	No events scheduled
Saturday, October 7:	No events scheduled
Sunday, October 8:	Rosary 10:00 am (CH) Mass 10:30 (CH) Rosary Presentation after Mass <i>Mass Intention: John Frank</i>
(LOCATION KEY) PC - Parish Center; CH – Church; PCR – Parish Conf Room	

Parts of the Mass – Part 1: Gathering Rites:

Penitential Rite - In the presence of God, the Church invites us to recognize with humility that we are sinners. Because as Saint Paul says: “I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do,” (Rm. 7:15). We can all echo the words of Paul in our own lives ... Therefore, at the beginning of the Eucharist we humbly recognize along with all our brothers and sisters in Christ, that we are sinners. To ask for God’s forgiveness, we use the words of the blind man who heard that Jesus passed by and knew he could not be cured himself, but needed the help of God as he began to shout in the middle of the crowd: **“Lord, have mercy on me.”** Thus, with trust in God’s mercy, we pray also “Lord have mercy.” **Gloria** - On Sundays and solemnities, we sing this hymn of praise that truly gives glory to God: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God, and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. **Collect (Opening Prayer)** - The opening prayer is the moment in which the priest invites the community to pray. At the beginning of the prayer, the priest says: “Let us pray” and extends his hands as a sign of appeal. **This is a time to gather us all in silence and ask the Lord to help us.** At the end of the prayer, all join what the priest asked, responding together: Amen! As the Lord tells us in the Gospel: *“Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them,”* (Mt. 18:19-20). The opening prayer unites us with the universal Church, reminding us that in every corner of the world in which Mass is said, our brothers and sisters in Christ will be doing the same thing.

From the Desk of Deacon Dan

Today's Readings – God has blessed us all with the gift of life. While we were still in the womb, God knew us and formed us. During our entire life on earth, God is with us, showering us with love and mercy. We come together today to praise God for such wonderful love and mercy, but also for the gift of life in the first place. On this first day of Respect Life Month, may we be reminded of the value of all human life and God's call to cherish life at every stage.

Question of the Week - How would my behavior change if I reorient myself toward others and away from myself? What could I do this week that I hadn't planned to do and for whom?



Catholic Rural Life presents webinars on several upcoming rural topics:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_HPTBfoKWRq2MUBsonsLn3Q#/registration - to register for the next two webinars;

- Rural Evangelization on Thursday, Oct. 26th at 11am CT .
- Rural Spirituality on Thursday, Nov. 16th at 11am CT. Stay tuned for more details to come soon. Anyone is welcome - invite a friend or colleague! We look forward to seeing you there.



Sacraments - to schedule participation in any of these please contact Deacon Dan:

- **Confession** - If you are in need of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, please send an email to Father Bud. He can make time for appointments either prior to Mass or just afterwards.
- **Baptism** – A preparation class is required for a family's first child. Please contact Deacon Dan at least 1 month prior to the proposed event.
- **Marriage** – contact Deacon Dan a minimum of 7 months prior to the proposed event.
- **Anointing** – Anyone having surgery or experiencing illness may ask for the Rite of Anointing of the Sick. Father Bud will anoint immediately after Mass. Contact Deacon Dan.
- **Funeral Preparation** – if you would like help in preparing the Mass and Worship service for you or a loved one's funeral, please contact Deacon Dan. A great booklet is available to help.

Parish Council News from 9-13-23 meeting. Kelly Wernke spoke and explained our Formed.org program and told us about the Cell Phone Sunday happening on October 1st after mass.

- Faith Formation – 37 kids registered for Religious Ed
- Finance – Capital Campaign is almost completed with only a few parishioners left to fulfill their pledges for 2022-2023. Please do so ASAP!!
- Buildings & Grounds – TSR Coatings bid for our Parish Hall floor has been accepted and will be paid for by our Capital Campaign, work will be done on October 10th. Please stay out of the building on that day until 5 P.M. on October 11th. Also seeking quotes for repairing windows in the Gathering Area.
- Christian Service – Churches United served 25 this month.
- Peace & Justice - Committee will be meeting on October 15th.
- Mary's Angels – Parish picnic was a success and very well attended. No Bunco this fall because of lack of interest.
- Worship & Prayer – Reconciliation for grades 2-4 will be offered after mass; all other grades will be required to attend Communal Penance with their parents.
- Welcoming – Please welcome 3 new families to our Parish; Merle Gayman, Diane and Kerry Ritz, and Brian and Tina Pittner.



The Kitlarz family would like to thank all those who attended their Convalidation. We would also like to thank the families of Saint Andrew for all their support and prayers for Isaac and Kelley while they waited to make their sacraments. Scott, Kelley, and Isaac



Temporary Open Position – Secretary. We have a part-time temporary position open from middle of December through March for someone to work around 20 hours per week. We would want this person to work with Wendy prior to January to become experienced. Please contact Wendy or Deacon Dan for more information.



Open Position – Janitor. A parttime position is open for someone to work between 6 to potentially 12 hours per week cleaning our church and parish hall. Please contact Deacon Dan if interested in reviewing the job description.