

Liturgical Ministers April 1 – April 2

	Immaculate Conception	St. Peter	Holy Name	St. Francis
	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 8:30 pm	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 10:30 am
Lector	Deanna Joebgen	Jerry Kelly	Anessa Jones	Kurt Wood
Eucharistic Ministers	Ralph Schultz Jerry Becker Peggy Becker	Joanie Goddard Mary Olson Jerry Kelly	Ron Bodensteiner Don Baumler Donna Baumler	Veryl Burghardt Pat Burghardt Lavell Kuennen Mark Kuennen
Gifts	Greyson Smith & Family	Randy & Denise Henning	Dan & Ruth Meyer	Gary & Janice Brownell
Ushers	Gary & Cathy Schmitz Russell Schmitt	Randy & Denise Henning	Dan Meyer Gary Shawver	Denice Fink Rick Fink Scot Michelson Gary Brownell
Greeters	Bill Meyer	Randy & Denise Henning	John & Steph Michael Family	
Servers	Jenna Brandt Morgan Brandt Payton Leete	Jesse Daughton Kenny Kerr	Carsten Lensing Ana Jones Alyssa Jones	Brandon Cushion Ezra Solheim
Money Counters	Lorraine Pipho Deb Salsbury	Kathy Turner Yvonne Kerr	Ron Bodensteiner Craig Schmitt	Sue Frey Ray Gavin



Please remember in your Masses and prayers people from our cluster who are sick or ailing, we pray that all will have firm faith and improved health:

From Immaculate Conception: Juliana Blaylock, Nick Christensen, Michelle Heidemann, Betty Humpal, Barb Hyman, Joan Jergens, Leo Jones, Terri Kuethe, Noreen Miller, Peggy Pagel, Don & Pauline Rader, Fr. Jude Rochford, Mary Rochford, Rhonda Rochford, Rita Schmitz, Joyce Teeling, and Jonathan Wirkler.

From St. Francis of Assisi: Urban Berkes, Darwin Dean, Addie Hollenrake, Rita Manderfield, Larry Riley and Charlie Schott.

From Holy Name: Michael Baumler, Mary Dunt Buenzow, Steve Dunt, Steven Franzen, Hayden Grimm, Dale Halverson, Bea Heffernan, Bernice Holthaus, Jill Krambeer, Gerald Kramer, Eileen Lahey, Kathy Langreck, Pat Loomer, Bonnie Maiers, Brenda McDanel, Jessica McDanel, Roger Michael, Marilyn Miller, Raelonna Patrick, Fr. Rausch, Julie Schute, Betty Scott, Gary Steinlage, Leona Streif, and Carl Wagner Jr.

From St. Peter: Elizabeth Goddard, Erik Johnson, Ellen Kneeland, Rosemary Lehmann, Julia Martin, Albert Matt, Adeline Meier, Lloyd Meier, Pat Monroe, Jonathan Oakland, and Ken Wagner, Jr.

Rest in Peace: For those in our parishes who have died and for our families who have lost loved ones. Rev. David Pepper (New Hampton) who passed away on Sunday, March 12th. His funeral was held Thursday, March 16th at Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Lawler. May God bring peace and healing to his family and friends.

Happening Around Our Area

Thursday, April 6, Lunch & Learn at Gunderson Palmer Boeke-Freed Education Center, 12 - 1 pm. Tips & tricks to stay at home longer. Enjoy a light lunch while learning about adaptive learning devices, fall prevention, safe driving tips, alternative transportation options, and meal preparation options. ESVP to Rehab Services. 563-422-9729 by March 30th.

Friday, April 7, Fish Fry & Silent Auction at the American Legion in Fairbank from 5:00 - 7:30 pm. Adults \$9, Children 5 - 10 - \$5, under 5 Free. Carry-outs available - \$9 each. Serving Alaskan Pollock, Baked Potatoes, French Fries, Beans, Coleslaw, Rolls, Desserts, Coffee & Lemonade. Kids door prizes every 1/2 hour.

Sunday, April 9, St. John's Parish Spring Dinner, Fort Atkinson Community Center, 11:00 am - 1:30 pm. Serving Mike Reicks fried chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, vegetable, coleslaw, rolls, pie or dessert & beverage. **Gluten Free Chicken Available.** Adults \$10 sold in advance & at the door, \$5 for children (5-12), Children 4 & under free (dine in only). Carry-outs available. Many raffle items: Tickets \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

March 26, 2017 Fourth Sunday of Lent

St. Joseph the Worker Cluster - The Catholic parishes of Immaculate Conception, Sumner, St. Francis of Assisi, Fayette, Holy Name, West Union, and St. Peter, Clermont.

MISSION STATEMENT: Celebrating parish identity as we work to become one family of God and strive to serve in the name of Christ.

Masses & Intentions
3/27/17 - Monday
9:00 am, HN
 Joseph Schildmeyer
3/28/17 - Tuesday
7:30 am, IC
 Word & Communion
9:00 am, HN
No Mass
3/29/17 - Wednesday
8:00 am, SFA
 Word & Communion
3/30/17 - Thursday
7:00 pm, SP
 Viola Lerch
3/31/17 - Friday
9:00 am,
Hillcrest Nursing Home
 Word & Communion
9:00 am, HN
 Helen Molumby
4/1/17 - Saturday
7:30 am, IC
No Mass
5:00 pm, HN
 The Dessel Family
4/2/17 - Sunday
8:30 am, IC
 For the People
8:30 am, SP
 Allen Imoehl
10:30 am, SFA
 Susan Fagle

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Rectory 1-888-578-5366 or 563-578-5366
Office 563-578-8227
Sacramental Priest: Fr. Dale Rausch,
 563-422-3184 & 1-800-469-3184

All bulletin information directed to Cindy Jacob:
dbq195sec@dbqarch.org by 5 pm Tuesday evening

Saturday and Sunday Mass & Reconciliation Times

Mass Times on Saturday:
 4:00 - 4:45 pm Confession at Holy Name, West Union
 5:00 pm Holy Name, West Union

Mass Times on Sunday:
 8:30 am, Immaculate Conception, Sumner
 8:30 am, Saint Peter, Clermont
 10:30 am, St. Francis of Assisi, Fayette

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Regulations for fasting and abstinence in the Roman Catholic Church

1) Abstinence is required on all the Fridays of Lent, and on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Abstinence means that no meat may be consumed on these days. Catholics 14 years and older are bound to abstain from meat. The aged and infirm, as well as, pregnant and nursing mothers are excused.

2) Fasting is required on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting means having only one full meal to maintain one's strength. Two smaller, meatless and penitential meals are permitted according to one's needs, but they should not together equal the one full meal. Eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Catholics from age 18 through age 59 are bound to fast. Again, the aged and infirm, as well as, pregnant and nursing mothers are excused.

3) Friday Abstinence Outside of Lent. It should be noted that Fridays throughout the year are designated days of penance. The Code of Canon Law states that Friday is a day of abstinence from meat throughout the year. The American Bishops have allowed us to choose a different form of penance rather than abstaining from meat, but there must be some form of penance, for this is the day we commemorate Christ's suffering and death. The bishops stress that "among the works of voluntary self-denial and personal penance...we give first place to abstinence from flesh meat" (Pastoral Statement on Fasting and Abstinence).



Holy Name, West Union

A big thank you to the people who volunteered their time to clean the Parish Center Friday, March 17th. Many hands made for light work. Thank you!!

Liturgical Ministers - Please remember to sign up for Holy Week ministries (Holy Thursday and Easter Sunday) by April 2nd! Thank you!

Cleaning Church: Holy Name has another cleaning job to do before Easter. Rosary Society needs volunteers to help clean the church Friday, April 7th from 3:30 - 6:00 pm. Bring vacuums (hand or upright), buckets, rags, your favorite cleaning supplies, and extension cords. Any help would be appreciated. Many hands make for lighter work.

Stations of the Cross - Every Friday after 9:00 am Mass at Holy Name.

Wednesday, March 29, Choir Practice 6:00 to 7:00 pm. Contact Pam Rochford with questions.

Wednesday, March 29, There will be SHADOW STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 3:30 and 7:00 pm. ALL are invited to join us as the Students lead us on Christ's journey.

Tuesday, April 4, CDA Meeting. 7:15pm rosary followed by meeting at 7:30 pm, Holy Name Parish Center. Hostess is Leadership Committee. **7:00 pm Audit.**

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Kindergarten Round-up! If you have or know a child entering Kindergarten this fall contact Pam Rochford for pre registration. dbq220re@dbqarch.org or 563-422-5722.

"Project Giving Hope" March is Condiments Month. Suggested items are: Ketchup, mustard, honey, mayo, pickles & etc.

Sacrificial Giving 3/19/17 Total: \$1,365.00

Weekly Budget	
Need	2,743.50
Adult Envelopes	1,282.00
Youth Envelopes	17.00
Offertory	66.00
Total Week End	
3/19	\$1,365.00

St. Peter, Clermont

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If you are looking for a way to give more for Lent please consider giving a donation to the Northeast Iowa Food Bank. Through the end of April all donations made will be matched and every dollar donated can provide 4 meals. Envelopes are available in the entryway and can be placed in the collection basket. Food donations will also be appreciated and can be placed in the food basket in the back of church.

Sacrificial Giving 3/19/17 Total: \$1,255.47

Adult Envelopes	1,066.00
Youth Envelopes	12.00
Offertory	177.47

Pope's Intention for March

Support for Persecuted Christians

That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.



Read about these stories in the March 26 Witness

- An article explores the tradition of fish fries during Lent in the archdiocese. The profile will include parishes, restaurants, and an explanation of how the practice of Catholics eating fish instead of meat on Fridays got started.
- Archbishop Jackels offers a column on prayer, penance and almsgiving
- A piece from Catholic News Service examines the increased support for school vouchers by federal legislators and officials — a trend that could affect Catholic Schools nationally
- The issue will also contain coverage of a charitable giving and preparation for end of life event that occurred recently at Holy Spirit Parish in Dubuque. There will also be a message from Jeff Henderson, development director for the archdiocese to compliment this article.

Fish Fry
Friday, April 7th
Clermont Fire Station
5:00 - 8:00 pm

Immaculate Conception, Sumner

Lilies for Easter - **Would you like to purchase a lily in memory of a loved one to decorate our church this Easter season?** If so contact Sue Heying at the Wild Rose, 578-5235.

We are in need of volunteers to help with Donut Sunday. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the gathering area with instructions of what needs to be done. We need more parishioners to sign up or we will have to do away with it.

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"His Hands Food Pantry" Requested March donations: Paper Towel, Toilet Paper, Hand Soap, Cleaning Products & Etc.

Sacrificial Giving 3/19/17 Total \$1,210.75

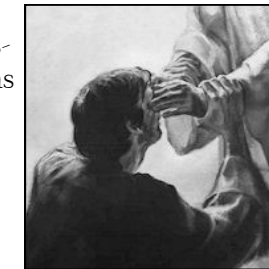
Adult Envelopes	1,031.00
Youth Envelopes	4.00
Offertory	75.75
Guild	100.00

Stewardship Quote

The blind man was willing to let Jesus minister to him and willingly did all Jesus asked of him. The Pharisees were more resistant to His message, spending their time and energy to disprove the miracle. Which am I more like, the man born blind or the Pharisees?

Opening Prayer

O God, who through your Word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



Fredericksburg Lions Club Pancake & Sausage Breakfast
Sunday, April 2, Fredericksburg Community Center
Serving 8:00 am to 12:30 pm
Advance tickets: Adults - \$6.00, Children - \$4.00
At the door tickets: Adults - \$7.00, Children - \$5.00.

St. Francis of Assisi, Fayette

As of Tuesday, March 21st St. Francis has raised approximately 66% of the money needed to move forward on the roofing project. We still need 34% in order to meet the April 1st deadline of \$30,000 to proceed with the project. All donations are greatly appreciated!!

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"Sharing Gifts from God" March is Condiments Month. Suggested items are: Ketchup, mustard, honey, mayo, pickles & etc.

Sacrificial Giving 3/19/17 Total: \$6,896.00

Adult Envelopes	812.00
Youth Envelopes	1.00
Offertory	83.00
Roof Project	6,000.00

Cluster Announcements

Please continue to pray for Fr. Jim Brokman as he continues on his road to recovery.

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Forever Family Series - Fun Nights to Help Strengthen Families will start the week of Spring Break on **March 20th** at the NFV High School & **March 22nd** at the West Union Elementary. The sessions will begin with a meal at 5:30 pm followed by the program and activities; free child care available for younger siblings. The 2 hour Strengthening Families 10-14 program is geared toward families of 6th & 7th graders and offers goal setting, fun interactive games, and role playing to help kids learn how to manage peer pressure and families strengthen communication. The remaining sessions in the series are scheduled for Sunday afternoons 3/26, 4/2, 4/9, 4/23, 4/30 beginning at 3:30 with a meal at 5:30 to be held at the West Union Elementary.

We are also in need of volunteers to make meals and teens or adults willing to help with child care. **To register or volunteer contact Deb Kahler at ISU Extension, Fayette at 563-425-3331.** (Note: If Spring Break is not an option for your family, registration for the series is still an option, give us a call.)