

| | Immaculate Conception | St. Peter | Holy Name | St. Francis |
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| | Sunday 8:30 am | Saturday 5:00 pm | Sunday 10:30 am | Sunday 10:30 am |
| Lector | Pat Duffy | Jerry Kelly | Kathy Wenthold | Mike Carey |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Peggy Becker Jerry Becker Kelly Henderson | Jerry Kelly Mary Olson Tom Matt | Kathy Wenthold Lori Moellers Jason Moellers | Elaine Reicks Mike Yauk Lavell Kuennen Mark Kuennen |
| Gifts | John Swehla | Randy & Denise Henning | Mary Ann Hoey Mary Wagner | Veryl & Pat Burghardt |
| Ushers | Mike Miller Gary & Cathy Schmitz | Randy & Denise Henning | Jim Halstead Mark Baumler | Dennis Carey Denice Fink Rick Fink Leon Lentz |
| Greeters | Paul Youngblut | Randy & Denise Henning | Mary Ann Hoey Mary Wagner | |
| Servers | Grant Henderson Noah Henderson Kate Swehla | Sage Matt Mattison Goddard | Alyssa Jones Ana Jones Tommy Clark | Mikaela Kime Cameron Gardner |
| Money Counters | Volunteers | Bruce & Sharon Kleve | Marcia Soppe Arlene Miller | Anne Sellers Lori Waskow |

| Christmas Day Masses | Lector | Eucharistic Ministers | Gifts | Ushers | Greeters | Servers | Money Counters |
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| Immaculate Conception Monday 8:30 am | Kay Luebbers | Connie Rochford Ralph Schultz Tom Yungtum | Morry Holthaus | Tom Miller Russell Schmitt Betty Alfultis | Paul Youngblut | Natalie Miller Jenna Brandt | Volunteers |
| Holy Name Monday 9:00 am | Tom Grapes | Ron Bodensteiner Bonnie Patrick | Volunteers | N/A | N/A | Volunteers | Tom Grapes Ron Bodensteiner |

Prayer Requests

Rest in Peace: For those in our parishes who have died and for our families who have lost loved ones. Patricia Beman (Sumner), wife of Terry Beman, mother of Shawn Piphon, & sister of David Meighan of Immaculate Conception Parish. Patricia's funeral was held Saturday, December 23rd at Immaculate Conception Parish. Alex Smith (Oelwein), son of Bill & Lorie Smith of Immaculate Conception Parish. Alex's funeral will be held Wednesday, December 27th at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oelwein. May God bring comfort to their families & friends.

Please keep Fr. Rausch and his family in your prayers. God has called him home. He was a cherished member of our Cluster Family and he will be greatly missed. May Fr. Rausch Rest in Peace.

Happening Around Our Area

Thursday, January 4, 2018, Red Cross Blood Drive in Fredericksburg from 2:00 - 6:00 pm at the Fredericksburg Community Center, sponsored by the Fredericksburg Lions Club. For an appointment please call Morry @ 563-237-5801 or Jack @ 563-237-5961. Blood is especially needed this time of year.



December 24, 2017 Fourth Sunday of Advent

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.

Masses & Intentions

12/25/17 - Monday
8:30 am, IC
Peggy Pagel
9:00 am, SP
Richard Klein

12/26/17 - Tuesday
8:30 am,
Word & Communion
Hillcrest Nursing Home
No 9:00 am, HN

12/27/17 - Wednesday
9:00 am, SFA
Marcy Blong

12/28/17 - Thursday
9:00 am, SP
John Pape

12/29/17 - Friday
9:00 am, IC
Donald Rader

12/30/17 - Saturday
5:00 pm, SP
For the People

12/31/17 - Sunday
8:30 am, IC
Terri Kuethe

10:30 am, SFA
Alberta Huinker

10:30 am, HN
Fr. Dale Rausch

1/1/18 - Monday
8:30 am, IC
Lawrence Downs

10:30 am, SFA
Betty Fox

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

<http://stjosephtheworkercluster.com/>

Pastor: Fr. Don Komboh dbq195@dbqarch.org

Office 563-578-8227

Rectory 1/888-578-5366 or 563-578-5366

Deacon: Michal Schemmel DBQ195D@dbqarch.org

Cell - 319-240-7534 - Office Hours: Friday 3:00 -5:00pm

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:
4:15 pm - 4:45 pm Confession at St. Peter, Clermont
5:00 pm St. Peter, Clermont

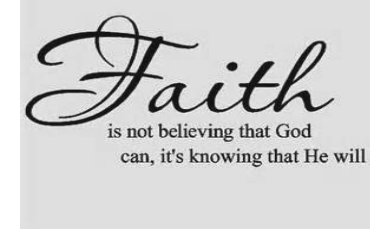
Mass Times on Sunday:
8:30 am, Immaculate Conception, Sumner - Confession - 8:00 - 8:20 am
10:30 am, Holy Name, West Union - Confession - 10:00 - 10:20 am
10:30 am, St. Francis of Assisi, Fayette - Confession - 10:00 - 10:20 am

St. Peter, Clermont
Bookkeeper / Secretary: Kathy Turner
563-423-6007 & dbq041bk@dbqarch.org
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Religious Education Coordinator
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Immaculate Conception, Sumner
Office Hours: Monday - Friday
9 am to 1 pm
Parish Office: 563-578-8227
Bookkeeper / Secretary: Cindy Jacob
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Faith Formation Office, 563-425-3228
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Holy Name, West Union
Office Hours: 7 am to 10 am Mon & Thurs
Parish Office 563-422-3184
Bookkeeper / Secretary: Kathy Wenthold
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Holy Name, West Union

Sunday, December 31, KC/CDA Breakfast after 10:30 am Mass in the parish center. Legislative Committee is hostess. All are welcome!

C.L.O.W - There will be **NO** classes on Sunday, December 31st. Classes will resume on Sunday, January 7, 2018.

The Holy Name Rosary Society will not have a meeting Monday, January 1st, 2018. Their next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 5th, 2018.

Tuesday, January 2, CDA Meeting in the Holy Name Parish Center. 1:15 pm Rosary followed by meeting at 1:30 pm. Youth committee is hostess.

2018 Budget boxes are in the back of the church. Please pick yours up prior to the end of the month.

The Holy Name Rosary Society will not have a meeting Monday, January 1st, 2018. Their next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 5th, 2018.

“Project Giving Hope” December is Holiday Baking Month. Suggested items are: All sugars, flours, shortening, baking chips, etc.

Sacrificial Giving 12/17/17 Total: \$4,120.75

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| Weekly Budget | |
| Need | \$3,352.62 |
| Adult Envelopes | 1,289.0 |
| Youth Envelopes | 22.00 |
| Offertory | 24.75 |
| Christmas | 2,720.00 |
| CRE | 5.00 |
| Religious Retirement | 10.00 |
| Stole Fee | 50.00 |
| Total Week End | \$4,120.75 |
| 12/17/17 | |

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CLUSTER
HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE
CHRISTMAS EVE
 Sunday, Dec. 24, 5:00 pm - St. Francis, Fayette
 Sunday, Dec. 24, 8:00 pm - Holy Name, West Union
CHRISTMAS DAY
 Monday, Dec. 25, 8:30 am - I.C., Sumner
 Monday, Dec. 25, 9:00 am - St. Peter, Clermont
New Year's Day
 Monday, Jan 1, 8:30 am I.C., Sumner
 Monday, Jan. 1, 10:30 St. Francis, Fayette

St. Peter, Clermont

December 27, No Faith Formation Classes.

St. Peter's Adult Faith Formation classes will be held from 7:00 to 8:30 each of the following evenings. January 10th and 24th, February 7th and 21st.

Sacrificial Giving 12/17/17 Total: \$1,224.93

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| Weekly Budget | |
| Need | \$1,688.00 |
| Adult Envelopes | 861.00 |
| Youth Envelopes | 24.00 |
| Offertory | 37.00 |
| Christmas | 200.00 |
| Flowers | 35.00 |
| Religious Ret | 50.00 |
| Memorial | 17.93 |
| Total Week End | \$1,224.93 |
| 12/17/17 | |

Stewardship Quote
 In the first reading, God promises King David that his house and his kingdom will endure forever. It is through Mary's "Yes"---"I am the handmaid of the Lord. Let it be done to me as you say".---that the promise finds fulfillment

Pope's Intentions for December
 The Elderly.
 That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

Read about these stories in the Dec. 24 Witness

- ◆ Archbishop Jackels will be taking part in the Lessons and Carols program at St. Raphael Cathedral Jan. 5. Read about this celebration featuring Scripture readings and choral music that helps people get closer to God through music.
- ◆ A U.S. district court heard oral arguments in a lawsuit that aims to take away a religious exemption for the Little Sisters of the Poor and other faith-based employers to the contraception mandate in the Affordable Care Act. This suit is one of several nationally with the same objective. They were filed in response to the federal government's decision to expand exemptions.
- ◆ In U.S., counties seen as key in struggle to eliminate death penalty; Pope Francis turns 81, says press must be factual, free from manipulation. Vatican releases new instruction on relics.

Immaculate Conception, Sumner

Attention Money Counters: The new schedule sheets are located on the table at the west entrance of the church.

2017 is quickly coming to an end! If you want to give a year end donation to budget and/or building fund it must be received by December 31st for tax purposes. Thanks for all your support throughout the year.

January 6, 2018 - Beginning Saturday, January 6th Immaculate Conception will have the Saturday evening Mass at 5:00 pm. There will not be a Sunday morning Mass at this time.

Wednesday, January 10, Faith Formation Classes will resume.

Attention: There are cake pans & containers in the church basement left from the last 2 funerals. If one of them are yours, please pick it up.

“His Hands Food Pantry” Requested December donations: Baking products. Suggested items are flour, sugar, brown sugar, powdered sugar, baking chips, Pam, cooking oil & etc.

Sacrificial Giving 12/17/17 Total: \$1,839.00

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| Weekly Budget | |
| Need | \$2,130.00 |
| Adult Envelopes | 1,052.00 |
| Youth Envelopes | 5.00 |
| Offertory | 151.00 |
| Imac. Conception | 1.00 |
| Christmas | 550.00 |
| Religious Ret. | 80.00 |
| Total Week End | \$1,839.00 |
| 12/17/17 | |

Opening Prayer
 Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



Crisis Pregnancy Center- # 1-800-395-HELP
 and Iowa website: www.heartbeatinternational.org

St. Francis of Assisi, Fayette

Attention Money Counters: Please **DO NOT** include Mass Stipend money in with the Sunday Collection. This money is put in a separate account. Please put the money in with the budget envelopes marked Mass Stipends and it will be picked up and deposited in the Mass Stipend account. Thank you!!

2017 is quickly coming to an end! If you want to give a year end donation to budget and/or roof project it must be received by December 31st for tax purposes. Thanks for all your support throughout the year.

January 17, Faith Formation Classes will resume on Wednesday, January 17, 2018.

Sacrificial Giving 12/17/17 Total: \$978.00

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| Weekly Budget | |
| Need | \$1,962.21 |
| Adult Envelopes | 752.00 |
| Youth Envelopes | 9.00 |
| Offertory | 86.80 |
| Christmas | 100.00 |
| Christmas Flowers | 20.00 |
| Immaculate Conception | 11.00 |
| Total Week End | \$978.80 |
| 12/17/17 | |

Cluster Announcements
Attention: RCIA classes will begin **Sunday, January 7,** at Holy Name from 2:30 - 3:30 pm. RCIA is for people wanting to join the church and for Catholics who want to learn more about their faith. Contact Mike Yauk for further information and questions at 563-422-8888.
Have you considered becoming a Deacon? Jesus said, "Come and see." (Jn 1:39) The Office of the Permanent Diaconate is seeking married or single men interested in becoming a Permanent Deacon. The call to the diaconate is a call to a vocation. It requires prayer, commitment, and dedication. Interested men between the ages of 32 and 58, and their wives if married, are invited to attend an "Information Meeting" on Thursday, January 11 at Sacred Benedict Parish, Decorah at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. For more information, please contact Deacon Tom Lang at [1-800-876-3546](tel:1-800-876-3546) ext. 252.

Attend Mass while on vacation: Learn Mass times across the United States. Visit www.masstimes.org or by calling 1-305-598-7490 to speak to a live operator, available Tue., Thurs., Sat., 12:00 - 4:00 PM.

Archdiocesan web site is: <http://www.dbqarch.org/>