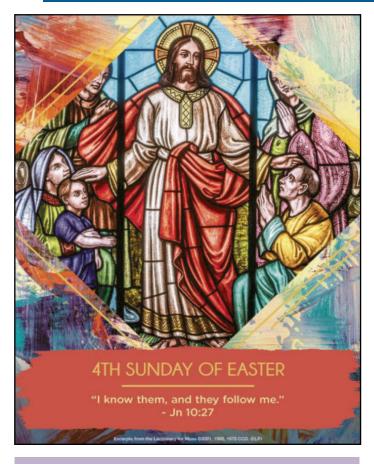


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World Day of Prayer for Vocations is observed today, May 8, also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2).



We extend our sympathy to the families of:

- Craig Knier of St. John the Baptist
- Mark Kiefer, brother of Lynn Waelchli of St. John the Baptist

Baptism

Please welcome our newly baptized:

- Coletta Mary Anstoetter, daughter of Maria and Tony Anstoetter to St. Joseph
- Cal James Mueller, son of Molly and Evan Mueller to St. Patrick



Congratulations to Emily Costello and Tyler McGovern who were married April 30 at St. John the Baptist, Peosta.

Right to Life will have Mother's Day Roses available after the masses in our pastorate this weekend for a donation.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

MARY IS THE MOTHER WHO WATCHES OVER US, HER CHILDREN, ON OUR JOURNEY THROUGH LIFE, OFTEN WEARY AND IN NEED, ANXIOUS THAT THE LIGHT OF HOPE NOT FAIL.

CHRISTUS VIVIT, NO. 48

FROM THE PASTOR

He is Risen! Alleluia. We continue to move through the Easter season. This weekend is sometimes referred to as Good Shepherd Sunday. Jesus is the Good Shepherd, He hears our voice and comes to our aid.

Other items to note:

- First Communion liturgies conclude this weekend. We are having separate liturgies, outside of the regular Saturday and Sunday mass, to accommodate the guests and visitors who will join us. Pray for our young people receiving the sacrament for the first time. We have about 70 children receiving First Eucharist this year.
- A farewell liturgy and reception for Greg Lambert, our seminarian, is Friday, May 13 at 6:30 PM at St. Joseph in Farley. All are welcome.
- We need ministers, lectors and Eucharistic ministers in particular. Post COVID, I am seeing many people who are assigned, but not showing up to fulfill their ministry role. Liturgy is the work of many people, and we need your talents. We need to continually expand our list of those who are willing to be trained, even if you are just willing to be a back up in case someone needs a sub or does not show up. The liturgy committee discussed this issue and we are going to work on updating our current list and try to reach out to new people who would be willing to share their time and talents. Please consider doing so.
- There was a good response to offering the Blood of Christ at the liturgies on Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday. The liturgy committee agrees it is time to offer the Blood of Christ at each liturgy for those who want to partake. However, we will need more Eucharistic ministers to make this happen. It will begin in the parishes that are able to do so in the coming weeks, with the goal of every parish offering both forms of Communion by July 1.
- The liturgy committee also discussed the current weekend mass schedule. The committee feels that the current schedule seems to work, so if you have a different opinion, please reach out to me. One liturgy that is not well attended is the 9:00 AM in Epworth and it is very difficult to find ministers for that mass, so it may be discontinued. The 7:30 AM in Epworth is very popular and would continue.

Greetings to people of the St. Elizabeth Pastorate,

As I'm sure you all know, my name is Greg Lambert and I have been living and serving here in the pastorate for the past two years. Originally, I hail from Melbourne, Florida, but upon completing my 7th year of seminary for the Dioceses of Orlando, I decided to take a year off from seminary formation. While I was contemplating what to do with my newfound free time, my brother Giovanni reached out to me and asked me if I wanted to move in with his family as they prepared for the arrival of their second child. A month later, I packed my Ford Focus with everything I owned, and headed toward my new adventure in the Midwest.



Originally, my plan was to take the year off seminary to travel and rest, but my one year in lowa turned into two years. Soon, those two years turned into preparing to make this pastorate my home. Coming from a bigger city, finding community is a serious factor on how comfortable one can be in an area. Over the past two years I have found deep, lasting friendships amongst the fellow parishioners. I have felt humbled as these families invited me into their homes and made space for me in their personal lives. I quickly became enamored with how tightly lowans stick together. The people of these small towns know each other and defend their community with the ferocity of fighting for a family member. This distinct characteristic of lowa is something that endeared me to the area and has pushed me to come out of my comfort zone, while at the same time expanding my horizons.

When I moved to Dyersville two years ago, I would not have guessed that I would have been accepted with such fervent love. My time teaching at Seton in Peosta and Farley have been the highlight of my year. I would like to thank you for trusting me with the Catholic education of your children throughout the year. As this school year draws to a close, I am full of gratitude for the students and families I've come to know. Whether it's the Kluesner, Farley or Mertz family, I will carry each one of you in my heart wherever I may go. This summer I will be serving as a student Chaplin in Mason City before heading out to Mundelein Seminary in August. Onward to the next adventure!

Peace and blessings, Greg Lambert

The Catholic Daughters Court #1460 will hold Mass and May Crowning on Tuesday, May 17 at 6:30 PM. A Pot Luck supper will follow. Meat will be provided, but members are asked to bring a dish to pass. Kitchen chair-ladies are: Bede Willenbring, Kay Heitz and the officers. Members are asked to send in their 2022 dues. Call Arlene Fangmann if you are unsure if you paid your 2021 dues.



TIME AND TALENT

St. Clement—One person gave four hours of time to organizing music for Holy Week.

St. Patrick—Sixteen people gave approximately 64 hours singing for Good Friday and Easter.

St. Joseph—The Fish Fry Committee members gave 175 hours of time to meetings, ordering, picking up food & supplies, stuffing, etc.

St. John, Peosta-One person gave six hours of time decorating for the Easter Season.

St. John, Placid-One person gave three hours of time stuffing envelopes for a Seton Catholic newsletter mailing.

FINANCE

Stewardship Giving for May 1

St. Clement	\$	858
St. Joseph	\$4	,197
St. Patrick	\$3	,008
St. John, Peosta	\$11	,243
St. John, Placid	\$	949

Growth & Improvement

for May 1	
St. Joseph	\$100
St. John, Peosta	\$ 70

Debt to the Archdiocese

as of April 30, 2022

St. Patrick \$92.529.60

WEEKLY ROSARY

May 14 at 4:00 PM—Joan Gaul May 15 at 9:00 AM-Volunteer



Peosta

Farlev

May 15 at 9:00 AM-Mike & Sara Brehm

Thank you to everyone who gave to the annual Seton Appeal. Over **\$13,400.00** has been donated so far! Only with your help, are we able to provide our families with affordable tuition, quality faculty



and up-to-date facilities. We depend on people like you and our parishes to support our mission of Catholic education. Thank you for your continued support.

St. John, Peosta will have May Crowning on Sunday, May 15 at the 9:00 mass. All first communicants are invited to take part. You are welcome to wear your first communion attire and bring a flower for Mary. Please meet in the back of church 15



minutes before mass. If you have any questions, call Sara Brehm at 563-557-7041.

> **PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS** will take place in our pastorate churches the weekend of May 14-15.

ST. PATRICK—EPWORTH NEWS

The Epworth/Placid KC's will hold an Omelet Breakfast on Sunday, May 15 from 8:00-11:00 AM at St. Patrick Church hall, Epworth. Menu includes made to order omelets, fresh sausage patties, pancakes, applesauce, homemade sputniks, toast and beverage. Good will donations will be accepted.

We are in need of people to spend one hour in Eucharistic adoration at St. Patrick Church on Thursday mornings for the 9:00 and 10:00 hours. If you could give one hour of time to Jesus, please contact Judy Lester at 876-3000.

ST. JOSEPH—FARLEY NEWS

Flower Memorials-George Davis' name was missed on the Easter flower list under Farley. Sorry for the error.

It is easy to earn money for your parish! Planning a party this summer? Purchase Scrip from Seton Catholic School for Fareway (3%), Greenwood's (5%), Hy-Vee (3%), Silker's (5%) or many other retailers to purchase your food and beverages and St. Joseph Church can receive a portion of the rebate that Seton Catholic receives from the merchant! Order online at raiseright.com or purchase at MidWestOne in Farley or Seton Catholic in Peosta. Contact Geri Kalb at 563.876.5540 or setonscrip@gmail.com to submit an order today!

ST. JOHN—PEOSTA NEWS

Thank you to all who participated in the blood drive at St. John, Peosta and all the volunteers.

ST. JOHN - PLACID NEWS

We will be honoring our graduates at the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday, May 15. Coffee and donuts will be served after Mass.

Rectory spring cleaning will be Saturday, May 14 at 8:00 AM. Any help, big or small, is greatly appreciated! Contact Janice Krapfl 563-543-9641 with questions!

Church Cleaning-Marietta Ostwinkle, Keri Hosch, 🚮 Angie Zalaznik, Jenni Anglin and Jill Koopmann



There will be a Prayer Shawl meeting on Tuesday, May 10 at 9:00 AM at the Pastorate Office. All are welcome.

The Farley American Legion and American Red Cross blood drive will be held on Tuesday, May 10, from 1:00-6:00 PM at the Farley Memorial Hall. For appointments, contact Larry at 563-495-3848 or visit redcrossblood.org and search sponsor code: Farley IA.

Our graduating Seniors will be honored at the 9:00 AM masses in their parishes on May 15 at Bankston, Epworth, Peosta and Placid. Farley graduation mass will be on May 22.

Bulletin Information: Email <u>office@stelizabethpastorate.com</u> Submission deadline is Tuesday at noon.

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Readings Week

WEEK OF MAY 8, 2022

Mon: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10 Tues: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30 Wed: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50 Thurs: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/ Jn 13:16-20

Fri: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6
Sat: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17
Sun: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Rv 21:1-5a/ Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

MASS SCHEDULE

	Peosta DN at Peosta 8:30-9:0 Peosta following Mas			
Tue., May 10	St. Damien de Veuster			
6:30 AM	Peosta	Our Beloved Priests & Religious		
8:45 AM	Seton/Peosta	† Harry & Madonna McBride		
Wed., May 11 6:30 AM	Peosta	† Clem & Rosemary Schmitt		
8:45 AM	Farley	† Lois Ludwig (Anniversary)		
	•	until 12:00 noon for vocations		
ADORATION wit	h RECONCILIATION	at Placid 8:30-10:00 PM		
Thu., May 12		d Achilleus, St. Pancras		
6:30 AM 8:00 AM	Placid Epworth	† LeRoy Weideman † Francis & Esther Fangman		
	ON at Epworth 8:30-9:			
ADORATION at Epworth following Mass until 12:00 noon				
Fri., May 13	Our Lady of Fat	tima		
8:00 AM	Bankston	† Bill Schuckert		
8:00 AM	Farley			
	Farley following Mass	M, RECONCILIATION 7:15-7:45 AM		
Sat., May 14 4:00 PM	St. Matthias Farley	† Joanne Dardis (Anniversary)		
4:00 PM	Peosta	† Daniel Pregler		
4:00 PM	Placid	† Marjorie, Donald B. &		
	N at Farley 3:15 PM.	Don W. Saeugling		
RECONCILIATION at Farley 3:15 PM-3:45 PM				
Sun., May 15	-	Easter, St. Isidore		
7:30 AM	Epworth	† Jim, Anita, Jason		
		McDermott & Bill, Mary, Deann Ostwinkle		
9:00 AM	Bankston	For the People of the Pastorate		
9:00 AM	Epworth	† Jane & John McGrane		
9:00 AM	Farley	† Deceased of Till & Kluesner Families		
9:00 AM	Peosta	† John Fagerlind		
9:00 AM	Placid	† Adrian Vaske		

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: For pre-baptismal preparation or to schedule a baptism, contact Lynne McDermott. At least one parent should be a registered member of the pastorate.

MARRIAGE: Contact the Pastorate office at least six months in advance of the proposed wedding date. At least one of the parties must be a registered member of the pastorate.

PASTORATE PRAYER LINE

Direct prayer intentions to: Donna Gibbs at 563.744.2006 or email step.prayerline@gmail.com, Kim Koetz at 563.451.4024 or email kkoetz@yousq.net or Mary Rauen at 563.581-1828 or email rickandmaryr@aol.com.



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2022 Confirmation Families - There are Confirmation Student/Sponsor meetings scheduled for Wednesday, May 18 at 6:30 PM

at St. Patrick, Epworth and Sunday, May 22 at 6:30 PM at Shannon Hall, St John, Peosta. Confirmation students along with their sponsor need to attend 1 of the 2 meetings.

Sunday Morning Faith Formation Families – The Youth Mass for May is scheduled for Sunday, May 15 at 9:00 AM at St. Joseph's in Farley. If your kids are interested in greeting or singing in the choir, have them at Church by 8:30 AM.

Rescue Mission Meal—Our pastorate is preparing a meal for the Rescue Mission on May 16. If you would like to donate, please contact one of the following people for items needed.



St. Patrick, Epworth—Dianne McDermott 563-543-3271

St. John, Placid—Karen Conrad 563-513-9001

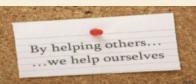
St. Clement, Bankston— Ellen O'Connell 563-583-6125

St. Joseph, Farley- Karen Hunt 563-744-3918

St. John, Peosta—Diane Schmitt 563-590-1315 or Sherie Kuhlmann 563-663-3302

The Women of Service will meet on Wednesday, May 11 from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM at St. Patrick Church hall. We will be helping another group get ready for the **Book Worm Treasure Hunt** on June 11. To help with this project, we will need shoe boxes, brown paper bags and one color wrapping paper. Also needed are stamps, pompoms, googlie eyes, pipe cleaners and address labels that have flowers or animals on the corners. Please bring scissors, exacto knives, packaging tape and glue. We have a lot to do, so your help is appreciated.

We are also collecting for our **Women to Women** collection (for Clarity Clinic). Items needed are size 5 and 6 diapers, boys clothes and pajamas (newborn to 12 months), receiving blankets, soft blankets, pacifiers, car seat covers, onesies and newborn socks. Bring to the meeting or drop them off in church basement before the meeting.



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