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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday (English) 4:30 PM

Sunday (English) 9:00 AM

Sunday (Spanish) 12:00PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation 3:00 to 4:00 PM Saturday, or by appointment.

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July 4, 2021

14th Sunday in ordinary time



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MASS INTENTIONS AND CALENDAR

Saturday July 3, 2021

- 5:00pm SP Mass: Mike Verhulst
- 4:30pm (SMV) Mass– Ted McNulty

Sunday July 4, 2021

- 9:00 am SMV English Mass– Leonard Witing
- 9:00am SP mass: Don & Lois McInerney
- 12:00pm (SMV) Spanish Mass– for the parish
- 5:30pm SMM For the people

Monday July 5, 2021 Office Closed

- 8:00am SP– Bob & Shirley Tierney
- 5:15pm SMV– No Mass

Tuesday July 6, 2021

- 8:00am SP Mass– Ben Mottet
- 5:15pm (SMV) Mass– Roy Meyer

Wednesday July 7, 2021

- 8:00am SP Mass– Ben & Valerie Mason
- 5:15pm (SMV) -Dorothy Conrad & Bonnie Weber

Thursday July 8, 2021

- 8:00am SP Mass– Gwen Milligan
- 5:15pm (SMV) Mass– Vincent Zerngast

Friday July 9, 2021

- 8:00am SP Mass– Pat Comer
- 5:15pm (SMV) Mass– Arturo Santiago

Saturday July 10, 2021

- 10:00am Burial
- 1:00pm Quinceañera
- 4:30pm (SMV) Mass– Felipe Perez Cruz

Sunday July 11, 2021

- 9:00 am SMV English Mass– Leonard Witing
- 12:00pm (SMV) Spanish Mass– for the parish
- 1:00pm First Reconciliation

Ministers of the Altar for June & July

4:30pm Saturday July 3, 2021

Lector: Will be contacted

Euch. Min:

Ushers: Roger Frimml, NV*, NV*, NV*

9:00am Sunday July 4, 2021

Lector: will be contacted

Euch. Min:

Ushers: Rose Ferguson, Chuck Bates, Ed Wilson, Merlyn Buetel

4:30pm Saturday July 10, 2021

Lector: Pam Ward

Euch. Min: Bev Dennis

Ushers: Roger Frimml, Tim Ward, NV*, NV*

9:00am Sunday July 11, 2021

Lector: Ted Haas

Euch. Min: Bernardita Fernandez

Ushers: Rose Ferguson, Rhonda Conrad, Erin Conrad, Kelly Conrad

FINANCES FOR JUNE 19-25, 2021

Total Deposit	\$4,745.00
Envelopes	\$2,747.00
Offertory	\$1,171.00
Multicultural	\$0.00
Vanco online donations (E-Giving)	\$872.00
Weekly amount needed to meet budget	\$7,900.00

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Oct 20'-Sept. '21 Goal	Paid to Date	Amount Under
\$54,470.00	\$50,005.86	\$4,464.14

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF July 4, 2021

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd]/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15 ab [cf. 2b]/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15 [15a]/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19 [22]/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 [39a]/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7 [cf. Ps 69:33]/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13



"The City of Ottumwa's Independence Day public fireworks display is held after dark, on Sunday, July 4th at Ottumwa Park. The show will begin shortly after 9:30 PM." (Ottumwa.us, City of Ottumwa)

July 4, 2021 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 During this time, we celebrate the independence of our country. We would do well to echo the psalmist, saying, "Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for His mercy." May we always recognize and use wisely the gifts of freedom and abundance He has showered upon us.



Pastors Pen

As we continue to come out of the pandemic, we all want to be intentional about the way we welcome people back to Mass and parish life. We also want to be intentional about how our faith communities are taking shape in response to the experience of the last year. The Rediscovering Sunday committee has designed a survey with this in mind. The survey is a tool to aid our parish faith communities, as well as the whole diocese, in ongoing reflection and action. It will give great insight into parish life and help us discern how the Holy Spirit might be calling us anew.

The Rediscovering Sunday survey is now live (see the link below)! From June 18th to July 31st, we are asking parishioners around the diocese to complete this short online survey, which is available in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese. The Rediscovering Sunday initiative is about grounding our week in the Lord's Day. This is a personal and communal effort, so let us do this together!

As the survey results come in, the committee will turn to the task of creating resources in response to the feedback that is received. These resources are intended to be at the service of parish needs. Diocese-wide survey results will be published publicly. Parish-specific feedback will be provided privately to pastors and parish staff, who can then share the results with parishioners.

So, what action is being asked of you?

- o First...please fill out this short survey yourselves by visiting <https://www.davenportdiocese.org/sunday> and clicking "survey"
- o Second...spread the word!
- o Third...media pieces are being finalized by the committee and will be shared with you in the coming days. These pieces can go on parish websites, social media pages, bulletin boards, the parish bulletin, etc.

Thank you for the many ways in which you serve your parish communities. Your promotion of this survey is greatly appreciated!

On behalf of the Rediscovering Sunday committee, and yours in Christ,

Patrick Schmadeke
 Director of Evangelization
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"Thank you for the sharing in thanksgiving to God for 40 years of priesthood. Thanks to all the parishioners for cards, prayers, personal gifts, and car fund donations."

Fr. Jim

Religious Education News...7-4-2021

On this 4th of July, Thank God for our freedom! Celebrate safely and have a day of fun.

RECONCILIATION UPDATE! Those preparing for 1st Reconciliation, it will be celebrated Sunday, July 11, 2021 in St. Mary of the Visitation at 1:00 pm. Reconciliation Assessments need to be finished by June 30 and turned in to Gail Bates. Keep your candle and bring it with you on Sunday, July 11.

PARENTS AND ALL R.E. STUDENTS Please complete your lessons! We are still counting attendance. Those doing book only, please bring your book to Sr. Irene or Fr. Jim, or call offices- Gail Bates, 641-682-0320, Lisa Canny 641-682-4496 or in Spanish at St. Mary's office , 641-682-4559. If we don't know then their attendance isn't being counted . Diocesan requirements are, that children do basic lessons first, then Sacrament preparation.

FAMILIES, DON'T WAIT, turn your Religious Education Registration forms for 2021-2022 in now, please. Registration Forms have been mailed to families. We ask that you return them as soon as possible so we can get a good idea of how many students we will have participating. This will allow us the time to budget for the expenses and supplies it takes to make Religious Education great.

If you have not received one please contact us. You can pick up forms at both Religious Education Offices or at St. Mary on the Religious Education Bulletin Board - at St. Patrick in the wall rack by the Ward Street entrance. Thank you for supporting Otumwa Catholic Religious Education

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION UPDATE! The children who are in their 2nd year of First Communion preparation will celebrate that sacrament in the fall. We will let you know the date and times as it gets closer. **First Holy Communion parents- We have 2 beautiful white communion dresses in size 5.** If you would like one, or to see them , call Gail Bates at the St. Patrick site at 641-682-0320. They are free.

Baptism Certificates: If your child is in the Second year of First Holy Communion or Second year of Confirmation we need their Baptismal Certificates now, please. We have to have a copy of ALL Religious Education Students Baptism Certificates. Now would be a good time to get them. Please contact Gail or Lisa to see if you still need to do this.

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