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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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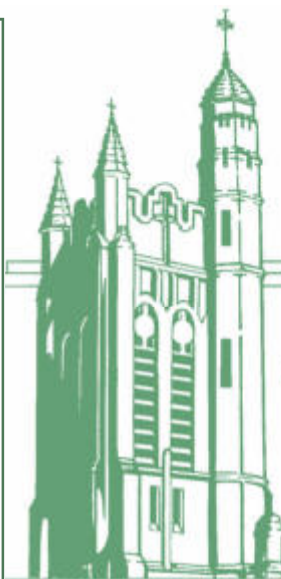
Class Locations:

K-3rd -St. Patrick RE Center 6:30-7:45 pm

4th-8th -St. Mary RE Center 6:45-8:00 pm

July 11, 2021

15th Sunday in ordinary time



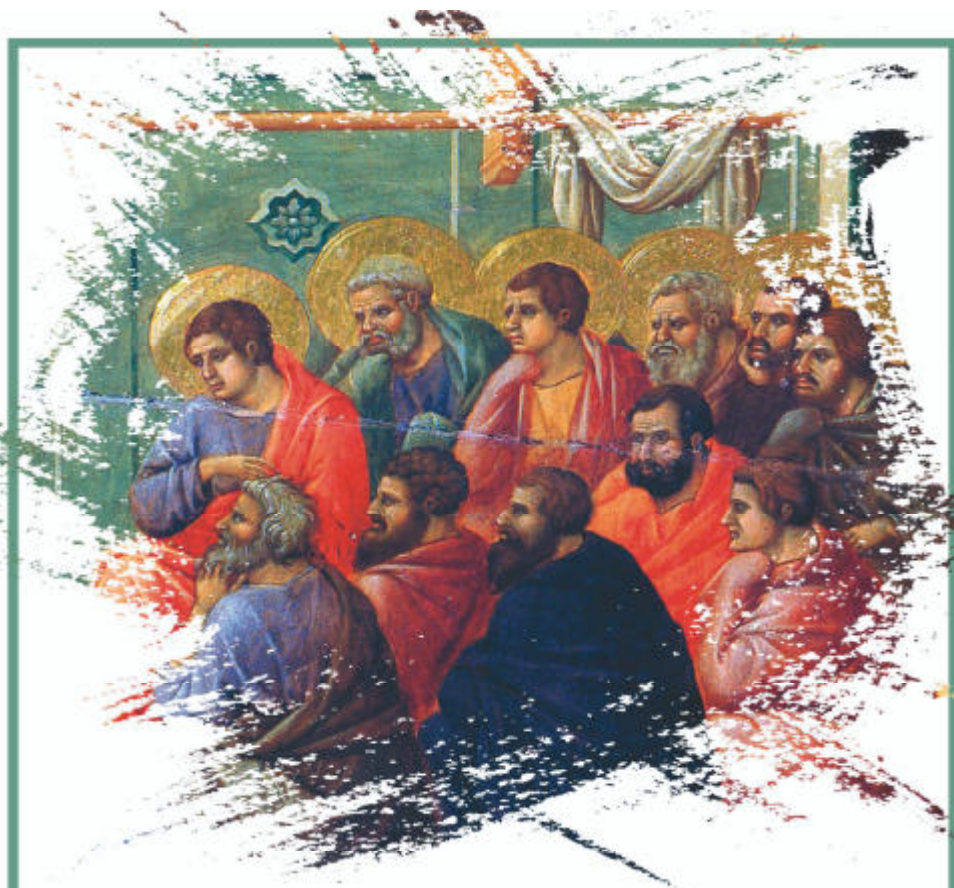
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JESUS SUMMONED THE TWELVE AND BEGAN TO
SEND THEM OUT TWO BY TWO. - MK 6:7

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

EN AQUEL TIEMPO, LLAMÓ JESÚS A LOS DOCE,
Y LOS ENVIÓ DE DOS EN DOS. - MC 6, 7

15^º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

MASS INTENTIONS AND CALENDAR

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

Monday July 12, 2021

- 8:00am SP–
- 5:15pm SMV– No Mass
- 6:30pm Finance Council Meeting

Tuesday July 13, 2021

- 8:00am SP Mass–
- 5:15pm (SMV) Mass– Vincent Zerngast
- 7:00pm K of C Eng. Meeting Hall

Wednesday July 14, 2021

- 8:00am SP Mass–
- 5:15pm (SMV) -James Monroe

Thursday July 15, 2021

- 8:00am SP Mass–
- 2:00pm Vista Woods– Andrea Gomez
- 5:15pm (SMV) Mass– Arturo Santiago

Friday July 16, 2021

- 8:00am SP Mass–
- 5:15pm (SMV) Mass– Carlos Bravo

Saturday July 17, 2021

- 4:30pm (SMV) Mass– James Louis Hilgendorf

Fe and Vida Mission Appeal after mass

Sunday July 18, 2021 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 9:00 am SMV English Mass– Harland/Caryl Farrell
- 12:00pm (SMV) Spanish Mass– for the parish

Fe and Vida Mission Appeal after all weekend mass

Fr. Jim and Fr. Patrick will be offering Mass at Good Sam on first Thursday of the month at 2 p.m, Timber Ridge on the first Friday at 10 a.m and at vista woods 3rd Thursday of the month at 2pm



July 11, 2021 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today’s readings are about being chosen and sent. The prophet Amos was chosen by the Lord and sent to use his talents for the people of God. The Gospel recounts the story of the sending of the twelve. In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that we, too, are chosen. For what have I been chosen? To whom have I been sent?

Ministers of the Altar for June & July

4:30pm Saturday July 10, 2021

Lector: Pam Ward
Euch. Min: Bev Dennis
Ushers: Roger Frimmel, 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

4:30pm Saturday July 17, 2021

Lector: Joyce Cramer
Euch. Min: Joyce Cramer
Ushers: Roger Frimmel, NV*

9:00am Sunday July 18, 2021

Lector: Barb Bates
Euch. Min: Bruce Conlon
Ushers: Rose Ferguson, Rhonda Erin and Kelly Conrad

FINANCES FOR JUNE 26-2, 2021

Total Deposit	\$4,841.20
Envelopes	\$2,442.20
Offertory	\$850.00
Multicultural	\$40.00
Vanco online donations (E-Giving)	\$1509.00
Weekly amount needed to meet budget	\$7,900.00

Go to <https://www.stmaryottumwa.org/giving> To make Donations



Oct 20'-Sept. '21 Goal	Paid to Date	Amount Under
\$54,470.00	\$45,769.86	\$8,700.17

Last Weeks finances where a typo, this is the current up to date ADA, thank you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 11, 2021

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

- Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 10:34—11:1
- Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 [cf. 33]/Mt 11:20-24
- Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Mt 11:25-27
- Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 [8a]/Mt 11:28-30
- Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 [13]/Mt 12:1-8
- Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt 12:14-21
- Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34



Pastors Pen

In this Pen, I will cover a number of topics. Every third year, we have a mission appeal. This coming weekend, members of the Fe y Vida Institute will be here. I looked in their website to find out information on this organization.

The Faith and Life Institute, founded in 1994, is an international ministry of the LaSalle Brothers of the Midwest District in the United States. It is the leading national pastoral organization for Latino Catholic youth—adolescents and youth—that empowers them for leadership in the Church and society through a Leadership Training System. Faith and Life developed and maintains an international biblical youth pastoral, to animate daily life and encourage all pastoral and leadership action with the Word of God. It also offers programs and publications for other areas of Hispanic pastoral care, particularly in institutional leadership and parent formation.

With the return of the traditional in Mass collection with four ushers, we are in need of more ushers. Please volunteer and contact me or Alicia with your name, primary phone number, email and Mass that you attend. We will send out an usher schedule using a group email. Thanks to our ushers who have returned after the pandemic.

At one o'clock, Sunday, July 11th, many of our religious education children will be making their first Reconciliation (confession). They will be receiving First Communion on Saturday, September 11th.

Fr. Jim



Faith in Marriage

Question:

What kind of religious practices should we begin, once we marry, to help us practice our faith each day?

Answer:

Your spiritual life as a couple is important. The sacrament of Marriage is a gift and a grace, but living it well isn't always easy! It requires intentionality and perseverance. Growing your spiritual life as a couple also requires a plan. Life can be incredibly busy. There's never "enough time" for everything we want to do. But we can live by our priorities. If we don't prioritize prayer, we'll find it slowly disappear from our lives.

If you're not already praying individually, that's a good place to start. If your schedules are similar, take some quiet time at the same time to help hold each other accountable. Praying together is also important! You could start by looking at the religious practices of your family and of families around you that you respect. Talk with your spouse about the ones who make the deepest impression on you or were most meaningful when you were young. Think about what you want your future children to experience. Making faith a commitment now will mean it is engrained habit when you grow your family. Ultimately, these faith practices should help us grow in our love for God and for one another. ©LPi

1st RECONCILIATION, will be celebrated TODAY, Sunday, July 11, 2021 in St. Mary of the Visitation at 1:00 pm. Bring your candle with you.

PPARENTS 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.

Their will be no meeting for FSL in July and august

Our June 28 Seton Blood Drive was a huge success. Thank you all that donated! Seton receives \$250 per blood drive, plus \$5.00 for every individual donation. Our next Seton Blood Drive is scheduled for Monday, August 28, from 2:30 to 6:30 pm



Ministry if care: No meeting in July the next meeting will be on august 3rd at 4:00pm in the church hall.

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