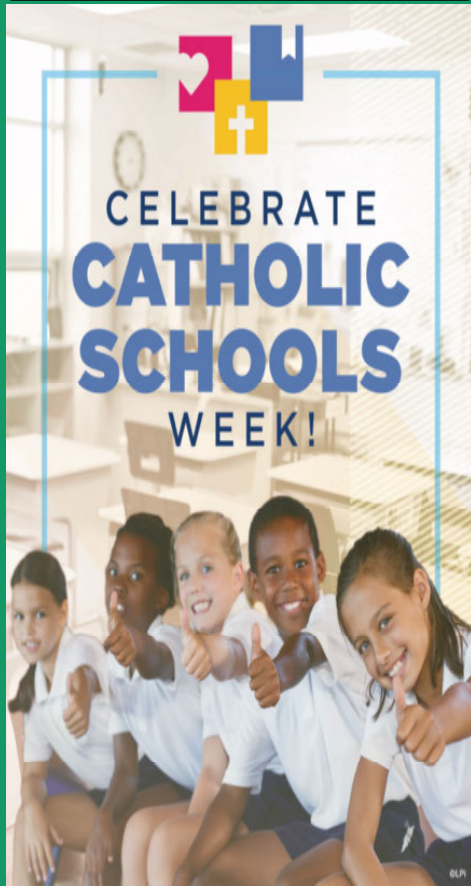


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## Stewardship

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - Jeremiah declares that the Lord knew him before he was born and dedicated and appointed him to his role as prophet even before he drew breath. We, too, are known and sent by the Lord. What deeds of love and service are mine to perform?

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4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 30, 2022

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# St. Mary & St. Thomas Aquinas

**January 30, 2022 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 St. Oscar Romero (1917-1980) was a “Salvadoran Roman Catholic archbishop who was a vocal critic of the violent activities of government armed forces, right-wing groups, and leftist guerrillas involved in El Salvador’s civil conflict (Encyclopedia Britannica).” As a voice of the voiceless, he was an outspoken champion of the poor who were the ones most affected by the civil unrest and violence. His advocacy provoked several attempts on his life. Nonetheless, St. Oscar Romero was convinced that before all else his faith in the resurrected Christ and the values of the Gospel trumped any earthly concern or worry. He walked with complete confidence and trust. On March 24, 1980, St. Oscar Romero was assassinated while celebrating Mass. Such is often the fate of those who challenge the socio-political agendas of the day.

We may look at the example of witness of St. Oscar Romero as something extraordinary. In one sense it is. Through the power of God, an ordinary human being did extraordinary things. But, in and of himself, St. Oscar Romero was simply a humble, loving servant of God. Oscar knew not only the power of love but the risk that comes when loving unconditionally. The beauty of God’s message was able to shine in and through him because he was able to step out of the way and be a vessel. One can assume that for St. Oscar Romero, one’s earthly life has no merit when faith, integrity, conviction, zeal and love are jettisoned. Fear and apprehension had no grip on this man who not only saw but spoke the truth.

Do we speak the truth? It makes us feel good to speak of God as love. But have we ever considered the ramifications of this radical message? There are assaults on human life occurring daily. More and more the value and worth of a human being is being reduced and minimized. We are becoming widgets in the production of life. In our whole simple humble ways, we too are called to be prophets. Knowing who you are and what is within your means to do, how can you make God’s love real, stand up for what is right, and give witness to the sacredness of all that is around you? ©LPi

## Readings for the Week

**Readings for the week of January 30, 2022**  
 Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31–13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30  
 Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14,30;16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3,4-5,6-7/Mk 5:1-20  
 Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30–19:3/Ps 86:1-2,3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43  
 Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32  
 Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13  
 Friday: Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29  
 Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9,10,11,12,13,14/Mk 6:30-34  
 Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

**Rosary Group Feb 1**  
**Every 1st Tues** of the month,  
 Erin Tasler will be leading the Rosary.  
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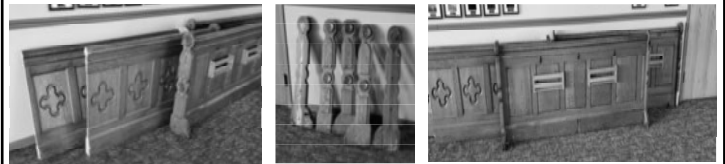
On September 29, 2019, in response to real needs, and after broad consultation, Archbishop Jackels announced the start of a special appeal, called **ArchdioceseOne**, to

help the poor and to support the mission of the Church. In March of 2020, the Covid-19 pandemic forced us to pause active fundraising for ArchdioceseOne. In mid-February, we’ll be restarting our fundraising efforts for this special appeal. You likely received a letter in the mail recently regarding this subject, but if not, **Archbishop has made a video for you about this important effort he’d like you to see. It will only take about 5 minutes of your time to watch.** Simply scan this QR code with your smartphone camera. Then click the link that pops up on your phone’s screen. This will take you to his video. **\*\*If you don’t have a QR enabled smartphone, type the following link into your internet browser: [Archbishop Jackels Video](#).** Thank you!



### MODESTY PANELS FROM STA

We have remaining pieces of the modesty panels from STA renovation that we will not be using. If anyone is interested in them, please contact the church office.



### UPCOMING DATES:

First Holy Communion - Sunday, April 24 at 10:30 am Mass  
 STA Ball - Friday, June 3 at 6 pm  
 Confirmation - Sunday, June 5 at 10:30 am Mass

### St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Library

Come check out a good Catholic or Children’s book from our parish library. The library is located just below the foyer steps. Sit and read on the sofa, or take your book home and return at a later date. No need to check out.

### MINISTRY SIGN UP

We are still accepting sign ups for the different ministries of the church/school. Ministries that are still needing volunteers specifically are: **Cleaning of the Church**, this is done weekly for 1 month at a time, can be individual or family or group of friends; and **especially Altar Servers!!** Altar servers must be in at least 4th grade and can serve all the way through high school. Contact Deacon Dan to be trained.

**IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER** Mass cancellations are called in to the local radio station KQWC and Pat Powers also puts that on Facebook and other media sites. It is also called in to WHO and KCCI TV stations. Please listen to the radio, check the television stations and/or the TV websites. It may take some time for the TV notices to update, so please check frequently.



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School Principal - Theresa Schleisman  
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 Email: ssmith@stswc.com

SSPP Secretary - Cindy Phelan  
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 Phone: 515-291-2272

Kristin Taylor - website & church reservations  
 Cheryl Larson - bulletin  
 Email: stpeterandpaulgilbert@gmail.com

Directors of Faith Formation - Heather Slifka & Nicole Jonas  
 Email: stspeterandpauldff@gmail.com

**Office Hours**

St. Thomas Aquinas  
 Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
 OPEN during lunch.

St. Mary & Sts. Peter & Paul  
 By appointment. Call Father at the STA Church  
 Office or the rectory to make an appointment.

Bulletin deadline is Monday, noon for any notices, announcements etc. you wish to have included in the bulletin. Please call, email or drop off the notice to the office. The bulletin can now be emailed to you weekly, if you would like your email included, please call or email Rita at the office to be put on the list!

**St. Thomas Aquinas Committees**  
 Pastoral Council Chair-Brian Menage .... 515-490-2481  
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**Pastoral Care**

Please call the parish office if you would like Fr. Anane to visit you during a hospital stay, or you are in need of pastoral care or prayer support. With the privacy laws, health care facilities can only call us if specified by the patient. Call 832-1190. Also, if you or a loved one are homebound, please call the parish office to make arrangements for a minister to visit and bring communion.

**Sacraments**

**Reconciliation**  
 Reconciliation times will be 30 minutes before Masses. Appointments can also be made at any time.

**Baptism**  
 Celebrated during weekend Masses. Parents are required to take a pre-baptismal class at St. Thomas Aquinas before scheduling the baptism. Register by calling 832-1190.

**Matrimony**  
 Couples planning marriage are asked to make an appointment with the Pastor at least 6 months before anticipated date of marriage to discuss preparations and necessary requirements.

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 We now have a "donate" button on our Facebook page and online on the website is also available!!

**St. Thomas Aquinas Collections**  
**January 23, 2021**

ADULT Envelopes	\$3,684.00
Offertory Collection	\$95.25
Jan 1st & 15th Auto-Tithe & Online donations	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,779.25</b>

**Total amount needed weekly to cover expenses \$11,440.00**

**St. Mary Collections**  
**January 23, 2021**

ADULT Envelopes	\$470.00
Offertory Collection	\$75.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$545.00</b>

**Total amount needed weekly to cover expenses \$1,460.00**

Thank you for your gifts to God through your church. Auto Tithing is available for STA parishioners, directly from your bank account on the 1st or 15th of the month. 832-1190 to sign up. Your generosity is appreciated!

## Church Happenings

Sun, Jan 30 10:30 am Mass with the Archbishop & brunch following in the foyer/gym  
Tues, Feb 1 6 pm Rosary Group  
Thurs, Feb 3 7 pm STA Finance Committee  
Fri, Feb 4 9am-6pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
10 am STA Social Justice Meeting  
Sat, Feb 5 SM Social Justice Collection  
Tues, Feb 8 7 pm STA Pastoral Council meeting

## School News

Mark your calendars for the Chili and Soup Supper on **Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup> before Mass (4:00-5:30)**. This annual event serves as a sincere "Thank You" to our church and school families for all your support throughout the year.

**Catholic Schools Week (CSW) January 30-February 5**  
STA is searching for a Kindergarten Teacher for the 2022/2023 school year. Interested candidates should contact Theresa Schleisman at [tschleisman@stswc.com](mailto:tschleisman@stswc.com) due to a maternity leave, STA is also searching for a long term sub for PE/Computer for this spring (mid-April-May). Please contact Theresa Schleisman for more details.

## Faith Formation

Wed, Feb 2 6:30-7:30 pm Youth Faith Formation  
Wed, Feb 9 3:30-4:30 pm 1st Communion class  
6:30-7:30 pm Youth Faith Formation  
Wed, Feb 16 3:30-4:30 pm 1st Communion class  
6:30-7:30 pm Youth Faith Formation



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**  
during 10:30 am Sunday Mass.  
It is open to all children 4-7 yrs of age.

**We, the parishioners of St. Thomas Aquinas,** remain rooted in Christ by: creating a spirit of hospitality in all that we do, celebrating the liturgy with great care and devotion, placing the goal of active participation before all else, witnessing faithfully to God's presence and love in our daily lives and effectively communicating that message, sharing our God-given gifts and caring responsibly for those in need.

**We, the community of St. Mary Church,** strive for Heaven by devoting ourselves to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit through worship, prayer, and service by living virtuous lives as disciples of Christ, loving our neighbors, proclaiming our faith, and passing it on.

We are glad you worshipped with us. How may we serve you?

- I am a visitor
- I am interested in becoming a parishioner of  
\_\_\_\_\_ St. Mary, Williams  
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- I would like to learn more about the Catholic faith
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# Mass Schedule

**St. Thomas Aquinas**  
 Saturday ..... 6:00 pm  
 Sunday ..... 10:30 am  
 Mondays ..... 8:30 am  
 Tuesdays ..... 8:30 am  
 Wednesday ..... 8:30 am  
**St. Mary**  
 Saturday ..... 4:00 pm  
 Thursday ..... 8:30 am  
**Sts. Peter & Paul**  
 Sunday ..... 8:00 am

**Nursing Home Masses**  
**NONE AT THIS TIME DUE TO COVID-19**  
**MASS TIMES MAY CHANGE FOR HOLY DAYS—**  
**WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR INFORMATION.**

**MISAS EN ESPANOL:** Parroquia San Juan, 608 2nd Ave NE, Clarion, IA. Misa en espanol todos los sabados a las 8:00 p.m. Parroquia San Patricio, 1405 North Federal St., Hampton, IA. Misa en espanol el 1er sabado del mes a las 7:00 p.m. Servicios de la Palabra en espanol en Ausencia del Sacerdote el resto de sabados del mes.

## MASS INTENTIONS

All STA Saturday evening Masses will be live-streamed & in person unless there is an issue with the broadcast, then STA Sunday will be live-streamed. You are able to watch the videos of the Masses at any time after the live-stream has ended.

Mon. Jan 31 8:30 am STA - Millie Anderson  
Tues. Feb 1 8:30 am STA - Don & Donna Williams  
Wed. Feb 2 8:30 am STA - Russell & Dorothy Foley  
Thurs. Feb 3 8:30 am SM - Jr Brim  
Fri. Feb 4 NO Mass  
Sat. Feb 5 4:00 pm SM - Bob Wiese  
6:00 pm STA - Deceased members of Durivage family  
Sun. Feb 6 8:00 am SSPP-SM, SSPP, STA Parishioners  
10:30 am STA - Jean Nieman

### Ministry Schedule

*We welcome any newcomers or young people who would like to share their gifts and talents.*

**St Mary Saturday, February 5 at 4:00 pm**  
 Greeters ..... Wayne & Janet Greufe  
 Reader ..... Carroll Ose  
 Altar Servers ..... Grace & Allie Neuberger  
 Gift Bearers ..... Mike & Judy Maubach  
 Comm. Ministers ..... Deacon Dan Hurt  
 Pianist/Cantor ..... Judy Ose/Chris Slauson

**St. Thomas Saturday, February 5 at 6:00 pm**  
 Reader ..... Julie Olmstead  
 Altar Servers ..... volunteers  
 Comm. Ministers ..... Deacon Dan Hurt  
 Sacristan ..... Annabelle Hurt  
 Pianist/Cantors ..... Melissa Hindt/Laura Monson  
 Hospitality Team ..... Carl & Jeanne Hill  
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**St Thomas Sunday, February 6 at 10:30 am**  
 Reader ..... Heidi Tesdahl  
 Altar Servers ..... Hayden McCoy  
 Comm. Ministers ..... Deacon Dan Hurt  
 Sacristan ..... Kent Bailey  
 Pianist/Cantors ..... Michelle Jergens/Mark Andrew  
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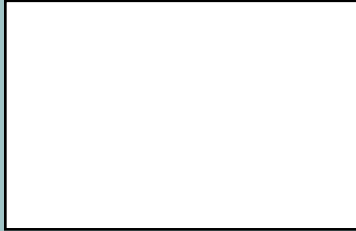
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