

# Story-Marshall Catholic Cluster

## Mass Times:

4:00 PM Saturdays at St. Joseph in State Center

8:30 AM Alternating Sundays for St. Mary, Colo and St. Gabriel, Zearing

10:30 A.M. St. Patrick in Nevada

Reconciliation: Each Saturday, 3:15-3:45 at St. Joseph's in State Center or by Appointment

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## THE HOLY FAMILY

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52

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December 26, 2021

## St. Patrick's News

**Stewardship:** 12-12-2021 Budget \$3140, Offertory \$50.27, Good Sam. \$305, Cap. Camp \$700, Religious Retirement \$225. Your continued support and generosity are greatly appreciated!

### St. Patrick Events:

Dec. 22nd, Faith Formation Classes, 6-12th, 6:30-8:00 PM  
Faith Formation Classes will resume Jan. 5th, K-5th, 6:30-8:00 PM

### Online Giving



Hard to believe that 2022 is almost here! Make your 2022 year easier by enrolling in our electronic giving options. With electronic giving, you no longer have to remember to write a check or find your giving envelopes. Giving can be scheduled monthly or bi-monthly as you choose. Call the office at (515)382-2974 or email Lisa at [dbq139s@dbqarch.org](mailto:dbq139s@dbqarch.org) for more information.



The Stocking Giveaway committee would like to thank everyone who sent monetary and item donations. The giveaway was a huge success with helping 145 kids this Christmas! What a blessing you are to all these families! This ministry would not be as successful without everyone's help. Thank You!!

### New Year New You

**New Year – New You!** Have you made your New Year's resolutions? Perhaps you can serve our parish with your time and talents? We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans, Ushers, and Money Counters. Please take some time and think of how **YOU** can serve our Parish at St. Patrick's. You may call the office at 515-382-2974 and ask questions or to include your name on the Liturgical Role Ministries. Than You!!

### Coming Back to Church

**Question:** I have been away from the Church for a few years and really want to get active again, not so much for me, but for my children. Is this a bad reason to come back to Church?

**Answer:** If you are on your way to the supermarket, and you are forced to detour from your usual route because of road work, does the food you buy taste different? Is the meal less filling? Are the vegetables less tasty? Of course not. In our faith journey, there are many detours called sin. Some are greater than others, some are even a bit longer. But God's grace comes to us in ways we understand and recognize and need. Your children leading you back to the Church is not as important as the fact that you are back. This is an opportunity for you to renew, strengthen, and deepen your faith. Regardless of how we get to Church, or what draws us closer to God, the fact is we are there. Do what you need to do to get right with God and the Church. Go to confession, begin good family religious practices, and be involved in the ministries your parish offers. Be more than a lukewarm parishioner. Be the kind of Catholic you want your children to be. ©LPI

## St. Mary's News

**Stewardship:** 12-12-2021 Budget \$1558, Offertory \$5, Religious Retirement \$202, Christmas \$25. Your continued support and generosity are greatly appreciated!

### St. Mary Events:

Dec. 22nd, Faith Formation Classes, 6:45 PM  
Faith Formation Classes will resume Jan. 5th, 6:45 PM

### With Deepest Sympathy

St. Mary Church parishioners offer their sincerest sympathies to LeeAnn Beavers and her family on the loss of her son, Brett Beavers. Brett passed away on Saturday, December 11, 2021 at the Israel Family Hospice House in Ames, Iowa. A visitation was held on Thursday, December 16, 2021 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in State Center, Iowa. A memorial service was held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, December 17, 2021 at Trinity Lutheran Church, with Reverend Robert Ricard officiating.

## St. Joseph's News

**Stewardship:** 12-11-2021 Budget \$5270, Offertory \$52, Non-parishioner \$40, Religious Retirement \$185. Your continued support and generosity are greatly appreciated!



Faith Formation Students & catechists are invited to the annual Christmas supper on **Wednesday, December 22nd** between 6:30 and 7:00 pm in the church social hall. Back on the menu, by popular demand, is Myrna and Mary's special homemade Mac & Cheese! There will be treat bags for everyone to take home. Don't miss out on time with your friends and great food!

The beautiful Christmas poinsettias at St. Joseph Church were placed in memory of:  
*Loved ones of Tub Buffington*  
*Joe & Gladys Decker (parents of Jon & Jan Edler)*  
*Harold & Doris Edler (parents of Jon & Jan Edler)*  
*Bill & Rita Jubeck*  
*Family of Joan & Dick Postel*  
*Bob Wignall*

This new year's greeting  
is sent with love  
in hopes that God blesses  
you from above.

## St. Gabriel's News

**Stewardship:** 12-12-2021 Budget \$420. Your continued support and generosity are greatly appreciated!



**PRAY THE ROSARY:** We will pray the rosary before Mass on the Sundays St. Gabriel Church has Mass. We start around 8:00 so plan to come early and pray this powerful prayer with us. *"In times of darkness holding the rosary beads is like holding your mother's hand."*



**OUR CHOIR** has room for anyone and everyone who would like to come and join us. No try-outs, no pre-qualifications, no expectations except to enjoy singing our praises to God. Just make your way up to the choir loft on St. Gabriel Sundays and join our group. "Serve the Lord with gladness; come before His presence with singing." - Psalm 100:2

**SAVE THE DATE:** September 24 & 25, 2022, Wells Fargo Arena, Des Moines. Once again, you're invited to hear world-class speakers, celebrate Mass with thousands, fill your spirit with music, attend reconciliation and visit Jesus in Adoration at the Christ Our Life Catholic Conference. Feel your soul rejoice! To learn more contact Mary Phillips by phone at 515-290-9667, email [dep@netins.net](mailto:dep@netins.net) or go to [www.christourlifeiowa.com](http://www.christourlifeiowa.com).



**HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU AND YOURS!** "May blessings follow you through life wherever Christ may lead you. May love be right beside you and joy and peace precede you. May God's word light your path each day while grace and patience guide your way."

**Dear St. Gabriel Parishioners,** How grateful we are to have received your gift in support of the ministry of St. Stephen the Witness Catholic Student Center. Your gift enables us to continue out three-fold purpose to pray, serve, and belong to the students of the University of Northern Iowa, Hawkeye Community College and Allen College, along with everyone else who walks through our doors. It is because of you and your financial contribution that we are able to continue to witness the impact within our students. Know that we are truly grateful to have you part of our team. May God continue to pour his abundant blessings on you.

*Paul Lee Director of Campus Ministry*



## General News

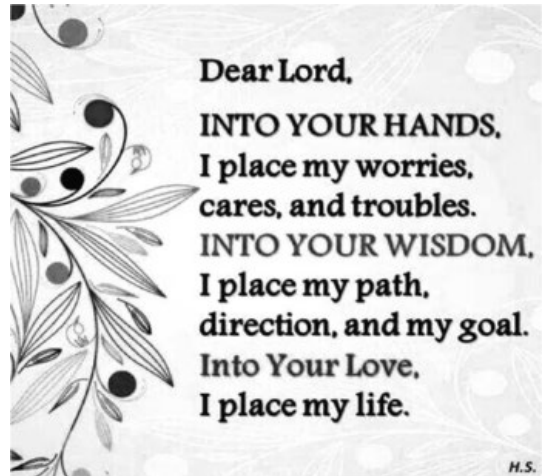
### RESPECT LIFE

"Defend the unborn against abortion even if they persecute you, calumniate you, set traps for you, take you to court or kill you." - Pope Francis



Have you picked up your 2022 Feasts and Saints calendar? This beautiful calendar is Fr. Dagit's gift to you and we want to make sure everyone who wishes to have one receives one. Contact the office at (515)382-2974 or [dbq139s@dbqarch.org](mailto:dbq139s@dbqarch.org) if you would like one delivered to your home.

As 2021 winds down, it's a great time to make sure the Cluster office has updated contact information for you and your family. Have you moved? Did you get a new email? Get rid of your landline? Then the office would love to know! Having updated information helps us make sure, among other things, that you stay informed and receive your year-end giving statement. Contact the office at (515)382-2974 or [dbq139s@dbqarch.org](mailto:dbq139s@dbqarch.org) with updates! Thank you!



## LITURGY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, Dec. 27th,	NO MASS
TUESDAY, Dec. 28th,	NO MASS
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 29th,	NO MASS
THURSDAY, Dec. 30th,	NO MASS
FRIDAY, Dec. 31st,	NO MASS
SATURDAY, Jan. 1st, 4:00 P.M.	SC MASS at State Center
SUNDAY, Jan. 2nd, 8:30 A.M.	Z MASS at Zearing
10:30 A.M.	N MASS at Nevada

## General News cont.

All caregivers, the ill and homebound, Charlotte Klein, Amy Edel, daughter-in-law of Virginia Edel, Virginia Edel, Louis Lang's daughter Misty, Emily Hoppe, daughter of Dave and Peggy Obrecht, Eileen Honeck, Gary Buffington, and all special intentions. Please also remember our service men and women in your prayers.

**Let us support one another in prayer.**

### Bible Quiz

Jesus, today in St. Luke's Gospel, tells his earthly parents who have been looking for him for three days, tell Jesus they were worried. Jesus tells them ' I must be in in my Father's house". What is meant by this statement?



**Answer:** Jesus was 12 years old. He was a faithful Jewish boy. Now he must give his heavenly father his obedience and obey and do the will of God, his heavenly father. Yes at age 12 God's will takes precedence. As a baby he was brought to the temple. At age 12 he is brought to the temple again. And at age 33 he again will brought to the temple. Amazing!

### HOLY FAMILY

FAMILIES USED TO DREAM THAT ONE OF THEIR CHILDREN WOULD ENTER RELIGIOUS LIFE...



WE'RE JUST PRAYING THAT OUR CHILDREN GROW UP TO HAVE RELIGION IN THEIR LIVES.



SYDNEY WOOD!  
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## Liturgical Ministers for Jan. 1-2

### 4:00 P.M. Saturday, (Jan. 1st), at State Center

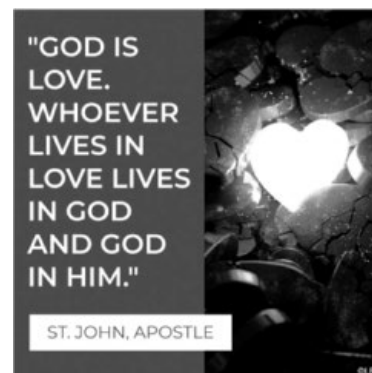
Eucharistic Min.	Chuck Ryherd
Greeters/Ushers	Robin Edler, Jon Edler
Sacristan	Eileen Honeck
Lector	Donna Ryherd
Money Counters	Paat Wilkening, Judy Eggers

### 8:30 A.M. Sunday, (Jan. 2nd), at Zearing

Lector	Kaitlynn Dickes
Ushers	David Obrecht
Euch. Minister	Mark Hayes
Rosary Leader	Sandy Sparrow

### 10:30 A.M. Sunday, (Jan.2nd), at Nevada

Lector	Beth Caple
Euch. Ministers	Teresa Haaland, Tim McLaughlin, Mark Frideres, Tasha Vorm
Ushers	Paul Malsom, Bryce Caple, Jason Schneider, Robb Schmidt
Sacristan	Tony or Tasha Vorm
Money Counters	Paul and Deb Malsom



### Readings for the week of December 26, 2021

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/  
Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/  
Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52  
Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8  
Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18  
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35  
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40  
Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18  
Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21  
Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/  
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

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