# Prince of Peace Cluster

Prince of Peace Mass Schedule:

St. Paul.....Saturday, 5:00 pm Sacred Heart.....Sunday, 8:00 am

St. Mary of Mt. Carmel ....Sunday, 10:00 am

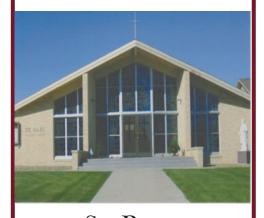
January 1 - April 30, 2022



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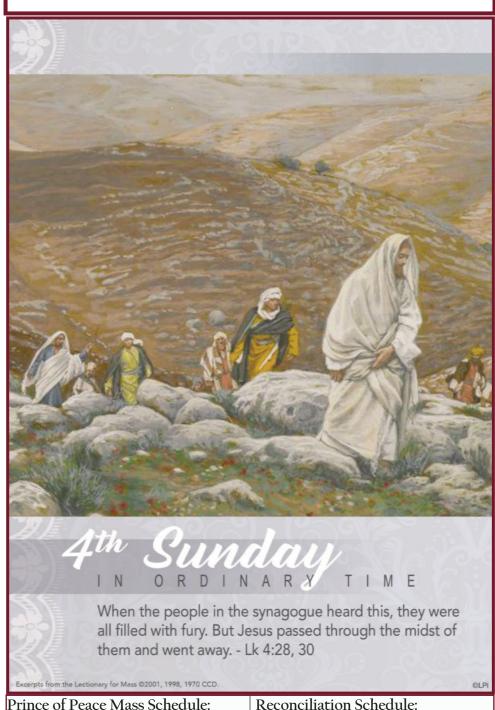
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#### Purpose Statement:

Our cluster purpose is to welcome and inspire the community to share and nurture our Catholic Faith through prayer, sacraments, service and love of God.



January 1 - April 30, 2022

**St. Paul**.....Tuesday, 7:55-8:10 am Saturday, 4:00-4:45 pm **Sacred Heart**.....Thursday, 11:30-11:55 pm

**St. Mary**......Wednesday, 7:55-8:10 am

## PRINCE OF PEACE CLUSTER NEWS

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### Anointing of the Sick

If you will be hospitalized during the week and would like to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact Fr. Tony. If you wish to receive a visit, notify Fr. Tony at 319-478-2222.

#### **Bulletin Announcements**

Due to a change in our bulletin deadline bulletin announcements are due by 3:30 pm on Monday, for the following Sunday, at the Cluster office. Email items to: <a href="mailto:DBQ199SEC@dbq">DBQ199SEC@dbq</a> arch.org or call the office at 319-478-2222. Announcements may be edited.

#### **Area Communion**

Anyone who would like to have communion brought to them on Sunday should call *Rosilee Beck -* 342-3093 for Eagle Center, *Charles Cranston -* 476-2241 for Dysart area, *Peg Mangrich -* 342-2584 for La Porte City, *Pat Kubik -* 478-2439 for Traer, and *Camilla Dostal -* 479-2537 for Clutier.

The Fourth 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 minimalized. 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?

#### **Contribution Statements**

Thank you for your generous offerings in this past year. With the continued support of it's parishioners our Cluster has the hope of a long future. Your 2021 Contribution Statements are available to pick up in the Church entryway. Please take yours to save on postage. All envelopes that are not picked up will be mailed out Jan. 31. Thank you.

#### **Adoration Time Change**

The Stay With Us, Lord! Adoration held at St. Paul, will now immediately follow the 5:00 pm Mass every first Saturday of the month. We join the two disciples on the road to Emmaus as we call on the Lord to stay with us (Cf. Luke 24:29). Please join us, as we pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and adore the Lord who comes to us in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

#### **Archdiocesan Synod Survey Coming This Week**

This week all registered parish households will be receiving an important letter and survey from Archbishop Jackels. The survey, which will take about

ten minutes to complete, will allow you to give input on how to measure parish viability and vitality to help with long-range parish planning. The survey can be completed by all and returned in the envelope provided. However, if you have access to the internet you are asked to complete it electronically. You can access the survey, at <a href="mailto:dbqarch.org/survey">dbqarch.org/survey</a> or by scanning this QR code with your smart phone camera and click on the link that pops up on your phone.



Archdiocese History

CATHOLIC TRIVIA - JUST FOR FUN

Last week's question: Who was the first Archbishop of the diocese of Dubuque?

Answer: Archbishop Jean Mathias Loras, for whom Loras College is named. Question: Which one of Archbishop Loras' family members was martyred? Answer: [See next week's bulletin.]



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**Prayer of Spiritual Communion** 

Oh my Jesus, I firmly believe that you are in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love Thee above all things, and I long for Thee in my soul. Since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I adore Thee in the Sacrament of Thy love, the ineffable Eucharist. Amen

**World Day for Consecrated Life** 

World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated on the weekend of Feb. 5-6. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life and offer them a word of support and gratitude. Encourage the young adults and youth that you know to prayerfully consider if a vocation to the consecrated life may be God's call for them.

Priest, Deacon, and Religious Obituaries Online

The Archdiocese has an online obituary listing on their website for those who wish to be kept informed of funeral details and obituaries for clergy and religious. Go to <a href="mailto:dbqarch.org">dbqarch.org</a> and find the 'Personnel' heading in the top website navigation; — Hover your cursor over that heading so that a drop-down menu appears; — Click on Priests, Deacons, or Religious Orders; — An Obituaries heading/page link is the bottom menu item in each section; — Each obituary listing has a few introductory sentences and a link to the full obituary on the funeral home page.

#### **The Main Event**

The Main Event returns this year to close out the St. Patrick School Annual Appeal. To give the gift of Catholic education, send a check to 615 Washington Street, donate a bottle of wine for the wine pull, secure an auction item, or contribute cash for putting together an auction basket. No gift is too small, and we recognize our sponsors all year. View sponsorship levels and purchase event tickets at cfcatholicschool.org (or by check). All are invited to celebrate our school and preschool Saturday Feb. 26.

**FCSLA Life Scholarship Applications Available** 

FCSLA Life National Scholarship applications are available for member students in grades 1 through 12 and attend a Catholic accredited school. \$750 will be awarded to elementary and \$1000 to high school students. Over 100 Fraternal Scholarships of \$1,250 will be awarded to college students. All application requests are available at <u>fcsla.com</u>. Scholarships must be completed and received at the Home Office by Feb. 8. Four \$500 State College Scholarships applications are due June 1, 2022 and one Lodge W130 for \$500 College Scholarship application due June 30 will also be awarded. Members may contact Bev Colvin at colvinbev@gmail.com for the National, State, and local lodge application forms.

**Happy Birthday!** 

Phyllis Hladik is turning 94! With many years, come many blessings and an intensified hope of days to come. "Though outwardly we are wearing out, inwardly we are renewed day by day. Our suffering is light and temporary and is producing for us an eternal glory that is greater than anything we can imagine." – 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 Phyllis's birthday is Friday Feb. 4. Please send cards to 12675 Woodland Parkway, Apt. 323 Clive, IA 50326.

#### Our Core Values

<u>Community:</u> Understanding, caring and addressing the needs of individuals, couples and

**Encouragement:** Giving hope, inspiration, and support to others.

**Excellence:** Maintaining the highest ministry standards that bring glory to God in Faith Formation, sacred liturgy and community service.

Prayer: Communicating with God in words, in song and in the silence of one's heart.



#### Saturday, January 29

5:00 pm Robert & Mercedes Schrier	SP
Sunday, January 30	
8:00 am For the People	SH
10:00 am Gladys Maas	SM
Tuesday, February 1	
8:15 am Bonnie Hayek	SP
Wednesday, February 2	
8:15 am Kenneth Bertch	SM
Thursday, February 3	
12:00 pm Shirlie & Dolores Lantz	SH
Friday, February 4	
8:15 am Ryan Keegan	SH
Saturday, February 5	
9:15 am Arlene Ludwig	SM
5:00 pm For the People	SP
Sunday, February 6	
8:00 am Helen Delagardelle	SH
10:00 am Rose Mary Schaefer	SM

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- The sick: Lillian Podhajsky, Margaret Babinat, Julia Babinat, Tom Beck, Ted Steimel, Blanche Halupnick, Florence Seda, Roger Paulhus, Jr., Dorothy Pecenka, Theresa Minard, Vi Barge; Sue Schaefer, Anthony Jackson, Lois Schmitt, Richard Schaefer, Edward Wellner, and parishioners for cancer, surgery and continued healing.
- The newly deceased: David Siebel, Jolene Cibula,
- Special Intention: For those who are called to the consecrated life, may they be faithful witnesses of God's love. May others be inspired to live their baptismal commitment by professing the vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience.

## INDIVIDUAL PARISH NEWS ----

#### SACRED HEART

Liturgical Ministers Sunday, February 6, 8:00 am

Lector: Faith Formation Students
Extra. Minister: Greg Slick
Ushers: Faith Formation Students
Greeters: Faith Formation Students
Song Leader: Karen Dillavou
Money Counters: Ria Clark, Amy

Paulhus

Thank you for your service to Sacred Heart!

If unable to serve at Mass, please find a replacement. Thank you!

Collections

January 23, 2022.....\$869.00

**First Friday Mass & Devotions** 

First Friday Mass & Devotions will be offered at 8:15 am, Friday, Feb. 4, at Sacred Heart. Confessions will be heard before Mass from 7:45-8:10am.

#### **Coffee & Rolls**

Please join us, every Sunday, for coffee and rolls immediately following the 8:00 am Mass in Cizek Hall.



**Online Giving** 

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### ST. MARY OF MT. CARMEL

Liturgical Ministers Sunday, February 6, 10:00 am

Lector: Stephanie Beenken
Extra. Minister: Jodi Schaefer
Ushers: Dan Reiter, Hal Reiter
Greeters: Matt & Dawn Pint
Song Leader: Karen Dillavou

Money Counters: Mary Lynch, Kim

Reiter

Thank you for your service to St. Mary!

If unable to serve at Mass, please find a replacement. Thank you!

Collections

January 23, 2022......\$1,007.00

First Saturday Mass & Devotions

First Saturday Mass & Devotions will be offered at 9:15 am, Saturday, February 5, at St. Mary. Confessions will be heard before Mass from 8:45-9:10 am.

**Baby Bottle Drive** 

Alternatives Pregnancy Center is holding their annual online fundraiser. Please consider donating to this life-affirming work that supports moms and dads through their parenting journey. You can donate online and/or put your loose change or bills in the baby bottle at the back of church. Please, contact Marianne Reiter, the pro-life representative for St. Mary Mt. Carmel at 319-610-3187 with any questions.

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#### ST. PAUL

Liturgical Ministers Saturday, February 5, 5:00 pm

**Lector:** Faith Formation Students **Extra. Minister:** Janice Halupnick **Ushers:** Faith Formation Students **Greeters:** Faith Formation Students

**Song Leader:** Jenny Hulme **Money Counters:** Tom & Linda

McDermott

Thank you for your service to St. Paul!

If unable to serve at Mass, please find a replacement. Thank you!

Collections

January 22, 2022.....\$2,641.00

**Tuesday Lunch & Cards** 

The next Tuesday Lunch & Cards will be at 12:00 pm, Tuesday, Feb. 1 in the Parish Center. Please come and join in the fun. Sign up sheets are in the back of the church.

Stay With Us, Lord! Adoration

Adoration and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament will immediately follow the 5:00 pm Mass, Saturday Feb. 5. We join the two disciples on the road to Emmaus as we call on the Lord to stay with us (Cf. Luke 24:29). Please join us, as we pray, worship, and adore the Lord who comes to us in the Blessed Sacrament.

Fabric for Taking

Ladies, in the back entryway of the church, are two boxes of donated material. If you are looking for a winter project, please help yourself to the material and take home to make quilt blocks. When we meet for a sewing day at a later date, it would be nice to have them already cut into blocks. Thanks for your help.

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### Faith Formation News

Feb. 2 — Faith Formation Class 6:30 to 7:45pm...... SP, SH Dwell 6:30 to 7:45pm......SP

Feb. 5/6 — Faith Formation Sunday SP, SH

Please stay for soup following Mass and Adoration at St. Paul.

Everyone is welcome!

Feb. 9 — Faith Formation Class 6:30 to 7:45.....SP, SH



## SPIRITUAL PRACTICES: Eucharistic Adoration

Our Catholic faith contains a rich treasury of powerful words: beloved prayers, timeless creeds, scripture readings, and liturgical texts. Words of Faith is a growing collection of bulletin inserts structured around these amazing words that teach us who we are, what we believe, and bow we are to live.

#### We Hear

Down in adoration falling, Lo! the sacred Host we hail, Lo! o'er ancient forms departing Newer rites of grace prevail; Faith for all defects supplying, Where the feeble senses fail.

To the everlasting Father, And the Son who reigns on high With the Holy Ghost proceeding Forth from each eternally, Be salvation, honor, blessing, Might and endless majesty. Amen.

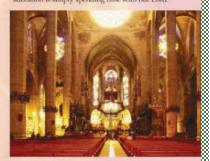
-Saint Thomas Aquinas, Tantum Ergo

#### We Practice

This simple hymn is known by its opening words in the Latin, Instant Eygo. It is often sung, during Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and will be familiar in many parishes as the hymn we sing on Holy Thursday evening as we move in procession with the Blessed Sacrament at the close of Mass. The words of the hymn draw us into the heart of Eucharistic adoration—the worship of Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament.

Adoration is the act of worshipping or giving homage to someone or something. For Christians, adoration is reserved to God. While we venerate the saints and Mary, we adore God alone. In Eucharistic adoration then, it is not the consecrated host we adone but the presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. This adoration can take place in formal, communal settings when the consecrated host is placed in a monstrance or chalice both sacred vessels used during Eucharistic celebrations. Yet we also practice Eucharistic adoration when we visit a church in order to pray and meditate in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament reserved in the tabernacle.

Adoration is different from prayer of thanksgiving or petition; it is about giving God glory or praise for who he is. We adore God when we honor him simply for being God. There are many different ways of adoring God. Some people, for example, adore the Lord in silence. Others sing charismatic songs or pray in tongues. However we offer worship, the central act of Eucharistic adoration is simply spending time with our Lord.



#### A BIT OF HISTORY

The origins of Eucharistic adoration in its liturgical form are usually associated with the establishment in 1264 of the Feast of Corpus Christi. This feast is now known as the Solemnity of the

Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ and is celebrated in the United States on the second Sunday after Pentecost.

In fact, the Tantum Ergo comes from the last two verses of Pange Lingua, a hymn written by St. Thomas Aquinas for the feast of Corpus Christi. The simple spiritual practice of praying in front of the Blessed Sacrament is of course nuch older.

## WORD OF GOD

First Reading:

The word of the LORD came to me, saying:

Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,

before you were born I dedicated you,

a prophet to the nations I appointed you. (Jer 1:4-5)

Psalm:

I will sing of your salvation. (Ps 71) Second Reading:

So faith, hope, love remain, these three:

but the greatest of these is love. (1 Cor 13:13)
Gospel:

And he said, "Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place." (Lk 4:24)

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#### Weekly Readings

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**Sunday:** 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate Catholic Schools Week; 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:** St. John Bosco, Priest; 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:** The Presentation of the Lord; World Day for Consecrated Life; Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

**Thursday:** *St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop;* 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:** *St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr;* 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14; Mk 6:30-34

**Sunday:** 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs; 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

## Stewardship Reflection

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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