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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday		5:30pm
Sunday		9:00am
	11:30am	Spanish

Rosary

Thursday...... 8:30am

Confessions

Saturday...... 4:30pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday..... 6:00pm Friday..... 8:30am





Mission Statement

"To Glorify God through Word, Worship and Service".

NOTES/NEWS

LIVE THE LITURGY

Everyone wants to experience peace. When we look to the world to provide this for us, we can easily get disappointed. We associate peace with an absence of war and conflict, good relationships between neighbors and coworkers, the achievement of success and even the absence of noise! While all of these are worthy endeavors, pursuing them exclusively as a path to experiencing peace sets us up for failure. When we look for peace outside of ourselves, it will never be found. True and lasting peace is something that comes from within and not something we can produce on our own or receive from others. Peace is discovered when we experience an inner wholeness and harmony. It is born of a sense of connectedness with a God who is larger and greater than ourselves, gifting us with His presence. It is the only the peace offered by the Risen Christ that can settle our hearts and calm our fears. Regardless of the degree of turmoil around us, this sense of completeness that Jesus gives anchors our boats and prevents us from sinking. ©LPi

HY-VEE RECEIPTS & POP CANS

St. James school still takes cans for the shed and Hy-Vee receipts. We do not collect soup labels or Box Tops any longer. Box Tops for education has changed to and app in which you can scan your Box Tops to benefit St. James School.

SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

The school scholarship applications have been received for the 2022-2023 school year. Please consider donating to our School Scholarship fund to help us provide Catholic education to many of our St. James' families. Thank you!

Where Do We Come From?

A little girl asked her mother, "Where did people come from?" Her mother answered, "God made Adam and Eve and they had children, and that's how all mankind was made."

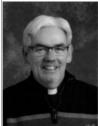
A couple of days later she asked her father the same question. The father answered, "Many years ago there were monkeys, which the human race evolved from."

The confused little girl returned to her mother and said, "Mommy, how is it possible that you told me that we were created by God, and Daddy said we came from monkeys?" The mother answered, "Well, dear, it is very simple. I told you about my side of the family and your father told you about his."

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

To report child abuse contact: lowa
Department of Human Services Child Abuse
Hotline: 800-362-2178 and if it involves clergy or church
personnel also notify Alicia Owens, the
Victim Assistance Coordinator, 563-349-5002;

vac@diodav.org or PO Box 232,
Bettendorf, IA 52722.



May 24th is the last day of the school year. Everyone looks forward to getting out for the summer. (At least the students do. I'm not sure about the parents.) We will be here waiting for you to return in August. Your homework for the summer is to grow tall, and read 2 or 3 chapter books this summer.

On May 31st we will be having a parish potluck to celebrate the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We ask that you bring a dish to share. Whatever, we get for food is what we will be enjoying. Everyone always brings their best stuff. That is why potlucks are so tasty. Who did Mary go to visit? Come to the potluck for the answer.

Deacon Ben Snyder will be ordained a priest on June 4th. His assignment has not get be released, so I can't tell you where he will be going. Sometime in the next months Father Snyder will join us for a Mass of Thanksgiving. We will let you know as soon as we have a date. Please keep Father in your prayers on the day of his ordination and for years to come. Being a priest is a good and wonderful life filled with promise and joy. We all celebrate with him as he starts his new life.

Have you picked out the books that you will be reading this summer? Currently, I am reading, "The Last Dog on Earth".

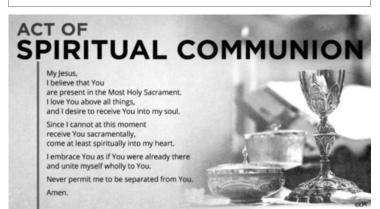
TRAVELING BASKET

"The Family Connection is a home visitor program for all families with children age prenatal-kindergarten. We provide two home visits per month and use the Parents as Teachers curriculum to teach families about child development and the importance of play in early childhood. Our program is voluntary and absolutely free. We also have incentives for our families and we are seeking donations to enhance our incentive program. If you have any questions or a referral, please call Amy at 319-385-8126."

If you would like to donate please leave the items in the basket locate it in back of church!!

Following is a list of suggestions for the basket:

Hooded towels/washcloths, Diaper cream, Laundry detergent (allergen free), Dish and hand soap, Shampoo and conditioner, Deodorant, Baby shampoo and wash, Pacifiers, Bibs, Sippy cups, Educational toys (no batteries), Teething rings, rattles and other infant toys, Bottles and Baby blankets.



MAY 2022	Weekly Budget	Week: 5/1/22	Difference
Church Envelopes	\$5,198.00	\$4,729.00	-\$469.00
School Envelopes	\$2,596.00	\$1,630.00	-\$966.00
Offertory	\$346.00	\$564.00	\$218.00
Building & Main	\$356.00	\$71.00	-\$285.00
Other/Holiday			
Budget Weekly	\$8,496.00	\$6,994.00	-\$1,502.00
	YTD SH	ORTFALL / SURPLUS	\$1,948.00

MAY 2022	Weekly Budget	Week: 5/8/22	Difference
Church Envelopes	\$5,198.00	\$10,903.00	\$5,705.00
School Envelopes	\$2,596.00	\$1,676.00	-\$920.00
Offertory	\$346.00	\$341.00	-\$5.00
Building & Main	\$356.00	\$936.00	\$580.00
Other/Holiday			
Budget Weekly	\$8,496.00	\$13,856.00	\$5,360.00
	YTD S	SHORTFALL / SURPLUS	\$7,308.00

Readings for the Week of May 22, 2022

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29,Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4],Rv 21:10-14, 22-23,

Jn 14:23-29

Monday: Acts 16:11-15,Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b,Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34,Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8,Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1,Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14,Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8,Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4,Jn 16:16-20 Ascension: Acts 1:1-11,Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6],Eph 1:17-23 or

Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23,Lk 24:46-53

Friday: Acts 18:9-18,Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7,Jn 16:20-23 Saturday: Acts 18:23-28,Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10,Jn 16:23b-28



	Saturday, May 28th 5:30 pm	Sunday, May 29th 9:00 am
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	Tina Knutson Loretta Mellinger Jean Wehr	Brian Hora Theresa Hora Don Sobaski
Gift Family	Brad Sheetz	Kevin Reed
Altar Server		Grant Berdo Jake Berdo
Lector		Julia Fritz
Music	James Crossroads	Dave Miller & Kirk Hittner

FAMILY LIFE

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Help St. James reach out to parishioners in need. If you are aware of someone who needs a card of encouragement or concern call Charlotte Lindmeier at 653-6274.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Management According to the Apostles

If you've ever worked in any kind of organization, for-profit or not-for-profit, I'm sure you have attended a conference or two. Whatever our expectations going in, I usually find these conferences expose me to communication and problem-solving styles that are different from my own, nudging me into a little unexpected self-discovery. And it's a great opportunity to meet new people and do something different.

Here's my idea for a leadership conference: The Management Style of the Apostles. Think about it, the only thing the Apostles had more abundantly than holiness was problems. Lots and lots of problems ... most of them of the human resources variety. It's no small feat, starting Christ's Church on earth. I wouldn't want to be project manager of that endeavor.

The Acts of the Apostles is, in some ways, a big book full of problems and ways to solve them. It's a blueprint for tackling interpersonal issues in the manner of a true steward, who encounters every problem starting from the same place: What would my Master want?

It's a question we should be asking ourselves every time we, too, encounter a problem — especially problems relating to other people. What is the truth in this situation, and how would God have me communicate it? How could I handle this in a way that is worthy of the name of my Master?

In Acts, we see a lot of characteristics of every-day stewardship. We see the Apostles mindfully acknowledge the lack of peace that is posed by problems like false teachings, this Gospel's problem du jour. They prayerfully confront the obstacles to salvation posed by these issues. Always, always, always, their main objective is to reveal the will of God, remaining committed to the truth while helping newcomers find avenues to salvation.

Maybe I'm just saying it because it's my idea — but it sounds like a conference we could all use.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

This week at St. James . .

Monday, May 23

Tuesday, May 24

MASS-Nancy Maere8:00 am (CH)MASS-The People3:30 pm (Halcyon)

Wednesday, May 25

MASS-Catherine & Patrick Tobin 8:25 am (CH)

Thursday, May 26

MASS-Audrey Fink8:00 am (CH)Rosary8:30 am (CH)Eucharistic Adoration6:00 pm (CH)

Friday, May 27

MASS-Darleen Barnard8:00 am (CH)Eucharistic Adoration8:30 am (CH)Prayer Group7:00 pm (CH)

Saturday, May 28

Baptism1:00 pm (CH)Baptism4:00 pm (CH)Confession4:30 pm (CH)MASS-Walter Krotz5:30 pm (CH)

Sunday, May 29

MASS-Cletus Reed9:00 am (CH)MASS-The People11:30 am (CH)

KEY: THB-Tobin Hall Basement, TH-Tobin Hall, CH-Church, CHB-Church Basement, KC-KC Hall, CR-Conf. Room, GYM-SJ School Gym, YR-Youth Room

KC HALL RENTAL

To rent KC Hall, go to the website washingtonkchall.com

PARISHIONER INFORMATION UPDATE

Have you remembered to notify the parish of an email or phone number change? Perhaps you had a change of address recently? Please take a moment to keep us informed. Return this form in the collection basket, or at the parish office.

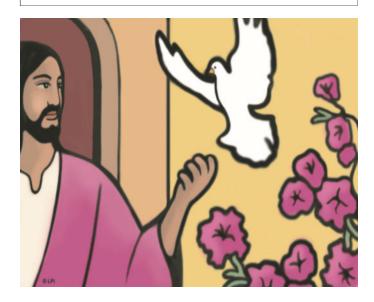
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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Jesus tells his disciples, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you." The peace that Jesus gives is far different than the kind that comes from the absence of war, conflict, or affliction. The peace that God offers is found alongside suffering and hardship, not necessarily in their absence. St. Teresa of Avila offers us a bit of wisdom regarding peace: "May today there be peace within. May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith. May you use those gifts that you have received and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content knowing you are a child of God. Let this presence settle into your bones and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise, and love. It is there for each and every one of us."

In order for us to experience the divine peace that Jesus offers, we have to allow God's presence to settle into our bones! It is only when this happens that we can be truly taught by the Holy Spirit to discern the true path to peace and find ourselves with untroubled hearts. The world and our lives are so unpredictable and changeable. If we look for a source of lasting and real peace only there, our search will never be satisfied. Something will always unsettle and disturb us. The Jewish disciples could really relate to what Jesus was saying about peace (shalom). They already knew that it was more a matter of achieving wholeness and wellbeing than anything else.

Wholeness and wellbeing are precisely what is uncovered when we begin to really see and know the height, depth, and breadth of God's presence and promise. The elegance of God's Divine life flows through our blood and the marrow in our bones. It is that close and deep. As we breathe in and exhale God's life, peace becomes what we know within and what is exhaled out. This remains in the midst of intense conflict, persecution, suffering, rejection, and even death. ©LPi





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