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April-June 2022 Mass Times

Balltown.....Saturday 4:00 pm

Luxemburg.....Saturday 6:00 pm

Rickardsville.....Sunday 8:00 am

Sherrill.....Sunday 10:00 am

July - September 2022 Mass Times

Holy Cross.....Saturday 4:00 pm

Sherrill.....Saturday 6:00 pm

Balltown.....Sunday 8:00 am

Rickardsville.....Sunday 10:00 am

**Our Mission: To form intentional
disciples of Jesus Christ.**



3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

[Jesus] said to him, "Follow me." - Jn 21:19b

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

The St. Francis Cemetery Association is seeking a trustee to replace long time volunteer Jerry Sahm. If you are able to help us fill this position, please contact the pastorate office at 563-870-4041. Thank you!



Save the Date: The Ss. Peter & Paul Parish in Sherrill, IA will be hosting a Pork Chop Supper with all the trimmings at **The Barn** in Sherrill, IA on May 22, 2022. Serving will be from 4-7 pm. More details to come. Be sure to mark your calendar for this event!

Cemetery Flowers and Mementos— We are entering into the lawn mowing season and want to remind everyone to be sure and remove any flowers or mementos from the ground surrounding headstones in the cemeteries. Any flowers placed in vases on the sides of headstones or on the top of headstones may remain in place. Thank you in advance for assisting our cemetery lawn mowers.

Blessings to our newly baptized! *Koy David Heim*, son of Zachary and Amber, *Rylee Jan Kintzle and Raylynn Rita Kintzle*, daughters of Brian and Lori. Congratulations to all the families on this very special occasion.

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER



Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a Catholic faith based marriage enrichment program for couples who want to keep their marriage vibrant and alive. Find out how by attending one of these upcoming experiences Sept 9-11th in Dubuque; Nov 18-20th in Holstein. For more information or to register go to iowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305.

Do you love Jesus?...Feed his sheep.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING APRIL 23-24, 2022

	Budget	Offertory	Holidays	Other
B	\$620.00	\$26.00	\$450.00	\$20.00
HC	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$260.00	\$493.00
L	\$1,045.00	\$75.00	\$125.00	\$0.00
R	\$921.00	\$104.97	\$630.00	\$220.00
S	\$155.00	\$87.00	\$670.00	\$0.00

Funds listed as "Other" category may not be listed under the general fund budget numbers for each parish.
ie: Charitable collections or money collected for a particular cause.

Thank you for your support!

LITURGY SCHEDULE

PLEASE NOTE ANY SCHEDULE CHANGES. IN THE EVENT THAT MASS IS CANCELLED, THE MASS INTENTION WILL BE RESCHEDULED.

Tuesday, May 3 (B) Peter Breitbach
8:00 am George & Bernice Stoffel

Wednesday, May 4 (S) Steve Hilby
8:00 am

Thursday, May 5 (HC) James A. Maiers
8:30 am
School Mass

Friday, May 6 (L) Julie Habel
8:00 am Ardella Helle

Saturday, May 7 (B) Rick Klinkhammer
4:00 pm

Saturday, May 7 (L) For the People of the St. John Baptist de La Salle Pastorate
6:00 pm

Sunday, May 8 (R) Carl & Jane Bellmann
8:00 am Frank R. & Bernadette Schmitt
John & Marina Klein

Sunday, May 8 (S) Jim Dupont
10:00 am Arlene Bahl

MASS READINGS

May 8, 2022

Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52
Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5
Revelation 7:9, 14b-17



Gospel:
John 10:27-30

A MESSAGE FROM FR. DIEHM

Dear Pastorate Family,

This weekend's Gospel gives us Jesus' third resurrection appearance to His disciples, according to John. Jesus, who can enter rooms though doors are locked, and who can vanish from people's eyes in an instant, reveals Himself to His disciples who are on a boat and invites them to cast their net on the right side of the boat. After catching nothing on their own, but then following Jesus' command, the Gospel tells us that they pull in a large number of fish, but the nets were not torn. There may be many interpretations, but one interpretation might suggest the Church as the net and the people of the world as the fish, and the Church can accommodate all the people of the world among its members and not be broken. The sharing of the meal on the shore has elements of Eucharistic symbolism. We, too, are invited into communion with the risen Lord at every Mass. The Body of Christ which we receive as Holy Communion is a sharing in the risen Body of Jesus. He shares His risen body with us so that we might share in His risen life.

At the end of the passage, Peter's exchange with Jesus is significant. His threefold confession of love for Jesus redeems his threefold denial of Jesus during Jesus' passion. Jesus' command to Peter to "Feed my lambs," "Tend my sheep," and "Feed my sheep" correspond to Peter's role in the Church as the chief shepherd. St. Peter's successor, the Pope, takes on Peter's role in the Church today. And as much as those words are addressed to Peter, they are good reminders to us that should be good shepherds to each other – parents to their children, neighbors to each other, and Catholics among other Catholics. Do we feed and tend to each other? May the risen Jesus, who feeds us with His own flesh and blood, help us to be good shepherds to each other so that we might all live a mature life of faith in God.

God bless, Fr. Diehm



La Salle Catholic School News-
La Salle Catholic School welcomes families and students of all faiths to an environment rich in the gospel values of faith, service, love and community and we look forward to continuing to work with you raising your child of God. Registration is currently open for the 2022-2023 school year.



Holy Cross Church "Strength In Our Future" Capital Campaign Update-The "Strength In Our Future" Capital Campaign continues. The initial project of resurfacing the handicapped parking lot is completed, the steeple repair project is the next project to be addressed in the spring, the projects of new electrical work and debt repayment will follow as funds are collected. If you have not yet pledged or contributed to this project, please consider doing so. Please contact the pastorate office at (563) 870-4041 if you have any questions. **To date, March 20, 2022, a total of \$189,747.00 has been pledged. The goal of the campaign is \$500,000.00.** The campaign is set to close on May 1st. Please consider a donation to help maintain the beautiful Holy Cross Church. Thank you!



St. Peter – "We must obey God rather than men."

St. Peter, who was entrusted with the important task of feeding and tending the Lord's flock, knows His priorities. As good as it is to obey legitimate human authority, the obedience we should give to God is all the more good. Because whose voice and whose word matters more, the voice and the word of God, or the voice and the word of human beings? Only one voice and only one word have eternal consequences. The voice and the word of God should be obeyed over and above the obedience we might give to legitimate human authority. If human authority contradicts what God has said, then St. Peter's words should be the rule for us, too: "*We must obey God rather than men.*" We must be very clear: the authority of humanity is NOT higher than the authority of God. If everyone else says something is right, and God says it's wrong, then God has the final say, regardless of what is said by others or how many times it's said or by how many people it's said. We have grown too comfortable allowing human authority to overshadow the authority of God. For example, as Catholics, the ideal for us is Mass attendance once a week, as an expression of our love of God. If certain people think that it's OK to only go once a month, or twice a year, or once a year, or not at all, that doesn't make it OK. By divine decree, we should follow the third commandment: remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. For Christians, the Sabbath day, the day of rest, is Sunday, the day of the Lord's resurrection. This isn't about rules. This is about listening to the voice of God. This is about allowing God to be God over our lives. This is about God having the place He deserves as our Creator, as the One who breathed life into our souls, as the One who sustains us every day. To whom do you listen? Whom do you obey? Human beings, or God?

Say to yourself over and over again regardless of what happens: "God loves me!" And then add: "And I will try to love Him!"

-Fulton Sheen

TITHING

Electronic Funds Transfer is an easy and convenient way to complete your monthly tithing. If you would like to participate in EFT tithing, the forms are available on the website, in the back of all churches or by calling the pastorate office at 563-870-4041.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH, RICKARDSVILLE

Parish Finances

Yearly Total Needed	\$100,000
(Fiscal YTD) Total Budget Received.....	\$80,630
(Fiscal YTD) Budget Needed.....	\$19,370
Weekly Needed	\$1,923
Weekly Received.....	\$1,746

ST. FRANCIS CHURCH, BALLTOWN

Parish Finances

Yearly Total Needed	\$82,473
(Fiscal YTD) Total Budget Received.....	\$67,496
(Fiscal YTD) Budget Needed.....	\$14,977
Weekly Needed	\$1,586
Weekly Received	\$1,116

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, LUXEMBURG

Parish Finances

Yearly Total Needed	\$172,442
(Fiscal YTD) Total Budget Received.....	\$77,672
(Fiscal YTD) Budget Needed.....	\$94,770
Weekly Needed.....	\$3,316
Weekly Received.....	\$1,245

HOLY CROSS CHURCH, HOLY CROSS

Parish Finances

Yearly Total Needed.....	\$188,881
(Fiscal YTD) Total Budget Received	\$109,142
(Fiscal YTD) Budget Needed	\$79,739
Weekly Needed.....	\$3,632
Weekly Received.....	\$873

SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH, SHERRILL

Parish Finances

Yearly Total Needed.....	\$161,435
(Fiscal YTD) Total Budget Received	\$94,768
(Fiscal YTD) Budget Needed	\$66,667
Weekly Needed	\$3,105
Weekly Received.....	\$912

Stonehill Communities of Dubuque's Pastoral Care is seeking volunteers and/or Eucharistic ministers to assist residents to Mass or lead the rosary before 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. Anyone with musical talent is also welcome for daily Mass on Monday, Thursday or Friday. Your time and compassion will touch many lives! For more information call Lori Pottebaum at 563-557-7181 Ext.1212.

Jesus tells Peter again and again, "If you love Me, feed my sheep." He says the same to us, "If you love Me, use the gifts I have given you to serve others."

ACTIVITIES

Faith Formation News-

If you have any questions about the Faith Formation program, please contact Taylor Fortmann at (563) 495-3621.

Mother's Day Breakfast- Sponsored by the Beckman Catholic Booster Club on Sunday, May 8, 2022 from 8 am– noon at the Beckman High School. Serving scrambled eggs, sausage, hash browns, applesauce, cinnamon roll, coffee, milk and juice. Adults are \$10, Ages 5-10 are \$5, Ages 4 & Under are free. If you would like to make a donation of cash or eggs to help offset expenses or to make a large group reservation, please call Beth Gallagher @ 563-590-1553 or Jamie Boge @ 563-543-4118. Proceeds will go to support Beckman Catholic High School. Your support is very appreciated!

Religious Brothers Day is May 1st- Religious Brothers Day is observed on May 1, the Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker, to celebrate the life and vocation of religious brothers. The focus this year is on the joys of the vocation of the religious brothers. We pray that God will grant all religious brothers the grace and perseverance they need to proclaim your Holy Word for the life of our Church and our world.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations- The World Day of Prayer for Vocations will be observed on Sunday, May 8, 2022, also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday". The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt. 9:38; Lk. 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life and societies of apostolic life.

Franciscan Common Venture Opportunities- WATERLOO, IA-

An area in need of a FCV team of 4-5 persons is with the St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Worker House in Waterloo, IA. Tentative dates are June 5-11 (Arrival late Sunday afternoon; departure Saturday morning) and would encompass their 40th anniversary celebration on June 8th. Service needs are varied and may include: the community meal, deep cleaning, painting, organizing the library, gardening, as well as service in the broader Waterloo community. Cost: \$75/person. *Due date to apply: May 2nd.*

BUSBY, MT-

The Wild Rose Center in Busby, MT is more than ready for a service team (or two), after the pandemic-induced hiatus. Located on the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation and bordering the Crow Indian Reservation, this unique setting offers a safe and quiet place where women of all races, cultures and spiritual beliefs are welcomed. It also boasts many eco-friendly features. The Center especially needs volunteers the beginning of June or in the fall: mid-August through October. The types of service needed include, but are not limited to: Outside: painting, gardening, cleaning, weeding; Inside: quilting, sewing, binding quilts, cleaning and organizing. Cost: \$150/person. *Due date to apply: May 5th.*

If interested or seeking information, contact Sr. Shell at 563-583-9786 or email balekm@osfdbq.org.

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