

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2020

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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ST. JOSEPH BULLETIN ONLINE: Log on www.StJosephEarling.parishesonline.com Click on St. Joseph Church Earling
 Bulletin items need to be to the office by Wednesday afternoon for both St. Joseph and St. Peter's & St. Michael's

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Oct. 3rd— 1st Saturday Mass—Rosary & Litany @ 8:00 AM—Mass @ 8:30 followed by reconciliation
 4:00 PM—Mass at St. Peter's -In Memory of Peter & Ruth McGinn
Sunday, Oct. 4th— 9:30 AM—For Tom & Maggie Bissen, In Memory of Rusty Buckley, & Bernie & Helen Leinen
 8:00 AM—In Memory of Jack, Mary, & Bob Smith
Tuesday, Oct. 6th—8:30 AM—NO MASS
Wednesday Oct. 7th—8:00 AM—NO MASS
Thursday Oct. 8th— 8:30 AM—Mass at St. Peter's in Defiance— In Thanksgiving—Wes & Joanne Walker
Friday, Oct. 9th— 8:00 AM—In Memory of Bob & Jackie Koesters & Michele Slater
Saturday, Oct. 10th— 4:00 PM—Mass at St. Peter's -In Memory of Dean Bissen
Sunday, Oct. 11th— 9:30 AM—In Memory of Sylvan & Elvira Bissen, & Jason Mumm, & For the Souls In Purgatory
 8:00 AM—In Memory of Dewey Schwarte

Pastor Fr. Dan Gehler—Associate Pastor Fr. Clement Owusu
Confessions will be heard by Fr. Dan or Fr. Clement by appointment

LITURGY PARTICIPANTS

	<u>SUNDAY OCT. 4 9:30 AM</u>	<u>SUNDAY OCT. 11 9:30 AM</u>	<u>SUNDAY OCT. 18 9:30 AM</u>
LECTOR/PETITIONS.....	Joanne Erlbacher	Susie Wilwerding	Jennifer Kohles
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	Shelli Schaben	Kimberly Graeve	Maggie Bissen
MUSIC MINISTERS	Karen & Ted	Katie	Katie

REMEMBER THE SICK & RECOVERING IN YOUR PRAYERS: Ralph Wingert, Alf Wingert, Ted Bissen, Tyler Bruck (Husband of Allison (Gross) Bruck, Leslie Evans (Cousin of Kimberly Graeve), Kaitlin Taylor (friend of Shiela Sonderman), Dave Weis, Jerry Finken, Al Graeve, Leo Hahn, Jerry Bruck, Vernon Bruck, Marv Enger (Brother of Elaine Kramer), Gay Burgod, Madonna Kramer, Sharon Gross, Jim Finken (Son of Edna Schafer), Faye Patten, Kathryn Stessman, Gail Schmitz, Angela Turner, Brian Olerich, Mary Tepe, Patty Kucera (Mary Carroll's daughter), Charlotte Fountain (Niece of Steve & Betty Klein), Jerry Michels, and Jeannine Wingert. Please contact the Parish Office at 747-2091 to add or remove a name.

We will still be livestreaming our masses, including weekday masses until further notice for those who do not want to attend mass in person at this time. Thanks to Brian Dotzler, FMCTC and Fr. Dan for making this possible.

Due to harvest season a Mass at 8:00 A.M. on Sunday mornings will be offered at St. Peters. This temporary schedule will start September 20th and end with the November 22nd Mass. Everyone is welcome and the use of a face mask and social distancing will remain as Covid protocol.

Due to some mischief in the church, the Church will not be open on the weekends except when there is mass. We are sorry for any inconvenience this causes. There will be bulletins inside the back door (East Door) of the RE Building.

St. Michael's Mass is televised on cable TV HMU Channel 15 at 4:00 pm on Sunday and Wednesday, on Mediacom Channel 18 at 4:00 pm on Monday, and on FMCTC Channel 48 at 4:00 pm on Sunday. Mass is also available on demand by accessing the Harlan Knights of Columbus channel on *YouTube*: <https://tinyurl.com/y4ax6z3g>.

Due to the Priest Fall Workshop there will be **NO** daily Masses on **Oct. 5-7** at St. Joseph's or St. Peter's.

St. Joseph's Parish Family would like to wish Fr. Clement a Very Happy Birthday on Friday, October 9th. May God bless you and keep you in his care.

MASS SCHEDULES

St. Joseph's
 Weekday Mass @ 8 AM
 Wednesday & Friday
No Saturday Mass
Sunday Mass @ 9:30 AM

St. Peter's
 Weekday Mass @ 8:30 AM
 Tuesday & Thursday
 Saturday @ 4:00 PM
 No Sunday Mass

St. Michael's
 Weekday Mass @8:15 AM
 Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday
 12:00 PM on Thursday
 Saturday @5:00 PM
 Sunday @ 9:30 AM

RE NEWS: K-6 Grades: Start date for classes will be October 7. A letter will be sent to parents with more details when the date gets closer
CCD parents grades 7,8,11,12 only: CCD classes for Defiance and Earling have been cancelled for this semester due to COVID. Unfortunately, we do not have enough space at the Religious Education Center in Earling to properly social distance.

CCD parents grades 9 and 10 only: Freshmen and Sophomore students from St. Joseph and St. Peter Parishes will be attending preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Michael Parish in Harlan beginning on Wednesday, September 16 from 6:30-8:00. Course meeting dates are one Wednesday each month on the following dates this semester: September 16; October 21; November 18; December 16. If you have any questions please contact Fr. Dan or Susie Fah. Thank you!

Please add to your prayers the students of St. Peter's and St. Joseph's that are preparing for their First Reconciliation in the weeks ahead. Brody Dotzler, Makayla Gross, and Ben Sonderman

THIS WEEK'S COLLECTIONS: *Tithes: \$1135.00* *Plate: \$58.00* *Non-Picnic Picnic Collection To Date: \$60,012.00*

During the pandemic, there will be a daily Mass when there is a funeral. This way our daily Mass parishioners can still attend daily Mass without having to attend the funeral since we are limiting capacity.

We would like to thank everyone for the cards, memorials, phone calls, and the kind expressions of sympathy. Losing Randy so suddenly was really a shock. Keep Kevin, Rick and their families in your prayers. We are very blessed to live in this wonderful community. Don & Lorraine Graeve and the entire Graeve family.

Bloodmobile in Defiance October 1st from 12PM to 6PM. At St Peter's Hall. Contact Betty Keane at 748-3271 or visit ReCrossBlood.org and enter: Defiance IA to schedule an appointment. They are still doing Covid testing.

Our Sister Parish, San Pedro Apostol in Nicaragua is facing hunger during this pandemic. Our Sister Parish coordinator has been working with Food for the Poor and another donor so food can get to San Pedro. If you choose to participate, this is how your donation will be used. If you donate \$25, it will be matched with an additional \$25. These funds will be used to purchase food for San Pedro. To donate, go to <http://www.foodforthe poor.org/PTPA-LA>. This website provides information on how to give and how to select your twin parish. It also includes name and contact information for representatives for Food for the Poor who can answer any questions you may have. The cut-off date for this campaign is October 8th. Thank you for your help!

Catholic Daughters Court #266 Earling: On Thursday, October 8, 6:45 pm we will have a short but important meeting in the Earling Parish Hall. This will be a special meeting as we will have installation of officers for our new term. Plan to wear masks and social distancing will be observed. Please consider attending.

****October is RESPECT LIFE MONTH.** The Theme chosen by the Catholic Bishops for 2020-21 is *"Live the Gospel of Life". "Watching the news and reading the headlines, we may feel helpless seeing the heartbreaking lack of respect for human life. How do we respond when our efforts seem small in the face of the culture of death?"* What can we do to witness a Respect for Life?

1. Take part in **40 Days for Life** from Sept. 23 to Nov. 1 by praying at home for an end to abortion in our country and our world. Sign up to pray at Planned Parenthood in Council Bluffs across from Gabriel's Corner. *78% of women who have had an abortion say that if only one person had encouraged them to have their baby they would have walked away from the abortion.*
2. Read and study the material provided by the US Council of Catholic Bishops at uscbb.org/prolife.
3. Attend our up-coming Life Chain to be held Sunday, October 4, 2020 in Harlan.
4. Develop a personal pro-life heart, *"The essence of our identity and worth, the source of our dignity, is that we are loved by God: "We are not the sum of our weaknesses and failures; we are the sum of the Father's love for us and our real capacity to become the image of his Son."* Remember that each and every person is created and loved by God, therefore deserving of our respect and protection.