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St. Mary News

May 27, 2020



It is with great joy that we welcome you back to Mass at St. Mary and the other parishes in the linkage! We ask for your continued prayers and cooperation as we adjust to the changes necessitated by the coronavirus pandemic.

Dispensation: Remember that everyone is still dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Day Mass until further notice. Please stay safe at home and do not come to Mass if you...

- Are sick, or have recently been sick, or have an underlying medical condition.
- Are frail due to advanced age.
- Are nervous about contracting COVID-19.
- Live with and/or care for someone sick, elderly, at-risk, or with COVID-19.
- Work at or regularly visit high-risk situations, where there are COVID-19 cases.



Even with Mass being offered in our parishes, the above-mentioned folks should stay home, either to protect themselves or others from contagion. For those at home, we will continue to live stream Mass from St. Mark. The link can be found on the linkage website: www.FranklinHardinCatholic.org

Per Archbishop Jackels' directives, we are asking those attending Mass to wear a mask, practice social distancing, and receive Holy Communion in the hand. However, if you do still wish to receive communion on the tongue, as this is a valid way of receiving communion, we ask that you go to the end of the communion line and receive last.

Until further notice, we will not have altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, greeters or gift bearers. Hymnals and books have been removed from the pews to minimize contact points. Unfortunately, we will not have singing at Mass until further notice. All items have been removed from the playroom.

Arrival: Plan to enter through the south or north door. Doors will be propped open and hand sanitizer will be available. Ushers will direct you to seating that is safely spaced. The parish hall door will be locked. We encourage everyone to refrain from entering the parish hall to reduce the need to sanitize the area. Should the main church/Chapel seating be filled, you will be directed to the north foyer.



Collection: If you bring your offering to Mass, please place it in the designated baskets at each entrance as you arrive or depart. There will not be a collection taken during Mass.

Communion: Fr. Kevin will give directions for Communion. Please maintain a distance of 6 feet (approximately 3 pews) while in line.

Bulletins: Printed bulletins will once again be available. Please take one from the table as you depart the church after Mass, or plan to read it online. Other faith materials may be available as you leave. Please do not bring any of these booklets or materials into the church pews.



May 31, 2020

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE (MAY- AUG)

Saturday

4:00 PM St. Mary, Eldora
6:30 PM St. Mary, Ackley

Sunday

8:00 AM* St. Mark, Iowa Falls
10:30 AM St. Patrick, Hampton (English)
5:30 PM St. Patrick, Hampton (Spanish)

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday

8:30 AM St. Mary (Ackley)
5:30 PM* St. Mark (Iowa Falls)

Tuesday

8:30 AM St. Patrick (Hampton)

Wednesday

8:30 AM* St. Mark (Iowa Falls)

Thursday

8:30 AM St. Mary (Eldora)

Friday

No daily Mass.

**Live streamed Mass.*

DAILY MASS RESUMES

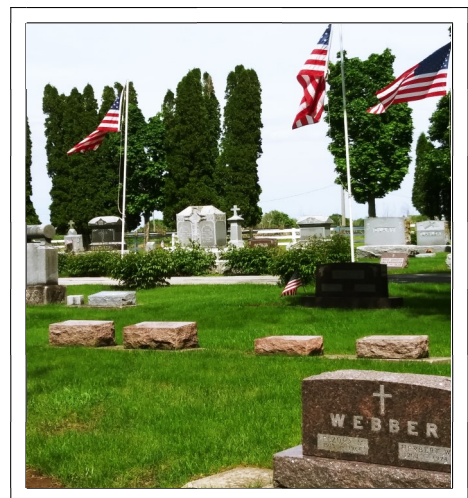
There will be no Masses at the care centers until further notice. There will be a daily Mass each Thursday at 8:30 am at St. Mary. Mass will be in the main church, not the chapel. Please use the south entrance and be seated in the section of the church immediately inside the door. In order to maintain social distancing, some of the pews will remain empty, some you will be able to sit at either end, and some in the middle. They are marked and there will be someone there to assist if you have questions. The pews will be sanitized and all are encouraged but not required to wear masks.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please join others in the parish family at Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday evenings. Remain in your vehicle for adoration in the south parking lot any time from 7:30 to 9:30 pm.

CHAPEL WILL REOPEN ON A DAILY BASIS

The Chapel will be open each day from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm including weekends for individual prayer starting Monday, June 1 . Those using the Chapel are asked to sanitize their area before leaving and before if you wish. Sanitizing items will be available inside the Chapel door.



*St. Mary Cemetery on Memorial Day
Thanks to everyone who made this happen*