



August 18,
2024
20th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

St. Mary St. Patrick

18 de Agosto– El Arca de la NUEVA Alianza (¿María?)

August 18 – The Ark of the NEW Covenant (Mary?)

Let's talk about the Ark of the Covenant. I do not mean Noah's Ark (which was a big boat). I mean a special golden treasure chest that Moses was commanded by the Lord to build (cf Exod 25:10-22).

You may have heard of it from an Indiana Jones movie, *Raiders of the Lost Ark*. Yes, that's the Ark I'm talking about.

The Ark of the Covenant was one of the most sacred physical items in all the Old Testament. It was physical sign of the Sacred Presence of God and was kept in the Holy of Holies, the most sacred room in the heart of the Temple.

When the Ark was completed, the glory cloud of the Lord (the *Shekinah* Glory) covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle (Exod 40:34-35; Nm 9:18, 22). The verb for "to cover" or "to overshadow" and the metaphor of a cloud are used in the Bible to represent the presence and glory of God. Part of what made the Ark of the Covenant so important was because of what it carried. In it were placed three physical signs of God's covenant with his people Israel: Moses' stone tablets of the Covenant ("The Word"), the manna ("Bread from heaven"), and the staff of Moses' brother Aaron that sprouted with lilies as a sign of affirming his priesthood (The High Priest). See Heb 9:4.

But if Jesus Christ came to establish a New Covenant, is there an Ark of the New Covenant?

From ancient times, Christians have seen a connection between the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and the Ark of the Covenant.

Just as the Ark was covered by the glory cloud of the Lord, so Mary was "overshadowed" by the Holy Spirit (Luke 1:35).

Just as the original Ark carried the items of Word, Bread, and the High Priesthood, so Mary carried Christ Himself who is the "Word made Flesh" (John 1), the "Bread from heaven" (John 6), and our High Priest (Letter to the Hebrews).

And just as the Ark was consecrated for this Sacred Purpose, so too was Mary specially chosen and blessed by God. Mary is called by the angel Gabriel, "Favored one" or "Full of Grace" (Luke 1:28), who had "found favor with God" (Luke 1:30). She is also called "Blessed among women" (Luke 1:42), and is one whom "all generations will call blessed" (Luke 1:48).

I share all this, because last week we celebrated the Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary, on Aug. 15 that is, we celebrated her passing over into heaven. Mary's passing over into heaven at the end of her life, is like the Ark of the New Covenant being carried up into the Heavenly Jerusalem, just as the David, with much rejoicing, carried the ark into the earthly Jerusalem (see 1 Chron 15).

And then on Aug. 22, a week after, we celebrate the Coronation of Mary.

Peace

– Fr. Kevin

Hablemos del Arca de la Alianza. No me refiero al Arca de Noé (que fue un gran barco). Me refiero a un cofre del tesoro especial de oro que el Señor le ordenó a Moisés que construyera. (Exod 25:10-22). Quizá hayas escuchado sobre aquello en la película *Indiana Jones y los Cazadores del Arca Perdida*. Sí, a esa arca me refiero.

El Arca de la Alianza fue uno de los artículos físicos más sagrados en todo el antiguo testamento. Era un signo físico de la Sagrada Presencia de Dios y se guardaba en el Lugar Santísimo, la habitación más sagrada en el corazón del Templo de Jerusalén. Cuando se completó el arca, la nube de gloria del Señor (la gloria de *Shekinah*) cubrió la tienda de reunión, y la gloria del Señor llenó el tabernáculo (Exod 40:34-35; Nm 9:18, 22). El verbo "cubrir" o "eclipsar" y la metáfora de una nube, se utilizan en la Biblia para representar la presencia y la gloria de Dios.

Parte de lo que hizo que el Arca de la Alianza fuera tan importante fue su contenido. En ella se colocaron tres señales físicas del pacto de Dios con su pueblo Israel: Las Tablas de la Ley de Moisés ("La Palabra"), el maná ("Pan del cielo"), y la vara de Aarón, el hermano de Moisés, que brotó de lirios como señal de afirmación de su sacerdocio (El Alto sacerdocio). Lee Heb 9:4.

Pero si Jesucristo vino a establecer una Nueva Alianza, ¿existe un Arca de la Nueva Alianza?

Desde la antigüedad, los cristianos han visto una conexión entre la Santísima Virgen María, la madre de Jesús, y el Arca de la Alianza. Así como el Arca fue cubierta por la nube de gloria del Señor, María fue "cubierta por la sombra" del Espíritu Santo (Lucas 1:35). Tal como el Arca original llevaba artículos de la Palabra, Pan y el Alto sacerdocio, así María llevó a Cristo mismo, que es el "Verbo hecho carne" (Juan 1), el "Pan del cielo" (Juan 6), y nuestro Alto sacerdote (Carta de los Hebreos).

Y así como el Arca fue consagrada para este Sagrado Propósito, también María fue especialmente elegida y bendecida por Dios. El ángel Gabriel llama a María, "La favorecida" o "Llena de gracia" (Lucas 1:28), a quien "Dios te ha concedido su favor" (Lucas 1:30). También es llamada "Bendita entre todas las mujeres" (Lucas 1:42), y es a quien "llamarán dichosa todas las generaciones" (Lucas 1:48).

Comparto esto ya que la semana pasada celebramos la Asunción de la Santísima Virgen el 15 de agosto, cuando celebramos su ascensión al cielo. El paso de María al cielo al final de su vida es como el Arca de la Nueva Alianza que es llevada a la Jerusalén celestial; tal como David, con gran regocijo, llevó el arca a la terrena Jerusalén. Lee 1 Cró 15).

Y luego, el 22 de agosto, una semana después, celebramos la Coronación de María.

Paz

– Padre Kevin

St. Mary

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Book Club

September 2 – 6 p.m.

Our Town by Thornton Wilder

Everyone is welcome to join!
Great discussion and fellowship!

Faith Formation Registration

Faith Formation registration forms will be mailed out this coming week. Please watch for your forms and return as soon as you are able. If you don't receive the forms please let the parish office know.

SEPTEMBER PINTEREST HIGHLIGHTS FOR FAMILIES

From the Archdiocese of Dubuque Pinterest

Boards: www.pinterest.com/dbgarch

Check out these September Pinterest topics focused on the family - the Domestic Church!

- the Eucharist for [Children](#), for [Youth](#) and for [Adults](#)
- Mary: [Our Lady, Virgin and Mother](#)
- [Prayer Time](#) for the Domestic Church
- [Parenting Resources](#) for the Domestic Church
- [Grandparenting](#) in the Domestic Church
- Catholic Head-to-Toe for [Children](#) and for [Youth](#)
- [Conversation Starters](#) for the Domestic Church

Stewardship - Treasure

Sunday, August 11, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$716
Offertory	\$132
July	
Online	\$1290
EFT's	\$2040

Give Online www.FranklinHardinCatholic.org/online-giving

Liturgical Ministers

August 25 – Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lector: Doug Lindaman, Jim Wessels

Ushers: Richard Bloom, Gary Bonowitz, Jim Brandt,
Bob Burkle

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Schumacher,
Beth Gronewold

Money Counters: Mary Schumacher, Jim Wessels

Altar Servers: Alex Harms

Song Leader: Barb Keninger

Sacristan: Linda Sudtelgte

If you are unable to fulfill your duties please find your own replacement.

Eucharistic Adoration and Prayers in
Spanish on Saturdays at 5:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome!

There will no longer be Spanish Mass on Saturday

Pastoral Council meeting
August 19 – 5:30 p.m.

Coffee and Rolls
September 1 after Mass

The joy of the Lord is our strength.
Therefore, each of us will accept a life of poverty in cheerful trust. We will offer cheerful obedience from our inward joy. We will minister to Christ in the distressing disguise of the poor with cheerful devotion. If our work is done with joy, we will have no reason to be unhappy.

Thirsting for God – daily meditations by Mother Teresa

St. Patrick

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9:00 AM-1:00 PM, excluding holidays.
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Liturgical Ministries

August 25th, 2024 – Agosto 25th, 2024

Mass – August 25th, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Lector: Denielle Conlon
Ushers: April Schoning, Trey Horton
Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Ann Patton, Ruth Ann Kelch
Money Counters: Sherry Peterson, Marilyn Brocka
Altar Servers: James Conlon, Ruby Alonzo, Rymer Velica
Sacristan: April Schoning
Linens: Sue Garrett

Spanish Mass – August/Agosto 25th, 2024 5:30 p.m.

Lector: Esther Garcia, Carmen Garcia
Ministros de Eucarísticos: Esther Garcia, Rafael Garcia
Contador es de Dinero: Ambar Flores, Raquel Garcia
Monaguillos: Adan Rodriguez, Justin Guillen, Marcos Barradas
Sacristan: Brenda Diosdado

**You are responsible to find your own replacement.
Usted es responsable de encontrar su propio reemplazo.**

Happenings Week of August 18, 2024

Monday/ Lunes August 19th/ Agosto 19th

1:00 PM “Say Their Name” Grief Group

Tuesday/ Martes August 20th/ Agosto 20th

8:30 AM Mass
6:00 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting
7:00 PM AA/Al-Anon (RE Center)

Wednesday/ Miercoles – August 21st / Agosto 22nd

10:00 AM-12:00 PM Food Pantry/Despensa de Alimentos (Social Hall)
9:30-11:30 AM Crafts/Artesanía (Religious Ed Center)

Thursday/ Jueves August 22nd / Agosto 22nd

8:30 AM - Mass
6:00-8:00 PM Adoration/Adoración

Sunday/ Domingo August 25th / Agosto 25th

10:30 AM Mass/Misa
5:30 PM Mass/Misa

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Letters and Registrations have been sent out for Confirmation Classes start Aug. 28th at 7:00 PM
Faith Formation Classes Begin Sept. 25th at 6:30 PM
Contact the Parish Office for more information.
Se han enviado cartas e inscripciones

Las clases de confirmación comienzan el 28 de agosto a las 7:00 p.m. Las clases de formación en la fe comienzan el 25 de septiembre a las 6:30 p.m. Póngase en contacto con la Oficina Parroquial para obtener más información.



Sunday, September 15, 2024

Mass 3:00 PM
(no 10:30 AM or 5:30 PM Mass)
followed by
Food, Games, Fun and More!



More information will be sent by mail!



El domingo 15 de septiembre de 2024.
Misa de las 3:00 p. m. (no hay misa de las 10:30 a. m. ni de las 5:30 p. m.)
Después de la comida, habrá juegos, diversión y mucho más.
Por favor, anota la fecha en tu calendario.



“SAY THEIR NAME” GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS BEGINNING MONDAY, AUGUST 19TH 1:00 PM ST. PATRICK CHURCH

Everyone experiences grief in their lifetime whether it be a parent, spouse, child, good friend or even a beloved pet. This is led by lay people who have experienced grief and survived it.

It is free, confidential and everyone is welcome!
Contact St. Patrick Church Office
641-456-4857,
Maggie 641-425-1046 or
Fran 515-290-5147

STEWARDSHIP TREASURY SUNDAY AUGUST 11, 2024

REGULAR	\$ 3,499.00
OFFERTORY	\$ 60.00
BUILDINGS & GROUNDS	\$ 50.00
FOOD PANTRY	\$ 325.00
ON-LINE & EFT GIVING JULY	\$ 3,604.00

Give On-Line at www.franklinhardincatholic.org online-giving.
Dona en línea para www.franklinhardincatholic.org donaciones en línea.

SAVE THE DATE



The Fall Dinner date has been set for November 16th, 2024
Contact Liz Carr if you want a new assignment or if you have any questions, 641-425-0266, terryliz86@gmail.com





St. Patrick parking lot paving project

Thank you to Ryan, Travis and Dwight Peterson,
Rachel Heilskov, Mike Hartman and CTI Ready Mix

Items needed

St. Patrick will be starting a Level II Atrium and we are in need of some items. If you are able to help please leave at the parish office.

- Shelving: bookcases and cube shelving
- Colored pencils
- Bibles in other languages other than English and Spanish

The items do not need to be new!
Thanks in advance for your generosity!

Pray for...

Cathy Kuper, Darwin Wikert,
Megan (Keninger) Hesnard,
Jacob Sudtelgte



Please make use of your parish's prayer chain:
St. Mary, Ackley:
Jolene Harms at stmarystpatrick@gmail.com
St. Patrick, Hampton:
Mary Ann Patton at thepattons4@gmail.com

Faith Formation Classes to begin

St. Mary – September 18 afternoon classes only
Evening classes will begin October 2
St. Patrick – September 24 – all ages 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, August 19	8:30 a.m. Doc Fetter	St. Mary
Tuesday, August 20	8:30 a.m. Lucile Nelson	St. Patrick
Wednesday, August 21	8:30 a.m. Mike O'Brien	St. Mary
Thursday, August 22	8:30 a.m. Duane Kelch	St. Patrick
Sunday, August 25	8:00 a.m. Doc Fetter	St. Mary
	10:30 a.m. Jim Ibeling	St. Patrick
	5:30 p.m. For the people	St. Patrick Spanish

Live stream of Mass
www.franklinhardincatholic.org/livestream
YouTube Channel: Franklin Hardin Catholic