

# St. Mary Catholic Church & St. Patrick Catholic Church

May 17, 2026

*Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord*



## **May 17, 2026 – Our Lady of Pompeii and Pope Leo's Anniversary**

Bartolo Longo was a young Italian lawyer in the 1860s who had become involved in Satanism and even was ordained a Satanic priest. However with the help of a Dominican friar and nun, who introduced him to devotion to the Virgin Mary and the rosary, Longo renounced his Satanism and returned to the Catholic Church.

To bring about spiritual renewal, Bartolo Longo encouraged public devotion to the rosary as a means of leading the people back to God. Thus, he built the shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii.

Our current Pope Leo XIV was elected Pope on May 8, the anniversary of this very shrine, and so just visited this shrine for his anniversary. Here is an excerpt from Pope Leo's homily there:

*"One hundred and fifty years ago, by laying the foundation stone of this Shrine, on the site where the eruption of Vesuvius in 79 AD had buried the signs of a great civilization under ash, preserving them for centuries, Saint Bartolo Longo, together with his wife Countess Marianna Farnararo De Fusco, laid the foundations not only of a temple, but of an entire Marian city...Saint John Paul II, speaking in this place of grace on 7 October 2003, said, 'Today as in the times of ancient Pompeii, it is vital to proclaim Christ to a society that is drifting away from Christian values and even forgetting about them'.*

*Exactly one year ago, when I was entrusted with the ministry of the Successor of Peter, it was precisely the day of the Supplication to the Virgin, this beautiful day of the Supplication to Our Lady of the Rosary of Pompeii! So, I had to come here, to place my service under the protection of the Holy Virgin. My choice of the name Leo places me in the footsteps of Leo XIII, who, among his other merits, also developed an extensive Magisterium on the Holy Rosary. Added to all this is the recent canonization of Saint Bartolo Longo, apostle of the Rosary....*

*...Saint Bartolo Longo was an apostle of the Rosary and, at the same time, an apostle of charity. In this Marian city, he took in orphans and the children of prisoners, showing the regenerative strength of love. Here even the smallest and the weakest are welcomed and cared for in the Works of the Sanctuary. The Rosary directs our eyes towards the needs of the world... in particular two intentions that remain of pressing relevance: the family, which is suffering from the weakening of the marital bond, and peace, threatened by international tensions and by an economy that prioritizes the arms trade over respect for human life...*

*...From this Shrine, whose façade Saint Bartolo Longo conceived as a monument to peace, we faithfully raise our supplication today. Jesus told us that prayer offered in faith can obtain anything (cf. Mt 21:22). Through [Mary's] intercession, may the God of peace pour out an overflowing abundance of mercy, touching hearts, soothing grudges and fratricidal hatred, and enlightening those who bear the special responsibilities of governance."*

Peace,  
-Fr. Kevin

## **17 de mayo – Aniversario de Nuestra Señora de Pompeya y del Papa León XIV**

Bartolo Longo fue un joven abogado italiano que vivió en la década de 1860. Se involucró en el satanismo y fue ordenado sacerdote satánico; sin embargo, con la ayuda de una monja y de un fraile dominico quienes lo introdujeron a la devoción a la Virgen María y al rosario, Longo renunció a su satanismo y regresó a la Iglesia católica. Para lograr la renovación espiritual, Longo fomentó la devoción pública al rosario como medio para guiar al pueblo de vuelta a Dios. Así entonces, construyó el santuario de Nuestra Señora de Pompeya. El Papa León XIV celebró el aniversario de su elección, este 8 de mayo, con una peregrinación al santuario de Pompeya, coincidiendo con el aniversario de este mismo. A continuación, un extracto de la homilía del Papa León allí:

*"Hace ciento cincuenta años, al colocar la primera piedra de este santuario — en el mismo lugar donde la erupción del Vesubio en el año 79 d.C. había sepultado bajo las cenizas los vestigios de una gran civilización, preservándolos durante siglos — San Bartolo Longo, junto con su esposa, la condesa Marianna Farnararo De Fusco, sentó las bases no solo de una iglesia, sino de toda una ciudad mariana ... San Juan Pablo II, hablando en este lugar de gracia el 7 de octubre de 2003, dijo, 'Hoy, como en los tiempos de la antigua Pompeya, es vital proclamar a Cristo ante una sociedad que se está alejando de los valores cristianos e incluso los olvida'.*

*Exactamente hace un año, cuando me fue confiado el ministerio de Sucesor de Pedro, era precisamente el día de la Súplica a la Virgen del Santo Rosario de Pompeya. Por eso debía venir aquí, para poner mi servicio bajo la protección de la Virgen Santa". Además, ha destacado el vínculo entre el nombre pontificio que eligió y León XIII, Papa que impulsó ampliamente la devoción al Rosario a través de "un amplio Magisterio". A todo esto se suma la reciente canonización de San Bartolo Longo, apóstol del Rosario ....*

*... San Bartolo Longo fue apóstol del Rosario y apóstol de la caridad. En esta ciudad mariana acogió a huérfanos e hijos de presos, mostrando la fuerza regeneradora del amor. También hoy aquí los más pequeños y los más débiles son acogidos y cuidados en las Obras del Santuario. El Rosario dirige nuestra mirada hacia las necesidades del mundo ... en particular, dos intenciones que siguen siendo de gran importancia: la familia, que sufre el debilitamiento del vínculo matrimonial, y la paz, amenazada por tensiones internacionales y por una economía que prioriza el comercio de armas sobre el respeto a la vida humana ...*

*... Desde este Santuario, cuya fachada San Bartolo Longo concibió como monumento a la paz, alzamos fielmente nuestra súplica hoy. Jesús nos dijo que la oración ofrecida en fe puede obtener cualquier cosa (cf. Mt 21:22). Por medio de la intercesión [de María], que el Dios de la paz derrame una abundancia desbordante de misericordia, tocando corazones, apaciguando los rencores y el odio fratricida, e iluminando a quienes tienen responsabilidades especiales de gobierno".*

Paz

— Padre Kevin

# St. Mary

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## Book Club



Read and discuss  
June 9 @ 5:30pm  
will discuss

"The Shadows We Hide" by Allen Eskens

July 14 at 5:30 p.m.

Will discuss "Under the Tulip Tree"

By Michelle Shocklee

Everyone is welcome to join! Great discussion and fellowship!

Mark your calendar

## BIBLE SCHOOL

June 1-4 - 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

### BIBLE SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

We will need supplies for Bible School. The supply tree is up at the back of church. Purchase the item and leave it in the basket at the back of church.

We are also in need of quart glass jars.

Dear St. Mary Church,

Thank you so much for the funeral service. We truly appreciate your support of our family.

Nymeyer family

**Pastoral Council meeting**  
**May 19 at 5:30 p.m.**

## Stewardship - Treasure

Sunday, May 10, 2026

Adult Envelopes \$1035

Offertory \$211

Give Online [www.FranklinHardinCatholic.org/online-giving](http://www.FranklinHardinCatholic.org/online-giving)

## Liturgical Ministers

May 24 – Pentecost Sunday

Lectors: Jodi Uthe, Scott O'Brien

Ushers: Richard Bloom, Mike Bonewitz, Jim Brandt, Jorge Montes

Eucharistic Ministers: Denise Sprain, Lisa Kielty

Money Counters: Mary Schumacher, Jodi Uthe,

Altar Servers: Alex Harms

Sacristan: Jodi Uthe

Please remember to find your own replacements

Rosary in Spanish on  
Saturdays at 5:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome!

## Memorial Day Mass

May 25 Mass will be held at the St. Mary's Cemetery.

It will follow the services uptown and the service at Oakwood at

approximately 10 a.m.

If the weather is inclement Mass will be held at the Church.



## Thank you

Thank you to Ackley Publishing for the donation of printed envelopes!

Congratulations to the  
seniors at St. Mary  
Sophie deNeui and Sophia Lazo

"Please, let Christ and his Word  
enter your life; let the seed of the  
Word of God enter,  
Let it blossom, and let it  
Grow."



Pope Francis

# St. Patrick

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## Liturgical Ministries

May 24th, 2026 -Mayo 24th, 2026

### Mass—May 24th, 2026 10:30 a.m.

Lector: Maggie Pearson  
Ushers: April Schoning, Phil O' Connor  
Eucharistic Ministers: Joe & Lili Alonzo  
Money Counters: Millicent Fielding, Sue Basye  
Altar Servers: Cameron Horton, Yamilla Fuentes. Ruby Alonzo  
Sacristan: Joe & Lili Alonzo  
Linens: Donna Devereux

### Spanish Mass— Mayo 24th, 2025 5:30 p.m

Lectors: Margarita Rincon, Jacqueline Cornejo  
Ministros de Eucarísticos: Lizbeth Garcia, Sheyla Soto  
Contador es de Dinero: Rafael Garcia, Gabriela Garcia  
Monaguillo: Ayleen Rodriguez, Ariste Ramirez, Adan Rodriguez  
Sacristan: TBD

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

## Happenings Week of May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026

### Tuesday/ Martes May 19th/ Mayo 19th

8:30 AM Mass  
7:00 PM AA/Al-Anon (RE Center)

### Wednesday/ Miercoles – May 20th / Mayo 20th

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Food Pantry/Despensa de Alimentos  
(Social Hall)

### Thursday/ Jueves – May 21st/ Mayo 21st

1:00 – 3:00 PM Crafts – Social Hall  
5:30 PM Mass  
6:00 PM Adoration

### Sunday/ Domingo May 24th/ Mayo 24th

10:30 AM Mass  
5:30 PM Mass Spanish

## CONGRATULATIONS 2026 GRADUATES



### The St. Patrick Graduates:

Daniel Blanco	Trace Brocka
Yareli Castro	Thalia Coloriano
Antonio Alberta Andres Govea	Jairo Yurem Martinez
Liam Murray	Jeymi Rivera
America Dominguez Rincon	Isabela Romero
Ayleen Rodriguez	Brody Strother
Osvaldo Sanchez	Jaslene Tevalon
Ryder Strother	Juan Valenzuela
Emily Valladores	

Congratulations and blessings to our St. Patrick graduates as they finish this journey and embark on new adventures.

*Heavenly Father, surround our graduates with Your grace. Bless them with hope as they step into the future with eager and open hearts. Guide them to use the knowledge, skills, and insights they've gained through their education for the good of all humanity. Amen.*



## HAMPTON COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

“Thank you for donating blood. We greatly appreciate the time you take to do this for us and others. My husband has stage 4 cancer, we’re praying he will be able to see our girl graduation high school in May. God bless you!”

**Tuesday, May 26th**  
**12:30 PM - 5:30 PM**  
Hampton - St. Paul Lutheran Church  
17 2nd Street NE, Hampton, IA 50441

WALK INS WELCOME



TEXT lifeserve to 515.815.7242 | CALL 800.287.4903 | VISIT lifeservebloodcenter.org



## STEWARDSHIP TREASURY SUNDAY MAY 10th, 2026

REGULAR	\$ 2,807.00
OFFERTORY	\$ 611.00
FOOD PANTRY	\$ 75.00

Give On-Line at [www.franklinhardincatholic.org](http://www.franklinhardincatholic.org) online-giving.  
Dona en línea para [www.franklinhardincatholic.org](http://www.franklinhardincatholic.org) donaciones en línea.

## Sacramental Giving – Tithing

All parishioners are encouraged to use electronic giving to ensure timely and predictable funding for parish needs. In July, money placed in a collection basket should be identified using your parishioner envelope and those funds will be deposited into your parish's bank account. Any loose cash (not in a labeled envelope) placed in a collection basket will go towards the joint expenses of the pastorate. AN AUTOPAY FORM IS AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. PLEASE TURN INTO THE PARISH OFFICE !

# Journey In Faith

## Journey in Faith: Diverting Funds to an Outside 501c3 Corporation

While parishioners are free to support causes they care about, it is important to be clear that donations to independent nonprofit organizations are not a substitute for parish offertory giving. The most important way to support your parish is through your continued prayer, engagement, and financial stewardship. There are groups asking for parishioners to divert funds from tithing to a 501c3 organization. Diverting tithing to an outside group will have unintended consequences to parish life.

Parishioners are encouraged to support their parish through the tithing methods set up by each individual parish. Your parish relies on offertory support to remain a vibrant center of sacramental life, pastoral care, and mission. These funds directly support your pastor, staff, ministries, and the broader life of the parish.

Outside organizations operate independently and are not part of the parish or the Archdiocese. As a result, diverting financial support to them can diminish the resources available for the parish and people it serves. Your pastor, parish council, and finance council will not have oversight or access to funds from outside groups. It is not likely or guaranteed your gift to these 501c3 organizations will benefit your parish. If parishioners divert funds to outside groups, this will dramatically impact a parish's ability to fund their operations and ministries and maintain parish vitality. For this reason, parishioners are strongly encouraged to continue prioritizing their giving to their parish, where their support directly sustains the Church's mission and ministry in their local community.

## Thank you

We want to thank the parishioners of St. Patrick Catholic Church for their kindness, thoughtfulness and memorials shown to us in the loss of our loved one Larry Prause.

Thank you to all that were involved in the Mass and for the delicious meal that was served.

## The Family of Larry Prause

### Please make use of your parish's prayer chain:

#### St. Mary, Ackley:

Jolene Harms at [stmaryspatrick@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryspatrick@gmail.com)

#### St. Patrick, Hampton:

Mary Ann Patton at [thepattons4@gmail.com](mailto:thepattons4@gmail.com)



## In Remembrance

## Larry Prause

*May He Rest In Peace*

Funeral was at St. Patrick – May 4

## 50 Year Celebration

"In thanksgiving of his fifty years as a priest Msgr. Jim Miller will be celebrating a Mass of Thanksgiving at Nativity Parish in Dubuque, Iowa which is located at 1225 Alta Vista St. This Mass has been scheduled for the date of his ordination which is Friday, May 22, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. which was a Saturday 50 years ago. All are welcome. Your gift will be your presence and/or your prayers.

The Lord has indeed blessed him.

*Msgr. Jim Miller or as you might know him better as Fr. Jim or Padre Jaime.*

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Monday, May 18

8:30 a.m. Pat Ibeling St. Mary

### Tuesday, May 19

8:30 a.m. Joyce Riese Hanson St. Patrick

### Wednesday, May 20

8:30 a.m. Jane Pengra St. Mary

### Thursday, May 21

5:30 p.m. Souls in Purgatory St. Patrick

### Sunday, May 24

8:00 a.m. Franciscans of the Eucharist  
St. Mary  
10:30 a.m. Harold Gallagher  
St. Patrick  
5:30 p.m. For the People  
St. Patrick  
Spanish

Live stream of Mass

[www.franklinhardincatholic.org/livestream](http://www.franklinhardincatholic.org/livestream)