



St. Mary Catholic Church & St. Patrick Catholic Church

May 24, 2026 - Pentecost

May 24, 2026 – Pray for our newly ordained priests. Meet Fr.

Peter Binder!

This weekend we had four men ordained as priests for the Archdiocese of Dubuque!

Please pray for our newly ordained priests:

Fr. Peter Binder, Fr. Joshua Krischel,

Fr. Jacob Francois, and Fr. Thiet Hoang.

Here are some reflections from Fr. Peter

Binder, who will be serving the Mason City Pastorate (English and Spanish).

Where/when did your sense of call develop?

Having come into a stronger and more active embrace of the Catholic faith in my late years in high school, I was well seeded to begin to gain a sense of my call. Although I had some inklings of it in high school, I was still very much bound by a sense of earthly success. My focus was on getting a useful degree in college in order to land a well-paying job with good mobility. As I studied at Iowa State, however, I found that this end was ultimately empty. Although I found beauty and joy in my mathematical studies and in my long devotion to music, I soon saw that those alone could not satisfy the longing which was laid up in my heart. At the same time, I had begun to seek the truth more deeply in philosophy. This love of wisdom spurred me on to love of truth in Christ. However, as Plato lays out in the Gorgias, if one loves truth, one cannot hoard it. The lover of truth must desire for others to share in that truth. Thus my call was laid out for me: a desire for a transcendent commitment and a desire to share the truth which lay at the heart of that commitment.

What was your main motivation in pursuing your call?

I can describe my motivation under two movements, one of dying to the world and one of living in Christ. In the first, I recognized the insufficiency of the world and its offerings. As I have described, I was drawn towards some sort of transcendent end. This side of my motivation was greatly developed through music and philosophy, especially the music of Charles Tournemire. These two disciplines taught me to look beyond what is immediately apparent. I began to recognize that my happiness could not lie in worldly achievement. However, this negative movement could not be complete without a complementary positive movement, that of life in Christ. For me, my motivation to this life lies in the desire to direct others to Christ and His truth and love, as the heart to the fountains of water described in Psalm 42. Having found myself in Christ, what could be left but to share that greatest treasure, that summum bonum with all of those that God calls!?

What aspects of priestly ministry are you looking forward to as you approach ordination?

I look forward to drawing my life and offering life to my parish through the daily celebration of the Mass and sacraments.

Peace,

-Fr. Kevin



May 24 – Reza por nuestros sacerdotes recién ordenados. Conoce al Padre Peter Binder

Este fin de semana ¡cuatro hombres fueron ordenados sacerdotes para la Arquidiócesis de Dubuque!

Por favor, recen por nuestros sacerdotes recién ordenados: **Padres Peter**

Binder, Joshua Krischel, Jacob Francois y Thiet Hoang.

A continuación, algunas reflexiones del P. Peter Binder, quien servirá al pastorado de Mason City (inglés y español).

¿Dónde y cuándo se desarrolló tu sentido a la vocación sacerdotal?

Habiendo adoptado la fe católica con más fuerza y actividad en mis últimos años de la escuela secundaria, me sentía bien preparado para empezar a sentir mi llamado. Aunque

había tenido algunos indicios en la escuela secundaria, seguía muy atado a un sentido de éxito terrenal. Mi objetivo era obtener un título útil en la universidad para conseguir un trabajo bien remunerado y con buena movilidad. Sin embargo, mientras estudiaba en Iowa State, descubrí que este extremo estaba finalmente vacío. Aunque encontré belleza y alegría en mis estudios de matemáticas y en mi larga devoción por la música, pronto vi que aquellos solos, no satisfacían el anhelo que guardaba en mi corazón. Al mismo tiempo, había empezado a buscar la verdad más profundamente en la filosofía. Este amor por la sabiduría me impulsó a amar la verdad en Cristo. Sin embargo, como expone Platón en el Gorgias, si uno ama la verdad, no puede acapararla. El amante de la verdad debe desear que otros compartan esa verdad. Entonces, se expuso mi llamado: el deseo de un compromiso trascendente y un anhelo de compartir la verdad que estaba en el corazón de ese compromiso.

¿Cuál fue tu principal motivación para continuar con tu llamado?

Puedo describir mi motivación en dos movimientos, uno de morir al mundo y otro de vivir en Cristo. En el primero, reconocí la insuficiencia del mundo y sus ofertas. Como he descrito, me sentí atraído por algún tipo de final trascendente. Este lado de mi motivación se desarrolló mucho a través de la música y la filosofía, especialmente la música de Charles Tournemire. Estas dos disciplinas me enseñaron a mirar más allá de lo que es inmediatamente evidente. Empecé a reconocer que mi felicidad no podía residir en el logro mundano. Sin embargo, este movimiento negativo no podría estar completo sin un movimiento positivo complementario, el de la vida en Cristo. Para mí, mi motivación para esta vida radica en el deseo de dirigir a otros hacia Cristo y su verdad y amor, como el corazón hacia las fuentes de agua descritas en el Salmo 42. Habiéndome encontrado en Cristo, ¿qué podría quedar sino compartir ese mayor tesoro, ese *summum bonum* con todos aquellos a quienes Dios llama?

¿Qué aspectos del ministerio sacerdotal esperas con ilusión al acercarse la ordenación?

Espero con ilusión dibujar mi vida y ofrecer vida a mi parroquia a través de la celebración diaria de la Misa y los sacramentos.

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.

Quilts on the roll at St. Mary

St. Mary will be making quilts to distribute as comfort quilts and to be donated. It will take place on the 2nd Tuesday of the month starting June 9 - 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. in the parish hall. Even if you don't sew your help is needed. Lunch will be provided. For more info check the newsletter or there is a flyer at the back of church or talk to Denise Sprain. Hope to see you there!



Stewardship - Treasure

Sunday, May 17, 2026

Adult Envelopes \$620

Offertory \$234

Retirement Religious \$50

Give Online www.FranklinHardinCatholic.org/online-giving

Liturgical Ministers

May 31 – The Most Holy Trinity

Lector: Jim Wessels, Denise Sprain

Ushers: Jacob Harms, Shawn Loughren,

Clayton Harms, Caleb Harms

Eucharistic Minister: Molly Forgy, Mary Schumacher

Money Counters: Jim Wessels, Jeff Frazier

Altar Servers: Lucas Mausser

Sacristan: Jim Wessels

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.



"Remember what Jesus said: 'I am the light of the world; those who follow me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life' (John 8:12, NAB)"
Pope John Paul II



St. Patrick

1405 N. Federal, Hampton 641-456-4857
 Office Hours: Monday through Thursday
 9:00 AM-1:00 PM, excluding holidays.
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Liturgical Ministries

May 31st, 2026 - Mayo 31st, 2026

Mass—May 31st, 2026 10:30 a.m.

Lector: Patrick Kelly
 Ushers: Greg Cavazos, Ryne Magner
 Eucharistic Ministers: May Ann Patton, Ruth Ann Kelch
 Money Counters: Madonna Weiland, Margy Suter
 Altar Servers: James & Joseph Conlon, Kael Sullivan
 Sacristan: Joe & Lili Alonzo
 Linens: Donna Devereux

Spanish Mass— Mayo 31st, 2025 5:30 p.m

Lectors: Janeth Mateo, Blas Gonzalez
 Ministros de Eucarísticos: Jacqueline Cornejo, Anabel Ramirez
 Contador es de Dinero: Margarita Rincon, Blas Gonzalez
 Monaguillo: Justin Guillen, Darvin Ramirez, Liam Rodriguez
 Sacristan: TBD

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

Happenings Week of May 24th, 2026

Tuesday/ Martes May 26th/ Mayo 26th

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

Wednesday/ Miercoles – May 27th / Mayo 27th

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

Thursday/ Jueves – May 28th/ Mayo 28th

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

Sunday/ Domingo May 31st/ Mayo 31st

10:30 AM Mass
 5:30 PM Mass Spanish

CONGRATULATIONS 2026 GRADUATES



The St. Patrick Graduates:



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

SCAN CODE TO SCHEDULE



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



STEWARDSHIP TREASURY

SUNDAY MAY 17th, 2026

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| REGULAR | \$ 754.00 |
| OFFERTORY | \$ 345.00 |

Give On-Line at www.franklinhardincatholic.org online-giving.
 Dona en línea para 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: Liturgical Ministry after July 14
As part of the preparation for pastorate life in July 2026, our parish staff has been meeting weekly to participate in a "prep series" presented by the archdiocese. Each week the prep series focuses on a specific topic. A recent topic was Planning for July Masses. Our parish, along with those in our new pastorate, will begin collectively planning to celebrate Liturgy together in the named weekend Mass locations. We will be planning for liturgical ministers, music, hospitality, and more. Part of that planning will be inviting all liturgical ministers from all parishes to continue their ministry. In the month of June, liturgical ministers will receive information on their specific ministry.



In Remembrance Larry Prause

May He Rest In Peace

Funeral was at St. Patrick – May 4

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

TOTUS TUUS
summer catechetical experience

JULY 12-17

Totus Tuus
"TOTALLY YOURS"

DAY PROGRAM
ENTERING GRADES 1-6
July 13 - 17
Monday - Friday
9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

TEEN PROGRAM
ENTERING GRADES 7-12
July 12 - 16
Sunday - Thursday
6:30 PM - 8:45 PM

ST. MARK CHURCH
415 Main St, Iowa Falls

register
Forms located in the foyers or email:
Rachel Mosher (St. Mary) r.mosher@DBQarch.org
Megan Braman (St. Mark) m.braman@DBQarch.org

MASS SCHEDULE

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| Monday, May 25 | Approximately 10 a.m. | Glen Green |
| | | St. Mary's Cemetery |
| Tuesday, May 26 | 8:30 a.m. | Betty & Jerry Earleywine |
| | | St. Patrick |
| Wednesday, May 27 | 8:30 a.m. | Muriel Dix |
| | | St. Mary |
| Thursday, May 28 | 5:30 p.m. | Alberta (VanDyke) |
| | | Speedy Opperman |
| | | St. Patrick |
| Sunday, May 31 | 8:00 a.m. | Dan Calhoon |
| | 10:30 a.m. | For the people |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Maria Elena Acuna |
| | | St. Mary |
| | | St. Patrick |
| | | St. Patrick Spanish |

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

Live stream of Mass

www.franklinhardincatholic.org/livestream

YouTube Channel: Franklin Hardin Catholic

Father Kevin Earleywine

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