St. Patrick Catholic Church
St. Mary Catholic Church



Pastorate Pastor's Pen

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick—The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated in the pastorate parishes this weekend.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is celebrated with Catholics who have reached the age of reason (age seven), who are ill and have fallen into danger. Danger in this context means a person's health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age. The criteria for anointing a person includes:

- A serious condition due to disease, a wound, accident or notable weakness due to old age.
- When s/he will undergo surgery when a **serious illness** is the reason for it.
- One who is elderly and has become notably weakened although no serious illness is present.
- A child who is seriously ill, has reached the age of reason (seven years old) and would be strengthened by receiving the sacrament.

The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed—All Souls Day—Monday, November 2nd Ordinary Time will conclude with the First Sunday of Advent on Sunday, November 29th. During the final weeks before Advent, the Church calls out attention to the Four Last Things. They are: Death, Particular Judgment, Heaven and Hell.

Even though our culture teaches us to avoid death and its contemplation, this month is a frank reminder that all of us will die. Since that is the case, it is logical to ask what will happen to me when I die? Upon death, you will meet God. He will review your life showing you the good and evil in your life. The result of the particular judgement, you will be welcomed into Heaven, consigned to Hell, or to purification before Heaven in Purgatory. I realize this is direct, but why not say it as it is? Here's what the Catechism of the Catholic Church [CCC] teaches about this matter (the number refers to the paragraph in the Catechism):

1021 Death puts an end to human life as the time open to either accepting or rejecting the divine grace manifested in Christ. The New Testament speaks of judgment primarily in its aspect of the final encounter with Christ in his second coming, but also repeatedly affirms that each will be rewarded immediately after death in accordance with his works and faith. The parable of the poor man Lazarus and the words of Christ on the cross to the good thief, as well as other New Testament texts speak of a final destiny of the soul -a destiny which can be different for some and for others.

1022 Each man receives his eternal retribution in his immortal soul at the very moment of his death, in a particular judgment that refers his life to Christ: either entrance into the blessedness of heaven-through a purification or immediately, -or immediate and everlasting damnation.

At the evening of life, we shall be judged on our love.

What about Purgatory? When I was a kid in the mid-1960's, we were taught about Purgatory only to be later set aside because it was considered to be something the Church made up. It wasn't until later that I rediscovered Purgatory and its logic and how it is anchored in the teachings of the Church. The Church teaches the existential reality of Purgatory because there are those who die "in God's grace and friendship" (CCC 1030), but are not prepared to enter Heaven. They are assured of their eternal salvation, but after death are purified to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven (CCC 1030). This isn't Hell, but a preparation for Heaven which may well include purifying and expiatory suffering after death. Those in Purgatory can receive the consolation of the Eucharist, prayer and almsgiving. The Church reflected upon Purgatory through various Church councils. The Councils of Florence (1439) and of Trent (1563) were especially important for the development of the doctrine.

The teaching on Purgatory includes the practice of praying for the dead. We do so, for example, usually at the end of the Prayers of the Faithful at Mass and during the Eucharistic Prayer. Prayers for the deceased individual is central to the funeral liturgy. In scripture, Judas Maccabeus made atonement for the dead so that they might be delivered from their sin (2 Macc 12:46). From its very beginning, the Church has honored the dead through prayers for them, and above all through the Mass, so that the deceased may be purified and enter into Heaven. The Church also allows for almsgiving, indulgences and works of penance on behalf of the dead (CCC 1032). That said, November 2nd, All Souls Day, is an important liturgical day when we pray for the dead especially during Mass. You can always pray for the dead, and please do, because it is a beautiful act of charity. All Souls Day is dedicated to the gathering of the faithful to pray for the dead with one voice and one heart, trusting that Christ, raised from the dead, has destroyed the power that death has over us.

I hope that you will be able to attend one of the Masses we will be celebrating in the pastorate for All Souls Day. The Mass times, location and language are in this bulletin. May we be a blessing to our deceased family members, friends and even those we don't know by praying for them at Mass.

St. Mary

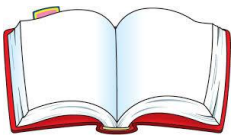
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Liturgical Ministers

November 5 – 8:30 a.m. Mass
Lector : Linda Sudtelgte
Sacristan: Jim Wessels

Book Club

Read and discuss



Read in October to
discuss on November 3rd
The Most Fun We Ever Had
by Claire Lombardo
Read in November to discuss
November 30 at 5 p.m.
Soup and Side Supper
The Christmas Wish
by Ricard Siddow
Everyone is welcome to join! Great discussion and fellowship!

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays – 11:30 – 12:30
In the church

Rosary in Spanish on
Saturdays at 5:30 p.m.
Everyone is welcome!



Confession Times

Webster City Saturday 3:30 to 4:30
Webster City Sunday 9:00 to 9:30
Clarion Sunday 8:00 to 8:30
Iowa Falls Saturday 4:00 to 4:30

All Souls

"Remember Those Who Have Died In The Peace of Christ and All The Dead Whose Faith Is Known To You Alone."
(Fourth Eucharistic Prayer)

We will light a candle for the St. Mary parishioners who have passed away in the last year. We will light those candles in their memory on November 5 at the 8:30 a.m. Mass.
Gary Bonewitz
Kay King
Marlyn Nymeyer
David Deike

The Book of Remembrance is at the back of church





If we draw near to Jesus, if we stay with him, what seems to be cold water, difficulty, sin, is changed into the new wine of friendship with him.

- Pope Francis, World Youth Day 2013,
- Homily at Aparecida, Brazil

Fall Festival

Drive thru take-out only
St. Mary Catholic Church, Williams
Everyone welcome
Sunday, November 1 – 4-6 p.m.
Menu: Chicken and noodles, meat loaf, mashed potatoes, corn, salad, pie
$15 per meal

St. Patrick

1405 N. Federal, Hampton 641-456-4857
Office Hours: Monday through Thursday
9:00 AM-1:00 PM, excluding holidays.
dbq097sec@dbqarch.org

Liturgical Ministries

Mass—November 8, 2026 9:00 a.m.

Lector: Christy Magner
Ushers: April Schoning, Phil O'Connor
Eucharistic Ministers: Joe & Lili Alonzo, Dwight & Sherry Peterson
Money Counters: Millicent Fielding, Sue Basye
Altar Servers: Drew & Cameron Horton, Ruby Alonzo
Sacristan: Lili & Joe Alonzo
Linens: Lili & Joe Alonzo

You are responsible for finding your own replacement.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FAITH FORMATION STUDENTS CONFIRMED ON OCTOBER 18TH!



Spirit of God, grant me: The gift of wisdom To see the world through your eyes, The gift of counsel To make difficult decisions, The gifts of knowledge and understanding To use my mind to know you and to love you, The gift of fortitude To have the courage to live in the faith Despite the difficulties and disappointments, The gift of piety To be able to express my special love And commitment to you, And the right kind of awesome fear That makes me pause to wonder and revere God's Love. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP TREASURY

SUNDAY OCTOBER 18, 2026

REGULAR	**$ 4,563.00**
OFFERTORY	**$ 172.00**
FOOD PANTRY	**$ 1,000.00**

Give On-Line at www.franklinhardincatholic.org online-giving.

Happenings Week of November 1, 2026

Monday/Lunes November 2nd – All Souls Day
Mass 8:30 AM

Tuesday/ Martes November 3rd
7:00 PM AA/Al-Anon (RE Center)

Wednesday/ Miércoles – November 4th
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Food Pantry/Despensa de Alimentos (Social Hall)
6:30 – Faith Formation

Thursday/ Jueves – November 5th
1:00 – 3:00 PM Crafts – Social Hall
6:00 PM Adoration

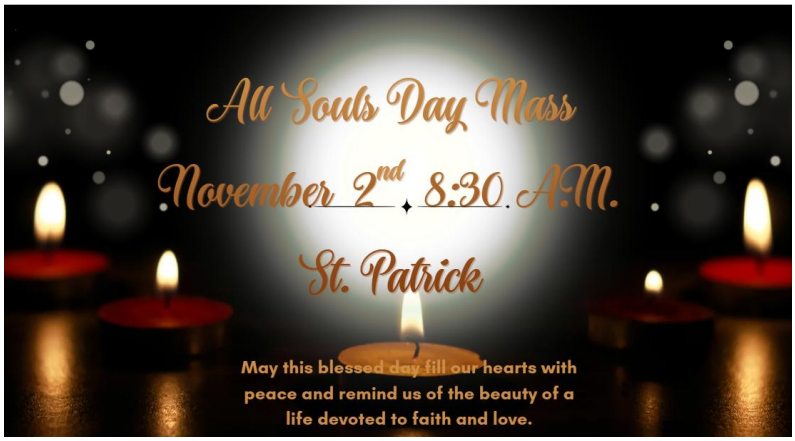
Friday/ Viernes – November 6th
8:30 AM Mass

Sunday/ Domingo November 8th
8:00 AM – Reconciliation
9:00 AM Mass

ROLL BREAKFAST SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1st & 8th



Plan to join us for rolls, coffee and fellowship!



Journey in Faith

Thank you for sharing your thoughts through the parishioner survey and for making the effort to meet new people and build relationships across our pastorate. Every conversation, invitation, and act of welcome helps us grow together. We are grateful for your patience and for each step you take, even when it feels unfamiliar. May the Holy Spirit guide us as we walk together in faith, trusting that God is at work among us and that each of us has a part in sharing Christ's love.

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Sign-up for Flocknote

St. Mary/St. Patrick will begin using the app Flocknote

Flocknote will be used to help inform our parishioners by text message.

It would be used for notifying you of cancelations due to weather, funeral info, prayer chain, etc.

We are asking you to sign up for the app, to help us keep you informed.

St. Mary - Go to: stmaryackley.flocknote.com

St. Patrick – Go to: stpatrickhampton.flocknote.com

You will see a screen to enter your information, you will then go to the next screen there will be options of the notifications you would like to receive:

Faith Formation - Prayer Chain (St. Mary only) - Parish

Pick which ones you would like to be notified for..... and that is all you have to do!!

If you need help signing up stop at the parish office and Jolene would be happy to help you!!



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 thepattons 4@gmail.com

Confession times for the Mason City pastorate

- Sacred Heart, Manly—After the 8:00 AM Thursday Mass
- Epiphany Parish, Mason City—Saturdays from 8 AM to 9 AM
- Sacred Heart, Rockwell—Spanish or English at before the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Wednesday at 5 p.m.
- St. Patrick, Hampton—Before the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday

Eucharistic Adoration

- Epiphany Parish, Mason City—The first Friday of the month after the 12:05 PM Mass until 8:00 AM on Saturday; The third Wednesday of the month after the 12:05 PM Mass until 4 PM.
- Sacred Heart, Rockwell—From 11:00 AM-11:50 AM on Sundays
- St. Patrick, Hampton—Thursdays at 6-8 PM
- St. Mary, Ackley – Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m.– 12:30 p.m.

Thank you

Thank you to the ladies that served the reception after Confirmation. Your willingness to help out is greatly



MASS SCHEDULE

Thursday, November 5
8:30 a.m. St. Mary

Friday, November 6
8:30 a.m. Edward Ibeling St. Patrick

Sunday, November 8
9:00 a.m. Margaret Kelch Wood St. Patrick

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