Welcome! We are delighted to welcome you to worship with us.
Whether you are a parishioner, friend, or visitor, your presence enlivens our celebration and community. Please consider sharing in what we have to offer. Our parish aims to assist all who wish to know God more deeply. We serve the community through outreach, education, social activities, sacramental preparation, and comfort to those who mourn and are sick.

Please call us at 515-332-2856.

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests. Luke 2:14

Weekend Masses:
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am

Fr. Dan Guenther, Pastor
frdanguenther@gmail.com ~ Cell 712-899-6870

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NEW PARISHIONERS
Please register after weekend mass or contact our Parish Office.
We welcome you!

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Please call the Parish Office to make an appointment for class and to schedule your child’s baptism.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
Please contact the Pastor at least nine months in advance of marriage.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
One half hour before weekend Mass times or anytime by request.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK
Please call the Parish Office in the event of illness or hospitalization. Communal celebrations in the Fall & Spring.

Bulletin Announcements
Please call or e-mail the Parish Office by 2pm on Wednesdays.

To reach a priest in case of an emergency, and Fr. Dan Guenther is gone, please call Fr. Thomas Hart at 515-341-7810
Prayer Chain Requests can be made by calling the parish office at 332-2856 or emailing parishsecretary@stmaryhumboldt.org. If you have time to pray for those on the prayer chain you may also contact the parish office to be added to our Prayer Chain Group and you will be contacted when new prayer requests are made.

Sunday, December 26, 2021 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Mass Intentions for the Week

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<td>St. Mary’s</td>
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<td>St. Mary’s</td>
<td>Julius &amp; Dorothy Becker and Paul D. Lynch</td>
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<td>Sunday, Jan. 2nd</td>
<td>9:00 a.m.</td>
<td>St. Mary’s</td>
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**The Rosary is prayed approximately 20 – 25 minutes before each St. Mary’s Weekend Mass**

Readings for next Sunday, January 2nd: Isaiah 60:1 – 6 (20ABC)  Ephesians 3:2 – 3a, 5 – 6  Matthew 2:1 – 12

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

(If unable to serve, please find a replacement)

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<td>Melissa Girres</td>
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Please patronize all of our bulletin sponsors. Their sponsorship makes our bulletin possible!

Blacktop Service Co.  -  Humboldt Insurance Group, LTD Abens-Marty-Curran Agency  -  Dodd Construction

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ST. MARY'S PARISH & SCHOOL SCRIP PROGRAM

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Good Stewardship

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Ignite the Faith Campaign Update

Contributions received as of December 22nd - $3,195,914.00
Amount paid on completed work - $3,354,841.00
Total amount of outstanding pledges to be paid over the next 3-4 years - $328,628.00

Donations are still being accepted, please visit our website (https://osvonlinegiving.com/4592) or contact the parish office for more information on how you can support our project.

Fr. Dan will be gone a few days after Christmas. Note that there will be no daily Masses on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Brew & Brotherhood Scripture Study

6:00 a.m. every other Tuesday in St. John’s Conference Room –
St. Mary’s Parish Center

Next Gathering:
Tuesday, January 4th
Bring a Guest! The coffee is “brewing”!

St. Mary’s Eucharistic Adoration

Weekly on Thursdays.

Understood simply, Eucharistic Adoration is adoring or honoring the Eucharistic Presence of Christ. During Eucharistic Adoration, we “watch and wait”, we remain “silent” in His Presence and open ourselves to His Graces which flow from the Eucharist.

Stop in for a few minutes or stay for an extended time.

“Come to Jesus, just as you are.”

Guardian Schedule for December 30th

Eucharistic Adoration:
2 – 3 p.m. – Sara Carlson/Lisa Frideres
3 – 4 p.m. – Eleanor Childress
4 – 5 p.m. – Mary Plathe
5 – 6 p.m. – Don Evans
6 – 7 p.m. – Don Evans

Northeast Deanery Synod Meeting: For the worldwide Synod taking place, we are now entering the next phase, which takes us to the Deanery level. Our diocese is divided into four regions, each known as a “Deanery.” We are in the Northeast Deanery of the Diocese. Fr. Dan is the “Dean” of our Deanery, or the one who oversees the Deanery. Our Deanery stretches from Spirit Lake all the way down to Fort Dodge. All members of our Deanery are invited to participate in this next Synod meeting on Thursday, January 13, with a prayer service starting at 5:00 p.m., followed by a meal at 5:30 and discussion of the parish responses taking place from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. All this is taking place at St. Cecilia Parish in Algona. There is no cost for the meal, but we do need an RSVP to plan for the food, and this needs to be in by January 6th. If you would like to attend this meeting, please contact our Parish Offices no later than January 6th. Thank you.

January 1st is not classified as a Holy Day this year, so Mass on that day will be the regular weekend Mass time of 5:00 p.m.

Friday Mass, Dec. 31st will be at 8:00 a.m. as we do not have a school Mass that day.

Lizzie Tecklenburg will be sharing about her work as a FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) missionary in the parish hall after mass on January 2nd. All are invited to come enjoy cookies, fellowship, and learn more about mission at the University of Pittsburgh!

SAVE LOCAL LIVES
Humboldt Community Blood Drive
Monday, January 3rd, 2022
1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall
1212 Summer Ave SW
Set up your lifesaving appointment TODAY:
Text: LIFESERVE to 999-777
Call: 800-287-4903 or
Visit: www.lifeservebloodcenter.org
Steubenville 2022: Fearless

St. Mary’s is planning another trip to a Steubenville conference for our Youth entering thru graduating from High School in 2022. This is an excellent opportunity to grow stronger in your faith and meet many other Catholic youth from around the nation. If you are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation or just looking to grow in your faith this is weekend for you. Steubenville conferences are a high energy conference where youth gather to share faith through fellowship, music, speakers and the sacraments.

We are planning to attend the Steubenville Mid-America Week 2 conference in Springfield, Missouri. We are currently looking for youth who may wish to attend this weekend trip, adults who would possibly consider being a chaperone and anyone who just wants to learn a little bit more about the conference. We will have an informational meeting for Youth and Parents on Jan 5th following Religious Education at 8:20 p.m. in the parish center.

Here are some details:

What: Steubenville Mid America Week 2 Youth Conference
Theme: Fearless

"I have told you this so that you might have peace in me. In the world you will have trouble, but take courage, I have conquered the world." John 16:33

When: July 15-17, 2022

Where: Missouri State University in Springfield, MO
Cost: Registration - $200 to be paid by the attendee
Travel – depends on the number of youth attending, we will fundraise for this cost.

Who can attend: Current 8th graders through High School Seniors.

Please attend the informational meeting on January 5th for more details or please feel free to contact Dcn. Don Evans (515-368-4181). For more information go to the website: https://steubystl.com

Catholic Charities and their mission.

Their counselors are able to help people of any age throughout the Diocese cope with mental health issues. With your support of Together as One, they can continue to offer free mental health assessments to youth all over Northwest Iowa.
2021 Christmas Poinsettias

In Memory of...

Ralph Bormann
Bob & Lois Molitor; Wendy Tellier; Mary Braby
Leo & Catherine Walsh; Carl & Doris Georg; Carole Walsh; Greg Walsh; Mike Yetmar
Roger Anderson; Ilg Family
Joseph Wayne Schneider; Joshua John Schneider
Don Becker
Gary Julius
Family Members of Dave and Wendy Lensing
John & Laura Seiler; Bill & Alice Kennedy
Families of Robert & Vi Nelson and LeRoy & Marlene Harpenau
Angelica Passow; Ann Marie Passow; Phylis Lynch
Larry Childress
Krista Marie Fitzgerald; Bob & Lois Fitzgerald
The deceased relatives of Dorothy & James Shomaker
Robert Eckberg & John Casey Families
Monte & Evelyn Toohey; Thomas Carroll
Dennis Olson; Casey & Betty Thul
Loved Ones of Patricia & Delane Larsen
Dick & Elsie Marso; Myrna Marso; Alfred Marso; Celestine Marso; Luella Herold
Red Bothme
Darrell Rusher; Danny Rusher

In Honor of...

Diane Sands