

# St. Mary of the Visitation

Iowa City, Iowa



## Our Lord, Jesus Christ the King

Sunday, November 25th, 2018

	SCRIPTURE		MASSES	CALENDAR
<b>Sunday, November 25th</b>	Dn 7:13-14 Rv 1:5-8 Jn 18:33b-37	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	<b>Christ the King Sunday</b> +Robert Schneider, Sr. +Amy Smothers Parishioners +Bill Ambrisco	Pantry Sunday 9:30-10:30 AM Blood pressure checks 2 PM Vietnamese Mass
<b>Monday, November 26th</b>	Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5 Lk 21:1-4	12:10 PM	<b>Weekday</b> Special Int. (Sandra Walker) +Poor Souls in Purgatory +Jerry Teets	7:00 PM Evangelization & Stewardship
<b>Tuesday, November 27th</b>	Rv 14:14-19 Lk 21:5-11	12:10 PM	<b>Weekday</b> Special Int. (anonymous) +John O'Neill	1:30 PM Prayer Shawls (hall)
<b>Wednesday, November 28th</b>	Rv 15:1-4 Lk 21:12-19	12:10 PM	<b>Weekday</b> +Loma Thomas +Joseph Vinh The Tran +Joseph Phu Quoc Tran +Gabriel An Thien Tran	
<b>Thursday, November 29th</b>	Rv 18:1-2, 21-23 19:1-3, 9a Lk 21:20-28	12:10 PM	<b>Weekday</b> +Fr. Mark Reasoner +Rita Reasoner +Joseph Hung Ngoc Vu +Joseph Hung Duc Vu	
<b>Friday, November 30th</b>	Rom 10:9-18 Mt 4:18-22	12:10 PM	<b>St. Andrew</b> +All Souls in Purgatory +Andrew Armbruster	
<b>Saturday, December 1st</b>	Rv 22:1-7 Lk 21:34-36  Jer 33:14-16 1 Thes 3:12-4:2 Lk 21:25-28, 34-36	9:00 AM  5:00 PM	<b>Weekday</b> +Jack Corbett  <b>The First Sunday of Advent</b> Parishioners +Clyde Gardner +Mary Annette Henry	10-11:30 AM Sacrament of Reconciliation
<b>Sunday, December 2nd</b>	Jer 33:14-16 1 Thes 3:12-4:2 Lk 21:25-28, 34-36	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	<b>The First Sunday of Advent</b> +Tim Krapfl  Special Int. (Melvin Dvorsky) Special Int. (Bob & Sue Dvorsky) +EmilieYoung	9:30-10:30 AM Blood pressure checks  5 PM Advent Evening Prayer 6 PM Children's Christmas Choir Practice (church)




FATHERS OF ST. JOSEPH

**Upcoming Meetings:**  
 Wed., Dec., 12th, from 6-6:45 AM at St. Mary's  
 Sat., Dec. 22nd, 7:30-8:15 AM at St. Wenc.  
*This group is for men ages 18+.*  
*Questions? Call Dan Teets, 337-4314.*

**Prayer Shawl Group**

The group meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 1:00 PM in the parish hall to make prayer shawls for the sick or homebound and blankets for the babies to be baptized at our parish!

**Upcoming meetings: November 27th and December 11th**



**Use Your Stewardship Gifts in  
*Thankful, Accountable, Generous Ways*  
It's the Stewardship "GIFT T.A.G."**

**Stewardship of Time**

Pray daily for the needs of others.

**Stewardship of Talent**

Thank you all who provided food or volunteered at our Thanksgiving Dinner!

**Opportunities to "Comfort the Afflicted"**

Compeer of Johnson County matches adults who are living with mental illness with community volunteers to create friendships. For questions about volunteering, email: [dmoore@meimhc.org](mailto:dmoore@meimhc.org) or call 338-7884.

**Stewardship of Treasure**

**November 10th and 11th, 2018**

Weekly Collection Goal:	\$	13,365.00
Actual Collection Total:	\$	18,434.00
YTD Collection:	\$	313,761.51
YTD Budget Goal:	\$	267,300.00
Under/Over Goal:	\$	+ 46,461.51

**REST IN PEACE**

We pray for the repose of the soul  
of Mary Ellen Jensen.

*May she be welcomed into everlasting life!*



**Do You Have An Abundance  
of Christmas Decorations?**

St. Mary's Parish Office could use some cheer this holiday season, so if you have extra decorations (wreaths, garland, lights, small/medium tree, ornaments, etc.) that you don't need anymore, please contact the parish office at 337-4314 or [icstmary.org](mailto:icstmary.org).



**St. Mary's Advent  
Communal Penance  
Saturday, December 15th, 10 AM**



**ADVENT  
EVENING PRAYER**

**December 2nd, 9th, 16th, & 23rd  
at 5:00 PM at St. Mary's**

One of the great ways to observe the season of Advent is to join with other members of our parish for Advent Evening Prayer. In our busy world, we need time for silence, reflection, and prayer. Advent Evening Prayer gives us the opportunity.



**St. Mary's**

**Children's Christmas Choir**

*Practices: Dec. 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd  
from 6-6:30 PM in the church*

The Choir is for kids in grades K-5. They will sing at the 4 PM Christmas Eve Mass.

**Time Change for  
Baptism Class**

Our next Baptism Class is scheduled for Saturday, December 8th. Classes normally start at 9:30 AM, but the December class will meet from 10-11:30 AM.



December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Mass will be celebrated here at St. Mary's at 9AM, so we are starting class late. This will be the ONLY time.

**Calling All Carolers**

Join the Family Life Commission in spreading Christmas cheer on Sunday, December 9th. They will visit Chatham Oaks at 2:00 PM and will visit one other facility for Christmas Caroling. The residents will join us in singing.



**Children's  
Christmas Pageant**

St. Mary's will present the Children's Christmas Pageant on Christmas Eve, at the 4:00 PM Mass. If you have any children that are interested, please come to our ONE AND ONLY REHEARSAL on Sunday, December 23rd, at 6:30 PM in the church.



## PLEASE! PLEASE! PLEASE!

If one of your family members moves to an assisted living or skilled care facility, please let the Parish Office know. We would like to be able to visit them, but facilities are not allowed to inform us without permission. The same is true if they are admitted to the hospital.

### Scrip News

Scrip cards are available for hundreds of local and national vendors. So use scrip for your daily purchases as well as Christmas giving AND earn money for your Parish, and help our diocesan seminarians. It is never too late to start thinking of doing your holiday shopping at the Scrip Table.



### St. Mary's Ornaments

Once again, St. Mary's ornaments will be available following all of the Masses each weekend for the next several weeks. You may also purchase them during the week at the Parish Office.

The ornament is approximately 3" by 4" in an acrylic finish with beveled edges. Each one includes a sparkling silver ribbon for hanging. It is packaged in a velveteen tray and placed in a shimmering box.

If you or your family would like to bring up the gifts of bread and wine at Mass, please tell an usher before Mass begins. We would love to have as many people as possible serve as gift bearers!



There is no adult supervision in the parish hall during Mass. Please keep this in mind when children go downstairs to use the restrooms.

## OTHER HAPPENINGS

### St. Nicholas Party "Gifts for Baby Jesus" Saturday, December 1st, from 5:30-7:30 PM St. Patrick's Social Hall



Join us for pizza, bingo, prizes, crafts, songs, and meet St. Nicholas! Bring a new baby gift for donation to Informed Choices Clinic. RSVP by 5 PM on Wednesday, November 28th, to Sheryl at [sschw1@gmail.com](mailto:sschw1@gmail.com) or 319-855-8475.

### You're Invited to Celebrate...

*Melvin Dvorsky's  
75th Birthday*

&

*Bob and Sue Dvorsky's  
30th Anniversary*

**Sunday, December 2nd, 2018  
from 2-4 PM**

**at Ecumenical Towers in Iowa City**



### Make a Tax-Free Gift With An IRA Charitable Rollover

If you are 70 1/2 years old or older, you can donate up to \$100,000 annually from your IRA directly to the **Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA)** and receive tax benefits in return. An IRA charitable rollover gift can satisfy all or part of your required minimum distributions and allow you to see your gift at work today as you build your legacy for the future.

For questions regarding IRA charitable rollovers or other planned giving opportunities, contact Michael Hoffman at:

[hoffman@davenportdiocese.org](mailto:hoffman@davenportdiocese.org).

It is also encouraged and prudent to seek the advice of your financial advisor prior to making a gift. If you have already included the Diocese of Davenport in your planned giving strategy, let us know by contacting Michael Hoffman by email, so your plans can be noted and you may be properly acknowledged.

# SMART News and Events

## St. Mary's Active & Religious Teens



### COOKIE BAKING FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Saturday, December 15th, 8AM-Noon  
St. Mary's Parish Hall

All youth are invited to come make cookies for the homebound.

#### Senior High Youth as well as Adults:

We are in need of drivers to deliver the cookies. If you are able to help, please let Patti know before Monday, December 11th, (337-4314) and be at the parish hall around 11AM on the 15th.

#### ST. MARY'S PASTORAL COUNCIL

Marty Shafer – Chairperson

Karla Peiffer – Secretary

#### PASTORAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Carol McDonough – Family Life

Wakiza Gamez – Peace & Justice

Marty Shafer – Liturgy

Mary Rae Meyer – Christian Formation

John Hale – Property Management

Anita Hemingway – Fellowship & Communications

Bill Doucette - Evangelization & Stewardship

#### ST. MARY'S FINANCE COUNCIL

Anne Hargrave

John Maxwell

Mike Pugh (Lay Director)

Carl Shank

Bob Squires

Marilyn Wirtz (Lay Director)

#### ST. MARY'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #842

Darrin Thompson - Grand Knight, 325-5867

#### EDUCATION

##### Regina Catholic Education Center:

Glenn Plummer – High School Principal, 338-5436

Celeste Vincent – Elementary Principal, 337-5739

Carolyn Brandt—Religious Education Office, 351-7638

Alan Opheim – Regina Business Office, 337-2580

Kecia Boysen – Regina Foundation Exec. Director, 354-5866

Pam Schowalter—Regina Director of Admissions, 499-9006

##### Regina Board of Education Representatives:

Angela Villhauer, Sue Kloos, Melinda Shetler



#### Choose Life Prayer

We pray for all who work to protect unborn life in pregnancy centers.



#### Vocations View

As to the exact day or hour, no one knows it. But who will claim God's reign? Consider a life of service as a priest, deacon, or sister.



**Attention College Students:** The Newman Catholic Student Center offers opportunities for college students such as retreats, service trips, and weekly groups to grow your faith. Newman Center is just 2 blocks up Jefferson Street from St. Mary's. Visit: [iowacatholic.org](http://iowacatholic.org)

**To report child abuse contact:** Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: [800-362-2178](tel:800-362-2178) and if it involves clergy or church personnel, also notify Alicia Owens, Victim Assistance Coordinator, [563-349-5002](tel:563-349-5002); [vac@diodav.org](mailto:vac@diodav.org) or PO Box 232,

**St. Mary's**  
**302 East Jefferson Street**  
**Iowa City, Iowa 52245**

Contact Person: Rachel Santos  
319-337-4314  
[icstmary@icstmary.org](mailto:icstmary@icstmary.org)

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