

ST. MARY PARISH

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Newsletter: Jun 6, 2024 ~ Rectory: 563-252-1247 ~ Fr.'s Cell: 563-258-3958 ~ www.maryicjoseph.org

LIVE THE LITURGY: Disobedience and Hope in the Garden of Eden *source: young-catholics.com*

On the 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time, we see God confronting Adam and Eve after their disobedience in the Garden of Eden. They had eaten the forbidden fruit, and now they faced the consequences. God tells them what will happen because of their actions, but He also gives a promise.

In Genesis 3:9-15, God speaks of an offspring who will crush the serpent's head. This points to Jesus, who will overcome sin and death. Despite their disobedience, there is hope for the future. God's promise shows His love and mercy.

This story reminds us that sin has consequences. When we disobey God, it affects our lives. But God's promise of redemption is always there. He never leaves us without hope.

*I wait for the Lord,
my soul waits
and in His word I put my hope.
~ Ps. 130:5*



BAPTISM INTO THE FAMILY OF GOD & OUR COMMUNITIES OF FAITH:

Saturday, June 22, 2024 at St. Mary, Guttenberg, after Mass
Cooper Floyd Crow
infant son of Donald & Kelsey (Greve) Crow

Sunday, June 23, 2024 at St. Mary, Guttenberg, after Mass
Charlie Joan Aulwes, (age 4)
Lennon Jean Aulwes (18 months)
daughters of Matt Aulwes & Lexi Pierce

May you grow in the love & wisdom of Jesus Christ!

Fr. Bries' Retirement Gathering will be held June 30th after the 10am Mass in Brinkmann Hall. Coffee and dessert will be served. Please mark your calendars to stop by and wish Father well in his retirement!

Help Needed: Looking for men, women and youth to help with the Bender's Cookout on Friday, June 14 and Saturday, June 15th with proceeds going to the roof fund. There is a sign up sheet in the back of church or call Maggie Schlueter at 252-1490.

Catholic Daughters will host an 11:00am Mass on July 2 at St. Mary in honor of St. Maria Goretti Day. Lunch to follow at Sodes.

Live Streaming —Did You Know.....

Guttenberg Channel 6 can be downloaded as an app on Roku, FireTV and Android and iOS (Apple). Channel 6 is also on Alpine Fusion and Fusion+ for customers with a 252 prefix. It is not available on Mediacom but they are working on it. It's also available on the City's website under the Channel 6 tab.

Mass Schedule: June 10 – June 16, 2024

- Mon. Jun 10:** 10:30 A.M. – St. Joseph, Garnavillo
Funeral Mass for John Berns with visitation in church starting at 9am
- Tues., Jun 11:** [No Mass Scheduled]
- Wed., Jun 12:** 8:30 A.M. – St. Mary, Guttenberg
Edwin & Eleanor Frommelt
- Thur., Jun 13:** 8:30 A.M. – Guttenberg River Living Center
Amy (Steffen) Clay & Fred Bush
- Fri., Jun 14:** [No Mass Scheduled]
- Sat., Jun 15:** Vigil of Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 P.M. Mass—St. Joseph, Garnavillo
Glenn Berns & Jannan Bauer
5:30 P.M. Mass—St. Mary, Guttenberg, *live streamed*
People of the Parish
- Sun., Jun 16:** Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 A.M. Mass – Immaculate Conception, N. Buena Vista
10:00 A.M. – Mass – St. Mary, Guttenberg, *live streamed*
Rita McGuire/Jerry McGuire/Rick McGuire

GOSPEL REFLECTION: Facing Opposition

source: young-catholics.com

Jesus faced many challenges during His ministry. His own family did not understand Him. Religious leaders opposed Him. Despite this, Jesus stayed focused on His mission.

We, too, may face opposition in our lives. People may not understand our faith. They might challenge us. But like Jesus, we must remain committed to God’s will.

The readings for the 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time remind us to stay strong in our faith. We have hope in God’s promises. We are part of His family when we follow His commands.

As we reflect on these readings, let us remember God’s love and mercy. Despite our failures, He offers us hope. By staying strong in our faith and doing His will, we become part of His true family.

Let us face our challenges with courage, knowing that God is with us. We look forward to the eternal glory He has promised. Our faith in God sustains us through all difficulties.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank You for Your love and mercy. Help us stay strong in our faith and follow Your will. May we always remember that we are part of Your family. Guide us and give us strength in our daily lives. Amen.

Bringing the Gospel Into Your Family
In Baptism we become members of God’s family, the adopted daughters and sons of God. In today’s Gospel, Jesus reminds us that in order to be members of his family we must do the will of God. Take time today to think and pray about the will of God for your life. Are you doing, or fulfilling, that will? How would you define the will of God for your family? What can you do to teach your children and guide your family to do the will of God?

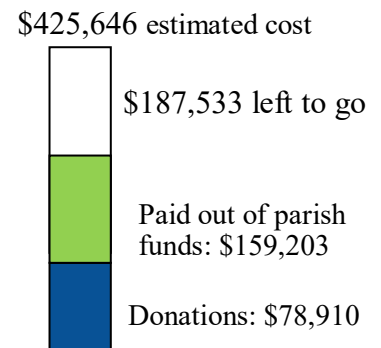
~<http://www.rclblectionary.com>

Roof Replacement Projects

The roofers are here and diligently working!

Thank you to all our donors for your continued generosity in supporting St. Mary Parish! Donations may be placed in the collection basket or made online at www.maryicjoseph.org

The remaining balance(\$212,823) is due upon completion of the job. At this point in time, it is looking like we will need to finance a large portion of this remaining balance with a loan from the Archdiocese.



A Stewardship Moment

Adam and Eve were banished from the Garden because of their disobedience. But Jesus says in today’s Gospel that when we are obedient to God’s will – when we use our gifts to serve one another – we are part of His family. “Whoever does the will of God is brother and sister and mother to me.” This is the gift, and fruit, of Baptism.

If you or someone you know would benefit from having a caring, confidential, non judgmental someone to talk with, please reach out. Stephen Ministers are here to listen to help lessen the burdens we carry through the difficult times of life. Call Becky Shaffer, 319-393-1234.



Upcoming Parish Events . . .

(BH is Brinkmann Hall; PC is Parish Center)

- Jun 8 : St. Mary Alumni Banquet, BH
- Jun 10-14: Vacation Bible School @ St. John’s
- Jun 12: Sacred Seed Sowers Book Club, 1pm, PC
- Jun 30: Fr. Bries’ retirement gathering, after Mass, BH
- Jul 2: CDA Mass at 11; lunch to follow at Sodes
- Jul 3: Sacred Seed Sowers Book Club, 1pm, PC
- Jul 17: Sacred Seed Sowers Book Club, 1pm, PC



Early Deadline for Bulletins

If you have info for the June 13th and June 20th bulletins, please submit by Tuesday evening, June 11. I will be on vacation the middle of June, so the June 13th and June 20th bulletins will be combined and published on June 13.

Please email items for the bulletin by 7:30am Wednesday morning to OfficeOfStMary@gmail.com

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