Sacred Heart Catholic Church

April 18, 2021

Mass Schedule and Intentions: Sunday, April 18th – 8:00am + Sue Eckenrod Thursday, April 22nd – 5:30pm + Ray & Jo McLaughlin Friday, April 23rd – Nursing Home (Residents Only) Sunday, April 25th – 8:00am + Mary Abell Sacred Heart Mission: We, the Sacred Heart Catholic Church parish, are a community of Christian faith striving to teach the word of God, to minister the sacraments, and to share Jesus' love.

SACRED HEART UPCOMING EVENTS: SUNDAY, JUNE 13th – Irish Fair

TODAY'S RESPONSORIAL PSALM: "Lord, let your face shine on us."

COVID-19 GUIDELINES – Please follow all guidelines put in place and social distancing to keep everyone safe. These apply to both Sunday and Tuesday Masses. If you have a fever or are not feeling well, please stay home. Masks are required and will be provided to those that do not have one. Everyone must enter through the North Parish Center doors from the parking lot and have temperatures taken – if you have a fever, you will be asked to leave. All other doors will remain locked. Pews are will be marked where people can sit to help ensure social distancing. Hand sanitizer will be available and should be used by all. The church will be sanitized prior to and after Mass.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following who are receiving their First Holy Communion last Sunday: Jack Grant, Gavin Koppen, Brelynn Nelson, Oliver Orozco, Breille Schmidt, and Brigham Sturges. God bless you all!

FELLOWSHIP AFTER MASS – Please feel free to join us after Mass for coffee and rolls. We still need to social distance and limit the amount of people at each table and spread out. The rolls will be provided, we are just looking for volunteers to help serve and clean up afterwards.

EASTER FLOWERS – In memory of: Harold & Ruth Weaver; Weiner, Johnson, Mansmith, & Victorine Grandparents; Tom Wolf; Adam Hanig; Kuennen & Cahalan families; Jim & Renee Martin; Degen & Scholl families; LeRoy & Mary Behr, John Welling; deceased of Osterman & Schmall families; Ray, Jo & Joanie McLaughlin, Warren & Helen Wagner

SACRED HEART PARKING LOT FUNDRAISER – Raffle tickets are for sale for \$100.00 each and we will only sell 300 tickets! The prizes will be 1st prize \$10,000.00; and 2 \$1,000.00 prizes. We hope to make \$18,000.00 to put towards the parking lot funds, which will bring us to around \$75,000.00. We will still be short about \$25,000.00 according to the bid we received this year, which was the same as the last bid from Heartland Asphalt of \$87,869.05, plus any base rock if needed at \$25.00/ton. At the Parish Council/Finance meeting on 3/11, the general consensus was it was time to move ahead to finish the parking lot. It has been 3 years since the first pledges where sent to the parishioners for donations. Now is the time to make your donations to the fund. There are tickets for sale in the parish office or contact Tim Nuehring or Jason Dick.

THANK YOU to the Sacred Heart Juniors and their Moms for hosting the Senior Supper and thank you to Fr. Josh for being the speaker for the evening! Our graduating seniors are: Nate Akins, Levi Janssen, Colin Martinek, Colin Reed, all from West Fork, and Tiyana Rogers from Mason City High School.

2021 NCYC is a GO! The National Catholic Youth Conference for this upcoming fall as of now is a GO! The capacity for the event, however, has been slimmed down from 25,000 to 10,000 attendees. Letters were sent to all Sacred Heart students who will be eligible to attend this fall. We must register our kids by no later than April 30th to guarantee a spot for the Conference. Please be on the lookout for this letter if your child is eligible. Tammy Hrubetz is the coordinator for the NCYC for Sacred Heart. Thanks to Tammy for her efforts to get students registered each year of the event and to pursue ways to make money to pay for the students that attend!

FATHER GOSSMAN RETIREMENT – As you are all aware Father Gossman announced his retirement from Sacred Heart, St. Patrick's and Newman last Sunday. Our new priest will be Father Josh Link from Epiphany Parish in Mason City. He will be pastor at Sacred Heart, St. Patrick's and Chaplain of Newman Catholic. This will take place on the 2nd Tuesday of July, the 13th. It is always moving day for all priests with new assignments. Also, Father Gossman will be celebrating 50 years as a priest on May 28th. What an accomplishment! Congratulations to you Father! More details to come regarding a celebration 50 years as a priest and his retirement. Possibly one of the last 2 Sundays in June.

ACCW SUNDAY – Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women Sunday is next Sunday, April 25, 2021. This date has been chosen for its proximity to the feast day of Our Lady of Good Council, which is April 26th, the patroness for the Council of Catholic Women. The ACCW supports the goals of the Archbishop by empower and educating all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership, and service. This mission can be recognized in the ACCW sponsorship of the Beauty in Christ Women's Conference, support of our seminarians, newly ordained priests and other religious, an annual retreat day, coordination of numerous service projects. All Women of the parish are encouraged to become sustaining members of the Dubuque Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women. The annual membership fee is \$10.00. The Ladies Guild pays the membership for our ladies. As a group we are not very active in the ACCW perhaps that could be a goal of ours as the Guild. Any Ideas are welcome! There is a quarterly subscription newsletter, The Link. It is sent by email and is printed off and can be found on the table entering into the wake area. If you want a copy just ask in the office. "I do not pray for success, I ask for faithfulness" – Mother Teresa

IRISH FAIR will be held on Sunday, June 13th. More details to come. If anyone has any donations they would like to give to the fair for the raffle or the auction, please leave them in the office.

MEN'S HOMELESS SHELTER is in need of items year-round. Please consider donating cleaning supplies of all kinds, laundry soap pods, dish soap pods, personal soap, beard trimmers, briefs & t-shirts in sizes XL & XXL, Sweatshirts (zippered or without) in sizes XL & XXL, and sheets for twin beds. There is a tote next to the food donation basket if anyone would like to donate any of the items. All donations would be appreciated!

OFFICE POSITION – We are still looking for someone interested in learning the jobs the office position entails. For a full list of duties, stop by the office. CEMETERY is now taken care of in the office, but if someone was interested in handling the cemetery – sale of lots, etc. – it could certainly be worked out. Call 641-822-4950 or email h.cahalan@sacredheartrockwell.org, if interested.

WEST FORK FOOD PANTRY – This food pantry is open to residents of Franklin County or residents of the West Fork School District. Need to bring a current bill or ID to verify residency. It is located out of Zion St. John Lutheran Church at 422 West Sherman in Sheffield. The phone number is 641-892-4010. If in need, please bring bags, laundry baskets, or boxes to carry your food. The Food Bank is open the 1st Thursday of each month 10:00am-12:00pm and the 3rd Thursday of each month from 3:30pm to 5:30pm.

HAWKEYE HARVEST FOOD BANK in Mason City is always in need of donated items. Since we did not have Mass during most of Advent, we did not get a lot of donations. Lent is coming soon; hopeful we can make more of an effort to donate items toward the food bank. There are baskets in the entry to the church to leave any items you want to donate.

Easter TOTAL:	\$533.00 \$225.00 \$2,811.00			
APRIL 18, 2021 LECTOR: Dave Weiland EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Jim Weaver, Renee Laudner MUSIC: Matt Reed, Ann Wolf MONEY COUNTERS: Dan Hrubetz, Paul Rowe		APRIL 25, 2021 LECTOR: Charlie Sprung EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Pat McLaughlin, Pat Sheldon MUSIC: Kim Thyne, Ann Wolf MONEY COUNTERS: Charlie Sprung, Pat Sheldon		
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