

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 10

St. Damien Joseph de Veuster of Molokai

No Mass

Tuesday, May 11

6 PM Mass † Helen Claes

Eucharistic Adoration following 6 PM Mass

Wednesday, May 12

St. Pancras; St. Nereus; St. Achilles

7:15 AM Mass † Mabel Ludvick

Thursday, May 13

Our Lady of Fatima

9:00 AM School Mass † John and Iva Thibodeau

Friday, May 14

St. Matthias

7:15 AM Mass Special Intention

Saturday, May 15

St. Isidore

4:00 PM Youth Graduation Mass and

Fran/Kathy Musel 50th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, May 16

Feast of the Ascension of our Lord

8:00 AM Mass St. Ludmila Parishioners

10:30 AM Mass Personal Intention

Pilgrim Statue in the home of:

Margaret Selzer – 2601 A Ave NE

May 10-14 Recitation of the Rosary 7:30 PM

Prayer Line: Let us pray for your needs 390.1277

Readings for the Week of May 9, 2010

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Rv 21:10-14, 22-23;
Jn 14:23-29

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26---16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22---18:1; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or
Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

1st Portion Appeal Update: Our report from Cunneen is as of May 4. To date, 232 of 1111 households have responded, indicating an intent from 122 to increase an average of \$6.72 per week. Eight are households that had not been using budget envelopes. Another 20 have asked for information on electronic contribution options. Those responding represent about 21% of the parish households. I still hope to hear from every household. The peace Christ brings of confidence in God's care can free us for generosity. May God bless us all with that peace! My thanks to all who have given their witness of responding so far! If you have not, please take the time to reflect on your financial support and make your response. Fr. Tom



Pastor's Message



A blessed Mother's Day to all, especially those living the vocation of motherhood in our midst! In the Gospel Jesus tells us "Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." How often in each of our lives have our mothers been the embodiment of the love of God that eases our troubled hearts?

In doing so, our moms reflect the role of the Mother of God in all of our lives. From His cross, Jesus gave each of us into her care. So, as Fr. Peter Cameron writes: *If we feel unworthy, if we are wracked with guilt, if circumstances in our lives are all working against our happiness, we can be confident that with a mother's love, she will present each of us to God our Father as if we were her only Son.* May our moms living and deceased be rewarded richly for their faithful and generous love today.

In the Gospel Jesus says "Not as the world gives peace do I give it." Its been said that the world's idea of peace is "All that I desire I have." The problem is that as we recognize or develop a new "desire", our "peace" is gone, we are again dissatisfied, and the generous joy of resting in God's care *that best witnesses our faith* is no longer what we bring to the world! The peace *not of this world* Jesus brings is "I desire no more than I have." Even as his very life was taken from Him, Jesus entrusted that life to the Father. The "it will be okay" from our mothers that brought us consolation in so many times, is rooted in God's great "it will be okay" that is validated every time we let the Holy Spirit, who Jesus says "will remind us of all Jesus told us," remind us of His resurrection from the dead!

As we conclude another season of sacramental prep for our youth and RCIA program, I do want to say a special word of thanks to Sue Berger as DRE, Sr. Mary as RCIA director, and Bob Gardner as Confirmation coordinator, along with all of the dedicated catechists and staff who do so much to help parents hand on our Sacramental faith. There are other spiritualities out there, but Catholic Spirituality is a sacramental spirituality. We turn to our mothers and fathers to embody human love. The sacraments are the privileged way Catholics find God's love becoming touchable to us. The formal classrooms may be closed for a few months, but faith-formation in the classroom of your homes, and the classroom of our Sunday worship together, must remain in session if we are to experience the power of our sacraments to keep us in Christ's peace. Fr. Tom

Born to a new life in Christ and joined to our faith community through the water of Baptism, we welcome:

Emmy Maxine Hart
daughter of Brian and Amy Hart
Matthew Eugene Hart
son of Brian and Amy Hart



Welcome To Our Parish Family!
 Scott and Dena Duffy and family
 Matthew and Michelle Jennings and family
 Heather Rowe

Appreciation

Thank you to God's Housekeepers for the week of April 25: Betty Skvor, Natalie Zaehringer, Don Schultz, Gary Stodola, Velma Leuenberger, Paul/Leanne Junko, Chelo Collier, Vi Bentley, Hal/Betty Schulze. **Thank you to our parish volunteer secretaries for the week April 25:** Jeanne Ross and Carole Ryan.

Thank you to our bingo volunteers for May 2/4: Bob/Velma Leuenberger, Karen Billick, Frank Roman, Tim Gradoville, Sierra Phillip, Mary Meyers, Debra Henricks, Bette Krall, Jeanne Ross, Paul/Leanne Junko, Carolyn Schulte, Jim McEniry, Scott Duffy, Deb Pasker, Amanda Schwab, and Monica Elwood. Ann Rude, Joan Sylvester, Sue Vecerka, and Sue Berger baked cakes.

Relay for Life Collection: Thank you to the parishioners who donated to our collection last weekend. Cancer research and our parish team will be supported by your donation of \$500!

Faith Formation



Vacation Bible School Meeting will be Tues, May 25 at 6:45 PM in Social Hall. Anyone **interested in helping** are invited to attend.

Becoming Catholic: If you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic; please invite them to an Inquiry session Thursday, May 13 in the Parish Center beginning at 6:30 PM. Contact Sister Mary: dbq029s@arch.pvt.k12.ia.us or call her at 362.7282.

Parish Life

Wish List: Persons to arrange flowers during the summer months for the beauty of our church. Contact: Sister Mary at 362.7282.

"Relay for Life" TEAM gathering at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, May 12 in the Parish Center. Important information will be shared! IF your family is touched by cancer, consider joining the parish team for a walk on June 4 at Kirkwood College. Contact: Sister Mary at 362-7282 or dbq029s@arch.pvt.k12.ia.us

Tea with Thee Meeting will be held on Monday, May 17 beginning at 7 PM in the multi-purpose room of the Social Hall. *Come One, Come All!*

Holy Family and Xavier

There is still time to **register your child** for the 2010-11 school year at Holy Family School. Please call 396.7818 for information about three and four year old preschool (slots are filling up fast in preschool, especially the mornings) through 2nd grade at St. Jude; call 392.1943 for information about three and four year old preschool, and 3rd and 4th grade at St. Ludmila; and call 396.7792 for information about 5th through 8th grade at LaSalle. You can check out our website: www.cr-cath.pvt.k12.ia.us

Mark your calendars for the **Xavier Spring Concert** which will be held on Monday, May 10 at 7 PM in the Regis-LaSalle Theatre.

Xavier High School's talent show "**Galaxy**" will be held in the Regis-LaSalle Theatre on Friday, May 14 at 7 PM and Saturday, May 15 at 4 PM. General admission tickets can be purchased at the door for \$5.00. (No passes will be accepted. This is a fundraiser for the Fine Arts Dept.)

Youth Ministry

Class of 2010 Mass and Dinner: All graduating high school seniors from St. Ludmila Parish are invited to a special liturgy in your honor on Saturday, May 15 at 4PM. Following Mass there will be a catered supper in the Social Hall for you and your guests. Please call the Religious Education Office 362.8148 by Tues, May 11, to make your reservation for both events.

All 9th - 12th graders from St. Ludmila and your friends are invited to our Senior High Movie Night **tonight** Sun, May 9 from 6-8 PM in the Parish Center. Come and join us for a great evening of fun, food, and fellowship.

Summer Splash at Lost Island: Attention all current 5th graders through graduating high school seniors! Mark your calendars now and plan to be a part of the action on Wed, June 16, as we travel to Lost Island Waterpark in Waterloo for a day of fun in the water and sun at our annual Summer Splash. The cost of this special summer event – sponsored by the Cedar Rapids Area Youth Ministers (C.R.A.Y.M.) – is only \$25/person, which includes park admission and transportation by school bus (food is extra.) All St. Ludmila 5th – 12th graders should have received a registration form by mail or in person this past week. Friends are welcome to come, but they will need to fill out a separate registration form which is available in the Religious Ed Office in the school). If you have any questions, please contact Bob Gardner at 298.9525. **Please mail or drop off your completed form and fee to St. Pius X Parish (NOT ST. LUDMILA!) at the address indicated on the registration form by Friday, June 11!**

Social Concerns Blood Drive is Tues, May 11 from 3 PM to 6 PM in the Social Hall. Sign up for donating is this weekend in the Gathering Space or call Jane Milcoff at 365.8408.



Life is precious. Be a life-saver. Give blood!

Support Ministry

GriefShare is a faith based support class for people who have lost a loved one. Through videos and group discussion, you'll find compassion and encouragement for your journey of grief. Videos cover grief and recovery topics featuring leading authors, counselors, speakers, and pastors...all who have experienced the death of someone they loved. Classes run 13 weeks and a new cycle is beginning on Wednesday, June 2nd from 6 PM to 7:30 PM. A \$15.00 registration fee includes the workbook you receive at your first session. We meet in the basement of St. Matthew Church in the room closest to 24th Street NE, between the elevator and Kearn Hall. For more information or to register, call Becky Shaffer at 363.5238 or go on-line to: www.griefshare.org

In Our Community

Happy Mothers Day! Worldwide Marriage Encounter wishes many blessings on all mothers today. **Husbands, give your wife a special gift** and register for a weekend away for the two of you. The next weekend is in Dubuque - May 21st to 23rd. To register or for more info contact Roger/Marsha Luensmann at 563.927.4352 or visit <http://www.iowa-wwme.org>

Tanager Place Summer Fest will be Sat, June 5th at Rockwell Collins Sports Complex from 3:30-8:30 PM. This free family event is fun for all ages with over 75 FREE activities, nominal fees for rides and concessions. New this year is a 9-Hole Miniature Golf and the 1st Annual Rev'ed Up 4 Kids Charity Car and Motorcycle Show. **We are still looking for volunteers.** If you are interested in being involved, please contact Joan Hackbarth at 319.365.9165 ext. 309 or visit www.tanagerplace.org to sign up.

On September 11, **Fr. John Corapi** will be making a rare public speaking appearance at the Qwest Center in Omaha, Nebraska presenting his **Spiritual Warfare** conference. Joining him will be Archbishop George Lucas. The best seats are going fast. Event sponsored by St. Peter's Church. More information: 1.800.745.3000; www.fathercorapiomaha.com

To join the Saint Ludmila parish family, contact the Parish Office at 362.7282 to register.

Address (postal and/or e-mail) and Phone Update: Please remember to contact the Parish Office at 362.7282 when you move or your contact information has changed. Thank you!

ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS



SUNDAY, May 9

Mother's Day
3:30 PM Bingo (school doors open) games begin 5:30 PM

MONDAY, May 10

6:00 PM Board of Ed, PC
6:00 PM Credit Union, SH
6:30 PM KC Rosary, CH

TUESDAY, May 11

3:00 PM Social Concerns Blood Drive, SH
5:30 PM Bingo (school doors open) games begin 6:30 PM
7:00 PM Finance and Administration, PC

WEDNESDAY, May 12

11:30 AM St. Anne Circle, Bonanza Restaurant

THURSDAY, May 13

10:00 AM Legion of Mary, PC
6:00 PM Kolach Festival Mtg, PC

FRIDAY, May 14

Houby Days Kolach Bake, SC
7:00 PM Pro-Life Hour of Prayer/Mtg, CH

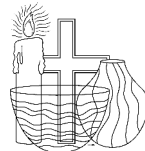
SATURDAY, May 15

6:30 AM Church Cleaning, CH
5:15 PM High School Seniors Graduation Supper, SH

SUNDAY, May 16

Donut Sunday Hosts: Pro-Life with Love and Social Concerns
1:00 PM Baptism Class, SH
3:30 PM Bingo (school doors open) games begin 5:30 PM
C/CH: Church, PC: Parish Center, SC: School, SH: Social Hall

Sacramental Preparation



Congratulations to all who have recently, or soon will, celebrate the birth of a child. Those intending to have a child baptized, need to attend a Baptism Preparation Class. St. Ludmila is hosting one on **Sunday, May 16** beginning at 1 PM in the Social Hall. If you attend Mass regularly; a registered member of St. Ludmila parish; are active in the parish; and have already been through the class on two prior occasions, you need not attend again. However, you still need to contact the Parish Office to schedule a baptism and be reacquainted with the Church's requirements for Godparents. We do ask that if at all possible, both parents attend and that you arrange for childcare rather than bring your child to the class.

St. Ludmila Parish Cookbooks are here!!

Cookbooks are available for \$15 each at the Parish Office or by contacting Ann Picray at 396.9154 or Sara Radke at 378.8321.

There will be cookbooks available for purchase during the Kolach Festival.



Coffee and Donut Sunday is May 16. Join your fellow parishioners following the 8 and 10:30 AM Masses. Hosts: Pro-Life with Love Group and Social Concerns.