

	SCRIPTURE		MASSES	CALENDAR
Sunday November 22	Dn 7:13-14 Rv 1:5-8 Jn 18:33b-37	8:00 9:30 11:00	+Ken Bushman +Rosemary and Joe Manjoine +Joe Meade Parishioners Our Lord Jesus Christ the King	8 AM-12: 30 PM St. Mary's BIG Breakfast and Bake Sale in the parish hall 11 AM Rite of Initiation into Full Communion with the Catholic Church
Monday November 23	Dn 1:1-6, 8-20 Lk 21:1-4	12:10	+Margaret Kennedy Weekday	7:30 PM Widowed/Separate/Divorced
Tuesday November 24	Dn 2:31-45 Lk 21:5-11	12:10	+Joe and Betty Chudacek St. Andrew Dung-Lac	
Wednesday November 25	Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 Lk 21:12-19	12:10	+Joseph McCarty Weekday	6 PM Choir practice
Thursday November 26	Dn 6:12-28 Lk 21:20-28	9 AM	+John O'Neill +Deceased members of the Giblin family +Holy Souls in Purgatory Thanksgiving Day	9 AM Thanksgiving Day Mass 1 PM Thanksgiving Day Dinner (hall)
Friday November 27	Dn 7:2-14 Lk 21:29-33	12:10	+COMMUNION SERVICE Weekday	
Saturday November 28	Jer 33:14-16 1 Thes 3:12-4:2 Lk 21:25-28, 34-36	5:10 PM	+Howard Villhauer The First Sunday of Advent	10 AM Sacrament of Reconciliation
Sunday November 29	Jer 33:14-16 1 Thes 3:12-4:2 Lk 21:25-28, 34-36	8:00 9:30 11:00	Special Intention— (John & Dawn Eckrich) Special Intention— (In thanksgiving) +Howard Villhauer Parishioners +Lois Hannon The First Sunday of Advent	2 PM Dedication of the new St. Patrick's Church 5 PM Advent Vespers

THE STEWARDSHIP

"GIFT T.A.G."

Thankful, Accountable, Generous



Stewardship of Time

Pray daily for the needs of others.

Stewardship of Talent

Thank you to all those who serve the parish as members of our parish council!

Stewardship of Treasure

November 15th, 2009

Envelopes	\$	13,945.00
Offertory (money not in envelopes)	\$	5,295.00
Electronic Funds Transfer	\$	3,790.00
Children's Envelopes	\$	4.00
5% for Peace & Justice allocations	\$	1,212.00
Total	\$	24,246.00
Amount needed each week:	\$	20,300.00
OVER budget:	\$	+3,946.00
Amount needed year to date:	\$	406,000.00
Amount received to date:	\$	358,435.00
UNDER budget:	\$	-47,565.00
Stewardship of Treasure Goal: 5% OF INCOME		
GIVEN IN GRATITUDE		

Stewardship Thought

Stewardship means thanking God for every blessing—great and small!

Annual Diocesan Appeal

THANK YOU to those who have pledged or given to the ADA. So far, 349 people have pledged \$93,929! Our goal is \$123,000. We are still short about \$29,000.

Dear St. Mary's and the Peace & Justice Commission,

Thanks to your help, the Iowa Juvenile Home Foundation has been able to create a creditable school library and keep it functioning. Sometimes a small change can lead to bigger things, and that has certainly been the case at the IJH. Your support not only helps us purchase books for the library, it is part of something much bigger that will help many of Iowa's children create a better life for themselves.

Sincerely,
Carol Thompson

ATTENTION!

Please note that St. Mary's website is now www.icstmary.org.

If you use the old address (www.icstmary.com) you will not find our website.

St. Mary's

**BIG Breakfast
and Bake Sale**

TODAY—Sunday, November 22nd

8 AM– 12:30 PM

St. Mary's Parish Hall

Thanksgiving Dinner



Join us for our Annual Thanksgiving Dinner on **Thursday, November 26th, at 1 PM** in the parish hall. If you wish to donate a turkey, vegetables, salad, desert, or if you are able to help set up, provide rides, or deliver meals, call the office (337-4314).



A Thanksgiving Prayer

As we gather 'round this table,
as we pray for one and all,
we are grateful for this moment
and for blessings, great and small.

May they spread to all the nations
on this special day of grace.
May your love surround our family.
May your goodness bless this place.

Morris Helm is 90!

Please stop by and wish Morris a happy birthday on Saturday, November 28th, from 1-4 PM at the Quality Inn (2525 N. Dodge Street) in Iowa City. Cake, coffee, and memories will be served. (No presents, please.) Please let other friends of Morris know about the celebration!

ADVENT EVENING VESPERS

One of the great ways to enter into the season of Advent is to join with other members of our parish community for Advent Vespers. In our hectic, busy world, we need time for silence, reflection, and prayer. Advent Vespers (Evening Prayer) provides us the opportunity to do just that. Please join us each Sunday evening during Advent at 5 PM in the church as we lift up our hearts and minds to God in preparation for the coming of the Lord.

Children's Christmas Pageant

St. Mary's will present the Children's Christmas Pageant on Christmas Eve, at the 5:10 PM Mass. If you have any children that are interested in participating, please come to our first rehearsal, Sunday, December 6th, at 6 PM, in the church.



WANTED:

Youth who play violin, cello, viola, or string bass to be a part of a string ensemble for the 5:10 PM Christmas Eve Mass. You must be able to read music. If you are interested, please call Jacque Ronnfeldt (338-8930). Rehearsals will be Sundays in December at 6 PM in the parish hall.

St. Mary's Children's Christmas Choir

Practice: Wednesday, December 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd from 5:30-6 PM in the parish hall

REGINA HAPPENINGS

The Regina Parent Teacher Organization is sponsoring a Book Fair at the Coral Ridge Barnes & Noble on Saturday, November 28th, from 8 AM-10 PM. Regina will receive 15% of all purchases from the entire day. This includes books, magazines, gifts, the café—anything in the store qualifies! Godiva cheesecakes will be available, custom Regina cookies, and more! Just identify yourself as a Regina patron at check-out. **USE YOUR BARNES & NOBLE SCRIP TO INCREASE THE BENEFIT TO REGINA!**

OTHER HAPPENINGS

Watching your figure over the holidays so that you don't get out of shape? Keep your marriage fit and trim, too! Make reservations for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend now! The next one is in Cedar Falls on February 12th-14th, 2010. To register or for more information, contact Roger and Marsha Luensmann at 563-927-4352. Please register six weeks in advance.

Choose Life Prayer

We pray that we will appreciate more the gift of human life, especially when challenged by “special needs”.

Vocation View

What is the reason I was born? What is the reason I came into the world? Am I called to testify to the truth by becoming a priest, brother, or sister?

Would you like to join our parish? We'd love to have you! Please stop by or call the parish office at 337-4314.

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Mary Loops – Chairperson Elect
Karla Peiffer – Secretary

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ST. MARY'S FINANCE COUNCIL

Anne Hargrave (Lay Director)
Vince Maurer
John Maxwell (Lay Director)
Mike Pugh
Bob Squires

EDUCATION

Regina Catholic Education Center:

Carol Trueg—President, 351-1415. ext. 153
David Krummel – High School Principal, 338-5436
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