



The Annunciation

Bringing news of great joy from the parish

August/September/October/November 2018

Parish Family,

I will be on a medical leave from SMO/SMP beginning on Monday 15 October and ending On Saturday December 1. The end date of this medical leave may be moved up as recovery from a total left hip replacement surgery of 15 October may make possible.

The Diocese will not be providing a priest to serve as a temporary replacement for my pastoral assignment during this medical leave. Fr. Tom Spiegel and Fr. Bill Wiegand, retired priests of the diocese residing in Oskaloosa and Pella respectively, have accepted to provide basic coverage for each respective parish: Fr. Tom SMO; Fr. Bill SMP.

Basic coverage is that of all Sunday and Holy Day Masses at each parish as well as the parishes' Sacrament of Penance weekend schedule and one Weekday Mass at each parish (Tuesday 7:00 a.m. SMO and Tuesday 8:30 a.m. SMP). They each at each respective parish will have responsibility for all emergency sacramental and pastoral ministry calls and Funeral Services and Funeral Masses.

A weekday Communion Service will be provided to each parish by the deacons assigned to SMO/SMP; Dc. Don Efinger and Dc. Lowell Van Wyk. Weekday Communion Services with some exceptions are at SMO on Thursday following the care center 10:30 a.m. and parish church 8:00 a.m. Thursday Mass schedule and at SMP on Fridays at 8:30 a.m. The deacons will also respond to any regular pastoral ministry and hospital visitation requests and other deacon appropriate services as assigned. (continued on page 2)

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The number of priest assignable by the Diocese is not adequate to the number of diocesan assignments, which is why I pastor both SMO and SMP. My incapacity to carry out my pastoral duties while on medical leave brings sacrifice to all of us; parishioners, parish ministry volunteers, parish staffs, deacons and assisting volunteer retired priests. Me? I'm giving up my left hip and I look forward to leading the hip parade entrance procession on the First Sunday of Advent. Our Opening Hymn? Why: "The Hokey Pokey" of course: "You put your left hip in. You take your left hip out."

Fr. John

— St. Mary's Oskey, Parish Mission — **Take the Lead in Your Family's Faith**

Resources from the Catholic Tradition that show us where we need to go and how to help others get there in our daily lives.

Aug. 26, 2018

2pm—1st Talk

3:30pm—2nd Talk

5pm—Mass

6:30pm—Dinner

Please RSVP by Aug. 19th for free babysitting and/or dinner.

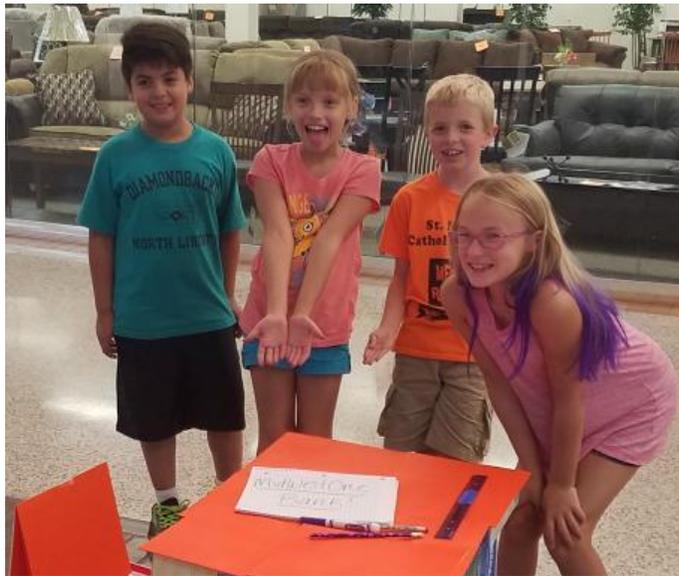
Guest Speaker: BO BONNER

Bo Bonner is the Director of Campus Ministry and Assistant Professor at Mercy College of Health Sciences in Des Moines, IA. He converted to Catholicism in the midst of Protestant Seminary at Duke Divinity

School, coming into the Church at Easter, 2006.



Find out more and RSVP by visiting www.stmarysosky.com or by calling 641.673.6680. We hope you can join us Aug. 26 at St. Mary's Parish Hall, 301 High Ave., Oskaloosa.



Sacrament Camp ended in our 2018 First Communion Class. Participating in camp and receiving their First Communion were; Graci Hugo, Gretchen Krejci, Rylee Roop-Scott, Ian Rosvold, Carys Snakenberg, Tierney Thomes, Flavio Velzsquez, Dylan Willett



Vacation Bible School

St. Mary's had 33 youth attend VBS this summer. This year VBS focused on "Message Received, Hearing God's Call." Each day the children learned about a different biblical character who received a special message from God, which included Samuel, Esther, Mary, the Disciples, and Lydia. We also ended each day by sending our "Message to God." These stories helped us learn that not only does God have a message for each of us, but that when we receive the message and hear His call we can do great things.

Faith Formation will start Sunday, September 9

Knights of Columbus back to school **Pancake Breakfast**
After 8:00 am mass on **September 9**

Deanery Corn Maze will be Sunday, October 21st
Watch the bulletin and your email for more information closer to the event.

Readers, Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion, and Sacristan training will be held on September 9 following the 5:00 PM Mass and on September 16 following the 8:00 AM Mass.

Altar server training will be held on Wednesday, **September 19 at 6 PM**. Anyone 4th Grade and higher as well as adults are welcome.



Catholics In Action

Samantha Ridder, Faith Formation Director, took a group of young parishioners from our Parish to Catholics In Action. This picture includes those that attended: Sarah Phillips, Gerald Ridder, Lucas Phillips, Sarafina Gituma, and Skyla Phillips.



One Bread One Cup

The Diocese of Davenport had a group attend One Bread One Cup. Those from Oskaloosa include Samantha Ridder, Carson Abrahamsen and Phillip Abrahamsen.

Birthdays

September	October	November
1 Tristan Alexander 5 Jazmin Chavez Samuel Nelson Cylee Smith 7 Callen Lynch Ireland McGraw Caroline VanRenterghem 8 Aiden Feist 13 Anthony Chavez 24 Aaron Blom 27 Abigail Hite 28 Oliver Medina 29 Alexa Ramirez 30 Francisco Jr. Ramirez Birthdays are of the younger parishioners. If there is a mistake, please contact the parish office	2 Noah Lusk 7 Fatima Lopez 10 Alexander McCombs Adalein Morrison Genesis Ramirez 11 Lucas Phillips 12 Brett Ingamells 15 Marissa Katko 16 John Krejci Jaxon Peiffer 17 Mathew Phillips 18 Mason McCombs 23 Autumn DeRonde 25 Max Roach 26 Lindsay Akers Andrew Nockel	1 Grace Manternach 8 Carter Peiffer 10 Marianna Arellano 11 Aidan Scholes 12 Sean Knockel 13 Gretchen Krejci 15 Carson Abrahamson 18 Warren Feudner 19 Rebecca Beuthien Sarah Phillips 21 Caitleen Potot 23 John Phillips 25 Jolie Yang 26 Cristina Rodriguez 27 Nicholas Ingamells 30 Oliver Smith

2018 Confirmation Mass will be Sunday, **November 4th** at 5pm with Bishop Zinkula

Save the date for **Advent by Candlelight**
December 4, 2018

Save the date for the next **Guess Who Is Coming to Dinner**
January 19, 2018

Parish Picnic following 5:30 pm Mass
August 29, 2018
A through G will bring desserts
H through O will bring salads
P through Z will bring side dishes

Come and See

Do you have any interest in the Catholic Church? In the Catholic Faith? You're invited to 'Come and See'. Join Father John on **Tuesday, September 4 at 7 pm** or **Saturday, September 8 at 9 am**. These sessions will take place at St. Mary's Fellowship Center, west of the church.

Anniversaries

September	October	November
5 Curtis & Cindy Paulsen - 25 Steve & Mary Job – 48 6 Larry & Becky Ingamells – 21 Dick & Mary Barnard – 43 7 Mark & Dorothy Mich – 44 9 Neal & Marcia Hadden – 40 10 Tom & Reba Gaughan – 52 11 Paul & Becky Falck – 16 John & Jeanne Porter – 68 12 Scott & Tiffany Snakenberg-20 14 Roger & AnnaMae Wolver – 63 15 Robert & Stephanie Hauptert -34 17 Tom & Michele Manternach -21 18 Ryan & Michelle Purdum – 19 20 Tom/Jamie VanRentergham-4 21 Andy & Amber Denburger - 5 24 Doug & Sue Witt – 36 25 David & Melissa Bower– 8 27 Donna & Peter Settimi - 21 28 John & Margaret Plate - 59	1 Tom & Megan Essary - 2 Robert & Tina Schnaffner - 24 3 Duane & Theresa McClure - 10 Bernard & Virginia Janssen - 26 4 Chase & Kaallie Weber – 4 Walter & Judy DeSelm - 43 5 Tony & Kathy Sedrel - 44 8 Jack & Julie Newport - 36 9 Stephen & Cecilia VanGorp - 49 11 Scott & Heidi Stefanc - 21 12 Joel & Vincenz Lobberecht - 5 15 Jay & Michelle Blom - 24 17 Tom & Kathy Donohue - 37 18 Brett & Wendy Bares – 10 Brent & Hillary Svenby - 15 19 James & Diane Sutton - 55 21 Kurt & Susan Kollasch - 29	8 Joe & Sue Durian 49 9 Russell & Karla Hammes – 22 10 Ron & Kris Mitrisin – 39 13 Paul & Julie Pitts – 39 Paul & Jean Knockel – 19 16 Brett & Julia Ross – 20 19 Jay & Debbie Guild – 11 22 Jeff & Lori Smith – 32 Philip & Mary Jo Hebert 43 23 Ed & Jane Playle – 18 27 Chuck & Joyce Webb – 44 28 Bill & Jan Durian – 59 30 Tom & Deb Lang – 20 Alan & Linda Adams – 39 Robert & Diane Fuller - 55

Vision 20/20

In preparation for the Diocese Convocation in June of 2019, Bishop Zinkula asks us, as a parish, to hold a Listening Session which has as its goals

- 1 - Assess the landscape in the parishes regarding missionary discipleship and evangelization as the diocese prepares for the Convocation
- 2 - Provide the basis for discussion and begin to identify participants from each parish as preparations are made for the regional conversations and Convocation.

At St. Mary Oskaloosa our Listening Sessions will be on Sunday, October 7 at 6:30 pm.

Listening Session for 20/20

To prepare for the Listening Sessions, parishioners are called to familiarize ourselves with Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation: 'The Joy of the Gospel'. You can read the paper or print a copy from this link - <https://bit.ly/1tmQF3S>. Dr. Michael Havercamp has produced a study guide for 'The Joy of the Gospel' - you can find that study guide at this link - <https://bit.ly/2nL1nF8>. St. Mary Oskaloosa will be using this study guide in three reflection sessions in preparation for our Parish Listening Session. The three Study Guide Sessions will take place at 6:30 pm on Sundays, August 19 and September 16 and September 23 in My Father's House. Parish members may also read and reflect on the Exhortation individually.

Isaiah Anderson
son of
Michael & Christina
Anderson
5-27-18



Isaiah Vallone
son of
Jason and Stephanie
Vallone
7/1/18

Parish Council 2018 – 2019

This year's Parish Council officers are

Tyler Stuerman – President

Susan Knox – Vice President

Debbie Blunt – Secretary

Other members are Irene Cruz, Roxane Schultz, Tiffany Snakenberg, Shanna Smith, Ron Mitrisin, Donna Tylkowski, Heidi Stefanc, and Maggie Rand

**DIOCESAN PRAYER: Vision 20/20
From Pentecost to Pentecost**

Send your Spirit, O God,

To open our eyes...

That we might see clearly your gifts and blessings,
past and present,
And so be filled with gratitude;

To open our eyes...

That we might see clearly where we have failed to
proclaim the Good News and welcome the stranger,
And so be moved to ongoing conversion;

To open our eyes...

That we might see clearly the signs of the times,
and where your Christ lies hidden at the margins
And so see where and how we are being called
to serve;

To open our eyes...

That we might see clearly the vision that you,
O God, have for us, the Diocese of Davenport,
And so answer your summons into a future
together.

Yes, O God, send us your Spirit

In a new Pentecost
Renew our hearts
Renew our Church
Renew our world

Through Christ, our Lord.

Amen