

October 29, 2017 | 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

# St. Mary

## CATHOLIC CHURCH



### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 8:30 am & 10:30 am

### DAILY MASSES

Monday 8:00 am  
Tuesday 12:10 pm  
Wednesday 8:00 am  
Thursday 9:30 am @CC

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm  
Or by appointment

### ADORATION

Monday 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
Friday 7:00 am - Noon

### Welcome to St. Mary!

If you are new to our community and not yet registered, we invite you to call or stop by the Parish Office. Forms can be found on our website: [www.solonstmary.org](http://www.solonstmary.org)

### PASTOR: Rev. Tim Sheedy

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### Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 1:00 pm



Did you know that our parish hall's nursery has been serving families since 2006 with childcare, so young parents can engage in parish life, deepen their relationship with Jesus and foster a strong family unit through parish ministries.

### Little Lamb Nursery

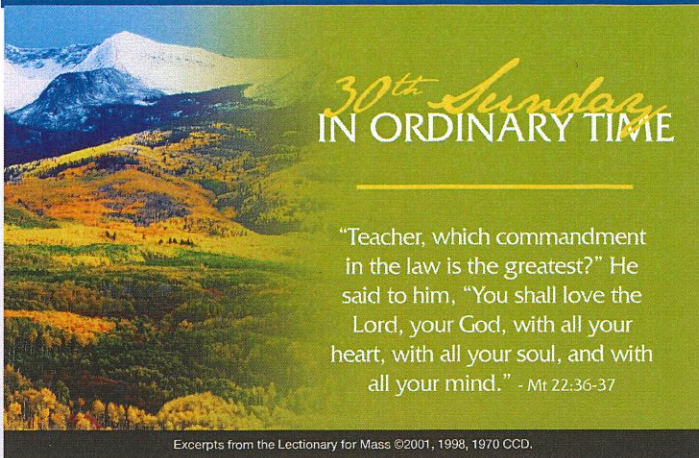
The majority of the young parents in our parish are not from Solon; yet often land here seeking to raise their children in the "small town Iowa" atmosphere they grew up in. Realizing they do not have extended family to help with childcare, our parish tries to provide this when serving their families with ministries such as **Little Lambs Nursery** during 10:30 Mass, the monthly **K-4<sup>th</sup> Grade Family Gathering Sunday** and the Saturday evening **Marriage On Tap**.

**Do you enjoy being with young children? Adults and teenagers are welcome and encouraged to volunteer.** Teens may also earn silver cord hours for their time. Volunteers set how often they wish to serve. Contact Megan ([laingmeg@gmail.com](mailto:laingmeg@gmail.com)) to help in the Little Lamb Nursery. Contact ([Lindsey@solonstmary.org](mailto:Lindsey@solonstmary.org)) if you would like to help with childcare during K-4 Family Gatherings or Marriage On Tap.

You might just be an answer to a prayer!! The prayer of grandparents hoping their families will encounter a parish who will welcome, embrace and support their children and grandchildren.



## Gospel Meditation



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"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." - Mt 22:36-37

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"The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments." Jesus gives us a simple moral principle in today's Gospel. **He speaks about two kinds of love: love of God and love of neighbor.** He tells us that all the other laws and teachings of our faith fall under these two headings. So if we can master these, we will be in good spiritual shape!

First of all, regarding the love of God, **Jesus tells us in essence that we must love God completely and entirely, with our whole being-- heart, soul, and mind.** If we are holding back from a full commitment to God, then we are falling short of this vision. So we would do well to examine ourselves and find those trouble spots where we are hesitant to give God everything. Is there a relationship we hold in our heart that is somehow separating us from God, either by negative association, lingering bitterness, or a kind of idol-worship of the relationship itself? What about our souls? Are we deeply attached to any pastimes, pleasures, or pursuits that cloud our soul from clearly welcoming the presence of God? An examination of our minds is in order as well. How do we direct our thoughts? Do we strive to form our conscience and understanding in the truth, or do we passively allow public opinion or popular consensus to direct our conclusions about the Church, the world, and our own identity?

**It follows that the closer we come to loving God with our whole being, the better we will be at loving our neighbors.** The more we are filled with God's love, the more that love radiates out to those around us, and the less we concern ourselves about what we can get out of the deal. So let us truly love God, and all the rest will follow.

## Annual Diocesan Appeal

Thank you to all who responded so generously to the Annual Diocesan Appeal last weekend. Each year the success of the campaign depends on you. Once more this year, you have done a wonderful thing; your pledges and gifts have helped to assure that the ADA will be able to continue building the faith community throughout the Diocese of Davenport. **For those of you, who were not here last weekend or for other reasons have not yet made your pledge to this year's Diocesan Annual Appeal, please consider a pledge by picking up a flier/pledge envelope on the table in the gathering space.** You may return the completed form to the Parish office or mail it directly to the Diocese of Davenport.

-Fr. Tim

## Cemetery

Approximately 10% of the headstones in the cemetery require some type of maintenance. According to our current Certificate of Interment Rights, "The original purchaser, or his or her representative, is responsible for monument maintenance." Headstones in most need of leveling, foundation, replacement or other repairs have been identified. The Cemetery Committee is hoping that representatives of these families will help take responsibility for these headstones. **Please, check your family's headstone(s) to see if they are in need of repair.** For more information and guidance on repairs or to donate to repair a monument/headstone, please contact **Mark Haight (319) 389-7132** or **Don Zimmerman (319) 337-8296.**

**SPECIAL THANKS TO VNA** who provided us with a Flu Vaccine Clinic on Oct. 15 and served 33 parish members.

### **ADULT SHELTER HOUSE IN IOWA CITY**

We will be collecting adult winter gear for the Shelter House in Iowa City. Last year they ran out and did not have enough winter coats, hats, gloves, scarves, etc. to give out. Place any donations in the marked box in the gathering space by **Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** Fill up a shoebox with gifts for a boy or girl ages 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14. Include \$9 for shipping (or pay online to track your package). Place a rubber band around the box then drop your shoeboxes off at the gathering space by **Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.** For more details about items (and what shouldn't go in the box), please to go <https://www.samaritanpurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

*\*Shoeboxes are on the back table in the gathering space.*

**"CHANGE FOR LIFE" FUNDRAISER** Baby Bottles were distributed last weekend after Mass by the Respect Life Committee. Please fill bottles with change, currency, or checks and return to the church next weekend, **Nov. 4 & 5.** Proceeds benefit Johnson County Right to Life. Thank you for your support of LIFE!

### **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

Upcoming Date: **November 10-12 @Iowa City** For information and to register go to [iowa-wwme.org](http://iowa-wwme.org) or call **563-608-3305** or email: [JLJwwme08@Gmail.com](mailto:JLJwwme08@Gmail.com)



## Knights of Columbus

The State of Iowa Knights of Columbus is highlighting **November as Food For Families**. They have challenged all Councils to collect food for the food pantries throughout November. The Councils recording the most total food donations and financial donations will be recognized at next year's State Convention in Davenport.

**Council 12129 will be collecting non-perishable food items every weekend in November.** You can drop off your donation in the gathering space after all Masses. We will also have a basket on a table should you wish to make a monetary donation. **All food and monies will go to the Solon Community Food Pantry.** Their wish list includes: boxed cereals (they have plenty of Cheerios), soups, peanut butter, canned items, mac & cheese etc. Please help us by donating what you can!

## Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

**Every single one of us wants to be happy.** And the great news is, God wants you to be happy, too. God has an amazing plan for your life. He wants to give you the peace and happiness you desire. God meets with us, and reveals his remarkable plan for our lives in the Bible. **Want a deeper relationship with God** and better understanding of our faith? Join us for an eight week study of the greatest Love Story ever told - It is your story - come discover your part in it. Groups are meeting:

**Mon. at 9:30am, Tues. at 11:00am, Wed. at 6:30pm**  
Contact [julie@solonstmary.org](mailto:julie@solonstmary.org) to sign up. You don't need to know anything about the Bible...this is the beginning of your journey in unlocking the mystery of the Bible.

## Marriage on Tap

**Saturday, November 11th 6-8:30 pm**

Marriage on Tap is a monthly date night. **ALL** married couples are invited to attend (newly married, those with children any age and empty nesters) and lap babies are welcome. Childcare will be provided.

**This month we will be watching a video from the Marriage Works in Christ DVD called *Universal Call to Holiness: Sanctifying Your Marriage*. We will learn that achieving holiness in marriage is a necessity for all to inherit the kingdom of heaven.**

Meal/drink (tea/lemonade) will be provided by St. Mary's. Feel free to bring beverages of your choice (beer, wine, soda, etc.) if you prefer something else. Please register online at [www.solonstmary.org](http://www.solonstmary.org) if you are able to attend by Friday, Nov. 10th. Questions? Contact Lindsey Carey: [Lindsey@solonstmary.org](mailto:Lindsey@solonstmary.org).

**Save the Date for Future Events: December 9th**

## Weekly Collections

Help Support  
St. Mary via  
We Share Online!



**October 21-22, 2017**

Offertory	\$4,786.88
Building Fund	\$ 150.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 290.00

Money Counters:

10/30 - Cheryl, Linda M., Mary Sue, Kevin  
11/06 - Agatha, Rosemary, Margaret,  
Mary Sue

Thank you for your continued  
support of St. Mary!

## How Our Parish Prays



For many years, Bob and Kay Morris had the 10:00-11:00 time slot at Friday's Eucharistic Adoration. However, they often stayed until noon because the experience was so peaceful and without distractions.

Bob brings his folder of 50+ funeral memorial pamphlets, which he saved over the years. One by one he pulls them out, remembers each person, then prays for the person and his or her family.

Every day, Bob and Kay try to ride the exercise bike while praying the Rosary, finding it a good time to concentrate on the prayers of the Rosary while thinking about and praying for the needs of their children and grandchildren. Each evening when they get into bed, they hold hands and pray together the Prayer to Your Guardian Angel.

When they are able, they are at daily Mass. **On the way to communion, Bob prays:** "Lord have mercy on my past, my present to your love and my future to your providence." **Kay's favorite Daily Prayer:** *I said a prayer for you today and know God must have heard. I felt the answer in my heart although he spoke no word! I didn't ask for wealth or fame, I knew you wouldn't mind. I asked Him to send treasures of a far more lasting kind! I asked that He'd be near you at the start of each new day. To grant you health and blessings and friends to share your way! I asked for happiness for you in all things great and small. But it was for His loving care, I prayed for most of all!*



## Parish Information

**Baptism:** Parents must be registered members of the parish. Baptism classes are required, ideally before the child is born. Call the parish office to register for classes and to schedule a Baptism 624-2228. No Baptisms are scheduled during Lent.

**Marriage:** Preparations must be made at least 6 months in advance of the marriage date. No Weddings are scheduled during Lent.

**Homebound Communion:** Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring Holy Communion to the sick and elderly of the parish. Call the parish office if you would like Communion brought to your home.

**Holy Anointing:** Do not hesitate to call the parish office in case of serious illness/injury.

**Prayer Line:** If you want to be part of the prayer line or need prayers, please call the parish office or email [solonstmary@diodav.org](mailto:solonstmary@diodav.org)

**Meals for Moms - Expecting a new arrival?:** Please call the parish office when your baby arrives, so we can arrange for meals to be delivered.

**St. Mary Cemetery:** Parishioners and family members seeking information about burial plots can call Mark Haight at 319-521-2544.

**Parish Hall Rental / Event Scheduling:** Please call JoEllen Ritchie, Hall Manager, at 319-624-2407 or email [joellen@solonstmary.org](mailto:joellen@solonstmary.org) to schedule your event.

## Liturgical Ministry Schedule

### Saturday, November 4, 5:00 p.m. Mass

Cantor / Musician	SMC / C. Brock
Servers	A. Burden, M. DeValk, E. Suchomel
Lectors	L. Connell-1, J. Hanes-2
Eucharistic Ministers	J. Anderson, K. Hirl, L. Manary
Greeters	S. Holte, J. Luedtka
Ushers	N. Erusha, D. Harney, D. Krob
Sacristan	K. Hirl

### Sunday, November 5, 8:30 a.m. Mass

Cantor / Musician	L. Hugeback / P. Cummings
Servers	E. Holubar, Z. & S. Wegmann,
Lectors	J. Shulista-1, J. Patrick-2
Eucharistic Ministers	T. Bonnema, J. Haight, G. Prentice
Greeters	R. Holubar, J. Koehn
Ushers	B. Koffron, P. Nalley, J. Shulista
Sacristan	J. Shulista
HBC	Nancy, Theresa Z.

### Sunday, November 5, 10:30 a.m. Mass

Cantor/Musician	Oceans / C. Brock
Servers	J. Benzing, B. Duckett, Z. Wieskamp
Lectors	D. Bruene-1, J. Maiers-2
Eucharistic Ministers	D. Bruck, M. Klouda, R. Myers
Greeters	D. Benzing, M. Pattison
Ushers	J. Bruene, K. Miller, A. Wieskamp
Sacristan	J. Maiers

## Mass Intentions

Mon.	30	8:00 am	Don Brannaman & Family
Tues.	31	12:10 pm	Margaret Holte
Wed.	01	8:00 am	All Saint's Day
	01	6:30 pm	All Saint's Day
Thurs.	02	8:00 am	All Soul's Day
	02	9:30 am	Word & Communion (@CC)
	02	7:00 pm	Prayer Service
Fri.	03	7:00 am	Word & Adoration
Sat.	04	5:00 pm	Lindsay Thul
Sun.	05	8:30 am	Loretta Miller
Sun	05	10:30 am	Maureen Keenan

## Parish Calendar

### Monday, October 30

8:00 am Mass  
8:45 am LIFT - Senior Exercise Group  
9:30 am Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible Study  
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Adoration

### Tuesday, October 31

11:00 am Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible Study  
12:10 pm Mass, Potluck lunch to follow  
6:30 pm Choral Practice

### Wednesday, November 1 - All Saint's Day

8:00 am Mass  
8:45 am LIFT - Senior Exercise Group  
6:30 pm Mass

### Thursday, November 2 - All Soul's Day

8:00 am Mass  
9:30 am Word & Communion at CC  
1:00 pm LIFT - Needle Work/Craft  
6:30 pm 2nd Grade-1st Communion Meeting  
7:00 pm Prayer Service - Chapel / GriefShare—Lower Level

### Friday, November 3

7:00 am to Noon Adoration

### Saturday, November 4

6:30 am Fishers of Men  
4:00 pm Confessions  
5:00 pm Mass

### Sunday, November 5

7:00 am Fishers of Men  
8:30 am Mass  
10:30 am Mass  
6:00 pm Financial Peace University

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