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(1 Corinthians 13:8)



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Bulletin Announcements: Deadline is Monday at Noon to the St. Clement Parish Office or to st_clement@tds.net



Weekly Mass Schedule

Tuesday, September 26 8:15 AM
(Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs)
NO MASS

Wednesday, September 27 8:15 AM
(St. Vincent de Paul, Priest)
NO MASS

Thursday, September 28 8:15 AM
*(St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence
Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs)*
†Doug Crosby

Friday, September 29 8:15 AM
(Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels)
†James D. Giesen

Saturday, September 30 5:00 PM
†Fr. Mario Pedi

Sunday, October 1 9:00 AM
**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
Addelyn McLimans

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Tuesday – Friday: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

CONFESSION

Saturday 8 – 9 AM and 4 – 4:45 PM
Face-to-face reconciliation by appointment only.

ADORATION

Saturday 8 – 9 AM

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

September 16 & 17

Church Support Envelopes . . . \$2,372.00
Offertory Cash \$750.10
Weekly Electronic Giving \$1,210.00
Mid-Month Electronic Giving . \$3,170.00
Total \$7,502.10

Sept. Budgeted Offertory \$35,335.00
Sept. Offertory Received \$22,299.20

Monthly Offertory Comparison
August 2023 (4 weekends) \$30,890.49
August 2022 (4 weekends) \$27,701.00

RECENTLY BAPTIZED

NEVAEH ANNE
Daughter of Joseph & Kelly Ihm
RHETT ALLEN
Son of Grant & Haley Reynolds

OUR ST. CLEMENT PARISH FALL FESTIVAL NEWS

Our St. Clement Fall Festival is just 2 weeks away, Sunday, October 8 and it's our only fund-raising activity for our entire parish. The St. Clement Fall Festival Committee is looking for your help with this year's drive-thru event.



Some ways you can help are Set-Up, Kitchen Crew, Cole Slaw, Bars, Carry-Out Line, Ticket Takers, Drive-Up Runners, Clean Up, and Chicken Pit Clean Up. To sign up, go to <https://tinyurl.com/yhfwps7u> or call Katherine in the Parish Office.

LADIES NIGHT OUT

Ladies, looking for a night of conversation and lively fun? Put Wednesday, October 11, on your calendar and attend Ladies Night Out at St. Mary's in Bloomington. Come and enjoy appetizers (cash donations accepted but not necessary) and take a guess at what is in the many purses that will be on the silent auction. Bid on a purse (or two!). New activities are in the works for this year's event. Betsy Vorwald, of Whispers & Thyme, will be selling glasses of wine. Fruit punch will also be served. All ladies in our Pastorate are invited, along with guests. To make a donation or find out more, call Ione Meoska (608 723-9605), Jen Wehrle (608 412-1402), Mary Jo Kussmaul (608 604-0231) or Alysa Mulrooney (608 412-5859).

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

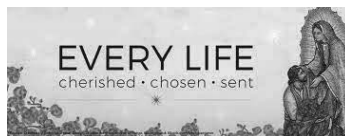
Have you ever wondered about your life? Why you are here, and where are you going? Have you had questions about Jesus? And why the need for a Church? Our next Adult Faith Formation series, "THE SEARCH: The Search for the Meaning of Life" will address these questions and more. Chris Stefanik will be our guide in this 7-week reflective study. There will be two opportunities to take part. The first will be on Tuesday mornings after the 8:15 AM Mass beginning October 3, and the second will be on Monday evenings at 6:30 PM starting a day earlier on October 2. Both gatherings will held in the parish office meeting room. For more information, or if you have questions, contact Bill Manthe.



DEEPEN YOUR FAITH WITH THE CATHOLIC HERALD

Issue of September 28, 2023

The Eucharistic Congress is coming up next weekend, and there is still time to make plans to attend. The Catholic Herald is your source for information on all kinds of faith and family events in the diocese.



RESPECT LIFE COLLECTION

Next weekend, Sep. 30 and Oct. 1, the Respect Life Collection will be conducted in our parish. Your prayerful and financial help in supporting this collection is critical. Please take this week to pray about the support you can provide. Respect Life Collection brochures can be found on the tables in the entrances of church.





**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:
SEPTEMBER 30 & OCTOBER 1**



5:00 p.m. Lector: Bill Manthe

5:00 p.m. Servers: Will & Abel Kratochvill

9:00 a.m. Lector: Connie Reinsbach

9:00 a.m. Servers: Trinity, Vanessa & Selina Ihm

IN MEMORIAM

Please remember in your prayers this week one of our dear parishioners, Norma Starrett, who died on September 14 and her funeral Mass was offered on September 20. Norma was 88 years young when the Lord called her home to Himself. Norma Fuerstenberg was born and grew up in Fennimore, one of seven children. In 1955, Norma married Miles Starrett and they were blessed with four children: Beverly (Bob), Joanne (Dale), Robert, and Ken (Jill); and in addition 16 grandkids and 22 great-grandchildren. Norma was gifted in many ways – painting, making memory books, greeting cards and quilting to name a few. She made a quilt for every grandchild when they were married or became 30 – a gift, a keepsake made out of love. After Miles died, she later found her second love, Jim Ley. Norma lived a full life, one that had its joys and sorrows. It's fitting that Norma died on the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross, as for these past three years, she carried the cross of cancer. Yet she did so with great faith, courage, hope and trust in God's promises. Norma, had a deep commitment to the Lord, to her faith, to her family, to our parish and community. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her. May this good and faithful servant now rest in the peace and joys of Heaven. As we pray for her, may we also pray for her family and friends, remembering too her sister Bernice (LeRoy) Ihm of our parish. May the Lord pour out His consolation and comfort upon her family and loved ones in this time of sorrow and sadness.

"Eternal rest grant unto Norma, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."

**WHERE OUR PRIESTS ARE IN THE PASTORATE
SEP. 30 & OCT. 1**

Father Steve will be in Lancaster Saturday at 5 PM and Sunday at 9 AM. Father Mark will be in Glen Haven at 8 PM; Patch Grove, Sunday 8 AM, and Bloomington at 10 AM. Father Sudhakar will be in Cassville, Saturday at 4:30 PM and Potosi, Sunday at 8:00 AM; and Tennyson 10 AM.



PLEASE PRAY FOR....

Fr. Steve, Fr. Mark, Fr Sudhakar, Bishop Hying and the priests of our diocese as they gather together for their annual Presbyteral Assembly in Wisconsin Dells this week, September 24-27. The theme for this 43rd annual assembly is, "Pressing Forward To What Lies Ahead" and is rooted in the "Into the Deep" strategic plan. Please pray for them, for the clarity of the Holy Spirit to guide their time of discussion, reflection and fellowship.

GRIEFSHARE

A Support Group For The Bereaved



Our pastorate is offering a bereavement support group called **GriefShare**. Using video presentations, discussion and personal reflection, participants learn valuable insights into their grief journey and find renewed hope. It is said that "grief shared is grief diminished." *GriefShare* meets on Thursday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in the St. Clement Parish Office meeting room. If you have any questions or to register, call Bill Manthe at 723-4990 or Marcia Hampton at 732-8849.

**FAMILY PROMISE: OUR HOST
WEEK IS COMING UP SOON!**



Our week to host families experiencing homelessness is coming up the week of October 1, so we need to get ready to offer them our care and hospitality. The Volunteer Sign-Up Forms are on a table in the back of church. You can volunteer for more than one area, or more than once. Families often like to see familiar faces throughout the week! Please sign up early in order for us to be ready on the 1st.

If you have any questions, or are interested in helping out but have not done so in the past, please give me a call at 723-4990. ~ Bill

**EUCHARTISTIC REVIVAL
&
EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS**



The Diocesan Eucharistic Congress is this week at St. John the Baptist Church in Waunakee, September 29, 30 and October 1. Take part in all three days, or attend for one or two; whatever works in your schedule. There is no cost, and there really is something for everyone ranging from breakout discussions after each main presentation, Eucharistic Adoration, viewing Carlo Acutis' Eucharistic Miracles of the World exhibit, gathering for Intercessory Prayer, or receiving spiritual direction. You can find more information on the bulletin board, one of the sheets in the back of the church, or go to: blessedbrokenandgiven.com.

SAINT CLEMENT SCHOOL

LADY CAGER VOLLEYBALL

Our Lady Cager volleyball teams are off to a great start this season and will be taking on Cassville this Sunday, September 24th in their final home matches of the season. This year's 5th and 6th grade team includes: Allie Anderson, Eleanor Bernhardt, Braelyn Crubel, Violet Haas, Ella Hauk, Georgia Ihm, Selina Ihm, Blakely Klaas, Lydia Muldoon, and Lillian Webster. They are coached by Mrs. Jayne Webster and Mrs. Katie Anderson. This year's 7th and 8th grade team includes: Kenlinn Byl, Brooklyn Crubel, Maddie Driscoll, Eliza Haas, Siena Ihm, Vanessa Ihm, Kaci Klaas, Kyla Klaas, Lexie Olmstead, and Aubrie Stader. They are coached by Mrs. Becky Stader. These teams will also represent Saint Clement School in the MRVPL League Volleyball Tournament at Southwestern H.S. on Saturday, October 14th... Go Cagers!!!

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