Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2010

MASS SCHEDULE & *Feast Days*

Monday, May 3, 8:00 a.m. – 60th Wedding Anniversary of Earl & Esther Brehm; 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Tuesday, May 4, 8:40 a.m. – Lorraine Steffen
Wednesday, May 5, 8:00 a.m. – Stella Kluesner
Thursday, May 6, 8:00 a.m. – Jack Kehoe
First Friday, May 7, 8:00 a.m. – Rita Marie Conter
Saturday, May 8, **4:00 p.m. (Holy Family)** – Lavern & Florence Simon; **5:00 p.m. (St. John's)** – Mary Ann Smith
Sunday, May 9, **7:30 a.m. (St. John's) –** Elmer, Delores & Gery Weydert; **8:30 a.m. (Holy Family)** – Merlin & Dennis Meyer
10:00 a.m. (St. John's) – Mary Maas

St. John the Baptist Ministry List

Saturday , May 8, 5:00 p.m.
Lectors: Tracey Burds **Gifts:** Mark Leibold Family
Eucharistic Min: D. & M.K. Avenarius / R. Steppan
C. Gitter / R. Harris / R. & D. Fluhr
Servers: Brianna and Blair Burds

Sunday, May 9, 7:30 p.m.
Lectors: Annette Kress **Gifts:** Tom McAndrew & C. Lester Families
Eucharistic Min: A. Willenbring / H. Nauman / J. Lawler
Servers: Drew Daly and Brady Tegeler

Sunday, May 9, 10:00 a.m.
Lector: John Greenwood **Gifts:** Lenny Tekippe Family
Eucharistic Min: S. & G. Recker / J. Webber
M. Klein / D. Hoffmann / N. Tekippe / D. Grant
Servers: Abby Koerperich and Abby Recker

Holy Family Ministry List

Saturday, May 8, 4:00 p.m.
Lector: Norma Weber
Eucharistic Min: Norma Weber and Ellen Hartman
Servers: Holly Hartman
Ushers: Ed Goedken and Charles McCullough

Sunday, May 9, 8:30 a.m.
Lector: Students
Eucharistic Min: Judy Greene and Geraldine McCarthy
Servers: Annie, Abbie and Amber Meyer
Ushers: Ralph Reiss and Mark McCullough

Coming Events – May Crowning, May 9th / Graduation Mass and Social, May 16th.

St. John's Rosary Leaders: Saturday, May 8th – **Bernie Kass;** Sunday, May 9th – **Earl and Esther Brehm**

PASTOR'S PEN: Marvelous May makes its start with devotion to Mary. Planting our fields and gardens, mowing our lawns, parish elections and all sorts of events associated with the close of schools, fill our calendars. Bless them all !

Baptisms Saturday at five o'clock will feature Rachael Alexandra, daughter of Ken & Tirzah Weber and Gabriel Allen, son of Bradley & Sara Jones. Congratulations to them.

On Sunday, I've been invited to celebrate the baccalaureate Mass for Beckman's grads. Fr. Levenhagen asked for Sunday off, but Fr. Al Vorwald was free to offer the 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Masses. Thanks to him. Enjoy the change!

In the week ahead, St. John's Parish Council meets Monday at 7 p.m. All council members should come with a couple of names of folks interested in being on the Parish Council. At the 8 a.m. Mass, Earl & Esther Brehm celebrate 60 years of marriage! Wednesday will be the first Peosta Farmers Market, 2:30-5:30 at the Fire Station and at 6:30 p.m. an evaluation session for St. John's Religious Ed program. The 7th will be First Friday with reconciliation at 7:30 a.m. and Mass at 8 a.m. in honor of the Sacred Heart. At 4 p.m. the marriage of Marie McAndrew and Matt Axtell.

Those interested in serving on the Parish Councils or Board of Ed (now called Faith Formation Commission) should contact Mike Kobusch for Holy Family at 588-62577 or Steve Hoeger at 583-1808 for St. John's or Jessica Krapfl (Board of Ed, St. John's) at 584-0531. This is a great way to be involved and a wonderful service to your parish – please consider it.

A teacher asked her students, "How many seasons are in a year?" Little Mary responded promptly, "Two, slack and busy!" Enjoy!

St. John's

Last Week's Collection: Budget - $5,147.00 (Budget amount needed each week - **$6,199.00**)

Donut Sunday today! Everyone is welcome to Shannon Hall after the 7:30 & 10 a.m. Masses for fresh donuts, juice, milk & coffee.

Omelet Breakfast, Sunday, May 16th, Shannon Hall, hosted by the Knights of Columbus, serving after the 7:30 a.m. Mass until 11:30 a.m. Omelets or eggs made to order, hashbrowns, toast, coffee & juice. Adults $7.00, kids 6-12 $5.00, 5 and under, free.

Volunteers Still Needed - If you would like to get more involved in parish life at St. John's, please consider joining the Rosary Society. We are looking for new leaders for the upcoming 2 year term. This is a great opportunity to volunteer some time & service to your parish, but also a great way to meet new people. Please call Marty & Angie Recker at 557-0032.

Save the Date: June 21st Blood Drive at St. John's. April 26th is the last day to give blood before this drive. See more info on our website, **www.stjohnspeosta.org.**

1st Communion Banners and pictures may be picked up in the parish office. Thank you for leaving them up for the parish to see.

A big THANK YOU to all the catechists & helpers in the Religious Education program, who did a tremendous job this past year helping our parish children & youth grow in their faith: *Mary Bastian, Stacy Hirsch, Sandy Leick, Cathy Kalb, Mindy Smith, Laurie Wischmeyer, Diane Fasselius, Lisa Ludwig, Nichole Kraft, Laura Eudaley, Kayla Schneider, Jen & John Lembezeder, Brian Allman, Michele Allman, Pat Udzielak, Michelle Baker, Kathy Manders, Deanne Arthur, Susan Pettinicchio, Amy Herman, Larry Schieltz, Dave & Theresa Walser, Peggy Stockel, Cindy McAndrew, Megan Tegeler, Mike Fagerlind, Abby Ball, Jeff Haverland* and *Debbie Allen*. Thank you also to: Fr. Kuhn, those who subbed for the program, Janet Lieb for her help with the music for our liturgies, all the parents who helped with the 7th & 8th grade activities, the parents who chaperoned & drove for field trips, and to everyone who kept our program in your prayers. It takes the whole parish community to raise our children in our faith!

Parish RE banners: The parish Religious Education program concluded their formal education program for the 2009-10 school year this past Wednesday evening. 36 students were recognized for perfect attendance; another 40 for missing only once. Each class presented their class banner, highlighting their saint and topics covered this year. Please stop to look at them in the back of church.

Vacation Bible School – "Baobab Blast" – Registration forms are available on the Faith Formation bulletin board in the gathering space at St. John's. VBS will be held at St. John's in Peosta daily, Monday – Friday, **June 14-18,** from 9 a.m. – noon. This is for children entering kindergarten though those just completing fifth grade. Adults & any students who will be in 7th grade next fall or older are invited to help with VBS. If interested in helping with VBS, please contact Kay Goedken (879-3164) or Marybeth Wagner (582-4217).

Holy Family

Last Week's Collection: Budget - $530.00; Offertory - $220.00; Easter - $275.00; Building Fund - $750.00

Building Committee Update - Proposals have been accepted by the building committee & approved by the parish council to replace the church roof. As soon as we receive approval from the Archdiocese, work will begin. We hope to begin in early May. Environmental Management Services will remove the asbestos shingles & Geisler Brothers will install the new steel roof. When the parish survey was sent out some parishioners expressed interest in donating to a new roof, when work begins & you still wish to do so, we will apply it to the roof cost. Thank you, *the Parish Council*

Religious Education Class, this Sunday, May 2nd for preschool-10th grade, 9:15-11:00 a.m.

May Crowning on Sunday, May 9th will be planned by the 7th & 8th grade classes. Anyone in Catholic school who would like to participate should contact Becky or Amy Bergfeld. Practice will be Sunday, May 2nd during Religion class.

High School Graduation Liturgy & Social will be Sunday, May 16th at 8:30 a.m. The liturgy will be planned by the senior class. Please contact Kay Goedken if you are a senior & plan on attending the liturgy.

St. John's & Holy Family

Knights of Columbus – Anyone interested in joining the KC's, please call Walt Pregler at 583-5855.

"Does God Like to Shop?" - Friday, May 7th, noon - 3 p.m., Sinsinawa Mound. Lunch, program & style show. Sam Kauffman, Emcee & Christian performer will present a program based on Paul's letter to the Ephesians that explores the ways God cares for, protects and blesses us. Please call 608-748-4411 by May 4th for registration, program fee is $20.

3rd Annual Fair Trade Festival, Sinsinawa Book & Gift Gallery, "You Have the Power to Change Lives" **-**Wednesday, May 5th through Saturday, May 8th, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sample Fair Trade coffees, special discounts & sales. Call 608-748-4411 for more info.

Roses for Mother's Day - Volunteers will be offering roses in honor of Mother's Day following each Mass next weekend. Proceeds will go to Dubuque County Right to Life, Inc. Minimum suggested donation is $2.00. All proceeds will be used for educational purposes. Remember to bring your dollar bills!

Beckman Mother's Day Breakfast: The Beckman Booster Club is sponsoring their annual Mother's Day Breakfast on Sunday, May 9th. Breakfast will be served from 7:30 a.m. until noon. The menu includes scrambled eggs, sausage, ham, hash browns, fruit, muffins, rolls, juice, milk and coffee. Adults $7.50, kids 5-10, $4.00. For large group reservations: call Reicher Shoes at 875-8171. All are invited!

Scrip Volunteers Needed: We are looking for several volunteers in the Seton Parishes willing to donate 1-2 hours of their time in our Scrip Office on Monday mornings. No need to have a child enrolled at Seton – retirees welcome. For more information, please call Darlene @ 876-5586.

Used Books Wanted: The Seton K-2 teachers are looking for gently used quality children's books to use in their classroom libraries and reading program. Anyone with books to donate, please call Darlene @ 876-5586 or drop off at the Seton Epworth Center.