

Holy Name	St. Peter	Immaculate Conception	St. Francis			
Saturday 5 pm	Sunday 10:00 am	Sunday 8:30 am	Saturday 5:05 pm			
Sunday 8:30 am	Saturday 5:05 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:30 am			
Lector	Tom Grapes	Kathy Wenthold	Jerry Kelly	Betty Alfultis	Lon Tissue	Steve Knoploh
Eucharistic Ministers	Kim Reichter LeRoy Soppe Ken Scholbrock	Kathy Wenthold Laurie Thompson Marion Broghammer	Jerry Kelly Georgia Klein Joan Goddard	Lorraine Piphoo Dave & Margaret Teeling	Deanna Joebgen Jerry & Peggy Becker	Veryl Burghardt Pat Burghardt Ruth Keppler Kurt Wood
Gifts	Dan & Ruth Meyer	John & Linea Baldwin	Bruce & Sharon Kleve	Steve Frost	Lavern Testorff	Bob & Irma Kime
Ushers	Craig Schmitt Loren Ihde	Mike Heins Dave Kamaus	Bruce & Sharon Kleve	Tom Miller Dave & Margaret Teeling	Ralph Schultz John & Dawn Swehla	Mike Carey Denice Fink Rick Fink Ray Gavin
Greeters	Rose Lansing Ellene Smith	Dave & Jean Kamaus	Bruce & Sharon Kleve	Tom Miller	Ralph Schultz	
Servers	Abby Reichter Abby Schmitt Bryce Elsbernd	Molly Wenthold Sam Wenthold	Natalie Fettkether AJ Fettkether	Kellian Dillon Kathryn Dillon Sean Dillon	Carter Matt Anderson Matt Spencer Matt	Keely Krambeer Collin Gavin
Money Counters	Tom Grapes Jenni Elsbernd	Linea Baldwin Norm Einck	Jim & Deb Matt		Morry Holthaus Clem Schemmel	Linda Knoploh Mike McFadden

Prayer Requests Please remember in your Masses and prayers people from our cluster who are sick or ailing, we pray that all will have firm faith and improved health:

From Immaculate Conception: Juliana Blaylock, Edna Fay, Mardell Hay, Michelle Heidemann, Lori Kohlmeyer, Margaret Kuethe, Terri Kuethe, Noreen Miller, Peggy Pagel, Don & Pauline Rader, Fr. Jude Rochford OFM, Rhonda Rochford, Rita Schmitz, and Jonathan Wirkler.

From St. Francis of Assisi: Urban Berkes, Olivia Everett, John Kelly, and Rita Manderfield.

From Holy Name: Michael Baumler, Hayden Grimm, Jill Krambeer, Gerald Kramer, Eileen Lahey, Kathy Langreck, Pat Loomer, Jessica McDanel, Roger Michael, Marilyn Miller, Raelonna Patrick, Betty Scott, Roland Steinlage, Leona Streif, Sue Ungerer, Carl Wagner Jr., and Linda Walz.

From St. Peter: Michelle Bridge, Elizabeth Goddard, Ellen Kneeland, Julia Martin, Jonathan Oakland, Carla Rear and Ken Wagner, Jr.

Rest in Peace: We pray for those in our parishes who have died and for our families who have lost loved ones. Raymond Michels (Stanley) father of Brenda Johanns of St. Francis of Assisi Parish. His funeral service was held Monday, December 14th at Sacred Heart in Oelwein. Norma Bloonner (Fayette/Elgin). Her funeral was held Wednesday, December 16th at St. Peter's in Clermont. We pray for their families and all who grieve their loss.

Happenings Around Our Area

December 31 - January 1, New Year's Eve Retreat at the American Martyrs Retreat House, 2209 North Union Road, Cedar Falls, IA. Join in to celebrate New Year's Eve in a sacred way. People of all ages, single, dating, and couples are invited to attend. The fee for the retreat is \$65 per person. Arrival is at 5:00 pm on New Year's Eve and departure at 11:00 am on New Year's Day. To register or with further questions contact the American Martyrs Retreat House @ 319 - 266 - 3543 or e-mail DBQAMRHsec@DBQArch.org

December 20, 2015 Fourth Sunday of Advent

St. Joseph the Worker Cluster - The Catholic parishes of Immaculate Conception, Sumner, St. Francis of Assisi, Fayette, Holy Name, West Union, and St. Peter, Clermont.

MISSION STATEMENT: Celebrating parish identity as we work to become one family of God and strive to serve in the name of Christ.

Masses & Intentions

12/21/15 - Monday
9:00 am, HN
Velma Ungs

12/22/15 - Tuesday
7:30 am, IC
Word & Communion

9:00 am, HN,
Mary Alice Gaffney

12/23/15- Wednesday
8:00 am, SF
Gerald Lamphere

12/24/15 - Thursday
4:30 am, SP
Viola Lerch

4:30 pm, SF
Joe Wolfe

7:00 pm, IC
Gerald Kroeger

7:00 pm, HN
Donna Bodensteiner

12/25/15 - Friday
8:30 am, IC
Ben Smith

9:00 am, HN
Lisa Baumler

12/26/15 - Saturday
7:30 am, IC
David Rochford

5:00 pm, HN
Tom Hoey

5:05 pm, IC
Denny Bumgardner

12/27/15 - Sunday
8:30 am, SP
Agnes Lynch

8:30 am, IC
For the People

10:00 am, HN
Paul Wagner

10:30 am, SFA
Kraig Kime

<http://stjosephtheworkercluster.com/>

Pastor: Fr. Jim Brokman dbq195@dbqarch.org

Rectory & Church Office:
1-888-578-5366 or 563-578-5366

Sacramental Priest: Fr. Dale Rausch,
563-422-3184 & 1-800-469-3184

All bulletin information directed to:
dbq195sec@dbqarch.org by 5 pm Tuesday evening

Saturday and Sunday Mass & Reconciliation Times

MASS TIMES on Saturdays:
7:30 am, Immaculate Conception, Sumner
5:00 pm, Holy Name, West Union / Confession 4:00 - 4:45 pm
5:05 pm, Immaculate Conception, Sumner / Confession 4:20 - 4:45 pm

MASS TIMES on Sundays:
8:30 am, Immaculate Conception, Sumner / Confession 8:00 - 8:20 am
8:30 am, Saint Peter, Clermont
10:00 am, Holy Name, West Union
10:30 am, St. Francis of Assisi, Fayette / Confession 10:10 - 10:25 am

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St. Peter, Clermont:
Bookkeeper/Secretary:
Kathy Turner, 563-423-6007
dbq041bk@dbqarch.org
CRE Mary Olson, 563-380-6135 &
dbq041re@dbqarch.org

Immaculate Conception, Sumner:
Office Hours 2 to 6 pm Mon. & Tues.
8 am to 12 pm Fri.
Parish Office: 563-578-5366
Bookkeeper/Secretary: Cindy Jacob
dbq195sec@dbqarch.org
Faith Formation Office, 563-578-8227
Faith Formation Program Manager:
Pam Schmitt: dbq195ff@dbqarch.org

St. Francis of Assisi, Fayette:
Bookkeeper: Delores Fagle Thom
563-425-4410 & delores@iowatelecom.net
Faith Formation Office, 563-425-3228
CRE, Holly Streeter,
563-425-5340 & 563-419-4661

Holy Name, West Union:
Office Hours 8 am to 11 am Mon - Thurs
Parish Office, 563-422-3184
Bookkeeper/Secretary: Kathy Wenthold
dbq220bk@dbqarch.org
Faith Formation Office, 563-422-5722
Faith Formation Program Managers:
Pam Rochford: dbq220re@dbqarch.org
Jamie Hoey: dbq220ff@dbqarch.org

Holy Name, West Union

Thank you to everyone for your participation, support, help & hospitality for our Faith Formation Christmas Program. It was a wonderful evening of fellowship & celebration for the coming of our savior.

Please have any donations that you would like on your 2015 year statement in by December 31st.

Budget boxes for 2016 are in the back of the church for pick-up. Thank you for your continued support of Holy Name Parish & St. Joseph the Worker Cluster.

Wednesday, December 23 - NO Faith Formation Classes. Classes resume January 13, 2016.

Faith Formation classes will resume on January 13. Have a blessed Christmas.

Check out Holy Name's Faith Formation Facebook page. Important information, such as event updates, newsletters, weather and-related cancellations will be posted.

"Project Giving Hope" December is Holiday Baking Month. Suggested item are: All sugars & flour, shortening, baking chips, etc. of food.

Sacrificial Giving 12/13/15 Total: \$2,369.75

Adult Envelopes	2,080.00
Youth Envelopes	4.25
Offertory	95.50
Bldg. & Repair	5.00
Share in the Care	105.00
Energy	50.00
Christmas	30.00

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CLUSTER

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE

Thursday, Dec. 24, 4:30 pm - St. Peter, Clermont

Thursday, Dec. 24, 4:30 pm - St. Francis, Fayette

Thursday, Dec. 24, 7:00 pm - I.C., Sumner

Thursday, Dec. 24, 7:00 pm - Holy Name, West Union

CHRISTMAS DAY

Friday, Dec. 25, 8:30 am - I.C. Sumner

Friday, Dec. 25, 9:00 am - Holy Name, West Union

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

CHRISTMAS EVE CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Holy Name: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm & 1:00 - 3:00 pm

St. Francis of Assisi: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Immaculate Conception: 1:00 - 2:00 pm

St. Peter, Clermont

Thank you to everyone that attended and worked at our Valley Christian Youth Holiday Dinner and our St. Peter's Christmas celebration and pageant.

Please have any donations that you would like on your 2015 year statement in by December 31st.

An ox and a donkey have been added to the new Nativity scene, in part from a memorial for Viola Lerch.

Adult Faith Formation classes will be held on: January 13 and January 27. Our study this year will focus on the book "Rediscovering Catholicism".

Sacrificial Giving 12/13/15 Total: \$1,381.38

Adult Envelopes	1,165.00
Youth	14.00
Offertory	77.38
Rel. Retirement	125.00

Pope's Intentions for December

Universal: Experiencing God's mercy

That all may experience the mercy of God, who never tires of forgiving.

Evangelization: Families

That families, especially those who suffer, may find in the birth of Jesus a sign of certain hope.



Cluster Announcements

Attention NVYC Stockholders: Your stock donation will appear on your year end contribution statement sent to you by your parish for tax purposes. These are now being updated as we close out the NCYC year end books.

Sunday, December 20, Penance Service at St. Bridget in Postville, 2:00 pm.

Wednesday, January 6, Faith Formation Teacher In-Service, 7:00 - 8:30 pm in Elkader.

NCYC Stockholder Breakfasts will be held following mass on the following dates. If you are a stockholder, please attend one of them to see pictures and hear all about the youth's pilgrimage.

January 10 - Clermont & Fayette

January 17 - West Union & Sumner

Merry Christmas

Immaculate Conception, Sumner

Anyone who would like to volunteer to be a money counter for Christmas Day please contact the church office @ 563-578-5366.

Please have any donations that you would like on your 2015 year statement in by December 31st.

Thank you to everyone for your participation, support and help in anyway with the Christmas program. Also, thanks to everyone who helped organize the potluck dinner and for furnishing the meal.

All individuals interested in sharing their musical talents at the Christmas masses please contact Pam Rochford @ 563-578-8346 or dbq220re@dbqarch.org

His Hands Food Pantry is looking for a 10 to 15 hour per week coordinator. Coordinator is responsible for staffing the Pantry with volunteers and keeping the shelves stocked with food. Send resume to Box C2, Oran, Iowa 50664 or hishandsoran@gmail.com by January 4, 2016.

ALL individuals interested in sharing their musical talents at the Christmas Masses **PLEASE** contact Pam Rochford @ 563 - 578 - 8346 or e-mail dbq220re@dbqarch.org

Sunday, December 20, S-F Middle School Chamber Choir will join us for Prelude music. Come worship with us and listen to these young voices share their spirit of Christmas.

Wednesday, December 23, Christmas Choir practice for ALL ages, 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Bring your voices, instruments and music to practice.

Wednesday, December 23, No Faith Formation classes. Classes will resume on January 13th.

Wednesday, December 23, Confirmation students will be wrapping gifts for the public at 6:00 pm at the church. Call Kelly Egan @ 563-380-9833 for more information .

Sunday, December 27, The Sumner Strings will join us for worship. Come and enjoy the sounds of the violins.

Sacrificial Giving 12/13/15 Total: \$2,025.25

Adult Envelopes	1,451.00
Youth Envelopes	5.00
Offertory	122.25
Rel. Retirement	270.00
Christmas	45.00
Holy Day	132.00

St. Francis of Assisi, Fayette

Thank you to everyone for the monetary donations and pop cans for our fleece blanket project. Also, thank you to the confirmation students of St. Francis for taking the time to tie them. I do believe there will be some happy faces when they receive them at Christmas. Thanks Karen Michelson.



Please have any donations that you would like on your 2015 year statement in by December 31st.

"Sharing Gifts from God." December is Holiday Baking Months: Suggested items are All sugars & flour, shortening, baking chips, etc. Food Shelf donations for November were \$50 and 98 pounds of food. Thank you for all your food donations.

Sacrificial Giving 12/13/15 Total: \$2,105.50

Adult Envelopes	1,457.00
Youth Envelopes	5.50
Offertory	106.00
Christmas	250.00
Masses	20.00
Rent	35.00
Flowers	20.00
Rel. Retirement	212.00

Stewardship Quote

The Gospel today tells of the Virgin Mary, Pregnant herself, hurrying off to help her cousin Elizabeth. The model of good stewardship, she who had given herself to bear the Savior gave her time and love to others as well.

Read about these stories in the Dec. 20th Witness:

- ◆ Professors from Clarke University and Loras College who have visited the Holy Land recently made a presentation on the lives of Christians in Bethlehem today.
- ◆ Coverage of the Year of Mercy opening Mass for the Archdiocese of Dubuque
- ◆ Stories and reflections from our readers on their Christmas experiences
- ◆ New Vatican document reflects on relations between Catholics and Jews- and other national/international stories

Attend Mass while on vacation: Learn Mass times across the United States. Visit www.masstimes.org or by calling 1-305-598-7490 to speak to a live operator, available Tue. , Thurs. , Sat. , 12:00 - 4:00 PM.