

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: March 15 - March 22, 2009

Sunday, March 15:

- ❖ **Join Us for Coffee & Rolls** following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's, Avoca.
- ❖ **CCD Class No. 24 for K-5th grades** from 9:15-10:15 a.m. at St. Mary's, Avoca. There will be Reconciliation for 3rd and 5th grade classes.
- ❖ **Lenten Service & Soup Supper** at 5:00 p.m. at Peace Church, Walnut.

Monday, March 16:

- ❖ **April Group of the Month** will meet on the patio at 7:00 p.m. to plan the April liturgy.

Tuesday, March 17:

- ❖ **Stations of the Cross** is at 7:00 p.m. at St. Patrick's, Walnut.
- ❖ **Golden Oldies Senior Dinner** begins at 11:30 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church.

Wednesday, March 18:

- ❖ **Mass followed by Stations of the Cross** at 6:00 p.m. at St. Mary's, Avoca.
- ❖ **CCD Class #25 for 6th - 12th Grades** at St. Mary's from 7:00- 8:00 p.m. There will be Reconciliation for 9th through 12th grade students.

Sunday, March 22:

- ❖ **Join Us for Coffee & Rolls** following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Patrick's, Walnut.
- ❖ **Whole Community Faith-Sharing Assembly** at 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Hall with lunch being served at 12:30 p.m. The theme is "Mary - Praying the Rosary". **Mass at St. Mary's** will be at 10:00 a.m. There will be no CCD Classes.
- ❖ **Lenten Communal Penance Service** is at 4:00 p.m. at St. Patrick's, Walnut.
- ❖ **Lenten Service & Soup Supper** at 5:00 p.m. at United Church, Avoca.
- ❖ **Catholic Relief Services** collection will be on March 22nd. There are envelopes in the back of both churches for this collection.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- √ **Stations of the Cross** are Tuesday, March 24th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Patrick's, Walnut.
- √ **Mass followed by Stations of the Cross** is Wed., March 25th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Mary's. The choir will be singing the Stations of the Cross.
- √ **No CCD Class for 6th - 12th Grades** on Wed., March 25th due to Whole Parish Assembly.
- √ **Knight of Columbus Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. on Thurs., March 26th at St. Mary's. 1st Degree is also that evening.
- √ **Lenten Service & Soup Supper** - Sun., March 29th at 5:00 p.m. at Presbyterian Church, Walnut.
- √ **Senior Breakfast** has been scheduled for May 3rd at the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's.

"THANK YOU": A huge thanks to the families of 2nd graders who participated in Jesus Day. There was lots of learning and fun. Thanks also to Father, Theota Nelson, Chris and Kylie Martin, Sofia Ahern and, Pam and Grace Paulson for helping make the day special.

- Carmen Ahern and Mary-Beth Roskens

80TH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE DES MOINES DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN will be held April 23rd at Sts. Peter and Paul Parish Hall in Atlantic. It begins with a continental breakfast at 8:00 a.m. and meeting at 9:00 a.m. Bishop Pates will celebrate Mass at 11:00 a.m. with lunch to follow. The day will conclude by 3:15 p.m. The cost is \$15 if paid by April 18th or \$17 at the door. Send reservations to Eileen O'Connor, 500 Spence Ave., Council Bluffs, IA 51503 or by calling (712)322-4688.

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE CELEBRATION DAY with Bishop Richard Pates will be held on Sunday, March 29th at 4:00 p.m. at St. Peter's Church in Council Bluffs and all married couples and their families are invited. Couples wishing to attend can contact Deacon Dennis & Sarah Luft at Diocese of Des Moines, Marriage Ministry, 601 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50309, or by calling (515)237-5056, or via email, luft@dmdioocese.org.

SPEND "AN UNFORGETTABLE EVENING" at St. Peter's Parish Community Hall, Defiance, Iowa on April 4th featuring music by singer Matt Walch. Doors open at 5:00 p.m., dinner at 6:00 p.m. and show at 7:30 p.m. There will be reserved seating only and tickets are available at St. Peter's Parish (712)748-3501 or R & S Waste Systems (712)748-3471. VIP tickets are \$30.00 and Regular Tickets are \$25.00.

KEEP PRAYERS AND MINISTRY COMING FOR: Marie Ryck, Carolyn Piittmann, Darla Snyder, Meaghan Hunt, Raymond (Bunny) Gubbels, Andy Molnar, Barb Hoffmann, Ethel Thomas, Gordon Gladdin, Peggy Benson, Armond Feauto, Bob Wood, Leona Bladt, Lillie Sue Mace, Nathan Hall, Nancy Blum, Louise Crivaro, Shannon Szadis, Sherman Snyder, Margaret Murphy, Earl Sanny, Carol Gubbels.

ASSIGNMENTS (Please find your own replacement.): **St. Mary's Liturgy: Sat., Mar. 21st, 5:30 p.m.** *Servers:* Joshua, Kelsey & Nathan Herbst. *Lector:* Pat Martin. *Euch. Ministers:* Bob Hegna, Jane True, Nancy Gress. *Ushers:* Tom Bruck, Ed Weis. *Gifts:* Allen Cordes Family. **Sun., Mar. 22nd, 10:30 a.m.** *Servers:* Garret, Gunner & Katelyn Gilland. *Lector:* Lynne Carroll. *Euch. Ministers:* Dennis Piittmann*, Carolyn Piittmann, Doug Sptiznagle. *Ushers:* John Bartunek, Martin Molnar. *Gifts:* Erin Peterson, Pat Sievers.

St. Patrick's Liturgy: Sun, Mar. 22nd 8:00 a.m. *Servers:* Haley Blum, Lucas Blum. *Lector:* Rick Muell. *Euch. Ministers:* Ellen Holtz, Bob Wood, Julie Gross. *Ushers:* Wayne Johnk, Fred Goettsch. *Gifts:* Wayne Johnk Family. **St. Patrick's Breakfast Schedule: March 22nd Barb & Nick Hoffmann, Judy Kay, Theresa Holtz.**