

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: September 6 - September 13 , 2009

Sunday, September 6:

- ❖ **Join Us for Coffee, Rolls and Fellowship** following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's in Avoca.

Tuesday, September 8:

- ❖ **November Group of the Month** will meet at 6:30 p.m. on St. Mary's patio to plan the fall dinner and November liturgy.

Wednesday, September 9:

- ❖ **CCD Class & Registration** for 6th -12th grades is from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 13:

- ❖ **Join Us for Coffee, Rolls and Fellowship** following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Patrick's in Walnut.
- ❖ **CCD Class & Registration** for PreK - 5th grades is from 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.
- ❖ **Mass Returns to Regular Time.** The 9:30 a.m. Mass returns 10:30 a.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

√ **Catechetical Sunday:** In observance of *Catechetical Sunday*, all CCD teachers will be recognized at the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's on Sunday, September 20th. Teachers, please plan to attend.

√ **St. Patrick's Fall Dinner** is Sunday, September 27th and they are serving Staley's Chicken Dinner. **Please Note Mass Change:** Mass will be at 8:00 a.m. at St. Mary's in Avoca and Mass will be at 10:00 a.m. with dinner to follow at St. Patrick's in Walnut.

ST. MARY'S FALL DINNER sign-up sheets for work assignments and food donations are in the back of church. Please be sure to stop and sign-up!

CLEANING HELP NEEDED: St. Mary/St. Patrick is in need of an individual to clean the rectory one day per week at a time to be worked out with Fr. John's schedule. Average time per week is 2.5 to 3.5 hours with pay at \$8.00 per hour. Could start anytime. If interested please contact Bart Butcher at 343-2173 or Fr. John at 343-6948.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE is after all Masses this weekend. Our Knights thank you for your help and support with this project.

ST. PATRICK'S FALL FESTIVAL in Dunlap is Sept. 13th from 11:00 to 2:00 with games, cake walk, raffle, auction, cash drawing & Staley's Broasted Chicken Dinner.

ST. MARY'S FALL DINNER: We are in need of prizes for the Main Raffle for our fall dinner. Please contact Pat Wiegand at (712)343-2732 by September 13th if you are willing to donate a prize for this raffle.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS is holding a regional 1st, 2nd & 3rd Degree at Queen of Apostles Social Hall in Council Bluffs for all Knights and those wanting to upgrade their Knighthood. This will be on Sunday, September 13th at 11:00 a.m. for 1st Degree, lunch will be served at noon and, at 12:30 p.m. is the 2nd and 3rd Degree.

COMMEMORATIVE MASS OF THE HOLY FATHER POPE JOHN PAUL II'S visit to Des Moines will be held on Saturday, October 3rd at Dowling Catholic High School at 4:00 p.m. Bishop Pates is extending an invitation to all parishes. Bishop Pates is also asking all parishes for representatives to attend the symposium entitled "What God has Given, and Human Hands Have Made" that begins on Friday evening and continues on Saturday. Registration forms are in the back of both churches.

RCIA PROGRAM: If you know of anyone who has expressed a desire to become a Catholic, or if you have a spouse who wants to join the church, now is the time to do something about it. Father John is now taking applications for the upcoming RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes for this fall and winter. Classes will begin around the first week of October. For more information call (712)343-6948.

KEEP PRAYERS AND MINISTRY COMING FOR: Mary Kock, Mark Markam, Neal Wingert, Brenda Carroll, Mark Strong, Marie Ryck, 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., Sept. 12th, 5:30 p.m.** *Servers:* Michael Bertacini, William Gress, Chondra Hope. *Lector:* Loretta Harder. *Euch. Ministers:* Nancy Gress, Theota Nelsen, James Coon. *Ushers:* John Bartunek, Terry Bertacini. *Gifts:* Mike Hope Family. **Sun., Sept. 13th, 10:30 a.m.** *Servers:* Nicholas/Sofia/Maria Ahern. *Lector:* Tom Pattee. *Euch. Ministers:* Harold Hoffmann*, Ron Kenkel, Deb McCarthy. *Ushers:* Paul Ahern, Greg Martin. *Gifts:* Cindy Hansen, Nanci Johnson.

St. Patrick's Liturgy: Sun., Sept. 13, 8:00 a.m.: *Servers:* Lucas Blum, Haley Blum. *Lector:* Marie Suhr. *Euch. Ministers:* Judy Kay, Randy Sandbothe, Jane Hayes-Johnk. *Ushers:* Gene Gaul, Rick Blum. *Gifts:* George Gross Family.

St. Patrick's Breakfast Schedule: Sept. 13th Ellen Holtz, Ione & Charlie Hughes, Jane & Wayne Johnk.