

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: January 17 - January 24, 2010

Saturday/Sunday, January 16 & 17:

- ❖ **Adult Faith Committee and Knights of Columbus** Fellowship party is at St. Mary's Hall following the 5:30 p.m. Mass. All members of St. Patrick's and St. Mary's and their families are invited to attend.
- ❖ **Join Us for Coffee, Rolls and Fellowship** following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's.
- ❖ **CCD Class #14 for PreK-5th grade** is at St. Mary's from 9:15-10:15 a.m.
- ❖ **First Communion Parent's** preparation meeting is at 9:15 a.m. following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's.

Monday, January 18:

- ❖ **February Group of the Month** will meet Monday, January 18th at 6:30 p.m. on St. Mary's patio to plan the February liturgy. If you have a weekend conflict please contact Barb Butcher at 343-2173 or Jolene Brotherson at 343-6671.

Tuesday, January 19:

- ❖ **Golden Oldies Luncheon** begins at 11:30 a.m. at the United Church of Avoca. Please call (712)343-6945 by noon on January 18th to make reservations.

Sunday, January 24:

- ❖ **Join Us for Coffee, Rolls and Fellowship** following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Patrick's in Walnut.
- ❖ **CCD Class #15 for PreK-5th grade** is at St. Mary's from 9:15-10:15 a.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- √ **Knights of Columbus** meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 28th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's.
- √ **CCD Class #10 for 6th - 12th Grade** is Wednesday, February 3rd from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Church.
- √ **Mandatory Retreat Day for all Confirmation Candidates** is scheduled for Sunday, February 7th beginning with the 8:00 a.m. Mass and will end at 3:00 p.m.
- √ **CCD Grade 6th -12th** trip to the Creighton Basketball game has been rescheduled from January 13th to Wednesday, February 3rd.

LETTERS OF ENCOURAGEMENT: The Confirmation students will have a retreat on February 7th. Any parishioners, family members, or friends who would like to send a Confirmation student a "Letter of Encouragement" as they make this faith journey can send a confidential letter to Rhonda Hope, 514 N. Walnut, Avoca, IA 51521 or drop it off at the State Farm Insurance office, 111 N. Elm, Avoca. Letters should be delivered by Monday, January 25th. The Confirmation class includes all 7th, 8th, and 9th grade student from St. Mary's and St. Patrick's parishes.

OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY for Kathy Houston and family at the death of Lloyd Ernest Houston whose funeral service was at Pauley Jones Funeral Home on Monday, January 11th.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH - NEOLA Annual Parish Auction & Dinner is Saturday, January 30th. Dinner is served from 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. featuring Staley's Fried Chicken. There is a cash drawing throughout the evening.

KEEP PRAYERS AND MINISTRY COMING FOR: Esther Dea, Eileen Denning, Angela "Rock" Brisbois, 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, Carol Gubbels.

ASSIGNMENTS (Please find your own replacement.): **St. Mary's Liturgy: Sat., Jan. 23rd, 5:30 p.m.:** *Servers:* Lea Spitznagle, Nathan Pattee, Ryan Pattee. *Lector:* Rose Sternberg. *Euch. Ministers:* Dave Sternberg, Jamie Coon, Doug Spitznagle. *Ushers:* Bob Luna, Bill Pattee. *Gifts:* Denise Luna & family. **Sun., Jan. 24th, 10:30 a.m.** *Servers:* Children's Mass. *Lector:* Children's Mass. *Euch. Ministers:* Harold Hoffmann*, Carolyn Piittmann, Jennie Maassen. *Ushers:* Children's Mass. *Gifts:* Children's Mass.

St. Patrick's Liturgy: Sun., Jan. 24th, 8:00 a.m. *Servers:* Lucas Blum, Haley Blum. *Lector:* Judy Kay. *Euch Ministers:* Theresa Holtz, Robert Stuart, Volunteer. *Ushers:* Gene Gaul, Rick Blum. *Gifts:* Donnie Bauerkemper Family.

St. Patrick's Breakfast Schedule: Jan 24th, Lori & Andy Blum, Betty & Jim Blum, Jo Cable. **February 14th, Jane & Wayne Johnk, Ellen Holtz, Ione & Charlie Hughes.**