

Mass Time: Sunday 8:00 AM

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Marguerite O'Meara 515-961-3026

Remember in your prayers (Prayer Chain)

Cindy Robison, Phyllis Brichacek, Joyce
Smith, Herb Moore, Doug Hollands,
Charlotte Banks, Doug George,
Rod Deming, Jack Kinney, Mike Hraha,
John Burriss & Rosie George

*Please remember...prayer is one of the most
important things we can do for each other
and it costs nothing but your time!*

Call the office to be placed on the Prayer Chain.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

**Saturday 4:30P.M.-5:00P.M. at St.
Thomas Aquinas or by appointment**

Baptism: Parents are requested to call the
Parish office to arrange for pre-baptism
sessions.

Parents must be registered with the church.
One sponsor must be Catholic.

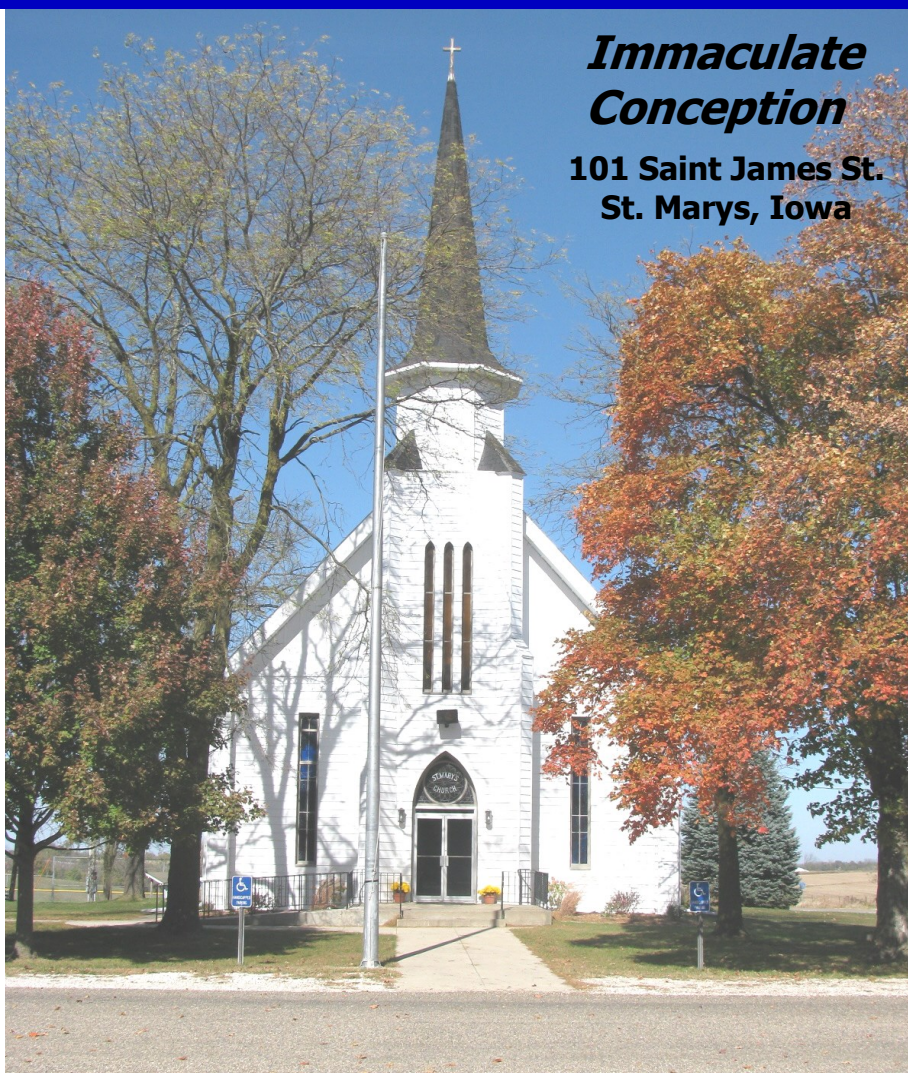
Liturgy of Marriage: Call at least 6 months
in advance to make arrangements.
Pre-Marriage Program is required.

Care of the Sick & Shut-ins: Call to request the Sacrament of the Sick

Newcomers/Addresses: Register in person; call the Office for Appointment 515-961-3026

Change of Address: Please notify the office when there is a change of address by phone or email immacula@netins.net

Bulletin Announcements: Information must be in by noon Wednesday to the Bulletin Editor, Marguerite O'Meara at
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Immaculate Conception

**101 Saint James St.
St. Marys, Iowa**

April 19, 2015
Third Sunday of Easter

Liturgies Scripture Reading-Cycle B
April 19-26, 2015

Sunday, April 19 Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19, Psalm 4; 2, 4, 7-9, First John 2: 1-5A, Luke 24: 35-48

8:00 am Mass at Immaculate Conception—Herbert Cordner

10:15 am at St. Thomas Aquinas— Albert Eberhart

5:00 Mass at Simpson College, Smith Chapel— For the Parish

Monday, April 20 Feast of Blessed Robert Watkinson

Acts 6: 8-15, Psalm 119: 23-24, 26-27, 29-30, John 6:22-29

No 8:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, April 21 Feast of St. Anselm, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Acts 7:51-8:1A, Psalm 31: 3CD-4, 6, 7B, 8A, 17, 21AB, John 6: 30-35

6:00 pm Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas —Thomas O'Meara

Rosary 6:30pm

Wednesday, April 22 Feast of St. Alexander

Acts 8: 1B-8, Psalm 66: 1-3A, 4-7A, John 6:35-40

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas—Benjamin Hummel

Thursday, April 23 Feasts of St. George and St. Adalbert

Acts 8: 26-40, Psalm 66: 8-9, 16-17, 20, John 6: 44-51

8:00 am Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas—LeRoy Grote

Friday, April 24 Feast of St. Fidelis of Sigmarigen

Acts 9: 1-20, Psalm 117: 1BC, 2, John 6: 52-59

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas —

Saturday, April 25 Feast of St. Mark

First Peter 5: 5B-14, Psalm 89: 2-3, 6-7, 16-17, Mark 16: 15-20

5:30 pm at St. Thomas Aquinas—

Sunday, April 26 Fourth Sunday of Easter

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Acts 4: 8-12, Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29, First John 3: 1-2, John 10: 1-10

8:00 am Mass at Immaculate Conception—Lorraine Kane

10:15 am at St. Thomas Aquinas— Rosa Eberhart

5:00 Mass at Simpson College, Smith Chapel— For the Parish

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

Sunday April 26, 2015

Lector: Larry Bertrand, Jolene Schwery
Offering: Steve Gehringer Family
Euch. Min. Tim Chicoine, Jill Gavin, Susan Matlage-Simms
Ushers: Don Brichacek, Tom Ferin
Servers: Maggie, Max & Sam Vonnahme
Money Counters: Susan Matlage-Simms, Christal Finck
Mass Intention: Lorraine Kane
Band of Month Family: Tom & Elaine Ferin

April Tithe Count

April 5 \$1452.00
 April 12 \$962.00

S.T.A.T. Calendar

April Sophomores are confirmed this month....

Praise God!!

April 22nd 6:30-8:00 COC/Genesis/STAT "EASTER EGG HUNT & Grill Out!" Meet at the Parish Center Note Earlier time

April 25th Confirmation for Sophomores 1:30 p.m. at St. Thomas

April 29th 7:00-8:30 "Mystery Night @ STAT!"

Meet at church parking lot (dress for weather)

May 6th BONUS OPEN DISCUSSION NIGHT

7:15-8:30 "Progressive Rosary Dinner"



Religious Education

Classes Today

Last Class April 26

THANK YOU! Thank you parish family for ALL the support you gave our STAT teens in this year's STAT Mission Fundraiser. The evening felt like one BIG beautiful prayer. :)

TOGETHER we raised a tiny bit over \$20,000 (give or take a few bills)! Most importantly was that by the end of the evening (by example) we shared our love for Christ, His many missions and the community He is building within our parish and the bigger world around us!! How blessed are we to have the opportunity to be His hands and feet... "Here I am Lord I come to do Your Will" God is good... ALL the time!! ellen

For I do not seek to understand in order to believe, but I believe in order to understand.

For I believe this: unless I believe, I will not understand. St. Anselm

St. Anselm was a Benedictine monk who became Archbishop of Canterbury. He was a brilliant philosopher and is credited with being the Founder of Scholasticism.

Scholasticism teaches that natural and supernatural truths harmonize and must agree, because God is the author of all truth, and it is impossible to think that He would teach in the natural order anything that contradicts what He teaches in the supernatural order.

St. Anselm is a Doctor of the Church and his Feast Day is April 21st.



UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

The USCCB is working to combat the well-funded, multi-state campaign to legalize physician-assisted suicide. One of them was a planned set of short videos featuring the stories of various people who are against legalization. Please take a look at the following short movie. <https://youtu.be/XJwWKDGBS5o>

"Maggie's Story" features Maggie Karner, a 51-yr-old mother of three, who was diagnosed last year with terminal brain cancer. She reclaims the term 'dignity' and places it at the heart of a loving family. She shares about her dad's courageous witness when he was rendered a quadriplegic for the last 5 months of his life, allowing Maggie and her siblings to keep him company and attend to his basic needs. Through the gift of that time spent together, he taught her to face her own final days with true grace and dignity. "My brain may be cancerous, and I don't know how much longer I have," she says, "But I still have a lot to contribute to society as a strong woman, wife, and mother. And my family can daily learn the value of caring for me in my last days with compassion and dignity."

If you would like to volunteer to help out with the Parish Directory, please call or email Marguerite at the office

Dear Parishioners

I would like to congratulate our students at St. Thomas making their First Holy Communion this work! They are: Amos Baughman, Shea Beschorner, Delaney Bradshaw, Lauren Danielson, Ella Gabel, Isabella Hayes, Jayda Henderson, Emma Karcher, Miranda Klootwyk, Maci Lerseth, Isabella O'Meara, Maxx Perry, AJ Pontier, Peyton Shields, Carson Slorah, Ava Tichy, Will Whalen, Derek Willmott, and Ryan Young. May God's blessings be upon you as you receive Jesus body, blood, soul, and divinity!

Next Saturday, April 25 at 1:30 p.m., Bishop Richard E. Pates will be on to Confirm our tenth graders! They are: Taylor Anania, Joshua Battles, Nicholas Battles, Robert Benson, Ellen Brennan, Dominic Cresta, Adam Dunn, Brayden Elbert, Colin Fitzgerald, Vanessa Gauger, Nicole Holmes, Kade Kolarik, Jacquelyn McGinnis, Seth Nostrala, Tyler Piper, Kimberly Roberts, Samuel Teasdale, Lance Thompson, and Claire Wiedmaier. Please keep them in your prayers over the next week that may be open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit!

This coming Wednesday is Administrative Assistants Day. I do wish to thank our staff: They are: Steph Bintner, Michelle Fieck, Ellen Miller, Marguerite O'Meara, Jo Sayre, Kathy Sink, and certainly all other volunteers who have been great assets to our parishes! You are much appreciated!

This coming, Tuesday, April 21st, the St. Thomas Finance Council meets. We wish to thank those committees who turned in budgets for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. Blessings and peace! Fr. Chris

Feed the Need

Sign up for your

Free Family Portrait

Bring a non-perishable food item to your portrait sitting and, you will receive a \$5.00 coupon for any other photo product purchased from LifeTouch at that time.



Your 8x10 portrait is free.

Make your portrait appointment online by going to our parish's website and click on the link.

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If you would like to submit a professionally taken photograph of your family you must have the photographer fill out the release form found in the back of church.