

Mass Intentions**Saturday (Sept. 16)**

4:00PM Living & Deceased Members of Sweeney Family

5:30PM Rick Kurtenbach *by the Reed Family* - MOLOP**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sept. 17)**8:30AM Ida Hayden *by Paul & Carla Roome* - MOLOP10:00AM In Honor of Gene & Rosemary Mourisse
*by Jack & Luann Swan***Monday (Sept. 18)**9:00 AM Ed Sandoval *by Theresa Sandoval***Tuesday (Sept. 19)**8:00AM John Marshall *by the Piecemakers* - MOLOP

10:30AM Mass at Hope Creek

Wednesday (Sept. 20)

9AM Special Intention for Fr. Paulin

Thursday (Sept. 21)8:00AM Dean Honeywell *(10th Anniversary)**by Kay Scott* - MOLOP**Friday (Sept. 22)**9:00 AM Chuck Bradney *(First Anniversary)***Saturday (Sept. 23)**4:00PM Margaret Foster *by Jorja Beert*5:30PM Dorothy Seys *by Lili Moen* - MOLOP**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sept. 24)**8:30AM Rosamaria Rivera *by Ted & Liz Seabloom* - MOLOP

10:00AM For Our Parish Families

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Are you interested in the Catholic faith?

Are you coming to church with your spouse, but are not Catholic yourself?

Are you Catholic but have not fully received all the Sacraments (Eucharist or Reconciliation or Confirmation and/or Marriage)?

This September we will once again start our class to teach and share the faith with adults from our parishes or those who would like to come to our church.

To inquire please call Fr. Jim or Deacon Tom

A FOND FAREWELL

Father Paulin will be leaving us this week. We wish him a safe journey home and thank him for spending time with us this summer & helping Fr. Jim.

JOIN US ON SUNDAY FOR ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

after the 10 o'clock Mass. Pulled Pork sandwiches, hotdogs & beverages will be provided. It's a good time to meet fellow parishioners & their families. So join us for good food, fun and fellowship.!

HEALING MASS THIS WEEKEND AT MOLOP 3:00 PM

Father Paulin & Fr. Jim will share the Sacrament of Anointing the Sick at Mary Our Lady of Peace this Sunday, Sept. 17th. This is open to anyone in need of healing physically, emotionally, or spiritually. Reconciliation & the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be offered before Mass.

**PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**

As we prepare for the new Parish Directory we need your help by having a portrait taken in October. Appointment dates are Friday & Saturday, Oct. 13 & 14 & again on Thursday, Friday & Saturday, Oct. 19, 20, 21st. During the week you may schedule an appointment thru our website at smg@smgcv.org On weekends you'll find appointment sign-up sheets on a table in the foyer. Questions or concerns call Crystal Arnold (309) 738-5117.

You may invite family, friends and neighbors to have their picture taken too but they will not be placed in the parish directory. You may also have a picture taken with a favorite pet and something that means a lot to you. And you may order Christmas cards at that time too.!

SOCIAL CONCERNS During the month of September we will be collecting slightly used but not new towels. Please place them in the blue Redistribution Box.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Saturday & Sunday, Sept. 24 - Holy Land Pilgrimage at First Presbyterian Church, 2431 1st St., CV. There is no charge & guided tours take place at the top of each hour. Self-guided tours are also available during open hours. The pilgrimage will give you a good idea of what you would see, it's biblical significance and where you would see it in the holy land.

Sunday, Sept. 24 - Oktoberfest at St. Mary's Church, 2208 4th Ave, RI from 11:30a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Bingo, Raffle, Games, Bake Sale, Beer & Pop. Silent Auction, 50/50 Drawing at 2pm (must be present). Brats, Hot Dogs, Maid-Rites, German & American Potato Salad. Fire & Police Demonstration, K-9 Officer-Fingerprint I.D. Fire Truck & Ambulance (Police 12pm-2pm Fire 12:30pm-1:30pm). Music by the John Restich Band Rain or Shine

Sunday, Sept. 24 - Chicken Dinner at St. John the Apostle Church, 390 E. Hwy Ave, Woodhull from 11:30AM to 2PM. Dinner served family style. Adults \$10 & children 12 & under \$5.00

Monday, Sept. 25 - 12th Annual Conversation for Jewish, Christian & Muslim Women will be held at Culeman Hall, Sacred Heart Parish in Moline from 7—8:30 pm. The topic "Who Is My Neighbor?"

Tuesday, Sept. 26 - Night of Healing & Prayer at Our Lady of Guadalupe, Silvis. Rosary at 6:30, Mass at 7PM, Eucharistic Procession followed by Prayer Teams & Laying of Hands for those wishing to be prayed over.

Thursday, Sept. 28 - Women at the Well at St. Malachy's, Geneseo presents "Gifting Life & Hope" sharing by Cheryl Pacilio. Doors open at 6 with dinner served at 6:30. \$7.00 per person. Reservations required by Sunday, Sept. 24 by calling Nancy Schott 944-4904 or email dschott@mchsi.com.

Sunday, Oct. 1 - Breakfast at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, Silvis from 7am to 11:30am. Cost is \$8.00 per person and the menu will include biscuits & gravy, eggs, hash browns, chorizo & eggs, chorizo and beans, pancakes, sausage and bacon. We will also offer fruit and a variety of beverages. All are welcome!

Sunday, Oct. 1 - Pro Life Mass at 9AM at St. John the Apostle, 1007 Rusholme St. Davenport,

Saturday, October 7th - March for Mary 1 - 4 p.m. from St. Joseph's Church, Peoria to St. Mary's Cathedral with Mass at 4 pm. Group registration at cdop.org/ of favorite wine to share for tasting. More info on kiosk.

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A Note to All Our Senior Citizens!

Every month a group of local area seniors meet for a potluck lunch at the Lutheran Church on Oak Glen Road. It's a most enjoyable time—occasional we play a few games for "Fabulous Prizes". Come and see for yourself on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 12noon...Bring a dish to pass. **The next Senior Lunch will be this week on Thursday, September 21st at Noon.**

Women at the Well coming up on **September 21st** at Christ the King Parish in Moline. "**Let The Little Children Come to Me**" presented by Jessica Ricke of the Women's Choice Center Special Note: There will be a Diaper Drive/Baby Shower for the Women's Choice Center. If you wish—bring a package of diapers, or baby items for infants to 24mo size, for women/families in need. Doors open at 5:30p.m. & dinner served at 6 at the Believers Together Center, 3209 60th Street, Moline, IL. Reservations required by calling 762-4634. Suggested donation is \$5

Autumn Food & Wine Tasting Party Saturday, Sept. 30

6:30 to 8:30 PM

in Mary Our Lady of Peace Parish Hall

Sponsored by Henry County Right to Life. Food, beverages, door prizes, mini-massages, music, raffle prizes & more! Showcasing small businesses. Bring your friends. All are Welcome. Feel free to bring bottle of favorite wine to share for tasting. More info on kiosk

Alleman's Homecoming Pioneer Pace and Fun Night! Wednesday, October 4th

All families are welcome, and pre-school through 8th grade students are encouraged to participate in the carnival games and race. Carnival games in Alleman's Courtyard from 5:00-7:00 and races will begin at 6:30, with a Homecoming pep assembly to follow. Cost to participate in the 30-50 yard race is \$15 per student, which includes the Pioneer Pace Race, a t-shirt & tickets to use in the carnival games. A concession stand with Happy Joe's pizza, hot dogs & more will be available. Registration forms are available online at www.allemanhighschool.org All registration forms must be turned in to Alleman by **Wednesday, September 20th** to ensure the participant receives a t-shirt.

Thanks for sharing your time & talent
It is truly appreciated....A SPECIAL THANK YOU!

- To Roberto Alleruzzo for cleaning up the garage so we can get parish picnic items (games, tents, etc) out.
- To Cheryl Alleruzzo, Carol Nichols, Connie Fink & Megan & Kayla Easley for preparing and/or serving the meal at the St. Joe's meal site this past Tuesday.

NEED LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Being a liturgical minister is not a difficult job and we need parishioners to step up and help in different areas (Altar Servers, Ushers/Greeters, Cross Bearers & Lector/Readers) At this time we could use a few more Ushers & Cross-Bearers at the 4 o'clock Mass. We would like 4 ushers at each Mass to help greet parishioners as they arrive and help with the collection. We also are in need of a few more servers. Maybe you served as child or want to help Fr. Jim in some small way. Altar serving can be done by a child, woman or man. If either position interest you please call the Parish Office



PLAN NOW TO ATTEND MOLOP 16TH ANNUAL BOUNTIFUL HARVEST GALA & AUCTION

SAT. OCTOBER 14, 2017

It starts with Mass followed by Dinner from 5 - 6:30, Silent Auction, many raffle items & Live Auction after dinner. Don't forget the Grand Prize Raffle \$10,000.

\$3,000 Second Place Prize

\$2,000 Third Place Prize

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PRAYER REQUESTS

For Those in need of healing at St. Maria Goretti...

Fr. Jim, Sue Cartwright, Fred DeCoster, Donna Davis, Ken & Donna Frels, Ken Francescon, Bob Gunnare, James & Sharon Mason, Sharon Scranton and Janice Warner.

For Those who are in Health Care Facilities or Home-bound...

Chuck DeCrane, Paul Welsh, Sr. Richard Frutiger, Yvonne Sherlock, Donald White, Moe Arnold, Mary Jo Trant, Ray Tschopp, Ed Bladel, Lynn Eifler, Earl Greif, Dick & Jan Siebert, Bob Sweeney, Mary Ann Verscha & Shirley Wilson.

From Mary, Our Lady of Peace parish...

Fr. Jim, Donna Bender, Pat Dzekunskas, Eloise Franzen, Marita Frietsch, Deb Gainey, Jim Hamerlinck, Janet Jacobson, Debbie Jones, Ava Lawson, Cathy Mott, Pat Murphy, Mary Phillips, Joe Rivera, Ted Seabloom and Tom Schulenberg.

Prayers have also been asked for.....

Fr. Bob Spilman, Msgr. Greg Ketcham, Darrell & Anna Jane Core (Sr. Mary's parents), Deanna Bender, Barbara Brick, Teddy Butz, Melanie Coleman (Maureen Bennett's sis-in-law), Sharon DeVriese, Mary Ann Graham, Marian Gross, Kathy Mueller Heseman, Joel Kaufman, Peg LaForge (Nancy Robison's sisters), Bertha Maslanka, Lowell McClellan, Pam Roberts, Nick Thomm, Chris Topham, Herman VanDuyne, Tim Weidner and Mari Zimmerman.

For Our Military & and their families

Sgt. Isaac Booth (Army), SFC Mark Britton (Army), Keegan Carlson (West Point), Lt. Col. James DeReus, Jr. (AF), Michael Fisher, (NG), Spec. Meghan Gengler, Sgt. Jake Gunn (Army), Adam Leemans (Army - USA), Cap. Dan Mitchell, Sean Reed (Air Force), PFC Alexa Scott (NG-USA), Airman Kiley Sommers (AF), Major Luke Sustman (AF-Afghanistan), CW2 Jeff Topham (Army-USA), Maj. Mark VanVeldHuizen (Army), E6TechSgt. Austin VanDuyne (AF NG-US), 2ndLT Ben VanDuyne (AF)-US & Justin Welsh (National Guard)

Attention St. Maria Goretti Parishioners Prayer Shawls for Available

Do you know of someone who is ill or in need of emotional support and would find comfort in receiving a prayer shawl? You may come to the parish office to pick out a prayer shawl that has been knitted by one of the members of the Prayer Shawl Ministry group. A prayer card is attached to each shawl so that you can say a special prayer with the person as you present it. There is no charge for the shawl, and the recipient does not need to be a parishioner of St. Maria Goretti. However, those requesting the prayer shawl should be a parishioner. Donations are accepted.

JMJ

Always in the Peace of the Lord

PJJ

Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

THIS Sunday at 3:00pm at MOLOP we will have a Healing Mass guided by Father Paulin.

Thank you to Patti Jo Brown for hosting a home Mass this past week.

Father Paulin made his Missionary Appeal last weekend. If you still need to offer a gift please see me and I will take care of it for you or please drop it off at the office.

Once again, our readings this weekend have particular relevance in light of on-going discussions taking place regarding hatred / white supremacy / Neo-Nazism in our country.

In one of my recent homilies at SMG (the first weekend in September) I proposed that our recent local and national debate about the hatred of others not of like background, color (etc) or like mindedness is not so much about disliking / hating someone, but more of fearing another who we perceive to be a threat to ourselves and our way of life, based on untruths, biases, prejudices that were imparted by others, our culture (and unfortunately sometimes, perhaps too often), our religion / church, or our inappropriate resolution (or non-resolution) of personal conflict with an individual or a group of individuals, either by our actions or theirs, or a combination of both.

Last week I mentioned that as a young priest I was physically assaulted by a man who was angry at me. That left me with a choice. To let it go or not. To forgive and move on or not.

So, what to do? The answer was simple, though admittedly, difficult to do. Forgive as Jesus did and simply love my enemies. I must say I was not good at it. The process of forgiveness was slow. The key was remembering what Jesus did on the cross. From that moment on my healing began. Yes, it took a long time but it was so freeing to forgive (as opposed to hating) and to love. After all, we are all children of God.

Next week I shall continue this reflection.

Now and Always, *Father Jim*

PRAYER OF FAVOR FOR FR. JIM

Eternal Father, You alone grant us every blessing in Heaven and on earth, through the redemptive mission of Your Divine Son, Jesus Christ, and by the working of the Holy Spirit. May it be according to Your Will, to glorify your servant, Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, by granting the favor we now request through his prayerful intercession that Fr. Jim will be cured of cancer, healed and restored to us. We make this prayer confidently through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen

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