MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday (February 15)

4:00PM Marilyn Cronkleton
5:30PM Mark Sottos by Rick & Jane Forest MOLOP

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (February 16)

8:30AM Mike DeBackere by Kari & Jodi Kane & Family MOLOP

10:00AM Sandy Witzel by Dean & Sandy Martens

Tuesday (February 18) MOLOP

8:00AM John & Mary Newton by Keith & Nancy Hamerlinck

Wednesday (February 19)

9:00AM Ken & Donna Frels

Thursday (February 20) MOLOP

8:00AM Faithfully Departed by Joyce Alba

Friday (February 21)

9:00AM Kathy McOmber by John & Barb Kratt

Saturday (February 22)

4:00PM Benhard Johnson by Dcn. Tom Gainey

5:30PM John & Mary Newton by Keith & Nancy Hamerlinck
MOLOP

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (February 23)

8:30AM Judith Pikuzah by Jeff & Stacy DePorter MOLOP

10:00AM Dale Langel by Dean & Sandy Martens

Reconciliation Saturdays 3-3:30 or by Appointment

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FEBRUARY 2025

LECTOR/READERS

Saturday 4:00p.m. Karen Scott Sunday 10:00a.m. Julie Gambon

USHER/GREETER

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Camy & Lilly Stone Sunday10:00 a. m. Roberto & Cheryl Alleruzzo, Ruben Escajeda & Kerry & Kathy Sommers



The upcoming Spring dates for Attending a Cursillo Retreat Weekend are:

February 20-23, 2025—Men's weekend March 13-16, 2025—Women's weekend Information can be found on the Cursillo website: www.nwcursillo.com



It's that time of year again to think about getting your taxes ready. If you need a Donation Statement from St. Maria Goretti, please call the office at 309-799-3414.



Whenever we gather around the altar table, we anticipate the joy of sitting with all the elect at the banquet table in the Kingdom of Heaven. As a matter of fact, around that altar where Jesus nourishes us with his own Body and Blood, we are closer to heaven, our true home, than anywhere else on earth!

Next time you go to Mass, why not ask the Holy Spirit to remind you of a special table in your life, surrounded by people you love very much? Allow yourself, in a sense, to relive the feelings of tenderness and gratitude connected to that memory. And then, ask the Lord to help you experience, in a new way (even if you can't feel it), the joy of gathering around the altar with your brothers and sisters in your parish community. Ask him to help you sense the strength you receive as you are nourished by the Eucharist when you receive Holy Communion. Ask for the faith to live anew, refreshed, and renewed to go out and share the good news that we need not hunger for food or thirst for love: we can be satisfied, always, around the altartable of the Lord!



How did Jesus say we should receive the Kingdom of God?

PRAYER REQUESTS



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

Sr. JT McNulty, Cheryl Alleruzzo, Marge Behn, Dave & Sandy Bledsoe, Patrick Bredeck, Fred & Lois DeCoster, Gwen Escajeda, Lorraine Gengler, Dave Gorge, Velda Grief, Barbra Herbert, Lee Kimball, Cullen John Jamieson, Peg McDermott, Gene Mourisse, Kathy Mosley, Rex & Julie Shake, Flip & Pat Shemek, Carolyn Slavish, Maureen St. Clair, Charles Stone, Marolyn Tope, Dcn. Bob Vogelbaugh, Richard Wilks

Those who are Homebound or in Healthcare Facilities...Jan Seibert

Those in need of healing at Mary Our Lady of Peace... Brian Carlson, Pat Dzekunskas, Jim Hamerlinck, Owen Hink, Alice Isaacson, Janet Jacobson, Debbie Jones, Ryan Jones, Gabe Laleman, Ava Lawson, and Tom Schulenberg

Prayers have also been asked for ...

Adam, Jason Bauer, John Baumunk III, Kyle, Scott Bowerman, Brie Bredeck, Jason Ferguson, Patrick Fons, Kevin Francescon, Carolyn Ghezzi, Hailey Hall & Caleb, Lucas, Glenn Meeker, Vonna Quick, Megan Severson, Claire Strayer, Dcn. Robert & Ann Viviano and family, Matt Wadlow, Bernie Weidner, Jerry Wilcox

Something to Think About.....

"Why do they call it rush hour when nothing moves?"

—Robin Williams

NEWS AND EVENTS

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



DON'T GIVE UP CHOCOLATE THIS LENT: TRY A LENTEN PILGRIMAGE-"NO GREATER LOVE"

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, **No Greater Love** is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. You will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Experience a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love for you-and to grow closer to Jesus.

Six videos filmed in the Holy Land, authored and presented by Dr. Edward Sri.

Wednesday mornings after 9:00 a.m. Mass March 5-April 9

Gather in church hall, watch the 30 minute video, followed by a short table discussion.
Refreshments will be served.



Fresh Florida Strawberries

The Altar & Rosary Society from Mary Our Lady of Peace is taking pre-orders for Full Flats(8quarts) for \$32 and 1/2 Flats (4quarts) for \$17 of beautiful fresh strawberries. Orders are due by Feb. 18th! Delivery the week of March 3rd. If you haven't tried our strawberries before, **they are fabulous!** An order sheet will be on the table in the gather space or contact the office at 309-581-2923 to order.



Senior and Retiree Luncheon RETURNS

Senior and Retiree Luncheon will be on **March 20th.** Menu includes Fried Chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, tossed salad and pie. Please sign up today! Cost is \$10 at the door. Cash is preferred. Hors D'oeuvres at 11:30, lunch served at 12:00 noon.



6th Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Blessed are you when people hate you... exclude and insult you, and denounce your name...on account of the Son of Man." - LUKE 6:22

All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our Catholic faith. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad? Know that God is with you all the time; the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations.

Readings for the week of February 16, 2025

Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-4, 6 /1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/ Lk 6:17, 20-26 Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1,8, 16bc-17,20-21/Mk 8:11-13 Monday: Gn 6:5-8: 7:1-5.10/Ps 29:1a,2-4,9c-10/Mk 8:14-21 Tuesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-15,18-19/Mk 8:22-26 Wednesday Thursday: Gn 9:1-13/Ps 102:16-23, 29 /Mk 8:27-33 Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-15/Mk 8:34-9:1 Friday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6/Mt 16:13-19 Saturday 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/ Ps 103:1-4, 8,10,12-Next Sunday:

13/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38



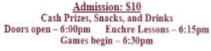
The Alleman Heritage Ball is Alleman's pinnacle fundraising event where our community comes together for an evening to support our school's mission. This school year we are celebrating 75 years of the founding of Alleman Catholic High School, with an unwavering commitment to build upon the rich tradition of the school. We invite you to join us on March 29, 2025 as we honor our past and celebrate our future.



Additionally, our 'Dream Big' Raffle sale is underway with your chance to win over \$100,000! Buy your shares today! Information, tickets to the event, and raffle tickets can be purchased at https://www.allemanhighschool.org/heritage-ball, scanning the QR Code, or by calling the school at (309)786-7793 xt. 407.

Men's Night Out Euchre Game Night Thursday February 27th

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Purchase online via the Christ the King website: www.christthekingmoline.org or available at parish office before Tuesday, Feb 25th 309-762-4634

Bible Trivia Answer: As a little child (Luke 18:17)