

The Parishes of Saint Mary of the Fields - Grand Ridge, Saint Patrick - Seneca, & Saint Theresa - Earlville



St. Mary's of the Fields

Grand Ridge, IL 61325
815-357-6239

Mass Times

Saturday ~ 5:30 p.m.
Sunday ~ 10:30 a.m.

Confessions

Before Mass on Sunday, or by appointment

Religious Education for Students
Classes are held on Sundays. Please contact the CCD Coordinator, Mrs. Pat Duffield for details at 815.488-7365



St. Patrick's

176 West Union Street
Seneca, IL 61360
815-357-6239
Cemetery 815-357-8816
senecastpatricks.com

Mass Times

Saturday ~ 4:00 p.m.
Sunday ~ 9:00 a.m.
Tues - Fri ~ 8:15 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday - 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. or by appointment

Religious Education for Students
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St. Theresa

221 West Union Street
Earlville, IL 60518
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Mass Times

Saturday ~ 4:00 p.m.
Sunday ~ 8:00 a.m.
Mon - Fri. ~ 8:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday - 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. or by appointment

Religious Education for Students
CCD Classes are held on Sundays from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Please contact Pat Evers for details.

Deacon Ron Wackerlin
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Sunday, August 9, 2020
NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Mass Intentions for the Week

ST. MARY'S CHURCH		
Sat. Aug. 8	5:30 pm	Casey Skiba By: The Skiba Family
Sun. Aug. 9	10:30 am	Dave Fulkerson By: Bill & Carol Olson
Sat. Aug. 15	5:30 pm	Dale Hettel By: Ed & Darlene Hettel
Sun. Aug. 16	10:30 am	Jackie Leininger By: Betty Fontana

Eucharist Minister, Lector, Altar Servers

Saturday August 15	5:30 pm
Lector: TBD	
Altar Servers: TBD	
Sunday August 16	10:30 am
Lector: Pat Durdan	
Altar Servers: TBD	

Weekly Collection ~ St. Mary

August 2, 2020	Stays in Parish
Sunday Collection	\$ 800.00 (17 Envelopes)
Assumption	\$ 10.00
Loose Cash	\$ <u>60.00</u>
Total	\$ 870.00

Needed each week to pay expenses: \$1,377

Altar Servers and Readers needed. Adults may volunteer to serve also! Please contact Joyce Hettel at 815-228-9134.



The St. Mary's Parish Committee would like to thank everyone who volunteers at the church in anyway. We are sincerely grateful that there are so many, it is hard to list or thank everyone individually. Our parish is the great parish it is due to volunteers. Thank you again!

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass Intentions for the Week

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH	
Sat. Aug. 8	4:00 pm Al & Jean Smolka By: Bob & Cindy Mitchell
Sun. Aug. 9	9:00 am Mario Tolomei By: Bud Grignon
Tue. Aug. 11	8:15 am Bob Heath By: Gail Heath
Wed. Aug. 12	8:15 am Joan Reardon By: Laylon Sanchez
Thurs. Aug. 13	8:15 am Burton Hess By: Donna Virgo
Fri. Aug. 14	8:15 am Thomas Green By: Jim Claggett
Sat. Aug. 15	4:00 pm Butch & Grace Eich By: Ray & Pam Eich
Sun. Aug. 16	9:00 am The Barla Family By: The Barla Family

Eucharist Minister, Lector, Altar Servers

Saturday August 15	4:00 pm
Eucharistic Minister: Jennifer Doloski	
Lector: Michael Doloski	
Altar Servers: Daniel Doloski	
Sunday August 16	9:00 am
Eucharistic Minister: Sandra Kizior	
Lector: Michael Bilot	
Altar Servers: David Bilot	

Weekly Collection ~ St. Patrick

August 2, 2020	Stays in Parish
Sunday Collection	\$ 1,800.00 (33 Env.)
Loose Cash	\$ 703.00
Assumption	\$ 15.00
Online	\$ <u>1,030.00</u>
Total	\$ 3,548.00

Capital Improvement \$385.00

Needed each week to pay expenses: \$3,200

DRIVE THRU PORK CHOP SUPPER

Stavanger Lutheran Church, 2904 N. 32nd Rd, Seneca will be having a drive thru Pork Chop Supper on **August 29th** from 4:30-6:30pm. 2 Chop Dinner \$13.00, Hot Dog Meal \$4.00. For tickets call 815-343-3304 or 815-474-1187.



ST. THERESA CHURCH

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sun. Aug. 9	9:00 am Mildred Goodbred By: The Goodbred Family
Mon. Aug. 10	8:00 am The conversion of Sinners By:
Tues. Aug. 11	8:00 am Brad & Helen Reynolds By:
Wed. Aug. 12	8:00 am Holy Souls in Purgatory By:
Thur. Aug. 13	8:00 am Brad & Cindy Reynolds By:
Fri. Aug. 14	8:00 am Sister Lawrance (Living) By:
Sun. Aug. 16	9:00 am Colin Reeder & all serving in the Military By: Mary & Dick McConville

Eucharist Minister, Lector

Sunday August 16 9:00 am

Lector: Lisa Harness

Minister: Jack Canlin

Altar Server: None Scheduled at this time

Weekly Collection ~ St. Theresa

August 2, 2020	Stays in Parish
Sunday Collection	\$ 825.00
Loose	\$ 75.00
Total	\$ 900.00
Cemetery \$75.00	
Window \$1,500.00	

Needed each week to pay expenses: \$2,267.00

ST. THERESA

Sunday Mass will be at 9:00am due to the heat. Weekday mass is being offered inside the Church each day at 8:00am. Pews are marked for any restrictions. Masks are required. We will have one mass each weekend until further notice. For updated information check St. Theresa's Facebook page or the website at www.st-theresa-earlville.com or call the rectory.



ST. THERESA MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions available for August and September. Please contact Fr. Kassa.

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained:

Marian Feasts

Question: Why does Mary have so many feast days and names?

Answer: Christians first began celebrating feast days in honor of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, in the fifth century. That celebration (originally called the Feast of the Dormition and now known by Roman Catholics as the Solemnity of the Assumption) was celebrated on August 15. Very soon, however, other special days dedicated to Mary began to appear in Jerusalem, Rome, and other major cities of the Christian world. These days of feasting became important parts of the life of the community. But, more importantly, each of these unique celebrations became an opportunity to focus on a different facet of the Christian faith, as believers focused their attention on specific events or mysteries of the lives of Mary and her Son.

Over the centuries, some of these celebrations became universal (such as the Assumption on August 15, the Immaculate Conception on December 8, and the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God on January 1). Other celebrations were more closely tied to certain religious orders (such as the Carmelites celebration of "Our Lady of Mount Carmel" on July 16 or the Servite Friars feast of the "Seven Sorrows of Mary," which is now celebrated as the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows on September 15).

In more recent times, Marian apparitions (like Guadalupe, Lourdes, and Fatima) have inspired special liturgical celebrations. Pope Francis has added two new celebrations of Mary to the Church's calendar: The Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church (on the Monday after Pentecost) and the Commemoration of Our Lady of Loreto (on December 10). The various titles of Mary (like those we find in the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary) help us to reflect on different aspects of Mary's faith and the ways that the Holy Spirit is at work in her and through her, especially as the Mother of Jesus.

In the end, whatever the event or mystery being celebrated in a particular liturgy or the title of Mary being used, we are invited to always see Mary in connection with the saving work of her Son. She is, of course, a patroness and protector for every Christian, but she is also a model of discipleship and contemplation: "Having entered deeply into the history of salvation, Mary, in a way, unites in her person and re-echoes the most important doctrines of the faith: and when she is the subject of preaching and worship she prompts the faithful to come to her Son, to his sacrifice and to the love of the Father" (*Lumen Gentium*, 65).

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MARQUETTE ASSESSMENT 2020-2021

- St. Patrick is \$46,000 for the year, which is \$3,833.33 per month.
- St. Theresa is \$15,00 for the year, which is \$1250. per month.
- St. Mary is \$11,500 for the year, which is \$958.33 per month.

Homebound

For parishioners who are sick, please call the parish rectory and arrangements will be made to bring them Holy Communion.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the Rectory. You must be a registered parishioner or have the written permission of your own pastor to be baptized.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please call anytime, day or night

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the rectory before making any arrangements, typically at least 8 months are required for the marriage preparation program.

Parish Registration Welcomed

There are registration sheets in the back of the Church on the tables, but it is also helpful to call the Rectory for more information. Thank you.

For those who need to reach Deacon Ron you may contact him at 815-712-5882.

WARNING ABOUT RISK ASSUMED BY PARISHIONERS:

While our parish staff will attempt to take appropriate precautions consistent with the advice of public health authorities, parishioners and guests should understand that they assume the risk of contracting COVID-19 anytime they enter a public space, since such precautions do not eliminate the risk of infection.

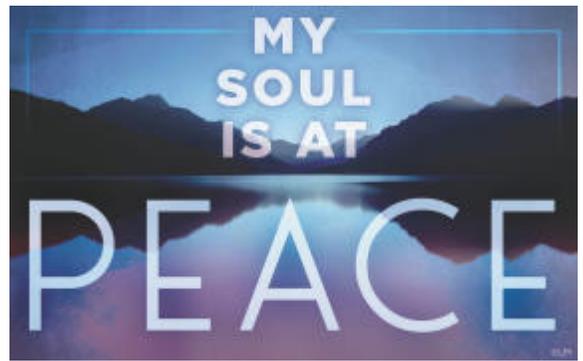
PROTOCOL FOR CHURCH REOPENING

- Please wear your mask or face covering when at Church.
- Use the hand sanitizer as you enter the church. They are located at every entrance.
- Maintain social distancing when at Church (Family members in the same household do not need to maintain distance from each other) including in line to receive communion.
- Communion will be taken in the hand to avoid any physical contact.
- If you are sick or have a fever or flu-like symptoms you should not enter the church and should stay home.
- Those who are elderly or vulnerable are encouraged to remain at home.

Those who are in high-risk population or who are vulnerable should exercise prudence by remaining as safe as possible. When in doubt, the ill and elderly should continue to remain at home. The faithful continue to be dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass for these reasons.

Love is a fruit in season at all times, and within reach of every hand. Anyone may gather it and no limit is set.

Mother Theresa



WORSHIP AND MEDITATION

Be still and know that I am God. Silence is sacred. Silence speaks the language of the soul and is the foundation of all life and eternity itself. Silence takes us beyond the limits of our minds and allows us to seek and to love the essence of all love, perfect love, and being. In silence, we can be non-verbally present to things and to God in ways that words cannot accomplish. We can discover, encounter, and be present to truths that our minds struggle to conceive and then set aside the boxes we put around things when comprehending them is challenging. We can know the unknowable and touch eternity when we encounter the core silence in our souls.

We can do this even on a noisy street and in the midst of the greatest distraction. Once we have made friends with silence, the rambling noise of the world no longer seems to matter, and we can carry a deep forgiving peace within us, even when physical silence cannot be found. We know that we are loved, cared for, sustained, nourished, embraced, and carried. There is nothing to fear in silence, and I can be present to myself in the same way that God is present to me. I can see myself as God sees me. All of my faults, weaknesses, imperfections, failings, and sinfulness melt away in the abundance of God's mercy. All of the worldly things we see as being important no longer are.

It is in silence that all of the barriers that divide us disappear. There is no more "yours" and "mine" but only the oneness of "ours." There is no longer a need to "figure things out," and we tap into our desire to simply let things be. Silence is creative and powerful and gives us hope. Silence is God's greatest blessing. God became one with humanity in silence. It allows us to be one with all of creation, with the moon and the stars and all of the creatures God has made. The smallest particle of creation radiates with beauty. Silence allows us to soar beyond ourselves and connect in ways that the mind can only imagine. When all is quiet, we begin to see that it is only our fear that keeps us from the Lord. It is our fear that causes us to sink and to fail. We can hear the gentle whisper that tells us to reach for God's hand. We discover that we yearn for the salvation and wholeness that only God can give to us. Be still my soul and be at peace.

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