

SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

TWENTY~SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mission Statement-Aware of our rich Catholic tradition we strive to keep Jesus as the center of our worship and life.

We are open to ongoing formation in faith through the sacraments, life experiences, and other opportunities for reflection.

We are committed to witnessing our faith by serving others and working for justice and peace.

Please join our faith community in kneeling at the end of Mass and silently saying three Hail Marys for world peace and an end to abortion.



MASSES – Sunday-8:30am Saturday-5pm (2nd & 4th Saturday of the month) Tuesday-8:30am, Thursday-6pm

Holydays-check bulletin

RECONCILIATION-Saturday-4:15pm-4:45pm (2nd & 4th Saturday of the month).

Sunday – 8am – 8:15am on Sunday after the first Saturday Mass of the month.

ADORATION-Tuesday 1am-10am, 7pm-12am Wednesday 12am-11am, 6pm-10pm

SUNDAY COFFEE- after Mass most YFF Sundays YFF-9:45am-10:35am Sundays

Contact Father Lazarus: when a family member is in the hospital, when he needs to bring communion to the homebound or when someone is in need of anointing, to schedule a baptism and at least **6 months** before your anticipated wedding date.

East bookcase: Please sign our Guest Register. Feel free to take a brief parish history and/or a self-guided tour sheet.

Vestibule bulletin board-If you would like to become a member of our faith family, please fill out a registration blank, drop it in the collection basket or mail to the church. **Tithe envelopes**-top shelf of east bookcase; put your name on the first few envelopes.

****Livestream Mass: Sunday 8:30am**** www.facebook.com/stpatrickimogeneiowa

	Saturday Sept. 26	Sunday Sept. 27	Sunday Oct. 4	Saturday Oct. 10	Sunday Oct. 11
Lector	Tom Dinville	Amy Gutschenritter	Abby Martin	Tom Dinville	Peggy Martin
EME	Genene Fienup	Bridget Campbell	Amy Gutschenritter	Genene Fienup	John Martin
EME		Dan Kinsella	Joe Cheney		Sarah Martin
EME		Jim Martin	Aaron Molnar		Tom Martin
Server		Caroline Campbell	Caroline Campbell		Lillie Martin
Server		Lillie Martin	Ruthie Martin		Madeleine Ekpai
Server		Declan Martin	Oliver Christensen		Caroline Gutschenritter
Gifts	Donnie & Tara Doyle	Marge McDonald	Dan & Stephanie Martin	Kim & Becky Hughes	Zeb & Jenny Burkhisier
Usher	Donnie Doyle	Ken Forney	Dan Martin	Bill Ditmars	Sam McGargill
Usher	Kim Hughes	Dan Kinsella	Trevor Christensen	Bernie Hughes	Quinn Maher
Usher	Becky Hughes	Jim Gutschenritter	Jim Martin	Tim Martin	Paul Blake
Usher	George McGargill	Joe Gutschenritter	Tom Martin	Jake McGargill	Gerard Brannen
Greeters	Zeb & Jenny Burkhisier	Dan & Kari Kinsella	Rick & Maryanne Dailey	Kim & Becky Hughes	James & Melonie Doyle
Streaming		Kari Kinsella	Maryanne D		Rita Laughlin
Sacristan	Tara Doyle	Joe Cheney	Joe Cheney	Genene Fienup	Aaron Molnar

Mass Intention

Sat. Sept. 26: +Steve Fienup

Thurs. Oct. 1: +Juston Owens

Thurs. Oct. 8: +Helen Lewis and +Emmit Maher **Sat. Oct. 10:** Members of the parish

Tues. Oct. 13: +Dwight Smith

Sun. Sept. 27: Members of the parish

Sun. Oct. 4: +Gwyn Gillespie

Thurs. Oct. 15: +Jerry & +Pat Head

Tues. Sept. 29: +Pat and +Alice Martin

Tues. Oct. 6: +Mae Maher

Sun. Oct. 11: +Clara Williams

Sun. Oct. 18: Members of the parish

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

September 27, 2026

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 21:28-32

This Sunday, Jesus tells a short, uncomfortable story. A father asks two sons to go work in the vineyard. One says no, but later goes. The other says yes, but never shows up. It is a parable so simple, we almost miss how sharp it is. Jesus is clear about who it is for. This is not aimed at pagans or outsiders. It is aimed squarely at religious people, people who know the right words and sound obedient.

Jesus is not condemning unbelief so much as disobedience. The polite hypocrisy that says the right things while quietly resisting the Father's will. St. John Chrysostom put it bluntly, "Not words, but deeds, are what God requires. Nothing so exasperates Him as insincere obedience, while nothing so delights Him as repentance."

Every disciple must face that mirror. Do I publicly profess faith in Christ while privately resisting what He asks of me? It is easy to say, I believe in God in my heart. But if faith never becomes action, it slowly becomes an illusion.

Jesus does not expose hypocrisy to shame us. He reveals it to heal us. He wants our hearts and our deeds to speak the same word, to let our yes truly mean yes. Like the first son who initially refused but afterwards changed his mind and went, Jesus invites us to step into the Father's will, however late, however imperfectly.

Challenge: Where are your public faith and private obedience divided? Where do you say, I will go, but never enter the vineyard? Go, get to work, even if it is late. The Father's vineyard is still open.

— Father John Muir



HOLY HOUR
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Sundays, 9:45am-10:45am

DATES
October 11
November 15
January 24
February 28
March 21

This year the High School YFF students will be participating in a Holy Hour five times throughout the YFF year.

These Holy Hours are open to the public, and will be held in the sanctuary of St. Patrick Catholic Church-Imogene.

Please be silent when entering & leaving the church for respect of others in prayer.

For more information contact: Sam Martin or Graca Goettsch

Our Gifts to God: 9/20

Plate: \$1729.00 Tithes: \$75.00
Children: \$21.00 Masses: \$100.00
Donuts: \$145.00

Altar Society

October Committee

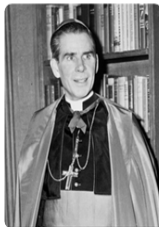
- Bridget Campbell
- Patty Baran
- Judy Wischik
- Vickie Williams

Donuts: Oct. 4, Oct. 11, Oct. 25

NCYC Breakfast – TODAY

Join us downstairs after Mass for a breakfast hosted by our NCYC students.

Blessed Fulton J. Sheen



Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen was a philosopher, a theologian, a priest and bishop, an author, a promoter of the missionary activity of the Church, and a modern evangelist using radio and television to preach the Gospel.

Archbishop Sheen united intellectual brilliance with profound spiritual conviction and a remarkable ability to communicate the truths of the Faith with clarity. He was animated by his dedication to a daily Eucharistic holy hour which formed in him a deep personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

His Cause was opened in the Diocese of Peoria in 2002, the place of his priesthood ordination. The miracle for his Beatification took place in 2010 when a child born without heartbeat or respiration was revived after 61 minutes to perfect health. The miracle was approved by Pope Francis in 2019. Pope Leo, who has a personal memory of seeing Bishop Sheen on television when he was young, approved the Beatification to take place in St. Louis, Missouri (USA) on 24 September 2026.



Pam McGargill	Oct 1st
Rachel Kinsella	Oct 2nd
Jared Hiser	Oct 2nd
Dan Kinsella	Oct 3rd
Jack Campbell	Oct 4th
Claire Campbell	Oct 4th
Regina Loehr	Oct 7th
Silas Martin	Oct 9th
Jim Gutschenritter	Oct 11th
Ellie Kinsella	Oct 12th
Rosaline Martin	Oct 15th
Lisa Dinville	Oct 17th
Logan (Hughes) Rogers	Oct 18th
Tara Doyle	Oct 19th
Pat Connelly	Oct 22nd
Bev McGargill	Oct 23rd
Jared Speichinger	Oct 23rd
Julie Dinville	Oct 26th
Maxine Wilkinson	Oct 27th
Sean Smith	Oct 27th
John Martin	Oct 28th
Kenny McGargill	Oct 28th
Sherry Owens	Oct 30th

Milestone Anniversary Mass

The Diocese is honoring married couples who are celebrating anniversaries of 5 years, 10 years, 20 years, 30 years, 40 years, and 50+ years! Bishop Joensen will celebrate the Masses.

Sunday, October 4 at 12 pm

- St. Peter's, Council Bluffs

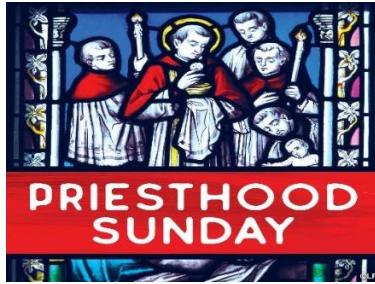


Scan the QR codes for information & milestone registration

Saturday, October 10 at 4 pm

- St. Ambrose, Des Moines





Prayer for Priests

How many times have you thanked your pastor for ministering in your parish? I hope every time you see him you thank him. They have given up much to live a life of service to God's people.

Let us pray for them now...

God of all that is ancient and new,
you called priests to minister in your temple in ancient times.
Those priests ministered day and night in worship of you.

Bless our priests today
who not only minister in our churches,
but minister to your people,
the living body of Christ in the world.
Give them wisdom and courage
to continue to say yes to you and your people.

We ask this through Jesus, the ultimate high priest,
who lives and reigns with you for ever and ever.
Amen.

2026 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL



2026 ADA Update

Parish Goal.....	\$26,821
Gifts Paid.....	\$22,600
Amount Short.....	\$4,221

We are close to meeting our goal, but we still need your support. If you haven't made a gift, you can drop your check in the collection basket and mark "ADA" in the memo or you can give online at the Des Moines Diocese website: www.dmdiocese.org/giving/annual-diocesan-appeal.

*"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?"
- Psalm 116:12*