NOVEMBER 8, 2026
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

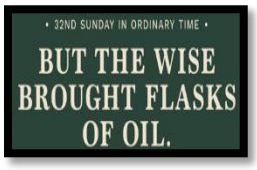
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Mission Statement-***Aware of our rich Catholic tradition we strive to keep Jesus as the center of our worship and life. We are open to ongoing formation in faith through the sacraments, life experiences, and other opportunities for reflection. We 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 7pm-12pm Wednesday 1am-11am, 6pm-9pm **SUNDAY COFFEE**- after Mass most YFF Sundays **Youth Faith Formation**: 9:45am-10:35am Sundays **Marriage Prep**: Contact Father at least ***6 months*** before your anticipated wedding date. **Visitors:** Please sign our Guest Register located on the east bookshelf in the back of church. Feel free to take a brief parish history and/or a self-guided tour sheet**. Become a Parish Member:** Complete the registration form located in the vestibule and drop it in the collection basket or email the secretary: *stpatsimogene@gmail.com*. **Allergies & Communion**: Are you gluten intolerant and therefore can't receive Communion? If so, we have a special low-gluten host that you can receive at Communion time. For more information, please contact Fr. Lazarus or the parish secretary.

	Sunday	Saturday	Sunday	Sunday
	Nov. 8	**Nov. 14**	**Nov. 15**	**Nov. 22**
Lector	Sarah Martin	Tom Dinville	YFF	Maria Blake
EME	Amy Gutschenritter	Genene Fienup	John Martin	Bridget Campbell
EME	Joe Cheney		Sarah Martin	Dan Kinsella
EME	Aaron Molnar		Tom Martin	Jim Martin
Server	Caroline Campbell		YFF	Ruthie Martin
Server	Madeleine Ekpai		YFF	Caroline Gutschenritter
Server	Oliver Christensen		YFF	Finn Martin
Gifts	Raphael & Ida Ekpai	Tim & Sarah Martin	YFF	Joe & Amy Gutschenritter
Usher	Trevor Christensen	Bill Ditmars	YFF	Sam McGargill
Usher	Jim Martin	Bernie Hughes	YFF	Quinn Maher
Usher	Tom Martin	Tim Martin	YFF	Paul Blake
Usher	Dan Martin	Kenny Hughes	YFF	Gerard Brannen
Greeters	Jim Martin Family	Bernie Hughes	Dan & Kari Kinsella	Jerry Laughlin
Streaming	Maryanne Dailey		Kara Kinsella	Maryanne Dailey
Sacristan	Kent Owens	Genene Fienup	Jake McGargill	Joe Cheney

Mass Intention

Sun. Nov. 8: +Pat & +Alice Martin **Tues. Nov. 10**: +Helen Lewis **Thurs. Nov.12**: +Michelle & +Linda Laughlin
Sat. Nov. 14: +Justin Owens **Sun. Nov. 15**: Members of the Parish **Tues. Nov. 17**: + Michael David Conners
Thurs. Nov. 19: +Dwight Smith and +Helen Lewis
Sun. Nov. 22: + Deceased members of +Thomas and +Catherine Maher family

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

November 8, 2026
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 25:1-13

My first instinct upon waking is to grab my phone and start scrolling. Sometimes I do it for 20 or 30 minutes, and it makes me feel distracted and agitated. I feel guilty, too, for wasting my first moments of the day. So recently, I committed those minutes to reading a book that would focus my mind on Jesus. I enjoy the fact that I am not scattering my attention as much. I feel more peaceful and focused on God.

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks about attention. He contrasts wise and foolish virgins, and then sums up the teaching by saying, **"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour" (Matthew 25:13).** The basic currency of the human heart is *attention*. The foolish bridesmaids are not immoral or malicious; they are unfocused, distracted, and unprepared. They assume that borrowed oil will suffice, that someone else's readiness can make up for their own lack. But the attention which is love cannot be outsourced. A relationship with God requires personal attentiveness cultivated over time.

This Gospel leaves us with an honest question. What am I giving my attention to each day, and am I forming a heart that is awake, watchful, and ready to meet the Lord when He comes? How can I use key moments of my day to focus my attention where I need it to be?

— Father John Muir

Special Collection – November 15

On November 15, 2026, the Church will celebrate the 10th anniversary for World Day of the Poor. In his message marking this occasion, Pope Leo XIV says that the Church is called to be a "refuge for the poor." The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is the US bishops' anti-poverty program focused on addressing the root causes of poverty. It is funded through an annual collection. Making a contribution is a practical way for Catholics in dioceses throughout the United States to become a refuge for the poor. For more than 55 years, CCHD has empowered people living in poverty by supporting organizations that give voice to members of local communities as they seek to improve access to housing, healthcare, and better educational and job opportunities.

Requesting Hospital and Nursing Home Clergy Visits.

If your loved one is admitted to a hospital, nursing home, or care facility, please remember to contact the parish office to request a clergy visit. Due to privacy regulations, hospitals and care facilities are often unable to notify the parish when someone is admitted. By informing the parish, you help ensure that a member of the clergy can visit, offer prayer, provide pastoral support, and administer the sacraments if desired. Please call or email the parish office*(stpatsimogene@gmail.com)* with the name of the person, the facility where they are staying, and any room information if available. Thank you for helping us care for members of our parish community during times of illness and recovery.

Our Gifts to God: 11/1

Plate: $1908.00 Tithes: $75.00
Children: $16.00 Hall Rent: $50.00
Cookbook: $15.00

The Altar Society will meet downstairs after Mass this morning. Details of the Turkey Shoot will be discussed at this meeting.

November Committee

Karen Gutschenritter – Chairperson
Sarah F Martin
Anne McDonald
Jenny Burkhiser
Stephanie Martin
Eva Fipps

Help Us Complete the Headstone Fund

There is still time to contribute toward the purchase of a headstone for Rita and Agnes Germar. We are approximately $700 short of our goal. If you would like to help, please contact Michael Luna to make your contribution. Any donation, large or small, is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your generosity and support.
Michael Luna
1216 Irene Ct
Red Oak, IA 51566
712-621-1807

Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting is after Mass on Thursday, Nov. 12th in the church hall.

Please remember in your prayers

+Susan Lorimor

Susan passed away on Nov. 2nd. She is the daughter of Jim and Veronica Lorimor of our parish. The sympathy of the St. Patrick faith family is extended to her entire family.

May she rest eternally in the loving arms of our Savior

November is the Month of Remembrance

During the month of November our faith community is invited to pray for deceased loved ones by placing a framed photo on the altar rail and/or writing names in the parish book of remembrance.



Maureen Campin	Nov 1st
Genevieve Doyle	Nov 2nd
Mary Maher	Nov 4th
Bernie Hughes	Nov 4th
Aaron Molnar	Nov 4th
Michael Mahoney	Nov 4th
Shay Berglund	Nov 4th
Jim Head	Nov 6th
Chelsey Nicholas	Nov 8th
Jared Blake	Nov 9th
Sawyer Doyle	Nov 9th
Jack Harbor	Nov 10th
Janice Doyle	Nov 12th
Lanna Lunzman	Nov 15th
Caroline Frazier	Nov 16th
Charles Hughes	Nov 17th
Mairin Allen	Nov 19th
David Sunderman	Nov 21st
Nora Martin	Nov 23rd
Destiny Martin	Nov 23rd
Genene Fienup	Nov 24th
Mike Shough	Nov 24th
Amy Gutschenritter	Nov 24th
Gerard Brannen	Nov 27th
Vince Martin	Nov 29th
Mary Harbor	Nov 29th
Kelsey Owens	Nov 29th
Oliver Christensen	Nov 29th

THANK YOU

I would like to say a great big Thank You to Father Lazarus and the entire congregation for my celebration after Mass. A special blessing, my family, and a Birthday song was so very special.

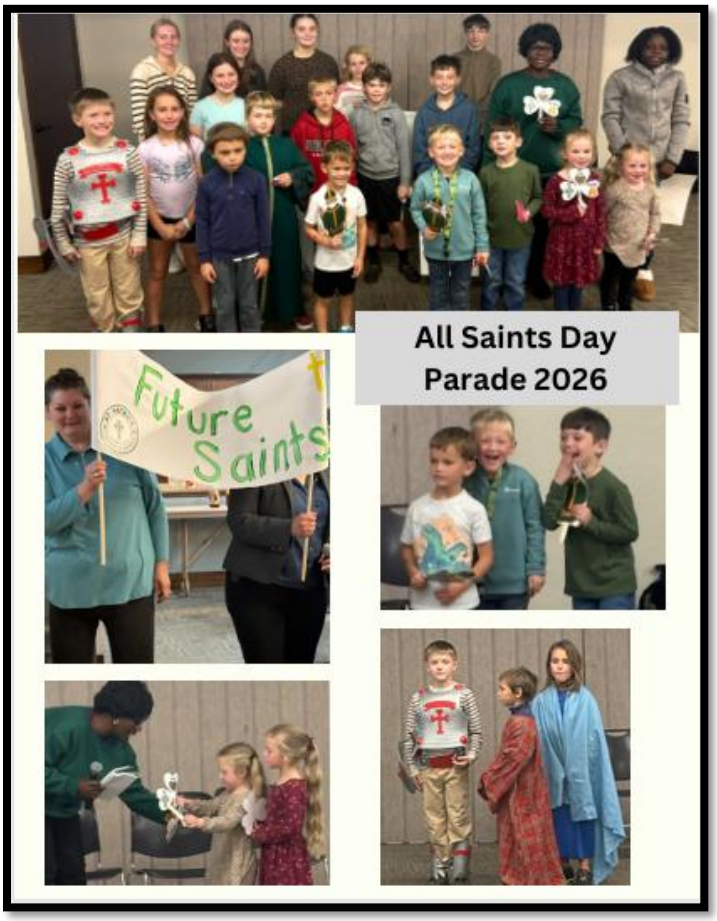
Many Thanks,
-Maureen Campin



Thank you to everyone who signed up to help before, during and after the Turkey Shoot.

If your last name begins with **A – L**: Please bring a dessert *(preferably something that is already cut into individual pieces).*

If your last name begins with **M – Z**: Please bring a salad.



Católica awards an honorary doctorate to Rev. Father William P. Leahy, of the Society of Jesus



Universidade Católica Portuguesa is to award an honorary doctorate to Rev. Father William P. Leahy, Society of Jesus, President Emeritus of Boston College. The honour will be conferred at the opening ceremony for the 2026/2027 academic year and the national graduation ceremony for graduates of the 2025/2026 academic year, which will take place at the University's headquarters in Lisbon. The ceremony will be presided over by Professor Bruno Nobre, of the Society of Jesus, Director of the Faculty of Philosophy and Social Sciences at the University. William Leahy, a member of the USA Midwest Province of the Society of Jesus, served as President of Boston College from 1996 until July of this year. In recognition of his distinguished service, he was unanimously appointed President Emeritus, becoming the first person in Boston College's history to receive this distinction. He holds a PhD in History from Stanford University and served as a faculty member and Executive Vice President at Marquette University. He is the author of "Adapting to America: Catholics, Jesuits and Higher Education in the Twentieth Century" and a trustee of Santa Clara and Creighton universities.

Divine Renovation – Moving from Maintenance to Mission

Divine Renovation is a movement that helps parishes grow in faith, strengthen relationships, and become vibrant, welcoming communities centered on Jesus. It encourages us to move beyond simply maintaining our parish to building a thriving parish where everyone feels welcomed, valued, and inspired to grow in their faith. Here at St. Patrick, we are focusing on three key areas: Hospitality, Mass Experience, and Community Outreach. Our goal is to create a warm and welcoming environment, make our celebration of the Mass even more meaningful, and find new ways to reach out and serve others in our parish and surrounding communities. Everyone has something to offer, and your ideas and involvement can make a difference. If you have suggestions, or you would like to become more involved in any of these areas, please reach out to Joe Cheney for Hospitality, Rita Laughlin for Mass Experience, and Maryanne Dailey for Community Outreach. Together, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we can continue building a parish where faith grows, friendships flourish, and everyone feels they belong.



SPaRC

Shenandoah Pregnancy and Resource Center



Annual Baby Bottle Campaign

Donations to our Baby Bottle campaign help us serve those facing pregnancy decisions and parenting needs in southwest Iowa, northwest Missouri, and southeast Nebraska and beyond. We are currently helping an average of 24 families monthly with our services. Due to the generosity of our donors, we offer diapers, wipes, preemie to 24 mo. clothes, baby items of all sorts, breast pumps, ultrasounds, mentoring services, and referrals for a variety of services. This year, some of our moms completed the 6-part series, Parenting and Stress, facilitated by Iowa State Extension Positive Families. We are a proud affiliate of Heartbeat International and Care Net.

In keeping with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops "Pro-Life to the End of Life" during the month of November, please take a baby bottle, pray, and then drop your check, bills, or change in the bottle. Return your bottle to the vestibule no later than Sunday, Nov. 29. Thank you!

Of all the churches that participated in SPaRC's Baby Bottle Campaigns in 2024 and 2025, St. Patrick Catholic Church in Imogene brought in the most love both years!! Can we count on you to do it again?

If you know of a mother or a family in need of our services, please share our contact information. All services are free.



Shenandoah Pregnancy and Resource Center (SPaRC)
501 W. Valley Ave. Shenandoah, IA 51601
712-581-9023
shenandoahprc@gmail.com
shenandoahpregnancyresourcecenter.com
Hours: Monday 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
Tuesday 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Wednesday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
By appointment during off hours



"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I consecrated you: I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Jeremiah 1:5