



Assumption Shrine
 Churchville, Iowa
 December 24, 2019
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Mass Times:

- Norwalk:** Saturday 5 pm and Sunday 9 am
- Assumption Shrine:** First Sunday of the month at 10:30 a.m. Holy Days to be determined.
- Indianola:** Saturday 4:30p.m. Sunday 8 & 10:15am
- Winterset:** Saturday 5 p.m. and Sunday 10:00am
- St. Patrick's:** Sunday 8:00 am
- Immaculate Conception:** Sunday 8:00a.m.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Darlene LaFratte, Mike Hill, Phyllis Brichacek, Tom Bussanmas, Troy Kunze, Mary Echterling, Linda Mack, Barb Olsufka

Tithe Count: December 1st, 2019 \$1,081.00

UPCOMING MASSESS

December 24th 4:30 p.m. The Nativity of the Lord
 January 1st 9:00 a.m. Feast Mary, Mother of God
 January 5th 10:30 a.m.

Let us Rejoice on this Christmas Day!!

From Fr. Kirby:

The ancient preface of the Christmas mass says this, “For in the mystery of the Word made flesh a new light of your glory has shone upon the eyes of our mind, so that, as we recognize in him God made visible, we may be caught up through him in love of things invisible.” May we allow ourselves to be “caught up” in the love and joy of the baby Jesus of Bethlehem this Christmas. May we allow Jesus to be born anew in our hearts and lives! Let us continue to share the joy and the peace of Jesus, the new born king

I want to wish all of you a very holy and blessed Christmas. What a joy and a privilege to celebrate mass for all of you at Assumption Church! Thank You, thank you and Thank you.

Please note that Fr. Kirby will continue to say Mass each Tuesday even if we have another weekday Mass that week. What a great blessing he is for Assumption Shrine. Note no Mass New Year’s Eve.

Mass times at St. John the Apostle in Norwalk for Christmas and the Feast of Mary, the Mother of God are December 24th at 4 p.m. & 6 p.m. December 25th at 9 a.m. and December 31st at 5:30 p.m.

Fr. Kirby will be leading a tour to Italy including Assisi, Siena, Orvieto and Rome from October 20th - 29th, 2020. There is a brochure on the bulletin board in the back of Church with additional information. Please take some time to look over the itinerary.

Fr. Kirby has posted information on the bulletin board regarding our current seminarians for the Diocese of Des Moines. Let us all pray for these young men as they pursue their vocation to the priesthood.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

January 1st Mass 9 a.m. Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day)

Parish Website

Please visit the parish website and provide suggestions/ideas to mcassady3421@yahoo.com
www.assumptionshrine.org

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Thanksgiving Service.

ROSARY – You are invited to join us in praying the Rosary on Sunday's before Mass at 10:10 a.m. We also pray the rosary on Tuesday evenings at 5:10 pm. before Mass. Please join us

Anyone who would like to have Mass said for a special intention is encouraged to do so. You can email Jane ahead of time janeassady4@gmail.com so she can include it in the bulletin, then drop your donation in the collection basket indicating who and when the Mass is for.

December 24th 4:30 p.m. Christmas
Lector: Grace Hart
Eucharistic Min: Cole & Cael Cassady
Ushers: Joe Bell & Jim Wiedmann
Servers: Mary Ann Hart, Conor & Ella Cassady

Doug Volkmer, a parishioner at Assumption Shrine, has taken on the responsibility of delivering Communion to the home-bound in the area. If you know of anyone who would like to have Communion delivered to their home please contact Doug at 515-689-4564 or dvolkmer49@gmail.com

January 1st 9 a.m. Mary, Mother of God
Lector: Donna Hill
Eucharistic Min: Jeff & Karen Spick
Ushers: Jim Wiedmann & Joe Bell
Servers: Grace & Mary Ann Hart

There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church to help with cleaning of the hall. Our plan is to have at least two people sign up for each month and just once during your month lightly clean the hall. Then when an event comes up it will not be such a big task to prepare the hall. I know there are some who will be unable to help with this and in that case we ask that you pay the \$25 Altar & Rosary Society dues which we have currently not been collecting. Thank you

January 5th 10:30 a.m.
Lector: Emily Cassady
Eucharistic Min: Dan & Cael Cassady
Ushers: Robert & Joe Bell
Servers: Cole, Conor & Ella Cassady

BORN TODAY

Today we rejoice. God has become one of us. He is a baby, born so we could be born into and share in God's own life. God's love greets us as equals, so we can, like Mary, freely say "yes" to this mysterious gift. If we accept this gift, we become children of God, members of the divine family, and full of grace like Mary. Baptism and Confirmation are the acts of our rebirth; the Eucharistic is our nourishment to grow in God's family. When we are grown up he will return for us. Are you ready?

Philip J. Sandstrom, STD 2001