



Assumption Shrine
Churchville, Iowa
March 1, 2020
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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: February 2, \$794.00

UPCOMING MASSESS

March 1st 10:30 a.m.
Monday's and Tuesday's 5:30 p.m.
April 5th 10:30 a.m. Palm Sunday
April 12th 10:30 a.m. Easter Sunday

From Fr. Kirby:

The season of Lent is a season of pilgrimage. We follow an itinerary of conversion and renewal. Lent gives the baptized Christian the opportunity to reenter the catechumenate, so that we can renew our baptism and once again encounter the mysteries of God's love and mercy.

This pilgrimage of renewal and conversion is an opportunity to purify ourselves, so that we can witness the gospel to the world. This holy journey allows us to open the doors to a Gospel-centered life, to friendship with Christ and be on a mission.

As we go on pilgrimage during this holy season of Lent, we are fed by our Lord's eucharistic presence at every mass. This holy feeding of our Lord helps us to have the strength throughout our pilgrimage and it will allow us to arrive safe and sound at the solemnity of Easter. Let us stay close to our Lord in the Eucharist.

To help us continue to journey on this itinerary our Lord gives us the sacrament of reconciliation. We sure need a special outpouring of our Lord's forgiveness and mercy. We need lots of new begins in our life and our Lord is there to raise us up. Let us continue to seek our Lord's forgiveness and mercy.

As we move through Lent the Church celebrates every Friday the Stations of the Cross. This prayer is a tremendous help for us as we head toward Easter. We not only mediate on our Lord's sacrificial love for us, but we are filled with encouragement. We come to realize that we can deal with any tough time and challenge as long as we allow the Lord to help us, as long as we allow the Lord to love us. "We adore you o Christ and we bless you because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world."

As we mission through Lent, we are inspired to continually love our neighbor. We are called to be ambassadors of Christ's love and charity to the world. This strong message of Lent to treat others as Christ propels us at every moment to make charity a way of life for us.

As fellow pilgrims let us pray for one another and support one another after all we have the same destination, Easter Sunday. Have an awesome Lent everybody!

ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

Thank you to everyone who made the annual Spaghetti Dinner a success. A special thanks to Lorretta Bell for organizing the event.

Please note that beginning on March 2nd and continuing all during Lent Fr. Kirby will say Mass each Monday evening at 5:30 and will also have Mass on Tuesday at 5:30.

Fr. Kirby will have the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at the 5:30 Mass on April 21st. Please put this on your calendar and spread the word to all you think might like to avail themselves of this opportunity.

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.

Altar & Rosary is asking for \$25.00 cleaning dues from each parish family for 2020. These dues help pay for the church's altar supplies, such as candles, as well as cleaning supplies for the church, rectory, and hall. We have not asked for dues payment the past few years, but 2019 has blessed us with the completion of several projects, including much needed new lighting installation at the hall, as well as refurbishing of some altar pieces, new linens, and new Christmas trees and lights. Please make checks payable to Churchville Altar and Rosary Society. Thank you!

Altar and Rosary Society
Judy Johnson, President
Jane Cassady, Vice-President
Karen Spick, Secretary/Treasurer

Parish Website

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

March 1st 10:30 a.m.
Lector: Doug Volkmer
Eucharistic Min: Jeff & Karen Spick
Ushers: Joe & Robert Bell
Servers: Grace & MaryAnn Hart

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 4th Confessions 7-9 a.m. (Saturday)
April 7th Stations followed by Confession
April 21st Anointing of the Sick at 5:30 Mass

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.

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

April 5th 10:30 a.m. (Palm Sunday)
Lector: Emily Cassady & Donna Hill
Eucharistic Min: Cole & Dan Cassady
Ushers: Robert Bell & Jim Wiedmann
Servers: Cael, Conor & Ella Cassady