Liturgies For This Week

Monday, November 27
Britt 7:00 AM

7:00 AM Art Chizek

Tuesday, November 28

Duncan 7:00 AM Gertrude Urich

Concord Care 9:00 AM

Wednesday, November 29

Forest City 8:30 AM Johnny Houle

Garner 5:10 PM Evening Prayer

Garner 5:30 PM Carol McAfee

Word & Communion Lake Mills 5:30 PM

Thursday, November 30 St. Andrew

Garner 7:00 AM Jim Ormsby Laurel J. Mayer Forest City 7:00 AM

Friday, December 1

Garner 7:00 AM Denis Jakoubek

7:00 AM Rose Kopacek Britt

Saturday, December 2

Duncan 4:30 PM For the People

Sunday Celebration in Buffalo Ctr. 6:00 PM

the Absence of a Priest

Sunday, December 3

8:30 AM Britt Judy Hilbert Lake Mills 8:30 AM Margie Mackay

John/Rose/Bob Jakoubek 10:00 AM Garner

Forest City 10:30 AM Robert E. Lucey

Communal Reconciliation Duncan 1:00 PM



ST. PATRICK ALTAR SOCIETY'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

will be held on Mon. Nov. 27, in the church hall. Cider will be served at 6:15 PM with the meal being served at 6:30 PM, catered by Hofbauer's.

A short meeting will follow the meal. All women of the parish are encouraged to sign up on the table in the church entry if they wish to attend.

ST. PATRICK, LAKE MILLS NEWS

The family of Margaret Brighton would like to say "thank you" to everyone for their thoughtful expressions of sympathy. Your presence, memorials, flowers, cards, and many hugs were greatly appreciated. Many thanks also to everyone who helped with Mom's funeral Mass and served the lunch. Our family is so blessed to have grown up in the St. Patrick's family, we will always have many wonderful memories. May God bless you and keep you in His care.

Our Church Needs You...

Cannot spell ch-rch without U Cannot spell S-nday without U Cannot spell yo-th without U Cannot spell m-sic without U Cannot spell s-ccess without U

Clearly, OUR CHURCH NEEDS U!



FAMILY HOLY HOUR

St. James Family Holy Hour is scheduled for Sun., Dec. 3 at 4:30 PM. Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration, Liturgy of the Hours, Evening Praver. and Benediction.

Come spend an hour in prayer. Start your

13 HOURS FOR ALL OUR PARISHES

We encourage everyone to make Wednesday evening, Nov. 29, and Thursday all day, Nov. 30, your top priority: 13 Hours Devotion is an opportunity for us to come together to hear Fr. Bradley Pelzel Wed. evening, then to pray for common intentions at Mass Thursday morning, followed by Liturgy of the Hours, Scripture readings, rosary, song, and silent adoration of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day.

Please check the sign up sheets on the table in St. James entryway. VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED (call Angelika 585-5151 to volunteer, or for more info)!!

And please remember: You do not have to sign up to come and adore Jesus! You are welcome to come any time during the day Thursday and spend some time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in exposition on the altar. The sign up sheets are to insure that necessary roles are taken care of.

Additional numbers to call: Donna (refreshments) work ~ 585-4856; home ~ 585-3041: Mary Ann (music) 565-3554.

OFFERTORY FOR THE NEEDY: St. James will be collecting for the "Northern Lights Homeless Shelter" in the month of December. Next Sunday, December 3, all the loose change & currency will go for this worthy cause. You may use your envelope marked "Offertory for the Needy" that is in your box anytime in December and drop it in the collection box. Thank You!!

May she rest in peace



Margaret Brighton November 3, 06

Mother of

Margaret Atkinson, John Brighton, Jean Walling, Jerry Brighton, Tony Brighton, and Bryan Brighton.



SINGERS/MUSICIANS

Needed for Christmas Eve Mass at St. James. Rehearsals lasting one hr. on Mon., Dec. 4, 11, & 18, at 6:45 PM. Familiar carols, familiar Mass parts... families most welcome.

From the Desk of Father Michael Schueller

ORD KING our liturgical year, the Feast of Christ the King. of humility and service. We normally think of the term "king" in the context of royalty and power. Jesus redefines that term for us. His throne is the Kingdom of Heaven, his flock is all of us, and his power comes through his willingness to hand over his life for each of us. We celebrate today that humility and servitude of Christ.

 ${\cal N}$ ext weekend we begin our new liturgical year with the First Sunday of Advent. Things will be different. Gone

will be the color green replaced by a royal purple. The Advent wreath will return marking our days of preparation for We celebrate today the last Sunday of Jesus' glorious return at the end of time and the celebration of his birth. We will begin a new cycle of readings with primary Jesus, the King of Creation, is an example to us emphasis this liturgical year on the Gospel of Luke. As most of the world is resplendent in Christmas decorations, our church continues the ancient tradition of waiting.

> ${\bf \mathcal{B}}$ e sure to plan on spending some time at St. James for our 13 Hours Devotion. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for personal prayer and Fr. Brad Pelzel will be our guest speaker. This is a wonderful opportunity on the heels of Advent to prepare for the season.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wed. & Thurs., Nov. 29 & 30~13 Hours Devotions St. James ~ Starting at 7:00 PM Wed., until 8:30 PM. 7:00 AM Thursday, until 8:00 PM Thursday evening. Thursday, November 30

7:00 PM RCIA at St. James in the Library

Sunday, December 3

9:30 AM St. Patrick, Lake Mills will have

Coffee and Rolls in the church hall.

Please come and enjoy good companionship and good coffee.

St. James Knights of Columbus will 11:30 AM

be serving a Luncheon after the

10:30 AM Mass. Come and support the

Knights.

1:00 PM Communal Penance at Duncan

WEEKLY OFFERINGS St. James, Forest City	11/19/2006
Offertory	\$55.48
Offertory for the Needy	65.00
Budget ~~ Adult Env.	1,959.23
Student/Youth Envelopes	3.25
Youth Greenery	838.50
Capitol Improvement	7.00
	\$2,928.46
St. Patrick, Lake Mills	
Budget ~ Adult Env.	1,740.00
Offertory	85.00
	\$1,825.00
St. Patrick, Buffalo Center	
Offertory	\$13.00
Budget - Adult Envelopes	482.00
	\$495.00

Happy Birthday!

November 28, is his birthday!!!

If anyone would like to send Fr. Jerry Blake a card or letter, his address is: Rev. Jerry Blake 1102 Walnut St. Traer, IA 50675-1440

Advent Story ~ Telling ~ "Light - Filling Darkness", a Program of stories for Advent reflection, will be held on Sun. Dec. 3, at 2 PM in the sanctuary at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Mason City. All women are invited to hear the folktales shared by master storyteller Gail Froyen from Cedar Falls. The stories from various cultures and traditions plus time for reflection will be a welcome experience from the hustle and bustle of the holiday season. Refreshments will be served following the program in the social hall. Event is sponsored by St. Joseph's Parish Life and Ministry of Mothers Sharing (M.O.M.S.)

FAITH FORMATION

St. James, Forest City ~ Wed., Nov. 29

Class

Pre-school - 6th grade 6:00 - 7:00 PM 7th - 12th grade 7:15 - 8:30 PM

St. Patrick, Lake Mills ~ Wed. Nov. 29

Class

All at 7:00 - 8:00 PM

St. Patrick, Buffalo Center ~ Wed. Nov. 29

Class

Sing from 6:50 - 7:00 PM

ST. JAMES FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Care Packages to St. James College Age Students Sunday, Dec. 3 at 2:00 PM in Cigrand Hall, parents of college age students are invited to prepare care packages to be sent to their son/daughter in preparation for finals week.

Each family is asked to bring per student, 4 doz. homemade cookies/bars/sweets in sandwich bags of 4 each, a shoe box, & Christmas wrapping paper. Any questions, call Rita/581-4540.

School Supplies for New Orleans

Mrs. Duncan's 7th grade Faith Formation class will be collecting school supplies to be sent to Hurricane Katrina victims. All members of the parish are asked to bring items and put them in the box in the church entry way. Several loyal groups will be taking them to New Orleans after Christmas. Suggested items are packs of pens/pencils/colored pencils. markers, crayons, notebooks, folders, calculators, protractor and compass. The 7th grade thanks you in advance for your generosity.

Food for the Hungary

Mrs. Edel's 5th grade class sent home notes recently with the Faith Formation students and in one week they collected our little grocery cart full of food for the Neighborhood Food Bank. Thank you families for your donations. It is important for these young people to see that they can contribute to the welfare of the whole community. For anyone else who would like to help, we will be collecting food again on Dec. 20, the night of the annual Christmas program.



If anyone is interested in helping the Art & Environment Team get ready for Christmas, please call Glenda Kuhn at 585-4743. These ladies do a wonderful job and could use some help in putting up decorations.