

If you know someone who is homebound in the Hills, Lone Tree or Nichols area who would like to have Holy Communion brought to their home, please call the cluster office at 679-2271.

Do you have a new telephone number or address? Parish offices are updating church records, and you can help us by checking your listing in the Picture Directory. We are finding that many people no longer have the “land line” telephone number and probably now have a cell phone for their main home number. We would appreciate very much if you would notify us of the new Telephone number or address. You can drop a note in the collection basket, call the church office at 319-679-2271, or call Carol Kaalberg at 319-330-5324. Thank you!

Marguerite Ritzinger Scholarship

Applications for the Marguerite Ritzinger Scholarship of the Diocese of Davenport are being accepted through February 15, 2022. Catholic individuals who plan to attend a college or university next Fall may apply for a \$1,000.00 scholarship. Nontraditional students may apply for the scholarship. The award is named for the late Marguerite Ritzinger, a Sigourney native, who left \$388,770 to the diocese to help with scholarships for seminarians and students attending colleges or universities. Applications must be sent, together with the application form, which is available on the diocesan website at <https://www.davenportdiocese.org> in the Quick links section of the homepage.

2022 envelope packets are at all churches. Please help save mailing costs by picking up your box SOON.

Mercy Iowa City Spiritual Care Department is asking for donations to meet the basic clothing needs of patients who are unable to leave the hospital without the proper attire, often because the patient’s clothing was cut off in the Emergency Unit when they came to the hospital. If you wish to donate items, please purchase **NEW** sweatpants, crew neck sweatshirts, and long-sleeve t-shirts in sizes medium to 2 XL. Clothing may be dropped off in the labeled box in the St. Joseph Parish Hall. Mercy Iowa City Chaplains, Fr. Terry Ball and Rev. Jenny Seylar, appreciate your donations for this much-needed effort!

Poland & Eastern Europe Pilgrimage: Come along June 6-17, 2022, to some of the most historical and sacred places in all of Europe. We’ll see the home of St. John Paul II, visit the shrine of Divine Mercy, walk through Auschwitz Concentration Camp and so much more. We’ll have Mass each day in great Churches and Cathedrals along the way. Cost is \$4,199 with departure from Omaha. For a brochure and more information, contact Fr. Dan Guenther, 307 – 4<sup>th</sup> Street North, Humboldt, Iowa 50548, or call 712-899-6870 or email [frdanguenther@gmail.com](mailto:frdanguenther@gmail.com).

Liturgical Ministers—Lone Tree St. Mary					
Saturday 4:00 pm			Cycle C Reading		
	1/22/2022 Fr. Lou	1/29/2022 Fr. Lou	2/5/2022 Fr. Hai	2/12/2022 /Fr. Hai	Lone Tree
Greeter	Joel&MaryEllen Yedlik	Elaine Kout	Nancy Ford	Elaine Kout	Parish Support
Lector	Sherry Nicola	Carol Kaalberg	Jerry Ford	Jill Welter	Envelopes
Servers	Sherry Nicola	Judy Grothe	Jerry Ford	Jill Welter	Offertory
Eucharist	Sherry Nicola	Carol Kaalberg	Jerry Ford	Sherry Nicola	ACH Giving
Collection	Joel Yedlik	Mike Parker	Joan Davis	Joel Yedlik	
	MaryEllen Yedlik	Lucy Parker	Lynn Bland	MaryEllen Yedlik	
Gifts	Virginia Schlapkohl	Betty Forbes	Kathy Davis	Judy Viner	
Commentator	Sherry Nicola	Carol Kaalberg	Jerry Ford	Jill Welter	

Liturgical Ministers—Nichols Church of St. Mary					
Sunday 8:00 am			Cycle C Reading		
	1/23/2022 Fr. Hai	1/30/2022 Fr. Hai	2/6/2022 Fr. Lou	2/13/2022 Fr. Lou	Nichols
Greeter	Bill Lenz	Bill Lenz	Adam Gauger	Adam Gauger	Parish Support
Lector	Mary Lenz	Renetta Burlage	Carol Kaalberg	Mary Lenz	Envelopes
Cross Bearer	Adam Gauger	Wayne Mengel	Adam Gauger	Wayne Mengel	Offertory
Eucharist	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Christmas
Collection	Marvin Wilson	Steve Lahey	Kory Kaalberg	Steve Lahey	ACH Giving
	Joe Harper	Adam Gauger	Marv Wilson	Joe Harper	
Gifts	Leah Willoz	Michael&Renetta Burlage	Adam Gauger	Jeanne Green	
Commentator	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	

Liturgical Ministers—Hills St. Joseph					
Sunday 10:00 am			Cycle C Reading		
	1/23/2022 Fr. Hai	1/30/2022 Fr. Hai	2/6/2022 Fr. Hai	2/13/2022 /Fr. Hai	Hills
Music Ministry	Lily Westemeyer	Lily Westemeyer	Lily Westemeyer	Gauger Family	Parish Support
Greeter	Helen Marner	Mike&Nancy Waldschmidt	Anita Skriver	Gauger Family	Envelopes
Lector	Alyssa Moran	Mike Waldschmidt	Mike Waldschmidt	Gauger Family	Offertory
Server	Weston Waldschmidt	Carol K&Emy Rivera	Weston Waldschmidt	Weston Waldschmidt	ACH Giving
Eucharist	Donna Arthur	Kristee Malmberg	Kristee Malmberg	Carol Kirkpatrick	Solemnity of Mary
Collection	Mike Waldschmidt	Brian Moran	Brian Moran	Gauger Family	A&R Dues
	Matt Waldschmidt	Jean Burr	Jean Burr	Gauger Family	
Gifts	Marcia Mellecker	Rummelhart Family	Delores&Deanne Eden	Gauger Family	
Commentator	Judy Stebral	Judy Stebral	Judy Stebral	Judy Stebral	

If you are unavailable for the above ministry assignment, please find your own replacement. Thank you.

## Cluster Parish Announcements

**Bulletin deadline Tuesday at 10:00 am.** Contact Judy Stebral at 319-331-8727, jbstebal@hotmail.com or Carol Kaalberg at 319-330-5324 or kaalbergc@diiodav.org.

## Cluster News

### ADA Update as of 11/28/2021

	Goal	Received	Percent of goal
St. Mary, Nichols	\$ 5,843.00	\$ 10,738.00	183.78%
St. Mary, Lone Tree	\$ 8,347.00	\$ 9,261.00	110.95%
St. Joseph, Hills	\$18,503.00	\$ 13,119.00	70.90%

Thank you to those who have made a pledge or donation to the ADA. If you have not yet made a pledge, ADA envelopes are available at the back of the church. They can be put in the collection basket at the weekend Mass.

## St. Joseph Church, Hills

**Monday, January 31, 2022** 6:30 pm The January 17 Parish Council meeting has been **rescheduled** to January 31 at the parish hall. Please note this new date.

**Sunday, February 13, 2022. You are invited!** The family of Ron and Joyce Gauger invite you to a celebration honoring their parents on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. A meal and reception will be held in the St. Joseph Parish Hall immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Food will be served from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. The family kindly requests no cards or gifts. Your presence at the reception will be your gift to them.

**The signup sheet** for the traveling statue of St. Joseph is at the church entrance, Please sign up for one week to take St. Joseph to your home for special prayer during that week.

**Thank you** to the volunteers who stayed after Mass last Sunday to help remove and put away the Christmas decorations. Your kindness and efforts to give of your time are greatly appreciated.

**Altar & Rosary Dues** of \$10.00 are now being collected. A&R envelopes are included in your weekly church support box. Thank you for helping our Altar & Rosary Society by donating.

**2022 Envelopes** are at all church entrances. Please take your box ASAP.

**2022 calendars** are now on the table at the back of the church. Please extend a thank you to Lensing Funeral and Cremation for their generosity in donating these calendars to our church.

**The St. Joseph Food Pantry is open** each Wednesday morning from 10 A.M. to noon. For your safety and for our workers' safety, boxes of groceries are brought to you for pick up at the East church entrance. Thank you for your continued generosity to the St. Joseph Food Pantry.

**Hills Elementary School** is in need of gloves, mittens, hats, winter boots, and snow pants of all sizes for K-6th grade boys and girls. We will accept your donations throughout the winter.

**Donations for the Mercy Iowa City Spiritual Care department** can be dropped off in the box in the lower level of the church. See page 5 of this bulletin for details.

## St. Mary Church, Lone Tree

**Saturday, January 29, 2022** Parish Council meeting at the church hall following Mass

**The signup sheet** for the traveling Blessed Mother statue is at the church entrance. Please sign up for one week to take St. Mary to your home for special prayer during that week.

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**We are happy to announce** that beginning in February, if there are no COVID in-house restrictions at the Pioneer Park facility, Fr. Hai will resume celebrating Mass at Pioneer Park on Tuesdays every week at 10:00 am. Fr. Lou will continue to celebrate Mass on Thursdays every week at Pioneer Park at 10:00 am. Residents are so pleased to have the opportunity for Mass twice a week when the Pioneer Park facility is again "open to the public." Feel free to join them if these days and time fit your schedule. All Tuesday Mass intentions will be for our cluster parishioners.

**Lone Tree/Nichols Food Pantry** is now open every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., and Wednesday afternoons from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the UP Church, 110 West Elm Street, Lone Tree. No appointment needed. This local food pantry is a cooperative effort of UP Church, St. Mary Church, Lone Tree and The Church of Saint Mary, Nichols. Call Laurie at 319-621-0955 if urgent.

## The Church of St. Mary, Nichols

**Sunday, January 30, 2022** Finance Council and Parish Council **joint meeting** following Mass at the church.

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**Church community:** First Church United in West Liberty will be offering GriefShare classes (at no cost) for anyone in the community who is struggling with the death of a loved one(s). This can be from either recent or past losses. The 13-week support group program is designed to help people heal from the pain of grief. The first class is Tuesday, January 11 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm and will run through April 5, barring any weather changes. Please register online at [griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org) and type in your zip code to "Find a Group" or pick up a registration form at the church. We look forward to accompanying you on "Your Journey from Mourning to Joy" program

## Mass Intentions

Please know that we are now scheduling Sunday Mass intentions at the Nichols parish into 2023, as each Sunday in the year 2022 has been requested. We appreciate your requests for Masses for your loved ones and if you want a special date in 2023, let us know. The fee for the priest celebrant is \$5.00 per Mass.

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**Nichols/Lone Tree Food Pantry** is open every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., and Wednesday afternoons from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. at The United Presbyterian Church, 110 West Elm Street, Lone Tree. This local food pantry is a cooperative effort of United Presbyterian Church, St. Mary Church, Lone Tree and The Church of Saint Mary, Nichols. Call Laurie at 319-621-0955 if urgent.