

**Please join us for the 3rd Christian Music Fest.** Saturday, September 25. 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Hills Ballpark. Music by the Great Bluegrass Herons Band.



Invite family, friends and neighbors to come for food, fellowship and fun for all ages at this family event! Plenty of food with La Reyna authentic Mexican fare, Moo Moo Ice Cream and the Hills Ballpark Concessions, and the Word of God! Bring your lawn chair and hang out with us for a wonderful time at the park with friends neighbors and family.

**Mark your calendar now** for the last date— October 23 with Banjoy/Bluegrass Herons Band Combo, same time, same place. If there is inclement weather on October 23, the event will move to the Hills Community Center and food trucks will be behind the building. For more information, please contact Dede Ollendick at 319-321-7683.

Sponsored by:  
St, Joseph Church, Hills, St. Mary Church, Lone Tree, and Church of St. Mary, Nichols

**We would like you to meet some of our Sts. Mary and Joseph Cluster Staff.** Be sure to check the next bulletin for information about other cluster staff!

**Carol Kaalberg** She grew up on a farm in rural Harper, Iowa, attended St. Elizabeth’s Catholic School, and after graduation Hunter Business/Secretarial School in Cedar Rapids. She married her husband, Gayle, in 1969 and they farm in rural West Liberty where they raised their three children. There are now eight grandchildren in their family.

Carol became involved in ministry in 1982, serving as Business Manager for St. Mary Church of Nichols. During that time she also served St. Joseph of Columbus Junction, St. Mary of Wapello, St. Malachy of Arden and St. Mary of Lone Tree. In 1989 she was commissioned by Bishop Gerald O’Keefe as Parish Life Coordinator, receiving the appointment of St. Mary of Nichols and St. Mary of Lone Tree. In 2010 she received the appointment of St. Joseph of Hills from Bishop Martin Amos and currently serves as Pastoral Associate of the Sts. Mary and Joseph Catholic Community.

Carol Serves on the Diocesan Board for Catholic Relief Services and Catholic Campaign for Human Development. She also serves as a Marriage Advocate for the Diocesan Tribunal Office. She recently retired from the Diocesan Pastoral Council Board, having served an eight-year term for the Bishop. For favorite prayers, Carol prays the Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy daily. “Jesus, I trust in you” is a simple but powerful prayer for everyone, for everyday and for every difficult situation.

**Nancy Ford** is the Bookkeeper for the Lone Tree and Nichols parishes. She has been married to Jerry for 43 years and they have one son, one daughter and two grandsons. They enjoy traveling and spending time with family and friends. Nancy has been a volunteer firefighter and first responder for Lone Tree for 22 years. She is also the president of the St. Mary, Lone Tree Altar and Rosary Society.

**Judy Stebral** has been Parish Secretary for St. Joseph Church for 11 years. Her primary responsibilities are preparing the weekly cluster bulletin, scheduling Mass Intentions, working with church accounts and other typical office duties. She has been married to Bill for 58 years and they live at Atrium Village in Hills, where she attends daily Mass at the Atrium Chapel. They have three sons and four grandchildren. In her spare time, she enjoys spiritual reading, playing cards, listening to music, tackling the daily Sudoku puzzle, having lunch with friends and “anytime I can spend time with family.” She is also Secretary/Treasurer of Altar and Rosary.

**Liturgical Ministers—Lone Tree St. Mary Saturday 4:00 pm Cycle B Reading**

	8/28/2021 Fr. Lou	9/4/2021 Fr. Lou	9/11/2021 Fr. Hai	9/18/2021 Fr. Lou	Lone Tree	
Lector	Jill Welter	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	Parish Support	
Servers	Jerry Ford	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	Envelopes	\$413.00
Eucharist	Sherry Nicola	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	Offertory	\$73.00
Collection	Joel & MaryEllen Yedlik	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer		
		Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer		
Gifts	Joel & MaryEllen Yedlik	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer		
Commentator/Petitions	Trudi Westfall	Trudi Westfall	Trudi Westfall	Trudi Westfall		

**Liturgical Ministers—Nichols Church of St. Mary Sunday 8:00 am Cycle B Reading**

	8/29/2021 Fr. Hai	9/5/2021 Fr. Hai	9/12/2021 Fr. Lou	9/19/2021 Fr. Hai	Nichols	
Lector	Renetta Burlage	Carol Kaalberg	Mary Lenz	Renetta Burlage	Parish Support	
Cross Bearer	Wayne Mengel	Adam Gauger	Wayne Mengel	Adam Gauger	Envelopes	\$553.00
Eucharist	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Offertory	\$48.00
Collection	Kory Kaalberg	Joe Harper	Adam Gauger	Bill Lenz		
	Colton Kaalberg	Steve Lahey	Marvin Wilson	Kory Kaalberg		
Gifts	Joe & Rose Harper	Lori Leggins	Kelsie Lampe	Cindy Massey		
Commentator/Petitions	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg	Carol Kaalberg		

**Liturgical Ministers—Hills St. Joseph Sunday 10:00 am Cycle B Reading**

	8/29/2021 Fr. Hai	9/5/2021 Fr. Hai	9/12/2021 Fr. Hai	9/19/2021 Fr.	Hills	
Music Ministry	Lily Westemeyer	TBD	TBD	TBD	Parish Support	
Lector	Lora Sieverding	Bob Jenn	Bob Jenn	Lora Sieverding	Envelopes	\$1255.00
Server	Emy Rivera/Jean Burr	Weston Waldschmidt	Weston Waldschmidt	Emy Rivera/Jean Burr	Offertory	\$55.41
Eucharist	Kristee Malmberg	Kristee Malmberg	Deanne Eden	Deanne Eden	Assumption	\$20.00
Collection	Mike Sieverding	Mike Waldschmidt	Matt Waldschmidt	Mike Sieverding	Works of Charity	\$20.00
	Mike Waldschmidt	Matt Waldschmidt	Jean Burr	Brian Moran	Catholic University	\$20.00
Gifts	Don Draker Family	Betty Rayner	Kathy Dalton Family	Carol Mills		
Commentator/Petitions	Judy Stebral	Judy Stebral	Judy Stebral	Judy Stebral		

**SAVE THE DATE!!**

St. Wenceslaus Parish of Iowa City will hold their annual Fall Dinner on Sunday, October 3rd, 2021. Menu will include turkey and all the trimmings plus kolaches. Kolaches available for sale while supplies last. Serving will be Take-Out only from 11:30-3:00. Cost for the dinner is \$11 for adults, \$4 for children 4-10 years and children under 4 are free. Check out the website for the complete dinner menu. St. Wenceslaus web site: [www.stwenc-ic.com](http://www.stwenc-ic.com)

## 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@diodav.org.

## Cluster News

**Religious Education Registration** for the 2021-22 classes at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, September 1 at the Religious Education Center, 109 W. Jayne Street in Lone Tree.

**Continue your prayers** for those from our cluster community in need of God's healing and blessings.

**Please call the cluster office, 319-679-2271, if you would like to serve as usher, lector, Eucharistic minister or server in any of our parishes.**

What do I need to know if I want to be an usher? 1. Ushers need to arrive 10 minutes before Mass because you are greeters as parishioners arrive to church. 2. Ushers check the bulletin to see who is the assigned gift bearer at the Offertory. 3. Ushers take up the collection and put it in the plastic bag and then zippered bag which will be taken to the altar at the Offertory.

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

## St. Joseph Church, Hills

**St. Joseph Social Justice and Peace thank everyone** who donated school supplies. It was a wonderful response to the request and the staff and students of Hills Elementary School are very grateful for the supplies to start out this school year.

**Next Sunday, September 5,** our St. Joseph Parish will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism of Gwendolyn Mary Moran, daughter of Brian and Alyssa Moran.

**We are in need** of disposable containers with lids for food leftovers for the St. Joseph parish hall kitchen. They can be brought to the St. Joseph church hall.

**Atrium residents send a big thank you** for the donations of fresh in-season fruits and vegetables from your gardens! They very much appreciate your kindness and generosity of your garden bounty.

**Volunteer opportunity.** St. Joseph Parish in Hills is looking for someone to use their creative talents to periodically update the glass enclosed bulletin board at the north entrance with current information about holy days, holidays (Mother's Day, Father's Day, Memorial Day, etc.), current diocesan initiatives (vocations, social justice, etc.), or other faith-related items/pictures of your choice. Contact Father Hai at 679-2271 if interested in helping with this opportunity to help your parish.

**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!

## St. Mary Church, Lone Tree,



Fr. Hai Dinh, Carol Kaalberg, Connie Shaw and Jean Burr enjoyed the Lone Tree Fall Festival Parade from their ride in the Sts. Mary and Joseph Cluster Float last Saturday!

**Lone Tree/Nichols Food Pantry** is now open every Monday and Thursday, 9:30 to 11:30 A.M. at The United Presbyterian Church, 110 West Elm Street, Lone Tree. No appointment needed. This local food pantry is a cooperative effort of United Presbyterian Church, St. Mary Church, Lone Tree and The Church of Saint Mary, Nichols.

## The Church of St. Mary, Nichols

**We welcome Jean Mengel** our new keyboard music minister at the Nichols church.

*Rest in peace...* our parish sympathy to Toni and Marvin Wilson on the loss of Toni's mother, Birdie Beauseigneur, whose graveside service was held on Thursday, August 26 at the Richmond Cemetery.

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## Announcements

**Last chance to take part in diocesan study.** This week offers your last chance to participate in the diocesan planning study survey. You can read about the proposed diocesan plans at [davenportdiocese.org](http://davenportdiocese.org), where you can also complete the survey. Go to "Diocese of Davenport Fundraising Feasibility Study" on the home page, click on "Take the survey" and enter the password DAVDIOCESE. All surveys are to be returned by September 3.

One listening session also remains: **Tuesday, August 31, 7 p.m.** at Sacred Heart Parish, 1115 S. 8th Avenue E., Newton, Iowa

**News regarding our sister parish in Haiti** from Liz McDermott, our primary diocesan contact for Haiti news:

The Grand-Bois/Cornillon region was unaffected by the latest earthquake and subsequent aftershocks. ServeHaiti, which has been our principal contact in the area, has suspended travel due to gang violence following the assassination of the president. Please keep this country in your prayers.