



**WELCOME!**

**Our Three-Parish Cluster  
Sts. Mary and Joseph Catholic Churches  
Hills, Lone Tree and Nichols**

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe      November 21, 2021**

**Church of St. Mary, 201 Short Street, Box B, Nichols, Iowa, 52766 319-330-5324  
St. Mary Church, 216 West Jayne Street, Box 416, Lone Tree, Iowa, 52755 319-629-4225  
St. Joseph Church, 209 Brady Street, PO Box 187, Hills, Iowa, 52235 319-679-2271**

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Rev. Lou Leonhardt (retired priest in residence at the Lone Tree Rectory); PO Box 454, Lone Tree, IA 52755 319-629-4339  
Bulletin deadline: 10:00 am Tuesday. Contact Carol Kaalberg, 319-330-5324 or Judy Stebral, 319-331-8727

**Cluster Mass Intentions November 20 to December 12, 2021**

Sat	Nov 20	4:00pm	Lone Tree	Keith Stevens
Sun	Nov 21	8:00am	Nichols	John&Louise Kaalberg Fam.
Sun	Nov 21	10:00am	Hills	Dean&Alice Cole
Mon	Nov 22	8:00am	Lone Tree	Rosella Attig
Tue	Nov 23	8:00am	Lone Tree	Raymond Herring
Tue	Nov 23	8:30am	Atrium	Julie Ruppenkamp
Wed	Nov 24	8:30am	Atrium	Veva Jenn
Wed	Nov 24	6:30pm	Lone Tree	Harry Attig
Thur	Nov 25	9:00am	Hills	Leo Mellecker
Thur	Nov 25	10:00am	PP CC	Rosella Attig
Sat	Nov 27	4:00pm	Lone Tree	Keith Stevens
Sun	Nov 28	8:00am	Nichols	Jack&Helene Salemink
Sun	Nov 28	10:00am	Hills	Schott&Buline Families
Mon	Nov 29	8:00am	Lone Tree	Rosella Attig
Tue	Nov 30	8:00am	Lone Tree	Rosella Attig
Tue	Nov 30	8:30am	Atrium	Beth Murphy
Wed	Dec 1	8:00am	Lone Tree	Carol Ann Bekker
Wed	Dec 1	8:30am	Atrium	Mona Ball

Thur	Dec 2	8:30am	Atrium	Bob&Renita Rummelhart
Thur	Dec 2	10:00am	PP CC	Berneda Schnoebelen
Fri	Dec 3	8:30am	Atrium	Keith Stevens
Sat	Dec 4	9:00am	Hills	Cluster Parishioners
Sat	Dec 4	4:00pm	Lone Tree	Mariel Slutts
Sun	Dec 5	8:00am	Nichols	Mary Steinocher
Sun	Dec 5	10:00am	Hills	Don Draker
Mon	Dec 6	8:00am	Lone Tree	Rosella Attig
Tue	Dec 7	8:00am	Lone Tree	Raymond Herring
Tue	Dec 7	8:30am	Atrium	Judi Droll
Wed	Dec 8	8:00am	Lone Tree	Harry Attig
Wed	Dec 8	8:30am	Atrium	Bob Falls
Thur	Dec 9	8:30am	Atrium	Alma Funk
Thur	Dec 9	10:00am	PP CC	Berneda Schnoebelen
Fri	Dec 10	8:30am	Atrium	Leonard&Mary Rummelhart
Sat	Dec 11	4:00pm	Lone Tree	Mariel Slutts
Sun	Dec 12	8:00am	Nichols	Jack&Helene Salemink
Sun	Dec 12	10:00am	Hills	Rita Jenn

**Music Ministry:** St. Joseph, Hills, Lily Westemeyer. Church of St. Mary, Nichols, Jean Mengel. St. Mary, Lone Tree, Steve Moore, Bob and Connie Shaw.

**Sts. Mary and Joseph Cluster Confession Schedule**

Father Hai is available to hear confessions before Mass at the below times:

- St. Mary, Lone Tree: 3:30 p.m. to 3:50 pm on Saturdays
- Church of St. Mary: 7:30 a.m. to 7:50 am on Sundays
- St. Joseph, Hills: 9:30 a.m. to 9:50 am on Sundays

*Let us come to reconcile to God and others!*

**Reminder: This Weekend is Food Pantry weekend in our Cluster churches.**

Bring nonperishable food items to the altar before or after Mass. A basket is available for monetary donations to the Helping Hand Fund at all churches. Thank you for your generosity to our food pantries as we serve those in need during these cold months.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

**PRAY FOR ALL VOCATIONS AND ALL OUR PARISHIONERS, LIVING AND DEAD, AND THE SICK**

I would like to encourage a family each week to take home the statue of the Blessed Virgin (Sts. Mary, Lone Tree and Nichols), or St. Joseph (Hills), after Mass, starting the first Sunday of Advent, November 28, to pray for all vocations and our parishioners, especially those who are sick. At home, in front of the statue of Our Blessed Virgin Mother or St. Joseph, you say daily a Vocation Prayer, one Our Father, three Hail Mary's and one Glory Be. You will then bring the statue back to the church when you come to Mass on the following weekend, so that another family will take it home and do the same. After the announcement at Mass, I will invite a family to come forward to receive the statue, a Vocation Prayer Card and blessing. You will then walk out with the procession.



**REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR THE DEAD**

The Church dedicates November as the month to remember and to pray for those who have gone before us. Let us keep praying for the dead, especially our loved ones, our benefactors, and those whose names are in the Book of the Deceased at our cluster parishes. "From the beginning, the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God..." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #1032)

**A REQUEST FOR A PAPAL BLESSING**

Any Catholic married couple who would like to receive a Papal Blessing as they celebrate their wedding anniversary (10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, etc.) OR anyone who would like to ask for a Papal Blessing on a birthday (18, 30, 40, 50, 55, 100—110 years, etc.), please contact Father Hai at the parish office 319-679-2271.

**SYNOD ON SYNODALITY**

Our parish representatives will organize and conduct a couple of listening sessions in our cluster parishes December through March, and then a report will be sent to the diocese in April. These listening sessions are held to hear people's stories and their experience of faith and the Catholic Church. They are not held to respond or to argue, but to understand. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact our representatives: Mary Lenz (Nichols—319-471-2668), Mandeline Bland (Lone Tree—319-629-5123) and Dede Ollendick (Hills—319-321-7683).

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING! GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR HE IS LOVE AND GOOD!**

On behalf of Fr. Lou and the cluster parishes' staff, I would like to wish all of you and your loved ones a blessed and safe Thanksgiving. May God fill your hearts with his peace, love and joy!

Have a wonderful weekend and a grace-filled new week ahead!

Fr. Hai Dinh