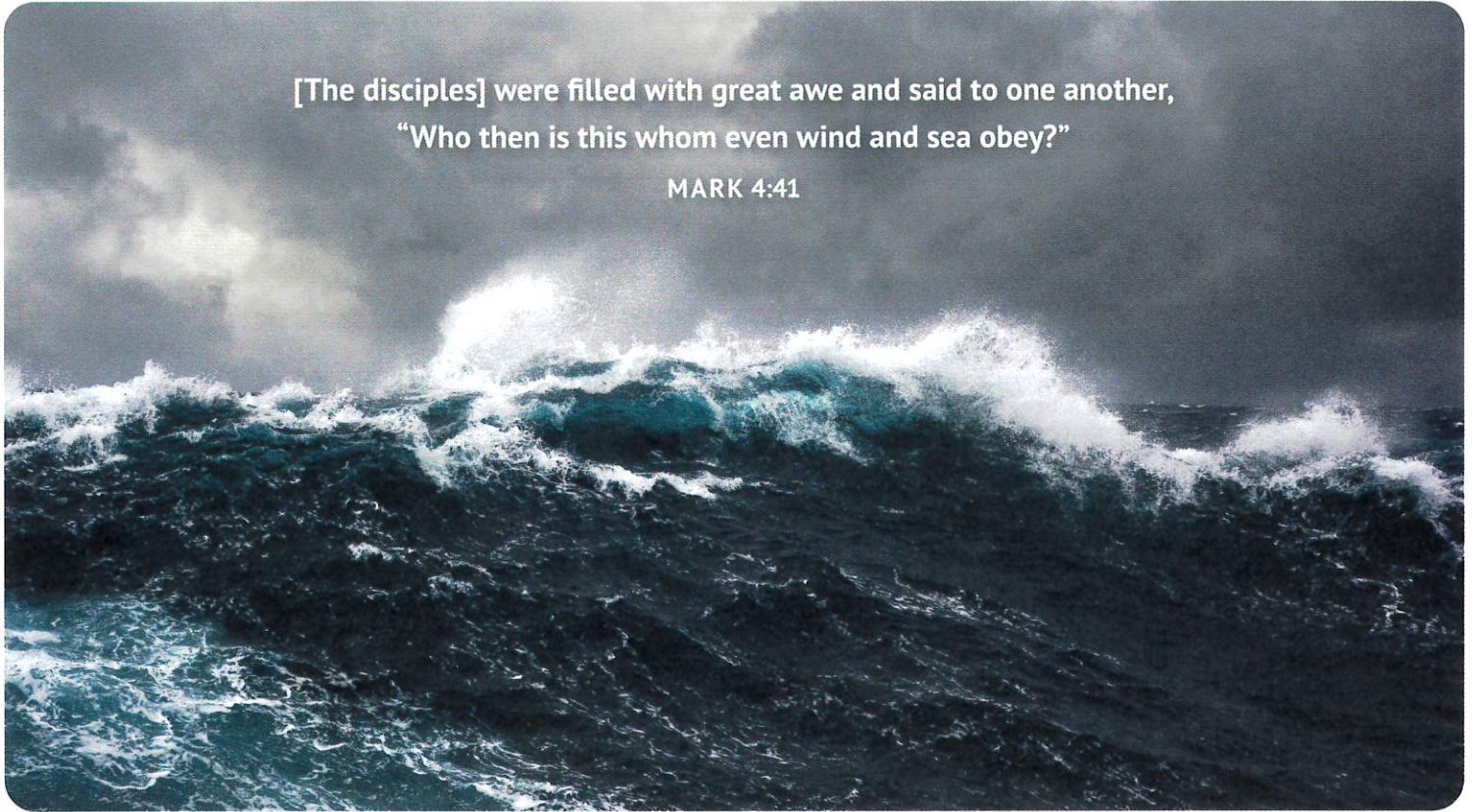




[The disciples] were filled with great awe and said to one another,
“Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?”

MARK 4:41



Calming Our Storms

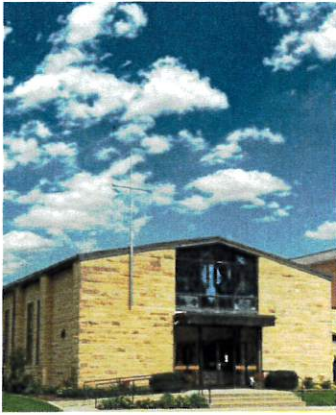
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The Gospels use images to help us understand the inner journey of our hearts and spirits. This Gospel story of being swamped by a storm is also about the storms of daily living and how they can bring us to faith. “As evening drew on” suggests those times in life when we move into darkness and confusion. These moments may occur when “we cross to the other side” of life—from childhood through adolescence and into adulthood, through sickness until we find healing, from raising a family to being empty-nesters, the stress we seek to manage through the upheavals of life—all times when we can feel overwhelmed by what we cannot control.

The Gospel today suggests: 1) Confronted by the question, “Why are you terrified? Do you not have faith?” it submits that it is God who calms our storms and not we ourselves. 2) The Gospel story is more about bringing calm and peace into our stormy inner turmoil than about fixing the outer turmoil with which we may be struggling. 3) The inner calm usually comes at the point of surrender, when we fear the worst because life is beyond our control: “Do you not care that we are perishing?” 4) Though our inner storm grows calm by surrendering to God through faith, the events of our outer storm may continue to be present, yet those events lose their power to overcome us when we accept that God is in control, not us. ●

Reflect

Have you ever found peace by surrendering your attempt to control your life?



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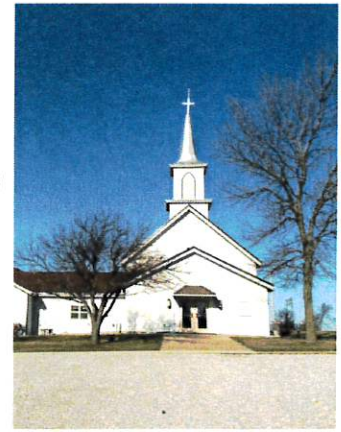
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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Tues, June 25

****MASS CANCELLED DUE TO CONVOCATION****

Wed, June 26

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Thurs, June 27

8:00am @ St. Athanasius

Carolyn Schmit

Fri, June 28

8:00am @ St. Athanasius

For the People of Our Parishes

1:30pm @ Winding Creek

Sat, June 29

5:00pm @ St. Athanasius

Herbert & Rose Weber Family

Sun, June 30

8:30am @ St. Athanasius

Wilma Fischels

10:30am @ St. Francis

For the People of Our Parishes

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Parents with first child need to participate in a preparation session. Please contact the Parish Office to set up a session or schedule a Baptism.

Reconciliation: By appt, call 827-6682, or at scheduled times: St. A's – Tues at 5pm and Sat at 4:00pm
St. Francis – Second Sunday following Mass

Marriage: Preparations take at least six months. Please contact Fr. Ben, 515-290-4856.

Becoming Catholic/RCIA: If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Lori Schutte.

Anointing of the Sick: If you or a loved one are homebound, in hospice or admitted to the hospital, please contact Fr. Ben, 515-290-4856.

STEWARDSHIP – June 15/16

St. A Parish

Adult - \$6,315.00

Children's - \$12.00

Offertory - \$241.00

Maintenance - \$25.00

Sacramental - \$200.00

St. Francis Reimb- \$1707.10

St. Francis Parish

Budget - \$760.00

Children - \$25.00

Offertory - \$40.00

Cemetery Donation - \$2500.00

Total - \$8,500.10

Total – \$3,325.00

ST. FRANCIS NEWS.

- **NO Mass** on Wednesday, June 26 because Fr. Ben will be at the Priest Convocation.
- **Fr. Ben's Farewell** – Sun. June 30 potluck after Mass in the parish hall. Please bring a dish to share. Tableware & drinks will be provided. Please join us!
- **No Donuts & Coffee this month.**
- **Last Weekend Collection** next Sunday will be given to North Star in Waterloo. Please be generous.

PRIEST TRANSITION

- **Fr. Ben's last Mass at St. A- Sunday, July 7th**
- **Fr. Austin's first Mass at St. A- Tuesday, July 9th**

CHILDREN'S OFFERING

- **My Time:** Holding the door. Being supportive to my dad. Helping with breakfast.
- **My Talent:** Making a present for my father.
- **My Treasure:** Sharing toys with friends.



ST. A SCHOOL NEWS

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- **Can/Bottle Recycling Trailer** is back! Please- No loose cans or bottles, keep cans and glass separate, use boxes for glass, and tie can bags shut.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

- St. Athanasius School is seeking a **Music Teacher** for the 2024-25 School Year. Candidates should apply through <https://www.iowaworks.gov>.
- St. Athanasius School has an ongoing need for **Substitute Teachers**. Please contact the school office for more information.



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Join us for this week long Catholic youth program for 1st-12th grade students to learn about the Gospel and the Catholic faith through fun activities and games!

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JULY 7-12, 2024



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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

- Save the Date: VBS will be Aug 4-8 and is for students entering pre-k-3rd grade.

ST. A CEMETERY

- To assist in the maintenance and mowing of the St. A cemetery, please remove all flowers and decorations that are not on the cement foundation of the headstone (anything stuck in the ground) by the end of the month. Thank you!

FLAGS

- Anyone able and willing to help put up flags in the St. A Cemetery on Friday, June 28th at 8:00am, and take down flags on Friday, July 5th at 10:00am would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

MEETINGS

- Wednesday, June 26 KC Meeting 6:30pm

ST. ATHANASIUS NEWS

- **Last Weekend Collection** in June is for Iowa Right to Life. Please be generous.
- **Summer Food Program** - St. A's Social Justice Committee & Jesup Ministerial Association are asking for donations of macaroni & cheese and any type of pasta for the summer food program. A box will be in the main entrance for donations until August 7th. Thank you for your generosity in helping make this program successful. We are serving 20 families this year!

Congratulations & God Bless

Oliver Schmit

Baptized On June 15th



OUR CONDOLENCES

ELEANOR WEBER

Entered into eternal rest June 9, 2024.
May she rest in peace.

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Father
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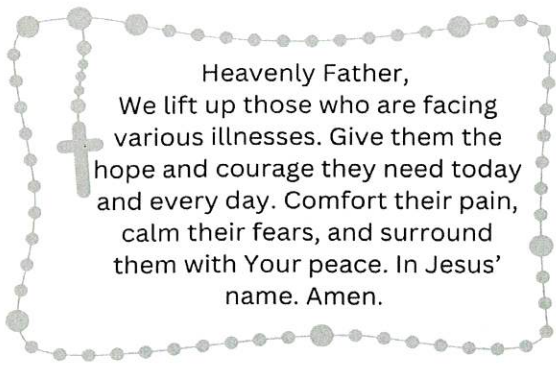
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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Divine Word College Seminary 10th Annual Benefit Golf Outing** – Friday, July 26 at Timberline Golf Course south of Peosta, IA. The outing begins at 1pm for the 4-person, 18-hole best-shot with a \$25,000 hole-in-one prize! Social and dinner will begin around 6pm. Cost per golfer is \$80 or just dinner is \$25 per person. Proceeds go to our student scholarship fund to assist Divine Word students as they prepare for a life of sharing the Gospel as Catholic priests, brothers, and sisters. Anyone interested in playing in or sponsoring the outing may contact Mark Singsank at 563-876-0097 or singsank@dwci.edu.
- **Jesup Lunch in the Park**- July 11 11-1pm will be hosted by Troop 21 They will be serving chef salad & watermelon. Cost is \$8/person.
- **CEW (Christian Experience Weekend) 50th Anniversary Celebration** – June 30,2024 at The Bean Farm Event Center (7731 148th St, Scotch Grove, IA). Mass will be at 1pm with a luncheon and short program to follow. You are encouraged to bring something to share- sandwiches and beverages will be provided. Please RSVP at www.thebeanfarmofscotchgrove.org.
- **Youth COF Members**- Sunday, June 23 from 2:30-6:30pm Lost Island Theme Park (2600 East Shaulis Rd, Waterloo) for just \$15! All adults and friends can attend for \$25. Parking is free if you tell the person at the gate you are with COF. See Donna Delagardelle at front entrance. Call Donna with questions at 319-239-9945.
- **Married Couples**- Would you like to relive the excitement, romance and passion from your honeymoon? Rekindle that spark on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. For more information call Denise and Greg at 563-920-9419 or sign up at wwme.org. Upcoming dates are September 27-29 in Dubuque, IA and November 8-10 in Holstein, IA.
- **Summer Bible Series** – Monday evenings July 8, 15, 22, and 29th at the St. Clare Room, New Life Center at St. Edward Parish. In Scripture, many life-changing events for individuals and the communities to which they belong occurred in the context of a journey. In this year's Summer Bible Series, Dr. John Waldmeir will help participants discover how these biblical journeys challenge us to think about who we are and how we should live in relation to others. The cost is \$35/person or \$60/couple, payable at the first session. Pre-registration is required. Register online at bit.ly/2024-Summer-Bible-Series
- **2024 NFP (Natural Family Planning) Summit** – Sunday, July 14 from 5:00-7:30pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Hiawatha. This event will include dinner and a workshop presented by Christina Valenzuela from the fertility-care ministry called the "Pearl and Thistle." Christina will provide insights from her experience and expertise on how to effectively share the beautiful message of NFP with others in our current cultural climate. Learn more and register at <https://nfp.dbqarch.org/summit>.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Weekend of June 29/30	5:00pm, St. A	8:30am, St. A	10:30am, St. Francis
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To Shut Ins (Sunday) Collections (Monday after)	Mary Jean Bloes, Lori & Larry Corkery, Kathy Masteller LouAnn Frush, Karen Weber		Maynard & Mary Jean Murch

Dear Padre,

Do those who have died really remember us?

There are many clear indications in the Bible that the saints in heaven are aware of us and that there is interaction between those in heaven and people on earth. The most obvious passage is found in Hebrews 12:1: "Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses (those in heaven), let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us." By their prayers, those in the "cloud of witnesses" help us finish the race.

Saint Paul wrote, "I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us" (Romans 8:18). We will "forget" the troubles we endured on earth, but we will be aware of the sufferings of those who are still on earth, and we will want to help them. Why? Because the greatest happiness, as Jesus said, is in giving (Acts 20:35).

The saints in heaven pray for us on earth; union with them brings us closer to Christ. We pray for those who are being purified after death, and they pray for us. We are one family. The closer our union with God, the closer our union with one another. We have a wonderful goal in life: the promise of union with God and with all those joined to God. ●



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June 24	June 25	June 26	June 27	June 28	June 29	June 30
Nativity of St. John the Baptist	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr	Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles	Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 49:1-6	2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a,	2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3	2 Kgs 24:8-17	2 Kgs 25:1-12	Acts 12:1-11	Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24
Acts 13:22-26	36	Mt 7:15-20	Mt 7:21-29	Mt 8:1-4	2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18	2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15
Lk 1:57-66, 80	Mt 7:6, 12-14				Mt 16:13-19	2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15
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