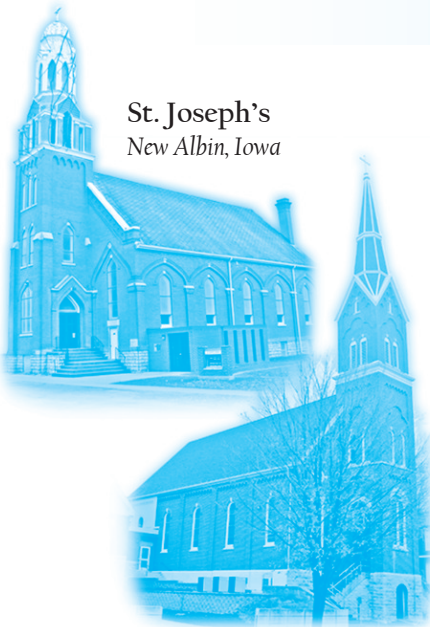


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Mass Schedule for the week

Monday, Nov 3—Henry & Inga Ferring Family @ I.C.—7:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Nov 4—Mary Lou (Jacobs) Blackmore @

St. Joseph—8:00 a.m.

Wednesday, Nov 5--Mary Clea Scholtes @ I.C.—7:30 a.m.

Thursday, Nov 6—Mary Hammell @ Thornton Manor—9:45 a.m.

Jack & Dorothy Schwartzhoff @ I.C.—6:00 p.m.

Friday, Nov 7—Helen Spinner @ I.C.—7:30 a.m.

Saturday, Nov 8—Victor & Cecilia Johnson @ I.C.—5:00 p.m.

Sunday, Nov 9—Living & deceased Louis Hammell family

@ St. Joseph—8:30 a.m.

Mass for the Parish @ I.C.—10:00 a.m.

Schedule of Mass Helpers November 8 & 9

	5:00 p.m. 8th	8:30 a.m. 9th	10:00 a.m. 9th
Lector	Marty Brennan	Howard Fitzpatrick	Jim Wellendorf
Communion	Marty Brennan Karen Brennan Hannah Steiber	Dan Becker Glen Buege Max Marzen	Connie Brown Don Peters Jim Wellendorf
Servers	Alison Brennan Callie Bottorff	Tiana Kubitz Rebecca Boland	Sam Hisel Emily Hisel
Ushers	Jim Rossi Tom Callahan Jim Conway Kevin Hogan	Dale Mauss Jim Burg Lawrence Mitchell Jim Hammell	Bud Hawes Dave Hawes Kenny Becker Terry Hennessy
Offertory	Appointed by Ushers	Dale Mauss	Appointed by Ushers
Rosary		G. Teff	
Communion to the Shut -In:	Leo Garin		

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Mass Schedule

Immaculate Conception

Saturday 5:00 pm &

Sunday 10:00 am

St. Joseph's

Sunday 8:30 am

Confessions

1/2 hour before all Masses

weekdays as well as

4:00—4:45 pm on Saturday &

8:00—8:15 am Sunday

November 30th— 1st Sunday of Advent, Individuals or families are needed on the four Sunday's of Advent beginning with November 30th to light the Advent Wreath. If you are from I.C. Parish please call Judy Steiber (563-538-4521) and let her know what Saturday/Sunday Mass you would like to do. St. Joseph please give Barb Mauss (507-542-4903) or Karen Darling (563-544-4699) a call.

In the past years Fr. Knipper has been placing bread wrappers etc. between the two entrance doors and their frames to keep the cold air from coming in. Every time he left the rectory or someone came to the office the bags would fall out on their heads and then Fr. Replaced them after they left. As you can tell the doors (probably 100 years old) and their frames did not do the job any longer. New doors were installed this past week at the cost of \$1,200.00 each. They have a very low U rating and so Alliant Energy will give us \$25.00 per door for energy efficiency installation. You will probably see Fr. climbing around on ladders during this coming week tapping plastic on all the windows of the rectory so the papers do not fly off his desk because of the ill fitting windows. If anyone would want to help him with this project let him know.

As we look at the operational expenses of our parishes during the upcoming weeks we have the "Archdiocesan Taxa" (that which we are taxed each year for the operation of the chancery office and the helps that they give us in all areas of parish work.)

St. Joseph taxa for the year will be \$8,600.00.

The taxa for I.C. will be \$12,464.00 for the entire year.

Remember last year when I was asking the I.C. parishioners to specify "building fund" on their contributions and that in turn would help us lower our taxa since 95% of the new building is used for Religious Education purposes and so it is not taxed? Carrying out that request (as given to me by Penny from the Archdiocesan Finance Office) has saved I.C. Parish about \$12,000.00 in taxa this year. I often thank Penny for helping us in this way!

If you need an explanation of how the taxa is figured I would be happy to provide with the formula (just call me) or else contact the finance committee people who are: I.C. Clem Schulte & Marty Brennan; St. Joseph—Ray Whalen & John Colsch. Since the I.C. Rel. Ed Building is now paid. The "Building Fund" specification no longer applies. Remaining "pledge monies" will be used for Church painting when that occurs.

Calendar of Events:

- Nov 2— Fund Raiser for the grandchildren of Kris & Randy Niemann @ K.B.C.C. 5—8 p.m.
- Nov 6— All Night Adoration @ I.C. 6 p.m. Confessions 6:30-7:00 p.m.
- Nov 7— Bird Festival
- Nov 9— Coffee & Rolls @ St. Joseph after Mass
Quilt Raffle for Rel. Ed begins & to be given away on November 30th
Archdiocesan Youth Rally in Waterloo
- Nov 10— Clean I.C. Church after Mass
- Nov 13— I.C. Faith Formation Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m.
K of C Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- Nov 14— K of C Retreat @ AMRH, Cedar Falls, IA 319-266-3546
- Nov 15— 3rd Sunday Loose Change Collection "Mittens for Kids"

Voter's prayer for guidance: "Gracious and loving God, let your spirit be with me today. Hear my prayers and increase in me the will to follow your Son Jesus. Help me to draw on the resources of my faith as I use the opportunities of this democracy to shape a society more respectful of the life, dignity and rights of the human person, especially the poor and vulnerable. I ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen."

While visiting Gethsemane Cemetery please note the new steel doors on the lower level of the chapel that leads into the maintenance room. We thank Kenny Steiber for designing, fabricating and installing the new doors. The old ones had a wood interior lined with tin and the wood was decomposing at a fast rate & falling apart as was evident when a person looked at them. Thank Kenny for his good work. Also thank Leo Garin who donated labor and a nice financial gift to help deplete part of the cost of the doors—with labor and materials they cost about \$1,400.00. If anyone else would like to make a monetary donation please do so by placing your donation in an envelope stating what it is to be used for.

We thank Betty Ferring, in our prayers, for remembering Immaculate Conception Parish and Gethsemane Cemetery in her will with a very nice gift. Might we all imitate her kindness and generosity by remembering the parish and cemetery in our wills. Continue to pray for the repose of her soul especially as we celebrate the feast of All Souls.

An article in the present issue of AARP should give us confirmation in our faith belief that sacraments and prayer are effective in the healing process of the body. The article said that there are a number of things that can be done to help the person heal faster and among them it says: "Tap into your spirituality. Daily prayer or reflection can help you heal. Even if you don't believe in divine intervention, the process of quieting your mind and connecting to something greater than yourself can enhance relaxation and the sense of control. This, in turn, directly affects blood pressure and other Physiological processes in the body.

With the approaching winter snow, ice and whatever else it brings, you are reminded to wear appropriate footwear and clothes for the winter weather conditions. Perfectly clear sidewalks etc., like we might have in July, cannot be guaranteed as you know so well.

To Help Schedule Family Events During The Holiday Season Here Is The

Following Mass Schedule:

Nov. 26 Thanksgiving Mass @ I.C. 7:00 p.m.

Nov. 27 Thanksgiving Mass @ St. Joseph 8:30 a.m.

Nov. 30 Start of Advent Season

Dec. 13 & 14 Blessing of Christmas Trees at all Masses & in your homes.

Dec. 20 & 21 Blessing of Crib Scenes at all Masses & in your homes

Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Mass @ I.C. 5:00 p.m.

Dec. 25 Christmas Day Mass @ St. Joseph 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. @ I.C.

Stewardship of Treasure Sunday, October 26, 2008

I.C.	2007	2008
Adults	\$1206.00	\$1748.00
Children	\$ 4.50	\$ 6.00

St. Joseph	2007	2008
Adults	\$ 734.00	\$ 483.00
Children	\$ 2.00	\$ 1.00