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MASS TIMES:

Weekdays: See page 2 for schedule

Saturday Evening: 5:30 PM (April to September)
4:00 PM (October to March)

Sunday Morning: 9:30 AM

Holidays: As announced in the bulletin

Reconciliation: First Saturday evening before Mass

ST. COLUMBANUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Weston, IA



St. Columbanus Catholic Church

22720 Weston Ave
Underwood, IA 51576-3920
Served from Neola

MASS TIMES:

Sunday Morning: 8:00 AM

Holidays: As announced in the bulletin

Reconciliation by appointment

May 9/10, 2026 *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

READING I Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

PSLAM 66: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

READING II 1 Peter 3:15-18

GOSPEL John 14:15-21

May 16/17, 2026 *The Ascension of the Lord*

READING I Acts 1:1-11

PSLAM 47: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

READING II Ephesians 1:17-23

GOSPEL Matthew 28:16-20

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Taken from "Pastoral Patterns" by GIA Publications, Inc.

At the Last Supper, knowing that he would soon be leaving the company of his disciples, Jesus assures them that the Father would send another Advocate to remain with them always. They would never be orphans, he promises them, because this Advocate—the Holy Spirit—would remain with them and in them. For many of us, our mothers also advocate for us and remain in us, even if they have passed away. On this Mother's Day, as we celebrate our mothers and those who have been a mother to us over the years, let us pray that the Holy Spirit bless them now and always.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

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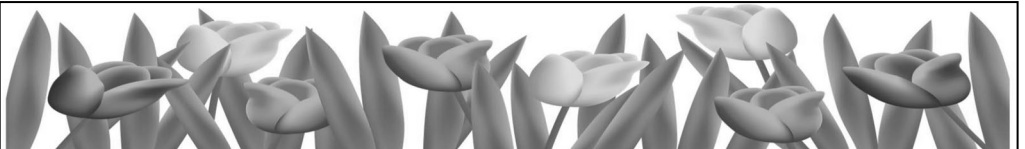
Two weeks before we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles at Pentecost, we hear of the Spirit both before and after that blessed event. In the first reading, the people of Samaria receive the Holy Spirit after Peter and John come to lay hands on them. In the Gospel, Jesus promises the disciples that the Holy Spirit will stay with them always. As we listen to God's word, may we realize the Holy Spirit's enduring presence in our lives.

The parable of the Good Samaritan tells us everything we need to know about the low opinion the Jewish people of Jesus' day had for Samaritans. When Jesus wanted to teach them how wide the definition of *neighbor* is when commanding them to love their neighbor as themselves, he chose a Samaritan to illustrate his point. Philip learned the lesson well, for soon after being chosen as a deacon he set out for Samaria to preach the Good News and heal those who were sick in mind, body, or spirit. Not only that, the apostles Peter and John made haste to lay their hands on the Samaritans that Philip baptized to ensure that they had received the Holy Spirit. As we will hear when we celebrate the Ascension, Jesus commanded his disciples to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth, to all peoples everywhere. With love and the Spirit, they put Jesus' command into action.

Question of the Week

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How can the kind of joy that the Holy Spirit brings enable me to endure suffering?



Weekday Masses

- May 11 - No Mass
- May 12 - St Patrick - Wade Hursey 8:30 AM
- May 13 - St Columbanus 6:00 PM
- May 14 - No Mass
- May 15 - St Patrick - Ray & Loretta Stinn 8:30 AM

Weekend Masses

- May 16 - St Patrick - Freeman Corrin 5:30 PM
- May 17 - St Columbanus 8:00 AM
- May 17 - St Patrick - Father Mike Berner 9:30 AM

MAY 16, 2026 - 5:30 PM

- Lectors - Travis Bolte
- Servers - Grace Konz
Grace Shively
- EME - David Mann
Maureen Mann
Norm Baker

MAY 17, 2026 - 9:30 AM

- Lectors - Jenny Hall
- Servers - Ali Leaders
Weston Bladt
- EME - Jenny Hall
Geri Bjorling
Emily Leaders

MAY 23, 2026 - 5:30 PM

- Lectors - Mary Fischer
- Servers - Charles Williams
Noah Wollenhaupt
- EME - Bonnie Wredt
David Mann
Maureen Mann

MAY 24, 2026 - 9:30 AM

- Lectors - Matt Brummett
- Servers - Elena Brummett
Jordan Harder
- EME - Chad Harder
Liz Lyons
Eric Busch

MAY 30, 2026 - 5:30 PM

- Lectors - Corey Hough
- Servers - Maysen Lausen
Grace Konz
- EME - Norm Baker
Travis Bolte
Andrea Bolte

MAY 31, 2026 - 9:30 AM

- Lectors - Rhea Gross
- Servers - Case Gross
Ali Leaders
- EME - Jenny Hall
Geri Bjorling
Emily Leaders

TITHE COUNTERS

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| May 10 - Cecilia Powell | Jim Mahlberg | Roger Hall |
| May 17 - Kevin Nye | Mark Pogge | Rita Heinen |
| May 24 - Diane Rodenburg | Sue Stenlund | Dani Baxter |
| May 31 - Peggy Thielen | Roger Hall | Rita Heinen |

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

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| May 10 - Norm Baker | Liz Lyons |
| May 17 - Samantha Nye | Carolyn McDermott |
| May 24 - Roberta Morse | Norm Baker |
| May 31 - Jennifer Fischer | Liz Lyons |

Calendar of Events:

- May 17 - The Ascension of the Lord
Fr Julius' Birthday, lunch after 9:30 am Mass, parish hall
- May 19 - Finance Council Meeting, St Patrick, 6:00 pm
- May 20 - Pastoral/Finance Council Meeting, St Columbanus, after Mass
- May 24 - Pentecost Sunday
Blessing of Graduating Seniors at 9:30 am Mass
- May 25 - Memorial Day Mass at the Cemetery, 10:00 am
- June 1-4 - No morning Mass, Father at Priest Retreat
- June 6/7 - Catholic Communications Campaign
- June 6 - Reconciliation, 4:30 to 5:15 pm
- June 7 - Eucharistic Minister Training, after 9:30 am Mass
Presentation of Scholarships at 9:30 am Mass
- June 9 - Pastoral Council Meeting, St Patrick, 7:00 pm
- June 14 - Children's Mass
New Eucharistic Minister Commissioning at 9:30 am Mass
Parish Picnic, parish hall, after 9:30 am Mass

Offering Report

Last Weeks Fiscal Year to Date

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 1,655.00	\$ 87,388.24
Open Offering	\$ 328.00	\$ 8,502.00
Children's Offering	\$ 7.00	\$ 800.61

Memorial Calendar

- May 10 - Mother's Day
- May 12 - Memorial of Ss. Nereus & Achilleus
Memorial of St. Pancras
- May 13 - Memorial of Our Lady of Fatima
- May 14 - Feast of St. Matthias
- May 15 - Memorial of St. Isidore
International Day of Families
- May 16 - Armed Forces Day



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING has been rescheduled to August 23, 2026. Please watch the bulletin for more information.

EME TRAINING: We will have training for anyone that would like to become a Eucharistic Minister after Mass on June 7th. These individuals will then to commissioned during 9:30 am Mass on June 14th. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

FAITH FORMATION: Three teaching positions have opened up for the 26/27 school year. We need help from both parishes to fill these positions, obtain substitute teachers, and help with VBS. If interested or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Shannon at 712-485-2754

MEMORIAL DAY MASS will be at the Neola Cemetery on Monday, May 26th at 10:00 am. Please bring your lawn chairs or you will have to stand. If it rains, Mass will be in church.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES COLLECTION: Today we take up the collection for Catholic Charities. Catholic Charities serves the people of southwest Iowa when they find themselves in need of help. From basic needs of food and shelter, to empowerment programs that lead to housing, employment, and more. At the base of it all, we build all of these services on the basis of Catholic Social Teaching, which is focused on social justice, dignity, and respect. Please be generous. (Last weekend's bulletin was incorrect in saying the collection was for Catholic Communications Campaign. That collection is June 7th. Our apologies.)

Parish Directory

St Patrick & St Columbanus Parishes are putting together a new Parish Directory

WE NEED YOUR PHOTOS

Family Photos can be emailed to the parish office at office@stpatricksneola.com or Cecilia Thomas has agreed to take photos at the Parish Picnic on June 14th. Please click on the QR Code below to indicate how your photos will be submitted. Please include your current address & phone number with your submission. All photos need be received by June 30, 2026.



<p>A CATHOLIC CONFERENCE FOR OUR SEARCHING SOULS</p> <p>CHRIST OUR LIFE</p> <p>September 26 & 27, 2026 Casey's Center Des Moines, Iowa ChristOurLifeIowa.com</p>	<p>— 26TH ANNUAL —</p> <p>Midwest CATHOLIC Family Conference</p> <p>JULY 31 - AUG 2, 2026 WICHITA, KS</p>
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CONFIRMATION: We'd like to share with you Kari Kunze's wonderful speech at last weekend's Confirmation Mass:

Thank you Fr. McNeil and all for being here today as we celebrate this important step in the lives of our Confirmation candidates. Today is about celebrating a moment of commitment, a moment where these young people are choosing to take ownership of their faith and continue their journey with Christ.

Each of you being confirmed has spent a lot of time learning, reflecting, and preparing for this day. But more importantly, you've said YES to something bigger than yourselves. That choice matters. You'll be faced with many uncertainties and challenges in life, and today, by choosing your commitment to faith, you'll find powerful certainty in God.

Confirmation isn't the end of your journey. It's just the beginning. With the gifts of the Holy Spirit, you are being called to live out your faith not just in church, but in your everyday lives. In how you treat others, in the decisions you make, and in the example you set.

Know that you're never alone. You have your family, your sponsors, and this entire community supporting you. And most importantly, you have God walking with you every step of the way.

We're all grateful to be part of your special day. Please know that we are proud of you and will continue to support you as you grow in your faith.

Congratulations to the 2026 Confirmation class.

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BIBLE STUDY

A place to explore God's Word, build friendships, and grow in faith together.

The Life Of Saint Peter
 Saint Peter, the Prince of the Apostles and our parish patron, was a faithful yet imperfect follower of Jesus. We will explore the discipleship and leadership of Saint Peter, to see how Jesus built his Church, and how he wants to call us, build us up, and send us out!

- 5 Week Course
- May 13th - June 10th
- Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm
- Meets at St Peter's Social Hall
- Cost is FREE

Join us for study, prayer, discussion, and snacks.
 Everyone is welcome: teens, students, and adults alike!

Easter Parish Mission

St. Michael's, Harlan
 May 20th, 2026
 Our Lady of the Americas

Scott Watts

FREE to Attend, Everyone Welcome

4:30-5:30pm
 *Soup Supper in Hall
 5:30-5:45pm
 *The Rosary will be led by KofC
 6-8pm
 *Our Lady of the Americas presented by Scott Watts
 8-9pm -
 *Visit with Scott Watts
 *Spend some time with the Talma

MAY IS THE MONTH of Mary

May Birthdays							
Hadyn Ausdemore	1	Cael Jensen	10	Trent Wollenhaupt	20	Madeline Pierce	30
Braxton Leonard	1	Corrine Minahan	11	Lynn Stenlund	22	Ty Ungrad	31
Kyle Clark	2	Jennifer Kuehn	11	Angeline Oberdorfer	22	David Wellman	31
Bernadette Koch	3	Gavin Dempsey	11	Madison Leaders	22	Dean Grote	31
Kylynn Tigges	3	Mary Rowe	12	Clementine Ortman	22	Lucas Dempsey	31
Craig Corrin	4	Bryan Weidner	12	Joyce Zimmerman	23		
Tabitha Kuehn	4	Clay McGargill	12	Avery Reed	23	May Anniversaries	
Norm Baker	5	Lynette Grobe	13	James Jensen	24	Mark & Stacy Hazen	3
Denise Ring	5	Jared Ausdemore	13	Shiloh Corrin	24	Tom & Deb Minahan	4
Stephanie Blum	5	Brenna Rodenburg	13	Andrew Greiner	24	Austin & Allison Ehlers	4
Carsyn Ausdemore	5	Aaron Daniel	13	Thomas Shipp	25	Fred & Annette Grote	8
Lois Flemming	6	Jeanette Masker	14	Eric Jensen	25	Eric & Mary Rowe	9
Dan Schnitker	6	Larry Ring	14	Jennifer McDermott	25	Mike & Heather Dempey	10
Heather Russell-Schroeder	6	Peter Scriven	14	Beatrice Williams	26	David & Linda Minahan	10
Brad Payne	6	Chuck Esser	15	Andrew Scriven	26	Dan & Rita Schnitker	14
Clinton Parish	7	David Ausdemore	15	Blake Scherer	27	Heath & Angie Rodenburg	15
Ava Scherer	7	Michelle Ferguson	15	Mark Haverkamp	28	Tom & Michelle Bolgar	15
Gary Ausdemore	8	Brady Huebner	16	Grace Denning	28	Mike & Corrine Minahan	16
Mary Jo Ring	9	Conor Carlson	16	Vivian Gross	28	Tim & Marsha Slobodnik	16
Jennifer Smith	9	Roger Pearson	17	John Ungrad	28	Jeff & Jane Whannell	16
Shirley Masker	10	Curt Wellman	17	Jody Cook	29	Kevin & Shannon Nye	17
Jeff Lefebber	10	Brock McDonough	17	Kaitlin Kozeal	29	Jim & Jody Cook	18
Jack Killpack	10	Brenda Anderson	18	John Fischer	30	Curt & Rhea Gross	23
Charles Ortman	10	Kaden McDermott	19	David Casson	30	Mike & Kristen Bladt	25
		Greg Fischer	20	Ella Pierce	30	Lynn & Sue Stenlund	27
						Jim & Dani Petersen	31

We welcome you into God's family! If you are interested in learning more about our church, or would like to join, please pick up a registration form at one of the entrances of the church, stop by the parish office, or call Father Julius for an appointment.

For information about Baptism, Sacrament of the Sick, Pastoral Visitations, Reconciliation, RCIA, Marriage, Adoration, or the Prayer Chain, please visit our website at <https://stpatriksneola.com/> or contact the Parish Office at 712.485.2750.

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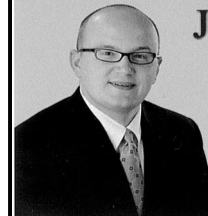
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UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS

You Are Invited To

Fr Julius' Birthday Lunch

Sunday, May 17, 2026
after 9:30 am Mass

St Patrick Neola, Parish Hall

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PARISH PICNIC

JUNE 14

AFTER 9:30 AM MASS

burgers, hot dogs, buns, condiments, lemonade, tea, water & paper products will be provided

Please bring a side dish & a dessert

FOOD, GAMES, FUN, AND MUCH MORE

ST PATRICK PARISH HALL

You Are Invited To

VACATION Bible School

June | 15-19 | 2026

9:00 am to Noon

St Patrick Parish Hall
309 3rd St
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712-485-2754

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June 25-27

THURSDAY: 5 TO 8 PM

FRIDAY: 8 AM TO 8 PM

SATURDAY: 8 AM TO NOON

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