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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

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Served from Neola

MASS TIMES:

Sunday Morning: 8:00 AM

Holidays: As announced in the bulletin

Reconciliation by appointment

July 11/12, 2026 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

READING I Isaiah 55:10-11

PSLAM 65: The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

READING II Romans 8:18-23

GOSPEL Matthew 13:1-23

July 18/19, 2026 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

READING I Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

PSLAM 86: Lord, you are good and forgiving.

READING II Romans 8:26-27

GOSPEL Matthew 13:24-43

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

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

The setting of today's Gospel may remind us of a warm midsummer day - maybe like today. Jesus comes outside and walks down to the sea. So many people gather along the shoreline that Jesus decides to go out in a boat and speak to the entire crowd from there. Imagine yourself sitting on a beach on a beautiful day with hundreds of others, listening to the Lord teaching in parables. Through the power of imagination, we have that opportunity today.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

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

Today we hear the word of God compared to a seed, which ideally grows within us as it would in fertile soil, yielding a fruitful harvest. Isaiah does this in verse, sung from God's perspective, comparing the rains that water the earth to God's word showered on those who hear it. The psalmist does this in song, giving thanks to God for providing us with such bounty. Jesus does this via a parable about a sower, after which he explains it to his disciples. Let us listen to God's word, digesting it so that it may yield fruit through us.

Many birds love to eat seed. One can hardly fault the birds who spy seed along a path for flying down and gobbling it up. We would do the same if we ate seed rather than the fruits, grains, and vegetables it eventually produces. But the fact that the birds *are* fed by the sower in Jesus' parable, that the sower is so generous with scattering it everywhere that he does not mind that a good amount of the seed will not bear fruit as intended, implies that the sower doesn't view this as a loss. In the same way, God's word is to be sown so generously that it's all right that some won't understand it, others won't accept it, still more will not take it to heart, and many will find it difficult to overcome the allure of contrary impulses. Ideally, we want to be fertile soil for its implantation, but we also rejoice that others may consume it in their own way, with only a small chance that it will bear fruit down the road.

Question of the Week

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

What will I do this week to cultivate God's word? Which passages from scripture have I applied to my life recently or regularly?



Weekday Masses

July 13 - No Mass
July 14 - St Patrick - Ray & Loretta Stinn 8:30 AM
July 15 - St Columbanus 8:30 AM
July 16 - No Mass
July 17 - St Patrick - Mary Baker 8:30 AM

Weekend Masses

July 18 - St Patrick - Jerry Konz 5:30 PM
July 19 - St Columbanus - Doug Ryan 8:00 AM
July 19 - St Patrick - Leo & Shirley Masker 9:30 AM

JULY 18, 2026 - 5:30 PM

Lectors - Max Michels
Servers - Noah Wollenhaupt
Grace Konz
EME - Andrea Bolte
Travis Bolte
Bonnie Wredt

JULY 19, 2026 - 9:30 AM

Lectors - Rita Heinen
Servers - Maysen Lausen
Jack Murphy
EME - Geri Bjorling
Kristen Carlson
Chad Harder

JULY 25, 2026 - 5:30 PM

Lectors - Travis Bolte
Servers - Weston Bladt
Joseph Gerken
EME - Maureen Mann
David Mann
Bonnie Wredt

JULY 26, 2026 - 9:30 AM

Lectors - Samantha Nye
Servers - Emma Sweeney
Thomas Sweeney
EME - Emily Leaders
Liz Lyons
Roberta Morse

AUGUST 1, 2026 - 5:30 PM

Lectors - Mary Fischer
Servers - Grace Konz
EME - Scott Brooks
Norm Baker
David Mann

AUGUST 2, 2026 - 9:30 AM

Lectors - Shannon Nye
Servers - Samantha Nye
Alexandra Nye
EME - Scott Brooks
Rhea Gross
Eric Busch

TITHE COUNTERS

July 12 - Mark Pogge	Diane Rodenburg	Dani Baxter
July 19 - Peggy Thielen	Sue Stenlund	Rita Heinen
July 26 - Anne Brummett	Jim Mahlberg	Roberta Morse
Aug 2 - Kevin Nye	Mark Pogge	Peggy Thielen

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

July 12 - Roberta Morse	Jennifer Fischer
July 19 - Jennifer Fischer	Roberta Morse
July 26 - Norm Baker	Carolyn McDermott
Aug 2 - Samantha Nye	Shannon Nye

PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE: The Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico began an international tour with a Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe as part of the preparation for the 500th anniversary of the apparitions of Mary to St. Juan Diego. The goal is for the Pilgrim Mother to visit every Diocese in the United States before 2031. She will be in our Diocese from July 15 through Sept. 11. She will be in the following parishes for prayer, veneration, and as an opportunity to encounter Christ and deepen our relationship with him through her.

St. Ambrose Cathedral: July 15-23, 607 High St., Des Moines
Our Lady of the Americas: July 25-Aug. 4, 1271 E 9th St., DM
Our Lady's Immaculate Heart: Aug 6- 13, 510 E. 1st St., Ankeny
St Boniface in Waukee: Aug. 15-21, 1200 S. Warrior Lane, Waukee
St. Bernard in Osceola: Aug. 23 – Sept. 2, 222 E. Pearl St., Osceola
Corpus Christi in CB: Sept. 4–11, 3304 4th Ave., Council Bluffs

AD ASTRA CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE: Are your teens already bored? Sign them up for a youth conference July 17-18 at Grand View University. At Ad Astra (To the Stars) they'll hear Fr. Reed Flood, chaplain at Dowling Catholic, Fr. Max Carson, Chaplain at St Albert, Fr. Enan Zelinski, chaplain at the University of Wisconsin at Madison, and Katie Hopping, campus minister at St Albert. Be part of the weekend of wisdom, music, art, Mass and prayer. Get more information and register at dmdiocese.org/events.

Calendar of Events:

July 20-24 - No Masses as Father will be at the ACCCRUS Conference
Aug 1 - Reconciliation, 4:30-5:15 pm
Aug 2 - Children's Mass
Aug 4 - Deacon Scott's Ordination Anniversary
Aug 6 - First Thursday Reconciliation & Adoration, 6:30-7:30 pm
Aug 15/16 - Collection for the Church in Africa
Aug 23 - Back to School Blessing for students & teachers
Aug 24-28 - No Masses as Father will be on Vacation
Aug 30 - Catechist back to class meeting, after 9:30 am Mass

Offering Report

	Last Weeks	Fiscal Year to Date
Sunday Envelopes	\$ 2,275.00	\$ 2,275.00
Open Offering	\$ 151.00	\$ 151.00
Children's Offering	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00

Memorial Calendar

July 13 - Memorial of St. Henry
July 14 - Memorial of St. Kateri Tekakwitha
July 15 - Memorial of St. Bonaventure
July 16 - Memorial of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
July 18 - Memorial of St. Camillus de Lellis
Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary



CHILDREN'S COLLECTION: As in the past, the Children's Collection is being used to support Mary's Meals. Mary's Meals is a registered charity which sets up school feeding programs in some of the world's poorest communities, where hunger and poverty prevent children from gaining an education. Their vision is that every child receives one daily meal in their place of education and that all those who have more than they need, share with those who lack even the most basic things. This year, we are sending \$958.61. Thank you to all the children that donated to this wonderful organization. Let's try to make it even bigger in 2027.

LAND OF PEACE: This weekend, our sister representing the Land of Peace mission, a nonprofit organization, will be with us speaking about the Christian situation in the Holy Land and selling Crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the holy land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. The goal of this mission is to help the poor and needy families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Sale of these goods will help them very much and also give you the opportunity to have "something" authentic from the holy land. Please browse and buy some articles. It is for a good cause and also a help to your personal devotion.

FINDING GOD: This summer, don't take a vacation from Mass. Wherever you are, you can find the nearest church and Mass by going to MassTimes.org.

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION: The annual diocesan Eucharistic procession will begin with 9 a.m. on Aug. 15 at St. Joseph Church in Earling. After Mass will be a procession, adoration and Benediction.

HOO DOO PARADE FLOAT: Exciting news! St. Patrick will be submitting a float in the parade again this year. We are looking for help to decorate the float on Saturday, September 5th. We will begin with Mass at 8:30, then celebrate Father Julius' 17th ordination anniversary with coffee & rolls in the parish hall, then decorate the float. And we need people to ride the float or walk along side the float. If you are able to help, please contact Shannon at 712-485-2754 or dre@stpatrickzneola.com. It is important to let people of Neola know we support them & are here for them!

— 26TH ANNUAL —
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★ SATURDAY, JULY 25th ★

- SHOW N' SHINE** 10am-2pm
(Cars, Motorcycles, Trucks, Tractors) (Registration 9am)
Contact Ken Stein: 712-579-5666
- BIKE RIDE** 10am
for Shelby County Trails - Sign In 9am
(Routes: Portsmouth to Panama/Tarling/Westphalia and Back)
Contact Ken Stein: 712-579-5666
- PITCH TOURNAMENT** - 11am
Contact Gary Schaben: 712-579-2210
or John Bruck: 712-579-1944
- ALL STANDS OPEN** at 4pm
- MIDWAY & INFLATABLES** - 5pm-9pm
- BAGS TOURNAMENT** - 2pm
Contact Dustin Kleffman: 712-579-5773
or Ben Bruck: 712-579-4307
- ★ SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT ★**
(To Register Contact)
Contact: Jonathan Cheek: 573-263-9910
or Connor Bruck: 712-579-8111
- ★ DAUBER BINGO IN AIR CONDITIONED HALL**
4:30pm (Bring Your Own Dauber)
- ★ CHUCK A LUCK** - 4pm-6pm
- ★ AUCTION** at 6pm
(Conducted by Schaben Auction Service)
- ★ RAFFLE DRAWING**
(Winner Announced During Auction):
GRAND PRIZE \$5,000
- ★ LIVE MUSIC** by LEMAR HARRISON
After Auction - 11pm

SUNDAY, JULY 26th

- ★ MASS** - 10am
- ★ STALEY'S CHICKEN DINNER**
11am-1:30pm

Come for the Day, Stay for the Memories!

FROM THE ALTAR TO THE STREETS

JULY — THE STRANGER AT THE DOOR

"Every stranger who knocks at our door is an opportunity for an encounter with Jesus Christ."

— Pope Benedict XVI, Message for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees (2013)

The Gospel challenges us to see beyond labels and first impressions. In welcoming the stranger, we discover that Christ often arrives in unexpected ways.

THIS MONTH'S INVITATION:
Look for an opportunity this month to welcome someone who is new, overlooked, or alone.
Small acts of hospitality often become the deepest acts of love.

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LEARN MORE
Scan the QR code to discover how Catholic Charities' Community Resource Coordination program helps individuals and families connect with the support they need to thrive.

RECEIVE CHRIST. BE CHRIST. SERVE CHRIST IN OTHERS.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

The ADA provides more than 1/2 of the funding needed to support the parishes in the Diocese of Des Moines. Your gift makes a difference!



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Christ Our Life Catholic Conference

When: September 26 & 27, 2026
Where: Casey's Center Des Moines
Why: To hear world-class speakers, learn more about our faith, be inspired, worship and praise God in community with thousands and experience the joy of His presence!
How: Attend in person or livestream
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For more information, go to: ChristOurLifeIowa.com

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July Birthdays		July Anniversaries	
Bill Schierbrock	1	Steve & RaeShelle Jensen	1
Regan Ausdemore	3	John & Deb Masker	2
Mary King	4	Curt & Diane Wellman	5
Joe Minear	4	Clay & Paulina McGargill	7
Rylan Ring	4	David & Bonnie Kramer	8
Gene Meyerring	5	Ron & Mary King	9
Sheryl Genereux	7	Daniel & Anne Fischer	9
Courtney Clark	8	Brett & Wendy Lausen	11
Scott Konz	8	Ben & Katie Ausdemore	12
Jolene Hulsing	9	John & Marsha Wellman	16
Bonnie Reid	9	Joe & Fran Minear	18
Kane Daughenbaugh	10	Kelly&Paige Daughenbaugh	22
David Lefebber	11	Dean & Jessie Grote	23
Penny Anderson	11	Chad & Jennifer Harder	23
Dee Fischer	11	Patrick & Amy Andersen	25
Heather Turner	11	Bill & Babetta Lucke	26
Michael Dempsey	11	Clinton & Denise Parish	26
Fred Smith	12	Max & Angie Kozeal	27
Jason Cook	12	Brent & Corey Hough	30
Becky Martens	12		
Hadlee Busch	12		
Eric Ausdemore	13		
Fran Minear	15		
AJ Harder	15		
Richard Ravlin	16		
Shannon Nye	17		
Cary Cochran	17		
John Wellman	18		
Zach Baxter	18		
Joshua Michels	18		
Max Michels	19		
E.J. Fischer	20		
Mike Genereux	20		
Leo Baragary	20		
Lorraine Grote	20		
Terryl Greiner	21		
Traci Huebner	21		
Ali Leaders	21		
Tom Minahan	22		
Paulina McGargill	22		
Kynsley Clark	22		
Jaime Konz	25		
Bailey Kuehl	25		
Carol Schnitker	26		
Theresa Corrin	26		
Dan Ryan	26		
Cael Corrin	26		
Jaymie Larrison	27		
Mick Carlson	28		
Connor Fox	28		
Walter Koch	29		
Bonnie Ausdemore	29		
Elizabeth Thielen	29		
Tanner Ausdemore	29		

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://stpatricksneola.com/> or contact the Parish Office at 712.485.2750.

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