



St. Patrick Church
310 Avon St - PO Box 127
Neola, IA 51559

AUGUST 22/23, 2026

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

READING I Isaiah 22:19-23
PSALM 138: Lord, your love is eternal;
do not forsake the work of your hands.
READING II Romans 11:33-36
GOSPEL Matthew 16:13-20



St. Columbanus Church
22720 Weston Ave
Underwood, IA 51576

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

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

Today we hear Jesus challenge his disciples. "Who do you say that I am?" he asks them, after asking them what others say. Saint Peter responds at once, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." We are the disciples who Jesus challenges now. How do we answer this question? As we encounter him here today and receive him in the Eucharist, let us think of who Jesus is for us.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

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Today we hear two people being given great authority. In the first reading, the LORD summons Eliakim, presenting him with the key of the House of David. In the Gospel, Jesus promises Saint Peter the keys to the kingdom of heaven. From David to Eliakim to Jesus Christ to Peter to, now, Pope Leo XIV, God imparts authority to those chosen to lead us. As we listen to today's readings, let us pray that Pope Leo and all the bishops grow in wisdom and courage as they lead us, the Church, in the way of the Lord.

By this point, Peter had witnessed Jesus performing many miracles, from the multiplication of the loaves and fishes to walking on water. He had seen him heal the sick, restore sight to the blind, and drive out demons. But when Peter identifies him as "the Christ, the Son of the living God," Jesus says that it is his Father who has revealed this to him, not what he has witnessed him do in the flesh (Matthew 16:16). It is the gift of faith, which Peter received from God the Father, that enables him to identify the Son. We received the gift of faith from God in baptism, and through that gift God's Son is also revealed to us. What others may see as bread and wine, we recognize as our Lord's Body and Blood as we receive it in the Eucharist.

Question of the Week

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Who do I say that Jesus is?

ST PATRICK MASS TIMES:

Saturday: 5:30 PM (April to September)
and 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 MASS TIMES:

Sunday Morning: 8:00 AM
Holidays: As announced in the bulletin
Reconciliation by appointment

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WEEKDAY MASSES:

Aug 24- No Mass
Aug 25- No Mass
Aug 26- No Mass
Aug 27- No Mass
Aug 28- No Mass

WEEKEND MASSES:

Aug 29- St Patrick - Leo & Shirley Masker. . 5:30 PM
Aug 30- St Columbanus 8:00 AM
Aug 30- St Patrick - Ray & Loretta Stinn . . 9:30 AM

Ministry Schedule:

AUG 29, 2026 - 5:30 PM Lectors - RaeShelle Jensen Servers - Weston Blatt Grace Shively EME - Norm Baker David Mann Maureen Mann	AUG 30, 2026 - 9:30 AM Lectors - Vivian Gross Servers - Case Gross Jack Murphy EME - Rhea Gross Angie Kozeal Max Kozeal
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SEPT 5, 2026 - 5:30 PM Lector - Mary Fischer Servers - Grace Shively EMEs - Norm Baker Eric Busch Roberta Morse	SEPT 6, 2026 - 9:30 AM Lector - Hadyn Ausdemore Servers - Jordan Harder Ben Fischer EMEs - Geri Bjorling Kristen Carlson Chad Harder
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SEPT 12, 2026 - 5:30 PM Lectors - David Mann Servers - Marcy Petersen Maysen Lausen EME - Scott Brooks David Mann Maureen Mann	SEPT 13, 2026 - 9:30 AM Lectors - Matt Brummett Servers - Elena Brummett Kaden Kozeal EME - Scott Brooks Angie Kozeal Max Kozeal
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Aug 23 - Anne Brummett, Jim Mahlberg, Kevin Nye
Aug 30 - Roberta Morse, Cecilia Powell, Sue Stenlund
Sept 6 - Peggy Thielen, Dani Baxter, Jim Mahlberg
Sept 13 - Anne Brummett, Roberta Morse, Kevin Nye

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

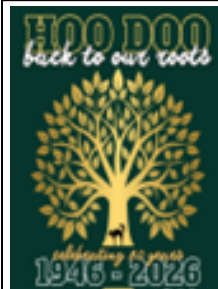
Aug 23 - Carolyn McDermott & Shannon Nye
Aug 30 - Jennifer Fischer & Roberta Morse
Sept 6 - Norm Baker & Jennifer Fischer
Sept 13 - Liz Lyons & Samantha Nye

Calendar of Events:

Aug 24-28 - No Masses as Father will be on Vacation
Aug 30 - Catechist back to class meeting, after 9:30 am Mass
Sept 3 - 1st Thursday Reconciliation/Adoration, 6:30-7:30 pm
Sept 5 - Fr. Julius' 17th Ordination Anniversary: Mass at 8:30,
followed by coffee & rolls & then decorate Hoo Doo
Float
Reconciliation, 4:30-5:15 PM
Sept 7 - Labor Day / Hoo Doo Days - 8:30 am Mass
Sept 8 - Pastoral Council Meeting, St Patrick, 7:00 pm
Sept 12/13 - Clergy Formation Appeal
Sept 13 - Children's Mass
Back to Class Parents Mtg, in church, after Mass
Sept 15 - Finance Council Mtg, St Patrick, 6:00 pm
Sept 16 - Pastoral/Finance Mtg, St Columbanus, after Mass
Sept 20 - Catechetical Sunday
Sept 27 - Priesthood Sunday Breakfast (see flyer)
Sept 28-Oct 1 - No Masses as Father is at the Priest Workshop

Offering Report

	Last Week	Fiscal YTD
Sunday Envelopes	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 14,075.96
Open Offering	\$ 179.00	\$ 1,129.00
Children's Offering	\$ 23.00	\$ 97.00
Church in Africa	\$ 783.25	\$ 783.25



HOO DOO PARADE FLOAT:

1. Decorating: Saturday, September 5, 8:30 am: Fr. Julius' Ordination Anniversary Mass followed by coffee & rolls then decorate the float
2. Riders: Please let us know if you'd like to ride on the float
3. Candy: We need candy or treats to throw from the float. If you'd like to donate anything please let us know by September 1.

BAPTISM: Through the holy waters of Baptism, Lou Margaret Baragary, daughter of Casey and Anna (Busch) Baragary, was baptized into the Catholic Faith and this parish community. We welcome her to our parish family with great joy! May the Spirit of God be her guide.

MID-TERM ELECTION: Each of us is a precious creation in the image and likeness of God; each one of us possesses innate and inviolable human dignity. This dignity is present in each person from the moment of their conception and throughout their lives. We have attached a letter from Bishop Joensen to help you form your conscience in accordance with God's truth as you approach this often-challenging decision.

FAITH FORMATION: Classes beginning soon. Parents, please sign-up for a spot to sit at the front desk to help direct students and parents to appropriate classrooms and to monitor students leaving by clicking on the QR Code:

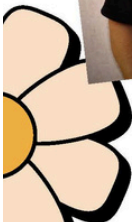
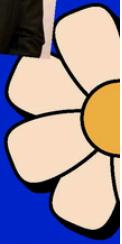


PARISH DIRECTORY: The directory is finally finished. It was emailed to everyone on August 14. If you would like a printed copy, please contact the parish office at 712-485-2750 or office@stpatricksneola.com. This was quite a project, but we feel that it turned out wonderful.

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Sunday, September 27
after 9:30 am Mass

Please join us on September 27th to celebrate Fr. Julius. To sign up to bring a food item, please use this QR Code:



DEACON SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 11
after 9:30 am Mass

Please join us on October 11th to celebrate Deacon Scott. To sign up to bring a food item, please use this QR Code:

Memorial Calendar

Aug 24 - Feast of St. Bartholomew
Aug 25 - Memorial of St. Louis
Memorial of St. Joseph Calasanz
Aug 27 - Memorial of St. Monica
Aug 28 - Memorial of St. Augustine
Aug 29 - Memorial of the Passion of St. John the Baptist



This Week on Formed

Week of August 23, 2026



The Confessions of St. Augustine | Littlest Saints

A child, a sinner, a saint. Join us as we share the story of St. Augustine, tailored to our children, as he wrestles with God and comes to the faith.



Feast of Saint Monica | Catholic Saints

Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss this great Saint.



Restless Heart

This film on the life of St. Augustine offers a message of conversion and redemption. It is the story of a gifted man who pursues fame and fortune without a moral compass - and the dramatic changes that occur in his soul when challenging events lead him to see the light of truth.

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Special Evening of Worship and Reflection

with Colombia Missionary Sister Servants of the Divine Spirit

Experience the touch of the Holy Spirit in your life!

HEALING OF THE HEART and CALLING ON THE HOLY SPIRIT

**Friday,
September 11**

in SPANISH

**Tuesday,
September 15**

in ENGLISH

 Each evening begins with 6:00 Mass

 followed by Sister's Reflection on the above themes,

 a time of Eucharistic Adoration,

 Procession of the Blessed Sacrament around the Church,

 concluding with Benediction.



Corpus Christi Church

You are Invited!

WHAT: Fall Festival Chicken Dinner
WHERE: St Patrick Church, Hwy 30,
Dunlap, Iowa
WHEN: Sunday, September 13th,
11:00am to 1:30pm
ENJOY: Staley's famous chicken
dinner, Children's games,
Homemade Country store items
for purchase, Cash drawings for
up to \$5,000.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST
Neola Area Community Center

Sunday, September 6th
8am - Noon

Free Will Donation to Hoo Doo

Serving

Pancakes	Orange Juice
Sausage	Milk
Biscuits & Gravy	Coffee
Scrambled Eggs	Applesauce

Sponsored By: **Neola Lions Club**

The Neola Lions Club Blessings Box

has moved to the can kennel area.

Take what you need.

Leave what you can.

Free food and basic supplies.

As fall & winter approach we hope you
will continue to support The Blessings Box
at the new location as the immediate need
will become more critical.

August Birthdays

Russ Eckmann - 1	Michelle Bolgar - 8
Andrew Oberdorfer - 1	Becky Baker - 8
Daniel Fischer - 1	Greg Ring - 9
Addison Hough -	Jesus Barajas - 9
Alyssa McDermott - 1	Gary Larson - 10
Mary Lee Ravlin - 3	Corey Hough - 10
Linda Scott - 3	Julie McDonough - 12
Ryan Fletcher - 3	Michael Bladt - 12
John Hurd - 4	Kaitlin Harman - 12
Samantha Nye - 4	Ted Denning - 14
Rob Huebner - 5	Meya Wingert - 14
Jean Casson - 6	Bonnie Wredt - 16
David Mann - 6	Allison Andersen - 17
Reese Johnsen - 6	Cassandra Probst - 17
Andree Smith - 7	Cailey Watson - 17
James Taylor - 7	Nancy Casson - 18
Robert Pauley - 7	Mitchell Anderson - 18
	Tracy Wellman - 18
	Curt Gross - 19

Ashton McDermott - 19
Sutton Baragary - 19
Trisha Alfars - 20
Merridy Larsen - 20
Ryan Tiarks - 21
James Schroeder - 21
Ross Schroeder - 21
Donna Ausdemore - 22
Presley Pogge - 22
Peyton Pogge - 22
John David Fischer - 22
Clinton Reid - 23
Deb Schierbrock - 24
Tyler Hazen - 24
Maureen Mann - 25
James Katzer - 26
Pat Winship - 26
Brock Gross - 26
Kristen Bladt - 27

Erin Venteicher - 27
Joyce Gray - 28
Randy Schroeder - 28
Kevin Ring - 29
Brian Safarik - 29
Jeremy McDermott - 29
Jozie Payne - 29
Zohie Payne - 29
John Masker - 30
Diane Wellman - 30
Kaden Kozeal - 30
Evan Zabel - 31

August Anniversaries

Randy & Heather Schroeder - 2
Rob & Sandi Pauley - 3
Samuel & Theresa Flowers - 4
Brad & LeAnne Payne - 7

Joseph & Renee Williams - 8
Scott & Jaime Konz - 9
Wayne & Mary Beth Bladt - 12
Joe & Crissy Masker - 12
Eric & Amy Wingert - 13
Francisco & Fani Barajas - 14
David & Donna Ausdemore - 16
Joe & Bonnie Wredt - 18
Rob & Merridy Larsen - 19
Andrew & Michaela Berg - 20
Jason & Diane Pierce - 21
Dean & Kelly Alfars - 22
David & Maureen Mann - 22
Marion & Bonnie Ausdemore - 26
Tony & Heather Ausdemore - 29
Brian & Terri Safarik - 30

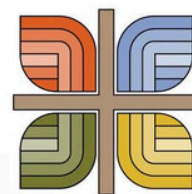
We welcome you into God's family! If you are interested in learning more about our church, or would like to join, please pick up a registration form at one of the entrances of the church, stop by the parish office, or call Father Julius for an appointment.
For information about Baptism, Sacrament of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



August 2026

Dear Reverend Father,

The 2026 mid-term election season has begun. In Iowa, voting begins in October and continues through Election Day, Nov. 3. As stated in the U.S. bishops' document, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, "The Church's obligation to participate in shaping the moral character of society is a requirement of our faith. It is a basic part of the mission we have received from Jesus Christ, who offers a vision of life revealed to us in Sacred Scripture and Tradition."

We should encourage our people to vote and engage on issues through the lens of God's Word and the principles of Catholic social teaching. To that end, please see the attached "Faithful Citizenship" flyer from the Iowa Catholic Conference, along with bulletin announcements:

- Short videos from the Iowa bishops on Faithful Citizenship will be available shortly at <https://www.youtube.com/@iowacatholicconference> and on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/iowacatholicconference.
- Other material will be available at www.iowacatholicconference.org.
- New materials from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops are scheduled to be forthcoming at www.usccb.org/civilizeit.

Please distribute the links and information to your parishioners.

To be clear, the Church does not endorse or oppose any candidates or a particular political party. Advocacy for or endorsement of a particular candidate or party is not permitted and jeopardizes the tax-exempt status of our Catholic churches. No signs or materials supporting a particular party or candidate can be placed on or distributed within church/institutional property.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Tom Chapman, executive director of the Iowa Catholic Conference, at (515) 243-6256, or tom@iowacatholicconference.org.

Thank you for your efforts in conveying the Church's teachings on our political responsibilities as authentic disciples of Christ and his Church.

Faithfully in Christ,

Most Rev. William M. Joensen, Ph.D.
Bishop of Des Moines