

# Our Lady of the Plains January 19, 2025

Churches of St. Thomas (Manson), St. Francis (Rockwell City), St. Mary (Lake City)

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## Prepare for Mass

with the daily Mass readings; also available by audio at [www.usccb.org/bible/readings](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings)

## Confession

30 minutes prior to Mass

## Prayer Chain:

### St. Mary

—Marleta Smith: 515-370-0379  
Email: marletasmith@hotmail.com  
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—John Hardy: 712-830-2855

### St. Thomas

Pat Schreier: 712-210-1462

### St. Francis

Mary Ann Stell: 712-297-8491



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## Facebook Page:

[Facebook.com/ThomasFrancisMary](https://www.facebook.com/ThomasFrancisMary)

## Calhoun County Catholic Parishes:

go to: [calhouncatholic.org](http://calhouncatholic.org)

## Get the myParish app:

text the word App to 88202

Last weekend at Mass, I mentioned three main ways we can unite in our Catholic communities. Here they are:

**Get to know one another by name.** We feel the impact when someone addresses us by name. Being known, accepted, and feeling that we belong helps us stay committed to our Catholic Faith communities when life gets tough. Being slow to leave after Mass gives us the opportunity to talk with friends and to strike up a conversation with those we don't know well. The unknown person is *Jesus the stranger*. Welcoming others, scooting over in the pews, and inviting one another to coffee and rolls, helps us live as a Holy Communion, the Body of Christ, who we receive in the Eucharist. You may never know the impact your kindness has on another life.

**Support one another in our needs.** It can be difficult to accept our limitations, weaknesses, or even that we have faults. It is much more difficult to let people know about and support us in our needs. But Jesus didn't come for those who have no needs. He came for those who have needs, especially the need of love and forgiveness amid sin. Jesus calls us to care for one another as we care for Him. Let's ask the Holy Spirit to make us available to give our ears of listening, our mouths of good words, and our hands of service to each other, especially those without the presence of a family or friend circle.

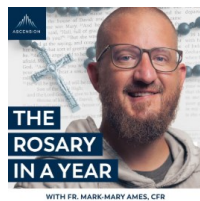
**Grow in our faith together.** Just as the aspen trees have strength by sharing a root system, we are stronger when we grow together. We can do this by coming together for adult faith formation, sharing Catholic videos, memes, posts with our text groups, and sharing "A Grace from Today" around the dinner table or in the car. I want the men of the parish to help me come up with ways we can come together in brotherhood (social media, texting, or in person) to help us grow in our faith during our ordinary workdays. I want the women of the parish to do the same as sisters. Please bring this topic up to me whenever you see me.

When you think about our parish communities, think about these three ways of living out the power of the Eucharist and becoming other Christs in the world.

*Fr. Brian F. Feller*

## What a great time to start a new habit!

In 2021, Fr. Mike Schmitz read the Bible every day for a year; next in 2023 he read the Catechism. Now in 2025, Fr. Mark-Mary Ames has begun the Rosary in a year. You can find all three podcasts online at YouTube, podcast stores, or download the Ascension app for FREE!



Holy Land Olive Art will be available for purchase before and after each mass on **Saturday, Jan. 18 and Sunday, Jan. 19.** All items are hand carved olive wood by the Catholic and Christian families in the Holy Land. For more information, please visit [www.holylandoliveart.com](http://www.holylandoliveart.com).

## Happening Now!

JOIN US AT OUR LADY OF THE PLAINS ON THIS JOURNEY

# Quick A Journey Through the Bible

AN 8-PART INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE TIMELINE

Manson  
Thursday, 8-9 am  
Lake City  
Thursday 5-6 pm  
Jan 23, 30,

Feb 6, 13, 27 & March 6

Rockwell City  
Monday, 7-8 pm  
Jan 20, 27,  
Feb 3, 10, 17 & 24

Jeff Cavins



All IRA distribution checks need to be sent directly to the parish office at St. Mary in Lake City. Please do not put these in the collection basket.  
Thank you!

## MASS INTENTIONS

	DATE	TIME	PLACE	
Monday	Jan. 20	<b>NO MASS</b>		
Tuesday	Jan. 21	6:15pm	Manson	Marvin Alig
		<b>NO MASS</b>	Rockwell City	
		<b>12:00 pm</b>	Lake City	Living & Deceased Family Members of the Richard Clausen Family
Wednesday	Jan. 22	7:30 am	Manson	Morris & Patty Licht
		8:00 am	Rockwell City	Dale & Joan Stumpf
Thursday	Jan. 23	7:30 am	Manson	Eileen Alig Family
		<b>NO MASS</b>	Rockwell City	
		5:30 pm	Prison	All Souls Intention for Faithfully Departed
Friday	Jan. 24	7:30 am	Manson	JS Family
		8:00 am	Lake City	Joe & Pat Koster
Saturday	Jan. 25	5:30 pm	Rockwell City	People of the Parish
Sunday	Jan. 26	8:30 am	Manson	Cathy Lenz
		10:30 am	Lake City	Rose Marie Lauters and Velmer & Marie Petersen

### ADORATION & CONFESSION:

**\*ADORATION:**  
St. Mary Church, Lake City, every Tuesday (unless no Mass) from 4:30-5:30pm



—**CONFESSION**  
(Fr. Feller) when  
adoration: 4:45-5:15pm

**\*ADORATION: St. Francis Church,**  
Rockwell City, every Monday: 5-6pm

**\*ADORATION: St. Thomas Church,**  
Manson, every Wednesday, 9-10:30 am.  
—**CONFESSION** (Fr. Jim or Fr. Feller) from  
**9:15-9:45am. (Another adoration time at  
St. Thomas, every Monday: 5-7 pm.)**  
Sign-up sheet in the entrance of the church (two guardians are needed.)

To have a Mass offered for the repose of the soul of someone who died, or for a special intention, birthday, or anniversary is appropriate, beneficial, and appreciated. Please call the office to schedule.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	Lector	EMHC	Altar Servers	Ushers	Gifts	Greeters	Money Counters
<b>Rockwell City</b> Sat., Jan. 25 5:30 pm	Lisa Wozniak	Jennifer Taylor Peg Stoolman Lowell Stoolman	Cambria Gittins Kaitlyn O'Neill	Joel Wuebker Kevin Monahan	Rhonda Meyer	Joel Wuebker Kevin Monahan	Linda Rokes Elaine Ridgely
<b>Manson</b> Sun., Jan. 26 8:30 am	Doug Gaul	Mark & Janine Lynch Paul Feld Brian & Becky Wuebker Jan Nelson	Jackson Korte Max Korte	Michael Waller Brian Wuebker	Jerry Chizek	Michael Waller Brian Wuebker	Pam Chizek Linda Schuttler
<b>Lake City</b> Sun., Jan 26 10:30 am	Jean Blum	Sara Block Ryan Hildreth Linda Iler Sherry Vogel	Quinn Hildreth Shannon Melody	Andy Melody Keith Lampe Jerry Schleisman	Kari Grider	Janet Schrad	Lois Smith Dee Blair



### TOGETHER AS ONE:

Thank you for your generous response to make a pledge to Together as One. See below the shortfall for St. Francis and St. Thomas. St. Mary has reached their goal. Thank you to all who have donated!

**St. Francis:** Contributions \$7,873; shortfall \$5,226 | **St. Thomas:** Contributions \$5,909; shortfall \$6,433 | **St. Mary:** Contributions \$11,551; surplus \$306

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Date	Manson	M Meal	Lake City	LC Snack LC Meal	LC Bus Duty
Jan. 22	K-7th, Conf/HS	Lamphier	K-5th, 6th-12th	Maria Blair Casey & Tracey Wetter	Maria Blair
Jan. 29	K-7th, Conf/HS	Ramthun/Ollinger	K-5th, 6th-12th	Kristina Wiederin Chris Heim & Pat Higgins	Kennebeck
Feb. 5	K-7th, Conf/HS 6pm Mass	Lenz	K-5th, 6th-12th	Heather Block Nick & Linn Block	<b>Volunteer Needed</b>



**Welcome to the  
Catholic  
Community:**

**Kash Jo Wiederin, son of  
Ty & Kayla Wiederin  
January 12, 2025 at  
St. Mary—Lake City**



### Stewardship


It's all about gratitude.  
It's all about giving back.  
It's all about God.

Weekend of Jan. 11/12	Adult	Loose	Grain	Special Collection	St. Joe Lohrville	St. Mary Pomeroy	St. Mary Auburn
Rockwell City	560.00	194.00					
Manson	2800.00	233.00	1184.62				
Lake City	1795.00	153.25		166.00	150.00		375.00

## PARISH EVENTS

Thank you to the Religious Education Students at St. Mary—Lake City for your help taking down Christmas decorations in the church and parish hall. We truly appreciate your help!

St. Thomas Women's Guild meeting after 8:30 am Mass on Sunday, January 19th. Coffee and rolls provided for those attending meeting.

 Knights of Columbus #14494 will meet on Tues., Jan. 21, after the 6:15 pm Mass at St. Thomas in Manson.

Brew & Brotherhood will meet at 6:30 am, at St. Thomas Parish Hall on Jan. 23. All are welcome to join.

Fr. Feller will be hosting a discussion on the Catholic Mission and future of St. Mary—Pomeroy on Sunday, Jan. 26 at 1:00 pm in the parish hall at St. Mary—Pomeroy. All are welcome.

Join Fr. Feller for video and discussion on the scourge of Human Trafficking in Iowa: Friday, Jan. 24 at 12pm at St. Mary—Lake City and Saturday, Jan. 25 at 8:30am at St. Thomas—Manson. Light refreshments and snacks will be provided at each location.

Grief Support Group will meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at noon in the Parish Hall at St. Mary - Lake City.

The St. Thomas Women's Guild Officers are working on the new Women's Guild books for 2025. All chairpersons need to check the information for your group and report any changes to Betty Sweet.

### Upcoming Juice & Rolls

Wednesday, Jan. 29 after the 8:00 am Mass at St. Francis in Rockwell City



### St. Edmond Catholic School NOW HIRING FOR 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

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### KUEMPER NEWS:

Part-time custodians, substitute teachers, substitute secretaries, substitute nurses (RN required) needed. To complete an application: [kuemper.org/employment-opportunities](http://kuemper.org/employment-opportunities).

#### Important Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday, Jan. 21

- School Board Meeting in the Greteman Center at Holy Spirit Church (12:00 pm)

Friday, Jan. 24

- Chamber Coffee, KHS cafeteria (8-9 am)



### Wondering where to find diocesan news?

Sign up for our free electronic newsletter—LumeNotes. Receive short news briefs and links to longer articles, photos and videos. It's free of charge!



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Lake City Capri Theatre Upcoming Showing

Jan. 17-19 & 24-26: Wicked

Hours: Fridays & Saturdays at 7pm & Sundays at 2pm.

ADMISSION is \$2.00.



### Save the Date for the Lake City Bridal Bash on Sunday, January 26, 2025

from 12:00–3:00 pm at the Lake City Community Memorial Building. Discover local products and services from top quality vendors in our area, win door prizes, and enter giveaways!



### Pilgrim Lutheran Church will be having a Sub Sandwich Fundraiser

Sandwiches are \$6 and include 3 kinds of meat and 2 cheeses.

To order, call 712.210.2640 and leave a message by January 31st. Pick up on February 8th from 9:30–11:30 am at Pilgrim Lutheran Church.

### Manson Ministerial Food Pantry is open Fridays from 9 am to 12 pm.

**Donations may be sent to:** Max Dodds, 1401 Main St., Manson IA 50563.

Checks need to be made out to the Manson Ministerial Association.

**Donations can be also dropped off at St. Thomas Catholic Church.**

**Boxes are located in the entrance of the Church.**

### LAKE CITY LOCAL FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION

Food donations are welcome. Monetary donations are appreciated.

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**This week's pantry needs: Ketchup and Mustard**

(in coordination with Lake City Food Center sale items to meet needs of the Food Pantry).

### OPEN AA MEETINGS—St. Thomas Catholic Church, Manson holds

AA/Al-Anon meetings on Mondays at 7 pm.

## ENTERING THE HEART OF THE CHURCH'S MISSION

A series of events exploring our role in Christian Initiation

Confused about the various steps and rituals of the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)? Want to know more about why and how we celebrate OCIA and the meaning behind it? Join us as the diocesan offices of Faith Formation and Worship provide regional trainings from 5 to 8 pm on January 21, 2025, at St. John Paul II in Carroll. Dinner will be provided for participants as we dive into these liturgical rites that spring from the very heart of the Church's mission, which is to bring people to Christ and join them to his Church. Please register beforehand on the diocesan website: <https://www.scdiocese.org/ocia>

### Presidential Inauguration Prayer:

God, assist with your spirit of counsel the President of these United States that his administration be conducted in righteousness. May he encourage respect for virtue and religion. May he execute laws with justice and mercy. May he seek to restrain crime, vice, and immorality. May all citizens be blessed in observance of your holy law. This we pray. Amen.



Darkness cannot drive out darkness;

**only light can do that.**

Hate cannot drive out hate;

**only love can do that.**

— Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



Jan. 20: Martin Luther King Jr Day

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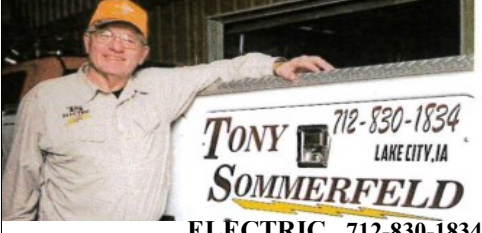
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