

**READINGS FOR THIS WEEK**

5 SUN Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12  
**USA: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**  
6 Mon 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25  
**Saint André Bessette, Religious**  
7 Tue 1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44  
**Saint Raymond of Penyafort, Priest**  
8 Wed 1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52  
9 Thu 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Lk 4:14-22a  
10 Fri 1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16  
11 Sat 1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30  
12 SUN Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/  
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**LENOX**  
Collection - Tithing - \$2656.00  
November Income - \$8190.99  
November Expenses - \$3971.16

**CORNING**  
Collection - \$2,209.00  
November Income - \$11,650.14  
Expenses - \$ 8,596.04

**LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS**

**CORNING - SATURDAY, January 11**  
**Rosary:** John & Karma Green  
**Lector:** Sean Hogan  
**Ushers:** Marj R. & Anne G.  
**CORNING - SUNDAY, January 12**  
**Rosary:** Jamie Hogan  
**Servers:** Ellie, Emma & Sebastian  
**Lector:** Jamie Hogan  
**EM:** Mark Reichenauer  
**Sacristan:** Joel Morrison  
**Ushers:** Dawn B. & Kris R.  
**Gift Bearers:** Joel Morrison Family  
**Musician:**  
**Cantor:** Nancy Amdor  
**Money Counters Jan. 7:** Bernadine & Barb

**LENOX - SUNDAY, January 12**  
**Sacristan:** Kathy  
**Lector:** Caroline & Kathy  
**Servers:** Reagan & Chase  
**Ushers:** Sonntag's  
**EM:** Dom, Larry, Kathy  
**Money Counters:** Steve & Rick  
**Power Point:** Katherine

**COFFEE & ROLLS**  
Jan. 12 – Vince & Deanna Sweeney  
Jan. 19 – Avelino & Maira Gonzalez and  
Daniel & Maria Ramirez



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**January 4-5, 2025**

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**



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**Visitation of the Sick** - Please call parish office in  
Corning - 641-322-3363 or Lenox - 641-333-2565 to  
arrange for Communion in your home.

**Confessions:**  
**Lenox** - Sunday, 8:00 - 8:30 a.m.  
**Corning** - Saturday, 5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
**Available anytime upon request**

**ROSARY**  
**Corning**, Rosary Recitation every Tuesday at 11:00  
a.m., before, NOON Mass  
**Lenox**, Rosary recitation every Wednesday and  
Friday after mass at 9:00 a.m.

**Mass Schedule**

C, Sat., Jan. 4	5:30 p.m. Helen (Hogan) Chute
L, Sun., Jan. 5	8:30 a.m. Jim Worster
C, Sun., Jan. 5	10:30 a.m. Ed & Jinx Amdor
C, Sat., Jan. 11	5:30 p.m. Ray Reynolds
L, Sun., Jan. 12	8:30 a.m. Helen Juelsgaard
C, Sun., Jan. 12	10:30 a.m. John & Esther Reichenauer

**EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**Corning**, First Thurs: 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.  
**Lenox**, First Friday: 9.00.m.-10.00 a.m.

**SACRAMENTS**

**Marriage** - Arrangements should be made ASAP and  
at least six months before the wedding.  
**Baptism** - Baptisms are held on the 3rd Sunday.

**LENOX BIRTHDAYS**  
Jan. 7 Brooklynn Ecklin  
Jan. 7 Steven Saltzman  
Jan. 12 Ag Casey  
Jan. 12 Phoenix Rayhons

**LENOX ANNIVERSARIES**

**CORNING BIRTHDAYS**  
Jan. 7 Leah Stalcup

**CORNING ANNIVERSARIES**  
Jan. 10 Michael & Mondra Laughlin

## **FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

### **Feast of Epiphany of the Lord**

Today, the universal church celebrates the feast of God's revelation in the life of Christ who came that we may have life and have it abundantly (Jn. 10:10). The word Epiphany comes from the Greek verb "*epiphainein*" or Latin "*epiphania*" meaning "to reveal," "to manifest." or to "show out." This feast shows how God from the beginning intervened to preserve the life of the child Jesus from the evil plot of Herod. This feast celebrates the victory of light over darkness.

In the first reading, Isaiah invites Jerusalem to shine out, for the light of glory has come upon it and the glory of God has risen (Is. 60:1). Rays of glory emanate from Jerusalem and the ends of the earth witness the glory and salvation of the Lord in and around Jerusalem. Wise people and nations follow the stars to their source in Jerusalem.

Isaiah urges and call on Jerusalem – a city once destroyed, and its inhabitant sent on exile to rise for their light has come in the person of Christ. The good news is that the Lord's splendor and glory dwells among His people. Kings, nations, tribes, and tongues are attracted to this light. Everyone in Sheba is coming bringing gold and incense and praising God (v. 6). Psalm 72:11 echoes it thus, "the king of Sheba and Seba will offer gifts, all kings do him homage, all nations become his servants."

St. Paul emphasizes to the Ephesians and us all, that salvation, the freedom, and liberation announced by the prophets and Christ is for all peoples – pagans and believers alike (Eph. 3) and working it out with "fear and trembling" though striving and excelling daily in our Christian duties (Phil 2:12).

In the Gospel, Matthew summarizes the meaning of Isaiah's prophecy by presenting the

three wise men who visited the Messiah after his birth. Why were they regarded as wise? First, because they had the knowledge of God (knew God); secondly, they were able to recognize God's sign and his presence in the world; thirdly, they heard and responded positively to the summons of Christmas, fourthly, they had a correct desire, namely, to do homage to the right king by following the stars correctly. Finally, they offered him gifts of Gold, frankincense, and Myrrh.

In all, each one is called to give God praise and worship for he is our light and our salvation (Ps. 127:1). Isaiah exclaims, "he is our salvation" (Is. 12:2). He can "restore to us the joy of our salvation" (Ps. 51:12). Is. 40;31 proclaims, "They that wait on the Lord shall renew their strength." Also, in him (God) is our victory and salvation (Act 4:12). May we commit to serve God willingly, committedly, and devotedly. Do it by including the Lord and his matters in your agenda, mission, and vision. Be aware of his presence. Ps. 16:8 says, "I am always aware of his presence... nothing can shake me." Also, hold on vehemently to the Catholic faith, show kindness towards all and return to begin the new week by loving and being in peace with our family members and neighbors.

### **COMBINED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Fr. Livinus will be on vacation January 6 through February 7. Fr. Eze, Chaplain at Unity Point in Des Moines will be doing masses for the next 2 weeks. In the event of an emergency like the need for sacrament or the anointing of the sick, contact Fr. Patrick Amadeka at Holy Spirit Parish, CRESTON.

## **CORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **THANKS**

Thank you to all the parents who brought your children to Youth Mass today and for having them help with the liturgy.

### **LUNCH**

Walking tacos will be served at the Parish Center today (Sunday) after mass. Everyone is invited to participate in breaking bread together as a parish family.

### **CHURCH DIRECTORY**

The new St. Patrick's directory has arrived. If you had your photo taken and are in the directory you are entitled to a copy. Please take one off the back table.

### **SYMPATHY**

Please keep the family of Beth Waddle in your prayers as she was laid to rest last weekend. She volunteered many hours for our church family through liturgy and decorating but she especially liked working and helping with the youth. She will be greatly missed in our church and our community. We ask that you keep Dan and her family in your prayers. May her soul and the souls of all the faithfully departed rest in peace.

### **SNOW**

Kevin Kinman will be scooping snow for the church, rectory and church office sidewalks this winter. Hedinger's will continue to do the parish center parking lot.

### **CORNING PRAYER LIST**

Liam Morstorf	Mary Moore	Mike Cruise
Catie Hunter	Casey McKee	Kristin Ledvina
Doug Hardisty	Ben Schweers	

## **LENOX ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **THANK YOU**

Thank you so much to Fr. Enrique Garcia-Elizalde Hospital Chaplain with Unity Point, Des Moines who has served in our parish for the past couple of months. Father had ended his ministry here following the bishop's directives as he is back fully to the chaplaincy ministry. The bishop and his Vicars are in consultation to finally assign another priest to our parish for the continuation of Hispanic Pastoral Ministry. We rely on our understanding while awaiting this post. Fr. Enrique, we are grateful and wish you more of God's grace in your ministry!

### **LENOX PRAYER LIST**

Irene Ripperger	Kenny Heim	Alex Stephens
Ann Votava	Brian Heim	Camilla Perez
Sergio Dozier	Brandon Larimer	Elvira Meny
Stacy Callahan Brown	Leslie Cerda	Ben Schweers
Lois Thompson	Paul Maynes	

