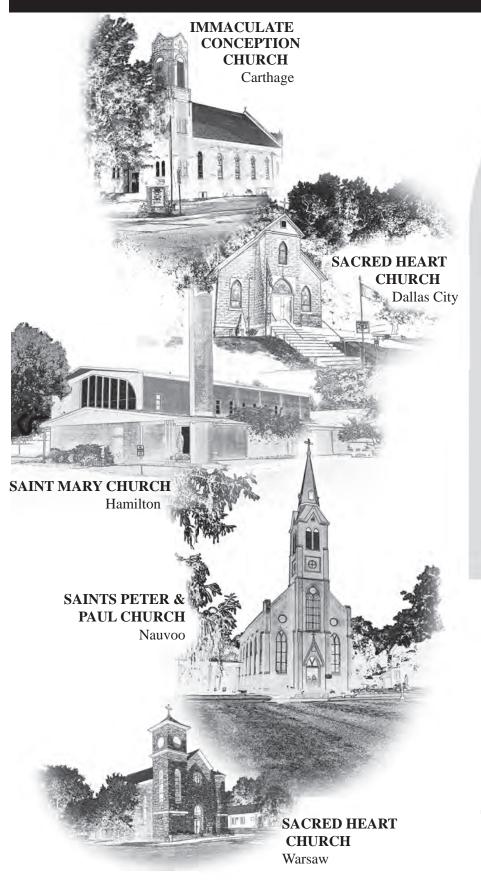
Hancock County Catholic Churches



We the Hancock County Catholic Churches, work together to form disciples of Jesus, to lead all to Him in the Eucharist, and to be His presence in the world.

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Dallas City

Saturday	4:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Carthage Hamilton
Sunday	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Warsaw Nauvoo

Noon

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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

December 31, 2023

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Location of Our Parishes

Immaculate Conception 125 N. Fayette St. Carthage, IL 62321

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St. Mary 560 Lakeview Ave. Hamilton, IL 62341

Sts. Peter and Paul 190 N. Wells St. Nauvoo, IL 62354

Sacred Heart 8th & Webster St. Warsaw, IL 62379

Confession schedule: 15 minutes before daily Mass, 30 minutes <u>before</u> weekend Masses at Carthage Warsaw Nauvoo Dallas City After Mass at Hamilton

> Or any other time by appointment

The Blessed Virgin Mary: God Has Made a Commitment.

As we enter into the year 2024, we are given the image of Holy Mary, the Mother of God. Take a good look at her. In her, God has made a commitment to all mankind, and in a unique way, to the Church. The Holy Trinity has chosen from all eternity to be the sole reason for the salvation of the world; and yet, this initiative needed a way of entry into history. The Blessed Virgin Mary is the sign that God wants to invite us to cooperate with Him, in advancing the salvation of the world brought about by the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The initiative for our salvation is God's: Joseph is not the father of Jesus, but his foster father. The cooperation is Mary's, who gave her assent to be the instrument by which the Eternal Word of the Father, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, would take on a human body. The union of the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity and the human body coming from Mary - an inseparable union into one person, with two natures - is the reason we acclaim Mary as the Mother of God. This is all God's doing - even his approach to secure the response of Mary, whose "yes" would not have been possible without His grace. We said, "Take a good look at her." Why? Because throughout the year, she serves as a model of what God can do, with the invitation extended to us, and our own cooperation. Will you be an instrument of advancing God's initiative in your life this coming year? Fr. T.

	Week's Mass Intentions		
Monday:	January 1, (Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God; Nm 6:22-27,		
-	Gal 4:4-7, Lk 2:16-21)		
8:00 a.m.	Hamilton-Jan Jacobs, by Sal and Marilyn Candido		
8:00 a.m.	Warsaw-Debbie Bavery (L) birthday, by Gene Mudd		
10:00 am.	Dallas City-Shirley Gracey, by Mickey and Beth Knipe		
Tuesday:	January 2, (St. Basil the Great, and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and		
	Doctors of the Church; 1 Jn 2:22-28, Jn 1:19-28)		
8:00 a.m.	Carthage-No Mass		
5:30 p.m.	Hamilton-Steve and Connie Short (L) anniversary, by Marlene Short		
Wednesday:	January 3, (The Most Holy Name of Jesus; 1 Jn 2:29-3:6, Jn 1:29-34)		
5:30 p.m.	Dallas City-Connie Becker, by Deacon Tony and Lana Herdrich		
Thursday:	January 4, (Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious; 1 Jn 3:7-10, Jn 1:35-42) No Masses		
Friday:	January 5, (St. John Newman, Bishop; 1 Jn 3:11-21, Jn 1:43-51)		
8:30 a.m.	Nauvoo-Mary Logan, by Jim and Denise Lewis		
Saturday	January 6, (St. André Bessette, Religious; 1 Jn 5:5-13, Mk 1:7-11)		
4:00 p.m.	Carthage-Stacie Wear, by Karen Wear		
5:30 p.m.	Hamilton-Autumn Schweizer (L) birthday, by her family		
Sunday:	January 7, (The Epiphany of the Lord; Is 60:1-6, Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6, Mt 2:1-12)		
8:00 a.m.	Warsaw-Denny Braeden, by Ron and Julie Knoche		
10:00 a.m.	Nauvoo-For the People		
12:00 p.m.	Dallas City-Deacon Tony and Lana Herdrich (L) by Kathy Hoemmen		
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	Prayer Contacts		
	Carthage – Connie Kreps prayerwarrior1919@yahoo.com or		

Live-Streaming Schedule

<u>Monday, Tuesday & Friday</u> 8:00 a.m. – Mass <u>Wednesday</u>-5:30 p.m. Noon - Rosary 3:00 p.m. - Chaplet of Divine Mercy <u>Saturday</u> – 4 p.m. Mass <u>Sunday</u> – 10 a.m. Mass

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Mass Schedule: Hope You Noticed. For both Christmas and New Years Day - the Solemnities of the Birth of Jesus Christ and the Mystery of Mary the Mother of God - we set up a generous, really extravagant, Mass schedule. We did this for two reasons. First, our Sunday obligation to be present at the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ at Mass - that's what the Mass is - is separate from our obligation to participate in Christmas and New Year's Day (January 1 is the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God). These obligations aren't combined into one; their focus is on separate facets of the mystery of the life of Christ. Second, I don't want to rearrange the Mass schedule in such a way as to cause suspicion whether we're tipping off decisions from Growing Disciples. We won't know what those decisions will be for some time yet. In the meantime, we maintain a Mass schedule that includes all of our churches. Please consult the bulletin to remain informed about our Mass schedule as we enter into the year 2024.

Fr. Tony's Retreat and Time Away Schedule, 2024. Hate to admit it, but I think I need it! Hope you understand! I will be on retreat, and at the same time, assisting as spiritual director for St. Louis Archdiocesan seminarians from the afternoon of January 7 through January 12, 2024. And I will be away for rest from February 5 through February 16 - with a brief return to be here for Ash Wednesday, February 14. *These commitments will make it impossible for me to return quickly for any emergency needs which may arise.* I thank Fr. James for his presence, his increasing assistance in the priestly ministry of our churches and school, and for his availability while I am gone. Fr. T.

It All Starts Up Again: Here we go! Time to get things going! **Spanish Mass** will be celebrated on Sunday, January 14, at 5:00 p.m., at ICC. **Youth Group** will resume meeting on Sunday, January 14, 7 p.m., at the ICC Church Hall.

Healing Service, with opportunity for the Anointing of the Sick, Confession, intercessory prayer to Bishop Fulton Sheen, and the ministry of Mr. Roger Shaner, will take place on Saturday, January 20, after the 5:30 p.m. Mass at SMH.

Finance Council, Education Commission, and Pastoral Council Meetings.

SHW Finance Council, Tuesday, January 16, 7 p.m., at SHW rectory. SPPS Education Commission, Tuesday, January 23, 7 p.m., at SPPS. Pastoral Council, Tuesday, January 30, 7 p.m., at Villa Marie Rectory.

The parishioners of St. Mary's face a significant challenge. The parish hall heating system must be replaced, at a cost of about \$10,000. The Trustees presented the challenge following Mass last Saturday evening. As expected, the response has been positive and immediate. A member of the congregation, who wishes to remain anonymous, has established a matching challenge. They will match all contributions made for the project by December 28, up to a maximum of \$5000. Everyone who would like to participate should place their contributions in the regular Mass collection (marked "St. Mary's Hall Heater Project") or send it directly to the parish office:

PO Box 93, Warsaw, IL 62379.

AEDs have arrived! Each of the Hancock County Catholic Churches are now equipped with an Automatic External Defibrillator located in the sacristies. Hospitality coordinators and those with medical or first responder training should familiarize themselves with the AEDs. Please contact Barb Drozdz at 217-242-2189 with questions or to arrange individual instruction.

THANK YOU to all who made donations to the Baby Jesus Shower! Birthright of Keokuk will be able to assist many moms and babies because of your generosity!

Alleman Council 1853, Nauvoo Knights of Columbus, will be sponsoring a holy hour the first Tuesday of every month at Sts. Peter and Paul in Nauvoo. Time will be 7-8 p.m. Need some time away from day-to-day activities, come spend some time with Jesus.

A Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



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