



WELCOME!

**Our Three-Parish Cluster
Sts. Mary and Joseph Catholic Churches
Hills, Lone Tree and Nichols**

Fifth Sunday of Easter May 15, 2022

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Cluster Mass Intentions May 16, 2022 to June 6, 2022

Mon	May 16	8:00am	Lone Tree	Rosella Attig	Thur	May 26	10:00am	PP CC	Berneda Schnoebelen
Tue	May 17	8:00am	Lone Tree	Rosella Attig	Fri	May 27	8:30am	Atrium	Julia Ruppenkamp
Tue	May 17	8:30am	Atrium	Communion Service	Sat	May 28	4:00pm	Lone Tree	Donald Kout
Tue	May 17	10:00am	PP CC	Cluster Parishioners	Sun	May 29	8:00am	Nichols	Frank Bermel
Wed	May 18	8:00am	Lone Tree	Rosella Attig	Sun	May 29	10:00am	Hills	John&Darlene Schott
Wed	May 18	8:30am	Atrium	Communion Service	Mon	May 30	9:00am	LT/N Cem	Cemetery Deceased
Thur	May 19	8:30am	Atrium	Communion Service	Mon	May 30	11:00am	St. Stanis.Cem	Cemetery Deceased
Thur	May 19	10:00am	PP CC	Rosella Attig	Tue	May 31	8:00 am	Lone Tree	Berneda Schnoebelen
Fri	May 20	8:30am	Atrium	Communion Service	Tue	May 31	8:30am	Atrium	Glenn&Alberta Kloos
Sat	May 21	4:00pm	Lone Tree	Donald Kout	Tue	May 31	10:00am	PP CC	Cluster Parishionera
Sun	May 22	8:00am	Nichols	Frank Bermel	Wed	June 1	8:00am	Lone Tree	Harry Attig
Sun	May 22	10:00am	Hills	Russell Van Horn II	Wed	June 1	8:30am	Atrium	John&Betty Soukup
Mon	May 23	8:00am	Lone Tree	Raymond Herring	Thur	June 2	8:30am	Atrium	Kathy Dalton
Tue	May 24	8:00am	Lone Tree	Rosella Attig	Thur	June 2	10:00am	PP CC	Charles Kron
Tue	May 24	8:30am	Atrium	Bob&Kathy Pogge	Fri	June 3	8:30am	Atrium	Degenhart Family
Tue	May 24	10:00am	PP CC	Cluster Parishioners	Sat	June 4	4:00pm	Lone Tree	Donald Kout
Wed	May 25	8:00am	Lone Tree	Harry Attig	Sun	June 5	8:00am	Nichols	Frank Bermel
Wed	May 25	8:30am	Atrium	Elmer "Ron" Hebl	Sun	June 5	10:00am	Hills	Chuck Draker
Thur	May 26	8:30am	Atrium	Veva Jenn	Mon	June 6	8:00am	Lone Tree	Rosella Attig

Music Ministry: St. Joseph, Hills, Lily Westemeyer. Church of St. Mary, Nichols, Jean Mengel. St. Mary, Lone Tree, Steve Moore
St. Joseph Prayer Line: Lucille Duwa 679-2404; Joan Gringer 679-2406
Church of St. Mary, Nichols Prayer Line: Toni Wilson, 319-723-4468; Carol Kaalberg, 319-330-5324
St. Mary, Lone Tree Prayer Line: Nancy Ford, 319-430-0882; Carol Kaalberg, 319-330-5324

Sts. Mary and Joseph Cluster Confession Schedule

Father Hai is available to hear confessions before Mass at the below times:

St. Mary, Lone Tree 3:30 p.m. to 3:50 pm on Saturdays
 Church of St. Mary 7:30 a.m. to 7:50 am on Sundays
 St. Joseph, Hills 9:30 a.m. to 9:50 am on Sundays

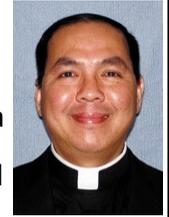
Let us come to reconcile to God and others!

First Saturday Masses There will be no first Saturday Mass in June; next First Saturday Mass is July 2 in Nichols.

Local food pantries have an ongoing need for food items.

Containers are available at all times at Lone Tree and Nichols, and items can be dropped off at Hills in the Food Pantry in the parish hall.
 Thank you for your generosity to our food pantries.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,



FIRST COMMUNION - This weekend we're celebrating seven of our students receiving their 1st Holy Communion. It is joyful and graceful not only for them and their families but also for all of us who go with them in spirit as a family of God. We are so proud of them, and we continue keeping them and their families, especially their parents and teachers, in our prayers and support. May God, through the intercession of Jesus Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, always pour upon them faith, hope, love and good health!

GROW - In today's Gospel, Jesus gives us the great commandment, combining the two commandments – to love God and to love neighbor – into one: "Love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." But what does it really mean to love? Saint Paul says it is to be patient, kind, and to rejoice with the truth; it is not being jealous, pompous, rude, or quick-tempered. (1 Cor 13: 4-6) Saint Thomas Aquinas says that "to love is to will the good of another." The love we show is the very essence of what it means to be Christian.

GO - In today's reading from Acts, Paul and Barnabas return from their travels to various Christian communities. They have shared the Good News, making disciples in each place and building up the Church. Yet when they return, they do not gloat or boast of their accomplishments. Rather, they "reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles." Sometimes in our strivings – to be better friends or parents, better Christians, better at sharing our faith – we can become discouraged when we fall short. Paul, arguably the best evangelist ever, reminds us that God works through us, not the other way around. We are to persevere, placing our trust in God. Through him we are able to love as he does, and help others come to know that same love. **ACTIONS** - Spring is upon us! Plant something and watch it grow. Just as the sun and water nurture a garden, God nurtures and helps us grow through the Holy Spirit and the people around us. How can we in turn share that love with others (Grow + Go)

STEWARDSHIP QUOTE – As Jesus' intentional disciples, we are called to spend our time, talents and treasures to serve one another as we journey together toward our true homeland in heaven.

FYI – I will be gone this week. Therefore, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact Carol Kaalberg at 319-330-5324 or Judy Stebral at 319-679-2271. Thank you. Know that you and your loved ones are always in my daily prayers and thoughts. May God protect and bless you all!

HAVE A NICE WEEKEND AND A GRACE-FILLED WEEK AHEAD!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Hai Dinh