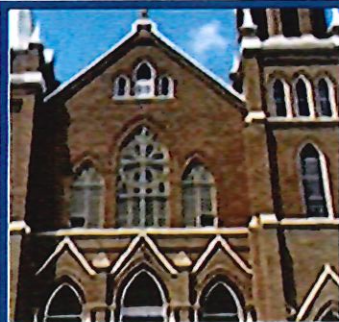
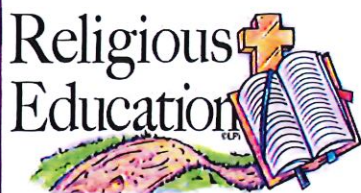




Sacred Heart Parish August 30, 2026

Then Jesus said to his disciples,
"Whoever wishes to come after me
must deny himself,
take up his cross, and follow me."



Thank You Jami!

A special thank you to Jami Tafolla who has agreed to be our Director of Religious Education at Sacred Heart. Jami will oversee the Religious Education Program for students in grades 1-10.

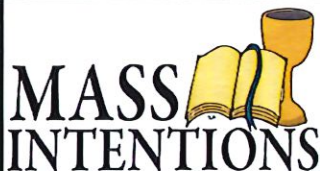
We are looking for teachers and substitute teachers Wednesday afternoons and evenings. If you are willing to help, please call Jami at 540-604-0463.

Our Fall Religious Education Program will begin on Wednesday, September 23rd, at 6:30pm with Mass in church and an Open House. Students in grades 1-10 will be attending. Registration Forms and Consent/Liability Forms are available in the east entry way of church. By the middle of next week the forms will be found on the Parish Website. Return the forms to the Parish Office by mail, in the black box by the front door of the office or in the collection basket.

ARE YOU BEING
CALLED TO TEACH
RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION?



If you have any questions, please call Jami Tafolla at 540-604-0463.



Mass Openings Available Here at Sacred Heart

There are 10 spots available here at Oelwein for your Mass Intentions from October to the end of the year. There are some Friday and some Sunday spots. If you would like an available date, please fill out a form bring it to the parish office (with your \$10.00 offering) and we will request a date for your Mass.

Please remember the Masses are being scheduled in Edgewood so we need to get your request there before it is official. Make the check out to - **Oelwein Area Pastorate Mass Stipends**. Thank You.

Very Rev. Henry P. Huber, Pastor

Email: h.huber@dbqarch.org Office Phone: 563-928-7200

Rev. Isaac Boadu, Parochial Vicar

Email: i.boadu@dbqarch.org Office Phone: 319-283-3743

Parish Center (Mail): 600 1st Avenue SW Oelwein IA 50662

Parish Offices: 319-283-3743 Parish Email: parish@sacredheartoelwein.com

Parish Website: www.sacredheartoelwein.com

Parish Facebook: "Sacred Heart Parish of Oelwein"

Parish Office Hours are Monday through Thursday from 9am to 12 noon.

Closed on Friday's. Use locked drop box after hours.

To receive the bulletin by email weekly, send your email address to:
parish@sacredheartoelwein.com

Articles for the bulletin are due to the Parish Office on Tuesday morning by noon.

Confessions are Sunday morning at 7:15am

Deacon Jim Patera Email: deacon.jim.patera@gmail.com Phone: 319-509-1210
Rachelle Troupe, Parish Secretary Email: dbq151sec@dbqarch.org

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Mon. Aug. 31	8:30am	Clermont	Joyce Kolsterman
		Guttenberg	Joyce Klosterman
Tue. Sep. 1	8:30am	Elkader	Roman Kuennen family
		Garnavillo	Alva & Vera Berns
Wed. Sep. 2	8:30am	West Union	Joyce Klosterman
		Colesburg	Mark Brown
	5:30pm	Straw. Point	Francis & Mary Zoll
Thu. Sep. 3	8:30am	Fayette	Josephine Heying
		Volga	Eddie Fethkether
		Guttenberg	Elmer & Annie Ries
Fri. Sep. 4	12noon	Oelwein	Tony Grasso
		Edgewood	Robert & Germaine Vorwald
Sat. Sep. 5	4:00pm	Edgewood	For the People
		Elkader	Ismael Flores
Sun. Sep. 6	8:00am	Oelwein	Bob Kudrna
		Edgewood	Wayne Tauke
	10:00am	West Union	Joyce Klosterman
		Guttenberg	Alfred & Betty Klein

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Rosary Schedule

Aug. 30 - B. Voshell

Sep. 6 - R. Thole 13 - S. Bradley

Lector

Aug. 30 - Gary Rubner

Sept. 6 & 13 - Donna Hornberg

Sept. 20 & 27 - Nancy Kastli

**Ministers of Hospitality
& Mass Attendance Counters**

Sept. - L. Fuller, J. Scheckel,
J. Blitsch, C. Patera

Altar Servers

Sep. - Roman McBride
Alvina Fuller

RaiseRight Sellers

Aug.30-B. Gehrke & L. Ridihalgh

Sep. 13 - C. Roth & L. Ridihalgh

Sep. 27 - B. Gehrke & J. Tafolla

**Ex. Ministers of Communion
September**

Sandy Steil, Lee Vargason,
Lynn Vargason
Cup - Diane Hall



If you are new to our parish or just visiting - WELCOME!

If you would like to officially claim Sacred Heart as your Parish Home - **we would love to have you!** Contact the Parish Office (319-283-3743) for information and a registration form. You can also go to the website to [register\(www.sacredheartoelwein.com\)](http://register(www.sacredheartoelwein.com)). Look under the Home tab for the registration form.

New

Choir Members
Welcome!

Looking for a way to add to the energy and inspiration in our liturgies? The **Sacred Heart Choir** will reconvene for the fall season on Wednesday, September 16 at 6:30 in church. We will plan to sing at 8:00 mass on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. We will practice on the Wednesdays that precede those 1st and 3rd Sundays. We have a tradition of welcoming new members, and we would love to welcome singers from any of the churches in our Oelwein Pastorate. Email Linda Murphy with

questions - linda@llmurphy.com or call: 319-361-2837.

Thank
You!

Dear Sacred Heart Parish:

Thank you for your gift of \$2,215.00. As a non-profit organization, we are grateful for your support of the Postville Food Pantry. Donations like yours have helped us serve the Postville Community for the past 20 years.

Postville Food Pantry Board - Audrey Wedo, Barb Herzmann, Pastor Lynn Noel, Carolyn Livingood, Sharon Drahn

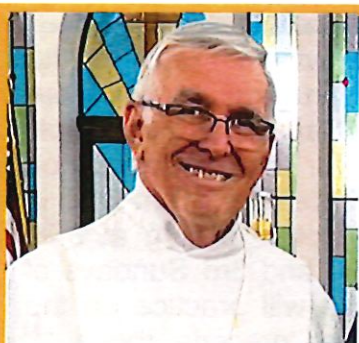
To Watch Sunday Mass: Every Sunday the **8:00am Mass** is livestreamed on YouTube. To watch the Mass live or anytime go to the parish website (www.sacredheartoelwein.com).

On the home page there are two ways to access the Mass. At the top where it lists the Mass Times there is a gold button that says: "Livestream Mass". Or you can scroll down on that same page and find the box that says: "Livestream Mass". Click on either one and it will take you to the current Mass. You can also view older Masses at the same place.



Please remember this week to pray for:

All those with cancer and other serious illnesses



Meet Your Deacons

Deacon Jim Patera

Deacon Jim Patera Ordained: Class 13, Archdiocese of Dubuque (2009)

Jim Patera, 77, has served as a deacon for 17 years at Oelwein Sacred Heart and Fairbank, Immaculate Conception. He and Cheryl have been a member of Sacred Heart Parish in Oelwein since 2003. He and his wife, Cheryl, recently celebrated 56 years of marriage. They have two sons, Mike and Brian, who both live with their families in the Omaha area. Jim and Cheryl are blessed with six grandchildren and are eagerly awaiting their first great-grandchild in September.

Jim grew up in Omaha as the oldest of seven boys and attended Catholic schools in Nebraska, before completing high school in Storm Lake, Iowa. He earned his BA in Industrial Education from Peru State College, Peru, Nebraska, and later a Master's Degree in Secondary Administration from Iowa State University, followed by a Specialist Degree in School Administration from Iowa State.

Education has been central to Jim and Cheryl's lives. Jim taught and coached in several Iowa and Washington communities before serving as a high school principal in Guthrie Center and LeMars. He later became Superintendent of Schools in the South O'Brien School District and Oelwein and finally served as Elementary Principal at Sacred Heart Elementary for one year in transition of administrators.

Daily Mass and strong pastoral mentorship led Jim to discern the diaconate. After beginning formation in the Sioux City Diocese for two years, he continued his studies in the Archdiocese of Dubuque and was ordained in 2009. He has served Sacred Heart and Immaculate Conception parishes for the past sixteen years, with five of those years serving as "Parish Life Coordinator" due to the serious illness of his pastor, Fr. Harry Koelker.

As a deacon, Jim's Ministry has included jail and prison outreach, marriage enrichment, RCIA/OCIA, parent baptismal preparation, annulment support, adult faith formation, and extensive pastoral care to the elderly and homebound. He also served five years as Parish Life Coordinator during the time of pastoral transition and currently serves on the Archdiocese of Dubuque School Board.

Jim is grateful for the support of Cheryl and the parish communities he has served. He looks forward to continuing his ministry within the new pastorate, working alongside the pastor, parochial vicars, fellow deacons and the many people who make up this faith family of our new Pastorate, as we walk this journey together to build a vibrant and unified Catholic community for all.

**Sacred Heart Church
1876-2026**



Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Oelwein, Iowa
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Sacred Heart Catholic Church
600 1st Ave SW, Oelwein, IA

**150TH ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION**



Join us as we celebrate our parish anniversary mass
with Archbishop Zinkula, Fr. Huber,
Fr. Anderson and Fr. Boadu.

Dinner to follow in the social hall.

Sign up for dinner before and after masses on
September 6 & 13.

OCT | 4 | 2:30 PM



2026

Starting next
weekend, September
6th we will be
distributing tickets to
the complementary
meal on October 4th.

Stop in the east
entrance of church
before or after Mass
that weekend to pick
up your ticket. Dinner
seating is limited so
get your tickets this
weekend. Tickets will
also be distributed on
September 13th.

All members of the
Oelwein Area
Pastorate are
welcome to come and
celebrate this day
with us.

There will be NO 8am
Mass that day so we
can celebrate this
special occasion.

STEWARDSHIP

I direct this Donation to:

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| ☐ Holy Name, West Union | ☐ St. Joseph, Garnaville |
| ☐ Immaculate Conception, Sumner | ☐ St. Mark, Edgewood |
| ☐ Sacred Heart, Oelwein | ☐ St. Mary, Guttenberg |
| ☐ Sacred Heart, Volga | ☐ St. Mary, Strawberry Point |
| ☐ St. Francis of Assisi, Fayette | ☐ St. Patrick, Coltsburg |
| ☐ St. Joseph, Elkhart | ☐ St. Peter, Clermont |

Name/Address:

Offering Envelopes Available in Pews

In the pews you will find envelope holders with these envelopes in them. If you forgot your envelope at home, you can use one of these to put your donation in. Fill out the information requested including the church you want the donation to go to and your name and address.

You can also use your regular donation envelope if you are attending Mass at a different parish than your home parish. Your donation will be sent to your home parish.

Loose cash that is collected on the weekends will be deposited into the new pastorate account. If you want it to stay in your parish you need to use one of these envelopes. Thank You.



Thank you to everyone who made a donation to our **Back to School Project**. Because of your generous response and catching some items on sale, we were able to donate backpacks full of school supplies to help 20 Kindergarten students and 15 middle school students. I also became aware that one of the biggest needs teachers have in the classrooms is for additional headphones, earphones, and earbuds because they get lost, wires get frayed, or they break. So, we were also able to donate an extra 24 headphones for Kindergarten, 28 earphones for Wings Park School, and 28 earphones for the Middle School. The School Principals expressed their appreciation to all the churches and Police Department for the backpacks for their students and to Sacred Heart for the additional much needed gifts at each school. Special thanks also to Mary Reeder, Linda Ridihalgh, and Pyper Steil for their help packing backpacks and to Diann Smith and Mary Reeder for helping to deliver the backpacks and work at the school during the distribution. Just one more great project that helps children in our community and allows us to work together to make a difference.



Seven Sisters Apostolate

Are you a woman who loves to pray? Or a woman that wants to pray more? If the answer to this is, "Yes," then The Seven Sisters Apostolate of our pastorate (the Oelwein Area Pastorate) has an opportunity for you! We are a group of women who have committed to praying for our pastorate priests: Fr. Henry Huber, Fr. Gabriel Anderson & Fr. Isaac Boadu. The apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest. Each woman prays a Holy Hour on a distinct day of the week, thus covering a complete week. The prayer is done at a time of your choice on your specific day. If you feel called to or are interested in learning about this opportunity, please contact Dee Youngblut (319) 240-0638 or at deeyoungblut@gmail.com. More info: sevensistersapostolate.org.



Whole Kernel Corn Weekend

(15.25 ounce cans)
September 6, 2026

Your donations can also be brought to the Kitchen Cupboard on Tuesday from 9-12am or Friday from 1-4pm. If you prefer to make a cash donation, you can drop your donation in the collection basket, or you can mail it to or drop it off at the Parish Center during the week.

Write Kitchen Cupboard on the envelope.



Anointing- If you or a family member have a serious illness or are facing surgery and would like to be anointed, please talk to Father Isaac or Father Huber before Friday or Sunday Mass. In an emergency when someone is gravely ill, call Deacon Jim Patera at 319-509-1210.

Baptisms - To have your child baptized in the Catholic Faith, or if you have questions about Baptism, call Deacon Jim Patera at 319-509-1210.



Communion to Shut-ins - There is a variety of reasons why someone cannot attend Mass on a regular basis. If you, or someone you know, would like to receive communion, call the Parish Office, 319-283-3743.

Please let us know of anyone who is sick, seriously ill, or facing surgery and in need of prayers and spiritual support. We will be happy to reach out to them in their time of need. Call the Parish Office - 319-283-3743.



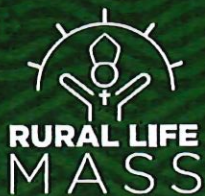
Low Gluten Hosts - We have Low Gluten Hosts available for those who have gluten allergies. Please stop in the sacristy before Mass and inform Father of your need.

Counting Attendance in September - Leon Fuller, Joseph Scheckel, Jake Blitsch, Cheryl Patera



We currently have **Votive Lights** available. If you would like to remember a loved one/your loved ones in a special way, contact the Parish Office for information(319-283-3743).

Church Hours - The church is open every day from 6am to 3pm. Visitors are invited during that time to come in and spend some time in prayer.



Archbishop Zinkula will celebrate this Farm Mass to recognize the many people who work the land and live in our rural communities.

Date: Friday, September 18

Time: 10:30 am

Recognition program and free-will luncheon to follow.

Where: Lichty Family Farm
8110 Ansborough Ave.
Waterloo, IA



Limited seating available, please bring lawn chairs.
All are welcome to attend!

LEARN MORE:
dbqarch.org/rural-life



Rural Life Mass – September 18

Plan to attend the **third annual Rural Life Mass** on Friday, September 18! Archbishop Zinkula will celebrate Mass at **10:30 a.m. at the Lichty Family Farm, in Waterloo.** All are welcome!

A recognition program and free -will luncheon will follow Mass. Limited seating is available, so please bring a lawn chair. Learn more at dbqarch.org/rural-life.



Sept. 3 & 10 - Grief Share, 5:30-7pm, Grieving the loss of someone close to you? Find comfort and support at Grief Share. It will then switch to Tuesdays from September 15 - November 24. Gatherings will take place in the St. Joseph Parish Center, Elkader. For more information contact Kandi DeShaw at 608-306-2558 or Kandi_deshaw@hotmail.com.

September 13 - Coffee & Donuts, Sacred Heart, Oelwein, after 8am Mass

September 20 - Picnic Potluck, Sacred Heart, Volga, 11am-1pm, maidrites, hot dogs and Ice cream provided, bring a dish to share if you are able, silent pie auction, free will donations.

September 27 - Breakfast, Sacred Heart, Oelwein, after 8am Mass

September 27 - Fun Day, St. Mary's, Strawberry Point, BBQ Pork lunch, 11am-1pm, Live Auction, Raffle, kid's games