

# St. Mary Catholic Church of Mechanicsville and of Tipton

Liturgical Year B

February 7-8, 2015

**Fifth Sunday  
Ordinary Time**

Reverend Richard Okumu,  
Shared Pastor

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, February 7 - Tipton**

5:10 PM Dan Marchik

**Sunday, February 8- Mechanicsville**

8:00 AM Leonard Weiland

**Sunday, February 8 - Tipton**

10:00 AM - Ruth & Carl Agne

**Saturday, February 14 - Mechanicsville**

5:30 PM - Joan Svatosch

**Sunday, February 15 Mechanicsville**

8:00 AM -Aleen Driscoll

**Sunday, February 15 - Tipton**

10:00 AM - Pete & Clem Klinkkammer

Website for **BOTH** parishes [www.stmarystipton.net](http://www.stmarystipton.net)

### Mechanicsville

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**Fr. Okumu** will be gone from **January 30 until March 7**. He is returning to his home in Africa for a visit. However, your parish communities will remain in tact. Your parish offices will be available to assist you, and provisions have been made to assist you if you find that you need to contact a priest during this period.

There will be regular weekend Masses, but no weekly morning Masses. Because Priests for our weekend Masses will be driving from various distances, and because Iowa in February can have some treacherous weather conditions, we will be paying more attention to weather than usual.

If you think weather MIGHT be an issue, please turn on your local news stations as we plan to make contact with news stations to provide Saturday night and Sunday morning mass cancelations should weather demand.

Even though Father is gone, your friendly Parish Staff will still be available to help you, or to direct you to help, with any questions or concerns. **The Mechanicsville/Tipton sections of this bulletin have phone numbers that parishioners may call during February to reach us.**

This Weekend we welcome  
our visiting priest  
**Father William Wiegand**

**Looking ahead to Lent:**

**Ash Wednesday this year is February 18.**

3:00 PM Mass Ash Mechanicsville

4:30 PM Mass in Tipton.

Next Sunday, February 15, Bishop Amos and the Diocesan Prebysterical Council asks your support in a special collection necessary to make our Diocesan Cathedral a more inviting, welcoming place to celebrate Eucharist and our Catholic faith. There is a Cathedral envelope attached to your bulletin, you may put in our offertory basket or mail it to Sacred Heart Cathedral, 422 East 10th St., Davenport, IA 52803. We thank you for your support!



**St. Ambrose University**, continuing its mission of service to the **Diocese of Davenport**, announces

the **Menke Parish Scholarship Program** for the 2015-2016 academic year. Each parish will once again have a \$1,000.00 scholarship to be awarded to a first year or transfer student to St. Ambrose. To qualify, the student must be a member of the parish, be nominated by his/her pastor, and meet the admissions and financial aid requirements of St. Ambrose University. The scholarship can only be used for undergraduate work. Contact the Tipton Rectory (563-886-2506) for more information.



**SAVE THE DATES!  
Plan to attend!!**



### Mechanicsville Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

- Friday, March 20, 2015.

### Tipton KC fish fries: All from 5 to 7 PM

- Feb. 27; Fish Fry Supper,
- March 13 Shrimp Fry Carry Out,
- March 27 Catfish Dinner

**To report child abuse contact:** Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178 and if it involves clergy or church personnel also notify Alicia Owens, the Victim Assistance Coordinator, 563-349-5002; [vac@diodav.org](mailto:vac@diodav.org) or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004.

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### February 2015 Ministries-Mechanicsville

Eucharistic	Sat	Sadie Stabenow
		Mary Juhl
		Judy Aberle
	Sun	Mollie Fisher
		Joan Garner
		Shirley Jarzombek
Lector	Sat	Diane Schroeder
	Sun	Donna Robinson
Ushers	Sat	Jerry Ortman
		Mike Koch
Host Family	Sun	2.1 W. Robinson fam
		2.8 Jim Droll fam
		2.15 Mike Wilhau fam
		2.2 M Dohmen Fam
Altar Setup	Sat	Gretchen S
	Sun	Shirley Jarzombek
\$ count	Mon	Sharon Boyd

**St. Mary Mechanicsville collection: 1,256.29**

### St. Mary of Mechanicsville parish staff contact During February:

#### Shirley Jarzombek

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Office: 563-432-6236  
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Home: 563-432-6526

**St. Mary's Families:** It is TAX season again!! Please pick up your 2014 church contributions summary at the church entrance. If you have questions or concerns, contact Pearson and Associates in Mt. Vernon at [319-895-6224](tel:319-895-6224).

### **50th Anniversary of Church Dedication: Sunday, June 14, 2015**

In order to bring our church history up to date, we need pictures and clippings of events that occurred between 1973-2015. If you have either of these please share them with the Church history committee. They will be returned to you. History committee members includes Marcia Driscoll, Evelyn Walshire, Pam Robinson, and Shirley Jarzombek. Thanks for your participation in this project. The next planning meeting is Wed, Feb 11 at 6:30pm in church basement.

**Stations of the Cross:** Wednesdays of Lent at 7pm beginning Feb 25. In conjunction with our Rice Bowl program, we will be having Stations of the Cross. Please plan to attend.

### **Cathedral Sunday: Sunday, February 8, 2015**

There will be a second collection taken today for the needs of our Sacred Heart Cathedral in Davenport. You received a flyer and an envelope for this collection when you arrived.

**Please make checks payable to St Mary's Church.**

**St Mary's Parish Family Pictorial Directory 2015:** In conjunction with our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Church Dedication, we want to update our parish family's pictorial directory. We are asking each family to have a picture taken here or submit a recent picture of your family to be included in this Directory. St Mary's parish family pictures will be taken **Wed, March 4, 4-8pm; Thurs, March 5, 4-8pm, Fri, March 6, 4-8pm and Sat, March 7, 9:00am-2:30pm** here at the church. Carolyn Kilburg from C & J Studio, who is a member of our parish, will be our photographer. She does a great job! (She has done many of our First Communion class and Confirmation class pictures for several years.) Each family will receive a St Mary's Parish Family Directory and a 5" x 7" picture of their family for only a cost of \$10. There are sign-up sheets at the church entrance for a time slot. Please sign-up as soon as you can. There is also a website you may use to sign-up as well. To sign up, go to:

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F084FA8AB2CABFE3-stmarys/25257079](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F084FA8AB2CABFE3-stmarys/25257079). If you need additional assistance in getting to church for your picture, please contact Lori Crock at 432-6524. There is a ramp for accessibility to the basement from the north entrance.

St. Mary's Tipton Church Contributions  
Jan 31-Feb 1, 2015 = \$ 2,516.00

**St. Mary of Tipton parish staff contact information during February:**

**Maureen Peck**

(maureenjpeck@gmail.com)  
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Home: 563-886-2114

**Mary Barnum**

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Email: stmarymaryb@gmail.com

Full Faith Formation Schedules for grades K - 12 are on the website.

**In February,**

**Grades K - 7** meet on Sundays the 8th and 15th. Students may attend Mass with their Catechists on the 15th.

**Confirmation Class of 2016** will go to Mass together at 10 a.m. on February 15 and meet on Wednesday February 18 at 7 p.m. in the hall.

**High School grades 10 - 12** meet on Wednesdays February 11 and 18 at 7 p.m. in the hall. This group will lead the Stations of the Cross on March 4.

**Adult Lenten Study:** Sundays at 9 a.m. in the parish hall starting February 22. The study booklets are available now. Contact Karen Rohlf (563-357-4515 / [kjrohlf@netins.net](mailto:kjrohlf@netins.net)) or Mary Barnum (310.321.0715 / [stmary-mary@gmail.com](mailto:stmary-mary@gmail.com)) to get a book in advance and/or if you have any questions.



**Our annual parish Mardi Gras Celebration will be Sunday, February 15.**

Students should meet at the Hall by 9 a.m. as usual for Faith Formation classes. **After classes, they may go to Mass with their catechists and sit together by grades. The students will all have roles during the Mass.**

After Mass they will go back to the Hall with their Catechists. ALL are invited to the Hall after Mass for a pancake breakfast prepared and served by the Knights of Columbus, Women of St. Mary's, Confirmation Class of 2016, High School Ministers, and Faith Formation Commission members.

AND there will be fun activities, party favors and donations for Operation Rice Bowl will be accepted at this otherwise free event!

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For people interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, a Rite of Christian Initiation for

Adults (R.C.I.A.) class is being offered. If you are interested or want to sponsor someone who is interested, please contact Mary Barnum ([stmarymaryb@gmail.com](mailto:stmarymaryb@gmail.com) or 319.321.0715) or the rectory (563-886-2506) as soon as possible.

**Lent 2015 - Schedule of Stations of the Cross**

**Wednesday, February 25**

6:00 p.m. - Soup Supper *in the Hall* hosted by Parish Council members

7:00 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS - *in the Church* led by Parish Council members

**Wednesday, March 4**

6:00 p.m. - Soup Supper *in the Hall* - hosted by High School Ministers

7:00 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS - *in the Church* led by High School Ministers

**Wednesday, March 11**

6:00 p.m. - Soup Supper *in the Hall* - hosted by Faith Formation Commission Members

7:00 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS - *in the Church* - led by Faith Formation Commission Members.

**Wednesday, March 18\***

6:00 p.m. - Soup Supper *in the Hall* - hosted by Knights of Columbus

7:00 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS - *in the Church* led by Knights of Columbus

**Wednesday, March 25\***

6:00 p.m. - Soup Supper *in the Hall* - hosted by Liturgical Commission

7:00 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS - *in the Church* - Liturgical Commission

**Wednesday, April 1\***

6:00 p.m. - Soup Supper *in the Hall* - hosted by Confirmation Class of 2016

7:00 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS - *in the Church* led by Confirmation Class of 2016

## Question of the Week

*On leaving the synagogue  
Jesus entered the house of Simon and Andrew  
with James and John.  
Simon's mother-in-law lay sick with a fever.  
They immediately told him about her.  
He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up.  
Then the fever left her and she waited on them.*

*When it was evening, after sunset,  
they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by  
demons.  
The whole town was gathered at the door.  
He cured many who were sick with various diseases,  
and he drove out many demons,*

*not permitting them to speak because they knew him.*

*Rising very early before dawn, he left  
and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed.  
Simon and those who were with him pursued him  
and on finding him said, "Everyone is looking for you."  
He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages  
that I may preach there also.  
For this purpose have I come."  
So he went into their synagogues,  
preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole  
of Galilee.*

Mark 1:29-39

**Theme: Let us preach the good news to all!**

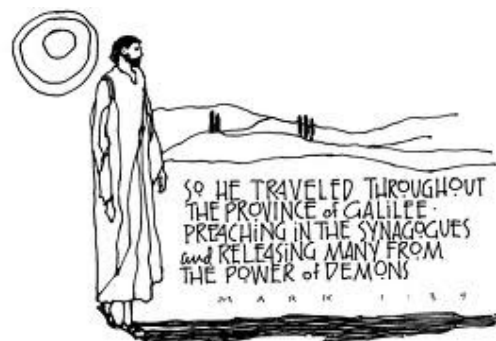
### Breaking Open the Word

#### Step One: Listen to the Word

As you listen to the stories of Jesus healing the people, what strikes you about it? What do you detect in Jesus that strengthens his ministry?

#### Step Two: Look into Your Life

- **Question for Children:** What can you do to help your friends and classmates know more about Jesus?
- **Question for Youth:** Jesus knew that his mission was for everyone, not just one village or group of people. How can you reach out to others (outside of friends and family) and offer them hope and Good News?
- **Question for Adults:** If you were going to pray for healing for any reason, what would it be? What needs to be healed in our world and society?



**Fr. Jacques Philippe**, a world renowned spiritual guide and author, will be visiting the Iowa City area parishes at the beginning of Lent. A member of the Community of the Beatitudes in France, he is well-known for his teachings on prayer, interior freedom and peace of heart. His books offer clear, yet profound reflections on themes such as how to pray better, how to handle suffering, and how to develop one's interior life to achieve true peace and happiness. His books have become spiritual classics and have been printed in 18 languages. His schedule is as follows:

Thursday, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> St Mary Church, Iowa City, Iowa  
7-8:30pm

"What is True Conversion?"

**All are welcome**

Free will offering

Friday, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> St. Wenceslaus Church, Iowa City  
7-9pm

**An Evening of Recollection for Men**

"Growing in Prayer and Relationship with God"

All Men Welcome Free Will Offering

Saturday, Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> St Patrick Church, Iowa City

**Retreat for Women**

The Way of TRUST and LOVE

A Retreat Guided by St. Therese of Lisieux

Registration \$20: includes box lunch if registered

by Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>. Registration form available on parish web sites

Women religious free; students \$10

**Walk-ins are welcome;** no lunch provided

Questions: Contact Dan Teets at [dan-icstmarys@q.com](mailto:dan-icstmarys@q.com) 337-4314 ext. 105

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St. Mary's Church, Riverside, Iowa  
Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale  
Sunday, February 22, 2015  
7AM to 1 PM

**Parish of Sts. Mary and Joseph**  
Sugar Creek-Bryant  
OMELET & PANCAKE BREAKFAST  
BAKESALE AND SILENT AUCTION  
Sunday, February 22nd, 2015  
**At Preston Town Hall 7 to 12 noon**