



CEDAR COUNTY CATHOLIC PARISHES

MECHANICSVILLE, TIPTON, WEST BRANCH

SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2024

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



"I do not ask that you take them out of the world but that you keep them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth. Your word is truth." - Jn 17:15-17

Mass Intentions

**Saturday May 11- West Branch
5:00 PM - Dennis and Mary Marchik**

Sunday May 12 Mechanicsville

8:00 AM - Dennis Pisank

Sunday May 12 Tipton

10:00 AM - Pro Popula

Tuesday May 14 Tipton

5:30 PM - Blain and Kriss Marchik

Wednesday May 15 West Branch

8:30 AM - Everette Walshire

Thursday May 16 Mechanicsville

8:30 AM - Lyod Hughes

Friday May 17 Tipton

8:30 AM - Michele and Anthony Hall

Saturday May 18- West Branch

5:00 PM - Jim and Dorothy Dohmen

Sunday May 12 - Mechanicsville

8:00 AM - Pro Popula

Sunday May 19 - Tipton

10:00 AM—Robert Rouse

Prayer for the election of a new bishop

O God, eternal shepherd, who govern your flock with unfailing care, grant in your boundless fatherly love a pastor for your Church who will please you by his holiness and to us show watchful care.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Mechanicsville: May 5, 2024

Envelopes: \$710.00
Offertory: \$407.00
Total: \$1,117.00

Tipton: May 5, 2024

Envelopes: \$2,909.00
Offertory: \$228.03
Churches of Latin America: \$80.00
Total: \$3,217.03

West Branch: May 4, 2024

Envelopes: \$545.00
Offertory: \$258.00
Utilities: \$20.00
Total: \$823.00

If you wish to place a mass intention, please specify the intention when making the request, \$5 is suggested. When dropping off money for mass intentions, please include the name of who the mass is for and whom it is from.

Check out the Cedar County Catholic calendar to find out what's going on in the three parishes on our website at <https://stmarystipton.com/>

The office will be closed on Wednesday May 15th. Sorry for the inconvenience

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Office hours:
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
10:00 am to 3:00 pm

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 or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004

TIPTON

From the Faith Formation Desk

Thank you, thank you, thank you to our catechists for their faithful instruction and sharing of faith with our children!

Caitlin Boyle, Cindy Weber, Menzea Nielsen, Paulette Meier, Cheanne Kofmehl, Julie Thomas, Mary Jo Williams, Maggie Wehde, and Mary Barnum along with high school helpers Caleb Meier, Mya Bodecker, Emily Meier, Tate Rezac, and Madison Meier.

Congratulations and joy to our First Communicants Lilly Bechhold, Landon Driscoll, Bennett Fields, Louie Kruse, Quinn Nielsen, and Hayzel Schroeder!

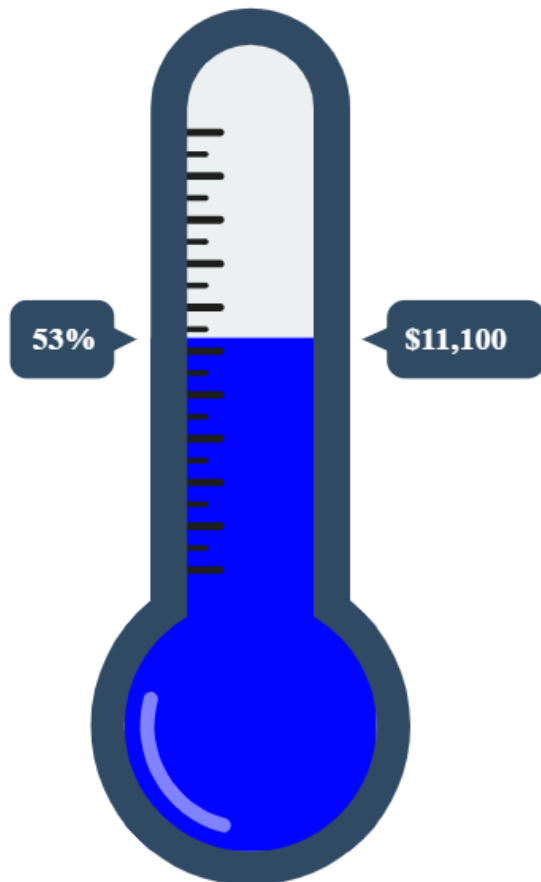
Adult: Conversation at 8:45 a.m. every Sunday in the parish hall. Join us for study of the Scripture of the day and other topics. Also, Monday evenings—for more details on that, please contact Cheyanne Kofmehl.

St. Mary Tipton College Scholarship. Please see Fr. James for details and the application.

Deadline is May 31st.

Church Window Project
As of May 7th

GOAL: \$21,000



St. Mary Tipton is seeking a director of religious education. This is a 10 hour per week part-time position. Please contact Fr. James if your interested or know someone who would be a good fit for the position.

Get ready to learn about the Marvelous Mystery of the Mass!

CatChat's Marvelous Mystery VBS will be hosted at St. Mary of Tipton, from July 29-August 2. Participants in VBS will be exploring different aspects of the source and summit of the Catholic faith: the Eucharist, along with the celebration of The Mass, by using catchy songs, outdoor games, delicious snacks, catechetical crafts and even learn about some saints and scripture along the way! Each day concludes with Eucharistic Adoration, then celebration—a time of upbeat worship that gets everyone involved.

Join us **July 29-August 2, 8:30am-noon.** Children going into preschool through 4th grade can participate!

*We cannot do VBS without **volunteers!** If you would like to volunteer at VBS, please email cheyanne.kofmehl@gmail.com.*

MECHANICSVILLE

DATE	Set-Up	LECTOR	DISTRIBUTE
May 19	Jane	Lindsay	Jane/Mike/Jen
May 26	Donna	Donna	Donna/Lee/Lori

WEST BRANCH

Pastor's Perspective

Cedar County Senior Center is looking for volunteers to deliver meals on wheels from the Tipton Senior Center to West Branch residents and a few places along the way. You will be paid mileage. Please contact Director Karen Lafrenz at 563-886-3293 for detailed information. It is a great program and is needed.

As we approach Mother's Day, our hearts turn with gratitude towards the mothers in our lives. Mothers are the anchors of our families, the source of comfort and strength, and the guiding lights in our faith journey.

A Reflection of Mary's Love

In the Catholic tradition, mothers hold a special place. We see a reflection of their nurturing love in the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. Mary's unwavering faith, compassion, and selflessness inspire mothers throughout the world. This Mother's Day, let us remember Mary's role as our spiritual mother and seek her intercession for all mothers.

Please keep our confirmation students in your prayers as they receive Confirmation today

Celebrating All Mothers

Motherhood takes many forms. We celebrate biological mothers, adoptive mothers, foster mothers, stepmothers, grandmothers, and all those who offer love, care, and guidance. Their dedication and sacrifice shape who we are and the lives we lead.

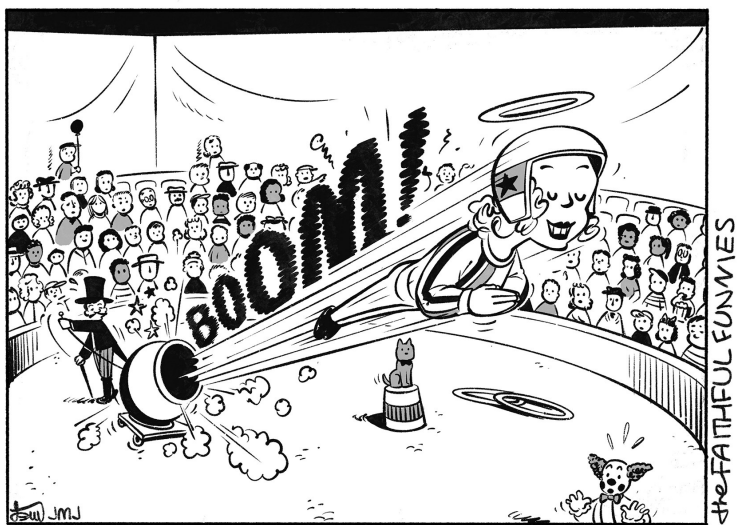
Expressing Gratitude

On this Mother's Day, let us take time to express our love and gratitude to the mothers in our lives. A simple phone call, a heartfelt card, or a helping hand can speak volumes.

May this Mother's Day be filled with love, joy, and gratitude for the mothers in our lives!

Fr. James Flattery

"Did you hear about the holy circus performer who was launched into the air?"



"She was **canonized!**"



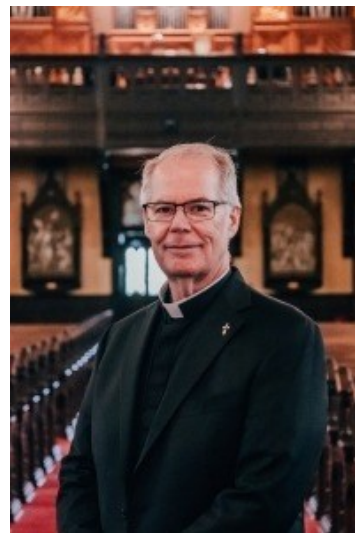
"Canonization" is the final step honoring someone as an official Catholic saint. Saints are people who lived lives of faith and are now in heaven with Jesus.

1st Communion photos from Tipton and Mechanicsville.
West Branch photos were not available by bulletin deadline.



Congrats to Logan and Weston for
being elected as officers for the
North Cedar FFA Chapter

Please keep Deacons Mike Snyder and
Dane Dickinson as they prepare to be
ordained priests on June 1st at
Sacred Heart Cathedral in Davenport



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President

Vice President

Deacon Mike

Deacon Dane