

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

15 SUN Sir 15:15-20/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or  
5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

16 Mon Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13

17 Tue Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21

The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

18 Wed Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

19 Thu Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25

20 Fri Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15

21 Sat Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32

Saint Peter Damian, Bishop

22 SUN Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

LENOX

Collection - \$1,090.75

January Income - \$6,562.00

Expenses - \$14,867.94

CORNING

Collection – \$ 540.00

February 8-9, 2026 - \$1,592

January Income - \$ 198,849.51

(\$27,125 is building)(\$157,412.12 is roof)

Expenses - \$ 115,502.25 (\$99,8855 is roof)

Roof Campaign - \$ 111,190.00

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

CORNING - SATURDAY, February 21

Rosary: John & Karma Green

Lector: Jamie H.

EM: Jamie H. & Mark R.

Ushers: John & Shirley

CORNING - SUNDAY, February 22

Rosary: Kris R.

Servers: Ryder, Brylie & Finn

Lector: Wayne R.

Em: Wayne & Jane

Sacristan: Jane R.

Ushers: Nicky & Barb

Gift Bearers: Matt Ramsey Family

Musician:

Cantor: Nancy A.

Money Counters Feb. 17: Nancy A. & Kathy M.

LENOX - SUNDAY, February 22

Sacristan: Judy

Lector: Kathrine & Sarah

Servers: Brayden & Camilla

Ushers: Richard & Linda

Eucharistic Ministers: Mike, Judy, Sarah

Money Counters: Larry & Ray

Power Point: Jase

Coffee & Rolls:

Feb. 22: Merlis V., Jose & Melissa V.

Mar. 1: Bart & Kiim, Branden & Rachel

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CORNING AND LENOX

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February 14-15, 2026

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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Visitation of the Sick - Please call the parish office in Corning - 641-322-3363 or Lenox - 641-333-2565 - to arrange for Communion in your home.

Confessions:

Lenox - Sunday,8:00 -8:30 a.m.

Corning - Saturday, 5:00p.m.-5:30 p.m.

Available anytime upon request

ROSARY

Corning, Rosary Recitation every Tuesday at 11:00 a.m., before, NOON Mass, Saturday, 5: 00.pm. and Sunday at 10:00a.m.

Mass Schedule

C, Sat., Feb. 14 5:30 p.m. Levi & Elizbeth Green

L, Sun., Feb. 15 8:30 a.m. Mary Rychnovsky

C, Sun., Feb. 15 10:30 a.m. Richard Jennings

C, Tues., Feb. 17 12:00 (Noon) Helen Robinson

L, Wed., Feb. 18 8:30 a.m. Paul Rayhons

C, Thurs., Feb. 19 12:00 (Noon) Ed & Jinx Amdor

L., Fri., Feb. 20 8:30 a.m. Jim Wurster

C, Sat., Feb. 21 5:30 p.m. Alan Luther

L, Sun., Feb. 22 8:30 a.m. David Heim

C, Sun., Feb. 22 10:30 a.m. John & Esther Reichenauer

EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

Corning, First Thurs: 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Lenox, First Friday: 9.00.m.-10.00 a.m.

SACRAMENTS

Marriage - Arrangements should be made ASAP and at least six months before the wedding.

Baptism - Baptisms are held on the 3rd Sunday

Lenox, Rosary recitation every Wednesday and Friday after mass at 9:00 a.m. and Sunday at 8:00a.m.

LENOX BIRTHDAYS

February 16 Richard Notz

February 18 Bart Cline

February 21 Anita Longfellow

LENOX ANNIVERSARIES

February 14 Arturo & Melis Villarreal

February 15 Harlan & Lorraine Riley

CORNING BIRTHDAYS

February 16 Linus Venteicher

February 17 Eric Amdor

February 17 Kallen Mealey

February 20 Marj Reynolds

February 21 Connie Larson

CORNING ANNIVERSARIES

February 12 John & Karma Green

February 15 John & Shirley Boswell

REFLECTION

A dentist looked at his patient and asked, “Do you brush your teeth every day?” The patient replied, “Yes, Doctor. Twice a day.” “Good,” said the dentist. “Do you brush only the front teeth or also the inside?” The patient hesitated and said, “Mostly the front... those are the ones people see.” The dentist smiled and said, “That’s the problem. The real damage has happened on the inside.” This simple conversation helps us understand today’s Gospel from Matthew. Jesus tells us that He has not come to abolish the Law but to fulfill it. He is not removing the Ten Commandments; He is taking us deeper. Just like brushing only the outside of the teeth is not enough, following God’s law only on the outside is not enough.

Jesus challenges us to go beyond the Pharisees. They followed the law perfectly, every rule, every detail. But many times, they focused only on what people could see. Jesus wants us to go further – to clean the inside of our hearts. This Gospel is a powerful guide for confession, because it helps us examine not only our actions but also our thoughts. Jesus teaches us to look at three areas of our lives: how we treat others, how we guard our hearts, and how we live with integrity.

First, Jesus speaks about relationships. When he speaks about “You shall not kill,” He immediately speaks about anger, harsh words, and broken relationships. Anger and resentment can destroy us and others incrementally. That is why Jesus says forgiveness and reconciliation are more important than prayer and worship. We cannot claim to love God while refusing to forgive a brother or sister. Second, He speaks about the purity of heart. Speaking about adultery, He says that sin does not begin with actions, but with thoughts. He invites us to practice modesty of the eye and purity of heart, respecting others not as objects but as persons. This also applies to media, phones, and social habits today.

Finally, Jesus speaks about integrity. On divorce, Jesus reminds us that marriage is sacred and not meant to be broken when things become difficult. Love demands faithfulness and commitment. Jesus also speaks about oaths. A truthful person does not need to swear. A simple “yes” or “no” should be enough. A truthful life speaks louder than words. We often get lost in rules and forget the spirit behind them. A simple question will guide us: Does this affect my relationship with God, with others, or with myself? If it does, then it is a sin.

Jesus invites us to clean not only the outside, but the inside – to live in love, honesty, forgiveness, & integrity. Let us ask one question today: what inside me needs cleaning? May God bless us all.

COMBINED ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

8:30 a.m. – Lenox  
10:30 a.m. – Corning Hospital  
5:30 p.m. – Corning

FISH FRY DATES

February 27<sup>th</sup> 5:30-7:00 p.m. Lenox  
March 13<sup>th</sup> 5:30-7:00 p.m. Corning  
March 27<sup>th</sup> 5:30-7:00 p.m. Corning

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Lenox—immediately following Sunday Mass  
Corning—Fridays during Lent at 5:30 p.m.

LENTEN COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION

( confessions by visiting Priest )  
March 18 – Corning 6:00 p.m.  
March 25 – Lenox 6:00 p.m.

LENTEN THEME 2026

Our Parishes Theme for 2026 Lenten Season is  
**Rediscovering Confession and God’s Mercy.**

CORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, February 17th at 5:30 p.m. at the Parish Center.

ARE YOU SMARTER THAN AN RE STUDENT

This is the theme for our next Family Night on February 25<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. The meal will be served by Matt & Sheila Ramsey family. It will be kids against adults so come prepared to compete.

MANY, MANY THANKS

Thank you for the many years of service playing the piano that Carol Hardisty has given to our church. She has helped with music preparation and playing for masses, holidays and many other occasions. Carol, thank you very much.

LENTEN PEACE PARADE

Save the date—March 25<sup>th</sup>. Soup Supper at 5:30 p.m. & Peace Parade at 6:00 p.m.

EM’S NEEDED ONE WEEKEND A MONTH.

We have 3 homebound individuals who would like to have communion twice a month. If you could do this once a month please call the office or Jane to set it up and give you the information needed.

CORNING PRAYER LIST

Liam Morstorf	Mary Moore	Cathy Luther
Catie Hunter	Casey McKee	Doug Hardisty
Ben Schweers	Hank Sorensen	Dash Burr
John Hawks	Karen Taylor	Kathy Hogan
Marcella Gearheart	Christopher Black	
Deborah K Piper		

LENOX ANNOUNCEMENTS

MASS TIMES

Beginning May 1, 2026 Lenox will have Mass every Wednesday and then the 1st, 3rd and 5th Fridays.

FISH FRY UPDATE

Menu: Cod fish, smoked baked beans, coleslaw, mac n cheese, dinner roll, assorted desserts, tea, and lemonade. Freewill Donation. Carry Out but no deliveries. Friday, February 27th from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Corning Knights of Columbus will be cooking the cod, but anyone from Lenox is welcome to help them. We are excited about offering this meal to the Lenox and surrounding communities.

SOCKS OF LOVE

Please return filled socks by the end of February.

LENTEN ECHUMENICAL SERVICES

We will host the first Lenten service on Sunday, February 22 at 5:00 p.m. Committee members are Joyce S., Marilyn R., Deanna S., Martha M., Ag C., Melissa S., Lahni Jean R., and Kristen R.

OUTREACH FOOD BAGGING

What a great night we had, with over 50 kids and adults volunteering to bag food for needy families in Taylor Union, Ringgold, and Adams County. We bagged 350 bags of Pasta Tomato Basil and 350 bags of Raisin Oatmeal. This will feed over 4,200 people.

LENOX PRAYER LIST

Irene Ripperger	Kenny Heim	Nathan Harms
John Heim	Camilla Perez	Elvira Meny
Rachael Reed	Paul Maynes	Ben Schweers
Sergio Dozier	Leslie Cerda	Brandon Larimer
Stacy Callahan Brown	Jack Wackernagle	
David Hale	Ben French	Mary O’Riley
Michael Gray	Wayne Haidsiak	Andrea Rayhons
Cyrila Roberts	Debbie Bradley	