OFFICES CLOSED
The Diocesan and Catholic Messenger offices will be closed on Good Friday, March 29.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS
Fr. Joe Rogers: Kahl Home, 6701 Jersey Ridge Rd., Davenport 52807-3203, 563-324-1621

COMMUNICATION OFFICE
New Rules for the Conclave Announced: To read go the article by Catholic News Service:

Free Downloadable Book on the Conclave: Written by Msgr. Charles Burns, the Ecclesiastical Adviser at the British Embassy to the Holy See, this free publication from the Catholic Truth Society explains simply and clearly what happens before, during and after a Papal election. Click on this link:
http://www.ctsbooks.org/pope/.

LITURGY OFFICE
March 5 Webinar, 2:00-3:15 p.m.  Seasonal Liturgical Decoration Triduum/ Easter.  This webinar picks up from where the February webinar (Liturgical Decoration for Lent) left off.  Beginning with Palm Sunday and Holy Week through the Triduum and the Easter Season, we will quickly review the general guidelines for designing a worship space and then look at the specific needs for the season.  (The Lent webinar is not a prerequisite for participating.)  Presented by Gale Francione a member of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission.  To register click on this link or copy and paste it into your browser:
https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/406358321.  For questions contact Laurie Hoefling, hoefling@davenportdiocese.org or 563-888-4220.  If you are interested, but unable to attend a CD of the webinar can by requested by contacting Laurie.

May 7 Webinar: Liturgical Music (registration information will be forthcoming)

FINANCE OFFICE
Budget: The 2013-2014 budget documents will be emailed in March and due August 1.

STEWARDSHIP OFFICE
Quote from Pope Benedict: This might be used as a bulletin announcement:

According to the teaching of the Gospel, we are not owners but rather administrators of the goods we possess: these, then, are not to be considered as our exclusive possession, but means through which the Lord calls each one of us to act as a steward of His providence for our neighbor.

A presentation on Parish Hospitality will be offered as a webinar on Tuesday, April 2 at 1 p.m.  It will be given by members of the Diocesan Stewardship Commission.  Registration information will be sent at a later date to those receiving the Mini-Messenger.  If others are interested please forward their name and email address or if you have questions contact Laurie Hoefling, hoefling@davenportdiocese.org or 563-888-4220.

Region IX Stewardship Conference: Friday, April 19, Kansas City, Kansas, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.  Join parishioners and priests, stewardship councils and parish staffs from across Region IX (Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas) for an informative and inspirational day, as we delve into the spirituality, the tools and the important purpose and impact of meaningful living of the Stewardship Way of Life in the Year of Faith. The fee (includes lunch) is $90.  A brochure with housing details is attached.  For those interested in carpooling contact Dan Ebener, ebener@davenportdiocese.org or 563-888-4251.
**Blessings for Leaders at a Discounted Price:** Liturgical Press is offering the latest book by Dan Ebener (Director of Stewardship and Parish Planning) at a 20% discount to all parish and diocesan leaders in the Diocese of Davenport through Easter Sunday, March 31. Here is the offer: Paperback price: $9.95, sale price $7.96; eBook price: $7.99, sale price $6.39. To order go to this link: [http://www.litpress.org/Blessings/](http://www.litpress.org/Blessings/). This offer is only available by clicking on this link.

Endorsements: “Blessings for Leaders offers profound spiritual inspiration for every aspect of leadership. With thoughtful and encouraging examples of how the teachings of Jesus can be applied in any workplace, Dr. Dan Ebener has given a gift to leaders everywhere.” - Ken Blanchard, coauthor of The One Minute Manager® and Lead Like Jesus

“In Blessings for Leaders, Dan Ebener examines what it means to be a leader through the lens of The Beatitudes, encouraging each of us to live into the invitation that Jesus has offered us: to be a follower of Jesus, a disciple, and an apostle.” - Jim Wallis, Sojourners.

“This is exactly the type of book that I highly recommend. It provides insights into the Gospel, inspiring stories, practical advice and specific examples of how to apply the Beatitudes to leadership. As Dan points out, the Beatitudes of Jesus are indeed Blessings for Leaders.” – Bishop Amos, Diocese of Davenport, Iowa

For additional information about the book and Dan Ebener go to [www.blessingsforleaders.com](http://www.blessingsforleaders.com).

**SOCIAL ACTION OFFICE**

**Income Tax Help:** Low-and moderate income working families may qualify for help from two federal tax benefits: Earned Income Credit (EIC) and the Child Tax Credit (CTC). This year eligible low-wage families in 2013 may be eligible for an EIC worth up to $5,891. For more information about the Tax Credit go to [www.eitcoutreach.org](http://www.eitcoutreach.org). Also, please encourage families to file their taxes through Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program (VITA). This offers free tax help for low-to-moderate income people who cannot prepare their own return. To find a current location call 800-906-9887 or visit the VITA website, [http://www.irs.gov/individuals/article/0,,id=219171,00.html](http://www.irs.gov/individuals/article/0,,id=219171,00.html).

**The Justice and Peace Advocacy Team (JPAT)** meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at St. Patrick Church in Iowa City at 5:30 p.m. This meeting is open to justice-minded people throughout our diocese. If you would like more information please contact Glenn Leach, [leach@davenportdiocese.org](mailto:leach@davenportdiocese.org).

**Health Ministry Webinar/Presentation:** March 14, 12:00-1:00 p.m. This is a presentation for interested individuals/parishes to learn about the varied dimensions of health ministry and how to start one. The presenter will be Jennifer Hildebrand, Coordinator of the Health Ministry Parish Nurse Program for Genesis Health Systems, Davenport and a parishioner at Our Lady of the River, LeClaire. You may attend via webinar or in person. See the attached flyer for registration details.

**Available Grants:** Application deadline May 31. Grant applications are now being accepted for the local share of the CRS Rice Bowl and Catholic Campaign for Human Development collections. All grant requests must be postmarked by May 31 and sent to Diocese of Davenport, Social Action Office, 780 West Central Park Ave., Davenport 52804-1901. For questions call Loxi Hopkins at 563-888-4212.

- **Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl:** For those providing/supporting direct services to people who are hungry (first foot of Social justice). If your parish or community would like to apply go to [http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/saoperationricebowl.htm](http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/saoperationricebowl.htm).

- **Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD):** For those organizations and projects that promote systemic change (second foot of social justice). To apply please send your request in a 1-2 page letter along with the Catholic Campaign for Human Development Grant Agreement. To view grant criteria and obtain a copy of the agreement go to [http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/sachdapplyingfoagrant.htm](http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/sachdapplyingfoagrant.htm).
Catholic Charities: The Immigration Office of the Diocese of Davenport is recognized by the U.S. Department of Justice to practice family-reunification based immigration law, helping to reunite families split by immigration, and help immigrants adjust their immigration status. Services provided by the office can be found at http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/saimmigrationprogram.htm and are included in the attached brochure. Please distribute the brochure to those who might benefit from these service.

Recently, a generous grant from the Riverboat Development Authority allowed the office to make a significant upgrade in the software it uses to manage immigration cases. This new software also has advantages for clients such as the ability to use a computer to check the status of various actions on their cases or to respond to questions without making additional office visits once the case has been initiated. Unlike ordinary email, this communication will protect the privacy of clients. The Immigration Office and the clients greatly appreciate the grant.

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

Certificate in Youth Ministry Studies: Join us this summer for courses for the Certificate in Youth Ministry Studies at St. Ambrose University. The Certificate in Youth Ministry Studies is a ministry education program for those in ministry with youth ages 11-18, offered at St. Ambrose University in conjunction with the Center for Ministry Development. The program consists of 2-day classes which equip participants with knowledge, skills, and practical tools and techniques to assist in youth ministry programs. This certificate is perfect for youth ministry coordinators, high school campus ministers, youth retreat coordinators, directors of religious education, and all those who work with or are interested in working with youth. Classes will be offered June 6-7, 8-9, and July 11-12, 13-14. Contact Chris Clow at 563-333-6189 or ClowChristopherJ@sau.edu for more information.

Lay Ministry Formation Opportunities: The Ministry Formation Program is offering Basic Year II (in English and Spanish) and a specialization track on Catechesis. More information can be found on the diocesan website, www.davenportdiocese.org [Chancery>Faith Formation>Lay Ministry (MFP)] or contact IlaMae Hanisch, 641-791-3435 or hanisch@davenportdiocese.org.

Upcoming courses are:

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Marriage and Parenting Resource: Attached is the March issue of “Marriage Moments and Parenting Pointers.” This is produced by Susan Vogt and she has excellent resources to support couples and families: http://www.susanvogt.net/index.html.

Marriage Preparation Weekends:
- April 27-28: Williamsburg, St. Mary, registration deadline is April 19
- August 10-11: Mt. Pleasant, St. Alphonsus, registration deadline is August 2
- October 12-13: Muscatine, SS. Mary & Mathias, registration deadline is October 4

The registration form is on the diocesan website, www.davenportdiocese.org (Chancery>Faith Formation>Marriage and Family). Registration is $125 per couple. For more information contact Barb Butterworth, 563-888-4240 or butterworthb@davenportdiocese.org or IlaMae Hanisch, hanisch@davenportdiocese.org.

Upcoming Youth Events/Retreats/Rallies:
- March 8-10: Christ in Others (COR) – retreat for high school sophomores, juniors and seniors, St. Joseph, DeWitt
- March 15-17: Christ in Others (COR) – retreat for high school sophomores, juniors and seniors, Holy Trinity, Keota
- March 17: Junior High Youth Rally – Regina Catholic Education Center, Iowa City
- June 8-10: Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) – retreat for high school juniors and seniors, St. Mary, Solon
- June 17-21: Notre Dame Vision (week one) – Notre Dame, IN
June 30-July 2: **Catholics in Action (CIA)** – service retreat for high school youth, Regina Catholic Education Center, Iowa City

July 15-19: **Notre Dame Vision** (week four) – Notre Dame, IN

October 27: **High School Youth Rally** – Marriott, Coralville

November 21-23: **NCYC** – Indianapolis, IN

For information about these youth ministry events and resources go to Youth Ministry Davenport Diocese (http://www.davenportdiocese.org/faithform/Youth%20Ministry.htm) or contact Barb Butterworth, butterworthb@davenportdiocese.org.

**PROTECTING GOD’S CHILDREN**

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, Victim Assistance Coordinator: 563-349-5002, vacdav@attglobal.net or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004.

**ST. AMBROSE UNIVERSITY, DAVENPORT**

**Restless Heart**, a film directed by Christian Duguay telling the story of St. Augustine based on his own *Confessions*. Filmed in Europe, RESTLESS HEART is the first full-length feature movie on St. Augustine. The film will be screened at Rave Cinemas (3601 East 53rd Street, Davenport) on March 19 and will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets for the show are $10 and can be reserved by contacting James Hinderks at hinderksjamesr@sau.edu. Payment can be made at the door the night of the event. Spaces are limited.

Sponsored by St. Ambrose University’s CAB, SGA, and Campus Ministry. Visit the film’s website at www.restlessheartfilm.com for the film’s trailer and other information.

**The Icon of Guadalupe** will be the topic of the 2013 Chair of Catholic Studies Lecture at St. Ambrose University on Tuesday, April 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the Rogalski Center by Jeanette Rodriguez, PhD, Professor of Theology and Religious Studies at Seattle University. Dr. Rodriguez’s lecture is entitled, “Out of the Ashes: Mestiza/o Christianity.” The St. Ambrose University Chair of Catholic Studies addresses concerns of a religious nature by providing guest lecturers who contribute to the Catholic intellectual tradition in fields including theology, history, literature, music, scripture, liturgy, and the sciences, among others. This year’s lecture coincides with a year-long Race Matters series presented by the College of Arts and Sciences. The lecture is free and open to the public. A reception will follow the lecture. For further information, contact Fr. Chuck Adam, adamcharlesa@sau.edu or 563-333-6151.

**Bible and Justice Conference:** May 30-June 2, St. Ambrose University. This conference will explore how biblical texts might address modern justice concerns, especially in the areas of empire, gender, poverty and the environment. Conference speakers will include several noted experts and academicians from theology, biblical studies and other fields. Free on-campus housing available to the first 100 delegates. For more information go to http://www.sau.edu/Bible_and_Justice_Conference.html.

**Master of Pastoral Theology:** St. Ambrose University will be starting a new group of Master of Pastoral Theology students in August 2013. This graduate degree is offered as a 4-year program with classes that meet one weekend per month, August through May. It is designed for those who have baccalaureate degrees and are actively engaged in ministry. The university offers a one-third tuition remission for those who are active in ministry and are accepted into the program. Interested individuals are invited to read additional details about the mission and goals of the program by visiting www.sau.edu/mpth or by contacting the program director, Dr. Corinne Winter at 563/333-6442. Questions may also be emailed to mpth@sau.edu. Applications for the summer 2013 cohort are being accepted through June 30, 2013.
BENET HOUSE RETREAT CENTER, ROCK ISLAND, IL
All events held at Benet House Retreat Center, 2200 88th Avenue West, Rock Island, IL 61201-7649. To register, contact Sr. Jackie Walsh at 309-283-2108 or retreats@smmsisters.org.

The Word Among Us: Read, reflect, pray and share with other committed Christians seeking to grow in reflecting on the challenges of Scripture for everyday life. We share a new book each month. Presenter: Sr. Charlotte Sonneville, OSB; 2 Mondays each month March 4 & 18; 6:45-8:15 pm; Fee: $65 for the series or $5/session & cost of books. For more information call 309-283-2109.

Centering Prayer: Join others in a weekly practice of this method for fostering a deeper relationship with God. Leader: Sr. Catherine Cleary, OSB; Wednesdays 1-2 pm; Free Will Offering

Discerning Read
Mondays, Mar. 11, 25; April 8, 22; 6:30-8 pm. Searching for something more in your life? Wondering where God is leading you? Seeking to know how God is working through you? Edward Little’s book, Ears to Hear: Recognizing and Responding to God’s Call, will direct our focus on these questions. Facilitator: Sr. Bobbi Bussan, OSB. Fee: $5/session or $30 for the series (you supply the book) or $48 for the series and we provide the book.

View the New Creation Story with Faith-Filled Eyes
Sat. Mar. 16, 9 am-3 pm: We will view the video “Journey of the Universe” and consider how our new creation story affects our understanding of God and our role in the universe. Time for quiet reflection and sharing will be included. Presenter: Sr. Sandra Brunenn, OSB, Prioress St. Mary Monastery. Fee: $33 (incl. lunch).

Holy Week Retreat
Thurs. Mar. 28, 4 pm-Sun. Mar. 31, 1 pm. Participate with the monastic community in silence, prayer and the solemn liturgies of the Last Supper, Death and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Contact Sr. Catherine Cleary at (309) 283-2118 or ccleary@smmsisters.org to discuss participation that works for your schedule.) Fee: $160.

OUR LADY OF THE PRAIRIE RETREAT, WHEATLAND
Visit www.chmiowa.org to learn more about Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat. For direct inquiries: 563-336-8414 or olpretreat@gmail.com.

March 1-2, Fri. 7pm – Sat. 3pm
Spiritual Pilgrimage
Leader: Pastor Dianne Prichard, Community Church of Toronto, IA
Develop a greater sensitivity to God’s presence and inspiration, learn basic spiritual disciplines. Fee: $100 includes lodging, nutritious locally grown meals, speaker input, and time for quiet walks.

Sun., March 3, 5 pm
Taize’ Vigil Service
Leader: Sister Kathleen Storms, SSND
Taizé is an ecumenical movement, drawing Christians of all denominations together in unified prayer. Friends of The Prairie and churches of all faith traditions in the area are being invited to participate. Future services will be held the first Sunday of each month at 5:00 pm followed by a soup supper. Free will donation.

Wed., March 6, 10 am – noon
Mini-Retreat: Call to conversion and what’s in it for us
Leader: Fr. Bill Kneemiller
We are all called to a “daily conversion,” and the beautiful setting of the Prairie Retreat Center is a perfect place to reflect on this call to fully respond to God’s grace. Mass, input, time for quiet and a light lunch. Fee: $8
Fri. 7pm – Sat. 4pm, March 8-9
Still Harvesting the Fruits of Vatican II
Leader: Carl Koch
Fifty years later, the Christian church is still harvesting the fruits of the Holy Spirit borne by Vatican II: closer relationships among denominations, vibrant embrace of the dignity of all persons in the community of Christ, deeper commitments to peace and justice. Come with your stories and reflections about how this grace-filled event challenged, inspired, and transformed you. Fee: $100

Thurs., March 14, 9:30 am – 3:30 pm
Spring Come to the Quiet
Come to the Quiet and savor solitude, nutritious food and the glory of spring at the Prairie. Fee: $20

Fri. 7pm – Sat. 4pm, March 15-16
Finding God in My Daily Life: Men’s Retreat
Leader: Fr. Michael Schaab, pastor of St. Pius X parish, Rock Island, IL
Reflect on your life and discover the God who is always with us and always inspires us. “Emmanuel, God-with-us” is not just a theme of Advent and Christmas. Focus for this men’s retreat is “Where is your God?” Fee $100

Wed., March 20, 9:30 am – 3:30 pm
Labyrinth in Clay
Leader: Kathleen Storms, SSND
The labyrinth is a time honored Christian walking meditation. Learn how to walk the labyrinth and create a clay finger labyrinth of your own. Fee $20

Wed. 7pm – Sat. 11am, March 27-30
Easter Triduum in Prayer and Celebration
Leaders: Staff at The Prairie
Morning reflection each day, liturgies in a neighboring town and Holy Thursday Seder Meal. Walk the journey Jesus walked and pray with others during these three holy days!

EAGLES’ WINGS COUNSELING AND RETREAT CENTERS, DAVENPORT
To register, for questions or information about obtaining a spiritual director, or Christian counseling contact Marcia Moore, marcia@eagleswings.ws or 563-324-7263, http://www.eagleswings.ws. Located at 5816 Telegraph Rd., Davenport.

Healing Mass: Wednesday, March 13, 1 p.m.

Lenten Day of Reconciliation: March 13, 10 a.m. We will view the video story of Fr. Marty Jenco (27 November 1934 - 19 July 1996) a native of Joliet, Illinois who he was taken hostage in Beirut by five armed men in January 1985, while serving as director of Catholic Relief Services. He was held for 564 days before being released and allowed to return to the United States. Fr. Jenco tells his story of imprisonment and ultimate forgiveness of his captors.

There will be personal time for reflection and prayer. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered followed by a Healing Mass at 1 p.m. Bring a sack lunch. Please RSVP before March 18. There is no registration fee.

SWAP: Soaking With a Purpose prayer meeting, March 8 and 22 at 7 p.m.

To support the ministry of your parish, school and the diocese these groups automatically receive the Mini-Messenger:
Deacons Diocesan Corporate Board Youth Ministers Pastoral Associates Directors/Coordinators of Faith Formation
Parishes Catholic Foundation Board Sisters RCIA Parish Contacts Diocesan Liturgical Commission
Priests Parish Lay Directors Bookkeepers Diocesan Board of Education Diocesan Planning Commission
Seminarians Diocesan Pastoral Council Principals
Other interested persons are welcome to subscribe. If you have questions regarding your subscription contact Laurie Hoefling, hoefling@davenportdiocese.org.
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NEW THIS CONFERENCE!

HOSPITALITY – ALL ARE WELCOME

Looking for new ideas to enhance your parish hospitality program? Have you created items or hosted events that foster a sense of belonging? We learn best from one another.

Please bring an idea or item the morning of the conference to add to our hospitality display.

Examples might include:

- Welcome packets, baskets or bags
- Invitations to parish events
- Photos of hospitality gatherings
- Written materials for hospitality committee members

International Catholic Stewardship Council
Region IX Stewardship Conference

Friday, April 19, 2013
Savior Pastoral Center
12601 Parallel Parkway
Kansas City, KS 66109
913-647-0236

Sponsored by the Stewardship and Development Offices of Region IX; Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska & Kansas

ACCOMMODATIONS

A limited number of private and semi-private rooms on a first-come, first-served basis at the Savior Pastoral Center for Thursday, April 18, 2013: in the Vianney Suites at $90, single occupancy; Strecker Suites at $25 per double occupancy, and $18 per single. Groups may also inquire about dormitory style accommodations (segmented by gender) in Honkeler Hall at $18 per person. To reserve your room, call the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kansas at 913-547-9033 or email stewdev@archkc.org. The deadline for reservations is Friday, April 12, 2013. (Another conference commences on Friday evening so most rooms will not be available on Friday night.)

A limited number of rooms are available at the Super 8 Benner Springs, 13403 Ridge Avenue, Benner Springs, Kansas, 66212 (at the 1-70 exit at K7 about 5 miles from the Savior Pastoral Center) at $99 per night. Please call 913-721-5877 to book a room by April 1, 2013.

Because it is NASCAR Weekend, please do not delay if you seek a hotel room. Visit www.visitkansascityks.com for a list of nearby hotels. Hotels located at Village West and Benner Springs are the closest in proximity to the Savior Pastoral Center.

REGISTRATION

THE YEAR OF FAITH
Region IX ICSC Regional Conference

Please complete the form and return with check for $50 per person to:

Eric Hazelhust
Diocese of Dodge City
910 Central
Dodge City, KS 67801
Phone: 620.227.1535
or register online at:
http://www.dcdiocese.org/stewardship/4490-region-ix

(Arch)diocese, Parish, Religious Community or Association

Contact Person

Street Address/City/State/Zip

Email/Phone

Attendees (Please print full names for badges.)

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YEAR OF FAITH
YEAR OF FAITH CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

8:00 a.m. Registration
8:30 a.m. Rosary in the Chapel
9:00 a.m. Welcome
9:15 a.m. Plenary Session: Mrsgr. Gregory R. Mikesch
“The Grateful Heart has been touched by Love”
10:15 a.m. Break
10:30 a.m. Break
10:45 a.m. Break
11:00 a.m. Mass
11:30 a.m. Lunch
12:00 p.m. Break
12:15 p.m. Plenary Session: Casting Nets with Chris Stewart and Tony Brandt
“Sharing The Faith with The Seven Pillars of Evangelization”
1:00 p.m. Closing

SESSION 2: Stewardship – Inspiration and Perseverance
Brian Niebuhrge
“How do I increase my Offertory collection?” This is the most common question that stewardship committees face. While it is an important question, another is more important...“How can I love Christ?” In fact, both questions are very closely related. The good steward can, should, and will answer both. This session will explore the inspiration behind stewardship, perhaps in some new ways you haven’t considered before. It will also explore some persevering, providing concrete ideas and tips to take your inspiration and move it forward.

SESSION 3: A Legacy of Stewardship: Building a Culture of Planned Giving in Your Parish
Gary Pratt
In 2009 the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas started the Planned Giving initiative to increase charitable giving at all levels. This effort has so far resulted in parishes and schools being notified of more than 265 Catholic legacy gifts. Learn simple, practical and measurable activities and tools you can use to build the spiritual message of planned giving into your parish.

SESSION 4: Stewardship Fatigue
Fr. Ken Vanlaverbeke
Stewardship Fatigue is a common fatigue infecting parishes having lived the Stewardship Way of Life for several generations, but complacently, apathy, and forgetfulness has created an atmosphere of entitlement and lethargy. This fatigue is dangerous because this small infectious agent can replicate inside the parish life and affects all types of parishioners and ministries, including the head (the pastor).

Father Ken Vanlaverbeke will review how a parish can “test” for this common fatigue, and provide ideas for treatment and care.

TRACK D: SPANISH LANGUAGE TRACK

Session 1: Quién es un buen corresponsable de los dones de Dios?
Karen Ruiz
Un buen corresponsable de los dones de Dios es aquel que maneja y comparte según la voluntad que Dios tiene para nuestras vidas. Este tiene cuatro características principales: recibe los regalos de Dios con actitud de agradecimiento, los cultiva con responsabilidad, los comparte con amor a las demás y los devueve en mayor proporción al Señor. Venga y aprenda cómo ser un buen corresponsable de los dones de Dios al ser expuesto a ejercicios prácticos, ejemplos y historias personales de cómo podemos recibir, cultivar, compartir y devolver el don que Dios quiere que nosotros los hagamos.

Session 2: Corresponsabilidad el Camino para Encontrar la Vida en Abundancia
Fr. Paul Collins
En su sesión, Corresponsabilidad, el Camino para Encontrar la Vida en Abundancia, Padre Paul Collins habla cómo una vida cristiana basada en gratitud, crecimiento, generosidad, y responsabilidad lleva a la alegría.

Session 3: La Cultura Latina de la Ofrenda en la Iglesia Católica
Karen Ruiz
Mientras que las estadísticas reportan que el nivel financiero de la ofrenda de los católicos en general es significativamente más bajo que otras religiones, el nivel de la ofrenda en las parroquias latina, en particular, es muy alto. La comunidad latina, especialmente es aún más bajo el promedio de los católicos en general. La realidad es que planear la ofrenda que de da a la iglesia, hablando financieramente es una parte tan vital de la cultura hispana; lo que es más común y existe en los hispanos es dar tiempo y talento. Por lo tanto, hay una necesidad grande de educar a la comunidad Latina en este concepto. Venga y escuche ejemplos comunes y sencillas sobre la actitud en las prácticas actuales de cómo compartir financieramente con la iglesia y descubra ideas nuevas para comenzar a implementar una actitud de corresponsabilidad en su comunidad.

PLENARY SESSION SPEAKERS

Casting Nets:
Chris Stewart and Tony Brandt
Casting Nets Ministries, a non-for profit lay apostolate, is a refreshing look at evangelization and catechesis. Casting Nets is dedicated to the challenge of New Evangelization. Their ministry is to be a resource for individuals, organizations, and parishes who want to answer the challenge of the New Evangelization.

Tony Brandt and Chris Stewart have a combined 35 years of experience in almost every level and form of ministry, from the youth to college, and from RCIA to adult formation. They have applied their unique approach to ministry with astonishing success and in a variety of settings, including retreats, lecture series, key notes at conferences and the classroom.

Most recently, Mrsgr. Gregory R. Mikesch has been asked to serve as Vice Rector of Kenrick-Glennon Seminary in St. Louis. Archbishop Carlson of St. Louis asked him to share his parish experience with the men studying to be parish priests. He brings his stewardship message to the young men who will be pastors of parishes in the near future.
Please come to explore the varied dimensions of health ministry and learn how you can get involved.

Health ministry is an expression of the concern for the life and dignity of each person from conception to natural death. It is focused on the whole person in a sustainable model of care across the spectrum of spiritual and physical concerns to meet the current and emerging needs of people, particularly the vulnerable. It also broadens and deepens our relationships within the community of the Church.

You may attend via webinar or in person.

**Webinar Registration:** [https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/984749360](https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/984749360)

**Onsite Attendance:** Lunch will be provided (sandwich, chips and drinks). Please RSVP by noon March 8 to guerrero@davenportdiocese.org or complete the registration form below.

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Mail to Diocese of Davenport, Social Action Office, 780 West Central Park Avenue, Davenport, IA 52804-1901
Activities/Actividades

- Help immigrants to obtain legal documentation
- Refer immigrants to other community services
- Develop education and outreach programs
- Nurture a community spirit to welcome our newcomers

Mission Statement/Nuestra Misión

To empower immigrants to become more self-sufficient through counseling, education and advocacy

Vision Statement/Declaración Visual

Strengthening our community by welcoming newcomers

Nurture a community spirit to welcome our newcomers

Immigration Program
Programa de Inmigración

LawLogix Immigration Case Management Software for Immigration Office operations was provided by a generous grant from the Riverboat Development Authority
Mary Ellen Chamberlin, President.
What is an Immigrant?  
Qué es un Inmigrante?

An immigrant is a person who migrates voluntarily to another country.

Un inmigrante es una persona que emigra voluntariamente a otro país.

In the U.S. an immigrant may be eligible for legal status that can be issued by U.S Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

En los Estados Unidos un inmigrante puede ser elegible para su estado legal por medio de los servicios de inmigración y Ciudadanía en Estados Unidos.

Examples:

- Work permits
- Legal residence
- Citizenship

Ejemplos:

- Permisos de trabajo
- Residencia legal
- Ciudadanía

Services Offered  
Ofrecemos Servicios de:

- Naturalization/Naturalización
- Certificate for Citizenship/Certificado de Ciudadanía
- Family–based Petitions/Peticiones Familiares
- Replace or Renew Permanent Resident Card/Remplazar o Renovar su Residencia Permanente
- Tourist Visa Invitation/Invitación para Visa de Turista
- Removal of Conditional Card/Remover las Condiciones de su Residencia
- USCIS Status Inquiries/Cartas al USCIS sobre su Residencia
- Adjustment of Status/Ajuste de Estado Legal
- Fiancé Visas/Visas Para Prometidos(a)
- V-Visa Extensions/Extenciones de Visas V
- Consular Processing/Proceso Consular

Cost/Costo

Because we offer assistance only for family reunification we are able to charge less than an attorney.

Porque ofrecemos asistencia para la reunificación familiar cobramos menos de un abogado.