As expected on Friday your faith in our future.

January 19 in the annual March DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN as we remember the over 56 million abortions since the FROM THE DESK OF THE Regional PAROCHIAL VICAR

DAA Pledged/Given $  4,685.00
DAA Goal $  5,709.00
DAA Pledged/Given $  7,064.00
55 Cards Returned

Sunday January 27 8:00 a.m.-At OLMC 10:00 a.m.-At SB
Herb/Mae Pudenz+
Clarence/Lillian Ludwig+

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: St. Bernard’s – Sunday’s 9:30- 9:45a.m. and by appointment
St. John’s – Saturday’s 5:00-5:15 p.m. and by appointment, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel – Sunday’s 7:30-7:45 a.m. and by appointment

PRESIDER: Fr. Mark Stoll
Eucharistic Pat Vogl (HB)
Ministers: Maureen Freese, Joleen Mooney
Loose Offering
Church Support
Church Support
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
Dorothea Bellinghausen
Jason Clausen, Annette Haberl
Kateylin & Collin Wiederin
Lauren Lenz
Kuemper Students
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Mary Theresa Hoffmann
Wayne & Angie Tigges
Bob & Dorothy Heisterkamp
Stephanie Hansen
Pat Vogl
Scott & Diane Wiederin
Marvin & Betty Huegenerich
Dan Nieland
Gene Nieland

St. John Church Support-Adult $  2,592.00
Church Support-Child $  0.00
Loose Offering $  61.55
Church Charities $  2.00

Church Support-Adult $  170.00
Church Support-Child $  24.00
Loose Offering $  403.00
Candle Money $  18.00

Finances for Week of January 14

St. John Our Lady of Mt. Carmel St. Bernard
Budgeted Mo. Giving $ 20,040.00 Budgeted Mo. Giving $17,015.00 Budgeted Mo. Giving $1,060.00
Income this month $ 8,860.80 Income this month $20,607.67 Income this month $20,933.72
Expenses for the Week $ 2,100.31
Expenses for the Week $ 377.03
Expenses for the Month $18,506.15
Expenses for the Month $19,718.02

DAA Goal $  7,064.00
DAA Goal $  5,709.00
DAA Pledged/Given $  7,262/$7,262
55 Cards Returned

51 Cards Returned

51 Cards Returned

5,025.00

3.00

2.00

$ 35.00

FROM THE DESK OF THE Regional PAROCHIAL VICAR: On this Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, I am here. Monday January 22 is a DAY FOR PRAYER OF THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN as we remember the over 56 million abortions since the 1973 decisions of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton, reflect with heartbreaking magnitude what Pope Francis means by a “throwaway culture,” and place our trust in God’s providence as we seek the Lord’s help as a people of faith who believe that our prayers are heard. As individuals, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and/or giving alms. Another way to take part is through participating in special events to observe the anniversary of Roe v. Wade such as the many people who participated on Friday January 19 in the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. Please remember your parish in your will....Your bequest is a testimony to your faith in our future. —Fr. Mark

For all Parishes:
- DYNAMIC CATHOLIC PARISH CHAMPION PROGRAM provides us each month with free copies of books, CDs, or other materials from Dynamic Catholic [Matthew Kelly]. Free this month in church entrances is a copy of the CD: My Spiritual Journey by Matthew Kelly, a talk he gives on how we may become dynamic Catholics. This is FREE to everyone to be inspired and to take life to the next level and share!
- ST. LAWRENCE WILL HOST “BE THAT MAN” BIBLE STUDY beginning Tuesday January 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room. All Carroll County residents are invited. We will take a study from the Formed.org website. Study materials will be provided. The study will last about an hour. If you have questions contact Phil Phillips at 792-5610 or Jacob Snyder jacobnsnyder358@gmail.com.
CELEBRATE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK Since 1974, National Catholic Schools Week has been an annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. The week begins the last Sunday in January and runs all week, this year, January 28 - February 3. The theme for the National Catholic Schools Week 2017 is “Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.” Schools typically observe the annual celebration week with Masses, open houses and other activities for students, families, parishioners and community members. Students attending Kuemper Catholic School will assist as ministers next weekend at all Masses. Check out www.kuemper.org for more information of activities at our school.

STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCES, is a high-energy youth conference held every summer in the county where thousands of teens are invited to encounter Jesus Christ through dynamic speakers, engaging music, the Sacraments, small group discussions, and fellowship with other teens. All high school students are invited to join other young Catholics across the county, diocese, and region at this year's Steubenville Conference in Springfield, Missouri July 13-15. If you are interested in attending or have any questions, please contact Carly Meixner, CCYM coordinator, by text or call at (712) 357-2582, or email her at cmueggenberg@gmail.com.

BRIAR CLIFF SUNDAY is held every year when the parishes of the Diocese of Sioux City are asked to help provide scholarship funds for local students to attend Briar Cliff. You will find an envelope in your collection packet for the collection of January 27/28. Please place it in the regular collection basket.

DAILY MASS will be cancelled at Our Lady of Mount Carmel-Mount Carmel on the days schools are postponed or cancelled due to winter weather and at St. John-Arcadia on the days schools are cancelled due to winter weather. Daily Mass at St. Bernard-Breda will still be held on those days.

USED PALM BRANCHES may be brought to church and placed the box marked “Palm.” These will be burned for ashes to be used Ash Wednesday.

SNOW/ICE REMOVAL: With winter here, we have volunteers and hired persons to clear the snow and ice from sidewalks, steps, and parking. Sometimes, these persons do not get everything cleared, especially when the snow is falling, and the wind is blowing during parish activities. Thus, if you volunteer and pick up a shovel or broom or ice melt to clear areas around any parish facility, please note this on the SNOW REMOVAL log found in the entrances of our parish facilities as required by our insurance company. Thank you.

COLLECTION MONEY for each parish sits in each parish. Unlike what some rumors and accusations report, the weekly collection money DOES NOT go to Carroll to support either parish in Carroll or another parish in Carroll County. Each dollar collected in the collection basket each weekend supports the parish it is designated for: i.e. Mount Carmel or Arcadia or Breda.

COLLECTION ENVELOPES from any of these three parishes may be placed in any of the three parish collection baskets and your contribution will be forwarded to your parish.

NEW PARISHIONERS may register in the parish of their choice by visiting http://christthekingcatholiccommunity.org/parish-registration [under the ABOUT drop-down menu].

PEOPLE WISHING TO JOIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, whether baptized in another faith or unbaptized and over the age of seven [7], may contact the pastor at any time of the year to begin the process known as RCIA [Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults]/RJCIC [Rite of Christian Initiation of Children].

PA/SOUND SYSTEM UPGRADE is scheduled to be completed by time you read this. As was noted in October, we need to replace the old speakers and amplifier. After consultation with the Parish Council, we proceeded with this upgrade which includes: two new speakers, a slightly used amplifier [like new], new microphone at the ambo, and new speaker wires. Cost for this project is around $2,300.00. Those wishing to donate towards this project may place your donation in an envelope marked “for sound system.”

NEW PARISHIONERSare provided. Please contact the Parish Office, 306 N 2nd St, Breda, Iowa.

THE KC’S will be cooking a delicious breakfast of eggs, sausage, homemade rolls, coffee, and juice in the Gremetan Center from 8am – noon on Sunday, January 21st. Proceeds help pay for our students attending the annual March for Life, and for pro-life billboards. Free will offering.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP SOUP Supper will be held on Saturday, January 27, 4:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at Kuemper High School Cafeteria. Adults $7; 11 & under $3.50. Everyone Welcome!

ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST is being done once or twice each month by families of the parish.

ST. BERNARD’S ANNUAL VALENTINE DINNER/DANCE will be Saturday, February 10, 2018, at the Breda American Legion Hall. The evening will begin with a happy hour 6:00-7:00 p.m. followed by a dinner catered by Lidderdale Country Store. Entertainment will be provided by Brad Morgan 7:00-11:00 p.m. Cash drawings will be held throughout the night. Tickets are $75.00 each. Get your tickets before January 21, 2018 to be entered into an early bird drawing to win one of 2 $500 cash prizes! For more information, to purchase tickets, or to donate please contact any of the committee members: Kevin and Stephanie Neumayer (830-4914), Devin and Mimi Pudenz (790-2553), Aaron and Carrie Schulz (790-9617), Adam Schelle (790-0980), Russ and Kim Knobbe (830-2608), Cory and Elizabeth Uelsenkamp (830-4754), Chris Uelsenkamp (830-9194), Brett Schwarzkopf (830-0257).

BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW FOR THE HALBURF FIRE DEPT. STEAK DINNER on Saturday, February 10. Reservations required. Seating limited, Ticket $50 each OR Table of Eight for $375, 6:00 Happy Hour and 7:00 Steak Dinner. Silent 6-8:30 and Live Auction 9:00. Contact a Fireman or Chief Glenn Dentlinger 712-210-6651.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel: Parish Office, 712-689-2595, Hours: Mon. & Fri. 7:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

PLEASE NOTE: Mass on Thursday, January 25th will be at 7:30 a.m. 

THE PARISH COUNCIL will meet on Tuesday, January 23rd at 7 p.m.

THE JANEMAN/MAR CIRCLE is reminded of Bingo at Regency Park on Friday, Feb. 2 at 2 p.m.

WANTED: Someone to do snow removal of the church sidewalks & steps. A snow blower and blower vac are provided. Please contact the Parish Office (689-2595).

ST. JOHN: Parish Office, Julie Eich, 712-689-2595, Hours: Mon. & Fri. 7:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

PASSENGER SYSTEM UPGRADE is scheduled to be completed by time you read this. As was noted in October, we need to replace the old speakers and amplifier. After consultation with the Parish Council, we proceeded with this upgrade which includes: two new speakers, a slightly used amplifier [like new], new microphone at the ambo, and new speaker wires. Cost for this project is around $2,300.00. Those wishing to donate towards this project may place your donation in an envelope marked “for sound system.”

CHURCH CLEANING (general dusting, vacuuming, and bathroom cleaning) is being done once or twice each month by families of the parish. We have openings for this in January and December. This is a great way to meet other families of the parish.

ST. BERNARD’S ANNUAL VALENTINE DINNER/DANCE will be Saturday, February 10. Have you purchased your tickets? See note above.

THE NURSING HOME BIRTHDAY COMMITTEE has scheduled a birthday party for Elmer Groete on Wednesday, January 24 at 3 p.m. at Swan Place. If you need a ride to either party, call Arlene Mueggenberg at 673-2649. Everyone is invited to help Wilma and Elmer celebrate.