March 1, 2020

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1st SUNDAY OF LENT

Then the devil took Jesus up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, “All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me.” - Mt 4:9

Liturgies
Weekend Mass: Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Weekday Mass: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 7:30 AM
Wednesday 8:15 AM Service,

Reconciliation: Saturday, March 7, 3:00 - 4:00 PM

Adoration: Monday, March 2, 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM

St. Joseph Parish Office 319-377-4869
1790 14th Street, Marion, IA 52302

Youth Faith Formation 319-377-8402
1430 14th Street, Marion, IA 52302

St. Joseph Catholic School 319-377-6348
1430 14th Street, Marion, IA 52302
New to the Parish: Welcome! Please call the office to make an appointment to register at 377-4869.

Prayer Chain: Contact Deacon Jeff at 377-4869 or dbq126d3@dbqarch.org.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Call the office and make an appointment with the priest or deacon.

Advanced Care Planning Consultants: Learn about church teachings on health issues and find help with documents pertaining to durable power of attorney for health care and health care decision directives. Parish contacts: Theresa Alt, 319-447-1132 or aalt.theresa@yahoo.com, Jean Randolph, 319-377-0497 or jim926722@mchsi.com, Deacon Dennis Ternes, 319-377-4869 or d.ternes@dbqarch.org and Deacon Ken Bauer, 319-377-4869 or k.bauer@dbqarch.org.

Feed My Sheep: The Marion Food Pantry requests canned pastas. Please place your offering in the basket on the altar or ask an usher to take it to the front.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue: Honor the Blessed Virgin Mary by gathering from March 1 - 6, at the home of Jerry and Adella Cleveland, 5515 Hunter Ridge Court, Marion, to pray the Rosary at 7:00 PM each evening. All are welcome.

Infant Baptism: The next baptism preparation session will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2020, in the St. Joseph Room of the parish offices from 9:00 to 11:00 AM. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at d.ternes@dbqarch.org or 377-4869 to register and learn more.

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**Weekly Calendar & Mass Intentions**

**Monday, March 2**
7:00 AM Adoration until 4:00 PM
6:00 PM Parish Mission, Speaker Sonja Corbitt

**Tuesday, March 3**
7:30 AM MASS † Gene Clyde
6:00 PM Parish Mission, Speaker Sonja Corbitt

**Wednesday, March 4**
8:15 AM MASS † Nina Schiegel
9:30 AM Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room
1:30 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry, Church Hall
2:00 PM Pietra Fitness, St. Joseph Room
5:50 PM Minor Miracles, Church
6:30 PM JAM, Church
7:30 PM Triduum Choir, Church

**Thursday, March 5**
6:00 AM Men of Action, Church Hall
7:30 AM MASS † Susan Bonlander
6:30 PM Jubilation, Church

**Friday, March 6**
7:30 AM MASS † Jim Miller Family
5:30 PM Stations of the Cross, Church
6:00 PM Soup Supper, Church Hall
6:30 PM Silent Prayer, Church

**Saturday, March 7**
3:00 PM Reconciliation until 4:00 PM
4:30 PM MASS † Jim McEnany

**Sunday, March 8**
8:00 AM MASS † Shirley Ottaway
10:30 AM MASS † For the People
5:15 PM Faith Sharing Workshop, St. Joseph Rm
6:30 PM Evening Prayer and Adoration

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**Coffee and Doughnuts**
Enjoy coffee and doughnuts on Sunday, March 8, following 8:00 AM Mass, in the church hall.
Sponsored by the Parish Life Committee and the Pastoral Council

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**Sunday Envelope Giving**
Week of February 23, 2020 - Week 35

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**Ministry Schedule**

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March 4 - Prayer Shawl Ministry, St. Matthew Rm
1:00 - 3:00 PM
March 4, 11, 18, 25 - Pietra Fitness, St. Joseph Rm
2:00 - 3:00 PM
March 10 - Quilting Ministry, Church Hall
1:00 - 3:00 PM
March 12 - Women's Connection, School LLL
1:15 - 3:15 PM
March 18 - Senior Luncheon, Church Hall
12:00 PM

Women's Connection
Women's Connection offers widows from the parish the opportunity to share experiences, solve problems, support each other emotionally and spiritually and have fun, all while developing true and lasting friendships. Next meeting date: March 12, from 1:15 to 3:15 at the school. Our speaker, from the Marion Parks and Recreation will give a presentation on a variety of upcoming activities and programs, several of which will be of interest to Seniors. For more information, please contact Sally Wilkinson at 373-5484.

RCIA - March 8 - Breaking open of the Word at 8:00 AM Mass. Class beginning at 9:15 AM.
Topic - Lent: Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving—How they fit into the spiritual life.
Teacher - Linda Lundahl

Lenten Evening Prayer with Adoration – March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5, from 6:30 to 7:30 PM, one of our Deacons will lead Evening Prayer with an Hour of Eucharistic Adoration.

Learn to Share Your Faith – March 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5 (with the option of adding a few Sundays after Easter if participants are interested.) These meetings will be held in the St. Joseph room from 5:15 to 6:15 PM each Sunday evening noted above. By nature of our Baptism, we are all called to share our faith with others to help them grow closer to God. Sean McVeigh will share easy to apply techniques to help everyone fulfill that part of their baptismal calling.

Stations of the Cross followed by Soup Suppers, Each Friday of Lent beginning at 5:30 please join us in the church for stations followed by a soup supper in the church hall. There will not be a soup supper following the last Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, April 10.

Scripture and Religious Study Groups – Our next study will with Dr. Scott Hahn’s book, the Lamb’s Supper: The Mass as Heaven on Earth. This study will begin March 16th for the Monday evening group and March 18th for the Wednesday morning group. Contact Sean McVeigh to order your copy of the book if you don’t already have one.

Young Adult Adoration - March 6, St. Jude’s, 7-9:00 PM

Knights of Columbus #5390 will be hosting a fish dinner on Friday, March 6, from 5:00 - 7:30 PM at the Marion Knights of Columbus Club, 5650 Kacena Ave, Marion. All you can eat baked or fried fish, baked or fried potatoes, coleslaw, Texas toast or cheese sandwich, homemade dessert, and lemonade or coffee. Adults: $12, children ages 6 to 10: $6, ages 5 and under free. Public welcome. Carry outs available.

2020 Archdiocesan Men’s Conference
March 14
The 2020 Men’s Conference will take place on Saturday, March 14, 2020 at Xavier Catholic High School, Cedar Rapids. The keynote speaker will be Patrick Madrid, with Archbishop Jackels presiding at Mass. More details may be found at: www.CatholicMenOnline.com. Registration is open.

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Please remember in your prayers all those who have died especially Evelyn Crawford, mother of Michelle Butler; and Vema Loeffler, sister of Pat Enneking.
Catholic Charities Jail and Prison Ministries Program

Did you know that clients in Catholic Charities’ Jail & Prison Ministry program are 49% less likely to reoffend when compared to the state’s average rate? This work saves taxpayer money, decreases the strain on our law enforcement and most importantly improves the quality of life for those in the program and their families. Support this important work, and much more with your gift to the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. Learn more at: http://www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org.

St. Joseph Shamrock is one month away and we hope you’ll consider joining us for this gala event to benefit and celebrate St. Joseph Catholic School. We would especially like to welcome previous Shamrock committee members and alumni from the early 2000s.

The event is planned for Saturday, March 28 starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Best Western Longbranch. March 13 is the deadline to RSVP. For more information, visit: www.sjcmarion.org/shamrock, contact the school office at (319) 377-6348 or connect with us on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/chargershamrock.

The evening will include gourmet food stations and live music by Kevin Moore Music from 6-8 PM. Live and silent auctions, games and a new raffle table will add to the fun evening. We hope to have you join us!

The Coalition for Life of Iowa is looking for people to commit to pray in front of Planned Parenthood for 40 Days for Life campaign. Sign up for an hour any day or night! The campaign draws attention to the evil of abortion through prayer, fasting, peaceful vigil, and community outreach. For additional info: https://40daysforlife.com/cedar-rapids or call Pat at (319) 721-9730 or email Jim at: coalitionforlife@gmail.com.

St. Joseph Parishioners:
Join us in praying for an end to abortion in front of Planned Parenthood at 1500 2nd Ave. SE in Cedar Rapids. We will participate in 40 Days for Life each Friday of Lent from 12:00-1:00 PM. If you cannot spend an hour, come and spend 5 or 10 minutes or whatever you can with us. We will meet in a group on the sidewalk and pray a Rosary and a chaplet of Divine Mercy if we have time. If you have any questions please call Mike Alt at: (319) 654-4207.

Lenten Story:
Hello World! When you donate to CRS Rice Bowl, you share your life and your abundance with families around the world. Over the course of Lent we will hear about 3 girls from 3 very different parts of the world and how CRS is helping them live better, healthier and richer lives.

All singers are invited to sing for Holy Week Triduum.

Rehearsals will be on Wednesday evenings with times listed below. We will be practicing for a specific day at each rehearsal so you can practice for the Triduum day(s) you are available to sing.

- March 4th - rehearsal at 7:30 pm for Holy Thursday music
- March 11-rehearsal at 6:30 pm for Good Friday music
- March 18-rehearsal at 6:30 pm for Easter Vigil music
- March 25-rehearsal at 6:30 pm for Holy Thursday music
- April 1-rehearsal at 6:30 pm for Good Friday music
- April 8-rehearsal at 6:30 pm for Easter Vigil music

Contact Patty Kelly, Director of Liturgy and Music with any questions. Thank you for sharing your gift of song!
How Do You Love?—Are you a lover of the world or do you love God? The world, in this case, represents anything of creation that lures you away from God and leads to sin. Following the world places you in a position of valuing pleasure, power, prestige or possessions; any or all of these things. You, the created, loving creation before and above God.

To love God means that your life, choices and actions are oriented to him. You hear his voice and put into action what you hear from God. You observe the commandments, written by God with his perfect knowledge of the human heart fractured by sin. Loving God is seeking Christ first, his righteousness and committing your life to him.

All of us find ourselves in two worlds, loving God and that of creation over God. That’s what sin does. It fractures us by causing contradiction, hypocrisy and chaos. The Season of Lent is a poignant period of time that reveals the duality of our lives, the inner contradiction that we live. We were created in love by God and are to love God, our creator, above all things. God is first, and then creation.

The remedy of this duality is sincere repentance, a change of mind away from that which fractures and divides us. It is an about-face, a real change in our lives. Repentance is a return to God and the order in creation he established. It brings with it a call for God’s mercy, and a plea for forgiveness, to wipe away the offenses, the sins, committed because we loved the world over God.

This Lent, ask yourselves what the love of your life is. Do you love God, the world or both? Our lives are to be lived in love of God and our neighbor because we love God. Anything short of that leads us to sin or is sinful. Lent offers us the blessing of repentance and forgiveness. It is a time to start all over again.

COMMUNAL PENANCE SCHEDULE

St. Ludmila, Cedar Rapids—March 26 at 7:00 PM
St. Joseph, Marion—March 28, 10:30 AM
St. Jude, Cedar Rapids—April 2, 7:00 PM
St. Pius, Hiawatha—April 4, 10:30 AM

CONFESSIONS AT ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, March 7—3:00-4:00 PM
Saturday, March 14—3:30-4:00 PM
Saturday, March 21—3:00-4:00 PM
Saturday, March 28—3:00-4:00 PM
Friday, April 3—5:30-6:30 PM
Saturday, April 4—3:00-3:30 PM (Note earlier close of confessions due to Palm Sunday weekend)