FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MOVING TOWARD THE CROSS THROUGH SUFFERING

St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Adoration: Monday: 7 a.m to 9 p.m
Confession: Saturday: 3:30 to 4 p.m

Sunday, April 2, 2017
Fifth Sunday of Lent

Weekend Masses: Saturday: 4:30 pm, Sunday: 8 am and 10:30 am
Weekday Masses: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 7:30 am (Please note: Wednesday Mass is at 8:15 am during the school year.)
New to the Parish: Welcome! Please call the office to make an appointment to register at 377-4869.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30-4 p.m. or by appointment with Fr. O’Connor.

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

RCIA: If you interested in finding out more about the process of becoming Catholic, please contact Matt Selby at 377-4869 or matt.selby@stjoesmarion.org.

Infant Baptism: The next baptism preparation session will be held on Saturday, May 13th, 2017, in the St. Joseph Room of the parish offices from 9 to 11 am. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org or 377-4869 to register and learn more.

Notifications for Worship Aid: Contact Cathy or Dawn at 377-4869.

Mass Intentions: Please stop in the office to schedule.

Prayer Chain: Contact Vicki at 241-9402 or contact Dawn by email at dawn.feltman@stjoesmarion.org.

St. Joseph Quilting Ministry: Day sessions meet every 2nd Tuesday, 1 to 3 pm, in the Church Hall. To learn more, call Lynn at 377-6166. Sessions meet every 2nd Thursday, 6 to 8 pm. For location, call Sue at 377-1394.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Compassion and knitting/crocheting combined into a prayerful ministry which reaches out to those in need of comfort. Contact Sharon: 373-2810.

That Man is You: Men’s prayer and study groups Tuesdays 7 pm or Thursdays at 6 am, Church Hall. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at 377-4869.

Women’s Connection: Support and friendship group for widows of the parish. Contact Sally W. at 373-5484.

Feed My Sheep: The Marion Food Pantry needs soap: dish, laundry, bath, shampoo, for April. Please place your offering in the basket on the altar or ask an usher to take it to the front.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue: April 2nd-April 7th with Kevin and Jean Biermann; 2733 Schultz Dr NW. Rosary Sunday through Friday, 7:30 pm.

Silent Prayer: 6:30-7 pm, Friday, in the church.

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 alt.theresa@yahoo.com, Jean Randolph, 319-377-0497/jmr926722@mchsi.com, and Deacon Dennis Ternes, deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org.

Events:

**Week at a Glance**

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Teaching Positions at St. Joseph School

St. Joseph Catholic School has two middle school openings in Math and Spanish and is looking for candidates with a middle school endorsement or who are endorsed in 5-12 Math and 5-12 Spanish. This position can be combined to 1.0 FTE if the candidate has both endorsements. To begin the application process please to go [http://www.sjcsmarion.org/about/employment/](http://www.sjcsmarion.org/about/employment/).

**St. Joseph SHAMROCK**

The invitations have arrived and you’re cordially invited to attend St. Joseph Shamrock 2017. This gala event benefits and celebrates St. Joseph Catholic School and faith-filled education. The event will take place Friday, April 28 starting at 6 p.m. at the Cedar Rapids Marriott. Dinner tickets are $40 per person and commemorative wine and beer glasses (beverages included) are $25 in advance. Reservations are due by April 18. Visit [www.stjosephshamrock.com](http://www.stjosephshamrock.com) for all the details or stop by the school office Monday through Friday between 8 a.m.-4 p.m. We’d love to have you join us!

Help make The Catholic Worker House Extended Living Program a Reality!

We at Catholic Worker House are grateful for God’s blessings! A year ago we dreamed about creating a program that would help homeless families bridge the gap between our emergency shelter and transitional housing. We have seen an alarming increase in the number of homeless in our community and we lack the capacity to serve all those in need. God answered our prayer when a generous donor gifted the house next door at 1031 5th Avenue SE. While his gift included many needed repairs and renovations, we still have a lot of work to do before we can open our doors. It is our goal to modify the bathrooms and kitchen, replace windows, replace the outdated electrical system and install new flooring and paint...hopefully this year. However, we need your help to make The Catholic Worker House Extended Living Program a reality!

In March, we received another blessing when the Theisen Charitable Trust generously provided a $25,000.00 matching grant. This means that the Theisen Charitable Trust will match your donation, dollar for dollar, up to $25,000.00. If you can find it in your heart and budget to donate now, so your donation will be matched by Theisen’s, please make your tax deductible check payable to the Catholic Worker House CWHX and mail to: P.O. Box 2321, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52406. If you need more information, please contact Larissa at stjohncwh@msn.com.

2017 Parish Elections

Parish elections will take place the weekend of May 20th and May 21st. There are multiple openings for Faith Formation, Pastoral Council, and the Catholic School Board. Candidate forms are available at the parish office and the parish website. Contact the parish office at (319) 377-4869 and/or e-mail address of [trish.peyton@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:trish.peyton@stjoesmarion.org) to complete a candidate form.

Parish Leadership Committee Descriptions

- **Faith Formation:** Develop and oversee plan to provide for the lifelong faith formation and education of parish members.
- **Pastoral Council:** Promote our parish’s mission and chart the course for programs and activities.
- **School Board:** Provide leadership and policy oversight for St. Joseph School.

If you have any questions, contact Jerry Brown at 319.210.0266 or [blue.sky@blueskypd.com](mailto:blue.sky@blueskypd.com).

Women’s Connection

Women’s Connection, a support group for parish widows will meet Thursday, April 13th, from 1 to 3 pm in the Leadership and Learning Lounge at St. Joseph Catholic School. Re-scheduled from our February meeting, Officer Dobbs from the Marion Police Department will be our speaker. All widows of the parish are invited. For more information contact Sally at 373-5484 or Carol at 654-6296.

Coffee and Donut Sunday

You are invited to come and enjoy donuts, coffee, juice and the company of your fellow parishioners Sunday, April 9th, at 9 a.m. in the Church Hall. The Finance Council will host this month’s gathering.

It’s a Great Day for a Cabaret!

You are invited to the Mercy Auxiliary Luncheon: “It’s a Great Day for a Cabaret!” Enjoy a delectable buffet-style luncheon and the wonderful entertainment of Giving Tree Theater at Mercy Medical Center on Thursday, April 20th, at 11:30 a.m., in the Hallagan Education Center. Tickets are available for purchase from Wednesday, March 22nd through Wednesday, April 12th and are $30 per person or $240 for a reserved table of eight. For more information, please call 319-398-6286 or email [jwoods@mercy.org](mailto:jwoods@mercy.org). (Proceeds from this event support special projects at Mercy Medical Center.)

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**St. John the Cross Catholic Worker House**

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**Sister Water Project**
Director of Adult Faith Formation— Matt Selby has applied for and accepted the Director of Family Life position for the Archdiocese of Dubuque. He will be of great benefit to the Archdiocese serving in this capacity. Matt’s start date is July 1st of this year. We will miss Matt, Anna and the soon to be three Selby children as they will need to relocate to Dubuque for Matt to discharge his duties. I am personally grateful for the excellent work and contributions he has made to St. Joseph. He can never be replaced, only succeeded.

Palm Sunday—is the beginning of Holy Week and will be celebrated next weekend. The official title of the day is Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord. The liturgy beautifully commemorates Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem and tells the story of his passion and death. One could say that the solemn celebration is one of the finest examples of liturgical drama that the Church offers to the faithful. It is not something that you watch or observe, but participate in through the normal dialogue of the liturgy, highlighted by the gospel Passion of Our Lord and the palm procession. Words, movement, colors, the smell of the incense and gestures, especially the raising of the palms, all come together to help us participate in the re-presentation of Jesus’ triumphant entry into Jerusalem and his glorious Passion. These all lead us to connecting with the deep spirituality of Jesus’ suffering and death.

We will be having a palm procession at all of the Masses. Each will invite your participation.
⇒ The procession at the 4:30 PM and 8:00 AM Masses is called The Solemn Entrance, and will begin at the entryway of the church. Anyone is welcome to participate. You will be informed before Mass when and where to assemble for the procession.
⇒ At 10:30 AM, we will observe what is called The Procession, which will begin at the school gym and continue to the church. Anyone is welcome to participate.
   ♦ The inclement weather site is the church basement. If you will be participating in the 10:30 AM procession, please go directly to the school gym. If the weather doesn’t cooperate, signs will be posted directing you to the church basement.

Holy Week and Easter Schedule—Holy Week and Easter are fast approaching. I am pleased to offer the following schedule from Palm Sunday to Easter:

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday (Regular weekend Mass schedule)
◊ Saturday, April 8th—
   ◊ Communal Penance, St. Pius, 10:30 AM
   ◊ Confessions at St. Joseph, 3:00-3:30 PM
   ◊ 4:30 PM. The Palm Procession will be in the church.
◊ Sunday, April 9th—
   ◊ 8:00 AM. The Palm Procession will be in the church.
   ◊ 10:30 AM. The Palm Procession will begin in the school gym. Inclement weather site is the church basement.
◊ Monday, April 10th—No Mass. Eucharistic Exposition as usual, 7 AM to 9 PM.
◊ Tuesday, April 11th—
   ◊ 7:30 AM Mass.
   ◊ Chrism Mass, St. Patrick’s, Cedar Falls, 2 pm.
   ◊ Confessions at St. Joseph, 5:30 PM-7:30 PM
◊ Wednesday, April 12th—8:15 AM Mass

40 Days for Life: The Coalition for Life of Iowa is looking for people to commit to pray in front of Planned Parenthood for the 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 go o https://40daysforlife.com/cedar-rapids, call Jim at 319-431-7814, or email: coalitionforlife@gmail.com. Save the date for our closing rally Sunday, April 9th, 5-7 p.m.

Kolach Bake to Benefit St. Vincent de Paul: St. Ludmila parish will have a kolach bake Saturday, April 8 to benefit St. Vincent de Paul Society. Order yours by calling Elaine: 364-0897 or Darlene: 390-1277 between the hours of 9 am-6 pm by Tuesday, April 4th.
21st Annual Catholic Men’s Conference: Saturday, April 1st, at Xavier High School, Cedar Rapids. Registration fee for adults: $45, students: $15, family price $60. Register online: www.catholicmenonline.org.
For more information about events, programs or materials listed below, please contact Matt Selby, Director of Adult Faith Formation at 377-4869 or matt.selby@stjoesmarion.org, or visit our website at www.stjoesmarion.org.

**Lent Stations of the Cross & Soup Suppers**
You’re invited to pray the Stations of the Cross each Friday of Lent at 5:30 PM in the church. Following the Stations, there will be a Soup Supper in the Church Hall each Friday of Lent (except Good Friday) provided free of charge. Please bring a can of soup to the dinner to donate to a local charity. Come pray with us and then enjoy some good fellowship and food!

**Wine & Wisdom – Rescheduled!**
The Wine & Wisdom scheduled for Sunday, March 12th was canceled due to snow. It has been rescheduled for Sunday, April 2nd at 7:00 PM. Wine & Wisdom offers the opportunity for adults 21 and older to learn about their faith through a speaker, while enjoying delicious wines, light snacks, and enriching conversation. At this session, Matt Selby will speak on “How to Know and Live God’s Will for Your Life.” How do we know what God wants us to do in various circumstances? How do we discern His voice from other voices speaking to our situation? Matt will talk about practical ways to discern God’s will throughout the walk of life. The session will be held at the Hickory Room at Lowe Park (4500 N. 10th Street). There is a $10 cost that may be paid at the door (scholarships are available). No registration is required.

**Fertility Care and Natural Family Planning Session**
Any engaged or married couple who would like to learn about Natural Family Planning (NFP) and fertility care is invited to attend a free introductory session taught by Matt & Katie Hein and Megan Gan, who have been professionally trained to teach NFP. Come learn about this organic, effective, and Church approved method of family planning on Sunday, April 2nd from 3:00-4:30 PM in the parish offices. Childcare will be provided.

**Easter Flowers**
If you wish to donate to the Easter flowers for our church in the name of a loved one, please place $15 in an envelope marked “Easter Flowers,” print the name of your loved one along with your name, and put your envelope in the collection basket at Mass or drop off envelopes at the parish office by Tuesday, April 10th. Thank you for contributing to the beauty of our parish’s Easter season with a special remembrance of your loved one.

**Catholic Evangelization Outreach**
Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Cedar Rapids hosts CEO Tuesday, April 4, 6:30-8 pm. Michael Schmidt will share his journey into the Catholic church. Snacks will be served and free childcare will be provided. There is no charge and all are welcome!

**Parish Lenten Giving: The Sister Water Project**
Our parish Lenten giving project this year supports the Sister Water Project. The Sisters of St. Francis of Dubuque, with support from their associates, launched the Sister Water Project in 2006 to bring safe water to villages in Tanzania and Honduras through the construction of wells and water systems. You are invited to offer your Lenten almsgiving to the parish giving effort, on behalf of the lives saved and the communities served by this project. Our parish goal is to collect enough to cover the cost of a well. Donations may be dropped off at the school or parish office throughout Lent. (Please make out checks to St. Joseph Church, with “Sister Water Project” included on the memo line. Please indicate “Sister Water Project” on envelopes containing cash donations.) Learn more at www.osfdbq.org/sister-water-project!