Congratulations on your First COMMUNION

Addilyn Albritton
Brynlee Bettcher
Carver Black
Jordan Bradley
Will Caballero
Andrew Castor
Isaac Chappell
Giannah Dart
Kai ssan Dart
Addison DeMoss
Kaleb Dreyer
Lydia Eley
Cooper Gasper
Marilow Ginther
Brooklyn Guild
Gable Haag
Allysa Hahn
Natalie Heald
Tyler Hockaday
Drew Jelinek
Claire Jernigan
Trevor Jones
Mackenzie Keith
Jonas Knoot
Aiden Kuennen
Josephine Logan
Claire Lorenz
Andrew Luedke
Hailey Lutter
Daniel Mazzella
Chase McDonald
Rachel McDonald
Evelyn McInroy
Isabella Meyer
Ava Miller
William Montgomery
Matthew Myrom
Brekin Nietert
Mia Noffke
Gayleigh O'Brien
Jack Osterberger
Logan Otting
Ethan Parish-Steffen
Shea Peddicord
Nathaniel Perreault
Savannah Pfab
Nathan Phillips
Kate Pickar
Ava Pitkin
Chassity Puffer
Taiten Rahe
Mya Recker
Zachary Robinson
Charlie Sarsfield
Harrison Schuett
Anna Sefcik
Taylor Sleezer
Isabelle Smith
Regan Spaete
Christian Stalkfleet
Alexander Stephens
Isaac Sumcad
Peyton Talbot
Kaden Tarwater
Chase Thompson
Chloe Thraen
Claire Thraen
Addison Vandersee
Lillian Yu
Eleanor Walz
Conner Wandler
Hudson Welsh
Leah Williams

May 6th and May 7th, 2017
Fourth Sunday of Easter
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@stjoestmarion.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@stjoestmarion.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@stjoestmarion.org.

St. Joseph Quilting Ministry: Day sessions meet every 2nd Tuesday, 1 to 3 pm, in the Church Hall. To learn more, call Mary Johnson at 377-6166. Evening 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: May 7th - May 12th with Darlene Chmelicek; 6316 Greenbriar Lane SW, Cedar Rapids. Rosary Sunday through Friday, 7:30 pm. All are welcome.

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@stjoestmarion.org.

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.)

Adoration: Mondays, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Confession: Saturdays, 3:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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Week at a Glance

Sun. 5/7    4:00 pm  YAM Movie Night, St. Joseph Rm.

Mon. 5/8    7am-9 pm  Adoration, Church
            1:30 pm  Alpha Prayer Group., St. JP II
            5:30 pm  Cub Scouts, Church Hall
            7:00 pm  Boy Scouts, Church Hall
            7:00 pm  VBS Leadership Team, St. JP II Rm
            7:00 pm  Scripture Study, St. Joseph Rm.
            7:00 pm  CRG, Community Rm.

Tue. 5/9    1:00 pm  Quilting Ministry, Church Hall
            7:00 pm  Bells, Church

Wed. 5/10  9:30 am  Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room
            2:00 pm  Petra Fitness, Church Hall
            6:30 pm  Women’ Book Club, St. JP II Rm.
            6:30 pm  Liturgy Committee, Comm. Rm.
            7:30 pm  MAC, Church
            8:00 pm  HSYG Prayer Hour, Church

Thu. 5/11  6:00 am  Men’s Prayer Group, Church Hall
            6:30 pm  RCIA, St. Joseph Rm.
            8:00 pm  RCIA, Church

Fri. 5/12  6:30 pm  Silent Prayer, Church

Sat. 5/13  5:30 pm  Parish Salad Supper, Church Hall

Ministry Schedule

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Employment Opportunity:  
**St. Joseph Catholic School**
St. Joseph Catholic School has a K-8 general music and 4-8 band position open. This position consists of K-8 Vocal Music, Grades 4-8 Band, and will be responsible for Choir Concerts, Band Concerts, and Spring Musical. This is a full time position. Please go to http://www.sjcsmarion.org/about/employment/ to apply.

**St. Joseph Catholic School**
If you are interested in a tour or in learning more about how St. Joseph Catholic School and Preschool can serve as a partner in growing your child’s heart, mind and faith, please contact principal Casey Kettmann at 377-6348, or email ckkettmann@sjcsmarion.org.

**Book Drive**
Clean out your bookshelves for the benefit of those with little access to quality reading materials! Please drop off your new or gently used books (for adults and/or children) in the boxes at the church entrances by Tuesday, May 9. The following week, The Alt family will deliver the books to Prayer Lodge, a Catholic retreat and education center in Montana. From there, the books will be made available to the Northern Cheyenne and Crow Native Americans through Free Little Libraries and other programs. If you have questions, contact Theresa Alt at 319-447-1132 or alt.theresa@yahoo.com.

**St. Joseph Salad Supper**
St. Joseph’s Social Justice Committee invites you to attend a salad supper on Saturday, May 13th in the Church Hall after the 4:30 pm Mass. Come enjoy a delicious assortment of pasta, fruit, vegetable, potato and lettuce salads, and a variety of desserts. We will have a great speaker lined up from a local community service organization to talk about the what they do to help those in need. The meal is free and there will be a free will offering to support the service organization represented that evening. All are welcome!

**Senior Luncheon**
Sr. Lunch speaker - Dale Kueter, author will share with us the importance of writing down your family stories in order to sustain your family history on May 17. Lunch is at noon. Please RSVP by calling the parish secretary by Monday, May 15th at 377-4869.

**Coffee and Donut Sunday**
You are invited to come and enjoy donuts, coffee, juice and the company of your fellow parishioners Sunday, May 14th, at 9 a.m. in the Church Hall. The Liturgy Committee will host this month’s gathering.

**Women’s Connection**
Women’s Connection, a support group for parish widows will meet Thursday, May 11th, from 1 to 3 pm in the Leadership and Learning Lounge at St. Joseph Catholic School. Adult Faith Formation Director Matt Selby will give a presentation on the January Pilgrimage to the Holy Land. For more information contact Sally at 373-5484.

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**Catholic Evangelization Outreach**
Monday, May 8th, at All Saints Catholic Church, Cedar Rapids, 6:30 to 8:00 PM. Bill Hunter will give a witness talk about his life being one of broken relationships, addictions, fear, lost identity, self-hatred, insecurity and shame. Bill will tell his story of living a Catholic life with a same sex attraction. A light dinner will be served and child care will be provided. All are welcome!

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**St. Joseph Salad Supper**
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Budgeted Sunday Envelope Needs: $23,558.59
Year-to-date budget: $1,036,577.96
Collected last weekend: $17,481.00
Actual Year-to-date envelope income: $1,047,979.10
Over/(Under) Budget: $11,401.14
Social Concerns (5% of Donations): $874.05
Bricks and Mortar Envelopes: $613.00
Sister Water Project: $5,982.86
Easter: $27,811.00
The Month of Mary— for centuries, our Church has set aside a month’s time to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary, called Mary’s Month. Over time, and likely finding its roots starting somewhere during the Seventeenth Century, Mary’s Month was designated as the month of May. Pope Paul VI published an encyclical in 1965 entitled, Mense Maio (“The Month of May”). In part, the encyclical detailed the Church’s special devotion to Mary during May.

“The month of May” he wrote, “is ... a month which the piety of the faithful has long dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God. Our heart rejoices at the thought of the moving tribute of faith and love which will soon be paid to the Queen of Heaven in every corner of the earth. For this is the month during which Christians, in their churches and their homes, offer the Virgin Mother more fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration; and it is the month in which a greater abundance of God’s merciful gifts comes down to us from our Mother’s throne.” This month calls attention to what the Church believes and professes about Our Lady, including that: Mary is the Virgin Mother of God; she was conceived without the stain of Original Sin; her virginity is perpetual; she was assumed, body and soul into heaven and is Queen of Heaven and Earth, and; Our Lady is a powerful intercessor for us before her Son.

You and your family can participate in many devotional activities in honor of Our Lady and asking for her intercession. Praying The Rosary is a wonderful practice, along with, for example, devotions to Mary under the titles of Our Lady of Loretto, Our Lady of Guadalupe and Pope Francis’ favorite, Our Lady Undoer of Knots. May crownings occur in parishes and schools, but can be done at home. You may wish to establish a shrine to Our Lady at home, especially during May, which would include a statue or picture of her along with appropriate floral decorations. It can be the center of your devotional prayer asking Our Lady’s intercession, as she is a powerful intercessor who leads us to Jesus. May we always appreciate the role she plays in our salvation in Christ.

First Communion Welcome— There are many guests with us this weekend as grandparents, godparents, and other extended family members and friends gather with our first communicants to celebrate their reception of Holy Communion. This is a significant event in their lives and is recognized as such by the many guests who have joined them for the celebration. On behalf of St. Joseph Parish, I offer you a warm welcome and am glad you could join us.

Memorial Mass for Fr. Engler

There will be a Memorial Mass for Fr. Ernest Engler on Friday, May 19 at the Church of the Resurrection in Dubuque at 10:30 am. Fr. Engler died on February 20, 2017 at Stonehill Care Center in Dubuque. He served at Regis High School in Cedar Rapids from 1960 to 1974. Please commend him to the Lord in your prayers.

Catholic Worker House

Renovations continue at Catholic Worker House Extended Living Program that will house 4 single parent families for up to 6 months as they secure more permanent housing. This will be the only bridge program of its type in Cedar Rapids. Our main shelter typically serves about 2 dozen families with children and single women every night who stay for up to 90 or 30 nights respectively. To see our current needs and the many ways you can support our mission please visit www.catholicworkerhouse.org, or call 319-362-9041. Your support is much appreciated.

Fish Dinner!

Marion Columbus Club, hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 5390, located at 5650 Kacena Ave., will host a fish dinner Friday, May 19, 5-7 p.m. All-you-can-eat baked or fried fish, baked or fried potatoes, coleslaw, dessert and more! Adults: $9, children: $4, ages 5 and under: free.

Plan Ahead for Your Baby’s Baptism

Have you recently had a child? Are you expecting a child? Congratulations! We welcome children into our Christian community through the waters of Baptism. To prepare for this celebration, we ask all parents who would like to have their children baptized to attend baptism class. The next class is Saturday, May 13, from 9 to 11 a.m., in the parish office. Please call Deacon Dennis Ternes at the parish office at 377-4869 for more information or to register.
ADULT FAITH FORMATION
For more information about the 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.

New Parish Lending Library
Coming soon! An active parish lending library will be opening in the near future in the parish offices. The library will include a variety of Catholic books, DVDs, and CDs that may be checked out by St. Joseph parishioners. The library will be open during regular office hours. Stay tuned for more information, including the open date for the library. Please note that book donations will NOT be accepted for the library.

Our parish has a subscription to a dynamic online platform called FORMED. Every parishioner has free 24/7 access to the best Catholic content on any device with internet access. With FORMED you’ll find video programs that explain the Catholic faith, have access to downloadable Lighthouse audio talks, be able to stream full-length Catholic movies, and download free Catholic ebooks, all in one place. It truly is the Catholic faith—on demand. New content is being added regularly. To get FORMED, visit www.formed.org and enter our parish access code, ae0136. You will then be directed to setup a free account with a username and password. Then, you’re all set and can get free access to all the content on FORMED anytime, anywhere.

Interested in Becoming Catholic?
If you’re non-Catholic and interested in exploring the Catholic faith, then you’re invited to come learn about and explore Catholicism without pressure through the process called RCIA! If you’re interested in RCIA, please contact Matt Selby at 319-377-4869 or matt.selby@stjoesmarion.org to setup an initial meeting.

Family Picnic – Save the Date!
Mark your calendars for the 2017 St. Joseph Family Picnic on Sunday, June 25th at 12:00 PM (after the 10:30 AM Mass) at Hanna Park (775 Fairview Drive, Marion). Stay tuned for more details!

Calling all Men!
The year of the That Man is You! program has come to an end but the parish men’s groups will continue to meet weekly and any men are welcome to join. The groups will begin going through the book Behold the Man: A Catholic Vision of Male Spirituality by Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers. The Tuesday evening group will begin on May 9th, meeting from 7:00-8:15 PM, and the Thursday morning group will begin on May 11th, meeting from 6:00-7:15 AM. Please register by Monday, May 8th at www.stjoesmarion.org/men or by contacting Matt Selby.

Register Now!
St. Joseph Catholic Church
Youth Faith Formation
Grades K-12
2017-2018 Program Year
Register now for K-8 YFF, High School Youth Group and Confirmation Preparation

To register:
Visit www.stjoesmarion.org and use the “Grow in Faith” tab to access the YFF “K-12” page, scroll down to find the link.

QUESTIONS? CALL 377-8402

Coffee and Conversation:
Join our informal, friendly gathering of women of the parish every fourth Friday of the month for “Coffee and Conversation.” Mr. Beans meeting room, 1080 East Post Road, Marion, 9:30 - 11:00 am. No need to RSVP!

Women’s Ministry Newsletter:
Register for our Women’s Ministry newsletter at www.flocknote.com/stjoesmarion/women or text: 84576 “women”.

Pietra Fitness Class
Join us for gentle stretching and strengthening of the body combined with prayer and Christian meditation. Wednesdays, St. Joseph church hall, 2-3 pm, on a drop-in basis. Suggested offering of $5 per class.