Fed by Word and Sacrament to Love and Serve

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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

“Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me.” - Jn 6:57

Sunday, June 18, 2017

Weekend Masses:
Saturday: 4:30 pm, Sunday: 8 am and 10:30 am
Weekday Masses:
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 7:30 am
(Wednesday Mass is at 8:15 am during the school year.)
Adoration: Monday, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.
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@stjoestmoine.org.

Infant Baptism: The next baptism preparation session will be held on Saturday, July 8, 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 Dawn at 377-4869.

Mass Intentions: Please stop in the office to schedule.

Prayer Chain: 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. 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 bath tissue and Kleenex for June. Please place your offering in the basket on the altar or ask an usher to take it to the front.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue: Honor Mary June 18th through June 23rd with Greg and Julie Leyton; 1506 Ridge Top Dr.; Swisher. 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/jmro26722@mchsi.com, and Deacon Dennis Ternes, deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org.

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Budgeted Sunday Envelope Needs: $23,558.59
Year-to-date budget: $1,177,929.50
Collected last week: $26,650.00
Actual Year-to-date envelope income: $1,197,080.60
Over/(Under) Budget: $19,151.10
Social Concerns (5% of Donations): $1,332.50
Bricks and Mortar Envelopes: $1,074.00
Another Great Reason to Consider St. Joseph Catholic School

St. Joseph Catholic School staff pride themselves in creating and maintaining quality relationships with families and students. With a balance of veteran and newer teaching staff, the average teaching experience of a St. Joseph teacher is 15 years. Additionally, 56 percent of teachers are working toward or have achieved advanced degrees in education. Ongoing education and collaboration is a collegial expectation of St. Joseph Catholic School teaching staff.

**Missionary Visit July 1st & 2nd**

Fr. Zawadi, OSC, will be visiting our parish the weekend of July 1 - 2, to speak to us about the Crosiers’ missions in Papua, Indonesia.

The Crosier Fathers and Brothers have been serving people throughout Indonesia for nearly ninety years. In 1958, the Crosiers began serving the Asmat people in the region of Papua, Indonesia. Helping the Asmat people with socioeconomic, education and health challenges is a pastoral priority. Currently, ten Crosiers from Indonesia serve four parishes in the Diocese of Agats-Papua, ministering in many ways. Through their strong commitment to education, the Crosiers began a Catholic vocational-technical school to serve children from low-income families, preparing them to enter the workforce. This school connects the Catholic Church and the whole of society in Indonesia. The Crosiers strive to help empower the people of Papua by teaching them self-sustainability. Funding is vital to send local people to study to become catechists, teachers and nurses. Critical funds are also needed to support the Crosier mission in Indonesia and its numerous ministries. Envelopes for your donation can be found in the pews the weekend of Fr. Zawadi’s visit and can be used to return your check made out to St. Joseph Church through the collection at Mass that weekend or the following weekends, or to the parish office. Please welcome Fr. Zawadi! For more information visit www.crosier.org

Support for Family Caregivers

The first step to successfully manage as a family caregiver is to identify as one. If you live with a person with a chronic illness who depends on you to care for them, you are a family caregiver. We have resources to help you balance your responsibilities. Call the family Caregivers Center of Mercy at (319) 221-8866 or visit mercy care.org/family caregiverscenter.

**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 ckettn@sismarion.org.

**Clip and Earn Money for St. Joseph School!**

St. Joseph Catholic School collects: Box Tops, Hy-Vee receipts, Tyson Foods, Prairie Milk caps and A+ labels.

**ADORATION ON JUNE 19TH**

Due to Vacation Bible School’s use of the church on Monday morning, June 19th, Adoration will begin at 1:00 pm, continuing until 9 p.m.

**Vacation Bible School Information**

If you have signed your child up to participate in VBS this summer, we here at “Camp Creation” look forward to seeing your EARTHKEEPER June 19-23 from 9am-Noon at St. Joe’s! You can drop them off and pick them up in the sanctuary. Please have your child bring along a reusable water bottle (labeled with his/her name) to help us reduce waste throughout the week!

**THANK YOU!**

Thank you all for your generous support of VBS through prayers and fulfilling donation requests. Through your generosity and support, we have many of the items needed to make VBS a success! Thank you for your help! We are continually overwhelmed by the generosity of our parish. Please continue to pray for our EARTHKEEPERS Vacation Bible School! THANK YOU!

If you have any questions, please contact Nicole Trapani, 2017 VBS Director, at 563-495-0190 or StJoesVBS2017@gmail.com.

**Coffee and Conversation…. and Gems of Hope!**

We will gather at Mr. Bean’s for Coffee and Conversation on Friday, June 23rd at 9:30 a.m. During this gathering we will also have the opportunity to help with cards or earrings for Gems of Hope, a nonprofit organization that offers gifts of jewelry mounted on inspirational cards to cancer patients. As always, all women of the parish are invited to participate! (No need to RSVP.)

**Pietra Fitness Class: PLEASE NOTE**

On Wednesday, June 21st, Pietra Fitness class will be held in the St. Joseph Room in the parish office. (The usual location in the church hall will be set up for Vacation Bible School day care and not available for use.) If you have any questions, contact please contact Dawn Feltman at 377-4869.

**EARTHKEEPERS**

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Fr. David O’Connor

Matt Selby Reception—You are invited to stop by the church basement after Mass to celebrate Matt’s ministry with us as Director of Adult Faith Formation. This would be a great time to express your appreciation for his work and to say farewell to him, Anna, his wife, and family as they prepare to depart for Dubuque. Matt will begin his work as Director of Family Life for the Archdiocese of Dubuque on July 1st.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)—On Holy Thursday, we observe and celebrate the institution of the Eucharist by Jesus during the Last Supper. The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, the feast we celebrate today, accentuates our devotion to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. The origins of this feast are found in the Thirteenth Century when a German priest, while celebrating Mass at Bolsena, Italy, in 1263, raised the consecrated host to discover blood trickling down his hands and on to the altar. Following an investigation, this event was declared authentic and a miracle, which led Pope Urban IV to institute this feast a year later. The blood-stained corporal (the white cloth placed on the altar upon which the chalice and paten sit), can be viewed at the Cathedral in Orvieto, Italy.

Five hundred years earlier, a priest celebrating Mass in Lanciano, Italy, witnessed the host change shape to look like real flesh and the wine assume the attributes of real blood. The Church thoroughly investigated the occurrence and concluded that the substances were human flesh and blood. Later scientific studies have shown that the flesh consists of muscle tissue from a human heart and the blood type, AB, is the same type found on the Shroud of Turin. The blood contains proteins in the same proportions as found in a specimen that might be taken today. This Eucharistic miracle may be viewed in Lanciano.

Jesus said in St. John’s gospel proclaimed today, “Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day” (Jn 6: 53-54). Sometimes our faith in the Eucharist wavers. People may claim that it isn’t what Christ said it is because the Eucharist looks and tastes like bread and wine. Jesus is symbolically present, they say, rather than being really present.

Throughout the centuries, God has sent us love notes through his Son to address the skepticism that may creep into our understanding of the Eucharist as the miracles I recounted demonstrate, of which there are many more. We need not doubt, but worship. Look not at the Eucharist with the eyes of man, but with the eyes of faith to see Christ really present. Come, let us adore him!

Parish Prayer Ministry Opportunity: The Seven Sisters Apostolate

The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed in front of the Blessed Sacrament each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest or bishop. Each member commits to a Holy Hour on a distinct day of the week, thus covering a complete week. The commitment is to that day; the Seven Sister may pray at any time on that day. For the past year, a Seven Sister have been praying one hour, one day each week for Fr. O’Connor’s intention. We are ready to expand the Seven Sisters Apostolate to include more women of St. Joseph. Please contact Rosemary Bauer at bauerr1983@my.uwstout.edu for more information about joining this ministry.

Rosaries in Support of Christians in the Holy Land

Rosaries brought back to St. Joseph from the Holy Land pilgrimage are available for purchase outside the main church entrance on this weekend. Simple in design and yet profound in symbolic significance, these rosaries were handcrafted from the wood of olive trees by Christian families living in Bethlehem. Your purchase of a rosary helps support these families who, despite hardships and obstacles, strive to witness to Christ’s message of love. The olive wood rosaries are $15 each, payable by check (made out to St. Joseph Church) or cash. These rosaries would make wonderful gifts for Christmas or for Father’s Day!

The Annual CEO Learning Retreat Adoration: The Best Time You Will Spend on Earth

Join us for this year’s CEO Retreat entitled “The Fruits of Eucharistic Adoration” with speakers Archbishop Jackels and Cyndi Volcko on Saturday, June 24th, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the St. Patrick Parish Center, 120 5th St. NW, Cedar Rapids. Lunch: 11:45 a.m., provided by Tomaso’s. There is no charge and all are welcome.

Registration is REQUIRED by June 20th—Please sign up early as space is limited at CRCEO.INFO/TH_EVENT RETREAT or contact Karen at 319-573-8106. Registration flyers can also be found in church.

Theology on Tap

Young adults through the age of forty are invited to attend our event on Tuesday, July 11th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Ludmila Parish Hall. Fr. Nick March, the Vocations Director of the Archdiocese and Chaplain of St. Stephen the Witness at UNI will be our guest speaker. His topic is "Holy Hearing Aids: Turning up the volume on God’s call." Beverages and snacks will be provided. Like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/CRToT. See you there!
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.

Parish Lending Library
An active parish lending library will be opening in the parish offices soon. 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.

St. Joseph Family Picnic
All parishioners are invited to attend 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). Please bring a side dish, dessert, or drink to share. Burgers, brats, hotdogs, and tableware will be provided. The rain location is the Church Hall.

Wine & Wisdom Series
Mark your calendars for the summer Wine & Wisdom series! 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. There will be a session on the following Wednesdays at Lowe Park from 7:00-8:30 PM. The cost is $10 per session or $25 for all three.

June 21st: “The Protestant Reformation 500 Years Later” – Matt Selby
July 19th: “Contraception & Catholicism: Why the Opposition?” – Dr. Monica Minjeur, DO
August 16th: Topic & Speaker TBD

Scripture Study Sessions
All adults are invited to participate in one of the Scripture Study groups during the month of June. At these sessions there will be topical discussions based on questions about the Catholic faith from participants. Come when you can for some engaging discussion about various faith-related topics that will be addressed by Adult Faith Formation Director Matt Selby. The evening group meets on Mondays from 7:00-9:00 PM (June 5, 12, 19, and 26) and the morning group meets on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30 AM (June 7, 14, 21, and 28). No registration required.

YouTube Channel
St. Joseph now has its own YouTube Channel! Visit and subscribe to our channel to see videos from various talks given at the parish. Simply go to www.youtube.com and search for St. Joseph Catholic Church, Marion.

Lighthouse Resources
Stop by the kiosk in the vestibule to pick up some of the new titles now available!

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, July 15th, from 9 a.m. 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.