April 14, 2019

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Liturgies - Holy Week

Weekend Mass: Saturday, April 20, Easter Vigil 8:15 PM 
Easter Sunday, April 21, 8:00 AM Gym & Church & 10:30 AM Gym & Church

Weekday Mass: Tuesday, Wednesday 7:30 AM
Thursday, April 18, Holy Thursday, 7:00 PM
Friday, April 19, Friday Passion of the Lord 3:00 PM

Adoration: Monday 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM
New to the Parish: **Welcome!** Please call the office to make an appointment to register at 377-4869.

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

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

**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 or jmr926722@mchsi.com, Deacon Dennis Temes, 319-377-4869 or d.temes@dbqarch.org and Deacon Ken Bauer, 319-377-4869 or k.bauer@dbqarch.org.

**Feed My Sheep:** The Marion Food Pantry requests laundry soap, dish soap, bath soap and shampoo. 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 April 14 - 19, to pray the Rosary at the home of Alan and Nancy Buss, 4424 Morelle Rd NE, at 7:00 PM each evening. All are welcome.

**Infant Baptism:** The next baptism preparation session will be held on **Saturday, May 11, 2019,** in the St. Joseph Room of the parish offices from 9:00 to 11:00 AM. Contact Deacon Dennis Temes at d.temes@dbqarch.org or 377-4869 to register and learn more.

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**St. Joseph Catholic Church - Bulletin**

**Coffee and Doughnuts**

Enjoy coffee and doughnuts, the 4th Thursday of the month, following 7:30 AM Mass in the church hall. Next coffee and doughnut date: **April 25, 2019**

Sponsored by the Men of Action

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**Weekly Calendar & Mass Intentions**

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

Please call Deacon Jeff Volker at the Parish Office
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. Gatherings are the second Thursday of each month, 1:15 to 3:15 PM at the school. Next meeting date: May 9. For more information, please contact Sally Wilkinson at: 373-5484.

Women’s Connection will meet Thursday, April 25, 11:30 AM, at Perkins, 315 Collins Road NE, for the monthly luncheon. For more information please contact Sally Wilkinson at: 373-5484.

Coffee & Conversation
Join our informal, friendly gathering of women of the parish every fourth Friday of the month for “Coffee and Conversation.” Next date: April 26, 2019. Mr. Beans meeting room, 1080 East Post Road, Marion, 9:30 - 11:00 AM. No need to RSVP.

St. Joseph Quilting Ministry
The Quilting Ministry meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month in the Church Hall from 1:00 - 3:00 PM where they make quilts for various charities throughout the greater Cedar Rapids area. Next meeting date: May 14. For more information, please contact Lynn Mitchell at 377-6166.

Prayer Shawl Ministry
Compassion and knitting/crocheting combined into a prayerful ministry which reaches out to those in need of comfort. Contact Sharon at 373-2810. Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the first Wednesday of the month, from 1:00 - 3:00 PM, in the St. Matthew Room. Next meeting date: May 1, 2019.

Pietra Fitness Classes
Join for gentle stretching and strengthening of the body combined with prayer and Christian meditation. Wednesdays, in the St. Joseph Room, from 2:00 - 3:00 PM. Suggested offering of $5 per class.

Senior Lunch
There has been a change to the date for the April, Senior Luncheon. Please join us on Wednesday, April 24. Wayne & Grant will provide entertainment. All senior men and women of St. Joseph parish are invited. Please call the parish to RSVP.

Gems of Hope, Inc.
Gems of Hope, Inc. is a nonprofit organization that offers small gifts mounted on inspirational cards to cancer patients, bringing hope to the patients and their families. St. Joseph’s group meets the 4th Tuesday of each month, next meeting date: April 23, in the church hall from 1:00 - 3:00 PM to make the cards that are given to others. For more information, please contact Kathy Conrad at 377-8371.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION
Adult Faith Formation contact info – Sean McVeigh – email: s.mcveigh@dbqarch.org – phone: (319) 377-4869.

Come and See - Our RCIA Elect and Candidates will be receiving their Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil Mass, April 20. Please come and support our new members with your prayers and your presence in this pivotal moment in their lives as we worship God together on the Solemnity of Easter.

Small Groups – Get more involved in your faith by joining a small group, contact Sean McVeigh at the above information.

Podcast – We’ve started to record the Sunday homily for a parish Podcast. To listen to the podcast visit the podcast page of our parish website. You can also find it on iTunes under stjoesmarion.

Our YouTube Channel. Would you like to share something with the rest of us on our “St. Joseph Catholic Church, Marion” YouTube channel? Contact Sean McVeigh if you are interested. Even if you don’t want to share, please subscribe to our YouTube channel.

Fun Days – Be part of the hospitality and faith sharing team at Fun Days this year! Contact Mike Alt at: mikealt47@gmail.com.

“Essential Elements of a Strong Catholic Marriage” Day
All married couples are invited to strengthen their marriage by attending the Archdiocese of Dubuque “Essential Elements for a Strong Catholic Marriage” renewal day led by Greg and Julie Alexander of the Alexander House marriage apostolate on Saturday, April 27, from 9:AM to 4:00 PM at St. Ludmila Catholic Church in Cedar Rapids. Learn more and register by visiting www.DBQArch.org/Events and clicking on the date. For questions, contact Matt Selby, Director of Marriage and Family Life, at: (563) 556-2580, ext. 233 or m.selby@DBQArch.org.
Knights of Columbus #5390 will be hosting a fish dinner on Good Friday, April 19, from 5:00 - 7:30 PM at the Marion 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. The public is welcome. Carry outs are available.

Looking for Childcare during the summer?
Look no further than St. Joseph Summer Care. From field trips to water days and many hands on activities students enjoy coming each and every day. Open to students ages 3-13. Please contact the school for registration materials.

Easter Flowers
If you wish to donate to the Easter Flowers for our church in the name of a loved one please clip this form, fill it out and return it along with $15 to the parish office or drop in the collection basket by Monday, April 15, 2019. Your loved one’s name will be placed on the flower that you have sponsored. You may take the flower home after the Celebration of Easter.

In Memory of: (Please print)

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With love from:

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Please make checks payable to St. Joseph Church.

DID YOU KNOW that St. Vincent de Paul has a medical lending closet? Available for anyone who needs to borrow, at no charge, crutches, walkers, wheelchairs, commodes, etc. Obviously, the supply varies, so please call first. The St. Vincent de Paul phone number is 319-365-5091.

They are able to provide food boxes, clothing, housewares, furniture and if needed, rent or utility assistance to qualified applicants. During the last year, they provided 4,321 food boxes which fed 9,530 people. Clothing valued at $14,694 and housewares valued at $7,002 were distributed to applicants and $50,461 was spent to assist clients with furniture, rent or utility bills.

The address for St. Vincent de Paul is: 928 7th Street SE and the hours are Tuesday - Saturday, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.
The Paschal Triduum and Easter—The Lenten season ends Holy Thursday evening with the celebration of the Mass of the Lord’s Supper. On that holy night, we commemorate the institution of the Eucharist, the gift of ordained priesthood and the universal call to charitable service of our neighbor. The liturgy begins festively, includes the washing of the feet and ends with the solemn procession with the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose in the basement of the church. The chapel, a symbolic representation of the Garden of Gethsemane, will be open until 9:30 PM, as we heed the Lord’s request to stay with him, watch and pray.

Good Friday, a day of universal fast and abstinence (see below for more details), calls us to reflect upon and participate in the passion and cross of our Lord. It is a solemn day as the Church represents the debasement of our Lord, his sacrifice on the cross and the spilling of his Precious Blood. He is the innocent lamb slain for the forgiveness of our sins. On this day, we both mourn and marvel at his death.

Holy Saturday is intended for us to reflect upon our Lord in the tomb, his descent into Hell as the Apostles Creed relates, and is a time of patient vigil for the Lord’s resurrection. The waiting culminates with the celebration of the Easter Vigil which recounts the marvelous deeds God accomplished for our salvation and is the beginning of our joyous celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. It is fitting that we celebrate during the Vigil the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist) with those who have been preparing for baptism or individuals awaiting full reception into our Church.

Easter Sunday follows with the triumphant and glorious celebration of our Lord’s resurrection. Jesus is the stone rejected by the builders who has become the cornerstone, the source of our salvation. On that day, recognizing the long Lenten journey and the purification, strengthening and deepening of our faith, we will renew our baptismal promises. This would be a great day to bring someone new, fallen away, questioning or seeking with you to church.

Have a blessed Holy Week and Paschal Triduum!

**Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum Schedule**

**Palm Sunday, April 14**
- Saturday, April 13—4:30 PM Mass—Palm Procession in the church.
- Sunday April 14—8:00 AM Mass—Palm Procession in the church; 10:30 AM—Palm Procession starts in the school. Alternate inclement weather site is the church basement.
- Confessions—3:00 PM-5:00 PM in the church.

**Tuesday, April 16**
- Chrism Mass, 2:00 PM, at St. Raphael, Dubuque. All are welcome.

**Holy Thursday, April 18**
- Mass of the Lord’s Supper—7:00 PM. Washing of the feet will occur. The Adoration Vigil of the Blessed Sacrament will follow the liturgy until 9:30 PM.

**Good Friday, April 19**
- Friday of the Passion of the Lord, 3 PM. This includes the Veneration of the Cross.
- This is a universal day of fasting and abstinence
  - Abstinence -- Catholics over 14 years of age are bound to the obligation of abstinence. Abstinence is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays of Lent. On days of abstinence, meat may not be eaten at all.
  - Fast -- Catholics over 18 and up to the beginning of their 60th year are bound to the obligation of fasting. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the days of fasting. On these days, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one’s needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. Food necessary for the taking of medications is certainly allowed.

**Holy Saturday, April 20**
- The Easter Vigil—8:15 PM.

**Easter Sunday, April 21**
- Masses in the church and the gym at 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM.