February 4, 2018

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Liturgies

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

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

Adoration:  Following Monday 7:30 AM Mass until 9:00 PM

Reconciliation:  Saturday 3:30 - 4:00 PM


Parish Office  319-377-4869
  Mon. Thurs. & Fri. 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
  Tues. & Wed. 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

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

School  319-377-6348
  1430 14th Street, Marion
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 Dawn at 377-4869 or d.feltman@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 Ternes, 319-377-4869 or d.ternes@dbqarch.org and Deacon Ken Bauer, 319-377-4869 or k.bauer@dbqarch.org.

Parish Library—Open during office hours.

Feed My Sheep: The Marion Food Pantry needs canned beef stew and chicken. Please place your offering in the basket on the altar or ask an usher to take it to the front.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue—Gather to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary by gathering from February 4 - 9, to pray the rosary at the Alan and Nancy Buss, 4224 Morelle Rd NE, Cedar Rapids, at 7:30 pm each evening. All are welcome.

Infant Baptism: The next baptism preparation session will be held on Saturday, March 10, 2018, in the St. Joseph Room of the parish offices from 9 to 11 am. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at d.ternes@dbqarch.org or 377-4869 to register and learn more.

St. Joseph Bulletin: Submission deadline Tuesday Noon for the following Sunday. Please send by email to: t.martin@dbqarch.org.

New Church Directories are in and may be picked up in the Parish Office. One per family please.

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**Weekly Calendar & Mass Intentions**

**February 5 - February 11**

**Monday, February 5**
- 7:30 AM MASS † Ken Enneking
- 8:00 AM Adoration
- 12:00 PM Scriptural Rosary, Church
- 5:45 PM Cub Scouts, Church Hall
- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts, Church Hall
- 7:00 PM Scripture Study, St. Joseph Rm

**Tuesday, February 6**
- 7:30 AM MASS † Robert Schutloeffel
- 7:00 PM Men of Action, St. Joseph Rm

**Wednesday, February 7**
- 8:15 AM MASS † Irene & Lester Kula
- 9:30 AM Scripture Study, St. Joseph Rm
- 2:00 PM Pietra Fitness, St. Joseph Rm
- 6:30 PM JAM, St. Joseph Rm
- 7:30 PM MAC, St. Joseph Rm

**Thursday, February 8**
- 6:00 AM Men of Action, Church Hall
- 7:30 AM MASS † Vicie & Virgine Irbeck

**Friday, February 9**
- 7:30 AM MASS † Marian Peters
- 6:30 PM Silent Prayer, Church

**Saturday, February 10**
- 3:30 PM Reconciliation
- 4:30 PM MASS † Rita Muszynski

**Sunday, February 11**
- 8:00 AM MASS † For the People
- 10:30 AM MASS † Margaret Easton

**Mass Intentions**
Please see Dawn Feltman in the Office

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**Have you moved?**
Do you have a new email address or phone number? Please contact the parish office to update your contact information by calling 377-4869 or send email to: d.feltman@dbqarch.org.

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**Sunday Envelope Giving**
**Week of January 29, 2018 - Week 31**

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**Ministry Schedule**

**Saturday, Feb. 10, 4:30 pm**
- Sacristan: Linda Lundahl
- Altar Servers: Nathan Westhoff, Ella Westhoff, Kristin Gosch
- Lectors: Elinor Remington, Jeff Puffer
- Ministers of Holy Communion: Dan Montague, Vince Walsh, Marg Bowen, Patricia Halstead, Gail Hawthorne, Kelly Zimmerman, Pauline Soukoup
- Ministers of Hospitality: Dave Bowen, Gary Raymond, Bob Sowadski, Bob Neilly, Judith Farrell
- Children’s Liturgy: n/a
- Door Greeters: Jeremy Vinluan, Julie Raymond

**Sunday, Feb. 11, 8:00 am**
- Sacristan: Dan Carter
- Altar Servers: Cassie Hein, Ethan Walz, Carly Drey
- Lectors: Mike Wobbe, David Weaver
- Ministers of Holy Communion: Cathy Walz, Dan Drey, Ofelia Kepros, Steven Freemon, Darwin Schutloeffel, Mike Cira, Judy Scott
- Ministers of Hospitality: John Dolphin, Duane Dzingle, Carole Dzingle, Dick Nurre, Mary Nurre
- Children’s Liturgy: n/a
- Door Greeters: Gay Hauschildt, Mary Hauschildt, Kelly Zimmerman

**Sunday, Feb. 11, 10:30 am**
- Sacristan: Kathy Geers
- Altar Servers: Addie Sleezer, Lincoln Oakley, Addison Bisinger
- Lectors: Aidan Bostwick, Brian Reynolds
- Ministers of Holy Communion: Darlene Schmidt, Barb Celichowski, Carla Reilly, Joan O’Connor, JoAnn Starr, Barb Wright, Joe Trapani
- Ministers of Hospitality: Terry Reilly, Pat O’Connor, Bob Anderson, Verna Klostermann, Don Klostermann
- Children’s Liturgy: John Bostwick, Nicole Trapani
- Door Greeters: Donna Reynolds, Matt Schlegel, Scott Schlegel
Please remember in your prayers all those who have died, especially Judith Harrington, wife of Michael Harrington; and Mary Wiseman, mother of Deborah Wiseman.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Parish Mission: Join us February 25-27, 2018 when we will welcome Fr. Leo Patalinghug of “Grace Before Meals” as our Parish Lenten Mission speaker. Fr. Leo will preach at all the Masses and will be giving three talks as part of the mission so begin spreading the word since it promises to be a wonderful event. Contact Deacon Dennis for more information at d.ternes@dbqarch.org.

Christian Experience Weekend: All men are invited to attend the CEW February 23-25 at LaSalle Middle School. Take this opportunity to grow in your faith during this Lenten season with other men from the area and learn how to become more effective leaders in your families, parishes, and communities. Brochures are at the entrances of the church or contact Deacon Dennis for more information at d.ternes@dbqarch.org or 377-4869.

Women’s Connection
Support and friendship group for widows of the parish. The next meeting will be Thursday, February 8, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the LLL at St. Joseph School. Keith Frink from Recover Health will be speaking to us about the “signs and symptoms for fall risk and how to prevent them”. For more information, contact Sally at 373-5484.

Please join us for lunch on February 22 @ 11:30 - Emil’s Hideaway - 222 Glenbrook Dr SE. For more information contact Carol Gonzalez at 654-6296.

Gems of Hope
Please plan to join us to create cards for Gems of Hope on Tuesday, February 6, 9:30 am to 11:30 am in the St. Matthew Room. All are welcome. Call Kathy Conrad, 377-8371 for more information.

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. For more information, please contact Lynn Mitchell at 377-6166.

Director of Adult Faith Formation
St. Joseph Catholic Church, Marion, IA, a two thousand family parish, is seeking an Adult Faith Formation Director. The candidate must be a practicing Catholic with a Bachelor’s Degree or higher in Theology or a related field. A Master’s Degree is preferred. The Director will work as a team member with pastor and staff, direct the RCIA process, administer and develop adult faith formation programs and materials, teach and meet the ongoing adult educational needs of the parish. A familiarity with digital technology would be beneficial. Please go to stjoesmarion.org/employment to review the job description, retrieve an application and send the completed application for employment with cover letter and resume to jobs@stjoesmarion.org or Search Committee, St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1790 14th Street, Marion, IA, 52302.

“Spotlight on a Deacon”
February 2018
Theme: The Diaconal Formation Process

Week #1 - How does a man know if he is called to be a Permanent Deacon? The call to the Permanent Diaconate is a call by God to a ministry of service to the church. The discernment process requires prayer and the ability to listen to God’s invitation along with input from spouse, family, pastor, and faith community. Discernment is rarely a one-time event. Rather, it is nurtured over time and throughout the Diaconal Formation journey. Spiritual Direction becomes a key element in the process.

-Task Force - 2018 Deacon Celebrations
Witness Committee - Maureen Oates, Mike & Kris Ward

Have You Considered Becoming a Deacon?
Jesus said, "Come and see." (Jn 1:39) The Office of the Permanent Diaconate is seeking married or single men interested in becoming a Permanent Deacon. The call to the diaconate is a call to a vocation. It requires prayer, commitment, and dedication. Interested men between the ages of 32 and 58, and their wives if married, are invited to attend an "Information Meeting" on Thursday, February 8 at St. Patrick Parish, Cedar Rapids at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

For more information, please contact Deacon Tom Lang at 800-876-3546, Ext. 252.
ST. JOSEPH FUN DAYS
FAITH – FAMILY – COMMUNITY
June 1, 2, & 3, 2018

With the beginning of a new year, the countdown to ‘Fun Days’ has started. Lots of activity has been going on since the announcement of this event returning. Committee heads have been chosen and they have done significant work in the area that they are responsible for. A carnival company has been chosen, musical entertainment has been booked, tables and chairs have been donated, and the old BINGO board set has been dusted off and is up and running.

There is still a lot of work ahead. Please watch future bulletins for ways on how you can assist by donating or volunteering.

Families of St. Joseph
Faith * Family * Friendship * Service
Please join us for Service Sunday!

What: We will be offering our time and our service to the local Catholic Worker House, assisting with their needs on that day. Work may be physical (sorting donations) or perhaps interpersonal (crafts, family games).

Where: St. John of the Cross Catholic Worker House, 1027 5th Avenue SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52403

When: Sunday, February 11, from 1-3pm

Thank you
From the Xavier Foundation

The Xavier community is grateful to St. Joseph parishioners for raising $69,830 for the 2017 Xavier Foundation Parish Appeal. Thank you to Bob & Julie Schmitt and John & Angela Pacha for serving as chairpersons. Thanks to the many donors and volunteers who participated in this year’s appeal to benefit Xavier. Your prayers and generous support helped exceed the overall goal and raise more than $520,900 to support Xavier High School. Thank you! If you would like to support Catholic secondary education, please send your tax-deductible gift to the Foundation office, P. O. Box 10956, Cedar Rapids, IA 52410-0956. Thank you for your generous support.

The invitations have arrived and you are cordially invited to attend St. Joseph Shamrock 2018. This gala event benefits and celebrates St. Joseph Catholic School. Look for a number of exciting changes to this year’s event. It is planned for Saturday, March 3 starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Best Western Longbranch. Join us for gourmet food stations, live and silent auctions, games and raffles, drinks and live entertainment. Tickets are $40 per person and commemorative wine and beer glasses (with beverages included) are $25 in advance. Reservations are due by February 16. Proceeds from the event are used to make physical upgrades to the school, which serves preschool through eighth grade students, a childcare center and participants in the parish’s Youth Faith Formation program. We’d love to have you join us!

Coffee and Doughnuts
Enjoy coffee and doughnuts, the 2nd Sunday of the month in between 8:00 and 10:30 Mass, in the church hall. Next coffee and doughnut date: February 11, 2018. Sponsored by the Finance Council.

Join Worldwide Marriage Encounter in celebrating World Marriage Day on Sunday, February 11, 2018, with Mass at 2:00 pm at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 627 W 4th Street, Waterloo, IA. The Mass will meet the Sunday obligation and feature music provided by Agnus Dei. A special blessing for couples will be offered and a reception, sponsored by Waterloo Catholic Parishes, will follow in the parish hall. Married couples and families of any faith are invited to attend. Governor Kim Reynolds will be signing the official State proclamation of World Marriage Day on February 1, 2018 to honor husband and wife as head of the family, the basic unit of society. It salutes the beauty of faithfulness, sacrifice and joy in daily married life. For more information please contact: Dan and Shirley O’Connell at: (319) 232-6030.

FISH FRY Culinary Delight
Friday, February 16, (open to public) 5:00 - 7:00 PM
$10 for adults, $5 for youth, 5 & under FREE
(Dessert included)
Marion Columbus Club
hosted by Knights of Columbus
See the Council 5390 Knight Lite newsletter: www.kofc5390.org

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend has something in it for every married couple. The weekend has value for couples married one year on up to 50 years or more. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on February 9-11 in Ankeny, March 9-11 in La Crosse, WI, and April 20-22 in Dubuque. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information and to register go to: www.iowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305 or email: jjwwme08@gmail.com.

Thank you to the many who donated fabric or sewed quilt tops from the kits found in the tote box in the church hall. Your efforts helped the quilt ministry complete and distribute 74 quilts in 2017. Shelters and nonprofits are very grateful to receive them and it warms the spirit to know many are kept warm from this ministry! It may be of interest to know that we are using some of the heavier fabrics to make kits for simple backpacks that get sewn at other area churches and are then shipped to Haiti for their school children. We are also making some comforters from extra large yardage and will be teaching some of the residents at the McAuley Center how to tie these for their future uses. The bright lightweight fabric is given to a parishioner whose mother sews dresses for girls in Haiti. Finally the heavier upholstery fabric is used to make reusable tote/shopping bags and also donated where needed. - Lynn and Margie, Quilt Ministry
in anticipation of your sacrificial gift, thank you. The appeal letter from Catholic Charities will be sent by mail to envelope holders the week of February 5th. Please return contributions to Catholic Charities by mail.

**Ash Wednesday, February 14, Mass Schedule**

7:00 AM    12:00 PM    5:00 PM    7:00 PM

Ashes will be distributed during Mass. Since this is a day of fasting and abstinence and it falls on Valentine’s Day, it may well and should affect dinners and the exchange of sweets and gifts. The Lenten regulations are found below. To observe the fasting and sacrifice called for on Ash Wednesday, may I suggest that your Valentine’s Day observance be transferred to February 13th this year? That way, the spirit of Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent is preserved and will be beneficial to your spirituality and reflect that of the season.

**Lenten Regulations**—The Church being the Body of Christ is a community of persons. The community acts as one in many ways including what is done during Lent. I offer the communal practices the Church follows during Lent as it applies to the days of fasting and abstinence.

Days we abstain from consuming meat: Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent.

Days we fast: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

**Abstinance** — 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. Eggs, milk products and condiments made from meat may be eaten. Fish and all cold blooded animals may be eaten (e.g., frogs, clams, etc.).

**Fast** — Catholics over 18 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.

Regarding other weekdays of Lent, participation in daily Mass and the voluntary observance of fasting is recommended. Abstinence from meat on other Fridays of the year is recommended but not required. Additionally, prayer, penance and almsgiving for the sake of world peace is recommended for all Fridays of the year.

Commendable, particularly during Lent, is generosity to local, national and world programs of sharing our abundance, the traditional Lenten Devotions and all the self-denial summed up in the Christian concept of “mortification.”

**Things to Do During Lent**

In preparation for the Lenten season of spiritual and personal renewal through prayer, fasting and almsgiving, supplied below are some suggestions of things to do during Lent found on the Busted Halo website.

1. Make a commitment to read the Scripture before you go to Mass.
2. Try a new spiritual practice. Sign up for an hour of Eucharistic Adoration. Attend Mass. Sign up for a silent retreat or spend at least one hour in silent meditation each weekend.
3. Think about what you usually spend your money on. Do you buy too many clothes? Spend too much on dinner out? Pick one type of expenditure that you’ll “fast” from during Lent, and then give the money you would usually spend to a local charity.
4. Take something on — 40 days of letter writing, 40 acts of kindness, 40 phone calls to the important people in your life.
5. Go to a weekday Mass one day or more during the week.
6. Attend the Stations of the Cross.
7. Get some friends together and attend a Friday fish fry at the local Knights of Columbus. It is a way to help you abstain from eating meat on Fridays during Lent and share in the larger community doing the same.
8. Pray daily for fifteen minutes.
9. Unplug from your iPhone or turn off your car radio on your commute. Enjoy the silence.
10. Buy a book of daily reflections and keep it by your bed. Try the Magnificat or The Word Among Us.
11. Think about a habit that has kept you from being whom God is calling you to be. Consciously give up that habit for Lent.
12. Spend at least one weekend or evening volunteering during Lent.
13. Fast from insensitive or cruel comments, especially on social media.
14. Participate in a spiritual book club or small community of faith.
15. As a part of Lenten almsgiving, make a point to learn more about a particular social issue (immigration, human trafficking, racism, the environment, public education, child poverty).
16. Use the CRS Rice Bowl to reflect on the realities of people in need around the world and devote prayers, fasting, and almsgiving to changing the lives of the poor. Give to the Rice Bowl as a way to help people in need.
17. Pray for somebody. As you’re walking the streets, driving the highways, or sitting in your cubicle at work, pick out a person who appears to be in need and pray for that person.
18. Read the Works of Mercy as Jesus describes them in Matthew 25:31-46. Then put this teaching into practice and choose an act of service you can perform throughout Lent.
19. Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Can’t remember how? Tell the priest it’s been a while, and ask him to guide you through it.


Watch a simple, short, great introduction to Lent: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X01miuy1NA0