January 7, 2018

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Liturgies

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

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

Adoration:
Following 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.

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 jim926722@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.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue—Gather to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary by gathering from January 7-12, to pray the rosary at the home of Christina Chalhoub, 1300 Prairieview Dr. NE, at 7:30 pm each evening. All are welcome.

Infant Baptism: The next baptism preparation session will be held on Saturday, January 13, 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.

### Weekly Calendar & Mass Intentions

#### Monday, January 8
- 7:30 AM MASS † Terry/William Canning
- 8:00 AM Adoration
- 12:00 PM Scriptural Rosary, Church Hall
- 1:30 PM Alpha Prayer Group, John Paul II Rm
- 5:45 PM Cub Scouts, Church Hall
- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts, Church Hall
- 7:00 PM Scripture Study, St. Joseph Rm

#### Tuesday, January 9
- 7:30 AM MASS † Mary/Florence Leali
- 1:00 PM Quilting Ministry, Church Hall
- 7:00 PM Men of Action, St. Joseph Rm
- 7:00 PM Bells, Church

#### Wednesday, January 10
- 8:15 AM MASS † Martha Mara
- 9:30 AM Scripture Study, St. Joseph Rm
- 2:00 PM Pietra Fitness, St. Joseph Rm
- 4:30 PM YFF 5th Gr Lesson, Church Hall
- 5:50 PM Minor Miracles, Church Hall
- 6:30 PM YFF 5th Gr Lesson, Church Hall
- 6:30 PM JAM, St. Joseph Rm
- 6:30 PM Liturgy Comm Mtg, St. Matthew Rm
- 7:30 PM MAC, St. Joseph Rm

#### Thursday, January 11
- 6:00 AM Men of Action, Church Hall
- 7:30 AM MASS † Steve Eckman
- 9:30 AM Summit Pointe † For The People
- 6:30 PM RCIA, St. Joseph Rm

#### Friday, January 12
- 7:30 AM MASS † Kenneth Enneking
- 6:30 PM Silent Prayer, Church

#### Saturday, January 13
- 9:00 AM Baptism Prep Session, St. Joseph Rm
- 3:30 PM Reconciliation
- 4:30 PM MASS † Margaret Easton

#### Sunday, January 14
- 8:00 AM MASS † For The People
- 10:30 AM MASS † John/Mary Scanlon

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

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Week of December 25, 2017—Week 26

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### Ministry Schedule

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Women’s Connection

Renee Riffey from AGE-u-cate will be speaking to us about how to gain understanding of what dementia is, how the individual with dementia feels, as well as new ways to understand and respond to their needs and their care partners. **Thursday, January 11,** in the LLL at the school. Please contact Sally Wilkinson at 373-5484.

Join us for lunch on **January 25 @ 11:30** - Pizza Ranch - Marion. For more information contact Carol Gonzalez at 654-6296.

Senior Lunch

Please join us for the next Senior Luncheon on **January 17, 2018.** Wayne Jackson will be singing. Please call the parish to RSVP.

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 2-3 pm. Suggested offering of $5 per class.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Compassion and knitting/crocheting combined into a prayerful ministry which is starting their 11th year in January. In this time period the members of this ministry have made 734 prayer shawls. They have been able to give 629 individuals a spiritual sign through the prayer shawl that they are embraced by Gods loving grace during their time of illness/struggles and reminder they are never alone. If you have a desire to help others and belief in prayer as well as a knowledge of knitting/crocheting please contact Sharon Reilly at 373-2810. If you know of someone young or old who is sick or having a difficult time that would benefit from extra prayers and may like to receive a prayer shawl please call the parish office.

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.

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.

Men of Action Book Study: The two Men of Action groups will begin a new book study titled “He Leadeth Me” which is the true story of Fr. Walter Ciszek who spent 23 years in Soviet prisons and Siberian labor camps and how he put his trust in God to get him through those times. All men are welcome to join this study which will begin on **Tuesday, January 16** from 7:00-8:15 PM and **Thursday, January 18** from 6:00-7:15 AM. Contact Deacon Dennis at d.ternes@dbqarch.org or George Cleppe at g.cleppe@icloud.com for more information and to sign up.

St. Joseph Catholic Church, Marion IA, seeks a part-time secretary for Youth Faith Formation.

The preferred candidate is a practicing Catholic who has strong people skills and a positive attitude, all while maintaining confidentiality. Proficiency in computer skills across multiple applications as well as an ability to multi-task and collaborate in a team setting is necessary. Physical demands of lifting and moving up to 50 pounds are included in the qualifications of this job.

Please visit [www.stjoesmarion.org/employment](http://www.stjoesmarion.org/employment) to find the employment application. Send resume, cover letter and completed job application to: Attention YFF Office, 1430 14th St. Marion, IA 52302, or by email to: j.ramsey@dbqarch.org by January 10, 2018.

St. Joseph Catholic Church, Marion, IA, a parish of two thousand families, seeks a full-time Director of Liturgy and Music. The preferred candidate is a practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church, has a bachelor’s degree or higher in either Liturgy, Liturgical Music, Music Education, Music Performance or a related field. Skills for voice and piano are preferred as well as parish experience. The application for employment can be found at: [www.stjoesmarion.org/employment](http://www.stjoesmarion.org/employment). Please send a cover letter, resume and completed employment application to jobs@stjoesmarion.org.
Family Promise of Linn County

This program’s purpose is to intervene in homelessness and poverty. It should be our innate spirit and responsibility through our love for humankind to want to effect and facilitate better lives for our fellow man. We have hired a new executive director and will begin to host families again in early February; our next week to host at St Wenceslaus is March 11-17. Volunteer opportunities include: providing dinner; dinner/evening hosts 5:30-8:30 pm; overnight hosts 8:30 pm – 7:00 am. A volunteer training session will be held at St Wenceslaus January 23 at 5:30 pm. To learn more about this ministry, contact Dave Martin at St Wenceslaus, 362-8061 ext. 202.

2018 Archdiocesan Women’s Conference

Start the New Year off right! Join hundreds of women from throughout the Archdiocese of Dubuque to pray, laugh, share, and celebrate at Beauty in Christ on Saturday, January 27, 2018 at the DoubleTree Hotel, Cedar Rapids. Register now at: https://www.archwomensconference.org/

Thanks to our generous donor: Theisen’s Home. Farm. Auto. The conference is a collaborative effort of the Adult Faith Formation and Catechetical Services offices of the Archdiocese for the women of the Archdiocese.

Knights of Columbus Fish Dinner

Knights of Columbus Council 5390 hosts the Marion Columbus Club Fish Dinner Friday, January 19, 2018, 5 to 7 PM. All-you-can-eat baked or fried fish and more! Adults: $10, children: $5, ages 5 and under are free. 5650 Kacena Ave, Marion.

2018 Cedar Rapids March for Life

Events beginning Sunday, January 21, at St. Matthew Catholic Church, 2310 First Avenue NE, with a 12:00 pm Rosary, followed by a 12:30 pm Catholic Mass. At 2:00 pm, we will March for Life along First Avenue to Planned Parenthood 3425 First Avenue NE. Once there, we will hold up pro-life signs while peacefully praying, visiting, and witnessing to others. At 3:00 pm we return to St. Matthew Church lower level for fellowship and some hot chili. Those unable to march are welcome to drive the route St. Matthew Church lower level for fellowship and some hot chili. Those marching should dress warm. All are welcome to attend all or part of this activity. Contact: coalitionforlife@gmail.com or call 319-270-0054 with questions or comments.

Bereavement Grief and Loss

A six session faith sharing group for those who have experienced death of a loved one or other traumatic incidents resulting in a lifestyle change. It is recommended that those considering these sessions allow six month since the death or change in family lifestyle before attending. The next group will meet Mondays, January 22-February 26, 6:00 - 7:30 pm at St. Matthew Parish-Faith Formation Room, Cedar Rapids. Contact either St. Matthew Parish (319-363-8269) or St. Joseph Parish (319-377-4869). Registration deadline is: Friday, January 15.

"We Come Bearing Gifts" Epiphany Concert

Sunday, January 7
3:00 p.m. at St. Pius X Church
Free admission

Enjoy Christmas music performed by choirs, instrumentalist groups, and soloists. Following the concert, refreshments will be served in Pius Hall. Everyone is invited to – like the three wise men – “come bearing gifts” of money and non-perishable food items for Metro Catholic Outreach. This annual concert is a wonderful way to celebrate the end of the Christmas season!

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.iowawwme.org or call 563-608-3305 or email: jjlwwme08@gmail.com.

Guess Who’s Coming To Dinner?

Now taking reservations through January 19. Several parishioners will be hosting dinner in their homes on Sunday, January 28, at 5:00. Your host will provide the main dish and drinks and the guests will bring a salad or vegetable to complete the meal. The “guessing” part is that no one (including the hosts) will know who is in their dinner party until arriving at the address they will be provided! Child care and a meal will be provided at the school for those in need. Following dinner, everyone will meet at the Church Hall by 7:00 for dessert, to reunite with your children, and to meet everyone else who has participated. Last year was a lot of fun! Please contact Sharron Konzen at 319-350-9861 or rkonzen@yahoo.com. Be sure to advise if you need child care, and provide any food allergy information for yourselves and/or your children.

Christian Experience Weekend (CEW) in February 2018:

Experience this special weekend and grow in your faith! The women’s weekend is from Friday evening, February 2 through Sunday afternoon, February 4. The men’s weekend is from February 23 – 25. Visit www.crecw.org to register, or see the parish office for registration forms. What a great way to continue your faith journey!
The Epiphany—We reflected during Advent about the idea of the already, not yet dimension of our faith. Christ has already come into the world, died, rose from the dead, conquered sin and evil. There is also a not yet. His work on the cross has been completed, but all has not yet been realized as we await his triumphal return, the Second Coming, at the end of time and the resurrection of the dead. We long for total peace when tears, war and death will be no more. We live and struggle with evil and sin and await the day when the world will be fully recreated in Jesus’ image, thus bringing his work of salvation to its ultimate fulfillment.

So we wait for what the Epiphany proclaims today. Already we know and it is real that Christ came for all people. He died for Jews and Gentiles alike. Jesus is the Savior of us all. The Wise Men, the pagan kings, followed the Star of Bethlehem to find the new born king to whom the prophets and the created order testified. Not yet is the day when every knee bends and every tongue confesses that Jesus Christ is Lord. Patience, people, this day will come in God’s time and way.

We refer to the progress of each year as a year of grace marked from the time of our Lord’s birth, when the Light entered the world to shine in its darkness. On the Epiphany, let the Magi represent for us the journey of faith on which we embarked through baptism. The star is Christ the Light who ever leads and guides us not only through his intercession in heaven, but because he is incarnate, and with us in this time and place. The gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh the Wise Men offered the Christ-child are the ones he first gave us. Gold is the industry of our talents and gifts to be offered in service of him; frankincense is our fragrant offering of the gift of self in worship of the one, true God, and; myrrh is our anointing by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and Confirmation which sets us apart as sons and daughters of God who have received the rush of the Spirit at Pentecost for our own faith and the edification of the community of believers. We use, give and act upon these gifts in homage of Christ the King to become holy as he is holy, to call the world to Christ the only Savior and to work with Christ to make the world holy through the power of his grace. We live in a time that is already, but not yet. Christ has already come, but his work continues as we await his fullness at the end of time.

From St. Joseph Parishioner and Seminarian Tyler Raymond-- It has been great to be back home at St Joe’s for Christmas these past couple of weeks. Thank you to everyone for your well wishes and prayers! This semester at Mundelein I will be going with my 3rd year class to the Holy Land for around 9 weeks. We will take classes and visit many sites from the Bible, as part of formation for the upcoming ordination to the transitional deaconate for my class and myself. Five men from our Archdiocese are going on the pilgrimage and are all looking forward (God willing!) to our ordination this coming May! Please keep us all in your prayers as we continue immediate preparation for ordination! I look forward to the near future when I will be able to celebrate the liturgy at St Joe’s as a transitional deacon! May God bless you and our parish this year! (See you at Easter!)

Days for Life January 18-26, 2018-- 9 Days for Life is a "digital pilgrimage" of prayer and action focused on cherishing the gift of every person’s life. A multi-faceted novena highlighting a different intention each day provides reflections, bonus information, and suggested actions. Join to receive the novena through the 9 Days for Life app, daily emails, or daily texts.

See below for information on how else you can get involved!

#9DaysforLife #OurPrayersMatter.

9 Days for Life Novena--While the overarching intention of the novena is the end to abortion, it also addresses topics spanning across the range of life issues. Each day’s one-page prayer guide focuses on a different intention and is comprised of five short sections: (1) Intercession; (2) Prayers; (3) Reflection; (4) Acts of Reparation, and; (5) One Step Further.

Please consult the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website to enroll and participate: (http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/january-roes-events/9-days-for-life-pray.cfm).