October 21, 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 at 8:15 AM
Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM
Adoration: Mondays 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM

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1790 14th Street, Marion, IA 52302

Youth Faith Formation 319-377-8402
1430 14th Street, Marion, IA 52302

St. Joseph Catholic School 319-377-6348
1430 14th Street, Marion, IA 52302
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.

Feed My Sheep: The Marion Food Pantry needs canned meat and fish. 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 October 21 - 26, to pray the Rosary at the home of Sisters of Mercy, Sacred Heart Convent, 1125 Prairie Dr. NE at 6:30 PM each evening. All are welcome.

Infant Baptism: The next baptism preparation session will be held on Saturday, November 10, 2018, in the St. Joseph Room of the parish offices from 9:00 to 11:00 AM. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at d.ternes@dbqarch.org or 377-4869 to register and learn more.

### Weekly Calendar & Mass Intentions

#### Monday, October 22
- 7:30 AM MASS † Michael Cira
- 8:00 AM Adoration
- 12:00 PM Rosary
- 6:00 PM Lectio Divina, St. Joseph Room
- 6:45 PM Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room
- 7:45 PM Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room

#### Tuesday, October 23
† Albert & Elma Kula
- 7:30 AM MASS
- 10:00 AM RCIA, St. Matthew Room
- 1:00 PM Gems of Hope, Church Hall
- 7:00 PM Men of Action, St. Joseph Room

#### Wednesday, October 24
- 8:15 AM MASS † Robert Kerns
- 9:30 AM Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room
- 2:00 PM Pieta Fitness, St. Joseph Room
- 5:30 PM Minor Miracles, Church
- 6:30 PM JAM, Church
- 7:30 PM MAC, Church

#### Thursday, October 25
- 6:00 AM Men of Action, Church Hall
- 7:30 AM MASS † Van & Georgia Van Berkum
- 9:30 AM Linn Manor † Ann Tack
- 6:30 PM Jubilation, Church
- 6:30 PM RCIA, St. Joseph Room

#### Friday, October 26
- 7:30 AM MASS † Michael Cira
- 9:30 AM Bickford † Evelyn Lorei
- 6:30 PM Silent Prayer, Church

#### Saturday, October 27
- 4:30 PM MASS † Lester & Irene Kula

#### Sunday, October 28
- 8:00 AM MASS † For the People
- 10:30 AM MASS † Mary Althoff

### Mass Intentions
Please see Dawn Feltman in the Office 2019 Mass Intention offerings now being accepted

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### Sunday Envelope Giving

**Week of October 14, 2018 - Week 16**

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Women’s Connection
Women’s Connection will meet October 25, 11:30 AM, at Longbranch, 90 Twixt Town Road, for the monthly luncheon. For more information please contact Carol Gonzalez at 654-6296.

Coffee and Conversation
Beans meeting room, 1080 East Post Road, Marion, 9:30 - 11:00 AM. No need 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 in the church hall from 1:00 - 3:00 PM to make the cards that are given to others. Next meeting, October 23. For more information, contact Dawn, 377-4869, or Kathy, 377-8371.

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: November 13. For more information, please contact Lynn Mitchell at 377-6166.

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.

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, November 7.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION
Adult Faith Formation contact info - Sean McVeigh - s.mcveigh@dbqarch.org or call 377-4869.

RCIA – If you have an interest in becoming Catholic, but have not yet signed up, be sure to contact Sean McVeigh. We’d love to have you as part of our program!

YAM – A Young Adult Ministry planning meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 23 at 6:00 PM in the John Paul II room in the parish office.

Scripture Opportunities
Our Monday evening scripture study schedule will continue until Thanksgiving. Currently, Lectio Divina is from 6:00 to 6:30, Gospel of Mark from 6:45 to 7:30 (scheduled to finish October 22), and Fulfilled Part II 7:45 to 8:45.

Explore the Saving Power of the Cross, a religious study led by Karen Swindler meets on designated Fridays at 1:00 PM in the St. Joseph Room of the parish office.

Our YouTube Channel. Just type “St. Joseph Catholic Church, Marion” into www.YouTube.com and you should find our channel. Sean will be producing and uploading new content in the near future, so make sure you subscribe and click the BELL icon so that you will be notified when a new video goes live. Among other things, we will be producing testimony videos from parishioners. If you have an experience of something God has done in your life and would like to share that with others in a short 5 to 10-minute video, contact Sean to talk about it.
October is “Respect Life Month”

The Social Justice Committee is asking for your help in aiding Birthright and Bridgehaven with baby items. They need diapers, blankets, wipes, clothes, formula, bibs, and small toys. There will be a pack’n play in the entry of the church near the elevator during the month of October to place donations in. Thank you in advance for your donations.

Ministry Scheduler Pro Tip of the Week: The "Sitter Function" allows parents of young children and infants to never be scheduled together as liturgical ministers at the same Mass. Please call the parish office if you are interested in setting up this option so one parent can always be with your children during Mass.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Fall is a season full of color and beauty. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is like autumn because it is a weekend full of beauty and bountiful blessings! It's a great time to rekindle communication and enjoy a weekend away. Upcoming dates: November 2 - 4 in Coralville. For more information please visit our website at: iowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305 or email: JLJwwme08@gmail.com.

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Communal Anointing of the Sick

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This Is for the Birds!—is a colloquial saying that is used when one is exasperated about something. I am using it literally, however, not out of exasperation, but because our church became a temporary home for a bird last week. A little sparrow somehow found its way into the church. The poor little creature flew aimlessly about inside for a day or two, alighting on beams, banners, plants and people. It was lost, scared and looking for home. The longer it stayed and flew around, the hungrier and more fatigued it became. Finally, shortly before a wedding began, the beleaguered bird alighted in a pew next to a guest who gently cupped it in his hands and released it outside.

At first, the bird was an inconvenience, a problem to be solved. Then, I started pondering this occurrence firstly in light of Matthew 7:26 when Jesus said, “Look at the birds in the sky; they do not sow or reap, they gather nothing into barns, yet your heavenly Father feeds them . . . “ The poor thing was lost, scared and wanted to go home. It flew aimlessly around the church alighting on this or that, but not settling upon what it needed or knowing how to find it. The bird becomes a metaphor for humanity. People can be that way, too. They can be hungry, scared, aflight in life looking for a place to land, going from this to that and never finding home.

There’s a parable that Jesus told in Matthew 31: 31-32: “ . . . ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a person took and sowed in a field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet when full-grown is the largest of plants. It becomes a large bush, and the ‘birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches.’” I reasoned with the scriptures I just quoted that if the kingdom welcomes birds, then why not people who are flying about life, lost or disoriented, looking for a place to call home? Our parish is a part of the kingdom. This is where the birds alight and they are fed. Are we ready to offer a home to such as these? It may be harder to reach out to people flying through life like that bird, but the kingdom is for them, too. They may be difficult to catch or convince that our parish can be a source for their nourishment and be called their home. Are we ready for the task and willing to embrace the work that is required to welcome these folks home? What will it take for us to do so? Our task is, after all, for the birds.

Archdiocesan Financial Report—The Archdiocesan Pastoral Center has published a financial report for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. The report answers questions about income from parish taxes and shows how gifts to the archdiocese allow us to partner with others to continue the mission of Jesus in the ministries of the Church. Read the report online at www.dbqarch.org/2017financialreport.

Communal Anointing of the Sick—We will be celebrating the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick during Respect Life Month at all the Masses next weekend on October 27-28, 2018.

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick celebrated during Mass connects it with the Most Holy Eucharist. The Eucharist, which conveys the healing fruits of Jesus’ cross and resurrection (the Paschal Mystery), powerfully presents the Paschal Mystery in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Jesus is the Divine Physician who is healer of all our ills. When the anointing is done within the context of a large gathering of the faithful, it demonstrates that the entire community is to share in the care of and concern for the sick, as Jesus said, I was, “ . . . ill and you cared for me” (Mt 25: 36), for “ . . . whatever you did for one of these . . . you did for me” (Mt 25: 40).

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is celebrated with Catholics who have reached the age of reason (age seven) who are ill and have fallen into danger. Danger means a person’s health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age. A person may be anointed:

- Because of a serious condition due to disease, a wound, accident or notable weakness due to old age.
- When s/he will undergo surgery when a serious illness is the reason for it.
- Who is elderly and has become notably weakened although no serious illness is present.
- Who is a child that is seriously ill, has reached the age of reason (seven years old) and would be strengthened by the Sacrament.

We look forward to the sacramental celebrations as we invoke the healing power of Christ in our parish community.

All Saints and All Souls Day—All Saints Day, November 1st, is a Holy Day of Obligation. This year, we will celebrate Masses only on November 1st at 8:15 AM, to include the St. Joseph School children, and 5:30 PM.

All Souls Day follows on November 2nd. It is a special day the Church dedicates to prayer for the dead. Mass will be at 7:30 AM to which you are all invited. We will have a Book of the Dead stationed in the shrine area of the church that will commemorate those whose funerals the parish has had over the past year. You are invited to inscribe in the book the names of loved ones and friends who have died and for whom you would like us to pray.