## September 30, 2018

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## Liturgies

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<td>Weekend Mass</td>
<td>Saturday 4:30 PM</td>
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<td>Sunday 8:00 AM &amp; 10:30 AM</td>
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<td>Weekday Mass</td>
<td>Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 7:30 AM</td>
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<td>Wednesday at 8:15 AM</td>
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<td>Reconciliation</td>
<td>Saturdays 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM</td>
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<td>Adoration</td>
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## Addresses

- **St. Joseph Parish Office**: 319-377-4869  
  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, 319-377-0487 or jmjr26722@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 **September 30 - October 5**, to pray the rosary at the home of George and Marie Chalhoub, 1322 James Ave, Swisher, at 7:00 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.

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### Weekly Calendar & Mass Intentions

**Monday, October 1**
- 7:30 AM MASS † Patricia Sullivan
- 8:00 AM Adoration
- 12:00 PM Rosary
- 7:00 PM Parish Mission Speaker, Steve Ray

**Tuesday, October 2**
- 7:30 AM MASS † Wayne & Maxine Stein
- 10:00 AM RCIA, St. Matthew Room
- 7:00 PM Men of Action, St. Joseph Room

**Wednesday, October 3**
- 8:15 AM MASS † Lester & Irene Kula
- 9:30 AM Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room
- 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry, St. Matthew Rm
- 2:00 PM Pietra Fitness, St. Joseph Room
- 5:30 PM Minor Miracles, Church
- 6:30 PM JAM, Church
- 7:30 PM MAC, Church

**Thursday, October 4**
- 6:00 AM Men of Action, Church Hall
- 7:30 AM MASS † Dorothy Frasher
- 9:30 AM Willow Garden † Wendell Kass
- 6:30 PM Jubilation
- 6:30 PM RCIA, St. Joseph Room

**Friday, October 5**
- 7:30 AM MASS † Michael Cira
- 1:00 PM Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room
- 6:30 PM Silent Prayer, Church

**Saturday, October 6**
- 4:30 PM MASS † Paul Supple

**Sunday, October 7**
- 8:00 AM MASS † Rita Muszynski
- 10:30 AM MASS † For the People

**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 September 23, 2018 - Week 13

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### Ministry Schedule

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<td>Saturday, October 6, 4:30 PM</td>
<td>Linda Lundahl</td>
<td>Sacristan</td>
<td>Hannah Konzen</td>
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<td>Wednesday, October 3, 7:00 PM</td>
<td>Virginia Bostwick, August Brown, Sydney Esch</td>
<td>Altar Servers</td>
<td>Matthew Thraen, Julia Foerster, Sarah Foerster</td>
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<td>Monday, October 1, 7:30 PM</td>
<td>Richard Dorff, Sue Driscoll</td>
<td>Lectors</td>
<td>Jeffery Alt, Cathy Wobbe, Emily Logan, Mark Oehler</td>
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<td>Friday, October 5, 7:30 PM</td>
<td>Amanda Andrews, Bob Blockinger, Marguerite Bowen, Marilyn Casey, James Ford, Sharon Sowadski, Joyce Wright</td>
<td>Ministers of Holy Communion</td>
<td>Mary Hauschidt, Patti Zessin, Janice Kelly, James McDonald, Norma Miklak, Rebecca Miller, Daniel Mautiquge, Timothy DeWees, Rita Greif, Audra McEnany, Diane Morris, Joan O’Connor, Daniel Pickar, 1 Open</td>
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<td>Saturday, October 6, 4:30 PM</td>
<td>Mark Barnd, Judith Farrell, Jamie McAllister, Melvin Holubar, Terrance Reilly</td>
<td>Ministers of Hospitality</td>
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<td>Tuesday, October 2, 7:30 PM</td>
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<td>Children’s Liturgy</td>
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<td>Sunday, October 7, 8:00 AM</td>
<td>Becky Bostwick, John Bostwick, Mary Breen, Marjorie Jensen</td>
<td>Door Greeters</td>
<td>n/a, Michelle Soyer, Patrick Soyer, Gunnar Black, Marcia Black</td>
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<td>Sunday, October 7, 10:30 AM</td>
<td>Aidan Bostwick</td>
<td>Master of Ceremonies</td>
<td>Patty Kelly / Aniko &amp; Chloe Thraen</td>
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<td>Patty Kelly</td>
<td>Music Ministry</td>
<td>Joe Ellis</td>
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Please remember in your prayers all those who have died especially Florence Micka, mother of Carol (Greg) Johnson, grandmother of Nathan, Suzanne and Kelly; and Kathleen Sippy, mother of Timothy (Yvonne) Sippy, grandmother of Nathan, Olivia and Regan.

**Women’s Connection**

Women’s Connection, a support group for parish widows, will meet Thursday, **October 11** from 1:15 to 3:15, (please note permanent change of time), in the Leadership And Learning Lounge at St. Joseph Catholic School. We will be praying the Rosary to honor those members who have passed away and all those who are seriously ill. All widows of the parish are welcome. For more information contact Sally at 373-5484.

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**

Join our informal, friendly gathering of women of the parish every fourth Friday of the month for “Coffee and Conversation.” Next date: **October 26, 2018**. Mr. 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: October 9**. 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, **October 3**.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

Scripture Opportunities for Monday, October 1 are canceled due to the Parish Mission scheduled that evening. Please plan to attend the Parish Mission at St. Joseph Parish from 7:00 to 8:00 PM and hear the “Christ Our Life” Conference speaker, Steve Ray.

YAM - All those interested in helping with a Young Adult Ministry here at St. Joseph's please call or email Sean McVeigh to express your interest. A planning meeting will be scheduled in the near future. Sean’s email is s.mcveigh@dbqarch.org or call 377-4869.

ONE MORE VOLUNTEER – We still have openings for volunteers who have the proper background checks to help watch children from 3:00 to 5:00 PM on Sunday afternoons during the Financial Peace University sessions. There are only 7 meetings left. Please contact Sean McVeigh if interested in serving God by helping others in this way.

RCIA – If you are an adult who would like to become Catholic or someone who still hasn’t received your Confirmation, now is the time to move forward in the process. Contact Sean McVeigh to sign up or for more information. Send email to: s.mcveigh@dbqarch.org or call 377-4869.

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 next CEO (Catholic Evangelization Outreach) will be held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish on Monday, October 1, from 6:30 - 8:00 PM. Nationally known speaker Renee Bondi will be sharing her story on how the Lord has used her after a serious spinal injury. A light dinner will be served afterwards. There is no charge and all are welcome!

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.

Steve Ray is coming to St. Joseph

Christ Our Life Conference speaker, Steve Ray will be at St. Joseph on September 30 and October 1 from 7:00 - 8:00 PM for a Parish Mission. If you are unable to attend the conference, this is a good opportunity to hear a dynamic Catholic speaker. Steve’s talks will be “Defending the Eucharist: We are what We Eat” and “Swimming Upstream; Being Catholic in a non-Christian World”. For more information on Steve’s ministry please go to: www.catholicconvert.com.

Who am I to Judge?

Please attend a parish wide discussion on Tuesday, October 9, at 6:30 PM, titled “Who am I to Judge?”

Prior to the discussion, please listen to the CD by picking one up in the church entry or through the “Formed” website at: https://formed.org/listen/593189745fe4b5c40c870251. Our parish access code is: ae0136.

For more information please contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at: d.ternes@dbqarch.org or call the church office.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA)

Court #1768 will meet Tuesday, October 9, 6:30 pm at St. Wenceslaus Church, doors open at 6:00 PM. Kathleen Collier of Heritage Agency on Aging will be the speaker. Guests are always welcome. Contacts: Susan 389-5512, Elaine 848-6052.

Catholic Daughters across the nation will celebrate Catholic Daughters Sunday on October 21. Cedar Rapids CDA Court will celebrate by attending the 8:30 AM Mass at St. Jude’s Church. CDA was founded in 1903 by the Knights of Columbus in Utica NY. CDA Motto: Unity and Charity.

Catholic Daughters will lead the Rosary for Life during the 40 Days for Life fall campaign after the 11:15 Mass at the Mercy Hospital Chapel every Monday during the campaign which is every Monday in October. Please join us to pray for an end to abortion.

Catholic Daughters/Women’s Retreat

October 12 - 14, 2018
American Martyrs Retreat House
Cedar Falls, IA

Title: Woman Full of Grace
Director: Fr. Jim Starbuck

To register and for more information, contact AMRH at one of the following: email dbqamrhsec@dbqarch.org or phone 319-266-3543.
God Is Ever-Faithful and Amazing—If you ever doubt that God speaks to his people, you need do so no longer in light of today’s gospel. Fifty years ago when the Second Vatican Council revised the Mass, a three year cycle of Sunday readings was created. Readings were assigned to each Sunday, usually in a sequential order of the gospel being proclaimed during a particular year. You heard the gospel assigned to this Sunday, the Twenty-Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time. The Church couldn’t have planned how apropos this reading would be today in the midst of the current clergy sexual abuse crisis and the cover-up by some bishops. The Holy Spirit is at work.

Jesus is quite clear, “Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea” (Mk 9: 42). The message is don’t cause scandal and/or lead someone to sin by your word, example or omission. If so, there are consequences to be had. The gospel isn’t restricted to this particular application, but relates to any or all situations in which we are involved or encounter. All of us are responsible for our actions, words or omissions.

I’ve found since the current crisis erupted in August that God has not been silent, and for me anyway, has been speaking so well through the daily and Sunday Mass scriptures scheduled years ago for the weekdays and Sundays. It seems that many have been tailor made for us. My overall impression is that God is speaking strongly to the shepherds of our Church (“Woe to the shepherds of Israel who are shepherding themselves . . . My sheep were scattered and wandered over mountains and hills” [Ezekiel 1: 2, 5b-6] and “Woe to you, scribes, Pharisees, you hypocrites . . . “ [Matthew 23: 13-ff] to examine themselves and act in favor of their sheep. He’s reminded us of the centrality of Jesus in our Church, that we look to him as our only Savior for our strength, guidance and healing. “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of everlasting life” (John 6: 68). The scriptures and what has been handed down to you (Tradition) are true (2 Thessalonians 2: 16-17). Be inspired by the Spirit who has given you every spiritual gift and stay firm until the end (1 Corinthians 1: 7-8). The cross (our suffering right now) will save us (1 Cor 1: 17-18). God is speaking faithfully to his Church, within his Church, and therefore, to the people baptized into it. He’s addressing the facets of the crisis we are facing ever so faithfully and lovingly. That gives me hope, even as I realize that we may well face some tough days ahead, there is much to reconcile and heal and that trust needs to be restored. This won’t happen with words, but calls for action. We’re not alone. God is definitely with us and he is speaking to us, thanks be to God!

The Xavier Foundation Annual Appeal Celebrating 20 Years of God’s Grace—has entered its second weekend. The Parish Appeal goal is $525,000 and St. Joseph’s goal this year is $72,000. Your gift of any size helps make Catholic education possible in Cedar Rapids. Without this critical third source of income to help with the bond repayment program and scholarships, there simply would be no school. Your gift makes it possible for Xavier to offer strong Catholic spiritual development programming, academics, activities, athletics, arts, teachers, facilities, scholarships and more.

Thanks to all who have given to the appeal. If you have not done so, please pick-up your pledge card today after Mass. Gifts of all sizes make a difference. Volunteers will follow-up via phone with those who have not signed their cards. Please keep in mind that if your employer offers a matching gift program, you may be able to double the impact of your gift by submitting a matching gift form with your contribution.

Thank you for your support of Xavier High School!

A Public Forum on the Clergy Sexual Abuse Crisis—will be held on Tuesday, Oct, 2, 7:00-8:30 P.M., at the Xavier High School auditorium. Panelists will be present to lead a discussion, with opportunities to express your questions, concerns, and feelings in a respectful manner. All are invited to attend.