23rd SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

He put his finger into the man’s ears and, spitting, touched his
jaw; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to
him, “Ephphatha!”—that is, “Be opened!” — Mk 7:33b-34

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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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 irm926722@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 fruit and juice. 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 9 - 14, to pray the rosary at the home of Lenny and Carol Steiner, 2145 C St SW, 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

#### Sunday, September 10

- **7:30 AM** MASS ‡ Milton & Winifred Vicks
- **8:00 AM** Adoration
- **12:00 PM** Rosary
- **6:00 PM** Lectio Divina, St. Josephy Room
- **6:45 PM** Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room
- **7:45 PM** Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room

#### Tuesday, September 11

- **7:30 AM** MASS ‡ Jean Schuttloffel
- **10:00 AM** RCIA, St. Matthew Room
- **7:00 PM** Men of Action, St. Joseph Room

#### Wednesday, September 12

- **8:15 AM** MASS ‡ Margaret Easton
- **9:30 AM** Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room
- **1:00 PM** Prayer Shawl Ministry, St. Matthew RM
- **2:00 PM** Pietra Fitness, St. Joseph RM
- **6:30 PM** JAM, Church
- **7:30 PM** MAC, Church

#### Thursday, September 13

- **6:00 AM** Men of Action, Church Hall
- **7:30 AM** MASS ‡ Deceased spouses of Women’s Connection Lynne W. Bern
- **9:30 AM** Summit Pointe ‡ Deceased spouses of Women’s Connection Lynne W. Bern
- **6:30 PM** JAM, Church

#### Friday, September 14

- **7:30 AM** MASS ‡ Jerry & Shirley Ottaway
- **1:00 PM** Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room
- **6:30 PM** Silent Prayer, Church

#### Saturday, September 15

- **4:30 PM** MASS ‡ For the People

#### Sunday, September 16

- **8:00 AM** MASS ‡ Vince & Virgine Irlebeck
- **10:30 AM** MASS ‡ Tony Sewell

### Social Concerns 5% of Donations

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Women’s Connection

Women’s Connection will meet September 27, 11:30 AM, at Applebee’s, Lindale, for the monthly luncheon. For more information please contact Carol Gonzalez at 654-6296.

Quilting Ministry - Christmas Quilts for Birthright

We will be focusing on making quilts in time for the holidays. Please pick up kits downstairs in church hall and complete/return as soon as possible. Thank you to those who made donations, our batting has been replenished.

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.

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. For more information, contact Dawn, 377-4869, or Kathy, 377-8371.

Please remember in your prayers all those who have died especially Bill Halstead, husband of Pat, brother-in-law of Beth (Del) Dake and Elinor (Glen) Remington; Joanne Johnston, mother of Doug (Judi) Kelley, grandmother of Morgan Kelley and Micaela Loewen; and Velma Repstien, mother of Terry (Roxanne) Repstien and Roger (Shirley) Repstien.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

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 our AFF director, Sean McVeigh, to sign up or for more information. Simply email or call s.mcveigh@dbqarch.org or 377-4869 (ext. 109).

Financial Peace University – A 9-week Financial Peace University series will begin on Sunday, September 16, from 3:00 to 5:00 PM. Time to SIGN UP! Contact Sean McVeigh at s.mcveigh@dbqarch.org ASAP!

Parish-wide event

A free CD will be handed out after Mass on September 15 and 16. The title is, “Who am I to Judge.” It is also available on FORMED at https://formed.org/listen/593189745fe4b5c40c4e870251. Our parish access code is ae0136. We’d love for you to listen to this presentation and attend our parish-wide discussion scheduled on October 9, at 6:30 PM in the church hall. For more information, contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at D.Ternes@dbqarch.org or by calling the church office.

Adult Faith Enrichment Opportunity – “Explore the Saving Power of the Cross,” led by Karen Swindler. Meetings will be held on designated Fridays at 1:00 PM starting September 14.

Scripture Study – No registration required, just show up - Lectio Divina (“Divine Reading”) – contemplative prayer meeting using Sacred Scripture Monday evenings 6:00 to 6:30, starting September 10.

Gospel of Mark – four-week study, Mondays – 6:45-7:30 PM, starting September 10, bring your Bible and a notebook.
**LASAGNA FUNDRAISER** The Marion Senior Living Community is sponsoring their annual Lasagna Dinner at Faith Lutheran Church, 155 Boyson Rd, Marion, on Thursday, **September 13, 2018** from 5:00 PM until 7:30 PM. The cost is $10.00 for adults and $5.00 for children (Ages 3 -10). Lasagna catered by Zio Johno’s. Tickets will be sold following Masses on September 1, 2, 8 and 9th. If you can provide a dessert, please sign up at the ticket table. Proceeds from the dinner will benefit the care and ministries to our lower income seniors living at Moundview Manor, Scott Meadows, and Trinity Pointe.

**Women’s Connection Remembrance Mass**

Women’s Connection is a support group for all parish widows regardless of membership. We will gather on Thursday, **September 13**, at 7:30 AM daily mass for our annual Women’s Connection Remembrance Mass, offered for our spouses. After Mass, breakfast and a candle lighting prayer service will follow in the church hall for those widows in the parish. Please RSVP to Sally Wilkinson at 373-5484 or Dawn Feltman, Pastoral Minister at 377-4869.

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)**

Children’s Liturgy of the Word, or CLOW, is an important ministry for our preschool and early elementary aged children. By providing a Liturgy of the Word geared toward young minds and hearts, we are able to help the youth of our parish grow in knowledge and relationship with our Lord.

Being a CLOW minister is a bite-sized commitment with big benefits to our community. Gospel reflections are provided to the leaders, and a set structure is outlined. We are looking for people interested in being leaders, as well as people interested in being assistants.

If you are passionate about your faith, have a gift for interacting with children, love the Word of God, and want to share His message with our young ones, this may be the ministry for you.

Please note that all volunteers are required to complete a background check and child protection training.

For more information or to express your interest in this ministry, please contact Nicole Trapani at StJoesCLOW@gmail.com. May God bless you!

**Families of St. Joseph**

**Faith * Family * Friendship * Service**

Please join us for Sundae Sunday!

**What:** A relaxed get-together with other families of our parish. Enjoy some fun, food, & FroYo sundaes! There is a game room for kids and we have reserved the party room for our group. We will have separate checks, each family can order what they would like. All are welcome.

**Where:** Happy Joe’s East, 5070 Lindale Drive, Cedar Rapids

**When:** Sunday, **September 16** following 10:30 AM Mass

The party room is reserved from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM. Come and go as you please!

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

is a weekend to rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day. Take time to rediscover the best friend you had when you were first married. Join the millions of couples worldwide who have learned how to keep their marriage vibrant and alive by signing up today to attend one of the upcoming weekends on **September 7-9** @ Cedar Falls, **October 19-21** @ Marathon, WI and **November 2-4** @ Coralville. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: [https://www.iowa-wmme.org](https://www.iowa-wmme.org) or email: ljwwme00@gmail.com.

**REGISTER NOW!**

St. Joseph Catholic Church

Youth Faith Formation

Grades K-12

2018-2019 Program Year

K-8 classes begin Sept. 12

Register now for K-8 YFF,
High School Youth Group & Confirmation Preparation

To register:
Visit www.stjoesmarion.org and use the “Grow in Faith” tab to access the YFF “K-12” page, scroll down to find the link.

Questions? Call 377-8402

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA)**

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will meet Tuesday, September 11, 6:30 PM at St. Wenceslaus Church.

We’ll start with a potluck supper and discuss programs and activities for the coming CDA year. Guests are always welcome. Contacts: Susan 389-5512 & Elaine 848-6052. A great big thank you to all in support of the CDA summer fresh peaches fundraiser. Through your support we are able to make a difference in the lives of many in need. Thank you!

**Xavier Foundation Parish Appeal**

Quickly Approaching!

John & Angela Pacha and Jamie & Tammy McAllister will serve as our Parish Leaders and Associates for the Xavier Foundation’s 2018 Parish Appeal. Please consider volunteering a few hours of your time during the Annual Parish Appeal kick-off weekends of September 22-23 and September 29-30. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact John & Angela Pacha at: jpacha66@msn.com or Jamie & Tammy McAllister at: jtmcallister@mchsi.com. Your support is appreciated and needed now more than ever to reach the overall campaign goal of $525,000. Visit www.xavierfoundation.org for more information.
Be Opened!—I had the privilege of presiding at the funeral of a religious sister who was a friend of our family. I have known her since I was in high school, meaning for about forty-four years. Sister supported me in my vocation and was the organist at my First Mass.

When I returned to the Mother House (the headquarters of her religious order) in Dubuque for her funeral, I encountered an ageing population of sisters, a surprising number of whom had been missioned (sent) to my hometown of Mason City to teach and to serve our parish school and at Newman High School. Apparently, we were known as the western mother house because of the large number of sisters assigned there.

Surveying the sisters assembled for the funeral, I felt a sense of nostalgia, awe and thanksgiving. I’m well into the middle age stage of life and these sisters, my teachers in grade school and high school, were now elderly, some ailing, and the rest I knew were just on the cusp of their elderly years. It was intimidating to be in front of my teachers, yet I believe they received me well.

In today’s gospel, when Jesus opened the ears of the deaf man and loosed his tongue so he could speak, I’m moved to believe that the sisters did just that my life, literally coaching me about how to speak and crashing through my metaphorical deafness to teach me my school subjects and more than a thing or two about life. That was Jesus working through them for which I am most grateful.

I am sad that our family friend died even as she was richly into her nineties when she passed. Her death struck a deep cord that took me firstly to my youth, which provided the context for me to marvel at how our lives are interwoven with each other and the ways that God works in the weaving together of our lives. These good religious sisters offered me a way to understand how Jesus had opened my ears to learn about his created world and God’s presence in it. The new lesson they taught this week is that God had gone all the way to my heart.

Archdiocesan Service of Lament to be held on September 14—In light of the sexual abuse scandal within the Church, Archbishop Jackels will lead a service of lament on September 14, 2018, at 7:00 PM in the Cathedral of St. Raphael in Dubuque. In the Archbishop’s own words, the purpose of this service is to "acknowledge guilt for sin, say sorry, and even be so bold as to ask pardon from God and others." As a conclusion to the service, the Archbishop will consecrate our archdiocesan Church family to Mary, asking her to pray for us and to form us as followers of her son, Jesus. The service is open to the public, and will be live-streamed as well. Watch the live-stream by visiting www.DBQArch.org/Live.

Parish Missionary Co-op Appeal—Fr. Raphael Makori from the Diocese of Musoma-Tanzania, East Africa, is with us to speak about the needs of his diocese for church construction, education, health facilities, water projects and the education and formation of seminarians. I invite your generosity to his request for financial assistance.

Holy Hour for Prayer for Vocations—the next holy hour will take place on Wednesday, September 19, from 6:30 - 7:30 PM, at St. Patrick in Cedar Rapids. All are invited.

Scheduling Mass Intentions and Stipend Policy—There is a new, written policy for scheduling Mass intentions for St. Joseph that can be accessed on our parish website or copies can be found on the table below the bulletin board at the main entryway of the church or on the counters at the side entryways.