

# ST. JOSEPH

Catholic Church

*Fed by  
Word  
and Sacrament  
to Love  
and Serve*

**November 6, 2016**

***Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time***



**National Vocation Awareness Week will be celebrated in our country November 6-12, 2016. Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of a vocation."**

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday: 4:30 pm Sunday: 8 am and 10:30 am

**Weekday Masses:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 7:30 am  
(Please note: Wednesday Mass is at 8:15 am during the school year.)

**Adoration:** Monday: 7 am to 9 pm

**Confession:** Saturday: 3:30 pm to 4 pm

St. Joseph Parish Office: 319-377-4869

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Hours: Monday -Friday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

(Closed 12:00 to 1:00 pm each day.)

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**New to the Parish: Welcome!** Please call the office to make an appointment to register at 377-4869.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 3:30 -4 p.m. or by appointment with Fr. O'Connor.

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** Call the office and make an appointment with the priest.

**RCIA:** If you interested in finding out more about the process of becoming Catholic, please contact Matt Selby at 377-4869 or [matt.selby@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:matt.selby@stjoesmarion.org).

**Infant Baptism:** The next baptism preparation session will be held on **Saturday, November 12, 2016** in the St. Joseph Room of the parish offices from 9 to 11 am. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at [deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org) or 377-4869 to register and learn more.

**Notifications for Worship Aid:** Contact Cathy or Dawn at 377-4869.

**Mass Intentions:** Please stop in the office to schedule.

**Prayer Chain:** Contact Vicki at 241-9402 or contact Dawn by email at [dawn.feltman@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:dawn.feltman@stjoesmarion.org).

**St. Joseph Quilting Ministry:** Day sessions meet every 2nd Tuesday, 1 to 3 pm, in the Church Hall. To learn more, call Lynn at 377-6166. Evening sessions meet every 2nd Thursday, 6 to 8 pm. For location, call Sue at 377-1394.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Compassion and the love of knitting/crocheting have been combined into a prayerful ministry which reaches out to those in need of comfort. If you are interested, please call Sharon at 373-2810.

**That Man is You:** Men's prayer and study groups meet on Tuesdays at 7 pm in the Church Hall and Thursdays at 6 am in the Church Hall. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at 377-4869 or [deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org) to learn more.

**Women's Connection:** Widows from the parish have the opportunity to share experiences, solve problems, support each other emotionally and spiritually and have fun, all while developing true and lasting friendships. Gatherings are the 2nd Thursday of the month, 1 to 3 pm in the Learning and Leadership Lounge at our school. Contact Carol G. at 319-200-6905 or Sally W. at 373-5484.

**Silent Prayer:** 6:30-7 pm, Friday, in the church.

**SCRIP:** Contact Jennifer Decker at [jennifer.jill.decker@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.jill.decker@gmail.com) or 558-9072.

**Pilgrim Virgin Statue:** Honor Mary Sun., Nov. 6-Fri. Nov. 11th with Christina Chalhoub; 1300 Prairieview Drive, NE, Cedar Rapids. Rosary every evening from Sunday-Friday, 7:30 pm.

**Feed My Sheep:** The Marion Food Pantry needs breakfast cereals for November. Please place your offering in the basket on the altar or ask an usher to take it to the front.

Date	Mass	Intention
<b>Mon. 11/7</b>	Adoration: 7 am to 9 pm	
<b>Tue. 11/8</b>	7:30 am	Bob Brown
<b>Wed. 11/9</b>	8:15 am	George & Clara Martin
<b>Thu. 11/10</b>	7:30 am	Bernadette Aldrich
<b>Fri. 11/11</b>	7:30 am	Eileen Redmond
<b>Sat. 11/12</b>	4:30 pm	Richard J. Halvorsen
<b>Sun. 11/13</b>	8:00 am	Donald J. Gibbs
	10:30 am	For the People

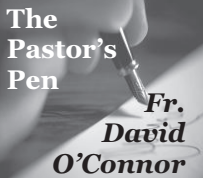
#### Week at a Glance

<b>Mon. 11/7</b>	7 am-9 pm 7:00 pm	Adoration, Church Scripture Study, St. Joseph Rm.
<b>Tue. 11/8</b>	6:00 am 1:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Women's Prayer Group, Church Quilt Ministry, Church Hall Environment Committee, Community Room Bells, Church That Man is You! Church Hall
<b>Wed. 11/9</b>	9:30 am 5:45 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room Minor Miracles, Church Liturgy Committee, Community Room JAM, St. Joseph Room MAC, St. Joseph Room
<b>Thu. 11/10</b>	6:00 am 5:30 pm 6:30 pm	That Man is You! Church Hall Deanery Council Dinner, Church Hall Jubilation Choir, Church
<b>Fri. 11/11</b>	6:30 pm	Silent Prayer, Church

#### Week of October 31, 2016—Week 16

Budgeted Sunday Envelope Needs	<b>\$23,558.59</b>
Year-to-Date Budget	\$424,054.62
Collected Last Weekend	\$18,344.50
Actual Year-to-Date Envelope Income	<b>\$394,643.25</b>
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$29,411.37)
Social Concerns (5% of Donations)	\$917.23
Bricks and Mortar Envelopes	794.00

Ministry Schedule	Saturday, Nov. 12, 4:30 pm	Sunday, Nov. 13, 8:00 am	Sunday, Nov. 13, 10:30 am
<b>Sacristan</b>	Moe Ryan	Carla DeMoss	Hannah Konzen
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Sam Kelly Grace Selfridge Kale Leymaster	Alexander Conrad Joshua Barish Reilley Barish	Olivia Brownsberger Adrien Perreault Liam Perreault
<b>Lectors</b>	Terry Lynch Ed Kovarik	David Weaver Jeff Alt	Youth Group
<b>Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Erin Seymour Jeff Schussler Jim Wilson Julie Raymond Karen Wilson Lea Gentzler Sharon Neilly	George Cleppe Judy Block Judy Scott Peg Detweiler Renee Wiebel Sandy Alt Terry Wiebel	Youth Group
<b>Ministers of Hospitality</b>	Bob Neilly David Bengford Gary Raymond Jerry Fetzer	Amanda Weaver Howard Schiffer John Petesich Mike Alt Nicholas Weaver	Youth Group
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	n/a	n/a	Becky Carroll/Megan Andresen



### Prayer for the Election from the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops—

Archbishop Jackels sent the priests the following prayer which we can pray at election time. I commend this prayer to you.

*Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community.*

*We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty.*

*We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender.*

*We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom.*

*We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word, live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his Apostles and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace.*

*We ask this in the name of your Son Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

**Why Do We Pray for the Dead?**—A few weeks ago I commemorated Fr. Aloysius Schmitt in my pastor's pen. He was the first chaplain to be killed in World War II on Pearl Harbor Day and was a priest of the Archdiocese of Dubuque. Last month, a Memorial Mass for Father was celebrated at Loras College after which his mortal remains were buried. The liturgy was a prayerful celebration of hope in the death and resurrection of Jesus. We professed what Christ taught: Those who die with Him will rise with Him. We prayed for Fr. Schmitt in the hope that he would enjoy eternal life. His family commemorated their relatedness to him by blood, memories and faith. The archdiocesan family remembered their relationship with him as a priest and brother in Christ. We, the living, were connected in relationship with Father Schmitt in death through the love of Christ. We prayed for Father because he, like the rest of us, was wounded by Original Sin. We asked that if there was any sin that remained upon his death, he might be purified and prepared for his face-to-face meeting with God and freed from Purgatory through our intercession.

That celebration and prayer was a microcosm of what Catholics and all Christians are called to do for the dead. Pray for the dead as an act of love, of charity, because you are joined with them in Christ and they with you. Praying for the dead is a spiritual work of mercy, asking that they be cleansed of all sin and prepared to enjoy eternity with God.

Lastly, after his Memorial Mass and the military rites which were a loving commemoration of Father's life in thanksgiving for his service to our country and the ultimate sacrifice of his life, his mortal remains were reverently buried in a blessed tomb. This was an expression of faith that one day, body and soul would be reunited in the resurrection of the dead when Christ comes again in all of his glory. It was a proper, respectful disposition of his mortal remains, all in anticipation of when Christ will come again.

This is our faith: A belief in Christ's death, resurrection and ascension, our participation in it through baptism, a reverent commemoration of the deceased and commending them to the Lord's care, praying that they be freed from sin and united eternally with God. The deceased's body or ashes are to be respected and reverently interred in a blessed place, typically in a cemetery, in anticipation of the resurrection of the body on the last day.

As part of the commemoration of the dead at St. Joseph, we have placed the pictures of those whose funerals were celebrated by the parish over the past year in the prayer corner near the choir area and inscribed their names in the parish Book of the Dead, which is located near the pictures. You are welcome to write in the book the names of the deceased for which you would like our parish community to pray throughout November.

### National Vocation Awareness Week

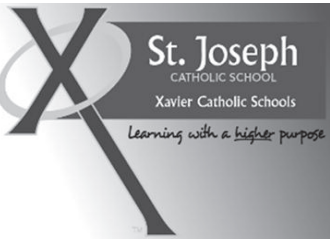
will be celebrated in our country November 6-12, 2016. Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of a vocation.



### Mistletoe Market Presented by Mercy Auxiliary

Mercy will be transforming into Mistletoe Market for a day! Get your Christmas shopping done early and support a local cause. Not only will there be nearly forty local vendors on hand, but also a bake sale and special holiday items available at the Mercy gift shops! This event is free and open to the public. Thursday, November 10, 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Mercy Medical Center in the Hallagan Education Center, 701 10th Street S.E., Cedar Rapids.





**St. Joseph Catholic School**

If you are interested in a tour or in learning more about how St. Joseph Catholic School and Preschool can serve as a partner in growing your child's heart, mind and faith, please contact principal Casey Kettmann at 377-6348, or email [ckettmann@sjcsmarion.org](mailto:ckettmann@sjcsmarion.org).

**Clip and Earn Money for St. Joseph School!**

St. Joseph Catholic School collects: *Box Tops, Hy-Vee receipts, Campbell Soup labels, Tyson Foods and A+ labels.*

### Leadership and Service

*St. Joseph Catholic School students are INVOLVED!* Students are invited to join our many teams and activities to build their collaboration and time management skills. Beginning in third grade, students have the opportunity to participate in extracurricular activities. St. Joseph Catholic School offers four instrumental ensembles, two choirs, nine athletic teams, a musical production and a variety of math, engineering, and science opportunities. Opportunities expand as students reach the middle school age. Involvement in extracurricular activities complements classroom learning and gives many opportunities for practical application of learned content.

### What's This STO All About?

It's about supporting Catholic education in the Archdiocese of Dubuque *and* making the most out of your charitable contribution. If you file an Iowa Income Tax Return, your contributions to the *Our Faith School Tuition Organization* (STO) qualify for a 65% tax credit. That means for every \$100 you donate, you receive an Iowa income tax credit \$65, which reduces your Iowa tax liability by \$65. Thus, a \$1000 contribution reduces your Iowa tax liability by a whopping \$650 AND the entire amount of your gift qualifies for federal deductibility. Visit [www.OurFaithSto.org](http://www.OurFaithSto.org) or call 800-876-3546 ext. 219 or ext. 307 to learn more.

### Fish Dinner

Marion Columbus Club, hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 5390, located at 5650 Kacena Ave., is serving a fish dinner on Friday, November 18th, 5-7 p.m. All-you-can-eat baked or fried fish, baked or fried potatoes, coleslaw, dessert and more. Adults: \$9, children: \$4, ages 5 and under: free.

### Guess Who's Coming to Dinner!

The Parish Community Life Committee is resurrecting this event which has been popular in the past! **Mark your calendars for Sunday, January 29, 2017.** Details will come later, in the bulletin. Right now, we are in need of couples or singles to host a dinner group of other adult parishioners. You decide how many people you are comfortable hosting, and then prepare the entrée and provide drink. Your guests will provide salad and vegetable. After the meal, everyone meets up at the Church Hall for dessert. The fun part is that no one will know who is in their dinner party until they all show up at your house! Guests are only provided the address and what kind of food item to bring. This is a fun way to meet some of your fellow parishioners other than just seeing them on your way in or out of church! So, if hosting might be for you, now is the time to call or email Sharron Konzen at 319-350-9861 or [rkonzen@yahoo.com](mailto:rkonzen@yahoo.com).

### St. Joseph Blood Drive

St. Joseph School will be hosting a Blood Drive on Thursday, November 10 from 3:00-7:00 p.m. If we have enough donors the school will be awarded a grant for more than \$250. The need for blood donations is very high right now. We are also looking for volunteers to help greet people as they arrive, especially at 2:00 to 4:00. You can sign up at [www.bloodcenterimpact.org](http://www.bloodcenterimpact.org) and Enter Code 2350 or call Amanda Weaver 447-8965. All parishioners are welcome to participate!

### Plan Ahead for Your Baby's Baptism

The next infant baptism preparation session will be held on Saturday, November 12th, in the parish office, 9-11 am. Infant baptism preparation sessions are held once every two months. If you are expecting, or have an infant, please contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at [deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org) or 377-4869 to register or learn more.

### Senior Luncheon

Senior Luncheons resume Wednesday, November 16th, in the church hall at noon. Please RSVP by calling the parish secretary by Monday, November 14th at 377-4869.

### Coffee and Donut Sunday

You are invited to come and enjoy donuts, coffee, juice and the company of your fellow parishioners Sunday, November 13th, 9 AM in the Church Hall. The Parish Life Committee will host this month's gathering.

### Parish Directory Photos: Updated!

If you were not able to make it to a portrait session and would still like to be included in the new parish directory, you may submit your own portrait for \$10 (checks made out to St. Joseph). Please email a digital copy to [trish.peyton@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:trish.peyton@stjoesmarion.org) or drop off a hard copy with payment at the parish offices by November 18th.

### Boy Scout Service to Elderly or Disabled

Boy scouts from St. Joseph Troop 68 are offering their service to the elderly or disabled of St. Joseph parish. Service could include raking, show shoveling, putting away yard furniture for the fall or other tasks. Scouts would be supervised by an adult at all times. To arrange a time, please contact [stjoestroop68@gmail.com](mailto:stjoestroop68@gmail.com) or call Kate at 360-2466.

### Women's Connection

Women's Connection, a support group for parish widows, will meet Thursday, November 10th, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the church hall. We will be making food baskets for the needy, so please bring your donations. For more information, please contact Carol G. at 319-200-6905 or Sally W. at 373-5484.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

For more information about the events, programs or materials listed below, please contact Matt Selby, Director of Adult Faith Formation at 377-4869 or [matt.selby@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:matt.selby@stjoesmarion.org), or visit our website at [www.stjoesmarion.org](http://www.stjoesmarion.org).

### Advent Scripture Study Series on Lectio Divina

Lectio Divina means “Divine Reading” and is an ancient Christian form of praying with the Scriptures. Enter into the season of Advent and grow in your prayer life by joining the next Scripture Study series on this topic called “Prayer: Finding Intimacy with God.” This four-week study will take place Mondays from 7:00-9:00 PM, starting on November 28th, and Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30 AM, starting on November 30th, in the St. Joseph Room. There is a \$20 cost for materials. Please register at [www.stjoesmarion.org/scripture-study](http://www.stjoesmarion.org/scripture-study) or by contacting Matt Selby.

### Young Adult Bowling

All Young Adults, ages 21-39, are invited to the YAM Bowling Night! Mark your calendars to go bowling as a group on Sunday, November 6th at 3:30 PM at the Cedar Rapids Bowling Center (265 Blairs Ferry Rd. NE, Cedar Rapids). We'll bowl a few games and have the option of staying to eat dinner at the bowling alley (each person is responsible for paying for their own games and food/drinks). For questions, contact Matt Selby.

# FORMED

You're invited to check out the new look, features, and content on FORMED! Every parishioner has 24/7 access to the best Catholic content on any device with internet access. With FORMED you'll find video programs that explain the Catholic faith, have access to downloadable Lighthouse audio talks, be able to stream full-length Catholic movies, and download free Catholic ebooks, all in one place. To get FORMED, visit [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org), click on “Register” on the

home page, and enter our parish access code, ae0136. You will then be directed to a setup a user account with a username and password. Once you've done that, you're all set and can get free access to all the content on FORMED anytime, anywhere.



### Advent Giving Project

Our parish will continue its tradition of offering hope and support to families and seniors within the parish and the local Marion and Linn-Mar communities this Advent season.

Tags will be available on giving

trees in the entryways of church beginning November 19/20. Parishioners who wish to participate should select one or more tags, purchase the gift item on the tag, and return it **unwrapped** to the steps of the altar during any weekend Mass. **Final return date for all items is December 4.** If you wish to support the giving project with a monetary donation, please make your check out to “St. Joseph Church” with “Advent Giving Project” in the memo line and place it in the offertory basket during Mass. Thank you for your generous outreach to our families, evangelizing with your life and your giving!

### Mt. Mercy Fall Faculty Series:

*The Catholic Church and the Ethics of Immigration*  
November 10th, 7 p.m., Betty Cherry Heritage Hall, Mount Mercy University. What does the Catholic Church teach about the ethics of immigration particularly in relation both to the virtues of hospitality and solidarity, and to the responsibility of civil authorities regarding the security of citizens? In addition, what has the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops said about the ethical dimension of immigration here in the U.S.? Assistant Professor of Philosophy Bryan Cross will be addressing these questions in this talk.

### “Discover What God Wants for Your Marriage and the Five Tools Every Couple Should Know!”

Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Enrichment. For information, dates and to register go to [iowa-wwme.org](http://iowa-wwme.org) or call 563-608-3305.

- Nov 18-20: St Anthony's Center, Marathon City WI;
- Dec 2-4: Clarion Inn, Iowa City
- Feb 17-19: at the Ramada, Ankeny

### *Please God...Help Me with My Broken Pieces.*

*One life was given a chance.*

*Another life was forever changed.*

While still newlyweds, Emily and Jordan Meyer were expecting their first child. Life, however, didn't go as expected. Born with Trisomy 13 against the recommendations of doctors and against the odds, their son, Bennett, was their little miracle. Come hear St. Joseph parishioner Emily Meyer share how the power of prayer, the sacraments, and love transformed her son and her heart.

### CATHOLIC EVANGELIZATION OUTREACH

Where: St. Joseph Catholic Church

When: Sunday, November 13th, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

A light meal will be served and free child care will be provided. There is no charge and all are welcome.

### Visit **CRCEO.INFO**.

*If you are interested in helping our parish host this CEO event by greeting guests, providing a dessert bars or helping with the either the set-up, serving or clean-up of the light dinner, please email Trish Peyton at [trish.peyton@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:trish.peyton@stjoesmarion.org).*