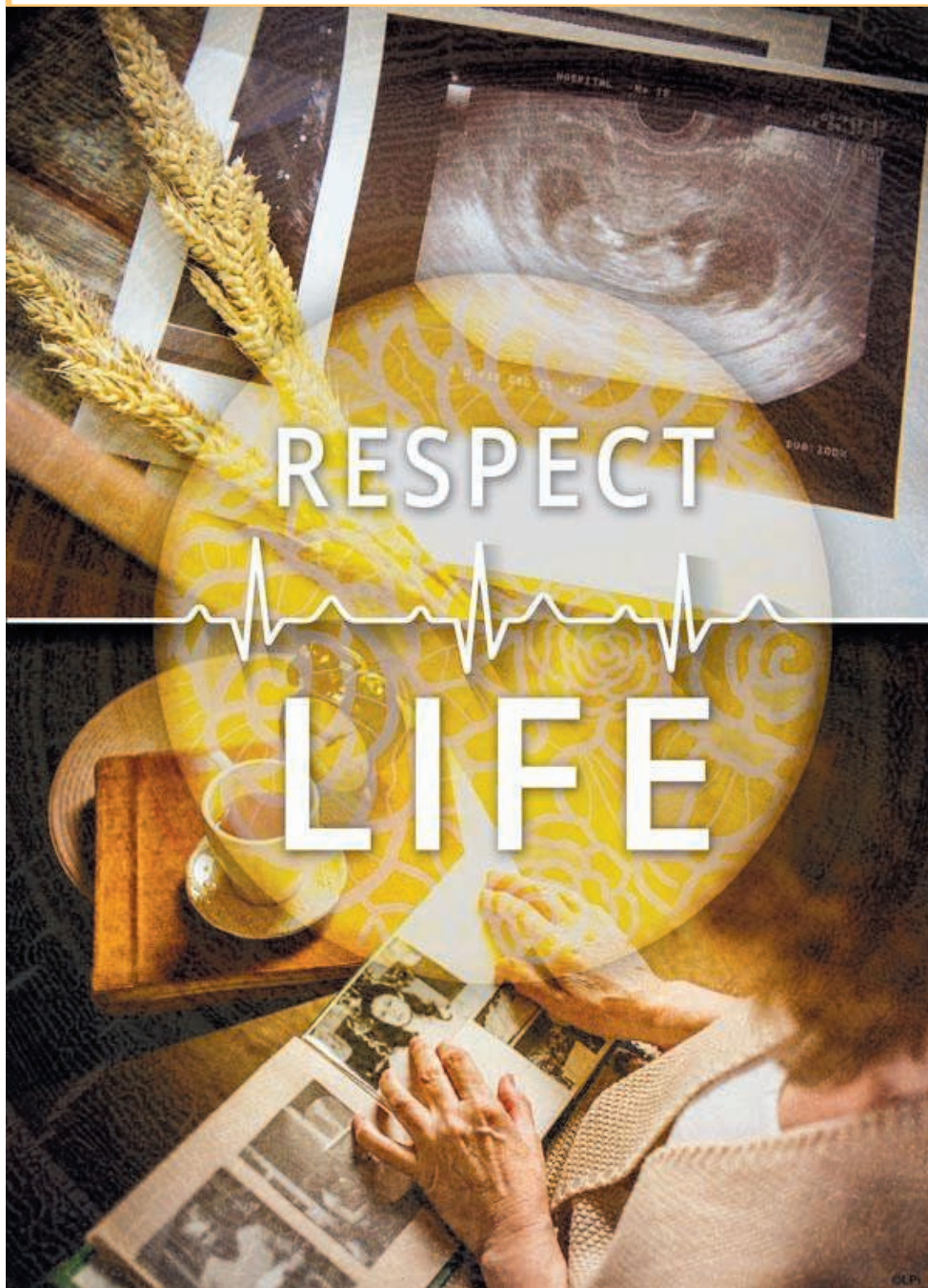




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## **Liturgies**

**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—**Monday following 7:30 AM mass until 9:00 PM

**Reconciliation—**Saturday—3:30 PM—4:00 PM

## **Parish Office Hours**

**Monday, Thursday & Friday—8:00 AM—5:00 PM**  
**Tuesday & Wednesday—8:00 AM—6:00 PM**

# **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2017**

**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.

**Infant Baptism:** The next baptism preparation session will be held on **Saturday, November 11, 2017**, in the St. Joseph Room of the parish offices from 9 to 11 am. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at [d.ternes@dbqarch.org](mailto:d.ternes@dbqarch.org) or 377-4869 to register and learn more.

**Notifications for Worship Aid:** Contact Dawn at 377-4869 or [d.feltman@dbqarch.org](mailto:d.feltman@dbqarch.org).

**Prayer Chain:** Contact Dawn by email at [d.feltman@dbqarch.org](mailto:d.feltman@dbqarch.org)

**Feed My Sheep:** The Marion Food Pantry needs boxed canned fruit and juice for October. Please place your offering in the basket on the altar or ask an usher to take it to the front.

**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](mailto:alt.theresa@yahoo.com), Jean Randolph, 319-377-0497/[jmr926722@mchsi.com](mailto:jmr926722@mchsi.com), and Deacon Dennis Ternes, [d.ternes@dbqarch.org](mailto:d.ternes@dbqarch.org).

**Parish Library**—Open during office hours.

**Pilgrim Virgin Statue**—Gather to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary by gathering to pray the rosary at the residence of Dick and Karen Alberts, 2930 30th St SE, Cedar Rapids, Sunday through Friday, October 1st—6th at 7:30 pm each evening. All are welcome.

**CEO—Hearing God's Voice in this noisy World...is like hearing a whisper...In the middle of a Brass Band.** Greg Stokesberry invites us to join him as he SHARES the experience of opening my channels of communication with the Lord and hearing the answers to the questions he's been asking Him for most of his adult life.

Where: St. Ludmila Catholic Church  
211 21st Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52404

When: Monday, October 16, 2017

Time: 6:30 - 8:00 pm

A soup supper and child care will be provided. There is no charge and all are welcome.

## October 2—8 WEEKLY CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, October 2

7:30 A MASS † **Joan Nath**  
8:00 A Adoration  
1:30 P Alpha Prayer Group, St JP II Room  
5:45 P Cub Scouts, Church Hall  
7:00 P Boy Scout, Church Hall  
7:00 P CRG, St JP II Room  
7:00 P Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room

### Tuesday, October 3

7:30 A MASS † **Bernard Merges**  
8:00 A Alt's Small Group, St. Joseph Room  
5:45 P Bldg & Grounds Committee, Community Room  
6:30 P Beauty Alive Event, Church Hall  
7:00 P Men of Action, St. Joseph Room

### Wednesday, October 4

8:15A SCHOOL MASS † **Paul Supple**  
9:30 A Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room  
1:00 P Prayer Shawl Ministry, St. Joseph Room  
2:00 P Pietra Fitness, Church Hall  
4:00 P Adoration (YFF), Church  
5:50 P Minor Miracles, St. Joseph Room  
6:30 P JAM, St. Joseph Room  
7:30 P MAC, St. Joseph Room

### Thursday, October 5

7:30 A MASS † **Marion Peters**  
9:30 A Care Center MASS † **Special Intentions**  
6:00 A Men of Action, Church Hall  
6:30 P RCIA, St. Joseph Room

### Friday, October 6

7:30 A MASS † **Robert Bradley**  
6:30 P Silent Prayer, Church

### Saturday, October 7

4:30 P MASS † **Ralph & Geraldine Kula**

### Sunday, October 8

8:00 A MASS † **For the People**  
10:30 A MASS † **Loras Greif**

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

| Ministry Schedule                  | Saturday, Oct. 7, 4:30 pm   | Sunday, Oct 8, 8:00 am  | Sunday, Oct. 8, 10:30 am   |
|------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| <b>Sacristan</b>                   | Dan Carter  | Laurie Schill   | Kathy Geers  |
| <b>Altar Servers</b>               | Carly Drey Claire Vasey<br>Isaac Pfab   | Alex Conrad John Duggan<br>Wesley Logan   | Addison Bisinger Isabella Tuck<br>Lincoln Oakley   |
| <b>Lectors</b>                     | Richard Dorff<br>Erin Seymour   | Emily Logan<br>Cynthia Line   | David Weaver<br>Doug Brock   |
| <b>Ministers of Holy Communion</b> | Cathy Walz Dan Drey<br>Doug Hoeger Jean Kacick<br>Joyce Wright Kris Hoeger<br>Laura Scharosch | Ann Weber-Holdgrafer<br>Bob Gruenloh Brian Logan<br>Jim McDonald Linda Randklev<br>Marilyn Platner Pauline Soukup | Audra McEnany Becky Bostwick<br>Darlene Schmidt JoAnn Starr<br>Michele Brock<br>Phyllis Koschmeder<br>Steven Freemon |
| <b>Ministers of Hospitality</b>    | Dennis Maddy Gary Raymond<br>Judith Farrell Ken Baragary                                      | Allen Platner Bill Kuennen<br>Dennis Holdgrafer Mel Holubar<br>Roger Bonlander                                    | Amanda Weaver Bob Blocklinger<br>Charlotte Osterhaus<br>Nicolas Weaver Terry Dolphin                                 |
| <b>Children's Liturgy</b>          | n/a   | n/a   | Megan Gan Lindsey Weber  |
| <b>Door Greeters</b>               | Jeremy Vinluan Julie Raymond<br>Marjorie Jensen Sandy Osbon                                   | Barb Gasaway Cindy Dugenske<br>Dale Dugenske Mary Klingler  | Chad Gloede Dolores Dilger<br>Jerry Dilger Lindsay Gloede  |



### **Pietra Fitness Classes**

Join for gentle stretching and strengthening of the body combined with prayer and Christian meditation. Wednesdays, in the church hall, from 2-3 pm.  
Suggested offering of \$5 per class.

### **Coffee and Conversation**

Join our informal, friendly gathering of women of the parish every fourth Friday of the month for "Coffee and Conversation." Mr. Beans meeting room, 1080 East Post Road, Marion, 9:30 - 11:00 am. No need to RSVP!

### **St. Joseph Quilting Ministry**

Sessions meet every 2nd Tuesday, 1 to 3 pm, in the Church Hall. To learn more, call Lynn at 377-6166. The tote with the orange lid is now in a marked cupboard in the church hall. Please look for the kits and return the finished tops to this tote but check for the marked cupboard!!

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Compassion and knitting/crocheting combined into a prayerful ministry which reaches out to those in need of comfort. Contact Sharon: 373-2810.

### **Women's Connection**

Support and friendship group for widows of the parish. At the October 12th meeting in the LLL room at the school, the Women's Connection will be praying the rosary, to honor all members who have passed away. For more information, contact Sally at 373-5484.

### **Tie Blankets for Willis Dady Shelter**

We will be making tie blankets on Thursday, October 19 from 12:30 - 3:00 pm. Please bring 2 1/2 yards of fleece material. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to Dawn at the parish office by Monday, October 16, at 377-4869.

### **Senior Lunch**

Please join us on Wednesday, October 18 at noon in the church hall. Marci Hays from Mercy will be talking about Palliative Care. The goal of palliative care is to relieve the pain, symptoms and stress of a serious illness to achieve the best quality of life, while supporting patients and their families regardless of treatment goals and life expectancy. Please RSVP to the parish off by Tuesday, October 17th.



## **Music Ministry**

- ◇ **Minor Miracles**—Church choir for 3rd through 8th grade. Practices Wednesday, 5:50 PM—6:25 PM in the church.
- ◇ **JAM** = Jesus Alive in Music! - Church choir for high school students. Practices Wednesday, 6:30 PM—7:45 PM in the church.
- ◇ **Jubilation Singers**—Church choir for men and women 10-100 years old. Practices, Thursday 6:30 PM—7:30 PM in the church.
- ◇ **Resurrection Choir**—Choir that provided music for funeral masses. Meets 30-45 minutes prior for practice.
- ◇ **MAC**—Men's choir open to any men, young or old. Practice two Wednesdays, 8:30 PM—9:30, prior to the mass in which they provide music ministry.



## **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

### ***You're Invited to Join a Small Group!***

There will be various small groups of parishioners gathering throughout the school year to connect and grow in faith. Small groups consist of about 5 to 10 members and use various Catholic video or book studies to guide conversation. The groups will be starting to meet again in September, so now is the perfect time to join! There are two formats available for groups: 1.) General small groups are open to any adults of the parish and typically meet every other week. Various faith topics are discussed. For more information and to sign-up, visit [www.stjoesmarion.org/small-groups](http://www.stjoesmarion.org/small-groups); 2.) Couples Small Groups are for married couples to connect with other couples and discuss marriage-related topics. This year, they will meet once a month based on participants' availability. For more information and to sign-up for one of these, visit [www.stjoesmarion.org/couples-small-groups](http://www.stjoesmarion.org/couples-small-groups).

### ***Interested in Becoming Catholic? You're invited to join RCIA!***

Those interested in becoming Catholic typically enter into the process called RCIA, which stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. RCIA is an opportunity to join others in learning about the Catholic faith to grow in relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church and prepare for receiving the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and/or Confirmation). Inquirers are always welcome! RCIA will meet on Thursdays from 6:30– 8:30 PM. Please contact Deacon Dennis if you are interested in participating in RCIA.

### **Men of Action**

Men's prayer and study groups Tuesdays: 7 pm in the parish office or Thursdays at 6 am in the Church Hall. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at 377-4869.



The fall festival is right around the corner. We need your help in putting on this great event for our students. Please consider helping by going to:

<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/1990670/true#/>

### Xavier Foundation Parish Appeal



Thank you for your prayers and generous financial support of the Xavier Foundation Parish Appeal. The Foundation is a vital source of income for Xavier High School.

Your support helps make Catholic secondary education available for St. Joseph Parish families. Pledge cards will be available before and after all Masses this weekend and September 30 & October 1. Your efforts are greatly appreciated and will help reach our parish goal of \$72,700.

**65% Iowa Tax Credit**--As an Iowa Catholic taxpayer, you can help families with demonstrated financial need attend any Catholic School in the Archdiocese of Dubuque through a contribution to the Our Faith School Tuition Organization (STO). Each contribution will receive an Iowa tax credit equal to 65 percent of the donation. The amount you contribute also qualifies as a charitable deduction on your federal tax return. Visit [www.OurFaithSto.org](http://www.OurFaithSto.org) or call the Archdiocese of Dubuque at 800-876-3546 ext. 219 or 307 to learn more.

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The Social Justice Committee will have a BABY PLAY-PEN located in the back of the church entrance. Place items such as: diapers, blankets, bottles, and zero to six month clothing items. These items will be given to Birth-right and Bridgehaven located here in Cedar Rapids/Marion. These agencies will distribute the items to moms that are in need of assistance. The collection will be taken throughout the month October. Thank you for helping with this ANNUAL collection drive.



### St. Joseph Women's Ministry: Beauty Alive!

Gather, Share, Inspire, and Mobilize Women for the New Evangelization!

The Archdiocese of Dubuque is deeply interested in providing quality ministry for women of all ages. We want to hear from as many women as possible! We invite all interested women to attend this event to share their needs, desires and ideas for women's ministries. Refreshments and door prizes (including two tickets to the Women's Conference, Beauty in Christ- January 2018). This is an event you won't want to miss! To be held at St. Joseph Church Tuesday, October 3rd, 6:30 to 8 pm.

*Thank You*

Knights of Columbus Council 5390 for the oiling/refurbishing of the church pews.

A: "With the exception of finding out we're expecting and I was getting a promotion at work, this is the best news I've had all year!"

Q: Guess what? Fun Days is coming back to St. Joes.

Celebrating Faith Family Community - St. Joseph Fun Days. Save the date: June 1-3.

Want to get involved and join the fun? Email [info@stjosephfundays.org](mailto:info@stjosephfundays.org).

Update for the parish grounds electrical service upgrade. The Fun Days Steering Committee notes the parish has raised \$15,019.00 of the \$35,000.00 goal for the Fun Days year one equipment expenses and upgrades. We plan to proceed with the parish grounds electrical service upgrade within the next few weeks.

If you wish to make a tax deductible donation to assist with this project please contact one of the Steering Committee members or send payment to the parish office c/o Fun Days. We can help with any special request also - just give us a call. We truly appreciate your commitment to Fun Days and the St. Joseph community.

Linda Randklev   Joe Kruser   Rick McAllister   Jerry Brown

### Employment Opportunity at St. Joseph Parish: Parish Secretary

St. Joseph Parish, Marion, IA, a parish of two thousand families, is seeking a full-time parish secretary who has strong people skills, a positive attitude and the ability to manage multiple projects while maintaining confidentiality. Responsibilities include general receptionist and office duties. Must have experience with Microsoft Office and multi-line phone systems. Three to five years of work in a general office setting and a practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church is preferred. Please visit [www.stjoesmarion.org/employment](http://www.stjoesmarion.org/employment) to find the employment application. Send resume, cover letter and completed job application by October 1 to: Search Committee; St. Joseph Parish; 1790 14th St.; Marion, IA 52302 or by email to [jobs@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:jobs@stjoesmarion.org).





**Respect Life Month**—is inaugurated this weekend by the celebration of Respect LifeSunday. These observances encourage us to recall that all life is a gift from God from womb to tomb, and is to be cherished, encouraged and preserved. Our understanding of life, therefore, is expanded to see the whole of God's vision of the dignity of life rather than our own, which can become limited due to our experiences of the human condition.

In a western culture and world that has become increasingly secular rather than seeing God as the source of all that lives, moves and gives it being, there is an increasing assault against the dignity of life in favor of a more pragmatic, narcissistic approach. It is easier to call life a problem or a medical condition like an unplanned or unwanted pregnancy, a terminal disease or an aged, ailing person. We can make people the enemy rather than the inescapable cycle of poverty, sickness and feebleness or the regime that oppresses them. The pragmatic approach to these issues is to push a button like one does an app on a phone, disposing of the issue quickly in order to solve the problem in favor of making it go away quickly according to what makes me happy and my life easier. In that approach, the human person is dehumanized, becomes a means to an end, a cog in the wheel and disposable.

When the deacon says, "Go forth, the Mass is ended," at the conclusion of the liturgy, he offers you the weekly commission from God to be Christ in the world. Our faith is not to be confined within the walls of the church building. Reflecting on the respect life literature for this year, you go forth not in fear for God is with you (Isaiah 41:10). Go forth to be the hands and feet to a world gripped by fear. Go to the woman unexpectedly pregnant who fears the future. Go to the one who fears reprisal at work because s/he takes a stand for the protection of human life. Go to your aging parent in failing health who fears being a burden. And, go to others for their support. Go and be Christ in the world proclaiming the Gospel of Life!

**Hurricane Relief Thanks**—As of 25 September 2017, the parish has given \$ 12, 304.68 to Catholic Charities USA for hurricane relief. Thank you for your generosity! What you have given will greatly assist the support and recovery of those affected by this devastating natural disaster.

**Communal Anointing of the Sick**—We will be celebrating the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick during Masses the weekend of October 7-8, 2017.

When the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick occurs during Mass, its connection with the Most Holy Eucharist, which conveys the healing fruits of Jesus' cross and resurrection, is very evident.

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 shows that the entire community of the Christian faithful are 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 in this context 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.

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