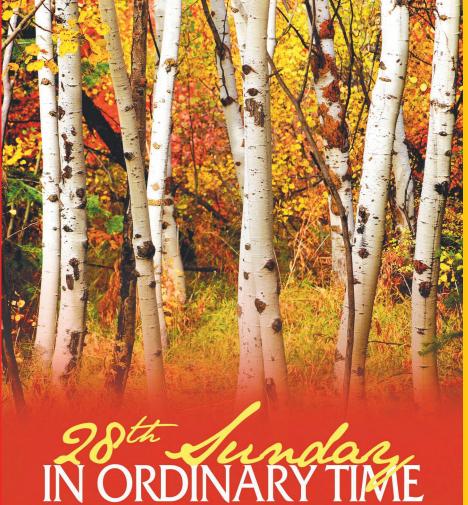


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"'Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.' The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests." - Mt 22:9-10

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October 15, 2017

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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

Tie Blankets for Willis Dady Shelter

Thursday, October 19 from 12:00 - 3:00 pm in the church hall, bring 2 ½ yards of fleece material, lunch provided. Please RSVP to Dawn by Monday, October 16, at 377-4869.

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* or 377-4869 to register and learn more.

Notifications for Worship Aid: Contact Dawn at 377-4869 or *d.feltman@dbqarch.org*.

Prayer Chain: Contact Dawn by email at *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/jmr926722@mchsi.com, and Deacon Dennis Ternes, d.ternes@dbqarch.org.

Parish Library—Open during office hours.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue— Gather to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary by gathering from October 15—20, to pray the rosary at the residence of George & Marie Chaloub; 1322 James Ave, Swisher at 7:30 pm each evening. All are welcome.

Sunday Envelope Giving Week of October 2, 2017—Week 14		
Budgeted Sunday Envelope Needs	\$23,558.59	
Year-to-date budget	\$353,378.85	
Collected last weekend	\$27,395.50	
Actual Year-to-date envelope income	\$328,531.74	
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$24,847.11)	
Social Concerns (5% of Donations)	\$1,369.78	
Bricks and Mortar Envelopes	\$700.00	

Feed My Sheep: The Marion Food Pantry needs canned beef stew and chicken. Please place your offering in the basket on the altar or ask an usher to take it to the front.

October 16-22 WEEKLY CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 16

7:30 A MASS † Pete Meyer

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 17

7:30 A MASS † Robert Schuttloffel

9:00 A Alt's Small Group, St. Joseph Room 7:00 P Men of Action, St. Joseph Room

Wednesday, October 18

8:15A SCHOOL MASS † William & Mildred Frasher

9:30 A Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room 11:00 A Senior Luncheon, Church Hall

2:00 P Pietra Fitness, Church Hall

3:00 P Priest's Reconciliation Dinner, Church Hall

4:00 P Reconciliation, 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 19

7:30 A MASS † **Dottie Huerter**

6:00 A Men of Action, Church Hall

9:30 A Care Center MASS † Holy Souls in Purgatory

12:00 P Tie Blanket Making, Church Hall 1:00 P Book Club, St. Matthew Room

5:30 P Finance Council, St. Matthew Room

6:30 P RCIA, St. Joseph Room

7:00 P Pastoral Council, Community Room

Friday, October 20

7:30 A MASS † Donald Hocking

6:30 P Silent Prayer, Church

Saturday, October 21

4:30 P MASS † Lester & Irene Kula

Sunday, October 22

8:00 A MASS † For the People
10:30A MASS † Mary Little
6:30 P Ternes' Small Group, SJPII Room

Ministry Schedule	Saturday, Oct. 21, 4:30 pm	Sunday, Oct 22, 8:00 am	Sunday, Oct. 22, 10:30 am
Sacristan	Dan Carter	Theresa Alt	Laurie Schill
Altar Servers	Ciara Obrien Jordan Runde Matthew Thraen	Alex Frericks Carly Drey Sydney Kleist	Brian Foerster Julia Foerster Molly Lucas
Lectors	Jen O'Brien Jeff Puffer	Marjorie Jensen Michelle Soyer	Roger Konzen Greg Webster-Moore
Ministers of Holy Communion	Erin Seymour James Ford Julie Raymond Kim McAleer Lea Gentzler Steve McAleer Vince Welsh	Bob Gruenloh Dan Drey George Cleppe Judy Scott Margie Bodensteiner Pat Soyer Kelly Zimmerman	Aaron Randolph Clark White Darlene Dawson Dolores Dilger Jerry Dilger Joan O'Connor Teresa White
Ministers of Hospitality	James Ickes Ken Baragary Lola McAreavy Tim O'Brien	Greg Van Gorp John Dolphin Ken Bodensteiner	Bob Dawson Don Klostermann Pat O'Connor Sharron Konzen Verna Klostermann
Children's Liturgy	n/a	n/a	Rhonda Shaffer Madison Shaffer
Door Greeters	Chris O'Brien Gary Raymond Barb Gasaway Jeremy Vinhuan	Chad Gloede Cindy Dugenske Dale Dugenske Lindsay Gloede	Brian Reynolds Donna Reynolds

Women's Connection

Support and friendship group for widows of the parish. For more information, contact Sally at 373-5484. Next luncheon will be October 26, 11:30 at Long Branch.

Senior Lunch

Please join us on **Wednesday**, **October 18** at noon in the church hall. Please RSVP to the parish office by Tuesday, October 17th.

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!

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.

St. Joseph Quilting Ministry

The **Quilting Ministry** has been in existence since 1995. They meet 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. Three fun facts about the Quilting Ministry Group is: 1) they donated 100 quilts in 2016, 2) there are work at home quilt top kits available in the Church Hall cabinet, and 3) if you can thread a needle they need you!

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!

For more information and to sign-up for one of these, visit www.stjoesmarion.org/couples-small-groups.

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

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.

Eucharistic Adoration

For a little over a year we have been having all-day Eucharistic Adoration on Mondays at St. Joseph. Anyone is welcome to come pray each Monday. We are looking for additional committed adorers who will devote themselves to one hour of adoration every Monday sometime between 8:00 AM and 9:00 PM. A particular time slot that could use additional adorers is from 10-11 AM. By signing up you will help us ensure that someone is present before the Blessed Sacrament at all times. The season of Advent is the perfect time to begin this prayer routine in your life! After you sign up, you will be contacted with more information and will receive an adorer packet that will overview the responsibilities and guidelines. This includes how to find a substitute for weeks when you will be unavailable to be present during your hour. If you would like to be a committed adorer, please sign up at www.stjoesmarion.org/adoration or contact Becky Bostwick at 319-826-1076 or bjbostwick@gmail.com



Join our parish community for **coffee**, donuts and juice being served downstairs after the 8 AM Mass on **Sunday October 15th**. Hosting this month will be the Parish Life Committee.

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 Birthright and Bridgehaven located here in Ce-Rapids/Marion. These agencies will distribute the items to moms that are in need assistance. The collection will be taken throughout the month October. Thank you for helping with this ANNUAL collection drive.

Attention Married Couples: "God reveals Himself through the Love of a couple"
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wwme.org or call <u>563-608-3305</u> or email: <u>JLJwwmeo8@Gmail.com</u>
"Love One Another As I Have Loved

If you've already gone through the Impact or a previous Lay Leadership formation program within the Dubuque Diocese, and you'd like to support others in the two-year program beginning in Sept. 2017, please sign up and we'll contact you for specific opportunities, whether that may be food donations or assisting with serving or setup. Sign up now on SignUp.com: http://signup.com/go/woUfaDp Thanks so much and have a great day!!

Mercy Auxiliary Presents
Mercy Auxiliary Mistletoe Market
Thursday, November 9, 2017

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8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Mercy Medical Center - Hallagan Education Center, 701 10th Street SE, Cedar Rapids. Mercy will be transforming into Mistletoe Market to get your Christmas shopping done early and support a local cause. Not only will there be nearly 40 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.

Theology on Tap

Young adults through the age of forty are invited to attend our final ToT event of the year on Wednesday, October 18th from 7:00-8:30 p.m. Our event will be held at Parlor City in the Newbo Area, in the detached garage past the patio. Our guest speaker will be Bryan Cross, Professor of Philosophy at Mount Mercy University. He will teach us about "Common Philosophical Mistakes of our Time." Come enjoy a beverage and learn with fellow young adults! Like us on facebook www.facebook.com/CRToT. See you there!

A: "When I moved back in 1990, this was the best community, second to celebrating the Eucharist with others. Fun Days was a gathering where you really got to know our Church family." Q: Do you remember Funs Days? It's coming

Q: Do you remember Funs Days? It's coming back!
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.

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 with in 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 one of us a call. We truly appreciate your commitment to Fun Days and the St. Joseph community.

FISH FRY Culinary Delight Dessert included in the \$10 for adults, \$5 for youth. Friday, October 20th, (open to



public) 5:00 - 7:00 PM Marion Columbus Club, hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 5390. www.KofC5390.org and click on Knight Lite for



The annual Rose Drive fundraiser for Birthright of Cedar Rapids is upon us. Please help with your prayers first and foremost for assistance to be available for women in unplanned circumstances. Thank You for your support and the Knights of Columbus will

be outside the church after each mass next weekend (21st & 22nd) to hand out mini-roses and collect good -will offerings to continue the mission of these loving volunteers at Birthright.



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.



Assisted Suicide—Last weekend the scripture readings and the celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick during Mass lent themselves to speaking of the dignity of life in sickness. I made reference to the Culture of Death that is growing in the West and in our country and to the practice of euthanasia or otherwise known as assisted suicide.

Assisted suicide is legal in five states and the District of Columbia. Proponents of this practice are well funded and are presenting their initiative through legislation, ballot measures, litigation and public advertising. States viewed to be most susceptible to their message are being targeted.

Some public opinion polls regarding assisted suicide show that the populace is receptive to its general concept. But, when the public learns about the dangers of assisted suicide especially to the poor, elderly, disabled and those without good access to medical care, their views shift against it.

Here are some major reasons to oppose assisted suicide:

- Ø It is against God's law. God alone is the author of life and we are stewards of it according to what he has established.
- Ø It doesn't mix with a profit-driven health care system. Some insurers of patients in Oregon and California will pay for assisted suicide but not treatment that may sustain their lives.
- Ø The vulnerable are at risk of abuse and coercion. After lethal drugs are prescribed, there are no requirements for assessing the consent, competency and voluntariness of the patient. It increases the risk of elder abuse. Assisted suicide laws often allow one or two witnesses of the request for lethal drugs to be an heir to the patient's estate. The heir could pressure or encourage a decision to request lethal drugs and then be a witness to the request.
- Ø Pain isn't the primary issue in requesting lethal drugs. In 2016 in Oregon, for example, ninety percent of patients seeking lethal drugs said they were doing so because they were less able to engage in life activities that were enjoyable, were losing autonomy or thought they were a burden to family, friends and care givers.
- Ø It fosters discrimination. Assisted suicide creates a class of people whose suicides we spend hundreds of million dollars to prevent and another class whose suicides are assisted and treated as positive and good. We disarm those whose suicides we try to prevent, while arm with lethal drugs those suicides that are permitted.

There are more reasons why legalizing assisted suicide is bad and dangerous. They can be found by visiting these websites: www.usccb.org/respectlife, from which this article is derived, www.usccb.org/toliveeachday and www.patientsrightsaction.org.

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Have you considered becoming a Deacon?

Jesus said, "Come and see." (Jn 1:39) The Office of the Permanent Diaconate is seeking married or single men interested in becoming a Permanent Deacon. The call to the diaconate is a call to a vocation. It requires prayer, commitment, and dedication. Interested men between the ages of 32 and 58, and their wives if married, are invited to attend an "Information Meeting" on Thursday, November 9 at St. Joseph Parish, Marion at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Hall. For more information, please contact Deacon Tom Lang at 1-800-876-3546 ext. 252

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