



# St. Joseph Catholic Church

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## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

"Then the king will say to those on his right,  
'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit  
the kingdom prepared for you from the  
foundation of the world.'" - Mt 25:34

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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:

Regular Hours - Saturday 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM

During Advent: Dec. 2, 9, 16, and 23 Extended Confession 3:00 - 4:00

## November 26, 2017

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### Parish Office 319-377-4869

Mon. Thurs. & Fri. 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Tues. & Wed. 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

### Youth Faith Formation 319-377-8402

1430 14th Street, Marion

### School 319-377-6348

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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.

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

**Prayer Chain:** Contact Dawn at 377-4869 or [d.feltman@dbqarch.org](mailto: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](mailto:alt.theresa@yahoo.com), Jean Randolph, 319-377-0497 or [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 from Nov. 26 to Dec. 1, to pray the rosary at the home of Rich and Marcia Morio, 1741 Applewood Place NE, at 7:30 pm each evening. All are welcome.

**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.

**Infant Baptism:** The next baptism preparation session will be held on **Saturday, January 13, 2018**, 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.

**Bulletin items:** Please submit to Tammy Martin, Parish Secretary, by email at: [t.martin@dbqarch.org](mailto:t.martin@dbqarch.org).

Sunday Envelope Giving Week of November 20, 2017—Week 21	
Budgeted Sunday Envelope Needs	<b>\$23,558.59</b>
Year-to-date budget	<b>\$494,730.39</b>
Collected last weekend	<b>\$24,076.09</b>
Actual Year-to-date envelope income	<b>\$460,047.33</b>
Over/(Under) Budget	<b>(\$34,683.06)</b>
Social Concerns (5% of Donations)	<b>\$1,203.80</b>
Bricks and Mortar Envelopes	<b>\$723.05</b>

Ministry Schedule	Saturday, Dec. 2, 4:30 pm	Sunday, Dec. 3, 8:00 am	Sunday, Dec. 3, 10:30 am
<b>Sacristan</b>	Linda Lundahl	Dan Carter	Moe
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Alyas Wall Claire McAllister Kale Leymaster	Kloey McCurren Marshall Boche Savanah Pope	Anna Esch Olivia Holm Sydney Esch
<b>Lectors</b>	Richard Dorff Marcia Schmidt	Mike Wobbe Cathy Wobbe	Kevin Holm Greg Webster-Moore
<b>Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Bonnie Thomas Jamie McAllister Jean Kacick Joyce Wright Kelly Zimmerman Laura Scharosch Patricia Halstead	Eric Ratliff Mary Mikkola Ofelia Kepros Patti Zessin Renee Wiebel Steven Freemon Terry Wiebel	Diane Morris Dolores Dilger Jerry Dilger Liz Lockhart Phyllis Koschmeder Rita Greif
<b>Ministers of Hospitality</b>	Dennis Maddy James Ickes Ken Baragary Kossivi Tomeddonou Peg Platner	Bill Kuennen Dick Nurre Margie Spoden Mary Nurre Mel Holubar	Bob Dawson Darrell Holub Gary Kalis Michele Soyer
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	n/a	n/a	Megan Andresen Lindsey Weber
<b>Door Greeters</b>	Dawn Barnes Jeremy Vinluan Sandy Osbon	Bob Buckley Ed Walter Katie Walter Mary Klingler	Barb Gasaway Megan Mather Pat Soyer

## November 27 - December 3 WEEKLY CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, November 27

7:30	AM	MASS	† Kathleen Riechle
8:00	AM	Adoration	
1:30	PM	Alpha Prayer Group, St JP II Room	
5:45	PM	Cub Scouts, Church Hall	
6:00	PM	AHG Board, Community Room	
7:00	PM	Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room	
7:00	PM	Boy Scouts, Church Hall	
7:00	PM	CRG, SJPII Room	

### Tuesday, November 28

7:30	AM	MASS	† Jack Comer Family
7:00	PM	Men of Action, St. Joseph Room	
7:00	PM	Bells, Church	

### Wednesday, November 29

8:15	AM	MASS	† Bill Ryder
9:30	AM	Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room	
2:00	PM	Pietra Fitness, Church Hall	
5:00	PM	YFF 4th Gr. Lesson, Church	
5:50	PM	Minor Miracles, Church	
6:00	PM	7th/8th Grade Wreath Making, Church Hall	
6:30	PM	JAM, St. Joseph Room	
6:30	PM	WM Book Club, St. John Paul III Rm	
7:00	PM	YFF 4th Gr. Lesson, Church	
7:30	PM	MAC, Church	

### Thursday, November 30

6:00	AM	Men of Action, Church Hall	
7:30	AM	MASS	† Georgia Varvra
9:30	AM	Crestview Care Center	
1:00	PM	Book Club, St. Matthew Room	
6:30	PM	RCIA, St. Joseph Room	

### Friday, December 1

7:30	AM	MASS	† Bob Brown
9:30	AM	Bickford Center	
6:30	PM	Silent Prayer, Church	

### Saturday, December 2

4:30	PM	MASS	† Anne, Al & Darold Smith
3:00	PM	Extended Confession thru Advent till 4:00 pm	

### Sunday, December 3 - 1st Sunday of Advent

8:00	AM	MASS	† Jim & Joyce Recker
10:30	AM	MASS	† For the People

## Mass Intentions

Please contact Dawn Feltman in the Parish Office



### Women's Connection

Support and friendship group for widows of the parish. For more information, contact Sally at 373-5484. Join us for lunch on **November 30** @ 11:30 - Scott's Family Restaurant. For more information contact Carol Gonzalez at 654-6296.

### Senior Lunch

There will **not** be a Senior Luncheon in December. Please join us for the next Senior Luncheon on January 17, 2018.



### !!! Quilt Ministry Request !!!

Thank you for all of the fabric donations. Many hands continue to make quilts but we are quickly running out of batting. We welcome low loft batting donations or monies to buy more batting. Contact Lynn Mitchell 377-6166. Thank you!

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

**Eucharistic Adoration:** We have all-day Eucharistic Adoration on Mondays at St. Joseph. Anyone is welcome to come pray each Monday. If you would like to be a committed adorer, please sign up at [www.stjoesmarion.org/adoration](http://www.stjoesmarion.org/adoration) or contact Becky Bostwick at 319-826-1076 or [bjbostwick@gmail.com](mailto:bjbostwick@gmail.com). **Due to scheduling needs in the church**, Monday adoration will end at 6:00 PM with Benediction on **December 4, 11, and 18**. If you are scheduled for the evening adoration time slots on these dates, we encourage you to spend your hour with our Lord at a different time during the day. Normal adoration hours will resume on **January 8, 2018**.

**New Scripture Study:** The Monday evening and Wednesday morning Scripture Study groups will begin a study on "The Book of Ruth" starting **November 27**. This 4 week study will cover Ruth's divine love story and how her trust in God became a source of blessing for her even through her many hardships. Contact Deacon Dennis for more information at [d.ternes@dbqarch.org](mailto:d.ternes@dbqarch.org) or 377-4869.

**Men's Ministry:** The Tuesday and Thursday Men of Action groups have started a new book study on the book "Abandonment to Divine Providence" by Fr. Jean Pierre de Causssade. This spiritual classic is a must read for anyone who desires to live a more meaningful Christian life by seeing God's will in all things. For more information contact Deacon Dennis at [d.ternes@dbqarch.org](mailto:d.ternes@dbqarch.org).

**Business and Ministry Assistant--St. Joseph Catholic Church, Marion, IA, seeks a part-time Business and Ministry Assistant.** The preferred candidate is a practicing Catholic with a background in finance or related field. Proficiency in computer and communications skills as well as an ability to multi-task and collaborate in a team setting is necessary. The application for employment can be found at e. Please send a cover letter, resume and completed employment application to [jobs@stjoesmarion.org/employment](mailto:jobs@stjoesmarion.org/employment), by December 8, 2017.

**The Liturgy of the Word. What Is It? (Published November 12, 2017)** — The Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist form the two principal parts of the Mass. This two-part service developed from Jewish worship. Think of St. Luke's account of the Road to the Emmaus (Lk 24: 13-35) as suggesting the principal parts of the Mass. Along the way to Emmaus, Jesus appears on Easter Sunday to the two disciples and explains the prophets as found in scripture (Word). That is followed by the breaking of the bread (Eucharist). Sacred Scripture was written for public proclamation and not simply for private devotion. Jesus proclaimed the scriptures on the way to Emmaus. He didn't keep them to himself. The New Testament reports the practice of reading and hearing the writings of the apostles to the Christian communities. By the middle of the second century, the reading of scripture was an established part of the Sunday liturgy. There's lots more to the development and practice of the Liturgy of the Word. This reflection will be limited to the abridged version of liturgical history and fast forward to today following the changes made by the Second Vatican Council.

The scripture readings at Mass should be proclaimed from the ambo, the place reserved for such proclamation and preaching. During this time, except for the gospel, the assembly assumes the posture of sitting, but not passively so. The assembly sits to listen. Providing written copies of the readings to follow by the assembly was never envisioned by the instructions given by the Church for the celebration Mass. However, there are many good reasons to do so, some of which include that people are hard of hearing, others pay attention and learn best by reading, it enables preparation of the scriptures before Mass and is a good resource to which to refer especially when some texts are difficult to follow or understand. Whether there is a printed text available or not, the scriptures are to be proclaimed well by a lector as the faithful in the assembly **actively** listen. - **Father David O'Connor**

### Advent Giving Project:

Gift tags are available for our annual Parish Advent Giving Project on the trees in the entry ways. **Final return date for all gifts is:**

**December 3.** Please return **unwrapped**, donated gifts by December 3 and place them on the steps of the sanctuary at any Mass. If you prefer, a monetary donation may be made by placing a check payable to "St. Joseph Church" with "Advent Giving Project" in the memo line, in the offertory basket during Mass. St. Joseph Parish will offer hope to parish and local families and seniors this Advent season. Please join us in spreading our blessings from Christ throughout our community this Advent! If you have any questions, please phone **Liz Lockhart at the YFF Office at 377-8402.**

### Christian Experience Weekend (CEW) in February 2018:

Experience this special weekend and grow in your faith! The women's weekend is from **Friday evening, Feb. 2 through Sunday afternoon, Feb. 4.** The men's weekend is from **Feb. 23 - 25.** Visit [www.crew.org](http://www.crew.org) to register, or see the parish office for registration forms. What a great way to continue your faith journey!

The Social Justice committee will sponsor a **Soup Supper on Saturday, December 9**, in the Church Hall after the 4:30 Mass. Our speaker will be Dick Grimm, President of Marion Senior Living Community. Please come and enjoy soup, desserts and friendship. All are in-



### Roller Skating at Super Skate:

All are welcome (youth bring a friend)! You are invited to the Super Skate off Collins Road to join the fun **Sunday, December 3, 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm**, sponsored by Marion Knights of Columbus

Council 5390. Youth ages 17 and under are free; the adults who want to skate just pay skate rental. Children or groups of children must be accompanied by a "go-to" adult rather than just dropped off at the skating rink. See the Council 5390 bulletin at their website: [www.kofc5390.org](http://www.kofc5390.org).

Please join us for the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Angel of Hope Prayer Vigil on December 6th at 7p.m. at the Angel of Hope Statue located at Xavier High School. The vigil is a public gathering for anyone who has lost a loved one. Our prayers will join with others throughout the United States who host a candlelight ceremony at all The Angle of Hope Monuments on December 6th, at 7p.m. Come pray for all seeking Hope and Light.

### Guess Who's Coming To Dinner? 2018

Back by popular demand, the Parish Life Committee is sponsoring a fun way to meet fellow parishioners other than just seeing them on your way in and out of church! **Mark your calendars for Sunday, January 28, 2018.** If you are interested in becoming a host for a dinner group of adult parishioners, please contact: **Sharon Konzen, at 319-350-9861 or [rkonzon@yahoo.com](mailto:rkonzon@yahoo.com).**

#### Hosts:

- Decide how many people you are comfortable hosting
- Prepare the entrée
- Provide the drink

#### Guests:

- Provide salad and vegetable



Following the meal, everyone will meet at the Church Hall for dessert. The fun part is that no one will know who is in their dinner party, even the host, until guests arrive. More details to follow in future bulletins.

### Gems of Hope

Please plan to join us to create cards for Gems of Hope on Monday, November 27, at 1:00 p.m. in the LLL at St. Joseph School. All are welcome.

### Retirement Fund for Religious

Elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests need your help. Many served for years in Catholic schools, hospitals, and parishes - often for little to no pay. Now there is a shortage in retirement savings. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious provides funding for medications, nursing care, and more. Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

**National Collection Dates: December 9 - 10, 2017**

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**JOB  
OPENING**

St. Joseph Catholic School has an open elementary associate position starting January 2, 2018. Hours would be 7:45-2:30 daily. Duties would include working with small groups in first and fifth grade along with recess and lunch duty.

To apply, go to:

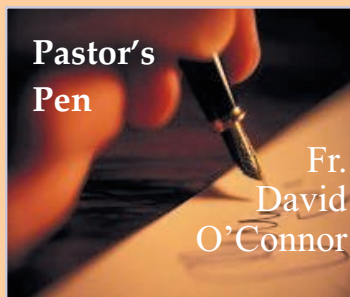
<http://www.sjcsmarion.org/about/employment/>

Please contact principal Casey Kettmann at [ckettmann@sjcsmarion.org](mailto:ckettmann@sjcsmarion.org)

### St. Joseph Bulletin Submission Deadlines for December

Please send by email to:  
[t.martin@dbqarch.org](mailto:t.martin@dbqarch.org)

Sunday Bulletin	Deadline	Deadline Date for Submission
Dec. 3, 2017	Normal	Tues. Nov. 28 @ Noon
Dec. 10, 2017	Normal	Tues. Dec. 5 @ Noon
Dec. 17, 2017	Early	Mon. Dec. 15 @ Noon
Dec. 24, 2017	Early	Fri. Dec. 15 @ Noon
Dec. 31, 2017	Early	Thurs. Dec. 21 @ Noon



**Worship Aid Part II--The Liturgy of the Word: God's Great Dialogue with His People**—Noting that we will be phasing out usage of the worship aid in favor of a missalette, I can share with you the finalized sequence of the change. Starting the First Sunday of Advent, we will no longer be using the worship aid. Alternative websites will be cited and a printed resource will be available to assist you in preparing for the scriptures before Mass. The missalette will contain the Order of the Mass and the Sunday readings along with an extensive music section. Because music is planned well in advance, we will still use the red Worship hymnals during Advent. They will be phased out after Christmas.

Last week, I wrote an article about the Liturgy of the Word and the promised second installment is below. The purpose of the articles was to offer a theological understanding of this major part of the Mass with an application to whatever is used for a worship aid.

**The Liturgy of the Word: God's Great Dialogue with His People**--During Sunday Mass, there are three readings from scripture, usually one from the Old Testament and two from the New Testament. The New Testament readings include one typically from a letter and always a gospel. In between the first and second readings, a psalm is prayed, which should be sung if at all possible.

Always remember first and foremost that Christ is present to the liturgical assembly through his word. He is speaking to you through the proclamation of the Sacred Scriptures which opens you to the mysteries of Redemption (Christ buying us back from sin through his death) and salvation (Christ saving us from sin, and ourselves!). He offers spiritual nourishment through what he says to you. We don't read from The Bible, but proclaim it as it is God speaking to us. This becomes a great dialogue between God and his people. We actively listen through attentiveness and silence. Our docility before the word invites the Holy Spirit to connect us with what Jesus is saying and to appropriate it in our hearts because of our silence, attentiveness and meditation. The homily further opens some aspect of God's word proclaimed to nurture the Christian life, account for what is being celebrated that day and address the needs of those who hear the homily.

A worship aid, regardless of what form it takes, assists those who would appreciate help following the Order of the Mass, the hymns being sung, and if necessary, the readings being proclaimed. It is not primarily a commentary about the Mass or the scriptures, nor does it become like a bulletin. Rather, it supplements the prayer and proclamation of the word and the order of worship during Mass. The movement to change from our current worship aid is to emphasize the proclamation of the word and the assembly's reception of and response to it. The new form of the worship aid will do just that, while offering the support participants may need to hear the scriptures and to know the Order of the Mass.

#### **Websites for Preparation of Sunday Mass Readings**

<http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/daily.html> Creighton University Faculty, Staff, and Administrators Daily Reflections

[https://wau.org/meditations/Word Among Us Daily Reflection \(Same as printed devotional\)](https://wau.org/meditations/Word Among Us Daily Reflection (Same as printed devotional))

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/reflections/> USCCB Video Reflection (Youtube)

<http://faith.nd.edu/s/1210/faith/pray.aspx?sid=1210&gid=609&pgid=10745> University of Notre Dame Gospel Reflection

<https://catholicmom.com/2017/11/16/daily-gospel-reflection-november-16-2017/> Various contributors from a Catholic Moms Website

<https://dailycatholicgospel.com/sign-up-daily-gospel> Bishop Barron Daily Reflection

<http://liturgy.slu.edu/> St. Louis University Sunday Reflections (Multiple contributors)

<https://stpaulcenter.com/studies-tools/sunday-bible-reflections/> Scott Hahn Sunday Reflection (Audio or text) Also contains links to previous Sundays

**Advent**—With Christmas occurring on a Monday this year, the First Sunday of Advent falls on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. That means we will have a very short Advent which will be only three weeks long concluding on Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>. Since the Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve will coincide this year, the ordinary weekend Mass schedule will change for the celebration of the Fourth Sunday of Advent. There will only be two Masses to fulfill the Sunday obligation for the Fourth Sunday of Advent. They will occur on:

Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>

At

4:30 PM and 6:30 PM.

There will be no Sunday morning, December 24<sup>th</sup> Masses to celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent. All Masses that day will be for Christmas, to begin in the afternoon as has been done in previous years.

Since Advent bears a penitential character, it offers a wonderful opportunity to go to confession. Weekend confession times will be expanded starting December 2<sup>nd</sup> through December 23<sup>rd</sup> to occur on Saturdays from 3-4 PM. Additionally, there are two deanery communal penances which will occur offering the opportunity for individual confessions. There will be several priests present to hear confessions. Here's the communal penance schedule:

Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>—All Saints, Cedar Rapids, at 10:30 AM

Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, St. Joseph, Marion, at 7 PM



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