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Catholic Church

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5th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

"Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see
your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." —Mt 5:16

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Sunday, February 5, 2017

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.)

St. Joseph Parish Office

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Adoration: Monday: 7 am to 9 pm

Confession: Saturday: 3:30 to 4 pm

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.

Infant Baptism: The next baptism preparation session will be held on **Saturday, March 11, 2017**, in the St. Joseph Room of the parish offices from 9 to 11 am. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at 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.

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 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 or 558-9072.

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

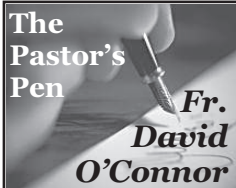
Pilgrim Virgin Statue: Feb. 5th—10th with Bruce and Kathy Tentinger; 7416 Idledale Rd NE, Cedar Rapids. Rosary every evening Sunday through Friday, 7:30 pm.

Date	Mass	Intention
Mon. 2/6	Adoration 7 a.m.—9 p.m.	
Tue. 2/7	7:30 am	Irene and Lester Kula
Wed. 2/8	8:15 am	The Joe Barry Family
Thu. 2/9	7:30 am	Michelle (Fluckiger) Niles and Dewain Fluckiger
Fri. 2/10	7:30 a.m.	Cecelia Kepros
Sat. 2/11	4:30 pm	Mark Pessetto
Sun. 2/12	8:00 am	Jim and Joyce Recker
	10:30 am	For the People

Week at a Glance		
Sun. 2/5	6:30 pm	Divine Mercy Faith Sharing Group, Church Hall
Mon. 2/6	7 am-9 pm 1:30 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Adoration, Church Alpha Prayer Grp, St. John Paul II Rm. Cub Scouts, Church Hall Boy Scouts, Church Hall Scripture Study, St. Joseph Rm. CRG, St. JP II Room
Tue. 2/7	5:45 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Bldg. & Grounds, Community Room NFP Class, St. John Paul II Room Bells, Church TMIY!, Church Hall
Wed. 2/8	9:30 am 2:00 pm 5:50 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm 8:00 pm	Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room Pietra Fitness, Church Hall Minor Miracles, Church Liturgy Committee, Community Rm. JAM, Church MAC, St. Joseph Rm. HSYG Holy Hour, Church
Thu. 2/9	6:00 am 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 8:00 pm	TMIY!, Church Hall Jubilation Choir, Church RCIA, St. Joseph Rm RCIA, Church
Fri. 2/10	6:00 pm 6:30 pm 5:30 pm	Retreat Planning, Comm. Rm Silent Prayer, Church Private Event, Church Hall

Week of January 29, 2017—Week 31	
Budgeted Sunday Envelope Needs	\$23,558.59
Year-to-date budget	\$730,316.29
Collected last weekend	\$18,693.00
Actual Year-to-date envelope income	\$751,680.25
Over/(Under) Budget	\$21,363.96
Social Concerns (5% of Donations)	\$934.65
Bricks and Mortar Envelopes	\$838.00
Christmas	\$49,141.00

Ministry Schedule	Saturday, Feb. 11, 4:30 pm	Sunday, Feb. 12, 8:00 am	Sunday, Feb 12. 5 10:30 am
Sacristan	Laurie Schill	Carla DeMoss	Linda Maher
Altar Servers	Anna Kelly Kale Leymaster Sam Kelly	Aubrey Olsen Claire Vasey Seth Olsen	Brian Foerster Emily Geiser Julia Foerster
Lectors	Doug Brock Jen O'Brien	Marcia Schmidt Cynthia Line	Nicole Trapani Roger Konzen
Ministers of Holy Communion	Bonnie Thomas Doug Hoeger James Ford Janice Kelly Jeff Schussler Kris Hoeger Michele Brock	Darwin Schuttloffel Ofelia Kepros Jim McDonald Kim McAleer Marge Carson Marjorie Jensen Steve McAleer	Carla Reilly Clark White Dave Adams Joe Trapani Karri Kruser Pauline Soukup Teresa White
Ministers of Hospitality	Arlene Wiley Darrell Holub James Ickes John Petesich	Allen Platner Bob Blocklinger Dave Van Gorp Marilyn Platner Mark Barnd	Michelle Soyer Norbe Boettcher Sharron Konzen Teresa Girard Terry Reilly
Children's Liturgy	n/a	n/a	Becky Carroll Lindsey Weber



Pilgrimage to Israel—Thank you for your prayers during our pilgrimage to Israel. I know many of you followed us on Facebook as well. Your prayers were very evident from the first day, especially as we struggled to leave

Cedar Rapids due to the inclement weather. Of all the pilgrimages I have led, this was the most unique and profound. The holy sites we saw and the people we met were graced moments. The group essentially lived the mysteries of our Lord's life where he lived, taught, healed, died and rose from the dead. Our journey included places that were part of our Blessed Mother's life as well, all essential to the story of our salvation.

A critical part of our pilgrimage is that we learned of the plight and condition of the Christians in the Holy Land, which is very serious because they are in a political and religious pinchers which threatens to squeeze them out of the land of our Savior. Christianity has had a presence in the Holy Land virtually since Jesus died, rose and ascended into heaven. Now, their numbers are dwindling because they find living there extremely difficult and they are leaving, a serious trend we hope and pray that will be reversed. It is important for us that we support our brothers and sisters there, and do what we can to advocate their lives in the Holy Land.

As time goes by, I am sure that the Holy Land pilgrims will have many opportunities to share and act upon the graces they have received. Once a pilgrimage is made, one's faith and life is affected and changed. May the graces we received become a part of your life as well.

A Message from Archbishop Jackels Promoting the February 11-12 Annual Appeal for Catholic Charities-- "One of our mission priorities is to teach stewardship as a way of life and a course of action. As a way of life, stewardship teaches that we do not own anything; all is on loan from God, entrusted to us to manage. And as a course of action, stewardship teaches us to manage according to God's good pleasure, that is, to provide what is needed to live in dignity to the poor, our dependents, and ourselves. Helping those who cannot protect or provide for themselves is an essential practice of our Catholic religion; indeed, it is the mark of authenticity for followers of Jesus. The Archdiocesan Office of Catholic Charities helps us help the poor: organizing the work, enlisting volunteers, and securing donations, such as with this annual appeal. As you consider how much you will share in the annual appeal, think about what Jesus said: Give and gifts will be given to you ... The measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you. In anticipation of your sacrificial gift, thank you. AM."

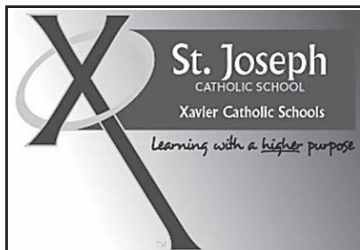
From Tyler Raymond, Seminarian from Our Parish
St. Joe's: I hope everyone is doing well! Flu season has hit the seminary and one by one the seminarians are getting sick. Thankfully I got my flu shot but it also means I've been making a lot of store runs for Gatorade and medicine! But it's also given me the opportunity to bring communion to the sick, and not to be insensitive, but good practice for my next step in seminary! (Continued next column.)

3 February 10th will be the first day of my pastoral internship which will last until the end of July, and in May I will begin working at a hospital as a chaplain. I'll be in the Good Shepherd Cluster of New Hampton, North Washington, and Ionia all semester and summer long, and in the summer also at Covenant Hospital in Waterloo. I'm officially over halfway through seminary and the internship and chaplaincy are good moments to practice what I've learned so far, experience more closely the life of a parish priest, and confirm my own call to the priesthood. As much as I can I hope to get involved in all different kinds of ministries, lead prayer and worship, and teach and preach. Although I am certain God is calling me to become a priest, this will be a great time of discernment, not just work on my weaknesses, but also explore what my strengths will be, what do I have to offer in ministry? Please pray for me as I begin the "final stretch" of seminary, preparing for ordination to the diaconate summer of 2018 and priesthood summer of 2019. It still feels a far way off but I know after this summer everything will start speeding up! Please also pray for Jim, Tom, Michael, and Josh, my brother seminarians in my class who are also going on internship (Tom will be at St Matthew's in Cedar Rapids so you may see him!), and that more men will listen for God's call. God is calling men to serve His Church as priests, men and women to pray and work in religious life, and holy marriages and dedicated single people, but we have to help each other grow and pray and listen for that call and direction. Know that I will be praying for all of you. Tyler Raymond

Catholic Evangelization Outreach: Jesse Romero

St. Matthew's parish in Cedar Rapids will host national speaker Jesse Romero for the next CEO event on Tuesday, February 14th at 6:30 PM. A light meal will be served, there is no charge and childcare will be provided. Jesse Romero is a full-time, bilingual, Catholic Lay Evangelist who is nationally acclaimed as a dynamic, upbeat, Christ-centered speaker. A resident of Arizona and a retired veteran of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, he was a three-time World Police boxing champion and a two-time U.S. kickboxing champion. During his years as a deputy sheriff Jesse experienced the dark side of society daily, but he also saw the evidence of God's work in some of the most unexpected places. What made the difference? His faith in JESUS!

Jesse is a cradle Catholic who experienced an interior conversion through the reading of the Holy Gospels, launching him into a preaching ministry wherein he is lighting fires in the hearts of Catholics across the country. Today, Jesse is committed to keeping the Faith alive by speaking at parishes and Catholic events throughout the United States. As a speaker, Jesse has the ability to make the sometimes complex teachings of our Faith understandable with his straight talk approach. His messages are down-to-earth, orthodox and delivered with energy and conviction that has become a Jesse Romero trademark. The audience is left with an indelible impression that our Catholic Faith is something to be worn visibly and proudly, not kept hidden away. He has a five-alarm wakeup call: the phrase "use it or lose it." Join us for the next CEO, with Jesse Romero!



Clip and Earn Money for St. Joseph School!

St. Joseph Catholic School collects: Box Tops, Hy-Vee receipts, Tyson Foods, Prairie Milk caps and A+ labels.

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@sjesmarion.org.

A Catholic Education is Affordable

St. Joseph Catholic School is affordable! For roughly \$15 a day, your child could be educated in a faith-filled environment. What do you spend \$15 on? A lunch at a restaurant, coffee, maybe Cheetos? Financial assistance, including STO dollars, are available for those who qualify. Please call the school office if you have questions on how an education at St. Joseph can be an affordable choice for your child.

Upcoming Catholic Charities Annual Appeal

Did you know that clients in Catholic Charities' Jail & Prison Ministry program are 49% less likely to reoffend when compared to the state's average rate? This work saves taxpayer money, decreases the strain on our law enforcement and most importantly improves the quality of life for those in the program and their families. Support this important work, and much more with your gift to the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. Learn more at www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org.

Catholic Worker House has the following current needs: cleaning supplies such as pine-sol, cleaning wipes, and laundry soap pods, as well as kitchen garbage bags. Of course, prayers for the house and all its clients are always needed. If you can help, please contact Larissa at 319-362-9041 for details. *"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great."* (Matthew 5:12)



Save the Date for **VBS 2017!**

EARTHKEEPERS:

Caring for our common home at Camp Creation!

June 19-23 from 9am-12pm!

This year's theme is centered around Pope Francis' encyclical, *Laudato Si*.

Please plan to join us, either as a participant (grades K-6) or as a volunteer!

SAVE THE DATE

**St. Joseph Catholic School
2017 SHAMROCK GALA
FRIDAY, APRIL 28**

CEDAR RAPIDS MARRIOTT

For more information, visit our website at www.stjosephshamrock.com.

Job Opportunity at St. Joseph

St. Joseph Catholic School and Parish immediately seeks a full-time Director of Maintenance. The ideal candidate has extensive maintenance experience and skills, as well as an ability to work with volunteers and the community. Knowledge in multiple areas of routine maintenance (plumbing, minor electrical, basic construction) is strongly preferred. A pre-employment physical and exam are required prior to a job offer. Applications must be submitted online by Friday, February 17. The application can be found at <http://www.sjesmarion.org/about/employment/>.

Women's Connection

Women's Connection, a support group for parish widows, will meet Thursday, February 9th, from 1 to 3 pm in the Leadership and Learning Lounge at St. Joseph Catholic School. Officer Dobbs from the Marion Police Dept. is scheduled as our speaker. Officer Dobbs will be speaking on roundabouts and also on scams. For more information contact Carol G. at 654-6296 or Sally W. at 373-5484.

Coffee and Donut Sunday: You are invited to come and enjoy donuts, coffee, juice and the company of your fellow parishioners Sunday, February 12th at 9 a.m. in the Church Hall. The St. Joseph Catholic School Board will host this gathering.

Senior Luncheon: Our next senior luncheon will be Wednesday, February 15th, in the church hall at noon. Please RSVP by calling the parish secretary by Monday, February 13th at 377-4869.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

VITA is a national program sponsored by the IRS which offers free to help out individuals and families whose household income is \$54,000 or less and who need assistance in preparing their own tax returns. IRS-certified volunteers provide free income tax return preparation with electronic filing to qualified individuals. VITA is sponsored by the United Way of East Central Iowa. To schedule a tax appointment, call 2-1-1 from a landline or 319-739-4211 from a cell phone.

Knights of Columbus Council 5390

Free Throw Contest.

- First Round: St Joseph School Gym,
- Sunday, February 5, 2017
- Doors open at 12.10 p.m., contest begins at 12.30 pm
- Contact John Pacha for event logistical detail questions
- link to official rules: <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/service/youth/freethrow/guide.pdf>
- Open to all children in the community ages 9 to 14 as of Jan. 1, 2017
- Proof of age is required at any level of competition so be prepared if challenged, refer to page 2 for official rules for eligibility

Fish Dinner: Marion Columbus Club, hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 5390, located at 5650 Kacena Ave., Friday, February 17th, 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.

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, or visit our website at www.stjoesmarion.org.

Valentine's Day Couples Banquet



All married couples are invited to mark your calendars for this year's Valentine's Day Banquet on Sunday, February 12th at 5:30 PM at the Knights of Columbus Hall (5650 Kacena Ave, Marion). Come enjoy an evening away with your spouse for a romantic meal to celebrate Valentine's Day! The cost is \$30 per couple. A cash bar will be available. Childcare will be provided free of charge at the hall. Please RSVP by February 5th at www.stjoesmarion.org/marriage-enrichment.

Holy Land Pilgrimage Presentation

Anyone interested in hearing about the experiences of the Holy Land Pilgrimage group is invited to the pilgrimage presentation on Sunday, February 26th at 2:00 PM in the Church Hall. Come see pictures, hear stories, and learn about the many holy sites the group visited in January.

Lent Stations of the Cross & Soup Suppers

You're invited to pray the Stations of the Cross each Friday of Lent (beginning March 3rd) at 5:30 PM in the church. Following the Stations, there will be a Soup Supper in the Church Hall at 6:00 PM each Friday of Lent provided free of charge. Please bring a can of soup to the dinner to donate to a local charity. Come pray with us and then enjoy some good fellowship and food!



"Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession" Series

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is often misunderstood and underused. The stunning new video series from the Augustine Institute called "Forgiven" offers the opportunity to better understand and appreciate the gift of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. You're invited to participate in this series during Lent. The five-week series will be offered in-between Masses on Sundays from 9:10 to 10:20 AM in the parish office wing, beginning on March 12th. There is a cost of \$15 for the workbook (scholarships are available upon request). Please register by March 6th at www.stjoesmarion.org/forgiven or by contacting Matt Selby.



Joyfully Gifted Lent Retreat

Save the date for the parish Lent retreat on Saturday, March 25th! The theme this year will be "Joyfully Gifted." God has given spiritual gifts, called charisms, to all baptized Christians. This interactive retreat will help you discover how you have been gifted and how to effectively and joyfully use those gifts. The retreat will be led by Judy Ramsey and Matt Selby and held in the Church Hall. Check back next weekend for more details and registration information.

The Catholic Vision for Leading Like Jesus: When you influence someone at work, at home or with friends, you are taking on the role of a leader. And Jesus was the greatest leadership role model of all time. At Prairiewoods Spirituality Center in Hiawatha there are three opportunities to learn what it means to be a Jesus-like leader. Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Dubuque, evening sessions will be on February 21 & 28. Sessions during the day will be on February 23 and February 25. Registration cost is \$49.00. For more information call 800-876-3546, ext 279 or visit www.dbqarch.org/events.

Christian Experience Weekend: CEW 2017: Experience this special weekend and grow in your faith! Anyone wishing to grow in their faith, strengthen their personal relationship with God and become engaged with their Christian community will find this retreat fulfilling. The women's retreat weekend is Feb. 10-12 and the men's retreat weekend is Feb. 24-26., both at LaSalle Middle School in Cedar Rapids. For more information contact Connie Benyshek for the women's retreat at 319-846-4431 and Jamie Henley for the men's retreat at 319-360-4981.



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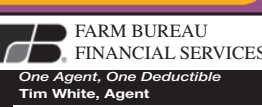








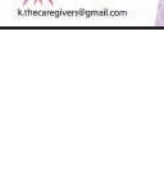





Women's Lenten Book Study: *My Sisters the Saints*, by Colleen Campbell, Wednesdays, 6:30-8 pm, March 8-April 12th, in the parish office. Contact the pastoral associates office for more information at 377-4869.



Join us for Pietra Fitness Class on Wednesdays: gentle stretching, strengthening of the body with prayer and Christian meditation. Church Hall, 2-3 pm, on a drop-in basis. \$5 suggested offering per class.

Coffee and Conversation
Gather with women of the parish for "Coffee and Conversation" the fourth Friday of every month, in the conference room at Mr. Beans, 1080 East Post Road, Marion, from 9:30 - 11:00 am. No need to RSVP.

Women's Ministry Newsletter: Please register for our St. Joseph Women's Ministry newsletter at www.flocknote.com/stjoesmarion/women or text: 84576 "women".

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