

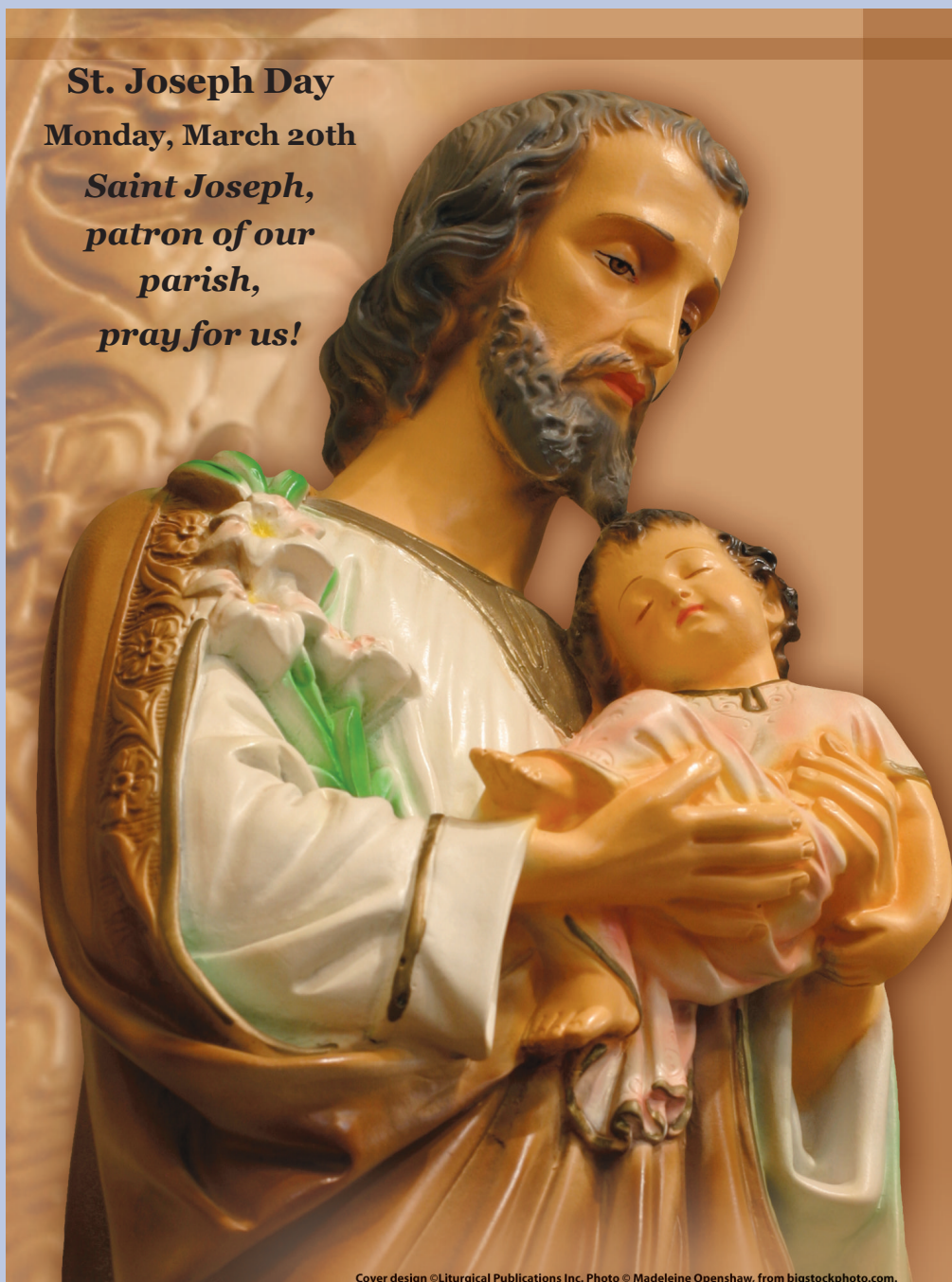


ST. JOSEPH

Catholic Church

*Fed by
Word
and Sacrament
to Love
and Serve*

St. Joseph Day
Monday, March 20th
*Saint Joseph,
patron of our
parish,
pray for us!*



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Sunday, March 19, 2017
Third Sunday of Lent

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, May 13th, 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 knitting/crocheting combined into a prayerful ministry which reaches out to those in need of comfort. Contact Sharon: 373-2810.

That Man is You: Men's prayer and study groups Tuesdays 7 pm or Thursdays at 6 am, Church Hall. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at 377-4869.

Women's Connection: Support and friendship group for widows of the parish. Contact Sally W. at 373-5484.

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

Pilgrim Virgin Statue: March 19th-24th with Gary and Geralyn Ward, Cedar Rapids.. Rosary every evening Sunday through Friday, 7:30 pm.

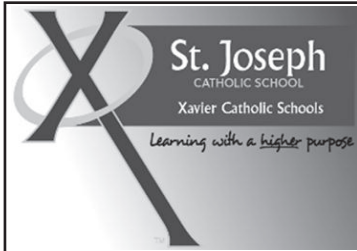
Silent Prayer: 6:30-7 pm, Friday, in the church.

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, deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org.

Date	Mass	Intention
Mon. 3/20	Adoration 7 a.m.—9 p.m.	
Tue. 3/21	7:30 am	Robert Bradley
Wed. 3/22	8:15 a.m.	Donald Hocking
Thu. 3/23	7:30 am	Steve Kepros
Fri. 3/24	7:30 a.m.	Michelle Niles
Sat. 3/25	4:30 pm	Irene Bramer
Sun. 3/26	8:00 am	For the People
	10:30 am	Mary Little

Week at a Glance		
Sun. 3/19	9:00 am 1:00 pm 4:30 pm	Forgiven Series, St. JP II Room Prayer Shawl, St. Joseph Room Families of Character, Church hall
Mon. 3/20	7 am-9 pm 1:30 pm 5:30 pm 6:15 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Adoration, Church Alpha Prayer Grp., St. JP II Rm. Cub Scouts, Church Hall Stewardship, Community Rm. Boy Scouts, Church Hall Scripture Study, St. Joseph Rm. CRG, St. JP II Room
Tue. 3/21	7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Bells, Church TMIY!, Church Hall
Wed. 3/22	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 JAM, St. Joseph Room Women's Book Study, St. JP II Roo MAC, St. Joseph Room. HSYG, Church
Thu. 3/23	6:00 am 6:30 pm 8:00 pm	TMIY!, Church Hall RCIA, St. Joseph Room RCIA, Church
Fri. 3/24	4:00 pm 5:30 pm 6:00 pm 6:30 pm	Wedding Rehearsal, Church Stations of the Cross, Church Lenten Soup Supper, Church Hall Silent Prayer, Church
Sat. 3/25	8:00 am 2:00 pm 3:30 pm	Joyfully Gifted Retreat, Church Hall Wedding, Church, Community Room Confessions, Church

Ministry Schedule	Saturday, March 25, 4:30 pm	Sunday, March 25, 8:00 am	Sunday, March 26, 10:30 am
Sacristan	Laurie Schill	Dan Carter	Hannah Konzen
Altar Servers	Cooper Buol Joshua Barish Reiley Barish	Leea Sindelar Maya Havener Wesley Logan	Adrien Perreault Liam Perrault Olivia Holm
Lectors	Jen O'Brien Mike Wobbe	Emily Logan Steve Freemon	Youth Group
Ministers of Holy Communion	Cathy Walz Cathy Wobbe Diane Morris Jean Kacick John Oates Julie Raymond Sharon Neilly	Becky Miller Brian Logan George Cleppe Linda Randklev Patricia Halstead Pauline Soukup Peg Detweiler	Youth Group
Ministers of Hospitality	Bob Neilly Gary Raymond Jerry Fetzer Terry Lynch	Carole Dzingler Duane Dzingler Greg Van Gorp Jim Angerer John Petesich	Youth Group
Children's Liturgy	n/a	n/a	Becky Carroll Megan Andresen



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 Magical Masquerade Father/Daughter Dance

Join us for "A Magical Masquerade," a Father/Daughter Dance, Saturday, May 6th, 5:30-8pm in the St. Joseph Catholic School Gym. All fathers and daughters are welcome (or grandpas, stepfathers, uncles, etc.). Cost of the event is \$15 per person with a \$45 family maximum. Includes a buffet style dinner, dessert, music, pictures, and more! Register online and then send checks made out to *American Heritage Girls* to the St. Joseph Parish office, Attn: Father/Daughter Dance. Deadline for payment and registration is Friday, April 7th. Register online at www.stjoesmarion.org/ahg. Questions? Email Jen O'Brien at ahgstjoesmarion@gmail.com.

Women's Connection:

For Food, Fun, and Friendship!

Women's Connection, a support group for widows of St. Joseph Parish, will gather at the Irish Democrat for our next monthly luncheon, at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 23rd. For more information, call Carol at 319-654-6296.

Morning Coffee at St. Joseph Church

Men of Action cordially invite you to coffee and rolls served in the church hall Thursday, March 23rd, after 7:30 a.m. mass. Please join us!

Lenten Fish Dinners

Marion Columbus Club, hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 5390, located at 5650 Kacena Ave., will host a fish dinner Friday, March 24th, 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. Fish dinners will be each Friday in Lent.



40 Days for Life

During these forty days let us pray for all who have participated in abortion and with love call them to healing and reconciliation.

The Coalition for Life of Iowa is looking for people to commit to pray in front of

Planned Parenthood for 40 Days for Life campaign. Sign up for an hour any day or night! The campaign draws attention to the evil of abortion through prayer, fasting, peaceful vigil, and community outreach. Go to <https://40daysforlife.com/cedarrapids>, or email coalitionforlife@gmail.com.

Parish Directory Delivery

The new St. Joseph Parish Directory is scheduled to come out in late spring. Keep watching the bulletin for the publication date and information about how to obtain your directory.

Roots and Wings

A Presentation for Catholic Parents

Holy Family Catholic School System proudly presents *Roots & Wings*, a faith-enriching educational presentation for parents on Tuesday, March 28, 7 pm to 8 pm at the St. Patrick Parish Center, 510 1st Avenue NW, Cedar Rapids. This event is free with FREE babysitting services available. Whether your kids are in kindergarten or middle school, this presentation will give you the tools and incentive to give your kids roots and help them fly! Please join us for this special event! For more information go to www.holyfamilycr.org or contact Robert Gardner at 319-396-7792.

A Call to Compassion in the Heartland

Margaret Regan, an award winning journalist, will share the tragic stories of people caught in the current chaos of the US immigration system in a talk at Loras College on Thursday, March 30th. Her presentation, *Immigrant Families under Fire, a Call to Compassion in the Heartland* will take place at 7:00 p.m. in the Alumni Campus Center's Marie Graber Ballroom. All are invited and encouraged to attend. Admission is free.

It's a Great Day for a Cabaret!

You are invited to the *Mercy Auxiliary Luncheon: "It's a Great Day for a Cabaret!"* Enjoy a delectable buffet-style luncheon and the wonderful entertainment of Giving Tree Theater at Mercy Medical Center on Thursday, April 20th, at 11:30 a.m., in the Hallagan Education Center. Tickets are available for purchase from Wednesday, March 22nd through Wednesday, April 12th and are \$30 per person or \$240 for a reserved table of eight. For more information, please call 319-398-6286 or email jwoods@mercy-care.org. (Proceeds from this event support special projects at Mercy Medical Center.)

Spring Retreat Weekend for Adults with Varied Abilities

April 22-23, 2017 at Camp Albrecht Acres, Sherrill, Iowa. For information and registration contact Jim Betzner at dbqcffpc@dbqarch.org.

Pietra Fitness Class

Join us for gentle stretching and strengthening of the body combined with prayer and Christian meditation. Every Wednesday in the St. Joseph church hall, 2-3 pm, on a drop-in basis, no registration required. Suggested offering of \$5 per class.



Save the Date for VBS 2017!

Vacation Bible School at St. Joseph Church

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!

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.

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!



Joyfully Gifted Lent Retreat



Mark your calendars 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 from 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM. There is no charge and all are welcome. To register, please visit www.stjoesmarion.org/retreat or pick up a pamphlet in the vestibule and turn in the completed form to the parish office. Registration is due by March 20th.

Wine & Wisdom – Rescheduled!

The Wine & Wisdom scheduled for Sunday, March 12th was canceled due to snow. It has been rescheduled for Sunday, April 2nd at 7:00 PM. Wine & Wisdom offers the opportunity for adults 21 and older to learn about their faith through a speaker, while enjoying delicious wines, light snacks, and enriching conversation. At this session, Matt Selby will speak on "How to Know and Live God's Will for Your Life." How do we know what God wants us to do in various circumstances? How do we discern His voice from other voices speaking to our situation? Matt will talk about practical ways to discern



God's will throughout the walk of life. The session will be held at the Hickory Room at Lowe Park (4500 N. 10th Street). There is a \$10 cost that may be paid at the door (scholarships are available). No registration is required.

Natural Family Planning



Fertility Care and Natural Family Planning Session

Any engaged or married couple who would like to learn about Natural Family Planning (NFP) and fertility care is invited to attend a free introductory session taught by Matt & Katie Hein and Megan Gan, who have been professionally trained to teach NFP. Come learn about this organic, effective, and Church approved method of family planning on Sunday, April 2nd from 3:00-4:30 PM in the parish offices. Childcare will be provided. Please register at www.stjoesmarion.org/marriage-enrichment by March 31st.



CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Archdiocese of Dubuque

21st Annual Catholic Men's Conference

All men are invited to this year's Catholic Men's Conference, on Saturday, April 1st, at Xavier High School, Cedar Rapids. Since 1996, hundreds of men have been encouraged and challenged by dynamic keynote talks and thought-provoking breakout sessions. This year's main keynote speaker will be

Doug Barry, frequent co-host on EWTN's "Life on the Rock" and founder and director of the Catholic ministry RADIX, whose mission, Battle Ready, strengthens and encourages the soldier of Christ to be aware of, prepared for and engaged in the spiritual fight we are in. The day begins with check-in, bagels, coffee and juice at 8 a.m. followed by presentations by the keynote speaker, break-out sessions, Eucharistic Adoration, lunch, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The day ends with mass with celebrant Archbishop Michael Jackels, to which your family members are invited. Young men in high school and college are encouraged to attend. Registration fee for adults: \$45, students: \$15, and family price (one adult and three or more students): \$60. Register online at www.catholicmenonline.org.



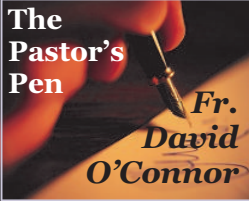
Women's Ministry

CONNECTING AND ENRICHING
WOMEN IN FAITH

For more information about events, programs or materials listed below, contact Cathy Wobbe or Dawn Feltman, pastoral associates at 377-4869.

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!

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



St. Joseph Day, March 19th— Since the celebration of our patron saint occurs on a Sunday of Lent this year, it is transferred to Monday, March 20th, because it ranks as a solemnity due to the important role St. Joseph played in our salvation.

Our celebration on Monday can be festive, even in Lent, during which time your Lenten penances may be relaxed. Observe the day with prayer and thanksgiving. Plan to stop by the church and pray before the Blessed Sacrament, as the time of exposition is from 7 AM to 9 PM. Ask for St. Joseph's intercession to protect our Church and particularly our parish dedicated to him. Pray for all fathers, and especially if you are a dad or a grandfather, that they may imitate the example of St. Joseph in faith, prayer and family. Below, please find a short prayer asking for his intercession. Happy St. Joseph's Day!

Prayer for St. Joseph's Intercession:

O God, who in your unspeakable providence chose blessed Joseph to be the spouse of your most holy Mother, grant, we beseech you, that we may deserve to have him as our intercessor in Heaven, whom we venerate on earth as our protector. who lives and reigns world without end. Amen.

Supportive Care Iowa Project—The bishops of our state have begun this project in response to the efforts to legalize physician-assisted suicide. The project entails training volunteers to help individuals understand the Church teachings regarding health-related issues and to offer help in filling out related documents such as the durable power of attorney for health care and directives on specific healthcare decisions in the event of a person not being able to make health care decisions for him/herself.

The trained volunteers are called Advanced Care Planning Consultants and are available to you free of charge. The consultants for the Cedar Rapids area, I am proud to say, are all from St. Joseph. I am pleased to identify them and provide you their contact information.

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New Maintenance Director-- I am pleased to announce that Kevin Burmeister has been hired as the parish and school Maintenance Director. Please offer a welcome when you see him.

Confession Schedule—Lent is a season of repentance and renewal which includes going to confession. Repent of your sins, and ask for and receive God's merciful forgiveness. Below is the confession schedule for St. Joseph and the communal penances being celebrated in the metro area which offer the opportunity for individual confessions.

St. Joseph Church

Saturday, March 25th, 3:30-4:00 PM
Saturday, April 1st, 3:00-4:00 PM
Saturday, April 8th, 3:00-3:30 PM
Tuesday, April 11th, 5:30-7:30 PM

Communal Penance

St. Jude, Cedar Rapids, Tuesday, March 28th, 7 PM
St. Elizabeth, Hiawatha, April 6th, 7 PM
St. Pius, Cedar Rapids, April 8th, 10:30 AM



Parish Lenten Giving: The Sister Water Project

*Did you know that waterborne illnesses are a leading cause of death for children under five, killing nearly **1,000** children every day?*

Our parish Lenten giving project this year supports the *Sister Water Project*. The Sisters of St. Francis of Dubuque, with support from their associates, launched the *Sister Water Project* in 2006 to bring safe water to villages in Tanzania and Honduras through the construction of wells and water systems. You are invited to offer your Lenten almsgiving to the parish giving effort, on behalf of the lives saved and the communities served by this project. Our parish goal is to collect enough to cover the cost of a well. Donations may be dropped off at the school or parish office throughout Lent. *(Please make out checks to St. Joseph Church, with "Sister Water Project" included on the memo line. Please indicate "Sister Water Project" on envelopes containing cash donations.*

Learn more at
www.osfdbq.org/sister-water-project!

Discover What God Wants for Your Marriage
Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Enrichment. For information and to register go to iowa-wume.org or call 563-608-3305. Next retreat weekend: April 7-9 at the Shalom Retreat Center, Dubuque. For more information contact jljwumeo8@gmail.com.