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January 16, 2022

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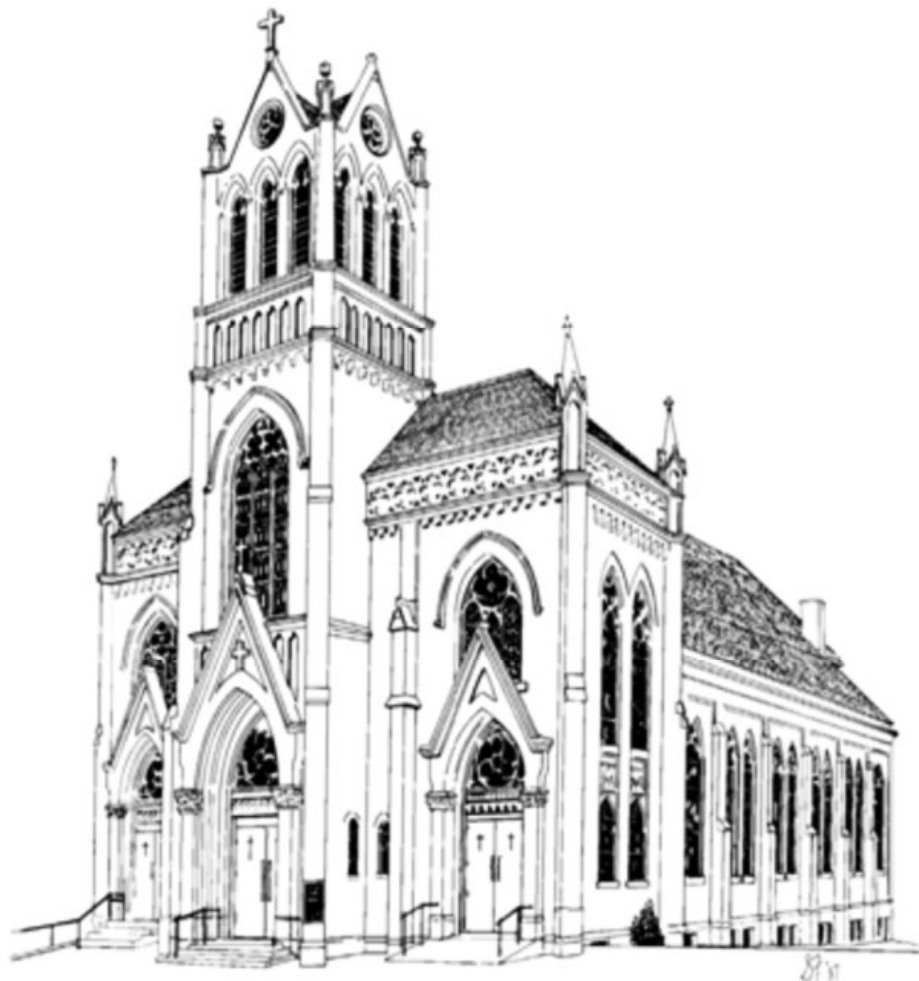
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Mission Statement

**God CALLS us to be disciples and
FORMS us by our Catholic Faith to
ENCOUNTER Christ
EMBRACE deeper faith and
EMPOWER Christian action.**

Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3 pm
Thursday Evenings at 6 pm
Friday Mornings at 6:30 am



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ENCOUNTER: Mass Intention and added prayers for:

Monday, January 17

9:00 am † **Doris Trausch**

* For the Intentions of Deacon Bill & Sue Biver

Tuesday, January 18

9:00 am † **Samuel Becker**

Wednesday, January 19

7:00 am † **Dorothy Heitzman**

9:00 am † Adrian Schatz

Thursday, January 20

9:00 am † **Jack & Pat Anglin**

Friday, January 21

7:00 am † **Tom Goodman**

Saturday, January 22

4:15 pm † **Lloyd White Jr.**

* Lynn Hohnecker

* Maury Sturm

* Reinhold Nelissen

Sunday, January 23

8:00 am **Pro Popolo**

* Gerald, Susan & Kathy Wild

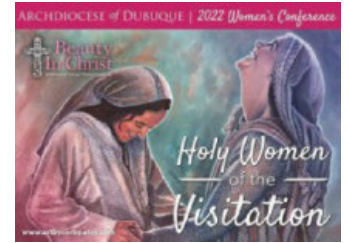
10:00 am † **Del Link**

* Gerard Noonan



Next Sunday January 23 the Loose Coin Collection goes to Dubuque County Right to Life.

Please consider gathering for fellowship with other women of Dubuque at the 2022 Archdiocese of Dubuque Women's Beauty In Christ Conference on Saturday, January 29. This is a virtual event put on by the Archdiocese of Dubuque, however Holy Spirit parish is hosting an in-person gathering on their campus at Kriebs Hall (downstairs of Sacred Heart Church). Doors will open at 7:30 am with the Conference ending at 3 pm. It will cost \$20 to attend the event if you register through Holy Spirit Parish and receive a registration code through them. This will include the conference, breakfast, snacks, lunch, beverages, door prizes and much more. More information can be found at archwomensconference.org. If you would like to register for this in-person event, or have any questions, please contact Raegan at Holy Spirit Parish at 563-583-1709 or dbq0592@dbqarch.org.



EMBRACE: This Week

Monday, January 17

6:00 pm 4th Degree KCs—Fogarty

6:00 pm Cub Scouts—PH

7:15 pm Families Anonymous—Fogarty

Tuesday, January 18

Noon Staff Meeting—Fogarty

Wednesday, January 19

7:00 am Mass

9:00 am School Mass

5:00 pm F.R. — PH

6:00 pm First Reconciliation

Thursday, January 20

6:00 pm Reconciliation—Center Vestibule

Families Anonymous (FA) is a fellowship of people whose lives have been affected by the use of mind-altering substances or related behavioral problems of a relative or friend. For more information, call 563-580-7379.



Snow Removal Plan: If it is snowing when you come to morning Mass PLEASE park in the flat lot across the street. It is the first lot cleaned and in the best shape. HOWEVER, if it is really bad outside PLEASE re-think leaving the safety of your home.

Parish Prayer Chain: There is power in united prayer. Jesus said: "Again I tell you, if two of you join your voices on earth to pray for anything whatever, it shall be granted you by my Father in heaven." Matthew 18:19 This is a reminder that we have a group of dedicated parishioners ready and willing to pray for your personal family, or other intentions. To take advantage of this gift of intercessory prayer, please call or e-mail your request as follows: Lavern Anglin—845-7085; Rosemary Mallie — 582-7968; Julie Kouba — 557-1986 or julianakouba@gmail.com. If you would like to become a member of the Prayer Chain Ministry, let these leaders know.



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Dear Parishioners,

What the heck is a Mission? What a great question. Come next week and find out. Our Mission Leader will be preaching at the Masses and then leading us Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday nights from 6:15 to 7:30 pm.

But what the heck is a Mission? We have our “Mission” statement: *God calls us to be disciples and forms us by our Catholic faith to Encounter Christ, Embrace deeper faith, and Empower Christian action.* We have restructured our office and committee to reflect our Mission statement and we are asking ourselves how does our “Mission” **empower you to act.** The word “mission” is to give us a purpose, a shared way to go forward to do something in the world.

But where do you go on Mission? The word “mission” typically causes us to think about going off to some foreign country or “mission trip” for the youth. This past week, our Empowering Christian Action Committee looked into this very question and we invited Fr. Tom Aschemann and Fr. Long Phi Nguyen from the Divine Word Seminary in Epworth to help us reflect upon what “mission” looks like today. Divine Word Seminary is a seminary dedicated to forming “missionary” priests and sisters and they have been thinking seriously about the modern context of mission. Here is a summary of what they shared with us.

They no longer associate “mission” with geography. The word “mission” indicates a way of living—a going out to our neighbor, especially those different from ourselves, with the goal of building a friendship. They held up Jesus as the model of encounter. In keeping it simple, they said Jesus built friendships and we are called to do the same.

They would say we are sent on a mission in our daily lives: to visit the lonely in a nursing home, to address needs in the workplace, to reach out to those in the local community we do not know, and to recognize the importance of friendship in our lives.

It is a different understanding of friendship for me. Typically, friendship connotes those I know, I share a history, and they make me comfortable. Their understanding struck the whole committee as a challenge and yet, a more meaningful understanding of mission. It is not a one time trip somewhere or trying to fix someplace by our gifts; it is a willingness to possibly form a friendship with a stranger.

The image they left us with was Jesus and the Samaritan woman (John 4). Jesus encountered her as a stranger and formed a transformative friendship. **Does this help us think about “mission” and our Mission coming up?** We gather and encounter hope together and we are empowered to go out and share that hope with any person we meet. Our mission is to be ambassadors of hope to those around us and to those who we would currently think of as strangers.

I look forward to seeing how all this talk of mission bears fruit.

In Christ,

Fr. David

ENCOUNTER: Readings for the Week

Week of January 16, 2022

Sun: Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
Mon: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22
Tues: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28
Wed: 1 Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51/Mk 3:1-6
Thurs: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12
Fri: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19
Sat: 2 Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sun: Neh 8:2-4a,5-6,8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

January 22 marks the sad anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision which forever changed our nation. It allowed and still allows for the death of millions of children. This weekend our loose coin collection will go to Birthright, and next weekend’s collection will go to Dubuque County Right to Life – two organizations who are working hard to promote the sanctity of all human life and helping those who have been impacted one way or another by Roe v Wade. Your generosity in these collections is much appreciated and we thank you in advance for your partnership in advocating for life!

Year End Statements have been sent out. Please call the parish office if you have a discrepancy. 583-9117.

Heads Up: St. Columbille is hosting the January 26th meal at St. Patrick’s. If you are interested in helping provide and or serve this meal please contact Mark Hoeger at 563-213-0477.

New Change: Ash Wednesday evening Mass will be at 6 pm. All future Holy Day evening or vigil Masses will be at 6 pm.

EMPOWER: The Office of Catholic Charities is the social service organization of the Archdiocese focusing on strengthening families and reducing poverty. Call 563-556-2580 when in need.

Sunday, January 16, 2022

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