

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER BASILICA - SS. PETER & PAUL - ST. PAUL - ST. BONIFACE - ST. JOSEPH

Rev. Dennis J. Quint, Pastor Rev. Tyler Raymond, Associate Pastor Rev. Martin Obeng, Associate Pastor Deacon James Steger, Deacon Deacon Roger Riesberg, Deacon Deacon Keith McCarraher, Deacon

CLUSTER OFFICE

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SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

St. Francis: Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm After the 6:30 am morning Masses Before the 5:15 pm Mass on Wed. Before the 8:30 am Mass on First Fri.

SS. Peter & Paul: 9:30 am before Sun. Mass

St. Joseph: 7:30 am before Sun. Mass

St. Boniface: 6:30 pm before Sat. Mass St. Paul: 8:30 am before Sun. Mass

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

For those who are free to marry, marriage preparation takes at least six months. Contact a priest for further information.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents expecting the birth of their first and second child must participate in a preparation session, preferably six months prior to birth.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT. All are welcome.



Monday: 7:00-8:00 am (Basilica) Tuesday ~ Wednesday:

8:00 am-8:00 am (Beckman) WEDNESDAY: 4:00-5:15 pm (Basilica) THURSDAY: 9:00 am-2:00 pm (Beckman) FRIDAY: 7:30 am - 8:30 am (Basilica)

FROM FR. MARTIN

On January 6, 2022, I had a meeting at our cluster parishes with Jeff Henderson, the Director of Pastoral Planning for the Archdiocese. The purpose of the meeting was to find out how things are going in regard to my stay and ministry in our cluster parishes. This forms part of his duties as the one in charge of the well-being and the integration of the International Priests in the Archdiocese. In our meeting, I pointed out to him how glad I am seeing a number of young people making plans to marry in the Church in our cluster parishes. Just this year alone, we have more than 32 marriages scheduled to be celebrated and we are still counting. This figure excludes those already booked for next year. Jeff was amazed about these numbers. Undoubtedly, the number of sacraments received in a given parish is one of the main criteria that is used to determine how vibrant a parish or cluster parishes are. But we have more reason to rejoice when more young people are saying yes to the marriage vocation.

We live in a world and in a society where interest in marriage, not only church marriage, seems to be going down every day. De facto relationships (ie. people living together without any marital bond), divorce, single parenthood, lack of proper commitment and the supposed challenges in marriage could be some of the reasons why people shun marriage. But we must encourage ourselves, especially our youth not to be afraid to say yes to their vocation in life. Marriage is created and ordained by God for our happiness and for the propagation and continuation of the world. If we participate in it with the grace of God, we will surely discover the beauty of sharing our lives together. To those who have already said yes to this vocation, let us not allow ourselves to be overwhelmed by some of the challenges that come in our married lives. Let us remember that every vocation has its own crises and marriage is not an exception. It is not how many problems we have or not in our marriage, but how we brace ourselves to deal with these challenges and allow love to prevail over and above everything. Our prayers are with those preparing themselves for marriage and those already in it but experiencing challenges and difficulties in one way or the other.

OTHER ITEMS:

- This week Thursday, we will meet with married couples considering becoming sponsor couples. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact the cluster office at dbq067sec@dbqarch.org.
- Our cluster community welcomes couples to celebrate the sacrament of Matrimony. A sacramental marriage pours forth the grace of God upon the couple so they may grow in mutual respect and love. Call the cluster office to speak with a priest or deacon about preparation.
- Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a faith based marriage enrichment program and has been providing couples skills and tools for a lifelong commitment for over 50 years. Upcoming weekends are Feb. 11-13th in Ankeny and April 23-24th in Epworth. For more information and to register, visit iowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305.



January 23, 2022 • 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgies

D-St. Francis • E-St. Joseph • NV-St. Boniface P-Petersburg • W-St. Paul

Monday,	Jan	Uary 24: St. Francis de Sales
6:30 am	D	Roger Milbert
7:30 am	NV	Ruth Klostermann

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25: THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL6:30 amDRosemary Rahe7:30 amNVLiving & Decd. Mbrs. of St. Boniface

Wednes	day	, January 26: STS. TIMOTHY & TITUS
7·30 am	\//	Maurice Losev

- 7:30 am W Maurice Losey 5:15 pm D Special Intention Thursday, January 27: ST. ANGELA MERICI 6:30 am D Decd. Mbrs. of the Gerry
- Olberding Family 7:30 am P Irene & Julius Engelken 8:00 am E Helene Sudmeier

Friday, January 28: ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

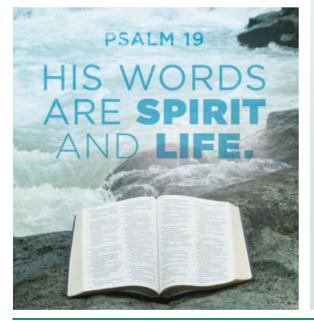
7:30 am	W	Bob Farmer
8:00 am	Е	Robert Necker
8:30 am	D	Rosemary Deppe

Saturday, January 29:

5:00 pm	D	Alma Loesche; Howard Fettkether
7:00 pm	NV	Art Lansing & Francis Vorwald

Sunday, January 30:

7:00 am	D	For the People
8:00 am	Е	Nick & Gert Konzen;
		Richard & Jean Recker
8:30 am	D	Kathy Brimeyer
9:00 am	W	Lloyd White Jr.; Jim McCarthy
10:00 am	Ρ	James Sudmeier
10:30 am	D	Loras, Daniel & Andy Gravel
12:00 pm	D	Spanish Mass



Spires of Faith Parishes



JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ~ Monday, January 24, at 7 pm there will be a welcoming ceremony in the Council Chambers at the Columbus Club Hall. For information on how to become a Knight and the ceremony, contact Mike Helle at council1734@gmail.com or call 590-9817 and leave a message.

SPONSOR COUPLES ~ Looking for an enjoyable ministry with engaged couples? Our cluster parishes invite couples married more than 5 years to engage in this wonderful opportunity. Sponsor couples usually meet with engaged couples 2-3 times to consider their answers to an online inventory that considers their relationship. Together they also respond to some questions that deal with communication from a workbook. Sponsor couples realize that their marriages are not perfect, but they enjoy sharing ideas and building upon strengths in their relationship. To learn about this important ministry, contact one of the priests. A formation session with dinner is planned for Thursday, January 27 at 6 pm at the cluster office in Dyersville.

THAT MAN IS YOU ~ TMIY is an interactive men's program that combines the latest findings of modern science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop authentic male leaders capable of transforming themselves, their families and greater society. That Man Is You continues next Saturday, January 29th at 6:00 am at the Columbus Club Hall. All men are welcome.

BOOK CLUB ~ Join us on February 10th as we discuss part one of the book, A Canticle for Leibowitz by Walter M. Miller Jr. There is a wealth of Catholic literature that can help us to look deeply into our Faith. If you love reading, our cluster book club meets regularly to discuss great Catholic literature together! A Canticle for Leibowitz is a story of a monastery in the Southwest US dedicated to preserving knowledge after a terrible disaster, but will humanity make the same mistake of trying to play God as the world recovers? A Sci-Fi classic! Contact Fr. Tyler if you are interested or with guestions.



ARCHDIOCESEONE ~ On September 29, 2019, in response to real needs, and after broad consultation, Archbishop Jackels announced the start of a special appeal, called **ArchdioceseOne**, to help the poor and

to support the mission of the Church. In March of 2020, the Covid pandemic forced us to pause active fundraising for ArchdioceseOne. In mid-February, we will be restarting our fundraising efforts for this special appeal. You likely received a letter in the mail recently regarding this subject, but if not, **Archbishop has made a video for you about this important effort he would like you to see.** It will only take about <u>5 minutes</u> of your time to watch. Simply scan the QR code or visit archdioceseone.org/splash. Thank you!

SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE ~ We are in need of additional volunteers to pray one hour weekly for a specific priest. Please call the cluster office or Judy at 875-8030 for more information.

AA & AL-ANON ~ If you or someone you know struggles with an alcohol addiction, our cluster hosts AA and Al-Anon meetings. Please call Sue for more information: 563-875-2051.

St. Francis Xavier Elementary School

St. Francis Xavier School ~

PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE ~

will be held Monday, January 31st, from 5-7:00 pm. New families are invited to an informational meeting in the Xavier auditorium at 6:00 pm with interactive classroom tours to follow. Families already familiar with the school can tour the classrooms anytime between 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm. If postponed due to weather, the Open House will be held on Tuesday, February 1st. For more information, contact the school at 875-7376.

January 31, 2022 • 5:00-7:00 pm in the Xavier School auditorium *Inclement weather date: Tuesday, February 1, 2022

ANNUAL APPEAL - THANK YOU ~ The Students and staff of Xavier Elementary appreciate all of your gifts to the annual appeal. The gifts received assist St. Francis Xavier Elementary with many projects at the school. If you haven't made your gift yet, there is still time left to help the Xavier students with a gift. Thank you again for your support!



A XAVIER AFFAIR ~ JANUARY 28, 2022 ~ All bidding for the auction items will be online this year at: https://one.bidpal.net/xavieraffair2022/browse/all. Make sure to check out the A Xavier Affair Facebook page at https://fb.me/e/RsaSGBcT for up to date information on this event along with a sneak peek of some of the wonderful auction items. Please contact Xavier School at 875-7376 with any questions.

AXA RAFFLE ~ Cash raffle tickets are 1 for \$25 or 3 for \$50 and can be purchased through the school or cluster office. You do not need to be present to win. Tickets will be available through meal pick up on Friday, January 28th. The drawings for \$600 will happen at 8 pm, 9 pm and 10 pm the evening of the event.

Beckman Catholic High School

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DUELING PIANOS ~ February 19th from 6:30 - 10 pm at Beckman Catholic in the Jasper Center. Cost is \$25 per person with free appetizers and a cash bar. Come and have a great time with friends and family.

REGISTRATION ~ If your child will be new to Beckman Catholic for the 2022-23 school year, you can send your registration form to school or register online under admissions on the school website: <u>www.beckmancatholic.org</u>.

JOB OPENINGS ~

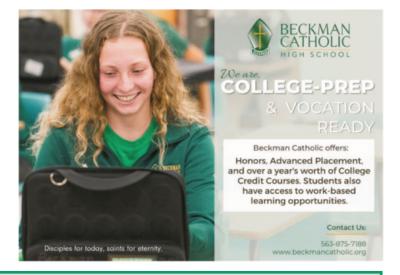
PART-TIME JUNIOR HIGH PARAPROFESSIONAL - This job is 5 days per week with 7th and 8th grade students during study hall time and in classes, especially working with students needing extra help.

PART-TIME CUSTODIAN - This position is responsible for cleaning classroom areas of the building. Hours are 3:00 to 7:00 PM Monday-Friday during the school year.

HEAD SOFTBALL COACH - Applicants must have valid lowa coaching certification.

Visit: beckman.pvt.k12.ia.us/about_us/employment to learn more about these positions. To apply, please send your cover letter and resume to Marcel Kielkucki, principal, at <u>mkielkucki@beckmancatholic.org</u>.

WHERE THERE'S A WILL THERE'S A WAY ~ Good stewardship requires us to think of the future. Have your estate plan prepared now and express your good stewardship in the ways that will bless your family, the Basilica of St. Francis Xavier, Xavier Elementary, and Beckman Catholic. If you would like information about leaving a legacy gift to any of these worthy places contact Larry Wilson at 875-7188 or <u>lwilson@beckmancatholic.org</u>. If you would like information about gift planning contact our planning partner at the Catholic Foundation at 563-552-0176 or CFAD@OurCFAD.org.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK ~ Saturday, January 29th through Friday, February 4th. This year's theme is Faith.Excellence.Service. We are grateful for all who provide of their time, talents, and treasure to make Catholic education possible. At all cluster Masses on January 29th and 30th, students and families from our schools will be participating and filling ministry roles.

Faith Formation

FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT ~ **MANDATORY** for both parents and children. Please arrive to the Xavier School Auditorium at 8:45 am to sign in before the retreat begins!

FEBRUARY 5 from 9 - 11:30 am ~ Second Grade Xavier students with Mrs. Klas & Mrs. Ungs.

FEBRUARY 12 from 9 - 11:30 am ~ Second Grade students in Summer Faith Formation and Earlville Faith Formation with Mrs. Schultz.

YOUTH GROUP ~ We will meet this Sunday, January 23rd in the Dyersville rectory at 7:00 pm. All high school students are welcome to attend!

LADIES BIBLE STUDY ~ Continues this Sunday, January 23rd from 6 - 7 pm in the Dyersville rectory. Come develop your faith through scripture, fellowship, and prayer. All high school ladies are welcome.

MEN'S GROUP ~ This Sunday at 5:30 pm in the Dyersville rectory. All high school men are welcome.

JOB OPPORTUNITY ~ St. Francis Xavier seeks a full -time maintenance assistant who will work with the director of maintenance for the school, parish, and cemetery. Please contact Peter Smith at Xavier School 563.875.7376, Fr. Quint at the basilica 563.875.7325 or spiresoffaith.com for a full job description.

Kids Corner



Circle these words from today's Gospel:

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GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER? SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27 AT 5:00 PM

Get to know more of our cluster community members in a fun way. Sign up to be either a host or a guest and be surprised by who your dinner companions will be! All adult members of the Spires of Faith Cluster are encouraged to participate.

Please sign up before **Monday**, **February 14** by completing the form in full and returning it in the collection basket, to the cluster office or by calling the cluster office - 563-875-7325 with your information. Call F.U.N. Committee member Ann Gibbs - 563-543-7206 with any questions.

I/We would like to host a table in our home.
I/We would like to be guests in someone else's home.
1/We have food allergies:
I/We are interested in receiving names of babysitters.
Print Name(s)
Address
Email
Phone

St. Boniface

Finances

Budget received 1/16/22 Weekly Adult Budget needed Offertory	\$	260.00 2,481.00 111.11
Fiscal YTD Needed 7/1/21-1/16/22 . Fiscal YTD Received Regular Fiscal YTD IRA Fiscal YTD Grain YTD ahead +	\$ \$	71,949.00 59,355.00 10,440.00 <u>6,481.54</u> 4,327.54

LITURGICAL ROLES • SATURDAY, JAN. 29, 7:00 PM USHERS: Roger Langel, Michael Leuchs & Mark Lukan SERVER: Haley Kruse

READER: Carmen Kluesner

COMMUNION MINISTERS: Mary Kay Westhoff, Gerry Westhoff & Mary C. Westhoff **SACRISTANS:** Mary Westhoff & Marlene Hageman

THANK YOU ~ We wish to thank everyone that helped put up and take down our Christmas decorations. It was greatly appreciated. All the help made the work go so smoothly. Thank you - Rita Helle & Karen Kluesner.

NV ATHLETICS ~ T-ball, Baseball and Softball sign-up will be coming up! Kids aged Pre-K through high school are welcome. Wednesday, February 2 from 6 pm to 8 pm at the Downtown Lounge in New Vienna. Please reach out to NewViennaAA@gmail.com if you have any questions.

3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me... He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free. - Lk 4.18

SS. Peter & Paul

Finances

Budget received 1/16/22 Weekly Adult Budget needed Offertory	 \$	960.00 2,788.00 226.93
Fiscal YTD Needed 7/1/21-1/16/ Fiscal YTD Received Regular Fiscal YTD Grain/Commodities Fiscal YTD IRA YTD ahead	 \$ \$	80,852.00 60,095.50 18,238.69 <u>7,570.00</u> 5,052.19

LITURGICAL ROLES • SUNDAY, JAN. 30, 10:00 AM

USHERS: Brad & Lois Lawrence & Jason Gaul SERVERS: Zach Wulfekuhle & Aden Kruse READER: Students COMMUNION MINISTERS: Anya Westhoff, Isabell Kruse & Maria Sperfslage GIFTS: Doug & Kristin Goedken SACRISTANS: Scott & Lynn Schilling

St. Paul

Finances

Budget received 1/16/22 Weekly Adult Budget needed Offertory Christmas Initial Offering Energy Collection	\$ \$ \$ \$	1,745.00 3,269.00 112.51 350.00 5.00 190.00
Fiscal YTD Needed 7/1/21-1/16/22 Fiscal YTD Received Regular Fiscal YTD Received Grain Fiscal YTD Received IRA YTD ahead +	\$ \$ \$	94,801.00 65,814.00 34,228.98 23,165.28 28,398.26

LITURGICAL ROLES • SUNDAY, JAN. 30, 9:00 AM SERVERS & CROSS: Lane Kramer, Alaina & Drew Thier GREETERS: Rob & Lori Blush USHERS: Joe Burlage, Kevin Davis, Don Demmer & Jerry Digmann READER: 1st: Leah Thier, 2nd: Emerson Kramer, Petitions: Kaitlyn & Natalie Besler MUSIC: Adult Choir COMMUNION MINISTERS: Jeff & Trisha Thier

SACRISTAN: Karol Digmann

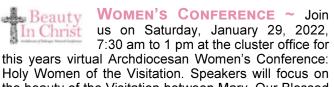
RECORDERS: Kristy Gibbs & Jerry Manemann

Caring for the Interior of the Church \sim

Group 3 ~ Tuesday, Jan. 25th, at 9 am Ann Cook, Margaret Schlarmann, Eileen Their.

BUDGET ENVELOPES ~ Located in the North entrance.

UPCOMING EVENT ~ Kentucky Derby Themed Evening on February 19th, 2022, as we run for the Roses. Prime Rib or Chicken Cordon Bleu Dinner, Live and Silent Auction \$50 per person. Winterfest will be held at Worthington Memorial Hall. Social hour, cash bar & appetizers 5:00 -6:30 pm. Hand carved Prime Rib served at 6:45 pm. Proceeds will go toward subsidy to Catholic Schools, and the restoration of the Church windows. Raffle tickets will be available in the back of church, on the website, and at the parish office, tickets are \$20 each, 3-\$50 or 6-\$100, prizes \$1,000, 2-\$500, 2-\$250, winners will be drawn at the event, need not be present to win. Your help is needed to make it a success! Winterfest leaders will be contacting the circle members to help solicit gifts and to help with other duties. If you would like to volunteer working the floor or where ever help is needed, please call Trisha 563-599-9698 or Emily 563-590-4073.



Holy Women of the Visitation. Speakers will focus on the beauty of the Visitation between Mary, Our Blessed Mother, and Elizabeth. For more information, contact Casey at 563-543-3686 or call the cluster office.

St. Joseph

Finances

Budget received 1/16/22\$	1,225.00
Weekly Adult Budget needed\$	2,519.00
Offertory\$	80.00
Fiscal YTD Needed 7/1/21-1/16/22\$Fiscal YTD Received Regular\$Fiscal YTD Grain\$Fiscal YTD IRA\$YTD short-	73,051.00 64,877.00 5,243.29 <u>1,940.00</u> 990.71

LITURGICAL ROLES • SUNDAY, JAN. 30, 8:00 AM SERVERS: Dominic Pugh & Preston Salow READER: Daneen Schindler MUSIC: Kim Wills COMMUNION MINISTER: John Geistkemper GREETERS: Deacon Jim & Joan Steger HOMEBOUND COMMUNION MINISTER: Loras Mensen

THANK YOU ~ for your continued patience as our updates in church continue.

BUDGET ENVELOPES \sim for 2022 are in the back of church. Please pick yours up and deliver your neighbors if possible.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES \sim 2022 January/February liturgical ministry schedules are available in the back of church and on the cluster website.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS ~ Are you interested in becoming more involved with our parish? We always welcome new readers, Communion ministers, greeters, servers and musicians. Talk to one of the priests or call the cluster office at 875-7325.

LOOKING AHEAD ~ We will have a donut social after Mass on February 6. We look forward to seeing you there!





Loras and Suzanne have been greeters for many years. They enjoy welcoming parishioners and visitors and watching families grow. Loras also enjoys being a communion minister to the homebound and a reader. He said when he brings communion to the homebound it always brings a smile to their face.

Loras & Suzanne Mensen

St. Francis Xavier

Finances

Budget received 1/16/22\$	12,232.97
Weekly EFT\$	960.00
Offertory\$	796.88
Solemnity of Mary\$	160.00
Haiti\$	500.00
Care & Share\$	1,336.47
Fiscal YTD Needed 7/1/21-1/16/22\$Fiscal YTD Received Regular\$Fiscal YTD IRA\$Fiscal YTD Grain\$Fiscal YTD Stock\$YTD short-	739,500.00 640,602.85 53,074.89 22,834.88 <u>2,582.00</u> 20,405.38

CHURCH CLEANING ~ We need additional volunteers to help clean the basilica on Wednesday mornings at 8:00 am. An hour of your time will keep our church looking beautiful! You can call the cluster office for more information, or just show up any Wednesday morning you can help.

JOB OPPORTUNITY ~ St. Francis Xavier seeks a fulltime maintenance assistant who will work with the director of maintenance for the school, parish, and cemetery. This individual must have basic knowledge of electricity, plumbing, and systems for heating/cooling. An ability to operate machinery such as lawn mowers, tractors, and lift trucks is also necessary. Please contact Fr. Quint at 563-875-7325 for a job description. Info also available at spiresoffaith.com

CHILDREN'S LITURGY ~ Continues this Sunday, January 23rd at the 8:30 Mass. January 30th Children's Liturgy will be held during the 10:30 Mass.

LITURGICAL ROLES • SAT. JAN. 29 & SUN. JAN. 30

Door Locker: Paul Rahe

5:00 PM SACRISTAN: Bob Gleason 5:00 PM READER: Mark Feldman 5:00 PM SERVERS: Luke Kruse, Benjamin Michel, Jamisen & Jacksen Naber 5:00 PM COMMUNION MINISTERS: Sharon Gudenkauf, Joan Boeckenstedt & Lisa Lueken

7:00 AM SACRISTAN: Dan Steffen 7:00 AM READER: Clair Riesberg 7:00 AM SERVERS: Mason Smith & Emma Schlarmann 7:00 AM COMMUNION MINISTERS: Neil Hoeger, Clair Riesberg & Dan Steffen

8:30 AM SACRISTAN: Lynn Nosbisch
8:30 AM READER: Karen Kubicek
8:30 AM SERVERS: Andrew Salrin, Brady Salter, Preston Britton, Matthew, Connor & Ethan McCarraher
8:30 AM COMMUNION MINISTERS: Julie Wieneke, Shirley Singsank & Steve Boeckenstedt

10:30 AM SACRISTAN: Bec Willenborg
10:30 AM READER: Bec Willenborg
10:30 AM SERVERS: Boston Scherbring, Caydon Graves, Regina Behnken & Colin Engelken
10:30 AM COMMUNION MINISTERS: Thomas Kirkwood, Kerry Roeder & John Zewen



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