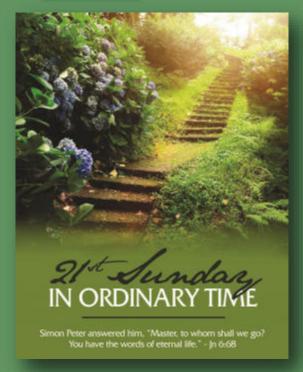
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August 22, 2021











Mass Schedule

Saturday (vigil)

- 4:15 PM St. Joseph
- ♦ 5:30 PM St. Catherine (May - October)

Sunday

- ♦ 8:00 AM Sts. Peter & Paul
- 8:00 AM St. Donatus (May - October)
- ♦ 10:15 AM St. Joseph

Daily Mass/Holy Days -- See inside

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Reconciliation

Saturdays at SJ, 8:10-8:45 AM; 3:00-3:30 PM; Sundays at SPP 7:00-7:30 AM

<u>Baptisms-</u>Parents must be registered members of one of the parishes and attend a Pre-Baptism Class. Expecting families please contact the parish office at 872-3234 to schedule a class for St. Catherine, St. Donatus, St. Joseph and Sts. Peter & Paul.

Weddings-Arrangements should be made at least 8 months prior to the marriage by contacting the St. Joseph Parish office. One or both of the parties needs to be a registered, practicing member of one of our parishes or a parish where they reside. The latest time for a wedding at St. Joseph is 1:30 p.m. if held on Saturday. In addition to the pastor/deacon, other priests/deacons may preside at weddings with pastor's permission.

Pastoral Care

Call the parish office for Anointing of the Sick, Holy Communion, and visits to the homebound. If no answer, call Deacon Loras Weber at 563-599-6717.

RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults who wish to become Catholic should call the office.

The community of St. Catherine, St. Donatus, Ss. Peter & Paul, and St. Joseph Parishes has been called to a holy life by our loving Father in REVERENT WORSHIP. We are empowered with the Holy Spirit to experience FREEDOM IN CHRIST. We seek to live out our lives through the LOVE OF CHRIST. -Mission Statement

A Message from Fr. Miller/Other

Friends

Peace be with you.

As we begin the school year, with its many uncertainties, please join me in prayer. First, a blessing of students.

Lord our God, in your wisdom and love you surround us with the mysteries of the universe. In times long past you sent us your prophets to teach your laws and to bear witness to your undying love. You sent us your Son to teach us by word and example that true wisdom comes from you alone. Send your Spirit upon these students and fill them with your wisdom and blessings. Grant that during this academic year they may devote themselves to their studies and share what they have learned from others through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

Next a blessing for teachers

Lord our God, your spirit of wisdom fills the earth and teaches us your ways. Look upon our teachers with love and compassion. Keep them safe from all harm and disease. Let them strive to share their knowledge with gentle patience and endeavor always to bring the truth to eager minds. Grant that they may follow Jesus Christ, the way, the truth, and the life, forever and ever. R. Amen.

Lastly, a blessing of parents

Lord our God, in love you created the sun and moon, the earth and all that fills it, and last and greatest of all, you created men and women in your own image. In the same way, your love formed us into a family when our parents joined their hearts and voices in their marital vows. We ask your blessing upon them. Keep them safe from all harm and from every illness. Let them be the first and best teachers of the faith to their children in the example they set in their words and actions. Let them know, through the example of countless patriarchs and saints, that our true home is in heaven and from it we await a savior, Christ our Lord. Amen.

On a separate but important note, this weekend, we will be taking up a second collection for the people of Haiti, who suffered a terrible one-two punch, beginning with a severe earthquake and almost immediately following with high winds and rainfall from tropical storm grace. Please be generous. I have been assured by Archbishop Jackels that all the money collected will go directly to the people of Haiti.

YOUTH GROUP/ EPIC/HS FF/CONFIRMATION

- Confirmation Meeting Sunday, August 22 11:15
 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Parents & Confirmation candidates
 at SJ Church in the church body after Mass. Please
 bring the paperwork mailed in June to this meeting.
- 9th/10th grade Faith Formation Class Sunday, August 22 - 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Marquette Media Center.

Attention St. Joseph Parishioners:

St. Joseph Annual Pork Roast in Bellevue, Iowa will be on Sunday, September 5, 2021. There are a few changes for the parishioners for this year. These changes are also included in the parishioner pork roast letter that can be found on the counter top in the back of St. Joseph Church.

- Please drop off double crust pies or bars for the dinner line/sandwich stand in the Media Center before the 10:15 a.m. Mass on Sunday, September 5th. If you need your pies or bars picked up, contact Renee Till at 563-599-5833.
- Raffle tickets should be turned in the day of the pork roast at the raffle ticket stand in the conference room in the parish center. The stand will be open by 9:30 a.m. that day. Raffle tickets can be dropped in the offertory collection. Raffle tickets will not be sold before and after Masses this year.
- ♦ <u>Silent Auction items</u> should be brought to the parish center on Wednesday, August 25th from 6-8 p.m. and on Saturday, August 28th form 9-11 a.m. Do not take silent auction items to the rectory. Please take them to the parish center on these two days.
- In town delivery for carry outs will be available for the elderly and handicapped. You can place your order on Saturday, August 28th by calling Mary Sieverding at 563-590-4466 to have a meal delivered to your home on Sunday, September 5th.
- ♦ Country Store Please <u>price your items</u> before bringing them to the Country Store. We do not have a chairperson for the Country Store this year so you will need to do this ahead of time.

Is the Archdiocesan Lay Leadership program – IMPACT – for you? This program is open to any adult who desires a deeper relationship with Christ and a greater understanding of the Catholic faith in order to better serve others through leadership. IMPACT will begin another 2-year session in September 2021 with a two-day retreat on September 11-12, 2021. Monthly sessions for this two-year lay formation program will be held at St. Mark's Church in lowa Falls. A portion of the cost is provided for all participants, with parish approval. To learn more about the IMPACT lay formation program and to register by August 27, please go to dbqarch.org/impact.

TEC

Do you know a junior or senior in high school who could use a weekend away for faith renewal in a relaxed and fun atmosphere? The Archdiocese of Dubuque is offering three TEC (Teens Encounter Christ) weekends this year in Dubuque, Bellevue, and Dyersville. Registration information can be found in the brochures in the back of all four churches. Please contact Julie Schmidt if you have questions, DBQ012ym@DBQarch.org.



OTHER

St. Catherine/St. Donatus Parish News

• 2021-2022 St. Catherine/St. Donatus Faith Formation Program meeting

It's already August and time to be thinking of fall activities, including our parishes' Faith Formation program. There will be a meeting on Sunday, August 29, following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Donatus Church, for registration and an overview of plans and the calendar for the 2021-2022 program. Parents and students: please plan to attend if you will be participating in our K-10 program this year, and encourage others not attending a parochial school to join us too. If you are new to our area or have not participated in our program before and want more information, please contact Marybeth Wagner, program director, at dbq181ff@dbqarch.org. We are looking forward to a great year.

- The **Dubuque Area Labor Harvest organization** will be the recipient of monetary donations to our August Monthly Special Collection. Founded in 1988 to provide out-of-work or laid off workers with food so they could use what little money they had coming in to pay other bills, this non-profit all-volunteer organization now provides free meals and food assistance for low-income and elderly families in Dubuque County. Please put your donation in the envelope found in the back of our churches and place the envelope in the regular collection basket at either parish any weekend of this month.
- All ladies of St. Catherine and St. Donatus parishes are invited to an outdoor gathering on Monday, August 23, at 1:00 pm in the parking lot at St. Catherine Parish Center. We will share prayer and reflect on passages in the book Resisting Happiness by Matthew Kelly. Copies of this book can be found in the back of church. (You don't have to have read the book to join us.) Bring a lawn chair and something to drink if you like. Any questions? Please call Judy Lochner at 556-6643 or Marybeth Wagner at 582-0058.
- The Faith Formation Commission for St. Catherine & St. Donatus parishes has set their Vision and goals for the upcoming year. One goal is to "focus efforts on growing in our understanding of the beauty and richness of the Mass." As part of this goal Faith Formation Commission member, Tricia Kilburg, will be asking some of our parishioners—MAYBE YOU just what makes Mass beautiful and meaningful for you, and will be sharing responses after Masses in September. Think about how YOU would respond to this question.

7 Sisters Gathering, Saturday, August 28th at St. Joseph's Church in Bellevue. This gathering is for regular seven sisters and subs. Adoration from 8:00-9:00 a.m. Blessings from Fr. Miller and recommitment at 9:00 a.m. Brief social gathering immediately afterward. Please wear your t-shirts.



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Congratulations to Justine Kalmes and Jacob Formella, who were married this weekend at St. Joseph Parish.

Sts. Peter & Paul Parish News

There will be donuts available after Mass on Sunday, August 29th. The sign up for our Fall Harvest Breakfast (Sunday, October 17th) will be available on Sunday August 29th in the gathering space in the back of church. Please note the use of the new Circle List, also available there. We need donors for these Raffle Items: \$100 bill; \$100 Fareway Gift Card (Scrip); \$100 Preston Meat Certificate. Please contact one of the Parish Life Committee members: Sue Williams 714-343-1392; Chris or Randy Kilburg 563-357-6713 or 563-357-6712; or Beth or Chad Gerlach 319-480-2554 or 563-543-6348.

Beginning Monday, September 13th, Fr. Ambrosy will be doing a Monday evening Mass at 5:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Church during the school year.

A Message from Julie Schmidt/Other

Catechist Corner from Julie Schmidt

What an exciting time of year for all of our families, as many prepare to send their children and grandchildren off to school. I have talked to many of our young people, and they are excited to get started again. With children and grandchildren back in school, this is a great time for our parents and grandparents to take a breath and examine their own formation.

I have spent a number of weeks sharing with you all of the opportunities we have for our young parishioners and have encouraged you to get involved in assisting and leading them in their faith. This week, I want to invite our adult parishioners into a deeper study of their faith and their own relationship with Jesus Christ, as we are fortunate to have adult faith formation opportunities available to us through our area parishes and the Archdiocese of Dubuque. I will highlight a few now, and as others are released, I will share the details and registration information with you in future bulletins.

Coming up on November 5th (5-9 pm) & 6th (9 am-12:30 pm) at Resurrection Parish in Dubuque, is an adult retreat led by Immaculee, a 1994 Rwanda genocide survivor. Registration information can be found on the Resurrection Parish website.

We have many parishioners who help to facilitate the CEW (Christian Experience Weekend) Retreats in Sugar Creek and surrounding parishes. The dates of those retreats this year are the Women's Retreat on November 5 -7, 2021 and the Men's Retreat on November 19-21, 2021. Registration forms will be available in the back of the church soon. Any questions about these weekends can be answered by Deacon Loras Weber.

Mark your calendars (youth and adults) to attend our Advent Parish Mission on December 5 & 6, both at 6:30 pm, led by lead singer of The Thirsting, Daniel Oberreuter. The theme of this mission is "Come Hold My Son". More details will be in the bulletin as the date approaches.

The Archdiocese of Dubuque Men's Retreat is scheduled for March 19, 2022. And it has been announced that the Women's Conference on January 29, 2022 will be virtual only. Details for registration will be shared in the back of the church and in the bulletin when made available.

If these dates or events don't seem to spark your interest, I invite you to grab one of the many books available in the back of the church and set aside time each day to read and reflect. And as always, if you are struggling with finding ways to go deeper into your relationship with Jesus Christ, I invite you to join us in sharing of the Eucharist at daily or weekend Masses.

Stewardship Quote ... In today's first reading, Joshua challenges the people to decide whom they will serve. Recalling God's faithfulness to them and to their ancestors, the people declare, "We also will serve the Lord, for He is our God." May we, too, be mindful of God's gifts to us and renew our commitment to serve Him with grateful

LITURGICAL ROLES

St. Joseph - Saturday, August 28 at 4:15 PM

Lector: Judy Moran Eucharistic Minister: Rhonda Petesch,

Molly Ploessl, Sue Kieffer, Donna Mottet

Lead Rosary: Kim Moore Sacristan: Carol Ries

Servers: 3 Volunteers Ushers: Kathy Dunn, Russ Kettmann.

Jim Kilburg, Greg Schulte

Sunday, August 29 at 10:15 AM

Lector: Jan Powers Eucharistic Minister: Monica McHugh,

Megan Capesius, Jacob Sturm, Andy Bishop

Lead Rosary: Janis Kilburg Sacristan: Carolyn Weber Servers: Landon Sturm, Joe Deaver, 1 volunteer Ushers: Dalton Jackson, Shawn Jackson, Mark Jess, Mark Michels

Sts. Peter & Paul - Sunday, August 29 at 8:00 AM Lector: Laura Steines Eucharistic Minister: Betty Portz Server: Charlie & Mary Lane Lead Rosary: Volunteer **Ushers:** Jeff & Nate Gerlach, Kevin Sieverding, Dan Schmidt

St. Donatus - Sunday, August 29 at 8:00 AM Server: Wyatt Gregorich Lector: Jim Herrig Eucharistic Minister: Ruth Roling Ushers: Jim Roling & Mike Theisen

St. Catherine - Saturday, August 28 at 5:30 PM Lector: Mark Wagner Eucharistic Minister: Liz Staner

Ushers: Dennis Noel & Ken Lochner

Immaculate Conception Parish, Petersville, Iowa, Beef & Pork Dinner, Sunday, August 29th from 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Handicap accessible. Country store, raffle, bingo.

The Marquette Catholic School kitchen will accept any extra produce that you may have. Feel free to contact Tricia Schwager at 563-872-3356.

St. Catherine Steak Fry

of church.

We will be hosting a Steak fry on Sept. 25th at the Parish Center. All families & friends are welcome to come and enjoy supper and fellowship. The \$20.00 ticket catered by Kalmes' will include your steak or 2 chicken breasts, baked potato, green beans, salads and dessert lemonade or coffee. There will also be along with a \$5.00 hotdog meal for the kids. You are welcome to bring a cooler with your favorite beverage as well. Serving will be from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Tickets will be available from Roger Manders, Joe Kies and JoAnn Herrig and will also be sold at the door. Everyone is invited!

Fish Pond Items

The Pork Roast Committee is looking for fish pond items for the fish pond at our annual parish Pork Roast. Please drop off fish pond items in the drawer marked "Fish Pond Items" in the back

MASS SCHEDULE / INTENTIONS

Tuesday, August 24

8:25 AM - SJ † Tom & Rita Daugherty

† Rosemary Kueter

† Arnie & Bernice Kueter & Deceased Members of the Muenster Family

5:30 PM - SC For the People

Wednesday, August 25

8:25 AM - SJ † Richard Eggers

† Butch Sieverding & Family

10:00 AM - Mill Valley Care Center

† Barbara Rowan

Thursday, August 26

8:00 AM - SPP† Betty Farrell; † Bill Portz

Friday, August 27

8:00 AM - SD For the People

8:25 AM - SJ † Paul Finzel & Ken Nauman

For blessings received & protection of policemen

Saturday, August 28

4:15 PM - SJ Living Memebers of the Rosary Society

† Donald & Hazel Lemer

† Butch, Don & Tom Sieverding

5:30 PM - SC † Ray & Rosie Tigges; † Bill Gaber

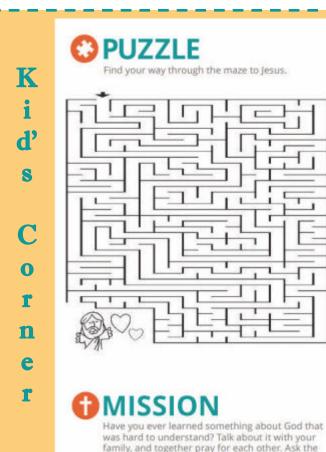
Sunday, August 29

8:00 AM - SD † Roger & Lois Gerardy

8:00 AM - SPP † Peter Sprank; † Eleanor Thines

† Bill Portz, Jean Thola, Jim & Jeff Krogman

10:15 AM - SJ For the People



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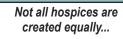
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