

In Christ Alone



Lent 2022

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***Second
Sunday
in Lent***

March 13, 2022

Worship This Week

Monday, March 14

Rdgs: Dn 9:4-10; Ps 79; Lk 6:36-38

No Morning Eucharist (Fr. John's day off)

4:30 p.m. Adoration (St. Patrick)

5:15 p.m. Stations (St. Patrick)

Tuesday, March 15

Rdgs: Is 1:10-20; Ps 50; Mt 23:1-12

8:00 a.m. Eucharist (St. Patrick)

Chuck Meyers †

8:00 a.m. Word & Communion (Sacred Heart)

4:30 p.m. Adoration (Sacred Heart)

5:15 p.m. Stations (Sacred Heart)

Wednesday, March 16

Rdgs: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31; Mt 20:17-28



7:00 a.m. Eucharist (St. Mark)

Ken Bergan †

6:30 p.m. Emmaus Pastorate Lenten Mission (St. Mary)

"Why Christian?"

Thursday, March 17

St. Patrick, Bishop

Rdgs: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1; Lk 16:19-31



8:00 a.m. Eucharist (St. Mary)

Ellie & Ron Biekert †

4:30 p.m. Adoration (St. Mary)

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5:15 p.m. Stations (St. Mary)

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6:30 p.m. Liturgical Ministry Workshop (Sacred Heart)

Friday, March 18

St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor of Church

Rdgs: Gn 37:3-4, 12-28; Ps 105; Mt 21:33-46



8:00 a.m. Eucharist (St. Joseph)

Lylina Dittmer †

4:30 p.m. Adoration (St. Joseph)

5:15 p.m. Stations (St. Joseph)

Saturday, March 19—Lent 3

St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rdgs: 2 Sm 7:4-16; Ps 89; Rom 4:16-22;

Mt 1:16-24 or Lk 2:41-51

4:00 p.m. Eucharist (St. Joseph)

For the People

6:00 p.m. Eucharist (St. Mary)

Carmelene Decker † &

Ignatius McDonnell †

Sunday, March 20—Lent 3

Third Sunday of Lent

Rdgs: Ex 3:1-15; Ps 103; 1 Cor 10:1-12; Lk 13:1-9

8:00 a.m. Eucharist (St. Patrick)

Fritz & Craig Clemen †



10:00 a.m. Eucharist (St. Mark)

Dennis Sullivan †

Thank You to Brenda & Michael Landwehr, Guttenberg, live-stream and KMCH 94.7 FM radio sponsors for Sunday, March 20.

Salt for the Weak



"You're not listening to me!"

A seemingly universal experience is when we don't feel as if we're being heard. I think there's a sense that we don't have to have someone agree with us, but we do want to be heard. Folks

on the street will say "Do you feel me?" And whether you're a parent, teacher, coach, spouse or best friend, you know how frustrating it is when someone just won't listen. The more we care, the more frustrating it is.

This weekend we have the wonderful gospel account of the transfiguration of Jesus. But don't let all the awe and wonder and glory overshadow the three most significant words (I think): *"Listen to him."*

Do I really *listen* to God? How do I know? How do I try? And if we know how frustrating it is when someone doesn't listen to US, I wonder how God feels? Let's focus these Lenten days on living *In Christ Alone*, and especially in trying to be a better listener.

Maybe that's why there are the same letters in *listen* and *silent*.

With you, on the journey—

LENT II March 13 Transformation

Gen 15:5-12, 17-18—God presents the covenant

Phil 3:17-4:1—He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body

Lk 9:28b-36—This is My chosen Son, listen to him.

- Do you really listen to God? How? When?
- What do you think the Father meant by saying "Listen to him"?
- Listening can transform us. How? Has it transformed you? How?

Don't Forget—Emmaus Pastorate Baptism Class

(Open to all parents of the

Pastorate) is being held on

Thursday, March 17, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

St. Mark Parish Center

(Please note the change of date, due to the Pastorate Lenten Mission)





Wedding Bells in Your Future? Your son/daughter? Grandchild? YAY! There must have been a few Christmas engagements again this year! This is a good time to remind you, your son/daughter, or grandchild about the importance of a faith-based wedding in Church, and the assistance the Church can offer in this important period of preparation.

Contact the church at least six months prior to your intended date. Make sure you check with the church **BEFORE** booking a wedding reception venue, caterer, etc.

Congratulations and hope to hear from you soon!



Caring for Our Brothers and Sisters in Ukraine—As we watch the tragic situation unfold in Ukraine, many people are seeking ways to help those fleeing violence. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) and Caritas

Ukraine are in Ukraine helping displaced individuals and families. They are on the ground providing relief services such as food kitchens, transportation assistance, and evacuation centers where individuals can eat, rest, and receive psychological support. Go to Catholic Relief Services (crs.org) to make a donation to CRS and to learn more about how CRS is providing relief services for displaced individuals through Caritas Ukraine's 17 diocesan offices. Please continue to pray for peace for all those displaced and suffering around the world.

Don't Forget—the 2022 Archdiocese of Dubuque Men's Conference is this Saturday, March 19. St Joseph will be the Conference satellite location for our Pastorate. If you are interested in attending, contact John Uhal ([563-245-2548](tel:563-245-2548) or dbq072s3@dbqarch.org) or Paul Dolan ([563-928-7200](tel:563-928-7200) or dbq072BM@dbqarch.org) for more information. A lunch will be provided



Special Prayers for Pope Francis as he has had to cancel several public prayers and meetings due to severe pain in his knee. May the Divine physician grant him relief and restoration.



Emmaus Pastorate Prayer Chain Ministry is available to pray for any needs you or someone you know may have. Call your parish representative to be placed on the Prayer Chain list. Your intention remains private.

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MARCH MADNESS ISN'T JUST BASKETBALL—The Archdiocese is again asking us to tally Mass attendance numbers for the month of March to assist in pastoral planning. They will be compared to last September's numbers and also those from October 2016. Please remember that going to other parishes in the area (while it might be more convenient or shorter or whatever) does not help our Pastorate parishes. Your tithing supports the staff, outreach and ministries of our Pastorate. Please remember your parish's future as you make your worship decisions!

Our Sympathy and Prayers to~

- ◆ Ann and Dave Gibney, Rosemary and Robert Bossard, Barbara Bonnell, Dennis and Rose Clark and Gregory and Sue Clark and families on the death of Ann, Rosemary, Barbara, Dennis, and Gregory's mother, Mary Clark, who passed away on February 28 in Elkader. We apologize for not including everyone in last week's Bulletin
- ◆ Ann and Jeff Funke and family on the death of Ann's father, Dennis Lindsay, who passed away on February 27 in Iowa City.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR EMMAUS LENTEN CONFESSIONS

which will be held Wednesday, April 6, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Saint Mark. There will be a **SPECIAL FREEWILL OFFERING MEAL** that evening for **UKRAINE RELIEF**. The menu will consist of beef stroganoff or ham sandwiches. All proceeds will be given to Catholic Relief Services to go directly to assistance in Ukraine. The meal will be served from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., with Confessions from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.. Let's join as a Pastorate to **EAT—PRAY—LOVE**.

Prayer Requests—In an effort to keep this list up-to-date, names will be left on for 30 days.

St. Mary

Luke Baade
Bonnie Hayes
Marlene Olinger

St. Joseph

Dan Collins
Dave Dennler
Irene Evans
Jerry Kessler
Emma Parker
Ray Piorkowski
Pat Roach
Abby Samuelson
Bob White
Becky Wilke

Sacred Heart

Patti Dillon
Randeil McTaggart
Anna Mae Shea
Mary Schaefer

St. Mark

Glady Felton
Zach Fisher
Annette Hoffman
Josephine Hunt
Lou Ann Hunt
Al Kruse
Bob Mescher
Kara Schechtman
Donna (Wilson) Sewick

St. Patrick

Mark Brown
Jean VonHandorf
Jerry Vorwald
Shirley Waterman

Emmaus Pastorate Lenten Mission

The last session of the Emmaus Pastorate Lenten Mission. will be held on Wednesday, March 23, at St. Joseph. The program will begin at 6:30 p.m. and the topic will be "Why Catholic?"

Lent 2022

Emmaus Pastorate Adult Faith Formation

Virtual Homily Discussion

Tuesdays—Begins March 8 at 6:30 p.m.

Leader—Karen Koehn

RSVP to Karen at

karenkoehn90@gmail.com or 563-880-2390

Chosen Video/Discussion

St. Mary Basement

On Tuesday, March 15; Wednesday, April 13; and Wednesday, May 18. at 6:30 p.m.

Leader—Fran Zichal

frances.zichal@gmail.com or 563-880-0873

St. Mark Parish Center Discussion

The Catholic Letters: James, Peter, and Jude (books available at class)

Thursdays Beginning March 3, at 8:30 a.m.

Leader—Jane Christiansen

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Homily Discussion Word Among Us

At St. Mary apartment

Thursdays Beginning March 3.1:00-2:30 p.m.

Leader—Hazel Martin

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So, we're one week into Lent—what's different?

It is so easy to get into a "hamster-like" existence, merry-go-round living and not take time to break the cycle. What have you done to reflect on living more "In Christ Alone"? Small changes are the easiest and sometimes the most effective. Turn off the music in your vehicle. Pray all or part of a Rosary when on the road. Rarely pray before meals?—start now. Don't pray in the morning?—try asking for help and guidance when you're brushing your teeth. Forget to pray at night? Write "Thank You!" on something or place a thank you card on your bedside stand or on top of your phone. Tell Christ your gratitudes of the day. Prone to snack or go to the refrigerator more than you should? Write UKRAINE on small cards and place them on the door of your snack cupboard or on the refrigerator. Offer a prayer and skip the snack. Every parish has an afternoon Holy Hour with the Blessed Sacrament and Stations of the Cross during the week—that's FIVE chances! Take one. Change your schedule and go and pray. Visit someone you know will talk forever. Go to daily Mass. Phone someone you've been avoiding. Come to weekend worship earlier and sit and prepare by looking at the readings. Ask Jesus into your heart in a deeper way so that you can live more fully "In Christ Alone." Make a change this week.



**Financial Reports for
February 2022
The Emmaus Pastorate**

Pastorate

Income	\$25,994.00
Expenses	\$28,359.00
Deficit	(\$2,365.00)

St. Patrick Colesburg

Income	\$7,944.00
Expenses	\$6,396.00
Deficit	\$1,548.00

St. Mark, Edgewood

Income	\$14,855.00
Expenses	\$16,409.00
Deficit	(\$1,554.00)

St. Joseph, Elkader

Income	\$9,030.00
Expenses	\$12,331.27
Deficit	(\$3,301.27)

Expenses include priest medical/retirement

St. Mary, Strawberry Point

Income	\$6,571.00
Expenses	\$10,849.00
Deficit	(\$4,278.00)

Sacred Heart, Volga

Income	\$5,172.10
Expenses	\$2,781.19
Deficit	\$2,390.91

The Emmaus Pastorate Directory is now available for your smart phone! Every family in the pastorate that has provided an email to your parish, should have received an email from Universal Church Directories. This email will contain an "unique identifier" for your family to use to download the directory on the *myUCD* app. This email will have several attachments providing directions on how to find the app for either iPhones or androids. The downloaded directory on the app provides the same information that is contained in the printed directory, but the app has the advantage that the information, such as phone numbers, can be updated and new members can be added. If you did not get an email from Universal Church Directories, please check your spam folder first. If not there, call the Pastorate Office and provide them your preferred email address. If you have any other questions or need help, please call the Pastorate Office **(563-928-7200)** or Jane Christiansen **(563-920-5967)**. If you find an error, please let us know, but also be patient with us as we learn to use this new tool.

Upcoming Pastorate/Parish Meetings

Monday, March 14

- ♦ St. Mary Finance Committee, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 15

- ♦ Sacred Heart Finance Committee, 5:30 p.m.
- ♦ Sacred Heart Pastoral Council, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, March 21

- ♦ St. Joseph Finance Committee, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 22

- ♦ St. Mary Pastoral Council, 6:30 p.m.

First "Iowa Catholic Youth Conference" for middle schoolers and their parents—This event is co-sponsored by the Diocese of Davenport and the Archdiocese of Dubuque and will take place on **Sunday, April 3, in Iowa City**. For more information, including cost, go to www.iowaCYC.com.

We Would Like to Thank Father John and everyone who prayed for us since our accident. We also appreciate all the gift cards and the food that was brought in. Thank you so much.

Sam and Jeanette Jones (St. Mark)

Thank You to St. Joseph's Parish Life for the warm, caring and fun Retirement Gathering. The decorations were so pretty and the hor d'oeuvres and punch were delicious. Many thanks to everyone for your cards, gifts, and well wishes. I will miss you, but Elkader isn't that big, we will run into each other

Janie Wiley



EVERY PARISH would welcome new members who would like to serve the community as Lectors to proclaim God's Word, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to distribute the Body of Christ and Hospitality Ministers to greet, welcome and assist guests and parishioners who come to our churches for Mass. If you would like to find out what is involved, or to join one of the special ministries, simply attend one of the upcoming five Liturgical Ministry Training Nights, held on the Thursdays of Lent.

**Dates and Locations for
Liturgical Ministry Workshops**

Thursday, March 24—St. Patrick
Thursday, March 31—St. Joseph
Thursday, April 7—St. Mary

All workshops begin at 6:30 p.m.

Saint Patrick Parish Life is hosting a Quarter Beef Raffle, donated by Les and Carol Simons! Tickets are \$5 each. Beef goes to the Edgewood Locker the end of April, with the winner paying the processing and the Locker giving a 20% discount. The winner will be drawn at the Saint Patrick Parish breakfast on Sunday, March 20. Tickets can be purchased in the parish offices, at the fish fry, or from a Saint Patrick Parish Life member.



For the week of March 12, St. Joseph lights the Candles for Keith and Valene Lau.

The next St. Mary community meal/ food pantry date is March 16. The pantry will be open from 3:00-6:30 p.m. and the community meal will be served from 5:00-6:30. Note the change in times with the beginning of daylight savings time. **Items that the food pantry could use**—peas, Jell-o, instant pudding mix, pancake mix, syrup, bar soap, body wash, shampoo, Kleenex, and detergent (HE).

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE



The St Mary Drive-Thru Fish Fry on March 4 was a great success!! We served 850 dinners in 2 1/2 hours! We would like to thank all who helped with the planning, and worked some long hours. Also thanks to those who donated desserts. The kids who ran the stairs many times were a great help. The Fish Fry as well as other fundraisers, would never be successful without those who come to enjoy the meal. We are very grateful.

The Fish Fry Committee.

Sacred Heart's Liturgical Ministry Workshop will be held on Thursday March 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. All current and future lectors, Eucharistic ministers (including homebound), and hospitality need to attend a ministry workshop. Contact any of the chairpersons for more information or with questions. Your volunteerism is very much appreciated in the ministries. Go To and Be Church.

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Thank You to the St. Mary's Circle (St. Joseph) for the wonderful meal they prepared and served after Ash Wednesday Mass. It was great to gather and prepare for the *In Christ Alone* Lenten season.

St. Theresa's Circle (St. Joseph) provided an evening meal for the Central Community School staff during Parent/Teacher Conferences. Thank you to those members who organized, prepared or donated food, and helped serve.

St. Joseph Invites You to Join Them for a 5:00 p.m. spaghetti supper on Wednesday, March 23, before the St. Joseph Pastorate Lenten Mission "Why Catholic" presentation by Anthony Digmann.

We Are so Grateful to the St. Martha's Circle (St. Joseph). Thank you to all who helped set up, donated food, helped serve, and especially the cleanup. Nothing brings people closer together than washing a few hundred dishes :) We heard a few stories from people about when they worked with Mary at a funeral dinner. She wasn't afraid of telling anyone what she thought was the correct way of doing something. I'm glad people listened because everything was perfect at her dinner. Her faith community was an important part of her life, and we thank all of you for everything you did to complete her celebration of life. **The families of Mary Clark— Barb Bunnell, Dennis and Rose Clark, Rosemary and Robert Bossard, Greg and Sue Clark, and Ann and Dave Gibney.**

St. Mark M.I.A.-- Missing in Action...The Blessed Mother and St. Joseph will be away on 'retreat' for a short period. The same firm that did our Crucifix (and Petersburg Church) will be repairing a break in Joseph and touching up both statues. Also, the little one of John the Baptist and Jesus (by the Holy Water tank) will be redone in color instead of gold spray paint. We are grateful to Jay Funke and Family who are taking care of this as a memorial to Jim and Kathy.

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