



THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.” - Mt 28:19-20

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SUNDAY, MAY 30, 2021

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 31—Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Zep 3:14-18a / Lk 1:39-56

7:30am Kathleen Girsch†

Tuesday, June 1—St. Justin Martyr

Tb 2:9-14 / Mk 12:13-17

7:30am Norb Pint†

Wednesday, June 2—Ss. Marcellinus and Peter

Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a / Mk 12:18-27

5:30pm Felipe Javier†

Thursday, June 3—St. Charles Lwanga & companions

Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17, 8:4-9a / Mk 12:28-34

7:30am Stan Duffy†

Friday, June 4—Weekday

Tb 11:5-17 / Mk 12:35-37

7:30am Don† & Lois Reicherts†

Saturday, June 5—St. Boniface

Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20 / Mk 12:38-44

5:15pm Wes Schons†

Sunday, June 6—Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Ex 24:3-8 / Heb 9:11-15 / Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

8:00am Larry Fangman†

10:30am People of the Parish

RESQUIANT IN PACEM

May light perpetual shine on them.

- William “Bill” Lynch, father of Deacon Rick
- Flo Lupkes, grandmother of Maggie
- Cheryl Decker, sister of Katha Williams

From the pastor

- From the reports I received and the opinions offered to me personally, it seems that things went well last weekend, our first weekend with new protocols in place regarding Mass attendance. We will continue to provide three areas in the church that are configured for “social distancing” (the two “wing” sections by the statues of St. Mary and St. Joseph and the balcony) for those who might prefer this precaution. Communion will be brought to the folks in these seats. Also, if you plan to arrive early for church and will be seated in the main body of the church, maybe consider taking a seat in the middle of the banks of pews—that way, folks who arrive after you can have an easily accessible seat nearer the aisles. This will be particularly important as more folks may be joining us as the obligation is restored the weekend of **June 5 & 6**. Updated guidance is available on our website.
- In his recent message, Archbishop Jackels reminded us that even without a dispensation, Catholics can still legitimately excuse themselves from Sunday Mass if they have continuing concerns about the pandemic, are frail from age or illness, or are caring for someone who is sick, homebound, or an infant.

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- **Happy Memorial Day!** The national holiday traces its history to the aftermath of the American Civil War, though there were local and regional observances before that time. The holiday is associated specifically with those who died in the service of their nation, but its observances have been expanded into a more general civic remembrance of all our dead. As a result, many have the habit of visiting cemeteries on that day, decorating graves, etc.
- Not to brag, but we Catholics are experts at memorializing. Naturally, this goes back to Jesus’ command that, in the Eucharist, we do it “in memory” of Him: **“When the hour came, he took his place at table with the apostles. He said to them, ‘I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer, for, I tell you, I shall not eat it again until there is fulfillment in the kingdom of God.’ Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and said, ‘Take this and share it among yourselves; for I tell you that from this time on I shall not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.’ Then he took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, ‘This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me.’ And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which will be shed for you’”** (Lk 22:14-20).
- Needless to say, believers have reflected on the power of memory and how, when we remember, it is about more than just a figment of our brains. Instead, Jesus reveals something quite richer: the human process of memory produces a true and real encounter with that which is memorialized. While some might want to stop at the meaning of memory being merely an act of the mind, Jesus insists that this human faculty is much richer—it brings to the present in a real way that which had happened in the past. I think we know the sense of this when telling vivid stories about the past. In that telling, we lose the time distance from the past and it is like that which is being recounted is happening **RIGHT NOW**.
- The great expert on memory in our Christian history is St. Augustine of Hippo (354-430 AD). His reflection on memory has helped us to accept the full, rich understanding of memory as revealed by the words Jesus and forms the basis of our firm Catholic belief in the True Presence in the Eucharist. So...as we remember our sisters and brothers at the Eucharistic altar this weekend, in remembering them to the Lord, we bring about a true meeting between the Savior and our beloved dead. How marvelous!

Fr. Bullock

Marriage Blessings

Congratulations to Isaiah McNamee and Emma Roe who were married at St. Edward on May 21. May you be blessed with many years of happiness!



PRAYER TO THE HOLY TRINITY



O Eternal God! O Eternal Trinity! Through the union of Your divine nature You have made so precious the Blood of Your only-begotten Son! O eternal Trinity, You are as deep a mystery as the sea, in whom the more I seek, the more I find; and the more I find, the more I seek. For even immersed in the depths of You, my soul is never satisfied, always famished and hungering for You, eternal Trinity, wishing and desiring to see You, the True Light.

O eternal Trinity, with the light of understanding I have tasted and seen the depths of Your mystery and the beauty of Your creation. In seeing myself in You, I have seen that I will become like You. O eternal Father, from Your power and Your wisdom clearly You have given to me a share of that wisdom which belongs to Your Only-begotten Son. And truly has the Holy Spirit, who proceeds from You, Father and Son, given to me the desire to love You. O eternal Trinity, You are my maker and I am Your creation. Illuminated by You, I have learned that You have made me a new creation through the Blood of Your Only-begotten Son because You are captivated by love at the beauty of Your creation.

O eternal Trinity, O Divinity, O unfathomable abyss, O deepest sea, what greater gift could You have given me than Your very Self? You are a fire that burns eternally yet never consumed, a fire that consumes with Your heat my self-love. Again and again You are the fire who takes away all cold heartedness and illumines the mind by Your light, the light with which You have made me to know Your truth.

By this mirrored light I know You are the highest good, a good above all good, a fortunate good, an incomprehensible good, an unmeasurable good, a beauty above all beauty, a wisdom above all wisdom, for You are wisdom itself, the food of angels, the fire of love that You give to man. You are the garment covering our nakedness. You feed our family with Your sweetness, a sweetness You are from which there is no trace of bitterness. O Eternal Trinity!

Amen.

St. Catherine of Siena

Catherine of Siena (25 March 1347 – 29 April 1380), a lay member of the Dominican Order, was a mystic, activist, and author who had a great influence on Italian literature and the life of the Catholic Church in the late Middle Ages. Canonized in 1461, she is also a Doctor of the Church.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ON ST. EDWARD CAMPUS

St. Vincent de Paul volunteers will be in the St. Clare room in the New Life Center on Tuesday mornings from 9-12, beginning June 8th. SVDP provides financial assistance for utilities, rent, transportation, and medicine, in addition to providing food, clothing, small household items, beds, bedding, and school supplies. Volunteers from our parish are needed to assist on Tuesday mornings. If you are interested in volunteering, call the St. Vincent de Paul office at 319-232-3366 or 319-232-8662.



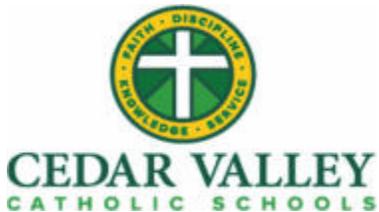
CUB SCOUT CAN DRIVE FUNDRAISER



A fundraiser for Cub Scout Pack 3025 will take place Saturday, June 5 from 9—11am at the St. Edward garage in the church parking lot. All Iowa redeemable cans and bottles will be accepted. Thank you for your support!

CEDAR VALLEY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Cedar Valley Catholic Schools is now enrolling for the 2021-2022 school year. Visit cvcatholic.org for registration materials or to schedule a tour.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR COLLEGE GRADUATES!

- Claire Giachino, BA in Nutrition from the College of St. Benedict
- Kathryn Wood, degree in Communications from the University of Iowa

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

THE PRAYER COURSE -- Mondays, Beginning June 7. 8:30-9:30pm. Live Video Discussion. This eight-week video series examines the Lord's Prayer and explores basic concerns about prayer, like the purpose of prayer, types of prayer, how to cope with unanswered prayer, the importance of listening. Watch a video about the Prayer Course at: <http://bit.ly/prayer-course-trailer>
• Register to participate at: <http://bit.ly/prayer-course-registration>

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY -- Wednesday Evenings, June 23, 30, July 7, 14. 6:30-8:30pm. Live Online Discussion. This year's four week series, facilitated by Dr. John Waldmeir from Loras College, will focus on the Eucharist and its biblical roots. Learn more at: <https://waterloocatholics.org/summer-bible-study>
> Register to participate at: <http://bit.ly/summer-bible-registration>

ALPHA FOR CATHOLICS -- Alpha is an exciting and engaging video series for adults and young adults who want to explore or renew their relationship to Jesus Christ and the Christian faith. Alpha is free and is open to the public. Learn more online at <https://waterloocatholics.org/alpha>
• Let us know you're interested: <http://bit.ly/Alpha-Interest>

UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE -- Dates are pending for this 8-part video series which helps participants understand how the people, places and events of Salvation History lead to Jesus Christ and his church. Excellent opportunity for Catholics with little or no Bible background. Learn more online at waterloocatholics.org/mystery-of-the-bible

IMPACT FORMATION PROGRAM

The Archdiocese's IMPACT formation program is for adults and young adults who desire a deeper relationship with Christ and a greater understanding of the Catholic faith. This two-year program uses the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, Scripture, spiritual reading, and dynamic presenters to guide the spiritual, theological, intellectual, and pastoral formation of participants. Several members of our parish family have completed this program, and we invite you to consider nominating yourself or another parishioner for this next IMPACT series, which meets one Saturday a month in Iowa Falls, beginning September 2021. Learn more at: <https://dbqarch.org/> and contact the parish office with any questions.



YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

In this year of St. Joseph, Pope Francis asks Catholics around the world to dedicate 2021 to remembering and honoring the husband of the Blessed Virgin and the foster father of Jesus. The Pope urges Catholics to imitate the virtues of St. Joseph by...

- Showing compassion, tender love, and mercy, the same as God has for us.
- Deferring to the plan of God, to the well-being of others, and to the common good.
- Having a practical love for the community of the Church, and for the poor.
- Being active and creative when God engages us in finding solutions to problems.

As we seek the intercession of St. Joseph, we join together by offering the following prayer...

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.

How can St. Joseph lead us to Jesus?

Send your responses (one or two sentences) to Carmen at c.lappe@dbqarch.org. We'll be sharing your responses in the bulletin and on our social media sites.

Our parish family will have the opportunity to unite in prayer with St. Joseph through a novena. The novena will start on **Friday, June 11** (the Feast of the Sacred Heart) and conclude Father's Day weekend. Each day of the novena will focus on an invocation (focus of prayer) from the Litany of St. Joseph, which will be available in the bulletin and on our website. Through our prayers, we will seek to grow in love of the Patron of the Universal Church and imitate his virtues. Daily reflections from members of our parish will be available on our YouTube channel and social media.

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