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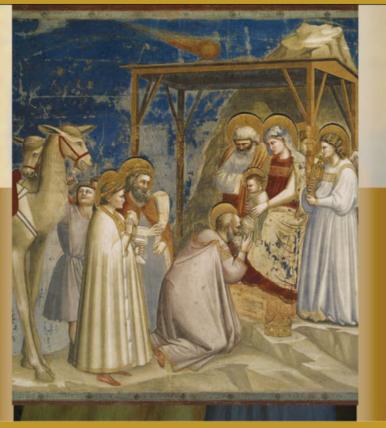
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#### SACRAMENTAL LIFE

#### Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:15pm Sunday 8:00am, 10:30am Weekdays See Inside

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday at 4:00pm Upon request immediately following weekday Masses. Excludes school Masses

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Register online at <a href="https://">https://</a> waterloocatholics.org/baptismregistration

#### Sacrament of Matrimony

Arrangements should ideally be made six months in advance.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick Individual celebration upon request.

**Pastoral Care of Sick & Homebound:** Please call the Parish Center office or visit <a href="https://www.sted.org/member-care">www.sted.org/member-care</a>

**Membership & Registration:** Please register at <a href="www.sted.org/join-us">www.sted.org/join-us</a> or request an appointment to visit the Parish Center office.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, January 3—Holy Name of Jesus

1 Jn 3:22—4:6 / Mt 4:12-17, 23-25 7:30am Esther Kajewski<sup>†</sup>

Tuesday, January 4—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

1 Jn 4:7-10 / Mk 6:34-44

7:30am Gene Delagardelle<sup>†</sup>

Wednesday, January 5—St. John Neumann

1 Jn 4:11-18 / Mk 6:45-52 Helen Bullock<sup>†</sup> 5:30pm

Thursday, January 6—St. André Bessette

1 Jn 4:19-5:4 / Lk 4:14-22

Mary "Pat" Hill<sup>†</sup> (School Mass) 9:00am

Friday, January 7—St. Raymond of Peňafort 1 Jn 5:5-13 / Lk 5:12-16

7:30am Tuyet and Dan Nguyen<sup>†</sup>

Saturday, January 8—Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 5:14-21 / Jn 3:22-30

Robert & Genevieve Ruemmele<sup>†</sup> 5:15pm

<u>Sunday, January 9—Baptism of the Lord</u> Is 40:1-5, 9-11 / Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7 / Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

8:00am Craig Scarbrough<sup>†</sup>

10:30am People of the Parish





We are grateful for the generosity of our parish family during this past fiscal year! As part of the process of "closing the books" on 2021, you should expect to receive final statements regarding your support of your parish in mid to late January.

Contributions will be posted in 2022 if they are 1) received during the weekend Masses on January 1st or 2nd; 2) received in the mail on or after January 1st.

Feel free to contact Toni at the parish office with any questions or to discuss your annual giving.

#### FROM THE PASTOR:

Now that we have experienced Christmas Masses, like the Holy Family did the first Christmas, away from home, we can now look back and reflect (as Mary did (Lk. 2:19))what have we discovered? As pastor, naturally I saw that Jesus' promises are true—that **WHEREVER** two or three gather together in His name, He is (and was) there! (Mt. 18:20). But...how was He there...in the gym at Blessed Maria Assunta Pallotta Middle School? Of course, He was present in Word and Sacrament, as He always is. He was also present in the gathering of our parish family, who prayed together, offered hospitality to visitors, and showed good cheer and patience while we were away from home. For all these, as pastor, I was grateful and in awe! But, in the end, I believe we learned what was essential and what was not. Our church building, that we justly take care of as good stewards, is merely a place where the living, merciful God is experienced so that we can take his presence out, to be "an evangelizing community, by faith, with love, in hope" (St. Edward Parish Mission Statement). Jesus himself taught in Matthew 6:19 these words: "But store up treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor decay destroys, nor thieves break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." The longer I live, the more I have the spiritual perspective to see what lasts and what does not (though I tend to spend lots of spiritual and emotional energy on that which passes away!). Jesus knew it...and we need to know it too: to live fully for that which lasts and then to "hold on loosely" to that which will pass and which, however good, is only a means for a greater good. Christ and His kingdom is that greatest of goods. experienced whenever and wherever we gather together and "do this in memory" of Him. That's what I discovered anew. What about you?

Many thanks are in order regarding the gathering away from home of our parish family at Christmas Masses. We are grateful... for our friends at Cedar Valley Catholic Schools who welcomed our "homeless" parish family at the Blessed Maria Assunta Pallotta gym. Many of the good folks there expended great effort to offer us hospitality great example for us all. There are clearly great things happening there! We are grateful... for the members of our parish family who made a generous gift to us all at a busy time by serving as hospitality ministers in the parking areas, those who worked on set-up and break-down of our temporary home, and those who led our liturgies there in various roles of ministry, in an unfamiliar setting but not in an unfamiliar place—in the Lord! We are grateful... for the good cheer and patience of the entire parish family, who joined the adventure of solidarity with the Holy Family in their experience away from home on the first Christmas. In the end, might we all grow in gratitude for our beautiful church where we have the privilege to gather regularly to experience the extraordinary Presence of the Lord who is present whenever we gather...at St. Edward Church...and anywhere else.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all!

Fr. Scott Bullock

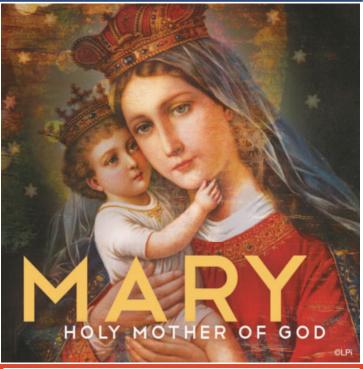
#### Our Mission: To be an Evangelizing Community . . .



#### NEW PARISHIONER WELCOMING

Looking for a chance to serve God by serving your parish? A new committee of members is being formed to consider the important work of welcoming new members of the parish family. An organizational meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 26th at 4:30pm in the St. Clare Room in the New Life Center

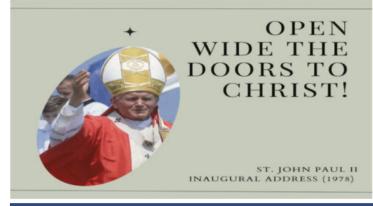
Please contact Joan Dalan at #319-233-8060, or j.dalan@dbqarch.org.





INFORMATION-MEETING— FUNERAL DINNER VOLUNTEERS

Our parish will once again be able to host funeral dinners beginning January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022. All those interested in volunteering at funeral dinners (coordinators and helpers) are invited to attend an informational meeting on Thursday, January 6th, at 10:00 am in the church hall. If you are not able to attend, or have any questions, please contact Joan Dalan at 319-233-8060, or j.dalan@dbgarch.org.



- Though we are now deep into winter, the project continues! While the exterior landscape work has taken a "long winter sleep," work continues to design a retaining wall along Mitchell Ave, including the landscaping to make it a pleasant and beautiful sight for those who come to our parish. We will be consulting with those who work to keep our parish grounds beautiful and forming a plan on how members of the parish family can volunteer to help with the new plants and gardens.
- The old doors into the vestibule have been removed and preserved for potential future use. Steel supports are being installed to frame the new doors, to be installed in the new year.
- The new concrete floor will soon be poured, raising the level of the vestibule to that of the sanctuary. Access to each set of stairs to the parish hall will be included from the new vestibule area.
- While the monetary goal is nearly reached, we are still hoping for a larger percentage of participation from our families. See the information below. If you have not yet done so, please consider a gift to your parish family. A gift of any size is most appreciated to "Open Wide the Doors to Christ!"



#### ... By Faith, With Love, In Hope.



Beauty in Christ: Holy Women of the Visitation at the St. Edward Church Basement, Saturday, January 29th, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 Archdiocese of Dubuque Women's Conference p.m (Space is Limited).

We are hosting the 2022 Archdiocesan Women's Conference, Beauty in Christ in our own parish. Women can listen to incredible national speakers, hear beautiful music, and pray with Archbishop Jackels on the big screen—and then, in-person, engage in warm conversation, enjoy good food, and pray together—all at an incredibly low cost (\$15.00 per person includes ticket and food!). For further information or to make a reservation, please call Becky Hargreaves 319-290-6005 or Mary Pedersen 319-290-5488.

> To check our speakers, go to: www.archwomenconference.org



#### ST. EDWARD & HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

As we move into 2022, many of us will make resolutions for the New Year. This year, resolve to help your community and strengthen your church family by volunteering to help to build and repair homes for families in need in our own community.

No experience or tools necessary—just a willingness to jump in and pick up a hammer to build a home for a family in need. We need eight volunteers each month (Jan.—Aug.) to work at the site and others to pack sack lunches for the team ahead of the work session. You can sign up for the Habitat crew or lunch sack crew on sted.org.

Our project will run from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. the second Saturday of the month. Volunteers younger than 18 are welcome, provided they are accompanied by a parent or guardian. Feel free to reach out to the chair of our Social Outreach Committee, Brenton Kuchera via call or text at 319-296-5933 with any additional questions.

"Whatever you did for the least of mine, *you did it for me.*" (Mt. 25:40)



Happy New Year from our St. Edward Elementary School!



**SOCIAL OUTREACH:** Christ's birth at Christmas is the definitive "social outreach," God's reaching into the heart of all humanity to show the love of God to all! We who have been joined to Christ have been em-

powered at baptism to bear the love of Christ to others! We proclaim the birth of Christ when we serve others. Use this QR code to discover opportunities to serve as part of our parish's social outreach mission. Now is the time!



#### SUPPORTING OUR SISTER PARISH IN HAITI

Thanks to your donations to our sister parish, St. Therese in Grison-Garde and the Adopt-A-Student program, we met our financial commitment in 2021 and now look to do the same in 2022. Please consider a one-time or ongoing gift. Our support helps pay teachers in the parish school and ensures every child has a meal at school.

Designated checks may be placed in the weekly offertory or sent to the Parish Center. EFT forms are available online or by contacting the Parish Center. Thank you for your generosity!



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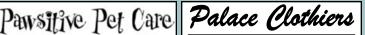
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