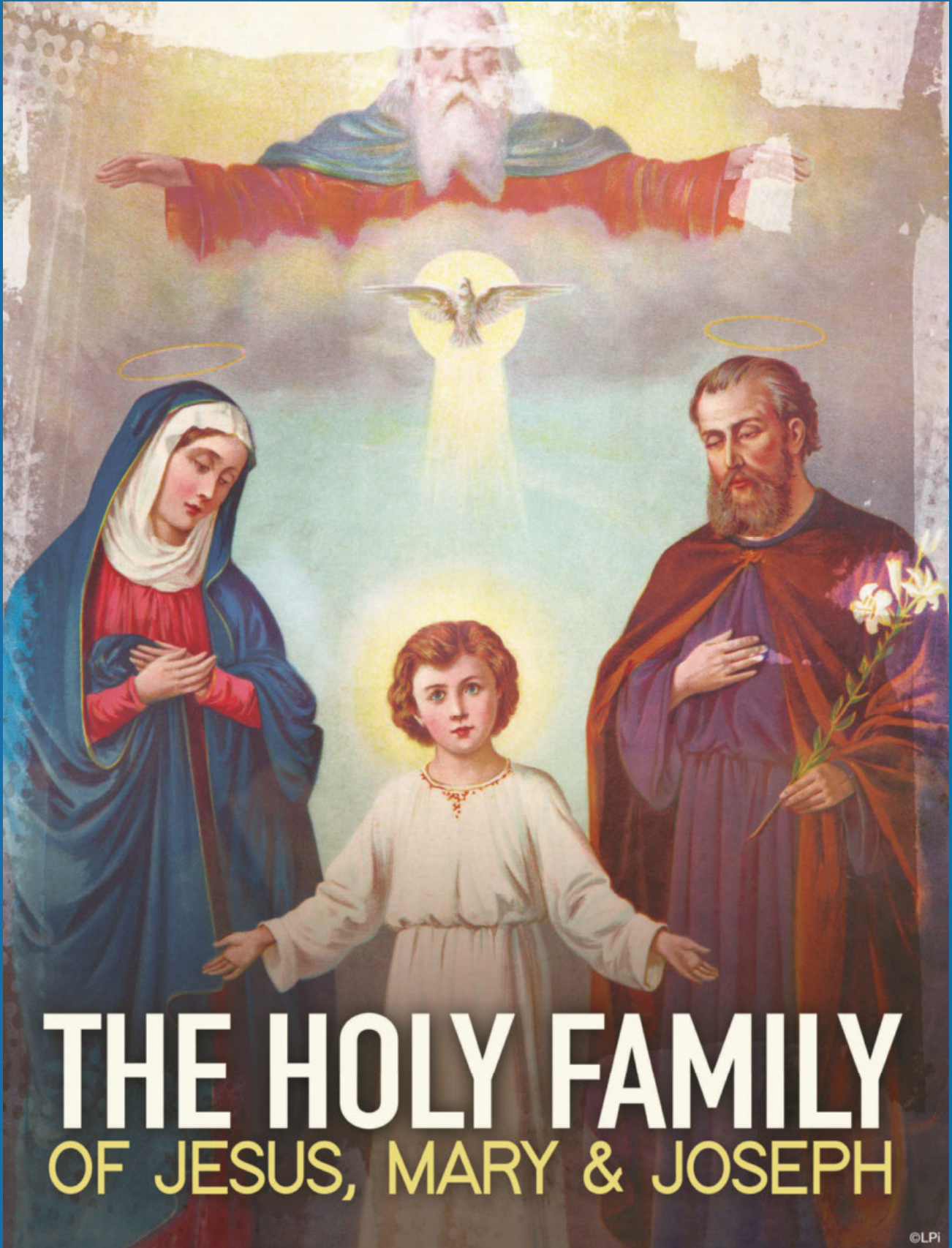


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From the desk of Father Josh: What a wonderful time of year this is! Celebrating the birth of Christ into the world to bring us redemption is something truly to give thanks for. But I would also like to take this opportunity to give thanks for all of you. I have now been at St. Patrick's for six months, and what a wonderful six months it has been for me! Everyone has been so welcoming, loving and supportive. I couldn't ask for a better transition from being an associate pastor to my first assignment as a pastor. Thank you for your patience! I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas, filled with Joy and the love of Jesus Christ! Please know of my love and prayers for you all!

Merry Christmas!
Fr. Josh Link

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SAVE THE DATE for 2022 Archdiocesan Women's Conference: Beauty in Christ



Saturday
January 29, 2022
8:30 AM to 1:00 PM

Mark your calendar for this parish-wide event for women for a morning of friendship, faith and formation!

**2022 Archdiocesan Men's Conference
Saturday, March 29, 2022
9:00 AM—3:30 PM
Xavier High School, Cedar Rapids
(Live stream available)**



Mark your calendar for the 26th Annual Men's Conference! This conference will be held on the Feast of St Joseph, and will highlight the example of St Joseph as a model for all men. The Keynote speaker will be Mark Hartfiel, vice-president of Paradisus Dei, a ministry that produces the "That Man is You! men's program. The lunch session will be presented by Devin Schadt, the founder of the Fathers of St Joseph men's ministry. Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Michael Jackels. For more information, please visit www.archmensconference.org. Registration will open soon!

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As many of you are aware, Newman Catholic School is in the planning stages of a major capital campaign to enhance facilities and improve endowments for teacher's salaries and tuition assistance. Newman is pleased to announce the theme of the campaign will be: Forming Disciples, Now and Forever



This theme is fitting for our Newman Catholic community and this campaign because the effort will not only meet the immediate needs of the school but also secure a strong, vibrant future for students and our families. This campaign will strengthen Newman's mission and its tradition of academic excellence by supporting students and families and investing in the long-term success of the school.

It is an exciting time for Newman as they work to lay a strong foundation for a positive future. To be successful, they will invite the entire Newman Catholic community to provide support. In the coming weeks and months you will learn much more about the campaign and the different ways you can help the cause. In the meantime, please pray for the school leaders and volunteers who will be working diligently to ensure a successful outcome.

Weather Policy

Faith Formation is closed when schools in Clear Lake are closed. If schools are cancelled in Clear Lake due to bad weather, Faith Formation events will also be canceled. If bad weather hits after school hours or on the weekend, a Flocknote message will be sent out. Be sure you are signed up for Flocknote so you don't miss any important communications. If in doubt, please stay safe and don't risk your safety traveling in inclement weather. For more information, please contact Caitlyn Cabral at (641)357-4058 or c.cabral@dbqarch.org

Also, if school is closed there won't be morning Mass that day. Watch your Flocknotes for weekend cancellations.

Small Faith Sharing Group for Women

Will start on January 17. This group provides women the opportunity to come together on a group-set weekly schedule to discuss, learn about, and grow in our vocation as women through daily life. We encourage all women to attend the Info Session on 1/4 at 5:30pm to learn more about this incredible faith sharing opportunity.



Students in Grade 10 preparing for the **Sacrament of Confirmation**, together with their parents, will meet downstairs following the 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday, January 9th. If you haven't already, please register your student using the Youth Faith Formation tab on the St. Patrick's website.

Calling all Married Couples!



St. Pat's Marriage Enrichment Program is designed to help couples have fun while building happy, lasting and faith-filled marriages. Starting Sunday, February 13th, and running through Sunday, January 8, 2023, this opportunity will take place on the 2nd Sunday of every month from 5-7pm in St. Pat's gathering space. Date night offers dinner for two, **Beloved** (a video series by the Augustine Institute), fruitful conversations and childcare. Couples must be 21 or older to attend. Good will offering will be accepted, and special door prizes given! For more information about this exciting event, please contact Caitlyn Cabral at c.cabral@dbqarch.org or (641)357-4058. Mark your calendars today!



Men's Exodus 90 and Women's Magnify 90

Exodus 90 gives men a way to root out attachments while fostering brotherhood that promotes them being spiritual leaders, that is, Christ to their (future/current) family/parish. Magnify 90 seeks to foster the complementary nature that God intended for men and women. Our Adult Faith Formation program will be offering both these programs beginning in January until Easter. We are holding two Information Sessions in the parish hall: Tuesday, 1/4 at 5:30pm and Wednesday, 1/12 at 6:30pm. Contact Caitlyn Cabral at (641) 357-4058

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*Please remember St Patrick's in your will or trust.***Readings for the week of
December 26, 2021**

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52

or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10

[cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40

Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18

Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

St. Patrick Mass Schedule

Saturday, December 25

The Nativity of the Lord

Reconciliation—3:30 PM—Reconciliation Room

Mass—4:00 PM—Parishioners of St Patrick

Mass—8:00 PM—Parishioners of St Patrick

Also Live Streamed and viewable any time after

Sunday, December 26

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Mass—10:00 AM—Monsignor Joseph Slepicka

Monday, December 27

Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

No Mass

Tuesday, December 28

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

Mass—8:30 AM—Msgr. Joseph Slepicka

Wednesday, December 29

Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

Mass—8:30 AM—Msgr. John Hemann

Thursday, December 30

Sixth Day within the Octave of the

Nativity of the Lord

No Mass

Friday, December 31

Seventh Day within the Octave of the

Nativity of the Lord

Mass—8:30 AM

Mass—4:00 PM

Saturday, January 1

The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord,

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Reconciliation—3:30 PM—Reconciliation Room

Mass—4:00 PM—Parishioners of St Patrick

Also Live Streamed

Sunday, January 2

Epiphany of the Lord

MASS—10:00 AM—Deanna Thilges

In person Mass —subject to change with Covid numbers

Normal Area Weekend Mass Times

Newman ~ Thursday at 9:45 AM (during the school year)
(Not open to the public at this time)

Epiphany Parish: Mason City

St. Joseph ~ 7:30 AM and 9:00 AM Sunday

Holy Family ~ 4:00 PM Saturdays and 10:30 AM Sunday

Sacred Heart: Manly ~ 5:30 PM Saturday

Sacred Heart: Rockwell ~ 8:00 AM Sunday

Calendar of Events—St. Patrick Church

Saturday/Sunday, Dec 25/26 Food Bank Offering

Tuesday, December 28 Pastoral Council—6:30 PM

Tuesday, January 4 Finance—5:30 PM

YOUTH SCHEDULE

Wednesday, December 29 No Class/YM

Wednesday, January 5 Catechist Inservice

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