Jesus answered and said to her, “If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.” - Jn 4:10
MESSAGE FROM FR. COLTER
CORONAVIRUS AND INFLUENZA PRECAUTIONS
These points were made in a general announcement before all the Masses last weekend. I reiterate them here for those who were not present and as a reminder to all.

We are taking these measures following some suggestions from the Archbishop and after a staff discussion. We do not want to cause undue alarm, but it seems better to be proactive in the matter. We are concerned not only with the coronavirus but also with influenza A now making the rounds.

The following measures will last throughout Lent. We will re-evaluate them after Palm Sunday.

• First, we are eliminating the distribution of the Blood of Christ, the common cup. We all know that Christ is present whole and entire in both/either of the consecrated bread and wine. Drinking and eating constitute the fullness of the sign, but all sacramental signs are subject to practical considerations. For example, in baptism we usually pour or sprinkle water even though immersion would be a fuller sign. Many of us remember that, prior to Vatican II, only the Body of the Lord was ever given to the people.

• Secondly, we are eliminating handholding at the Lord’s Prayer. The priest will remind you, since it is automatic for many. Instead, the “orans” gesture is appropriate (but not required). This consists of holding both hands, palm upwards, as a sign of openness to God’s grace. In any case, handholding is a recent American custom and not truly part of the liturgy.

• Third, we are eliminating the handshake at the Sign of Peace. The priest will give the general greeting, “The peace of the Lord be with you always,” and the musicians will immediately begin the “Lamb of God.” The priest will not say, “Let us offer each other the sign of peace.”

• Finally, we are eliminating the holy water fonts at the entrances to the church.

May God protect and deliver all of us from disease and grant comfort to those who suffer or are bereaved.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will be March 17 at 10:30 AM in the Commons.

ST. PATRICK ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL
Wednesday, March 18, from 7-8 PM in the Chapel.

“WE CARE” GRIEF SUPPORT MEETING
The “We Care” Grief Support meeting is Thursday, March 19, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM in the Conference Room. All are welcome, regardless of when your loss occurred.

• All discussions are CONFIDENTIAL.
• Participants are asked to share their first name, the relationship of the person they lost, and the length of time since the loss. Other than that, participants may share as much or as little as they choose.

JOIN FR. COLTER: TEACHINGS ON THE MASS
This year during Lent Fr. Colter is offering a series of teachings on the Mass. These sessions take place in the Church on Thursday evenings, beginning at 6:30 PM (immediately after Adoration) and lasting for 45 minutes to 1 hour. Here are the remaining dates and specific topics:

March 26: THE MOMENTS OF MASS A.- LITURGY OF THE WORD
April 2: THE MOMENTS OF MASS B.- LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

During his first teaching (above), Fr. Colter talked about furnishings for the Mass including liturgical vestments.

JOIN US IN DOING GOOD TOGETHER
Join Catholic Daughters, St Patrick Lighthouse Team, the Youth Group, and Young Adult Ministries in the gym on Sunday, March 29, following the 9:30 AM Mass. We will create various items for the homebound, Cedar Falls Care Center residents, Meal on Wheels, and Catholic Worker House. All ages are welcome.
APPLY FOR THE MARY WOOD CDA SCHOLARSHIP
The Catholic Daughters are now accepting applications for the Mary Wood Scholarship. Mary was part of the scholarship committee for many years and, along with her family, was very supportive of this project. This year the scholarship will be $800.

Application information is now available on the Parish website at: //www.saintpatrickcf.org/cda, in the Parish Office, or from Rosie Guerrero, faith formation coordinator. Any high school senior who is a member of St. Patrick Parish and will be continuing their education is eligible to apply. The process includes writing an essay which is due by Wednesday, April 8. Feel free to contact Jane Demmer at jfdemmer@gmail.com if you have questions.

ONE OF THE WAYS the Catholic Daughters raise funds for the annual scholarship is with your can/bottle donations. If you are unable to place your donations (clean and rinsed) in the container on the south side of St. Patrick School, you may bring them to the parish office. NO GLASS PLEASE.

Youth Ministry
LENTEN SCRIPTURE SERIES will be Sundays, March 1 to April 5 during coffee and donuts after 9:30 AM Mass. Bring your Bible. We will have a table reserved. No gathering on March 15.

Young Adult Ministry
SUN. MARCH 15 Scripture and Scones, young adult Lenten scripture study, 6:30 PM, Panera
WINE, WOMEN & WISDOM Monday, March 16, 6:30 PM, Diane Flaherty’s house
DONATE TO PROJECT TO HELP AREA HOMELESS
Three 7th graders at St. Patrick School have started “Rainbows in Sight” to help the homeless in the Cedar Falls-Waterloo area. The students have placed a plastic tote on the Matthew 25 Food Pantry Shelf in the link hallway and are asking for donations they will give to the Salvation Army and Hospitality House. The students are collecting towels, blankets, pillows, twin and full-size sheets, toilet paper, and shower curtains and rings. For the kitchen they are seeking Ziploc bags, aluminum foil, plastic eating utensils, cooking utensils, and cooking and bakeware. They are also asking for bus tickets, umbrellas, garbage bags, batteries, and detergent. Thank you for your generosity!

LABYRINTH PRAYER – A labyrinth will be available in Will Hall at St. Luke Episcopal Church in Cedar Falls on April 2-4, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM and by appointment. Call 319-277-8520 or email slukes@cfu.net.

Liturgy
MINISTERS ASSIGNMENTS
SATURDAY March 21, 2019
5:00 PM MASS
Communion Ministers: Kathy Caley, Molly Lahart, Jill Weber
Lector: Cathy Hartz
Altar Servers: Andrew & Joshua Schipper, Robbie Slee
Ushers: Michael Crall, Gin Garbes, Tim Hartz, Dave Staudt
Sacristan: Volunteer needed
Cantor: Janet O’Neil
Keyboard: Brenda Sevcik
CLOTW: No class

SUNDAY March 22, 2019
7:30 AM MASS
Communion Ministers: Karen Mackey, Karen Sink Arlene Prather-O’Kane
Altar Servers: Willie Dieterich, Katy Roling, Genevieve Veit
Lector: Scott Blair
Ushers: Gregg Humble, Mike Rothamel Bill & Karen Mackey
Cantor: Jim Weeg
Keyboard: Lisa Sevcik

9:30 AM MASS
Communion Ministers: Theresa Dethlefs-Butler, Sara Dunbar, Rita Duchenwald
Lector: Sandy Remmert
Altar Servers: John Butler, Alec & Jackson Mudd
Ushers: Josh Bevins, John Hursh, Al McAlpin, Brian Relph
Sacristan: Sara Dunbar
Cantor: Laura Connor
Keyboard: Ryan Occena
CLOTW: No class

11:30 AM MASS
Communion Ministers: Kevin Hemann, Pam Schmitt, Jean Simmet
Lector: Peggy Chari
Altar Servers: Alissa Charlton, Abby & Grace Sliwinski
Ushers: Jason Dugan, Frank Walter Rosie Guerrero
Cantor: Diann Frembgen
Keyboard: Casey Tecklenburg

If you cannot serve, please find a replacement.

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MANY WAYS TO GET INVOLVED DURING LENT
St. Patrick offers a variety of activities to assist you in prayer, fasting, and almsgiving during Lent. We hope you can join us.

ADORATION AND RECONCILIATION will be each Thursday 5:30-6:30 PM in the church through April 2.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be 5:15 PM Fridays in the Church through April 3.

SCHOOL MASS will be held each Wednesday during Lent at 8:30 AM, except for March 18.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK is Sunday March 22 at 12:30 PM at St. Patrick.

COMMUNAL PENCE SERVICE will be March 22 at 4:00 PM at Blessed Sacrament Church.

PROCESS OF THE CROSS is April 10 at Overman Park in Cedar Falls at noon.

CONSIDER CONTRIBUTING TO THE WITNESS SUBSCRIPTION
Are you enjoying your subscription to our Archdiocesan newspaper, The Witness? The parish covers the cost for all parishioners who wish to receive a personal copy. As always, if you have the financial means and wish to offset the cost to the parish, we would appreciate your help. Please place donation of $25.00 in a separate, well-marked (your name & The Witness) envelope. Make checks to St. Patrick Catholic Church and write “Witness donation” on the memo line. Thank you for your generosity!

A side note...Because the Archdiocese has this category on the Spring Call to Share, many think that they have paid already, this is an extra donation to the newspaper, separate from any subscription costs.

Readings for the Week of March 15

- **Sunday:** Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
- **Monday:** 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 [cf. Ps 42:3]/Lk 4:24-30
- **Tuesday:** Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35
- **Wednesday:** Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 [12a]/Mt 5:17-19
- **Thursday:** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
- **Friday:** Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mk 12:28-34
- **Saturday:** Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hos 6:6]/Lk 18:9-14
- **Sunday:** 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

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In Our Parish

THINKING FINE ARTS, LEADERSHIP
This week we will take a break from school and enjoy our spring break!

We will return on March 23 and get ready for our Fine Arts and Leadership Showcase on March 31 from 4:30-6 PM. We welcome all Saint Patrick parish members to join us in celebrating through student art and individual “God Made Me” displays.

Students were asked to identify talents, gifts, or interests they are especially thankful God has given them. Every child is a leader, and I can’t wait to see what each is proud of! Classes will also be sharing their service learning projects. Come and see what our students have learned and how they have helped our community this year.

Blessings, Mrs. Lynette Hackett

CRITICAL CHOICES WORKSHOP
There will be a Critical Choices Workshop on April 29 from 10 AM to noon in the Commons, St. Patrick, Cedar Falls. This workshop examines some of the issues which arise at the time of a serious illness or at the end of life and helps participants consider the type of personal, spiritual, and medical care they wish to receive if they are seriously ill and unable to speak for themselves. The workshop is appropriate for individuals or couples of any age. No fee. Pre-registration required. Information and registration at 319-233-0498 or online at waterloocatholics.org/.
**SUPPORT THE KNIGHTS BY ATTENDING A FISH FRY**
The Knights of Columbus Council 4516 hosts a fish fry from 5-7 PM Fridays through April 3. The menu is fried and baked fish, baked white and sweet potato, mac and cheese, vegetable, grilled cheese, roll, cole slaw, and dessert. Express takeout meals are available in the northwest corner of the gym. Cost: All adults $10.00, kids 6-12 $5.00, and kids 5 and under are free.

**GARAGE SALE IN FULL SWING, JOIN THE TUESDAY FUN**
It is garage sale season and we thank you for your gently used treasures! The St. Patrick Garage Sale DOES NOT accept: Adult clothing, hangers, televisions, VCR tapes, cassette tapes, computer equipment, mattresses, sleeper sofas, entertainment centers, magazines, cookbooks, and textbooks. We DO accept adult accessories such as purses, shoes, hats, mittens, and scarves.

The group welcomes anyone who would like to come and help Tuesdays at 1:00 PM in the church basement. If you have a question about any item, please call and check before you drop it off. If you have questions, please call Bett at (319) 231-8751 or Marie at (319) 830-7454. **The last day we will accept items is noon on April 8.**

**DIVORCED, SEPARATED, AND THOSE WHO LOVE THEM**
Whether you’re divorced or separated, want to help someone you love, or are interested in working to help divorced families, join Catholic author and evangelist, Rose Sweet, for “An Evening for the Divorced and Separated and Those who Love Them” on Friday, March 27 from 6:30-8:30 PM at St. Pius X Church in Cedar Rapids. Learn more and RSVP for this FREE event at www.DBQArch.org/Divorce.

**KNIGHTS TO MEET MARCH 19**
The Knights of Columbus will meet on March 19 with a light dinner at 6 PM followed by a meeting at 6:45 PM. We hope to see all Knights in attendance.

**LEARN TO BE A SIDEWALK ADVOCATE FOR LIFE**
Join Sidewalk Advocates for Life to learn about a compassionate and woman-oriented method of sidewalk advocacy. The class will be Saturday, March 28, 10 AM to 4 PM at Faith Lutheran Church, 1555 W. Ridgeway Ave., Waterloo. Pizza and snacks will be provided and a freewill offering will be taken to cover the cost of materials. RSVP to Program Director Katie Dalluge at (319) 215-5711 or faithluth@aol.com by March 20.

**LOG INTO REALM**
Have you logged in to REALM yet? Realm is the program St. Patrick switched to last June for our church database, and now you can make sure the information we have on file for your family is correct!

If you haven’t logged in yet, you should have received a REALM reminder the first week in March. To “claim your profile,” just click on the link in the email and follow the directions!

We will be using the REALM database to conduct our annual Time and Talent survey this year, so it is very important that you activate your REALM profile soon! Questions? Contact anyone at the parish office for assistance at (319) 266-3523.

**REALM HELP AT COFFEE AND DONUTS**
Parish staff will be available at Coffee and Donuts this weekend after both 7:30 AM and 9:30 Masses to offer help to anyone who needs assistance in logging into REALM, our new parish data base. Please bring your current email address and passwords as well as cell phone and password to gain access to the app store on your phone.

**PRAY FOR**
Family and Friends of Terry Woodward: Terry passed away recently. May God’s love and fond memories comfort you. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful receive the mercy of God.

Greater recognition of the ministry of women:
That we may be open to and encouraging of the ministerial gifts of women who bring the Good News to our communities.

All who are working to curtail the coronavirus:
That God will protect all who are caring for the sick and guide those researching cures and vaccines.

All who are preparing to celebrate the sacrament of penance:
That like the woman at the well, we may honestly face our life and find healing and strength in the sacrament.
Scrip News

SCRIP: EASY WAY TO HELP OUR SCHOOL
Did you know? For many vendors, once you buy a Scrip gift card you can simply reload it online. You can even do it while you are out shopping or dining or before you check out when shopping online. This is a really easy way to help our school and earn tuition dollars for a child. Possibilities include: Home Depot, Lowes, Walmart, Target, Old Navy/Gap, Petsmart, Kwik Trip, Starbucks, restaurants, and many more. Buy Scrip in the Narthex after Mass or click on the 'Order Scrip' quicklink on our homepage.

THANK YOU SCRIP SELLERS!
March 21/22  5:00  Molly Lahart
            7:30  Pat Boe
            9:30  Holly Manatt
           11:30  Pam Dugan
March 28/29  5:00  Janet Willett
            7:30  Peggy Seidel
            9:30  Lisa Strei
           11:30  Kathy Butler

CAN YOU HELP WITH COFFEE & DONUTS?
We need volunteers to host Coffee & Donuts! Consider volunteering with a group of friends or family to cover a Sunday. Please call the parish office at 266-3523 if you and/or your family are willing to help with this important ministry or sign up online through SignUpGenius. Please call the parish office or email theresa.dethlefs@gmail.com for more information.

THANK YOU FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES
These past many weeks Catholic Charities has received strong prayerful and financial support as part of their 2020 Annual Appeal. These gifts provide needed funds to provide assistance to the most vulnerable in our communities and in our families. Thank you to all who have given so generously. It is never too late to join this important effort. To learn more about Catholic Charities or to give go to http://www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org.

DONATE TOILETRIES TO MATTHEW 25 FOOD PANTRY
Have you been traveling this winter? Do you plan to do something special for spring break? Don’t know what to do with all those hotel toiletries you accumulate? Our Matthew 25 food pantry can use all those unopened containers of soap, shampoo, conditioner and toothpaste. This time of year, the food pantry’s supply of toiletries is getting low. Drop off containers at the Matthew 25 table in the link hallway on the way to Mass or bring them to the parish office during the week. Thank you for your generosity!

DON’T MISS TATIANA IVASCHENKO-JACKSON’S EXHIBIT
God is Love, an exhibition of the paintings of Tatiana Ivaschenko-Jackson, is on display at COR Gallery, 220 East 4th St. in Waterloo. For more information call (319) 349-6710 or cor220east@gmail.com.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION 101 – Saturday, March 28, April 4, 9:30-10:30 AM, Faith Formation Center, Blessed Sacrament Early Childhood Center, Waterloo. This series examines various dimensions of spiritual direction: what it is, the importance of holy listening, and the ability to discern movements of the heart. The series is free and open to the public. No registration required. Learn more online at: https://waterloocatholics.org/spiritual-direction-101

Stewardship Reflection

When Jesus asked the Samaritan woman for a drink of water, He opened the door for a life-changing relationship with Him. Scripture says her testimony drew many others to Him as well. We, too, must be ready to respond whenever and wherever the Lord speaks to us and be prepared for it to change our lives!

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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AT CHS
“I have found the paradox, that if you love until it hurts, there can be no more hurt, only more love.” (St. Teresa of Calcutta) Challenge yourself to begin to sacrifice and love God through prayer and visits to the Perpetual Adoration Chapel located at Columbus HS. Available 24/7 to all. Specific needs at this time are Mondays at 2 AM and 3 PM, and Tuesdays at 3 PM. Email cvadoration@gmail.com or call Mike Strei at 801-920-9130.

CONSIDER A CEW WEEKEND
Are you looking for a way to work on your relationship with God? Here is a wonderful opportunity to do just that! A Christian Experience Weekend (CEW) will be held at the Riverview Conference Center in Cedar Falls. The weekend will be held on March 27-29. The weekend is coed and registration is required. Brochures are available and for more information contact Mike Dudley (319)350-6764.

BUSY CATHOLIC’S ONLINE LENTEN RETREAT –
March 16-22. This year’s online retreat features reflections on the Beatitudes by Pope Francis. Information at 319-233-0498 and online at: https://waterloocatholics.org/online-lenten-retreat Register online at: http://bit.do/online-lent-retreat-20

FOOL’S FOLLY TO BENEFIT ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
Fool’s Folly Fashion Show, a pop up fashion fundraiser, will benefit the Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Waterloo. The fashion show will be April 1 at the showroom at Slumberland Furniture, 6607 University Avenue, Cedar Falls, Doors open at 6 PM with the show at 7 PM.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Waterloo, Waterloo West, Waterloo East and Columbus High School students and community volunteers are collaborating on the event. Tickets are $5 person general admission donation and are available via Eventbrite, at St. Patrick parish office, or at the door.

The event will provide attendees with a wonderful evening of silliness, joviality, and entertainment as they view examples of trends in fashion over history.

ST. STEPHEN THE WITNESS CATHOLIC

STUDENT CENTER AT UNI
1019 W 23 St. Cedar Falls, Iowa
Fr. Jon Seda
www.ststephenuni.org or Phone: 319-266-9863
Sunday Mass at 10:30 AM, 7 PM
Prime Time Mass, Wednesdays at 9 PM
Daily Mass: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at 4:30 PM when Fr. Seda is available.
Check the website for the most up-to-date daily Mass times.

Baptism Information

The next Baptism class will be offered on:
Monday, March 23 at 6:30 PM in the Commons.
Class is required for the first child only.
Parents are asked to contact the parish office at 319-266-3523 regarding your child’s Baptism.
You can schedule Baptisms during the following times:
1st weekend of the month - after 9:30 AM Mass
2nd weekend of the month - during 5:00 PM Mass
3rd weekend of the month - after 11:30 AM Mass
4th weekend of the month - during 9:30 AM Mass

Ushers:
Servers:
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