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Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:30 am

Weekday Mass Schedule

As stated in the weekly bulletin

Confessions Sunday: 8 am or by appointment

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Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:

8 am - 5 pm

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7 am - 3:30 pm

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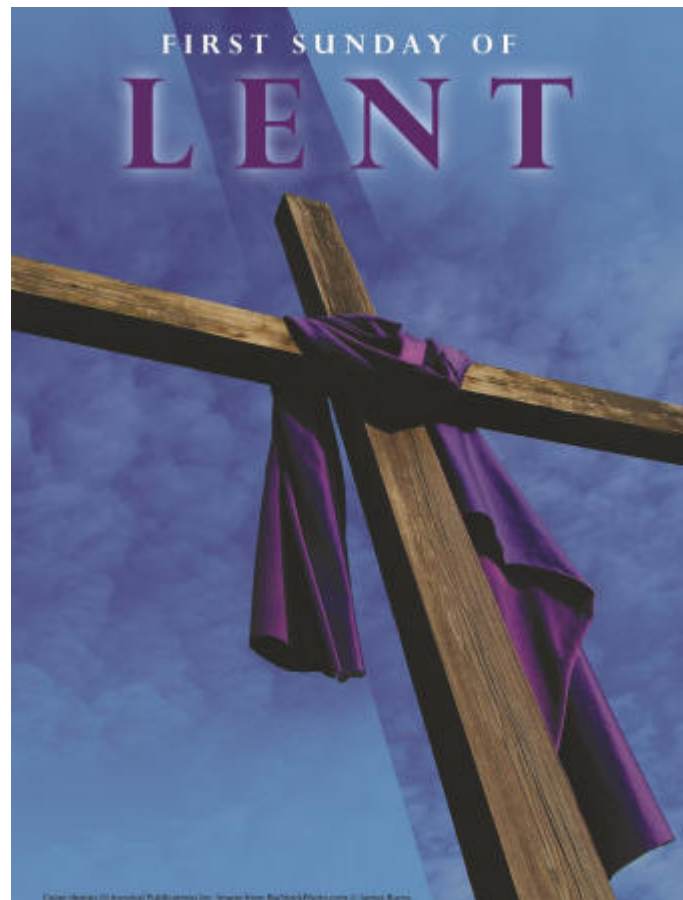
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*Working Together To
Build the Kingdom of God*



March 10, 2019
First Sunday of Lent



Friday, March 15th @ 8:30 am - Joseph & Germaine McElmeel

Sunday, March 17th @ 8:30 am - Darlene Allard

Scheduled Masses:

All Saints:

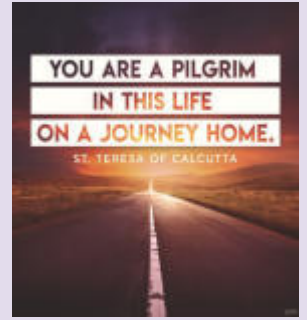
Saturday @ 4 pm
Sunday @ 10:30 am

St. Isidore the Farmer:

Saturday @ 6 pm

St. John the Baptist:

Sunday @ 8:30 am



Liturgical Ministers for March 17th

8:30 am: Sacristan: Mark Anton
 EM: Clara Magallanes Tom McGuire
 Pat Melchert Pam Kraus
 Marylynn Murray Allison Nissen
 Bev O'Connor Sue Schettler

Lectors: Vicky Wieseler Charlene Vig

Servers: Andrew Louwagie Mitch Louwagie
 Jenna Woodward Rachel Axtel

Greeters: Shawn & Merri Lueth family
 Angie Cannon family
 Jeremy & Abbie Stolte family



Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13
 Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [Jn 6:63b]/Mt 25:31-46
 Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15
 Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32
 Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [3a]/Mt 7:7-12
 Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26
 Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday:

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14[1a]/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

Our next CEO (Catholic Evangelization Outreach) will be held at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, Thursday, March 14 from 6:30-8:30. Parishioner David Harris will share how God brought him to the Catholic Church! A light meal will follow. Childcare is available. There is no charge and all are welcome! Bring a friend!!

**Weekly Contribution
March 3, 2019**

Budget, Adults.....	\$5,234.00
Loose Coin/Currency.....	\$138.00
Fuel.....	\$390.00
Total.....	\$5,762.00

**ACH Monthly Contribution
March 5, 2019**

Budget, Adult	\$4,825.00
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Thank you for your continued support!

Meetings and Activities of the Week

***Sunday, March 10th**

4:00 pm - NCYC Mtg.

Monday, March 11th

5:30 pm - Lenten Evening Prayer

Tuesday, March 12th

8:30 am - Adoration

6:30 pm - RCIA Session

Wednesday, March 13th

6:00 pm - FF grades 4th - 8th

7:00 pm - FF grades 9th - 12th

7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross (Leaders: Louwagie/Rhomberg)

8:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Adoration

Friday, March 15th

5 - 7:30 pm - Fish Fry @ KC Hall

Vernon Valley Dr., behind Casey's at the corner of Hwy 13 and Mt. Vernon Rd.

Sunday, March 17th

NO FF Classes



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

It will take too long. I can't spare it. I don't know anybody. I am just too busy. How many excuses can you think of to put forth as reasons why you should say no to the call of Jesus Christ? Wait. You didn't know to whom those responses were directed? We say no to many things and many people, but we wouldn't say no to Jesus. Really?

During this Lenten season, like all the other seasons, we will be asked to respond in many different ways. There will be **fasting, almsgiving, and abstinence** from certain foods. There will be invitations to various devotions and formational studies. We will be asked to reflect on our faith and then dive deeper.

The argument will be made by some that many of these things are being asked of us by others and not Jesus. Of course, that will just be another excuse like those above. For every calling upon us comes with a temptation to take the easy way out or to minimize the value of the request.

We will stay caught up in an endless cycle of excuses that lead us nowhere. That is unless we simply choose to stop the madness and say **YES!** This Lent, give up and give in. Let God take over as you surrender all you are and have to Him. Now is the time to turn to Jesus. No more excuses.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Former Planned Parenthood (PP) manager Sue Thayer is coming to Cedar Rapids Monday, March 18th. Sue joined the national 40 Days for Life team. Join her in prayer outside PP from 4-4:30 pm. Then hear her talk at All Saints Parish Hall from 5-6 pm.

Pray for that people recognize and affirm the dignity of human life, and that God leads each of us to take steps to defend life.

The Coalition for Life of Iowa invites you to pray in front of Planned Parenthood during our 40 Days for Life campaign. This draws attention to the evil of abortion through prayer, fasting, peaceful vigil, and community outreach. For additional info:

Web: <https://40daysforlife.com/cedar-rapids>

Phone: Call Pat at 319-721-9730

Email: coalitionforlife@gmail.com

Welcome into Full Communion:



We would like to welcome Kyle Stoner and Aaron Schwiebert into the community of St. John. Kyle and Aaron were received into the Roman Catholic faith on March 3, 2019 by Rev. John R. Flaherty.



LENTEN WORD SEARCH

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Faith Formation Opportunity for Lay Formation and IMPACT Alumni -

Experience God's grace and explore its impact on your life during our next IMPACT/LF Alumni Retreat, "**Grace: On the Journey to God.**" The retreat will be held at New Melleray Abbey, just outside of Dubuque. We are excited for the opportunity to pray with and learn from the monks this Lenten season. Join us Saturday, March 30, 10 am to Sunday, March 31, 12 noon. For more information or to register, contact Theresa Alt, 319-447-1132, alt.theresa@yahoo.com.

First Week of Lent

Encounter Norma

In Guatemala, we encounter Norma, who as a young mother, supports her family and shares her skills with her community. Reflect on the importance of family in your life. How can you contribute to support families in your community? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

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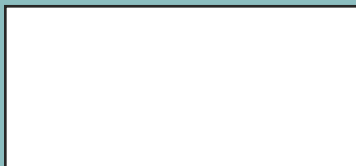
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