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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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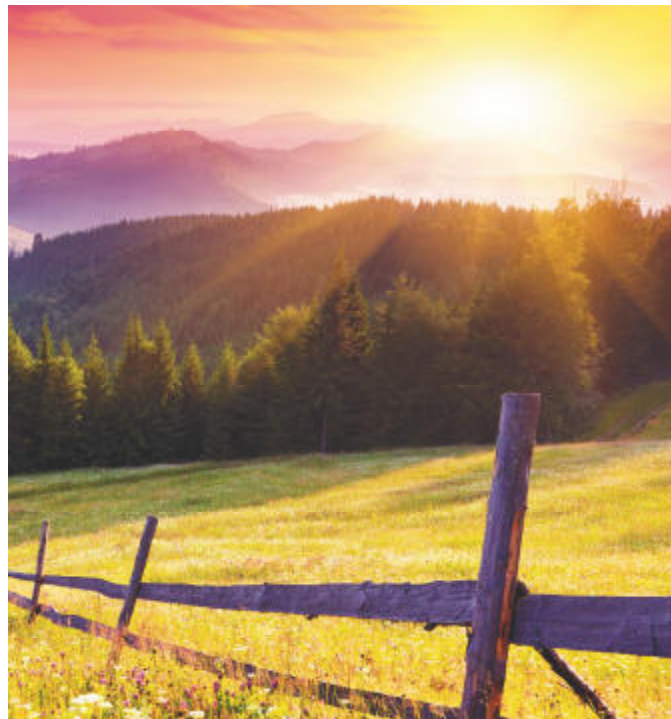
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So the sisters sent word to Jesus saying, "Master, the one you love is ill." When Jesus heard this he said, "This illness is not to end in death, but is for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it." - Jn 11:3-4

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April 7, 2019
Fifth Sunday of Lent



Friday, April 12th @ 8:30 am - Darlene Allard

Sunday, April 14th @ 8:30 am - Gabriel Deely

Liturgical Ministers for April 14th

8:30 am: Sacristan: Dennis Ludwig
 EM: Kathy Dix Marty Fall
 Donna Herring Diane Kimm
 Dave Klostermann Pam Kraus
 Merri Lueth Sue Schettler

Lectors: Irene Leonard Charlie Liberko

Servers: Mackenzie Ketchem Zach Kolker
 Mark Liberko Laura Swart

Greeters: Larry & Judy Poduska
 John & Amanda Rhomberg family
 Dean & Kathy Mallie

Readings  *Week*

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/
 Jn 8:1-11

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps
 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [4ab]/Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21 [2]/Jn 8:21-
 30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56
 [52b]/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 [cf. 7]/Jn
 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Jn
 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-
 24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14--23:56 or 23:1-49

Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." - Jn 8:6b-7

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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



**Weekly Contribution
 March 31, 2018**

Budget, Adults.....	\$3,791.00
Loose Coin/Currency.....	\$195.25
Easter Flowers.....	\$320.00
Rice Bowl.....	\$1,030.00
Total.....	\$5,336.25

Thank you for your continued support!

Meetings and Activities of the Week

Monday, April 8th

5:30 pm - Evening Prayer

Tuesday, April 9th

8:30 am - Adoration
 6:30 pm - RCIA Session



Wednesday, April 10th

6:00 pm - FF classes grades 4th - 8th
 7:00 pm - FF classes grades 9th - 12th
 7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross (Leaders: High School)
 8:00 - 10 pm - Adoration

Thursday, April 11th

7:00 pm - Communal Reconciliation @ St. Jude, CR

Friday, April 12th

5 - 7:30 pm - KC Fish Fry (behind the Casey on Mt. Vernon Rd. & Hwy 13)

Saturday, April 13th

10:30 am - Communal Reconciliation @ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Hiawatha



Easter flower donations are due this Monday, April 8th. You may drop your donation off at the Main Office between the hours of 8 am to 5 pm on Monday. If no one is here place in the Cedar Rapids Gazette box the main office door.

Our next CEO (Catholic Evangelization Outreach) will be held at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church on Tuesday, April 9 from 6:30-8:30. Parishioner Keith Nester will share his amazing journey to the Catholic faith! Refreshments will follow. Child-care is available. There is no charge and all are welcome! Bring a friend!!



REGISTERED IN OUR PARISH:
We welcome Peter and Garret Dietrich and their children, Amos and Edith to our parish family.



Palm Sunday, April 14th - Gathering in the Parish Center for Palms and processing into the Church

Holy Thursday, April 18th - @ St. John's ~ 7pm
Mass of the Lord's Last Supper
Adoration to follow until 10 pm

Good Friday Service, April 19th @ St Isidore ~ 3pm

Easter Vigil, April 20th @ St. John ~ 8pm
Reception to following in the lower level

Easter Sunday, April 21st @ St. John ~ 8:30 am
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Some celebrities do a lot to help out various causes that are meaningful to them. Sometimes they give of their time, talent, or treasure, while other times they create giving opportunities for the rest of us to be generous. The celebrity then does much to highlight the cause, and the hope is that enough people will give to make a difference.

I never judge another's motive when they choose to give to or support a cause. However, I hear many times a criticism levied against seemingly rich people who start a fundraiser and ask the rest of us to give: "Since they have so much money, they could simply give all the money needed themselves!" This exclamation often comes with disdain and a tone of superiority. This sentiment also comes frequently from those who have chosen to give little to nothing to the cause themselves.

Stewardship begins with the person in the mirror. You and I are accountable to each other, but at the end of the day, the only one who knows the true level of our generosity is God. As this Lent draws to a close, it is time to take a good long look in the mirror. You probably aren't famous, so there probably won't be a crowd of people to question the level of your sacrifice, devotion, and generosity this Lent. Of course, God knows and so does that person looking back at you in the mirror.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

GOSPEL MEDITATION

"The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle." The episode of the woman caught in adultery is a powerful story. We have perhaps all felt as the woman has at some point in our lives, surrounded by those who would condemn us. The beauty of Christ's mercy at the end is clear? and a welcome relief as we all struggle to be good and holy people. But have we ever imagined ourselves on the edge of the circle? Have we pictured ourselves in the sea of dusty robes? Perhaps, we hope, we're hovering at the edge of the circle of judgment. But we've all been there.

How easy it is to be righteous when someone else's reputation is at stake. When the small child is acting up in the grocery store or on the plane. When another company has a scandal break or a major error sets back their profits. Could it be easy to pick up the stone and feel its weight and heft in our hands? Because if we've got a stone in our hands, our own righteous category is clear. Our judgment is our insurance that we won't be on the receiving end of the criticism. If we can point out a wrong, surely we are firmly in the right.

"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her" ? they went away one by one. This Lent, not only are we invited to receive God's mercy, but to show God's mercy. As the season begins to wind to a close, consider those in your life you tend to judge the most harshly. What is one concrete way you can drop your stone?

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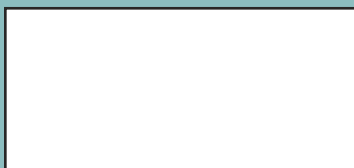
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