



7th Sunday
I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." - Lk 6:36



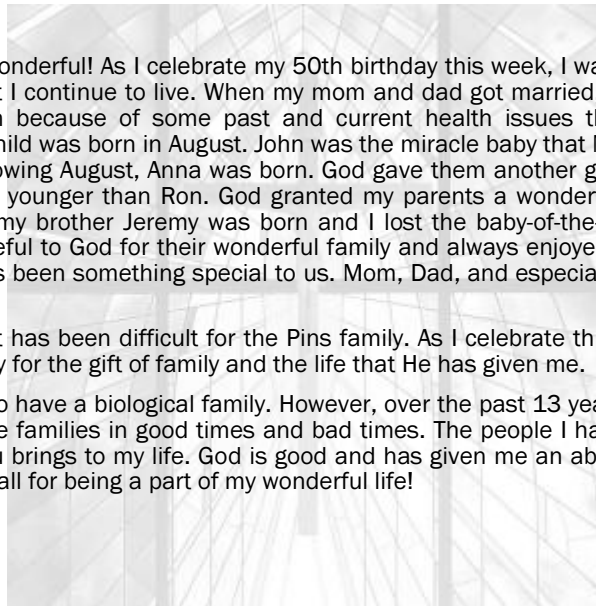
My Dear Good People,

The miracle of life is wonderful! As I celebrate my 50th birthday this week, I want to thank everyone who has been a part of this exciting life that I continue to live. When my mom and dad got married, they were told by doctors that they would not have any children because of some past and current health issues that plagued Mom. They were married in November; their first child was born in August. John was the miracle baby that Mom and Dad prayed to receive. They were filled with joy! The following August, Anna was born. God gave them another great gift! A little over a year later, Ron was born. I am 11 months younger than Ron. God granted my parents a wonderful family. I was the youngest child for six glorious years before my brother Jeremy was born and I lost the baby-of-the-family status. A few years later, Amy was born. Mom and Dad were always grateful to God for their wonderful family and always enjoyed having their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Family has always been something special to us. Mom, Dad, and especially God proved those doctors wrong. Life is wonderful!

A couple of years ago, we lost Mom. It has been difficult for the Pins family. As I celebrate this milestone in my life, the most important part is my family. I thank God every day for the gift of family and the life that He has given me.

God called me to be a priest and not to have a biological family. However, over the past 13 years as a priest, I have gotten to know many families. I have been invited into those families in good times and bad times. The people I have met throughout my life are my family. I appreciate everything that each of you brings to my life. God is good and has given me an abundance of family, parish family, seminary family, and brother priests. Thank you all for being a part of my wonderful life!

*God bless,
Fr. Joseph F. Pins*



ST. JOSEPH CAMPUS NEWS & EVENTS

SCHOOL CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

- Saturday, March 2**
Home & School Association's County Fair, 11am-2pm
- Thursday, March 7**
Board of Education, 6pm
- Wednesday, March 13**
Mass by grades 2 & 6
- Friday, March 15**
No School (teacher in-service)
- Monday, March 18–Friday, March 22**
Spring Break

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION & FELLOWSHIP

SUNDAY SCHOOL (AGES 3-6)

Meets the first three Sundays of the month during the 10am Mass. Contact Paulette Roche at 515-210-5399 or tjrdm@aol.com.

GRADES 1-8

Religious Education (RE) classes for grades 1-8 meet 6:15pm-7:30pm on Wednesdays in the school. This week, grades 3-8 will celebrate the Sacrament for Reconciliation during class; parents are encouraged to participate.

Contact Deb Ryan at dryan@stjosephdsm.org.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

Teens meet with their respective Confirmation year group on Wednesdays, 6-8pm, in the Parish Center. This week, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered.

Contact Tammie Dixon at tdixon@stjosephdsm.org.

CHILDREN'S RESOURCE TABLE

We welcome children of all ages to be present in the church during Mass at St. Joseph's. Please visit the children's resource table in our front gathering space as well as the bookcase in the chapel for a selection of age-appropriate books and other faith resources.

MASS MINISTRIES: TRAIN OR UPDATE YOUR PROFILE FOR NEXT SCHEDULE

Training for **Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Mass Coordinators** takes place in the church after all Masses this



weekend. You will be given a form to complete that provides your contact information and availability for scheduling. *Current ministry volunteers are asked to review their online profiles*

and add any "unavailable dates" during the next scheduling cycle, March 4–June 2. Thank you for sharing your gifts in these ministries!

PREPARING FOR BAPTISM AT ST. JOSEPH'S



Parents preparing to have their first child baptized are invited to prepare for this foundational sacrament by attending the next offering of this required formational class on **Sunday, March 3, 1-4pm**. Our parish follows Fr. Mike Schmitz's *Belonging: Baptism in the Family of God* program. To inquire or register, please contact Brett or Brianne Tigges by calling 712-

363-0307 or emailing Brianne.tigges@gmail.com.

MARCH 5 PRESENTATION ILLUMINATES THE POWER OF THE EUCHARIST

All are invited to the Parish Center on Tuesday, **March 5, 6:30pm**, for a profound presentation that draws upon Brant Pitre's newest book, *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist*. Fr. Pins recommends this book for an individual or group Lenten journey; and Carl A. Anderson, Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus, calls it "an exquisite view of the Eucharist as a personal encounter with Christ and the first Eucharist as a humanity-wide encounter with God!" **Kayla Richer and Debbie Chalik** of Sacred Heart Parish will present.



Break the Friday fast with other men as we enter into Lent 2019. How can Clint Eastwood make Lent more meaningful? How do we prepare for a meaningful Lent? Join us to find out! Our time together will include short video presentations and a faith story from one of our own. High-schoolers are welcome, and all are encouraged to bring a guest. This **no-charge breakfast** includes egg bake, bagels, juice, and coffee!

RSVP by emailing **Dave Dixon** at dix42@hotmail.com, calling 515-249-3381, or visiting "St. Joseph Men's Breakfast" on Facebook.

DIOCESAN NEWS & EVENTS



DOWLING CATHOLIC MUSIC EVENTS AT ST. AMBROSE CATHEDRAL

Enjoy the first collaborative performance by the Dowling Catholic Singers and ISU's Cantamus Women's Choir on Monday, **February 25**, 7:30pm. Dowling's annual Lenten concert, to

be held **Monday, March 11**, at 7:30pm, features the Catholic Singers, Concert Choir, and A Capella Choir. There is no admission for these events, but a free will offering will be accepted.

DEVOTION TO THE HOLY FACE OF JESUS

All are welcome to St. Anthony Church in Des Moines at 8:30am on Saturday, **March 2**, for Mass followed by a special presentation on the Devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus, a work of reparation that brings us into a deeper personal relationship with the Lord. For more information, call 515-244-4709.

Beat the Winter Blues

START THINKING ABOUT THE BEST WEEK OF THE SUMMER.

REGISTER FOR CATHOLIC YOUTH CAMP!

YOUTH IN GRADES 3 THROUGH HIGH SCHOOL ARE INVITED TO COME AND ENJOY A WEEK OF ADVENTURING IN THE OUTDOORS WHILE GROWING IN FAITH AND FRIENDSHIP!

REGISTER NOW AT STMCENTER.COM.

FINANCIAL AID IS AVAILABLE.



EVENT PREVIEWS

St. Joseph Campus events listed below will be detailed in future issues. Events hosted by other organizations will be detailed only as bulletin space allows; for your convenience, basic contact information is provided for non-parish events.

- March 1** | First Friday Mass at Basilica of St. John (Catholic Widows & Widowers, 515-988-7791)
- March 1-3** | Radix Retreat for High School Seniors (Diocese of Des Moines, 515-243-7653)
- March 3** | Iowa Catholic Men's Conference (Iowa Catholic Radio, 515-223-1150)
- March 6** | Ash Wednesday
- March 9** | St. Patrick's Gala (Catholic Charities, 515-237-5078)
- March 23** | Catholic Culture Lecture Series: Denis McNamara (Diocese of Des Moines, 515-237-5006)
- April 2-6 & April 30-May 4** | Parish Directory Photo Sessions
- April 14** | Palm Sunday

READINGS & OBSERVANCES

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 24, 2019

Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 [8a]/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 [cf. 5]/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175 [165a]/Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35 [35a]/Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 17]/Mk 10:13-16

Next Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 24, 2019

Sunday: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Next Sunday: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Being Christian isn't easy and we cannot become Christian with our own strength; we need the grace of God. There is a prayer which should be said every day: "Lord, grant me the grace to become a good Christian, because I cannot do it alone."

—Pope Francis

BULLETIN SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Submit to the Parish Office in writing by Friday at 9:00am, one week in advance of the date you wish to have your item featured. Email your submission to Lani at lmcdonald@stjosephdsm.org.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH & SCHOOL GYM

Sunday, February 24

Coffee & Donuts after Masses	Parish Center
2:45pm Softball Practice	School Gym
6:00pm Alpha—Topic 6	Parish Center
6:00pm Women's Prayer Group	St. Joseph Room

Monday, February 25

6:30pm Boy Scouts	School Gym
6:30pm Scripture Study	Parish Center

Tuesday, February 26

Fr. Pins's Birthday!

6:00pm Financial Peace University	St. Joseph Room
6:30pm Cheer Practice	School Gym

Wednesday, February 27

9:00am Scripture Study	Parish Center
3:45pm Angel for a Day (SJS & DCHS)	St. Joseph Room
6:00pm HS Ministry—Confirmation Year 2	Parish Center
6:15pm Religious Education (Grades 1-8)	School

Thursday, February 28

5:00pm Softball Practice	School Gym
7:00pm Worship & Spirituality	Parish Center

Friday, March 1

6:30pm Cheer Practice	School Gym
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Saturday, March 2

7:30am Men's Prayer Group	St. Joseph Room
12:00pm Private Event (until 4:00pm)	Parish Center

Sunday, March 3

Sunday School during 10am Mass (ages 3-6)	St. Joseph Room
Coffee & Donuts after Masses	Parish Center
11:00am Decorating for Lent	Church
1:00pm 5/0 Club	Parish Center
2:45pm Softball Practice	School Gym
3:30pm Rosary & Benediction	Church
6:00pm Alpha—Topic 7	Parish Center
6:00pm Women's Prayer Group	Parish Center

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 23

5:00pm Joe Fatino †

Sunday, February 24

8:00am Tony & Regina Kowalski †

10:00am Parishioners

Monday, February 25

7:00am Communion Service

Tuesday, February 26

7:00am Dorothy Koehly †

Wednesday, February 27

8:30am Marvin Deer †

Thursday, February 28

7:00am Parishioners

Friday, March 1

7:00am Ronald Muff †

Saturday, March 2

5:00pm Colleen Roberts & Val West †

Sunday, March 3

8:00am Parishioners

10:00am Marlene Berg †

† Departed



To have a Mass intention for a departed loved one, please contact the Parish Office. Per Canon Law, we can only offer intentions within 12 months of the current date. Your loved one's name may or may not be specifically mentioned at Mass.

MASS & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE

PARISH MASS TIMES

Weekends

Saturday, 5:00pm | Sunday, 8:00am & 10:00am

Weekdays

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 7:00am

Wednesday, 8:30am

Holy Days

9:00am & 6:30pm (subject to change)

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION HOURS

Weekdays, 10:00am-10:00pm, in the Chapel

Come to pray, reflect, or simply rest in Our Lord's presence in the Blessed Sacrament.

ST. JOSEPH CAMPUS INFORMATION

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Joseph Pins, Pastor
Rev. Mr. Marvin Brewer, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Randy Lynch, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Bill Hare, Deacon
Paula Fastenau, Business Manager
Ervin Rowlands, School Principal
Deb Ryan, Religious Education
Tammie Dixon, High School Youth Ministry
Debbie Muse, Bookkeeper
Lani McDonald, Parish Secretary
Krystelle Cortes-Ryan, School Secretary
Barb Pytel, Music Ministry
Ken Dales & Ray Noble, Maintenance

PARISH & SCHOOL OFFICES

Parish Office (Mon-Fri, 8:30am-3:30pm) | (515) 266-2226
Religious Education Office (515) 266-2449
School Office (Mon-Fri, 7:30am-4:00pm) | (515) 266-3433

SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick

If you or a loved one desires this healing sacrament, please contact the Parish Office to arrange a pastoral visit at the place of care. *Also, while hospitals strive to notify us when a parishioner is admitted, we depend on parish members to keep us fully informed.*

Baptism

The family must be registered at this parish. If this is the family's first baptism, classes are required. Please call the Parish Office.

First Communion

Children of the diocese prepare for this sacrament in the second grade. For information and registration, please contact Deb Ryan in the Parish Office.

Confirmation

Youth of the diocese prepare for this sacrament through a two-year program and are confirmed in their sophomore year of high school. Please contact Tammie Dixon at the Parish Office.

Matrimony

One member of the couple must be registered at this parish. Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance of the proposed wedding date; diocesan guidelines do not permit setting a definite date for the wedding until part of the Marriage Preparation Program has been completed.

Penance (Reconciliation)

Saturday, 3:45pm-4:30pm | Sunday, 7:00-7:45am & 9:15-9:45am
Priesthood & Religious Life Information
Please visit www.vocationsonline.com.

NEWCOMERS OR THOSE INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC

Welcome to St. Joseph Parish! We are so happy that you are here, and we look forward to meeting you. *If you would like to join our parish, please pick up a registration form in the main church entry. You may return the form by mail, or in person to the Parish Office. If you are curious about the Catholic faith and open to becoming a Catholic Christian, please contact the Parish Office to learn more.*

PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY

Please contact the Parish Office with your prayer needs.

PARISH COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Pastoral Council | Sharon Vail, Chair

Meets monthly on the third Saturday at 8:00am in the Parish Center.

Finance Council | Dave Wingert, Chair

Meets on the second Saturday at 8:00am in the Parish Center.

Board of Education | Will Utter, Chair

Meets monthly on the first Thursday at 6:00pm in the Parish Center.

Building & Grounds Committee | Brett Tigges, Chair


Meets quarterly in the Parish Center.

Worship Committee | Lisa Black & Mary Slater, Co-Chairs

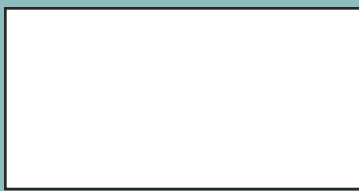
Meets monthly on the fourth Thursday at 7:00pm in the Parish Center.

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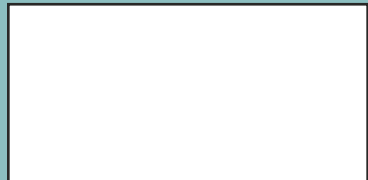
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