St. Joseph Catholic Church

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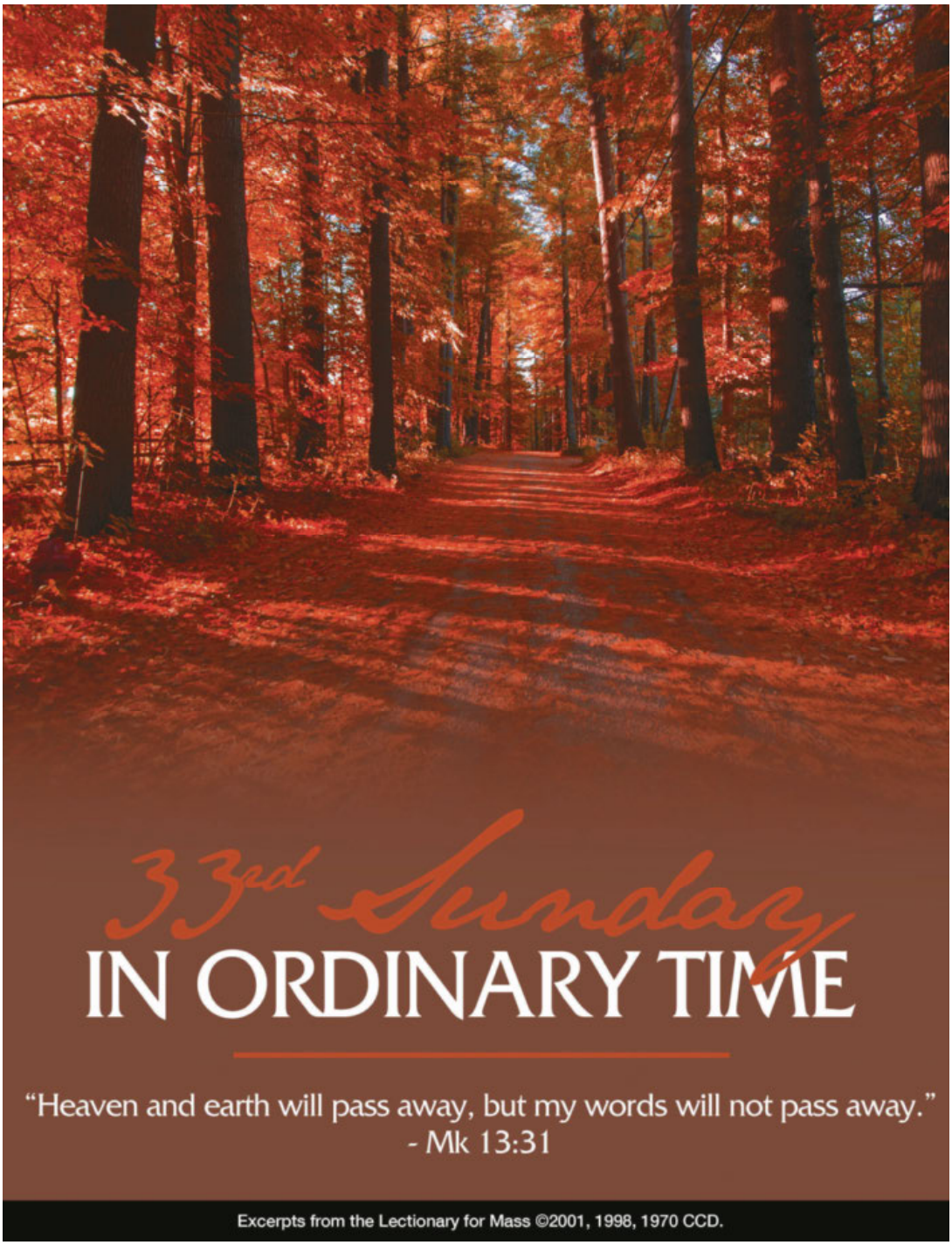
November 14, 2021

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Together we are St. Joseph: a healthy, growing, and welcoming faith community that brings people to Christ, forming intentional disciples and sending them out to transform the world. Every member is committed to worship, grow, serve, connect, and give.



Mass Times

Weekends
Saturday | 5pm
Sunday | 8am & 10am

Weekdays
No Monday Mass
Tuesday - Friday | 8:30am
The Rosary is prayed before Mass

Holy Days
Mass times vary for Holy Days on the Church's liturgical calendar. Check the bulletin and our website.

Eucharistic Exposition & Prayer

Exposition of the Eucharist
Tue, Wed & Fri, 7-8am
Thursdays, 9am-9pm

Adoration of Jesus in the Tabernacle
Come to pray, reflect, or simply rest in Our Lord's presence in the Tabernacle. Weekdays until 9pm, Saturdays until 6:30pm, Sundays until 8pm.

Prayer Ministries
Contact the Parish Office with your prayer requests for our Prayer Chain Ministry, 266-2226 or lstarnold@stjosephcatholicdsm.org

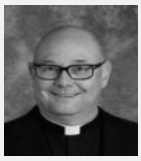
Sacraments & Care Ministries

Reconciliation
Saturday | 3:30pm-4:45pm
Sunday | 7:15am-7:45am & 9:15am-9:45am
Also available by appointment

Other Sacraments
Please see page 4.

Caring for the Sick or Confined
Please contact the Parish Office to receive Holy Communion, Anointing of the Sick, or simply a visit at the place of care. *We depend on family and parishioners to inform us when someone is hospitalized or homebound.*

My Dear Good People,



A big thank you to all those who helped move the Tabernacle. Yes, we have a smaller Tabernacle for now as our larger one is being refinished. The company that does this work is behind on their work. Please join in prayer that they will be able to finish this work before Easter!

Next weekend, I will be attending the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis with teens from our parish. Please keep our group in your prayers that the youth will grow closer to Christ during this adventure. Fr. Hurley will be here for all the Masses next weekend. Thank you in advance for making him feel at home again.

Please sign up for helping with the East Side Cluster of Churches serving a Thanksgiving meal. This is a wonderful way to give back to our community. We need many volunteers the day before and the day of Thanksgiving. Please see the big binders by the doors to sign up to volunteer. This has been an awesome tradition to share, and give thanks to God for all He has done for us.

We continue to move forward with our building expansion. The Ball Team will be our General Contractor and they are looking forward to partnering with us. The design of the building is coming together, and we hope to share some drawings and other images of the new building soon. We are all excited about this expansion to our campus.

Together We are St. Joseph! *Fr. Joseph Pins*

St. Joseph Campus News & Events

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 13
5:00pm Michael Nassif †
Sunday, November 14
8:00am David & Colleen Ryan †
10:00am Parishioners
Tuesday, November 16
8:30am Monika & Francis Kursitis †
Wednesday, November 17
8:30am Fr. Dan Gehler †
Thursday, November 18
8:30am Communion Service
Friday, November 19
8:30am Communion Service
Saturday, November 20
5:00pm Patrick & Ellen Bishop †
Sunday, November 21
8:00am Parishioners
10:00am Amy Vore †
† Deceased

Observances

Week of November 14, 2021

Sunday: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Tuesday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin
Wednesday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
Thursday: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin
Saturday: BVM
Next Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Noteworthy Dates For Our Campus & Beyond

St. Joseph Campus events listed below will be detailed in future issues. Events hosted by other organizations will be detailed as bulletin space allows; contact information is provided as needed.

November 17 | Healing Service at St. Ambrose Cathedral | Church opens 7pm
November 19 - 21 | Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend | Register at Iowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305 with any questions.
November 20 | Easton Place United Methodist Food Pantry Drive-Thru | 2412 Easton Blvd, 1-2pm
November 20 | Iowans For Life Gala: *The Holy Family* | Hy-Vee Ron Pearson Conference Center, West Des Moines | Buy your tickets or table online, iowansforlife.org
November 20-21 | St. Joseph Rosary Society Bake Sale | Before & After all Masses this weekend (see page 3)
November 21 | NPM (National Association of Pastoral Musicians) *Annual Mass for the Blessing of Musicians* | St. Ambrose Cathedral, 3pm (see page 3)
November 22 | The Third Option Marriage Enrichment | Questions? Contact Adam Storey, 515-237-5056 | All Saints Catholic Church, 7-9pm
November 25 | Thanksgiving Mass at St. Joseph Church | 9am (see page 3)

ST. JOSEPH PARISH FAMILY JOURNAL

In October, St. Joseph Parish was blessed to have shared in several momentous events with our parish family members. Please join us in offering your prayers and encouragement.

Our Recently Departed
Lois Neu
Philip Huss

Our Newest Parishioners
Stanley & Melissa Savage; Aniston & Amelia (daughters)

Our Newly Married
Luke Fisher & Hannah Munson

SUPPORT OUR BAKE SALE

Calling All Bakers!

The **Rosary Society** needs donations for a successful bake sale, **November 20 & 21.** Rosary Society members and other bakers of the parish are invited to drop off your donation of delicious creations in the Parish Center, before and after all Masses that weekend. The Rosary Society will be your Coffee & Donuts hosts that weekend, along with having all of the delicious baked goods for sale. Save your appetite for this delicious annual event! The next meeting of the Rosary Society will be held in the Parish Center, November 18, 6:30pm.

Thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated at 9am on Thanksgiving Day, **November 25.** The collection taken up that day will be used for our fund for the needy. Come early and check in with Fr. Pins if you would like to help with Mass Ministry.

Parish Office Hours

Due to Thanksgiving, the office will be closed November 25 - 26. Enjoy your family!

Music Notes

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus speaks of the end of the earth and heavens, when "the Son of Man" will return to gather his elect. So today we sing "Soon and Very Soon," by Andrae Crouch. We wait in faith and hope for that great day when we will see Jesus, the King of the Universe. We have no way to know "what God has ready" for us, as we sing in "Eye Has Not Seen" by Marty Haugen, yet we trust in God's mercy and love, looking forward to an eternity in His presence.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

NCYC ~ A Call to Pray

Please keep the 10 teens, Fr. Pins, Tammie Dixon, and Brianne Tigges in your prayers as they travel to the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis on November 18-21! While Fr. Pins is absent, Deacon Bill will provide Communion Services on Thursday, November 18, and Friday, November 19. Thanks, Deacon Bill!

Dear Parishioners,

I would like to thank everyone who has participated in our parish planning study. The response has been strong, but we are still looking for input from everyone in our community. Completing the survey will take just a few minutes.

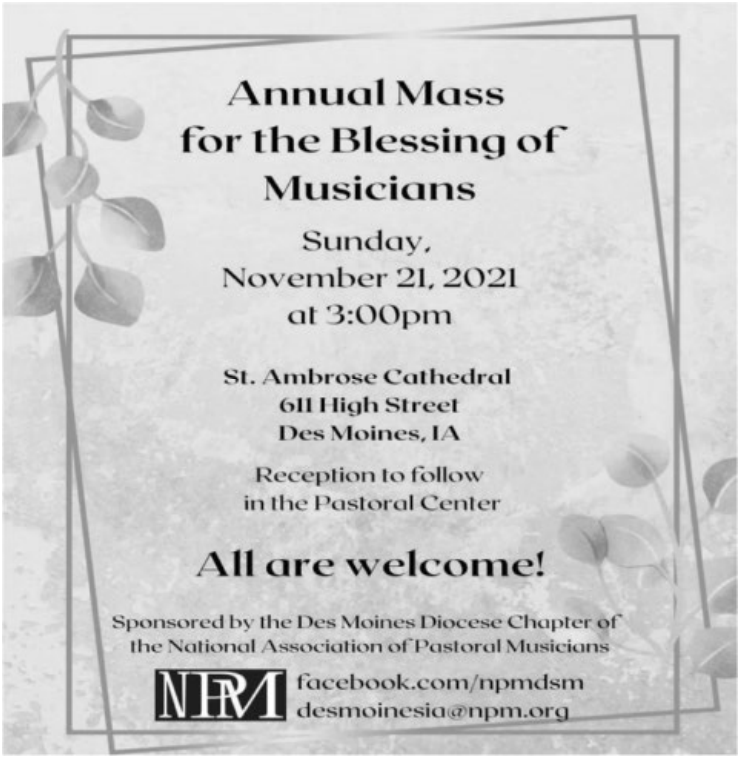
The deadline to return your completed survey is Sunday, November 21. You may return your survey to the parish office or place it in the offertory basket at any of the Masses.

You may also complete the survey online by going to **steiergroup.com/survey**, and click on St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Again, thank you for your feedback and for participating in this important effort.

Gratefully,

Fr. Joseph Pins
Pastor



Campus Information

Pastoral Team

Rev. Joseph Pins, Pastor
Rev. Mr. Marvin Brewer, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Randy Lynch, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Bill Hare, Deacon
Dave Ortega, Business Manager, Director of Faith Formation
Jodi Halligan, School Principal
Tammie Dixon, High School Youth Ministry
Debbie Muse, Bookkeeper
Lisa St. Arnold, Parish Administrative Secretary
Krystelle Cortes-Ryan, School Administrative Secretary
Kristin Hook, School Secretary
Dodie Bauman, Music Ministry
Elizabeth Gavin, Custodial, Maintenance
Dan Schmitz, Custodial, Maintenance
Bailee St. Arnold, Custodial

Parish & School Offices

Parish Office (Mon-Fri, 8:30am-3:30pm) | (515) 266-2226
Faith Formation Office 402-4734 (Dave), 266-2449 (Tammie - HS)
School Office (M-F, 7:30am-3:30pm) | (515) 266-3433

Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick
Details on cover.

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 begin preparing for this sacrament in the first grade, then receive the sacrament in second grade. For information and registration, please contact Dave Ortega, 515-402-4734.

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, 515-266-2449.

Matrimony
One member of the couple must be registered at this parish. 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.

Reconciliation
Details on cover.

Priesthood & Religious Life Information
Please visit www.vocationsonline.org.

Church Hours

Weekdays - 7am - 9pm
Saturday - 7am - 6:30pm
Sunday - 7am - 8pm

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

Details on cover.

Parish Core Councils Meeting Times

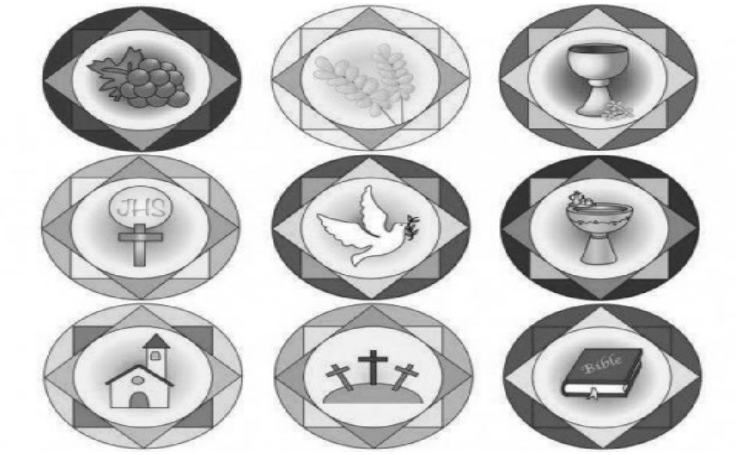
Pastoral Council | TBD, *Chair*
Meets monthly on the third Saturday at 8:00am.
Finance Council | *Nick Gifford, Chair*
Meets monthly on the third Tuesday at 7:00pm.
Board of Education | *Will Utter, Chair*
Meets monthly on the first Thursday at 6:00pm.
Building & Grounds Committee | *Brett Tigges, Chair*
Meets quarterly.
Worship Committee | *Lisa Black & Mary Slater, Co-Chairs*
Meets monthly on the fourth Thursday at 7:00pm.

Catholic Life Explained

Question:
Why do some sacraments leave a character or mark on the soul? Don't all sacraments affect the soul?

Answer:
All sacraments mediate grace and connect us to Christ and to the Church. Some sustain us in our faith journey, while others help us heal from the effects of sin. Each one offers a share in God's life, giving us what we need to be faithful followers of Jesus. But some sacraments change us in ways that are irreversible. The three sacraments that leave a character are Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders. We are literally different people because of the effect of the grace of those sacraments. We are changed at the core of our being in such a fundamental way that we can not go back to what we once were.

In Baptism, we are freed from original sin, initiated into the Body of Christ as adopted sons and daughters. In Confirmation, we are given the fullness of God's Spirit, sealed in his grace and gifted with what we need to live a Christian life. In Holy Orders, a priest is marked as an 'alter Christus,' another Christ, and is once and forever a priest who offers sacrifice, forgives sin, and acts in the person of Christ. In these three sacraments, we are conformed more closely to Christ, reflecting his love and truth. ©LPi



Questions of the Week

First Reading:
The prophet Daniel foresees a time of "unsurpassed distress" where all receive divine judgment of either everlasting life or everlasting disgrace. Do thoughts of the end times bring you comfort or concern?

Second Reading:
The author of Hebrews continues to emphasize Jesus' death as the definitive and final sacrificial offering for sins. Why do you think this is a central theme in the Letter to the Hebrews?

Gospel:
Jesus speaks of his Second Coming at the end of time and warns his disciples: "Be watchful! Be alert!" How are you preparing for judgment day? ©LPi

Campus Calendar, CYC, Friendsgiving & Catholic Kids!

November 14 - November 21

Sunday, November 14

9:00am	Coffee & Donuts by School Staff	Parish Center
11:00am	Baptism - Ivan & Angel Contreras-Avalos	Church
1:00pm	Martha & Mary Group	Parish Center

Monday, November 15

6:30pm	Scripture Study	Parish Center

Tuesday, November 16

8:30am	School Mass by 4th Grade	Church
10:00am	Steier Group Interviews	St. Joseph Rm
6:00pm	RCIA	Parish Center
7:00pm	Finance Council	St. Joseph Rm
7:00pm	Steier Group Interviews	St. Cecelia Rm

Wednesday, November 17

8:30am	School Mass by 6th Grade	Church
10:00am	Steier Group Interviews	St. Joseph Rm
4:00pm	Steier Group Interviews	St. Cecelia Rm
6:00pm	Alpha for Year 1 Teens	Parish Center
6:15pm	Faith Formation (grades 1-8)	School
7:30pm	Year 2 Teens - Confirmation Prep	Parish Center

Thursday, November 18 ~ Fr. Pins Gone

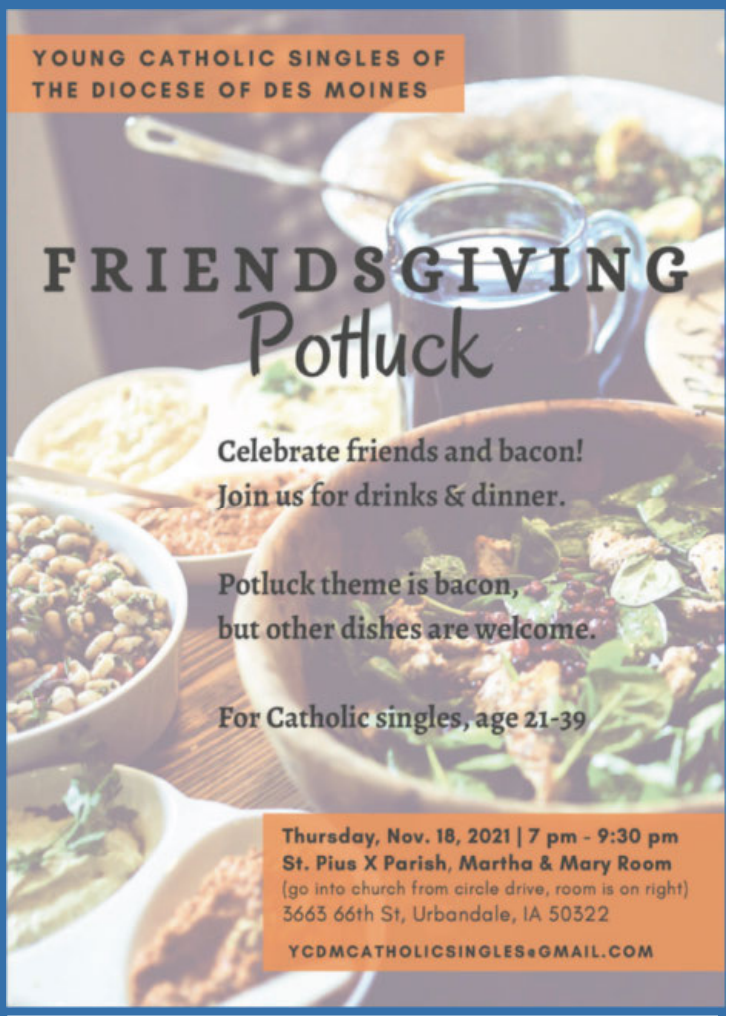
8:30am	Communion Service by Deacon Bill	Church
9:00am	Exposition of the Eucharist (all day)	Church
10:00am	Steier Group Interviews	St. Joseph Rm
6:00pm	Steier Group Interviews	St. Cecelia Rm
6:30pm	Knights of Columbus Regular Meeting	St. Joseph Rm
6:30pm	Rosary Society	Parish Center
9:00pm	Benediction	Church

Saturday, November 20 ~ Fr. Pins Gone

7:30am	Men's Prayer Group	Parish Center
4:00pm	Rosary Society Bake Sale	Parish Center

Sunday, November 21 ~ Fr. Pins Gone

7:30am	Bake Sale (before & after all Masses)	Parish Center
9:00am	Coffee & Donuts hosted by Rosary Society	Parish Center
4:00pm	Ladies Matthew 18:20 Prayer Group	Chapel



PUZZLE

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MISSION

Invite a friend to come to church with you. Share a meal together, and talk about the promise Jesus made about heaven.

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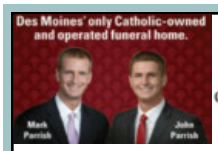

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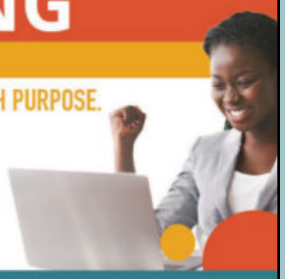

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