

January 9, 2022

St. John XXIII



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MASS TIMES

Saturday at 4pm

Sunday at 8am & 10am

T-W at 7:30 am, Th at 12:15 pm

Fri at 7am (@ Xavier when school
in session)

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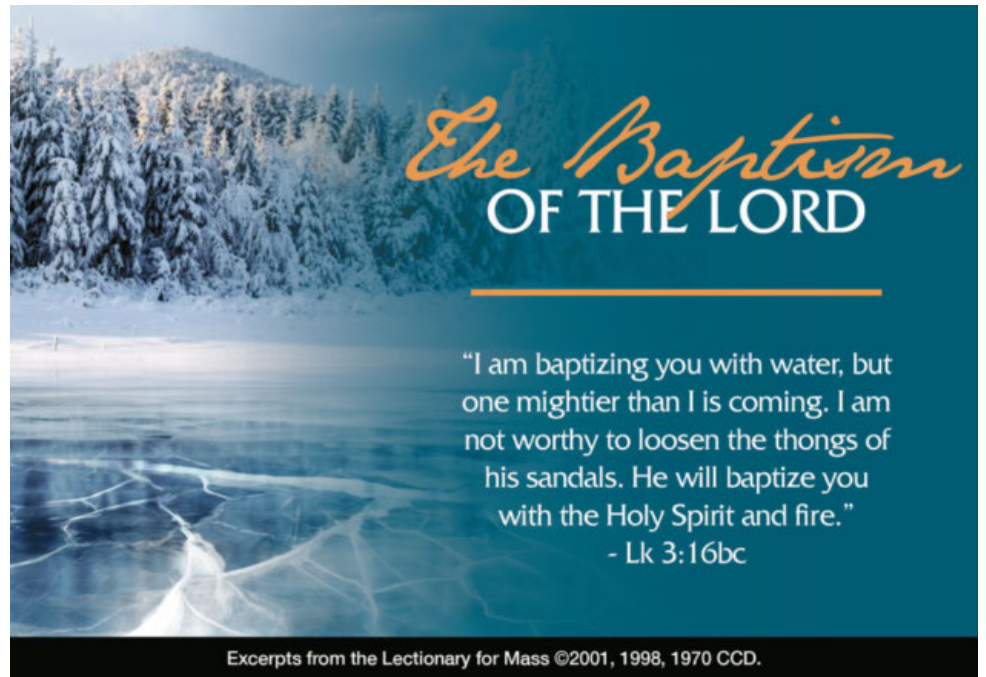
OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday, 8:00-4pm

Friday, 8:00am-12:00pm

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parishioners of St. John XXIII,
commit to be disciples of Jesus
through prayer, Worship, study and service.



NEW PARISH REGISTRATIONS

Registration form can be found on the front page of parish website or contact parish office.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 2:30 pm, by appointment or before or after weekday Masses.

BAPTISM

Must attend (2) Baptism Classes **prior** to scheduling Baptism. Call parish office to register for classes.

MARRIAGE

Contact the pastor eight (8) months before your wedding.

From the Desk of Father Richmond

My Beloved Parishioners:

HAPPY FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD!

Today's feast reminds us that God will tear the heavens open to declare how much he loves us, as he did during the baptism of Jesus. With this celebration, we bring our Christmas Season to an end. Tomorrow, we begin the season we call the Ordinary Time. If we look carefully, we can find the love of God in all things, even in the pains of life. Jesus could go on and carry out his mission in life, in good times and in bad, because he knew that the Father loves him. Jesus did not define himself by what he could do for the Father, with the fact that He is the beloved Son of God, and that is enough! As Children of God, our worth is not based on our achievements, success, or possessions but on the fact that we are beloved sons/daughters of God.

FAITH NUGGETS (Brief Catechizes)

Holiness: At times, life presents great challenges. Through them, the Lord calls us anew to a conversion that can make his grace more evident in our lives, "in order that we may share his holiness" (*Heb 12:10*). At other times, we need only find a more perfect way of doing what we are already doing: "There are inspirations that tend solely to perfect in an extraordinary way the ordinary things we do in life." When Cardinal François-Xavier Nguyễn van Thuân was imprisoned, he refused to waste time waiting for the day he would be set free. Instead, he chose "to live the present moment, filling it to the brim with love." He decided: "I will seize the occasions that present themselves every day; I will accomplish ordinary actions in an extraordinary way" (From "*Rejoice And Be Glad*" para. 17)

Special Gratitude:

- All Who Helped With Christmas Decorating & Masses: I am very grateful to the Liturgy Committee, Music Ministry, Cantors, Lectors, Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, and all who helped us plan, decorate the Church, and celebrate our Christmas

Masses. You did a wonderful job to help us celebrate the Joy and Peace of our Savior even in a challenging year. May God continue to bless you and your families!

For Your Prayerful Attention and Involvement

- **Votive Candles for Your Private Devotion:** Please make time to stop by the Church and light a candle and pray for your private intentions. The prayers can be for any intentions and are not limited to prayers for the dead. We have also placed the book of petitions near the votive candles, so please write down any intention you desire us to pray with you on. As usual, we will pray for those intentions each day at Mass.
- **Eucharistic Adoration.** Please take some time for personal devotion to the Blessed Sacrament: The lives of the saints reveal that *we become what we adore!* So make time to visit Jesus in the Tabernacle. The Christmas Gift we gave you (The Pamphlet on Eucharistic Adoration) is a good guide to help you practice this important and life-changing devotion. You will grow a deeper love for Christ and feel his love more as you spend time with him through Eucharistic Adoration. It does not get better than that; believe me! We indeed become what we adore!

May Christ continue to deepen our understanding of how much we are loved and grant us the grace to respond to his love and become the disciples we are called to be. God loves you, and so do I.

In prayer with you,
Fr. Richmond

Your Shared Treasure

For: December 24-26, 2021

Adult Budget (81).....	\$6,758.87
Adult Budget EFT (77).....	2,694.33
Offertory.....	305.00
Visitor.....	150.00
Christmas.....	13,555.50
Total.....	\$23,463.70
Extending the Dream.....	\$975.00
Extending the Dream EFT (34).....	654.21

Thank You For Your Support!

Second Session of the Bible Timeline.

Join us on Thursdays at 6:00 beginning on January 13th and walk the Bible TimeLine: The Story of Salvation Session 9 through Session 16. If you missed these sessions in the past, please join us. Participants will watch the 50 minute video on-line (or use the Parishes DVDs) individually. We'll then meet at 6:00 pm to 6:45 PM on Thursday night at St. John XXIII for the discussion group. Use this link to see a Free Preview and order your materials. <https://ascensionpress.com/collections/the-bible-timeline-the-story-of-salvation>

The second 8 week session will start on January 13 and will finish on March 3rd.. If you have questions, please contact Joe Blanck (dbq227d2@dbqarch.org or 319-360-7648). If you plan to attend, please email Joe Blanck at dbq227d2@dbqarch.org

Jesus: The Way, The Truth, and the Life

This is a 10 week bible study focused upon Jesus Christ. Filmed in the Holy Land, Marcellion D'Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins and Edward Sri present a new and fresh look at Jesus.

Sessions begin on Thursday February 3, 2022 and will end on Thursday April 7, 2022. Participants will watch the 30 minute video on-line. Don't have an internet connection at home? We can set you up to watch weekly at the parish. The discussion group will meet at 6:00 pm to 6:45 PM on Thursday night at St. John XXIII. Use this link to see a Free Preview and order your materials. <https://ascensionpress.com/collections/jesus-way-truth-and-life>

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Catholic Heart Workcamp

We still have a few openings for our service trip to Cincinnati CHWC from July 17-22, 2022. This is open to all high school students. Contact Tracy at the parish office for more information.

KC Blood Drive & Pancake Breakfast

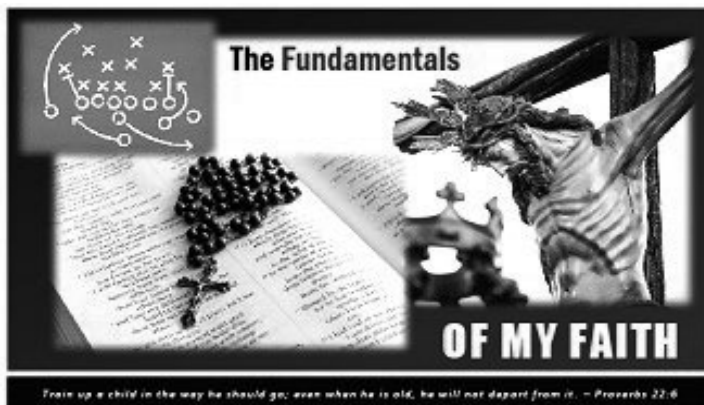
The Knights will hold their annual Fairfax Community Blood Drive and Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, January 22 from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Fairfax American Legion. To schedule an appointment to donate, go to www.bloodcenterimpact.org and search for the Fairfax Community drive, email Rick Zettler at rickzettler@gmail.com or call Rick at 319-551-9361. We look forward to seeing you there!

Help Ship School Desks to Ghana

Xavier High School has donated 350 desks to the Ghana Christian Family Foundation to be shipped to rural and deprived schools in Ghana. The Foundation needs help paying for the shipping costs. If you are able to help, please contact Jackie Oliver at ghanacffoundation1@gmail.com or 563-513-7574.

Theology on Tap

All 21-39 year olds are invited to join us at Parlor City on January 20th at 6pm to hear from Deacon Scott Zogg on "Faith and Science". First drink is on us! Check out facebook.com/CRTtoT for more information.



The Fundamentals

OF MY FAITH

Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old, he will not depart from it. — Proverbs 22:6

Coach Duane Schulte doesn't consider himself to be an amazing Catholic of any sort. He does, however, practice the fundamentals of our God-given faith.

His time-honored & peer-supported, winning strategy on the football field is consistent with the strategy he applies in his daily life of faith.

You are invited "inside the huddle" to hear Coach Schulte share from his faith playbook, and best prepare for the most important game of all... life!

Livestream: <https://vimeo.com/event/821526>



Where: St. Jude Catholic Church
50 Edgewood Rd NW - Cedar Rapids, IA 52405
When: Monday, January 24, 2022
Time: 6:30 - 8:00 PM
This event is FREE and ALL are welcome!
A light meal will be served - Child care is not available

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Mass Intentions

Baptism of the Lord

Saturday, January 8

4:00 pm members of the Jackson family

Sunday, January 9

8:00 am All Parishioners

10:00 am Connie Schulte

Monday, January 10 - Weekday - No Mass

Tuesday, January 11 - Weekday

7:30 am Special Intention

Wednesday, January 12 - Weekday

7:30 am Jerry Hall

Thursday, January 13 - Weekday

12:15 pm Megan Cox Klaus

Friday, January 14 - Weekday

7:00 am Sylvester Henely (@ Xavier)

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, January 15

4:00 pm Magner-Davidson family

Sunday, January 16

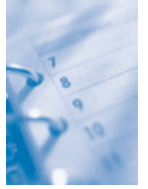
8:00 am All Parishioners

10:00 am Mike Scott



Do you desire the company of holy women? Plan on joining us for the 2022 Virtual Archdiocesan Women's Conference, Beauty in Christ: Holy Women of the Visitation, Saturday, January 29, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We will gather here at the parish to experience all the great features of our annual women's conference: Archbishop Jackels, two national speakers, music, prayer, and worship! Speakers Emily Jaminet and Liz Kelly will focus on the beauty of the Visitation between Mary, Our Blessed Mother, and Elizabeth, as well as our visitation as sisters in Christ! If you didn't receive an email RSVP and want to attend, please call the parish office to register.

Meetings & Happenings:



Sunday, January 9

Parish novena, 7:30 am & 9:30 am
Donut social, after Mass
Children's Liturgy, 10 am
Baptism, 11:30 am
Evangelization team meeting, 11:30 am
Young adult group, 5:30 pm
High school Bible study, 6 pm
Youth group planning, 7 pm

Monday, January 10

Social concerns committee, 6:15 pm

Tuesday, January 11

Men of Action, 6:30 am and 6 pm
Eucharistic Adoration, 8 am to 7 pm
Parish Council meeting, 5:30 pm
RCIA, 5:30 pm
Rosary & Benediction, 7 pm
Zoom Formed study group, 8 pm

Wednesday, January 12

Formed study group, 10 am
RE planning meeting, 3 pm

Thursday, January 13

Women's scripture sharing, 1 pm
Bible Timeline study, 6 pm
Rosary, 7 pm

Sunday, January 16

2nd grade RE class, 4:00 pm
HS Youth Group, 6 pm

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