

January 23, 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.

BAPTISM

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

RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 2:30 pm or by appointment.

MARRIAGE

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

From the Desk of Father Richmond

My Beloved Parishioners:

I am very happy to be back at the altar to celebrate God's love and mercy with you. Thank you ALL VERY MUCH for your prayerful support and love! I know your prayers and love helped me heal. I am very blessed to have all of you in my life! Let's continue to pray for all who are sick and for an end to this pandemic.

Christianity is an invitation to friendship with God. To be a Christian is to allow the Word of God to challenge your way of thinking, your values, your desires, and most importantly, your way of life. Christian spirituality, therefore, calls for repentance, which involves taking practical steps to live a better life that makes you a blessing to others and brings glory to God! Repentance means turning around from making yourself the center of your life and moving more towards God and others, one day at a time so that they become the center of your life. This approach to life makes you find more of yourself because it is only in God and in others that we become more of what God has created us to be. Repentance, therefore, calls for a radical openness to the Word of God and the presence of others. Like the people in the days of Ezra and Nehemiah, we all need to turn to the Word of God and work with one another to rebuild our community, society, and the Church. This week, let's increase the time we spend with the Word of God and pray for special openness to God and others. May the Holy Spirit, who anointed Jesus in our gospel today, anoint our hearts and minds so that all our words and actions become one GREAT AMEN to the loving Will of God.

Special Gratitude:

- **Archbishop Jackels:** I am always humbled and inspired by the love that our Archbishop has for the flock entrusted to his care. We are very grateful to him for coming to visit our parish this past weekend and celebrating the Holy Eucharist with us, as I was cruising in the snow at the St. John XXIII Rectory.

- **Fasting Brothers, Seven Sisters, & All of You:** I am very grateful to this group of men and women who dedicate their time to fast and pray for me once a week. I am eternally thankful to them and ALL of YOU, who pray for me! Your prayers keep me going and bring me a burning desire for a deeper friendship with Christ and all of you! May God pour his blessings upon you anytime I am privileged to lift up the Chalice of Salvation.
- **The Evangelization Team:** Special Thanks to all Members of our Parish Evangelization Team for all the sacrifices they make to help us embrace an ongoing conversion towards Christ and develop a deeper friendship with him.

For Your Prayerful Attention and Involvement

- **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!
- **Help Box:** As Christians, we are called to be of one mind and heart as we share the joys and burdens of life together (Act. 4:32). The Evangelization Team has provided a Help Box to help us share each other's burdens. Please write down what you need help with and drop it in the Help Box located to the right of the door into the sanctuary. Let's do life together!

May God increase our love for His Word and make us instruments of his love for one another!

In prayer with you,
Fr. Richmond

Your Shared Treasure

For: January 8-9, 2022

Adult Budget (94).....	\$6,980.00
Adult Budget EFT (77).....	2,694.33
Offertory.....	192.00
Visitor.....	355.00
Christmas.....	1,350.00
Total.....	\$11,571.33
Extending the Dream.....	\$805.00
Extending the Dream EFT (34).....	654.21

Cantors & Musicians Needed

Psalm 81: Sing joyfully to God our strength; raise loud shouts to the God of Jacob! Take up a melody, sound the timbrel, the pleasant lyre with a harp.

We are looking for cantors and musicians, including keyboardists, to serve in music ministry. We will help you get started. Please contact Joanne Becker at beckerejb@earthlink.net if you are interested.

The Help Box; Go and Do

Walk to Emmaus - "While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them." Luke 24:15

There are times when we feel completely overwhelmed with life. We don't know where to turn. We, the Evangelization team, have created a place where you can go for refuge. The Help Box. Located to the right of the door into the sanctuary. Write down what we can do to help you. We will check this daily/weekly. The Help box is designed to assist those who are struggling, who need help. It is meant to eliminate all the obstacles that can impair somebody from sharing and feel comfortable. For privacy, it is a lock box. Remember, as Father Richmond said, "We are meant to be the church."

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>

If you have questions or to register, please contact Joe Blanck (dbq227d2@dbqarch.org or 319-360-7648).

Eucharistic Adoration

We are grateful for Father Richmond's Christmas gift of the Eucharistic Adoration brochure. It blesses us when we have the opportunity to be involved, and the brochure will guide us in our prayers. We welcome ALL parishioners to adore the Blessed Sacrament any Tuesday of the year at any time from 8:00 a.m. (after 7:30 Mass) until 7:00 p.m. (before Benediction). We will always need to ensure at least one Adorer will be in prayer with Jesus, which is why we request at least one person be there at all times. It would be great if two people are scheduled for each "spot" to ensure that we have someone available at all times. Next week we will email the sign up for February Adoration to all parishioners. If you wish to continue to receive the sign up link, you will need to join the Flocknote group for Eucharistic Adoration. When you receive the sign up, click on the link to sign up to ensure Jesus is never left alone. Many of you will probably want to sign up for a regular time every week, which you are welcome to do if you wish. And remember, no one needs to feel obligated to sign up in advance as ALL are welcome to stop in for a few minutes or for a holy hour - your choice. Thanks! PS: Feel free to share this invitation with your family and friends! Bring them with you anytime! See you in church.



On September 29, 2019, in response to real needs, and after broad consultation, Archbishop Jackels announced the start of a special appeal, called ArchdioceseOne, to help the poor and to support the mission of the Church. In March of 2020, the Covid-19 pandemic forced us to pause active fundraising for ArchdioceseOne. In mid-February, we'll be restarting our fundraising efforts for this special appeal. You likely received a letter in the mail recently regarding this subject, but if not, Archbishop has made a video for you about this important effort he'd like you to see. It will only take about 5 minutes of your time to watch. Simply scan this QR code with your smartphone camera. Then click the link that pops up on your phone's screen. This will take you to his video. Thank you!



Mass Intentions

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, January 22

4:00 pm All Parishioners

Sunday, January 23

8:00 am Bill Junge

10:00 am Charlotte Beaudry

Monday, January 24 - St. Frances de Sales - No Mass

Tuesday, January 25 - Conversion of St. Paul

7:30 am Special Intention

Wednesday, January 26 - Sts. Timothy & Titus

7:30 am Bill Selzer

Thursday, January 27 - Weekday

12:15 pm Joseph Vassallo

Friday, January 28 - St. Thomas Aquinas

7:00 am Sylvester Henely (@ Xavier)

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

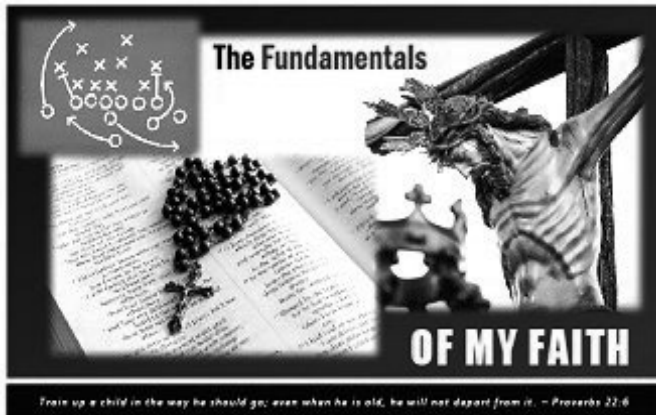
Saturday, January 29

4:00 pm Jim Funke

Sunday, January 30

8:00 am Delmar & Virginia Thoman

10:00 am All Parishioners



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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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Meetings & Happenings:



Sunday, January 23

Donuts after Masses
Children's Liturgy, 10 am
Young adult group, 5:30 pm
Confirmation large group, 6 pm

Monday, January 24

Cleaning crew, 8 am
Cancer support group, 6:30 pm

Tuesday, January 25

Men of Action, 6:30 am & 6:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration, 8 am - 7 pm
RCIA, 5:30 pm
Rosary, 7:00 pm
Zoom Formed study group, 8 pm

Wednesday, January 26

Formed study group, 10 am
1st Reconciliation, 5:30 pm

Thursday, January 27

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

Saturday, January 29

Women's conference, 8 am - 1 pm
Baptism, 5:30 pm

Sunday, January 30

Baptism, 11:30 am

2022 Archdiocese of Dubuque

Men's Conference

You're invited to the 26th Annual Archdiocese of Dubuque Men's Conference on Saturday, March 19, 2022 at Xavier High School, Cedar Rapids (with live-stream available)! This conference will be held on the Feast of St. Joseph and will highlight the example of St. Joseph as a model for all men. The keynote speaker will be Mark Hartfiel, vice-president of Paradisus Dei, a ministry that produces the "That Man is You!" men's program. The lunch session will be presented by Devin Schadt, the founder of the Fathers of St. Joseph men's ministry. Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Michael Jackels. For more information and registration, please visit www.archmensconference.org.

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