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Purpose Statement:
Our cluster purpose is to welcome and inspire the community to share and nurture our Catholic Faith through prayer, sacraments, service and love of God.



3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.
- Lk 4:18

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Prince of Peace Mass Schedule:
January 1 - April 30, 2022

- St. Paul**.....Saturday, 5:00 pm
- Sacred Heart**.....Sunday, 8:00 am
- St. Mary of Mt. Carmel**Sunday, 10:00 am

Reconciliation Schedule:
January 1 - April 30, 2022

- St. Paul**.....Tuesday, 7:55-8:10 am
Saturday, 4:00-4:45 pm
- Sacred Heart**.....Thursday, 11:30-11:55 pm
- St. Mary**.....Wednesday, 7:55-8:10 am

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Anointing of the Sick

If you will be hospitalized during the week and would like to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact Fr. Tony. If you wish to receive a visit, notify Fr. Tony at 319-478-2222.

Bulletin Announcements

Due to a change in our bulletin deadline bulletin announcements are due by 3:30 pm on Monday, for the following Sunday, at the Cluster office. Email items to: DBQ199SEC@dbqarch.org or call the office at 319-478-2222. Announcements may be edited.

Area Communion

Anyone who would like to have communion brought to them on Sunday should call *Rosilee Beck* - 342-3093 for Eagle Center, *Charles Cranston* - 476-2241 for Dysart area, *Peg Mangrich* - 342-2584 for La Porte City, *Pat Kubik* - 478-2439 for Traer, and *Camilla Dostal* - 479-2537 for Clutier.

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

Contribution Statements

Your 2021 Contribution Statements will be available to pick up in the Church entryway. Please take yours to save on postage. All envelopes that are not picked up will be mailed out by Jan. 31. Thank you.

Waffle Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus are hosting an All You Can Eat Dad's Belgian Waffle Brunch from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm, Jan. 23 in the Dutcher Gymnasium. Proceeds go to Birthright & Alternatives. Menu consists of giant Belgian waffles topped with butter, your choice of 9 flavored syrups including fruit and nut flavors, sausages, whipped cream and beverages. Tickets for adults are \$6 in advance and \$8 at the door. Children 6-12 are \$6 at the door. Children ages 5 and under eat free. Carryout's are available. You can buy tickets at the St. Patrick Church Office, Cedar Falls.

Winter Mini-Retreat

Join us for an online discussion, from 1:30 to 4:00 pm Sunday, Jan. 23. Dr. John Waldmeier will divulge the major themes of Luke's gospel. After Christmas, we first read Luke's Gospel at the Feast of the Holy Family. That account introduces a theme: everyone seems to be trying to understand Jesus—even Jesus himself. His parents don't understand why he stays behind talking to the Rabbis; the Rabbis don't understand his insight; Jesus questions the Rabbis in order to understand. During our session, we will talk about what it means to "understand" God's word, and focus on the way Luke delivers it. Dr. John Waldmeier is Professor of Religious Studies and Theology at Loras College, where he also edits the publication series "Spiritual Life in the Upper Mississippi River Valley" for the Archbishop Kucera Center. To learn more, visit: waterloocatholics.org/winter-mini-retreats.

Walk in the footsteps of St. Paul

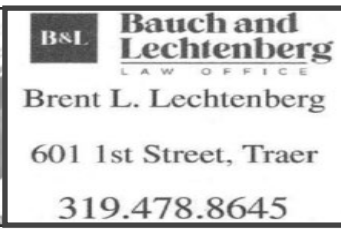
Join Father Ivan Nienhaus, pastor of St. Patrick Catholic Church, Cedar Falls, on a pilgrimage to Greece, May 13-23. On this pilgrimage to Greece, you will come to truly know the life of St. Paul as we visit the many places he traveled. Because of his writings, we know that St. Paul was in many of the places we will be visiting. We often hear the readings of St. Paul at our daily Masses, in which he starts his letters "to the Corinthians", etc. By being in the places where he preached, walking in his footsteps, Philippe, Thessaloniki, Delphi, Athens (one of the most glorious cities of the world), Ephesus (Mary's House), where so many people were changed, we hope to experience the same. Plan to attend our informational meeting, at 1:00 pm, March 6 in the Commons at St. Patrick Church, 705 Main St Cedar Falls.

Archdiocese History

CATHOLIC TRIVIA - JUST FOR FUN

Question: Who was the first Archbishop of the diocese of Dubuque?

Answer: [See next week's bulletin.]



Adoration Opportunity

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the St. Patrick Chapel, Cedar Falls, Tuesday through Saturday from 8:00 pm to 9:00 pm. To gain access to the Daily Adoration Chapel, use the link hallway with the entrance marked, "Church/Gym." If you are interested in growing in your love of the Blessed Sacrament, consider spending one hour each week praying before the exposed Blessed Sacrament.

Catholic Schools Week

From Jan. 30 to Feb. 5 all Archdiocesan Catholic Schools will join Catholic schools across the country to celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2022. It's the 49th anniversary of the event whereby schools, parishes and dioceses in the United States join together to thank God for the gift of and to celebrate Catholic schools.

A Message from Archbishop Jackels

The Archdiocese of Dubuque is blessed with many Catholic Schools that help parents teach the Catholic Faith to their children, forming them as followers of Jesus. A Catholic school doesn't take the place of parents in this important role: indeed, if faith is not talked about or practiced at home, the mission of a Catholic school is frustrated. Our identity of our schools is affordable, so that families school-age children there. We are grateful to parishioners, teachers, and STO



Our aim is to keep the Catholic strong, and to make them all would and could send their With regard to that aim, I am parents, clergy, school staff and contributors for all they do.

Our Faith STO

The Our Faith School \$4,128,422 in 2021 in need-students representing 34% Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Dubuque. Families are eligible for STO assistance if their taxable income is at or below 400% of the federal poverty rate for the previous tax year.

Tuition Organization awarded based tuition grants to 2,954 of the students attending

The Main Event

The Main Event returns this year to close out the St. Patrick School Annual Appeal. To give the gift of Catholic education, send a check to 615 Washington Street, donate a bottle of wine for the wine pull, secure an auction item, or contribute cash for putting together an auction basket. No gift is too small, and we recognize our sponsors all year. View sponsorship levels and purchase event tickets at cfatholicschool.org (or by check). All are invited to celebrate our school and preschool!



FCSLA Life Scholarship Applications Available

FCSLA Life National Scholarship applications are available for member students in grades 1 through 12 and attend a Catholic accredited school. \$750 will be awarded to elementary and \$1000 to high school students. Over 100 Fraternal Scholarships of \$1,250 will be awarded to college students. All application requests are available at www.fcsla.com. Scholarships must be completed and received at the Home Office by Feb. 8, 2022. Four \$500 State College Scholarships applications are due June 1, 2022 and one Lodge W130 for \$500 College Scholarship application due June 30, 2022 will also be awarded. Members may contact Bev Colvin at colvinbev@gmail.com for the National, State, and local lodge application forms.

St. Stephen the Witness

St. Stephen the Witness Catholic Student Center at UNI will resume Sunday Reconciliations at 9:30 am, The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 10:30 am and 7:00 pm starting Jan. 23. Wednesday Prime Time Mass is at 9:00 pm.

Our Core Values

Community: Understanding, caring and addressing the needs of individuals, couples and families.

Encouragement: Giving hope, inspiration, and support to others.

Excellence: Maintaining the highest ministry standards that bring glory to God in Faith Formation, sacred liturgy and community service.

Prayer: Communicating with God in words, in song and in the silence of one's heart.



Saturday, January 22

5:00 pm Ernest & Blanche Mannel SP

Sunday, January 23

8:00 am Mary Lou Oberhauser SH

10:00 am For the People SM

Tuesday, January 25

8:15 am Vernon & Dorothy Hanus SP

Wednesday, January 26

8:15 am Jim & Polly Beck SM

Thursday, January 27

12:00 pm Ray & Eileen Siebel Family SH

Friday, January 28

8:15 am Deceased Members of the Foresters SP

Saturday, January 29

5:00 pm Robert & Mercedes Schrier SP

Sunday, January 30

8:00 am For the People SH

10:00 am Gladys Maas SM



♦ *The sick:* Margaret Babinat, Julia Babinat, Tom Beck, Ted Steimel, Blanche Halupnick, Florence Sedą, Roger Paulhus, Jr., Dorothy Pecenka, Theresa Minard, Vi Barge; Sue Schaefer, Anthony Jackson, Lois Schmitt, Richard Schaefer, Edward Wellner, and parishioners for cancer, surgery and continued healing.

♦ *The newly deceased:* David Siebel, Jolene Cibula, Lawrence "Larry" Miller

♦ *Special Intention:* For those women, pregnant today, who are not thinking of motherhood; That the Lord would touch with pity their hearts.

...We pray to the Lord

SACRED HEART

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, January 30, 8:00 am

Lector: Carol Ashenbrenner

Extra. Minister: Tina Hanna

Ushers: Dick Keegan, Gary Murphy

Greeters: Dick & Connie Keegan

Song Leader: Karen Dillavou

Money Counters: Diane Caldwell, Denise Clark

Thank you for your service to Sacred Heart!

If unable to serve at Mass, please find a replacement. Thank you!

Collections

January 16, 2022.....\$2,015.00

Cluster Council Meeting

The upcoming cluster council meeting is at 6:30 pm Jan. 25 in the RCIA room, at St. Paul.

Beauty in Christ

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Coffee & Rolls

Please join us, every Sunday, for coffee and rolls immediately following the 8:00 am Mass in Cizek Hall.



ST. MARY OF MT. CARMEL

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, January 30, 10:00 am

Lector: Deb Yuska

Extra. Minister: Marianne Reiter

Ushers: Nick Meier, Matt Pint

Greeters: Nick & Nancy Meier

Song Leader: Karen Dillavou

Money Counters: Mike Werner, Gail Lewis

Thank you for your service to St. Mary!

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Baby Bottle Drive

Alternatives Pregnancy Center is holding their annual online fundraiser. Please consider donating to this life-affirming work that supports moms and dads through their parenting journey. Please, contact Marianne Reiter, the pro-life representative for St. Mary Mt. Carmel at 319-610-3187 with any questions.

ST. PAUL

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, January 29, 5:00 pm

Lector: Sue Nachazel

Extra. Minister: Jack Halupnick

Ushers: Warren Colvin, Marvin Dostal

Greeters: Chuck & Mary Cranston

Song Leader: Jenny Hulme

Money Counters: Pat Kubik, Marilyn Steven

Thank you for your service to St. Paul!

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January 15, 2022.....\$1,353.30

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Tuesday Lunch & Cards

The next Tuesday Lunch & Cards will be at 12:00 pm, Tuesday, Feb. 1 in the Parish Center. Please come and join in the fun. Sign up sheets are in the back of the church.

Nativity Scene

This Christmas, St. Paul has a beautiful, new, out door, Nativity Scene! A creche will be built for next year. If you would like to make a contribution toward the cost of the nativity scene, please send donations to the cluster office.



Faith Formation News

Jan. 26 — Faith Formation Class
6:30 to 7:45pm..... SP, SH
Confirmation 6:30pm to 8:00pm.....SM

Feb. 2 — Faith Formation Class
6:30-7:45pm.....SP, SH
Dwell 6:30-7:45pm.....SP

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Alternatives
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Today!

Sanctity of Human Life
Sunday officially
kicked off our annual
baby bottle drive, and
you can now donate to
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affirming work that
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dads through their
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I am
a Child
of
God

REJOICE

in this Day

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ARCHDIOCESE of DUBUQUE | 2022 Women's Conference

Beauty In Christ Holy Women of the Visitation

January 29, 2022 | 8:30 - 12:30 pm

Confirmed Speakers:
Liz Kelly | Emily Jaminet

This year's virtual conference enables women to participate from the comfort of their own homes or to gather in parishes to experience our virtual conference together

www.ArchWomensConference.org

WORD OF GOD

First Reading:

Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God, interpreting it so that all could understand what was read. (Neh 8:8)

Psalms:

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. (Ps 19)

Second Reading:

For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit. (1 Cor 12:12)

Gospel:

He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." (Lk 1:21)

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Weekly Readings

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Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; *St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin*; Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday: *St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*; 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: *The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle*; Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday: *Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops*; 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: *St. Angela Merici, Virgin*; 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14; Mk 4:21-25

Friday: *St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church*; 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Mk 4:35-41

Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; *Celebrate Catholic Schools Week*; Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]; 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13; Lk 4:21-30

Stewardship Reflection

The US bishops' pastoral on stewardship reinforces today's reading from 1 Corinthians: "Because its individual members do collectively make up the Body of Christ, that body's health and well-being are the responsibility of the members – the personal responsibility of each one of us. We all are stewards of the Church."

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