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**SAINT
JOSEPH**
New Albin

**IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION**
Lansing

**IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION**
Wexford

**SAINT ANN -
SAINT JOSEPH**
Harpers Ferry

**Stewardship -
share Jesus' love**

*A heart contrite and
humbled, O God you
will not spurn.*

Psalms 51:19

Mass Intentions for the Week

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| Monday, March 15 | @ Wexford..... | 8:00am |
| Tuesday, March 16 | @ New Albin..... Pam Mitchell and family..... | 8:30am |
| | @ Wexford..... Kay Mooney..... | 4:00pm |
| Wednesday, March 17 | @ Lansing..... John (Pearly) & Margaret Pettit..... | 7:30am |
| | @ Lansing..... Joe Cerney..... | 4:00pm |
| Thursday, March 18 | @ Lansing..... Alice Feuerhelm..... | 8:00am |
| Friday, March 19 | @ Lansing..... Ruth Rea..... | 8:00am |
| | @ Harpers..... Charles Berns..... | 11:00 am |
| Saturday, March 20 | @ Harpers..... Frank Saddler..... | 4:00pm |
| | @ Wexford..... Jim Conway..... | 5:30pm |
| Sunday, March 21 | @ New Albin..... Howard Fitzpatrick..... | 8:00am |
| | @ Lansing..... For the People..... | 10:00am |

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday, 8:00 – 9:00 am @ Lansing, Saturday, 3:15 – 3:45 pm @ Harpers,
Sunday, 7:15 – 7:45 am @ New Albin
or call the office and schedule an appointment

Schedule of Liturgical Ministers • March 20 & 21

5th Sunday of Lent

| | 4:00 p.m. | 5:30 p.m. | 8:00 a.m. | 10:00 a.m. |
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| | Harpers | Wexford | New Albin | Lansing |
| Lector | Patti Hastings | Marcia Kruse | Joan Reburn | Ann Wagner |
| EMHC | <i>None at this time</i> | Mary Jo Mohn | Mike Reburn | Don Peters |
| Altar Servers | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> |
| Ushers | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> |
| Giftbearers | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> |
| Rosary | | | Pat Fitzpatrick | Rita Heim |
| Sacristan | | | | Patty Mohn |
| Greeters | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> |
| Communion to the Homebound [Lansing] | – Dan & Mary Scholtes | | | |

Linked Parish Office

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— and —
“Father Sean Smith”

From the Desk of Father Smith



We are now over half way through Lent, so it is a good time to reflect on how it's going. Are your Lenten practices helping you turn away from sin and draw closer to God? Are you feeling closer to God in prayer? Are you experiencing the fruits of the Holy Spirit, such as peace, joy, patience, kindness, and gentleness? (cf. Galatians 5:22-23). If giving up chocolate isn't helping you to draw closer to God, it's not too late to make a change! The Lord is always offering us opportunities to turn to him!

Thank you to those that have been helping with Stations of the Cross! I hope you have been blessed through this devotional! If you haven't been participating, it's never too late to start!

Do you notice a theme developing? It is never too late to turn back to God, to experience repentance, metanoia, a "change of mind" that leads us deeper into the heart of the Lord!



Drive Thru Blessings at Wexford and New Albin!!



Immaculate Conception Church—Wexford is celebrating St. Patrick's Day with a Drive-Thru Blessing March 17, 2021, from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. Receive a blessing and a small remembrance that God holds you in the palm of His hand. May the road rise up to meet you!

St. Joseph Church—New Albin is celebrating their **Patronal Feast Day** on Friday, March 19, with a Drive-Thru Blessing in front of the Church from 5:00 to 6:00 pm! **This is the day of St. Joseph in the Year of St. Joseph**; come and be blessed!



The Year of St. Joseph

In celebration of the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of **St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church**, Pope Francis has proclaimed a special "Year of St. Joseph." It is a wonderful opportunity to increase our love for St. Joseph and knowledge, "to encourage us to implore his intercession and to imitate his virtues and his zeal" (Patris Corde). To view St. Francis' Apostolic Letter in full go to the Vatican's website, Vatican.va, then click on "Apostolic Letters" to find "Patris Corde."

Another NCYC Opportunity!

This week an email was sent to parents about the National Catholic Youth Conference, being held in Indianapolis, Indiana November 18-21, 2021. If you have interest in this event and did not receive an email, please contact Mandy by email at dbq216ym@dbqarch.org. Registrations are due by April 5th.



Word Of the Week

Laetare—The 4th Sunday of Lent is often called "Laetare Sunday", taken from the opening word of the opening prayer of the Mass in the Extraordinary Form (aka the Traditional Latin Mass) for this Sunday. It means "Rejoice," and represents a bit of a respite during this austere season of Lent. Rose colored vestments can (and will!) be worn, again, representing a departure from the violet that typically marks this penitential season.

Weekend Mass Schedule

March 13 & 14

4:00 pm Harpers 8:00 am New Albin
5:30 pm Wexford 10:00 am Lansing

March 20 & 21

4:00 pm Harpers 8:00 am New Albin
5:30 pm Wexford 10:00 am Lansing

Meetings & Happenings in "HFB"

- St. Patrick's Day & Drive Thru Blessing, Wed, Mar 17, 5:00-6:00 pm IC-Wexford
- Stations of the Cross, Friday, Mar 19, 11:30 am (following 11:00 am Mass), Harpers Ferry
- Stations of the Cross, Friday, Mar 19, 5:30 pm, IC Lansing
- Feast of St. Joseph & Drive Thru Blessing, Mar 19, 5:00-6:00 pm, New Albin

Daily Mass readings (March 14 - March 21)

To subscribe to receiving daily readings by email every morning visit:

<https://bible.usccb.org/>

This Sunday, March 14: 4th Sunday of Lent, Daylight Saving Time begins

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 or
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or
9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday, March 15:

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday, March 16:

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [8]/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday, March 17: St. Patrick, Bishop; St. Patrick's Day

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 [8a]/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday, March 18: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47

Friday, March 19: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Saturday, March 20:

Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday, March 21: 5th Sunday of Lent

Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 or
Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Jn 11:1-45 or
11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Again this year the \$2000 Hammel-Zoll Scholarship is being made available for High School Seniors graduating in 2021 planning on some type of post-secondary education. To be considered for this scholarship:



- 1) You must be a participating member of a Holy Family of the Bluffs parish.
- 2) You must be a High School Senior graduating in 2021 and planning on some type of post-secondary education.
- 3) You must write a 250-300 word essay on a pre-selected topic. Grammar, spelling, and content are all important. Contact Father Smith for the topic of the essay. Essay is due by April 15, 2021.
- 4) Essay is to be submitted to the Hammel-Zoll Scholarship, c/o Father Smith.

Supporting At-Risk Young People

Be a rainbow in a child's Life this St. Patrick's Day! Become a CASA advocate and volunteer with children in your local area who need extra support! For more information, email: Kerry.brennan@dia.iowa.gov

"Stewardship" Report for March 6 & 7

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| New Albin | |
| Adults | \$1114.00 |
| Offertory | \$26.00 |
| Candles | \$11.50 |
| WeShare (February) | \$695.00 |

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| Harpers Ferry | |
| Adults | \$590.00 |
| Offertory | \$76.00 |
| Votive Lights | \$31.50 |
| WeShare (February) | \$375.00 |

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| Lansing | |
| Adults | \$942.00 |
| Offertory | \$12.00 |
| WeShare (February) | \$2,355.00 |
| WeShare (Feb. Act of Kindness) | \$90.00 |

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| Wexford | |
| Adults | \$1123.00 |
| Unrestricted donation | 1.00 |
| Children | \$7.00 |
| Holy Day | 20.00 |
| WeShare (February) | \$120.00 |

Catholic Charities Asks You to Help:

Did you know that **Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Dubuque** holds no government contracts for funding, as compared to similar agencies across the U.S., which rely on budgets comprised of two-thirds public funding. This makes your contribution to the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal all the more critical! Learn more at <http://www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org>

Feeding God's Children Project:

The Holy Family of the Bluffs has been given a big THANK YOU from our Catholic Foresters for our generosity in helping those in need this past winter. Our parishes helped LIFT in Lansing gain 1,110 pounds of food and personal products, 6 boxes of clothes that went to New Albin Way Station, \$550 from individual donations, and another \$500 from Wexford Rosary Society. It is good to be a part of this loving and generous community!




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