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Cluster Parishes

Riverside Richmond Wellman

"To Know God and Make God Known Through Word, Worship, Fellowship, and Service"



4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." - Mk 1:27

Mass Intentions

Feb 3 to Feb 7

Wed	8:30am	SJ	Steve Slaubaugh
Thu	8:30am	HT	Dorothy Conklin
Fri	8:30am	SM	Collin Strabala
Sat	5:00pm	SJ	Cliff Duwa
Sun	8:00am	HT	David Greiner
Sun	10:00am	SM	People of the Cluster

Please Note: parishioners may request as many Mass Intentions as they would like. However, there only a limited number of Mass Intentions that we can say at our parishes. If we receive more Mass Intention requests than we can say in a year, the Mass Intentions will be sent to the diocese who will distribute them to retired priests so they can offer up the Mass Intention you requested.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Almighty God, you created us to share in your divine life. Pour out your spirit on our diocese that we may be a fruitful church. Bless us:

With zealous priests and deacons;
With prayerful religious sisters and brothers;
With faithful married couples;
With loving persons who live for the kingdom of heaven.
Grant us discerning hearts,
To love you more deeply
And to serve as Jesus served,
In whose name we pray.
Amen.

Mary, model for all vocations, pray for us!

Emmaus Groups

Please consider joining a "Discipleship Quad" to participate in an Emmaus Group.

These are four-person prayer groups that are very informal and flexible to accommodate your schedule. Information and videos can be found at clusterparishes.org. Click the "Communications & Resources" tab, and click on "Emmaus Groups".



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Mass Offerings

St. Mary's

Weekly Goal	\$ 1,677
Actual	\$ -
YTD* Collection	\$ 44,581
YTD Goal	\$ 50,310
Under/Over	- \$ 5,729

Holy Trinity

Weekly Goal	\$ 1,542
Actual	\$ -
YTD* Collection	\$ 32,281
YTD Goal	\$ 46,260
Under/Over	- \$ 13,979

St. Joseph's

Weekly Goal	\$ 644
Actual	\$ -
YTD* Collection	\$ 3,712
YTD Goal	\$ 19,320
Under/Over	- \$ 15,608

Weekly Reflection

Below is last week's Weekly Reflection

"If not us, who? If not now, when?" This is a quote attributed to both Winston Churchill and John F. Kennedy. Churchill was bracing his country for the coming invasion of the Nazi army, and what appeared to be their eminent doom. Kennedy was challenging us to build a rocket to go to the moon.

Two different scenarios addressed by the same words. The first scenario was intended to give hope to a people that faced utter disaster and ruin; the second scenario challenged a people to rise above their everyday expectations and literally "shoot for the moon" in their ambition.

The same words can apply to the readings at Mass this weekend. In the first reading, Jonah is giving a warning to the people of Nineveh that they were facing utter destruction if they did not change their ways now. In the second reading, St. Paul stresses the urgency of acting now, "...for the world in its present form is passing away."

And finally, in the Gospel, we see Jesus challenge common fishermen to rise above their everyday expectations, and follow him on a quest that would open up the gates of heaven. We can apply this theme to ourselves of "doing it now" and not waiting to later, and "putting it on ourselves" and not waiting for someone else.

If you want to put your life in order, it is up to you and the time is now. If you want someone special in your life to know your love for them, the time is now – not tomorrow, or the next day, or the day after tomorrow. If you want to mend broken relationships, the time is now.

We are entering into the 2021 year of our Lord (which is what A.D. means) and shaking off the vestiges of one of the darkest times in our country's history. The sense of doing it now - and putting the responsibility of doing it now on ourselves - is more vital than ever. We must move forward together, learn from the mistakes of the past, and build a brighter future.

Twenty-two year old poet laureate Amanda Gorman has set the tone for moving forward. The last line of her poem "The Hill We Climb", states, "The new dawn blooms as we free it. For there is always light. If only we're brave enough to see it. If only we're brave enough to be it."

Are you brave enough to be a part of the light of a new dawn, and shake off the darkness of the past? Are you willing to do it now? For if not us, who? If not now, when?

God Bless

Cluster Parish - New Name Needed!

When we merge we will need to come up with a new name for our Cluster Parishes - and we need your help! Please be as creative and imaginative as you want!! We will narrow the suggestions down to a list of three and finalize a name(s) at our next Parish Council meeting. Please send suggestions to Fr Bill at roushw@diodav.org or contact the office at (319) 648-2331. **Please Note:** "St. Mary's, Holy Trinity, and St. Joseph's" will still be included in the new name.

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Are Your Adult Kids Members of the Parish?

If you have an adult son or daughter, please have them register as parish members. Having them register as separate members helps with record keeping. In addition, the more registered members we have, the more viable a parish we are.

Birthdays, Anniversaries, Prayer Intentions

Please continue to contact us if you have a birthday, anniversary, or prayer intention.



Formation

In this last installment of What is Consecrated Life?, the Evangelical Counsels or vows that these men and women profess are explained.

The Vows

Most men and women religious take vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. They do this to live more simply and not be attached to the things of earthly life which create stress, possessiveness, and distractions. In this way they can more easily give themselves to God and depend more on Him for their needs.

Vow of Poverty-Just as Jesus chose to be poor out of love for us, religious men and women choose a similar lifestyle in imitation of His great love. Poverty does not mean living a destitute life. Instead it means detaching from the lure of material goods and learning to share things in common with the community, for example living quarters, vehicles, and food.

Vow of Chastity-Chastity means giving yourself completely to Christ – body, mind, and soul. This actually allows you a great freedom to love and serve all God’s people without the obligations of a family. In return, you receive love through a deep relationship with Jesus, the love and support of others in the community, and the joy you experience in doing His will by serving others.

Vow of Obedience-Those in consecrated life surrender their will in obedience to Christ and their superior to more closely imitate Him, who came to do the will of the Father. This includes actively listening to the Holy Spirit and being open to how the Lord and the community believe your gifts and talents can best be used. They respond in faith by generously offering themselves for the common good of their community.

If you feel called to learn more about religious life, please contact the Office of Vocations at davenportvocations.org or 563-888-4255

Courtesy of Kansas City, Kansas Office of Vocations and Vianney Vocations.

PHASE 1B - IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

Persons aged 65 and older are eligible for the vaccine during any tier.

If you have general questions about the vaccine, call 211. Resource specialists are available 24 hours a day to answer basic questions. Check with your health care provider with questions specific to your health situation. **Vaccine Distribution Begins Feb 1st**

**TIER 1**

- First responders (e.g., firefighters, police officers, and child welfare social workers)
- PK-12 school staff, early childhood education, and childcare workers

**TIER 2**

- Food, agriculture, distribution and manufacturing workers who work in or live in congregate settings that do not allow for social distancing
- Individuals with disabilities living in home settings and their direct care staff

**TIER 3**

- Staff of and individuals living in congregate settings (does not include college dormitories)
- Government officials, to ensure continuity of government including staff, engaged in state business at the Iowa Capitol during the legislative session

**TIER 4**

- Inspectors responsible for hospital, long-term care, and child safety

**TIER 5**

- Correctional facility staff and individuals incarcerated

Tier 1

First Responders
PK-12 staff, early childhood education, childcare workers

Tier 2

Frontline essential workers in food, agriculture, distribution, and manufacturing sectors who live or work in non-social distanced settings, Individuals with disabilities living in home settings and their care staff

Tier 3

Staff and individuals living in congregate settings not covered By previous Phase or Tier Government officials, including staff, engaged in business at Capitol

Tier 4

Inspectors responsible for health, life and safety

Tier 5

Correctional facility staff and individuals incarcerated

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