The Baptism of the Lord I January 10, 2021

The Voice of Saint Wenceslaus

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English Translation: The Parish of St. Wenceslaus Welcomes You to This Holy Mass

Mission Statement

We, the community of Saint Wenceslaus, inspired by the call to follow Christ, share in the mission of the Church through prayer, worship and continuing faith formation together and individually. We strive to further the call of Jesus to be of service to others through being a caring community, reaching out locally and globally to those in need.

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2021 CALENDARS and MISSALETTES can be picked up at the parish office, or if you are unable to pick one up, contact the office, and we will see that you get one.

STEWARDSHIP—God Calls Us to Service

Please contact the parish office if you can help with any of these ministries:

* EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE HOMEBOUND
* ALTAR SERVERS & USHERS — 4 p.m. Saturdays
* PROVIDE FUNERAL LUNCHEON SALADS/DESSERTS
* OFFERTORY COUNTERS
* DELIVER MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION
* JOIN OUR CHOIR

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MARRIAGES: Arrange with the pastor and parish office 6 months prior to planned date.
BAPTISMS: Participation in the Baptismal Program is required. Contact the parish office.
SACRAMENTS FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND: Contact the parish office whenever you know of sick/homebound parishioners.
GLUTEN INTOLERANT: We have special hosts available.

PRAYER CHAIN: Call 319-390-1277 or send an email to icswprayer@gmail.com.

TO CONTACT PARISH NURSES: Connie Arens at 319-431-7737, Elaine Boes at 319-848-6052, or Susan Teahen at 319-431-8493.

SURVIVING DIVORCE is a 12-week Catholic program unique in our Cedar Rapids metro area. It is a small-group conversation led by trained facilitators, open to all adults who are divorced or separated and have filed for divorce. Sessions will be offered on Mondays, February 1 to April 19, 2021 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. online. Please contact Martin Blind (martyblind@gmail.com) or Cate Biro (catie22001@yahoo.com) for more information.

LIVE-STREAMING MASSES

Immaculate Conception is now live-streaming daily and three (3) Sunday Masses (Latin, English, Spanish) to the parish's YouTube Channel. A link to the channel is below. We are also live-streaming the 4 p.m. St. Wenceslaus Saturday Mass at IC.

YouTube.com/c/immaculateconceptioncatholicchurch

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Dec. 24-25 / 26-27
Operational Income

Budget……5,174.00
Offertory……99.00
Online Giving……100.00
Christmas……3,260.00
Total Operational Income……$8,633.00

Operational Income to meet our monthly obligations should be over $5,758.00 a week.
Surplus this week……$2,875.00
Deficit this fiscal year to date……$10,423.25

Restricted Donations
Building Improvement Fund……60.00
Storm Recovery ……120.00
Christmas Flowers……20.00
Visiting Angels……360.00
Retired Religious……25.00
Area Needs……150.00
Total Restricted Donations……735.00

Total Income for Week……$9,368.00

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

January 2-3
Operational Income

Budget……4,988.00
Offertory……272.00
Online Giving……250.00
Christmas……2,113.00
Stole Fee—Baptism……50.00
Total Operational Income……$7,673.00

Operational Income to meet our monthly obligations should be over $5,758.00 a week.
Surplus this week……$1,915.00
Deficit this fiscal year to date……$8,508.25

Restricted Donations
Building Improvement Fund……45.00
Storm Recovery ……4,375.00
Total Restricted Donations……$4,420.00

Total Income for Week……$12,093.00

Please pray for these members of our parish community: Bernita Beltz, Lavaun Stramel, Betty Fay, Dave Phillips, Richard Larson, Ryan Jansa, Anita Panosh, Rita Pisarik, Richard Riha, Michael Talton, Deb Pesek, Evelyn Ehrenberger, George Richards, Darren Tichy, Pat Mooney, Victoria White, Michael Sevart, Kayla Panos, Margaret Cejka, Dave Martin, Catherine Crotts, Tom Fleming, Francis Schmaltz, William Jacobson, Carmen Miller, Mary McEniry, Mary Kosina, Joyce MacDougall, William Zwack, Teresa Sopousek, Hazel Walton, Dwayne May, Mary Ann Panos, Don Conway, Barb Ashbacher, Theresa Ruzicka, Jan Kazimour, Marie Miller, Bette Spencer Miller, Brian O'Shea

EXCITING NEWS ABOUT THE 2022 HOLY LAND TRIP! Scheduled for **January 31, 2022, through February 10, 2022** with Fr. Chris Podhajsky and Fr. David Ambrosy! The price will be **$4,499.00**, and Usama will be our guide. Three meals daily will be included. We will visit all the popular sites, plus several new places. Transportation by air-conditioned bus with free Wi-Fi, all admission fees paid. **Assisi add-on: 5 nights, $1,079.00** per person & Fr. Ambrosy will be our spiritual director. For a flyer go to https://www.pilgrimages.com/johnston/. For more information, contact Mary Johnston at 319-560-5138 or email at blessu45@gmail.com. You can also visit Usama's website to learn about Christians in the Holy Land (https://missionfourcorners.com/).

St. Wenceslaus Mass & Confession Schedule

Masses: Monday @ 6:30 p.m. (Latin) & Saturday @ 4:00 p.m., both held temporarily at I.C.

Confessions: Half hour before every Mass at I.C.

BIBLE STUDY MOVED TO MARCH 2021 – The January bible study has been moved to March 2021. Starting March 7, Immaculate Conception will offer Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life, a 10-week video-based bible study program. Anchored in the life of Christ and filmed in the Holy Land, this study explores the entirety of Jesus' life—who he is, what he is really like, what he taught, what he did for our salvation, and what all of this means for us as Catholics today. Register online at ascensionpress.com or fill out a registration form, available in the vestibule. Go to swcr.church for more information. The registration deadline is Wednesday, February 17.

Cedar Rapids March for Life — Stand for Life as we remember the 48th Anniversary of Legalized Abortion in our country. Please join us for the Cedar Rapids March for Life on Sunday, January 24 at St. Matthews Church, (2310 First Ave. NE). We will gather outside in the First Ave parking lot. At 2:00 we will leave their parking lot to march to Planned Parenthood. A rally that will include praying and music will begin at 2:30. At 3:00 we will begin the march back to St. Matthew's. Those unable to march are welcome to drive the route. All are welcome to participate in all or part of these events. For more information go to coalitionforlife@gmail.com or call 319-270-0054.

2021 Virtual Archdiocesan Women's Conference—"Beauty in Christ: *ON FIRE WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT!"* Saturday, January 30, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. Join with other women for this year's virtual conference! The day will feature speakers Maria Vadia and Caroline Gambale-Dircks. This year's virtual event will include many of the same opportunities you have come to expect—just in a different format! Individual and group rates are available! You can find more information at: https://www.archwomensconference.org/. Please contact Joanne Pohland at j.pohland@dbqarch.org with any questions.

Catholic Men's Conference – The 2021 Archdiocese of Dubuque Men's Conference will be held on **Saturday, March 13, 2021** and will feature keynote speaker Patrick Madrid, host of "The Patrick Madrid Show" on Relevant Radio. The day also includes breakout sessions, Mass with Archbishop Jackels, and more. Due to COVID-19, participants can register to join either virtually (via a live-stream) or in-person at Xavier Catholic High School, Cedar Rapids (where CDC guidelines will be followed). For more details and registration, visit: www.ArchMensConference.org.

JANUARY COLLECTIONS

Area Needs — Birthright

Area Food — Metro Catholic Outreach

PRAY FOR LIFE SATURDAYS — Join all Cedar Rapids parishes in defending God's greatest creation: the unborn. Pray for the conversion of hearts every Saturday outside the Planned Parenthood Clinic from 10-11 a.m. under the protection of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Victory for Our Lady. Victory for Life. Thanks for your support! Contact Natalie at (563) 663-7558 with questions.

Mass Intentions — When a Mass is scheduled for your loved one(s), let the ushers know if you would like to bring up the gifts. Mass intentions cards are available on the back table.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS (CCM) at I.C. invites all women to join us as we pray for our children, (birth and spiritual children), grandchildren, husbands, families, & our parish on the 3rd Saturday of each month after the 8:30 a.m. Mass in the church. Contact Lisa Gallet at 721- 9168 or Dixie Diaz at 787 -403-7969.

MASS OPTIONS: In addition to the daily live-stream Masses posted on the I.C. YouTube channel, Mass is also offered on Sundays from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. on the following cable channels: Cedar Rapids Cable on Channel 3; Direct TV on Channel 8; DISH on Channel 20; ImOn on Channel 10 (CW/7.2); KWWL on Channel 7.2; Media Com on Channel 107; Southslope on Channel 5.

Mass is offered on **EWTN** (Eternal Word Television Network) on Sunday at 7 a.m. & 11 a.m. and from Monday through Saturday at 7:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., & 6:00 p.m.

VOICE OF THE SAINTS

"When you invoke St. Joseph, you don't have to say much. Say, "If you were in my place, St. Joseph, what would you do? Well, pray for this on my behalf."

St. André Bessette
(Feast Day: January 6)

MASS INTENTIONS:
JANUARY 9: MARY LOU SMEJKAL
JANUARY 11: KARL & FAYE WAGNER

SANCTUARY LIGHT: GEORGE & BETTY HORAK

COMMENTARY ON TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading—Isaiah 55:1-11 (The first reading from Cycle A, Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7, may also be chosen.)
Isaiah calls upon the people to return to the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm—Isaiah 12:2-3,4-6 (The psalm from Cycle A, Psalm 29:1-4,9-10, may also be chosen.)
A prayer of praise for God's salvation.

Second Reading—1 John 5:1-9 (The second reading from Cycle A, Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38, may also be chosen.)
The Spirit of Truth testifies on behalf of Jesus, God's Son.

Gospel Reading—Mark 1:7-11
Jesus is baptized by John the Baptist.

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In most years, this feast is celebrated on the Sunday after Epiphany. When Epiphany falls on either January 7 or 8, the Baptism of the Lord is celebrated on the Monday after Epiphany.

In today's Gospel we hear John the Baptist contrast his baptism of repentance with the baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that the one who is to come will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John's baptism was not yet a Christian baptism; it was a preparation for the Christian Baptism we celebrate today, and through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received. In accepting John's baptism, Jesus, though sinless, united himself with all sinners.

The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, Jesus' baptism was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, the voice from heaven speaks to all who are present. The descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus at his baptism shows that something new is beginning through the baptism and ministry of Jesus.

The baptism of Jesus is considered an important manifestation of God in the person of Jesus, another epiphany. Jesus' baptism inaugurates his mission. Mark's Gospel moves quickly from the report of Jesus' baptism to Jesus' temptations in the desert to his ministry in Galilee after John's arrest. The end of the ministry of John the Baptist is the beginning of Jesus' ministry. In an analogous way, our Baptism inaugurates our mission as Christians.

Surprisingly, on this the last day of the Christmas season the Gospel does not tell a story from Jesus' childhood. Instead the Gospel reveals Jesus' relationship to God: the Son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. We believe that through Baptism we are also made children of God.

Ministers Schedule

JANUARY 9		
VOLUNTEER	Lector	
M Harman	Server	
VOLUNTEER	Server	
Dcn V. Rompot	EM	
PRIEST	EM	
VOLUNTEER	Usher	
VOLUNTEER	Usher	
VOLUNTEER	Usher	
M Harman	Sacristan	

Counters: Piersall

Readings for the Week of January 10, 2020

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mk 1:7-11 (21)
Monday: Heb 1:1-6; Mk 1:14-20 (305)
Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28 (306)
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:29-39 (307)
Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Mk 1:40-45 (308)
Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Mk 2:1-12 (309)
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17 (310)
Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42 (65)

MONDAY LATIN MASS AT I.C.

During derecho repairs at St. Wenceslaus, Fr. Aaron will offer the Latin Mass **every Monday evening at 6:30 p.m. at Immaculate Conception.**

HOLY HOUR AT I.C.

During derecho repairs at St. Wenceslaus, the parish Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held **each Wednesday afternoon from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception.** The hour will begin with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. All are welcome.

Parish Visitor
Welcome to St. Wenceslaus

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