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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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TOTUS TUUS 2021

St. Patrick, Immaculate Conception, & St. Wenceslaus Parishes
July 18 to July 23, 2021

Late sign-ups are still being accepted for the Jr. High/High School Program (Grades 7-12). Totus Tuus for grades 7-12 will take place Sunday, July 18 to Wednesday, July 21 at Immaculate Conception / Scotus Hall from 7 to 9:30 p.m., with a bowling night from 7 to 9 p.m. at May City Bowl on Thursday, July 22. T-shirts are no longer available.

Cost is \$30.00 per student. Make checks payable to: *Immaculate Conception Church (Memo: Totus Tuus)*. Registration forms are available in the church.



FRESH COLORADO PEACHES — Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court #1768 are again taking orders for Fresh Colorado Peaches, with proceeds to benefit our charitable activities. A box (30-40) of premium peaches sells for \$33; a flat (15-20) of premium peaches for \$20. **Orders and payments must be in by July 16, with delivery in early August.** Order forms are at: www.crcatholicdaughters.org and on Facebook: CDACourt1768 or call Georgia at 319-538-3838. Thank you for your support.



NEXT GOULASH DAY PLANNING MEETING—The next Goulash Day planning meeting will be on **Sunday, July 11**, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Everyone is invited to attend! Please consider being part of our parish event!

RAFFLE TICKETS for Goulash Day are now available in the back of the church. Please pick some of these up and help us make this event a success.

**JOB
OPENING**

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Cedar Rapids, IA, is seeking a **full-time Business Manager**. This position will assist the Pastor in carrying out general administrative and financial management of the parish. Responsibilities include coordinating contractors, managing parish finances, and budgeting. The position requires a Bachelor's Degree or equivalent experience in a related field and excellent communication and interpersonal skills. A practicing Catholic in good standing is preferred. Competitive salary and benefits included. Email cover letter and resume to Rev. Dennis Conway, Pastor, at d.conway@dbqarch.org.

ST. WENCESLAUS FACEBOOK PAGE

Please visit our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/StWence/>

STEWARDSHIP – GOD CALLS US TO SERVICE NEEDED . . . Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers, and Lectors for the 4 p.m. Saturday and 10:30 a.m. Sunday Masses. Please call the office if you'd like to volunteer.

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

PARISH STAFF

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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.

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



Come and See Information Meeting

— Are you drawn to the life of St. Francis of Assisi and would like to find out more about the Secular Franciscan Order? Please consider attending a “Come and See”

meeting on **Sunday, July 25, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.** at St. Patrick’s Parish Center, 120 5th St. NW, Cedar Rapids. Members of St. Mary’s Fraternity will be present to share their experience as Lay Secular Franciscans and how they bring the Gospel to life where they live and work. Call Sue May, OFS, with any questions at 319-360-3290. Everyone is welcome to attend.

GOLF OUTING — Divine Word College Seminary is hosting its 7th Annual Benefit Golf Outing **Friday, July 23**. Proceeds go to our student scholarship fund to assist Divine Word students as they prepare for life as missionaries. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mark Singsank at 563-876-0097 or singsank@dwci.edu.

National Conference for Single Catholics

Join hundreds of single Catholics from across the country at the 20th National Conference for Single Catholics, August 20-22, 2021 at the Omni Interlocken hotel in Broomfield, CO. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers as well as music, social events, Mass, adoration, opportunities for confession, fellowship, food and more. Register before July 5 to get the Early-Bird discount and enter promo code: NCSC21 for an extra \$20 off. Visit www.NationalCatholicSingles.com to register. Call 512-766-5798 with any questions.

St. Wenceslaus Mass & Confession Schedule

Masses: Saturday @ 4:00 p.m.

Sunday @ 10:30 a.m.

Monday @ 6:30 p.m. (Extraordinary Form—Latin)

Confessions: 3-3:45 p.m. on Saturday / 9:45-10:15 a.m. on Sunday

PRAYER CHAIN: If you would like to add a prayer intention to our prayer chain, please call 319-390-1277, or send an email to icswprayer@gmail.com.

COACHES NEEDED — Regis Middle School is currently seeking coaches for tennis, soccer, football, & volleyball. If interested, contact Kyler Nelson at knelson@regisroyals.org.

TO ALL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: St. Luke’s Hospital needs Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to distribute the Eucharist to its hospitalized Catholic patients. If interested, contact Dick Lensing at 319-573-9669 or richardlensing3457@gmail.com. Training is provided.



July 3-4
Operational Income

The financial stewardship report for July 3-4 will be in the **July 18 Voice** due to an early submission date for the July 11 Voice.

Please pray for these members of our parish community: Bernita Beltz, Lavaun Stramel, Betty Fay, Dave Phillips, Richard Larson, Ryan Jansa, Anita Panosh, Michael Talton, Deb Pesek, Evelyn Ehrenberger, George Richards, Darren Tichy, Pat Mooney, Michael Severt, Kayla Panos, Margaret Cejka, Dave Martin, Catherine Crotts, Tom Fleming, Francis Schmaltz, Carmen Miller, Mary McEniry, Hazel Walton, Don Conway, Barb Ashbacher, Theresa Ruzicka, Jan Kazimour, Marie Miller, Bette Spencer Miller, Hope Forristall, Diane Stastny, Barb Ruzicka, William & Rosemary Jacobson.



BIBLE STUDY THIS FALL — This fall, Immaculate Conception will offer **Salvation: New Life in Christ**, a bible study from the Augustine Institute. What does the Catholic Church teach about salvation? In this **10-week video-based study program**, Michael Barber provides a Catholic, biblical answer to this question. Registration forms are available in the church and on the parish website.



A Call to Pray for Our Country — Please join the Catholic Daughters Cedar Rapids Court in an hour of prayer every Wednesday at St. Wenceslaus Church, starting at 3 p.m. with the Divine Mercy Chaplet, followed by private prayer for our country and all its challenges.



HOSPITAL VISITS — If you or someone in your family is admitted to one of the hospitals, please tell them you are Catholic AND a parishioner of St. Wenceslaus parish.

LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS AVAILABLE — We have low-gluten hosts available for those who need one. Please check in with the priest or sacristan before Mass to request a low-gluten host.

Mercy Hospital Volunteer Eucharistic Ministers — Mercy Hospital is in need of individuals who can help bring Communion to Catholic patients. It would be for one hour, one morning per month. It is a special ministry that gives Catholic patients comfort and strength during their time in the hospital. Please contact Mark McDermott, Director of Pastoral Care at 398-6715, if you are interested. Training will be provided.

St. Pius X Early Learning Center Hiring Early Childhood Teachers — St. Pius X Early Learning Center is hiring Childcare Teachers for the St. Pius X Early Learning Center. Qualification should include experience working with children OR working in a licensed Early Childcare setting. Additionally, we are looking for candidates with a CDA, AA in Early Childhood or BA in Elementary Education. Send resume to Connie Schulte at cschulte@stpiousxschoolcr.com or call (319) 200-4546 for more information.



KMMK 88.7 FM Talk Radio for Catholic Living is available in Cedar Rapids and surrounding areas. Turn your dial to 88.7 FM and support Catholic radio.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP — The Men's Prayer Group meets on Tuesday mornings at 6:00 a.m. at I.C. All are welcome.

Career Opportunity at Xavier: Business Office Coordinator

Xavier High School is seeking a highly qualified individual to fill the full-time position of Business Office Coordinator. This position will execute various important tasks related to Xavier's business operations including payroll, accounts payable, daily deposits, and various contract/human resource-related items. To learn more about this position and/or apply, please visit XavierSaints.org/Employment.

Future Saints Football Camp (Grades 5-8): August 2-4, 2021



Xavier Football is hosting a camp for interested athletes entering Grades 5-8 on August 2-4 from 5:30-7 p.m. each evening. Campers will learn football fundamentals from Xavier's state champion coaching staff. Camp cost is \$30 and includes a camp t-shirt. Sign up online at XavierSaints.org/Camps. Registration deadline is July 20, 2021.

JULY COLLECTIONS

Area Needs — Catherine McAuley Center

Food Needs — Metro Catholic Outreach

PRAY FOR LIFE SATURDAYS — Join all Cedar Rapids parishes in defending God's greatest gift of human life. 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 — If you would like to have a Mass offered for your loved ones, please fill out a Mass Intention card found on the table in the back of church or call the parish office.



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

“Christ has something in common with all creatures. With the stone he shares existence, with the plants he shares life, with the animals he shares sensation, and with the angels he shares intelligence. Thus all things are transformed in Christ since in the fullness of his nature he embraces some part of every creature.”

St. Bonaventure (1221-1274)

Feast Day: July 14

MASS INTENTIONS:

JULY 10: FRANK, HELEN, & DICK SALAT

JULY 11: DON & MARY ANN GRAHAM

JULY 12: JACK PETRZELKA

SANCTUARY LIGHT: ALBRECHT/MORRISON FAMILIES

COMMENTARY ON TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading—*Amos 7:12-15*

Responsorial Psalm—*Psalms 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14*

Second Reading—*Ephesians 1:3-14*

Gospel Reading—*Mark 6:7-13*

This week's Gospel and the one for next week describe how Jesus sent the disciples to minister in his name and the disciples' return to Jesus afterward. These two passages, however, are not presented together in Mark's Gospel. Inserted between the two is the report of Herod's fears that Jesus is John the Baptist back from the dead. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus' ministry is presented in connection with the teaching of John the Baptist. Jesus' public ministry begins after John is arrested. John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus, who preached the fulfillment of the Kingdom of God.

While we do not read these details about John the Baptist in our Gospel this week or next week, our Lectionary sequence stays consistent with Mark's theme. Recall that last week we heard how Jesus was rejected in his hometown of Nazareth. The insertion of the reminder about John the Baptist's ministry and his death at the hands of Herod in Mark's Gospel makes a similar point. Mark reminds his readers about this dangerous context for Jesus' ministry and that of his disciples. Preaching repentance and the Kingdom of God is dangerous business for Jesus and for his disciples. Mark wants his readers to remember that we, too, may find resistance as we choose to be disciples of Jesus.

Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus sent out the Twelve. These twelve were selected from among Jesus' disciples and named by Mark in chapter 3. Mark notes that these twelve are also called "apostles." The word *apostle* means "one who is sent." The number twelve is also a symbolic number, representing the twelve tribes of Israel. By naming twelve apostles, Jesus shows his mission to be in continuity with the mission of God's people, Israel.

Jesus' instructions to the apostles are very specific. He repeats the mission that they are sent to preach and to share his authority to heal and to drive out demons. Jesus sends them in pairs, establishing his mission as a communal endeavor. Jesus also instructs them to travel lightly, without the customary food, money, and extra set of clothes. These instructions mean that the Twelve will be dependent on the hospitality of others, just as Jesus depended on others to provide for his needs.

Jesus continues to send us into the world as his disciples. But like the first disciples, we are not sent alone. Jesus has given us the community of the Church, which strengthens our life of discipleship. The Christian message can only authentically be proclaimed in and through the community of faith that is the Church. In our work with others, we build this community of faith and can invite others to share in it.

Ministers Schedule

JULY 10		JULY 11
VOLUNTEER	Lector	VOLUNTEER
VOLUNTEER	Server	VOLUNTEER
VOLUNTEER	Server	VOLUNTEER
VOLUNTEER	EM	VOLUNTEER
PRIEST	EM	PRIEST
VOLUNTEER	Usher	VOLUNTEER
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Counters: Piersall

Readings for the Week of July 11, 2021

Sunday: Am 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:7-13 (104)
Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Mt 10:34—11:1 (389)
Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a; Mt 11:20-24 (390)
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Mt 11:25-27 (391)
Thursday: Ex 3:13-20; Mt 11:28-30 (392)
Friday: Ex 11:10-12, 14; Mt 12:1-8 (393)
Saturday: Ex 12:37-42; Mt 12:14-21 (394)
Sunday: Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34 (107)

BIRTHRIGHT — Birthright offers friendship, free pregnancy tests, maternity clothing vouchers, newborn baby blankets, referrals, and more. Birthright is here to help! Call 393-3251; 24-hour help line — 1-800-550-4900.

FAMILY COUNSELING — Family counseling at Immaculate Conception with Fr. Lloyd (Sam) Cunningham of Divine Word is currently not being offered. It will resume in August 2021.

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