

### **BISHOP'S OFFICE**

**Year of St. Joseph:** On December 8, 2020, Pope Francis declared a special Year of St. Joseph to run through December 8, 2021. In celebration, the diocese has launched a [webpage](#) to provide parishes, families, and individuals links to a variety of resources to help them draw closer to the Patron of the Universal Church. In addition, *The Catholic Messenger* will be contacting each of the ten diocesan churches dedicated to St. Joseph in order to write a series of monthly short profiles featuring each parish. These parishes will also be given the opportunity to create a video highlighting their community's story. Please use the attached flyer to get the word out about the Year of St. Joseph!

### **DIOCESAN DIRECTORY**

Clergy changes since July 28, 2020

**Frericks, Deacon Don:** 201 E. Franklin St., Apt 111, Eldridge 52748-1312

**Hitch, Rev. David:** County Manor, 900 W 46<sup>th</sup> St., Davenport 52806-4362. No phone

**Snyder, Deacon Michael:** PO Box 221, Bettendorf 52722-0221

**Wiegand, Rev. William:** 2602 Fifield Rd., Unit 106, Pella 50219-7926

New to the Diocese, serving at Our Lady of Lourdes, Bettendorf

**Murphy, Deacon Patrick:** 3001 Oakview Ln., Bettendorf 52722-4567; 309-269-9950; [murphyp@diodav.org](mailto:murphyp@diodav.org)

### **LITURGY OFFICE**

The March *LiturgyNotes* may be found [here](#).

### **STEWARDSHIP OFFICE**

The Stewardship Commission continues to meet monthly and work on initiatives to promote a Stewardship way of life throughout the Diocese. Look for additional information and programs on this in the next few months.

### **SOCIAL ACTION OFFICE**

**Lunch and Learn: Care for Creation: Our Next Steps.** Thursday, March 4, 12:00-1:00 p.m. The Laudato Si' jubilee year end approaches, and many now have a greater understanding of the growing impact of climate change on our communities. How can we best move forward together? What organizations and resources can we draw upon? Is there a call to greater participation by any in our diocese? Let's explore these ideas together. To register, go to <http://bit.ly/DioDavLunchLearn>.

**Rice Bowl Virtual Events** (see attached flyers in English and Spanish): Several events are scheduled throughout the season for all audiences. Special *Stories of Hope: School Speaker Events* for **elementary and high schools** will highlight speakers from Madagascar and El Salvador. This schedule and links to register are available [online](#).

**Rural Resiliency: Caring for You and Yours:** Bishop Zinkula asks that parishes promote this via their bulletin and social media. This webinar series will be offered four consecutive Tuesday evenings, March 2-23, 7:30-8:45 p.m. This is for rural residents and those who associate with them. This series is a discussion starter and healthy mindset promoter for dealing with rural behavioral and brain health, communication skills, and relationship enrichment for self, marriage and families. Sponsored by the ISU Extension. The sessions are as follows:

- March 2 – Farm Stress Resiliency and Grief
- March 9 – Personality Keys When “Married” to Farm Stress
- March 16 – Dealing with the Stresses of Men, Women and Children

- March 23 – Brain and Behavioral Health “Hacks” to Mitigate Distress  
Registration link: <http://www.aep.iastate.edu/stress>. Questions can be directed to [Larry Tranel](#), 563-583-6496.

**The Year of Walking with Moms in Need** ends March 25. This is a pledge to prayerfully support a pregnant women in your community. Resources can be found [here](#).

**Interfaith Power and Light Kits** are available to celebrate Faith Climate Action Week (Sacred Ground: Cultivating Connections), April 16 – 25. Kits contain all the resources needed to put your congregation’s love for the earth into action. You can get more information or order a kit by [clicking here](#). There is also a [screening kit](#) for the film, *Kiss the Ground*, a film about regenerating the world’s soils.

**2021 Grants available:**

- [Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl](#): For those providing/supporting direct services to people who are hungry (first foot of Social justice). Applications must be received in the Social Action Office by May 15, 2021 by 4:00 p.m., no exceptions.
- [Catholic Campaign for Human Development \(CCHD\)](#): For those organizations and projects that promote systemic change (second foot of social justice). To apply send your request in a 1-2 page letter along with the Catholic Campaign for Human Development Grant Agreement. Applications must be received in the Social Action Office by May 15, 2021 by 4:00 p.m., no exceptions.
- [St. Vincent’s Home](#): Applicants are to be located within the 22 counties of the Diocese of Davenport or serve children within the Diocese of Davenport. Grand deadline is September 15, 2021. To be considered at the fall board meeting, applications must be postmarked by [September 15](#).

[The Diocesan Immigration Office](#) continues to operate remotely due to COVID-19 precautions. Phone calls are being accepted and encouraged: direct line 563-324-1912, ext. 4105 or general number: 563-324-1911. You may also send an email to Maricela Guzmán, [guzman@davenportdiocese.org](mailto:guzman@davenportdiocese.org)

The diocesan Immigration Program is a non-profit program that provides immigration counseling to help reunite families split by immigration, and assists immigrants adjust their immigration status and advocates on their behalf. The Immigration Program focuses on family reunification immigration cases.

**[Project Rachel](#) provides services for those wounded by abortion:**

- Dedicated Helpline: 563-333-4107. Voice mail available.
- Confidential referrals for individualized counseling with a Project Rachel priest or counselor
- Dedicated e-mail: [projectrachel@diodav.org](mailto:projectrachel@diodav.org)
- Dedicated national website: [www.hopeafterabortion.org](http://www.hopeafterabortion.org)

**Social Action Two Feet Newsletter:** To view past issues or to subscribe go [here](#).

## **FAITH FORMATION OFFICE**

### **Youth and Young Adult**

**Hold On To Love:** The third of four monthly live stream experiences for teens and parents will take place SUNDAY, March 14, at 7 PM on the [Diocese of Davenport Youth & Young Adult Ministry](#) and the [Diocese of Davenport](#) Facebook pages. This “time out” experience is designed to provide support, inspiration and hope for daily living in these challenging times. Hosted by a team of adults and teens, the live stream will include a message and prayer from Bishop Zinkula, music by Chuck & Alicia Brock from St. Mary parish in Solon, an inspirational message from special guest Doug Tooke, and a time for prayer and reflection. This live stream is part of a [larger comprehensive resource](#) from the Office of Faith Formation. Attached is a graphic designed for publicizing this experience on your social media platforms.

### **Adult Formation**

**Virtual Workshop Series Concludes in March:** Join us from the comfort of your own home for our Virtual Workshops on Hospitality and Engaging Families with Mass. More than a webinar, these workshops actively engage participants in the conversation with no microphone or camera required. Discounts are available if you

register for the entire Series! Visit our [website](#), register [online](#) or contact [Rosina Hendrickson](#) (563-888-4244) for more information on these virtual workshops.

- **The Hospitable Parish** – Tuesday, March 9, 7PM-8:30PM. We will take time to reflect on our hospitality efforts across parish ministries, explore best practices and address common obstacles in the ways we extend hospitality to members and strangers. Registration is \$15 by February 26 and \$20 by March 7
- **Getting your Students (and their Parents) to Engage with Mass during this Pandemic** – Tuesday, March 23, 10AM-11:30AM. Come explore ways the parish can collaborate with parents, grandparents, and guardians to ensure that participation in Sunday Mass becomes a family priority now, whether they are attending in-person or virtually, and as we look ahead to when we all rejoin the gathered assembly. Early-bird Registration is \$15 by March 12.
- If you missed the January or February workshops, contact [Rosina Hendrickson](#) to inquire about the recordings.

**Diocesan Lenten Retreat: Praying the Psalms on the Way of the Cross:** Virtually gather with parishioners from across the diocese on Saturday, March 27, 10AM-12PM to meditate on the Stations of the Cross. Especially after this past year, if we truly want to celebrate the victory over the Cross at Easter, we need to spend some time in prayer as we examine the sufferings and deaths that we have experienced. We will reflect on Jesus' Way of the Cross by using the same prayers he used in his life: the Book of Psalms and see how they serve as "a light for [our] path." This virtual retreat is perfect for the busy individual who would still like to treat themselves to some spiritual nourishment. No camera or microphone needed! [Register online](#) by March 8 for early-bird pricing of \$20! Final Registration Deadline is March 24. Visit our [website](#) or contact [Rosina Hendrickson](#) (563-888-4244) for more information.

**Curated Lent Resources:** Check out the [Resources for Lent](#) curated by the Office of Faith Formation and look ahead to the [Easter Season](#). While on the website, also explore resources on other [Faith Themes](#). If you have questions on these resources, please contact [Rosina Hendrickson](#) (563-888-4244).

### **Marriage and Family**

**Get Ready for Safe Haven Sunday (Year 2) – March 13-14, 2021:** Take advantage of the **free** training programs, articles and videos available on the [Diocese of Davenport Clean Heart webpage](#) and share these resources with your parish/school families and ministry leaders. Click [here](#) for links to Year 2 homily helps, general intercessions, bulletin inserts, and more. The featured book for this year is titled *Confident: Helping Parents Navigate Online Exposure* and can be purchased directly from [Covenant Eyes](#). Resources are available in both English and Spanish. Contact: [Marianne Agnoli](#) for more information.

**Year "Amoris Laetitia Family":** On March 19, 2021, the fifth anniversary of the Apostolic Exhortation [Amoris laetitia](#), Pope Francis will inaugurate the Year "Amoris Laetitia Family," which will conclude on June 26, 2022 on the occasion of the 10<sup>th</sup> World Meeting of Families in Rome. Find out more by checking out the [Vatican webpage](#) and bilingual [video](#). Watch for the launch of our diocesan "Year of the Family" webpage coming soon!

**Virtual Marriage Preparation Workshops:** The next three diocesan marriage preparation workshops will continue to take place virtually via Zoom. The following Saturday dates have been scheduled for the first half of 2021: [March 6](#), [May 1](#) and [June 26](#). An in person gathered workshop is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, [August 21](#) at St. Alphonsus, Mt. Pleasant. However, this workshop will be held virtually via Zoom should it be deemed that a gathered session is not safe to host at that time. Registration information can be found on the diocesan [Marriage Preparation webpage](#).

## **PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN**

**To report child abuse call** the Iowa Attorney General Clergy Abuse hotline at 855-620-7000 (M-F, 8 am.-4:30 pm.) to speak with a trained advocate or the Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178. If it involves clergy or church personnel also notify Alicia Owens, Victim Assistance Coordinator: 563-349-5002, [vac@diodav.org](mailto:vac@diodav.org) or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004.

## **EAGLES' WINGS, DAVENPORT**

To register or for more information contact [marcia@eagleswings.ws](mailto:marcia@eagleswings.ws), 563-324-7263 (leave a message).  
5816 Telegraph Rd., Davenport 52804.

**Mass on March 11:** 1:00 p.m. Adoration at noon. Sacrament of Reconciliation. You must reserve a seat as seating is limited. Email, text (563-0343-1481) or call 563-324-7263 and leave a message

**More About Angels, Mystics and Saints!** Saturday, March 13, 9:30-noon. A review of Angels, their meaning and assignments. How the Saints interacted with Angels and more about three Archangels. Please register as above. Donations accepted for the morning retreat. Inclement weather date: March 20

**Marian Movement of Priests Cenacles (first hour) teachings on the Holy Spirit (second hour):** Thursday Morning 9 –11, Thursday Evening 6 –8. Openings in both groups. Text or email for more information.

Currently Spiritual Direction and Counseling are available in person, on Zoom or DUO. For more information, please contact [Marcia@eagleswings.ws](mailto:Marcia@eagleswings.ws) or phone 563-324-7263 and leave a message.

## **OUR LADY OF THE PRAIRIE RETREAT, WHEATLAND**

To register contact: 563-336-8414 or [olpretreat@gmail.com](mailto:olpretreat@gmail.com). To learn more about these programs and Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat visit [www.theprairieretreat.org](http://www.theprairieretreat.org). All offerings are online.

- **Free Online: Wednesday Nights with Barb – Care of Creation:** Mar 3, 10, 17; 7:00pm-8:30pm
- **Free Online: CHM Spirit Days:** Wed, Mar 4; 6:30pm-8:30pm
- **Free Online: Retail & Restaurant Workers Telling Stories of Covid-19:** Mon, Mar 15; 6:30pm-8:00pm
- **Online: Pause and Refresh:** Fri-Sat Mar 19-20; 7:00 pm Fri-3:00pm Sat
- **Online: Heart of Forgiveness:** Wed, Mar 24; 9:00am-4:00pm

## **BENET HOUSE RETREAT CENTER, ROCK ISLAND, IL**

Benet House will remain closed through March 2021 and the offerings below are virtual. To register for the following contact Sr. Jackie Walsh, OSB at 309-283-2108, [retreats@smmsisters.org](mailto:retreats@smmsisters.org) or online at <https://smmsisters.org/retreats>. For payment, checks may be made payable to the Sisters of St. Benedict or you may call to provide credit card information.

**Pilgrim People:** Using a series from Little Rock Scripture, this retreat covers four major pilgrimages in Scripture and how they may relate to your life journey. Retreat Leader: Sister Bobbi Bussan, OSB. 1-2:30 pm; Fee: \$50 series, plus \$17 for book, if ordered through Benet House.

Remaining Dates: Mondays:

Mar. 1: (Journey of Exile and Return to Israel)

Mar. 8: (Journey of Discipleship with Jesus and His Followers)

**Lent 30: Music Reflection from Musician Monica Brown:** Energize your Lent experience with Friday morning 30-minute, 9-9:30 am, reflection with music and images.

Retreat Leader: Sr. Bobbi Bussan, OSB. Fee: \$25 series.

Dates: Fridays:

Mar. 5: (By His Wounds)

Mar. 19: (I'll Be Always Loving You)

Mar. 26: (This Is Your Way)

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To support the ministry of your parish, school and the diocese these groups automatically receive the *Mini-Messenger*:

Deacons	Diocesan Corporate Board	Youth Ministers	Pastoral Associates	Directors/Coordinators of Faith Formation
Parishes	Catholic Foundation Board	Sisters	RCIA Parish Contacts	Diocesan Liturgical Commission
Priests	Parish Lay Directors	Bookkeepers	Diocesan Board of Education	
Seminarians	Diocesan Pastoral Council	Principals	Parish Life Coordinators	

Other interested persons are welcome to subscribe. If you have questions regarding your subscription contact Laurie Hoefling, [hoefling@davenportdiocese.org](mailto:hoefling@davenportdiocese.org).

# CRS Rice Bowl 2021 Virtual Events

This Lent, include Catholic Relief Services' national virtual events in your CRS Rice Bowl experience. Learn more about the lifesaving work carried out around the world by CRS, our partners and the communities we serve—supported by the generosity of your Lenten offerings. To sign up or for more information about these events, visit [crsricebowl.org/virtualevents](https://crsricebowl.org/virtualevents).

## Ash Wednesday Reflection: February 17

On Ash Wednesday, join our Facebook Live event as we reflect on the meaning of Lent and answer kids' questions about the season. Visit the [CRS Facebook page](#) for more information!

## Stories of Hope: School Speaker Events

These events will feature speakers representing CRS' work in Madagascar and El Salvador. CRS' speakers will dive deeper into the CRS Rice Bowl Stories of Hope, share their own stories and offer a peek into what it is like to live in the countries highlighted by CRS Rice Bowl. Students will have the chance to submit questions in advance of the event to be answered by the speaker.

**March 1 at 11:30 a.m. EST: Elementary School Event—Madagascar**

**March 2 at 11:30 a.m. EST: High School Event—Madagascar**

**March 8 at 1 p.m. EST: High School Event—El Salvador**

**March 9 at 1 p.m. EST: Elementary School Event—El Salvador**

## Family Prayer Evening (*Spanish*): March 18

Gather your family and connect with us via Zoom to pray as a community of faith for our global family. The time and Zoom link will be shared closer to the event.

## Meatless Cooking with Michelle Benzinger—Instagram: March 19

Join Michelle Benzinger, Catholic author, podcast host and creative director of Greenhouse Collective and Meaningful Market, as she and her family cook a meatless recipe from one of the countries featured in CRS Rice Bowl this year. Visit the [CRS Instagram page](#) for more information!

## Family Prayer and Worship Evening (*English*): March 24 at 7 p.m. EST

Gather your family and connect with us via Zoom to pray and worship as a community of faith for our global family. The event will feature Danielle Noonan—musician, worship leader and speaker—and a special pre-recorded guest performance by Catholic musician Sarah Kroger. The Zoom link will be shared closer to the event.

## Eventos Virtuales 2021

Esta Cuaresma ofreceremos una serie de eventos virtuales como parte de la experiencia de Plato de Arroz de CRS. Conoce más sobre la labor que las comunidades alrededor del mundo llevan a cabo junto a CRS y a nuestros socios, apoyados por la generosidad de tus ofrendas de Cuaresma. Para inscribirte u obtener más información sobre estos eventos, visita [crsplatodearroz.org/eventosvirtuales](https://crsplatodearroz.org/eventosvirtuales).

### Reflexión el Miércoles de Ceniza: 17 de febrero

Este Miércoles de Ceniza no te pierdas nuestra transmisión en vivo por Facebook. Reflexionaremos sobre el significado de la Cuaresma y estaremos respondiendo a las preguntas de los niños. Visita la [página de Facebook de CRS](#) para obtener los detalles.

### Historias de Esperanza: Eventos para Escuelas

En estos eventos, miembros del personal de CRS Madagascar y de CRS El Salvador, darán testimonio de la obra que se lleva a cabo en sus comunidades locales. Los presentadores profundizarán en las Historias de Esperanza de Plato de Arroz de CRS de este año. Además, compartirán sus experiencias e historias, mostrándonos cómo es la vida en esos países. Los estudiantes tendrán la oportunidad de enviar sus preguntas antes del evento para ser respondidas por el presentador.

**1 de marzo, 11:30 a.m. EST Escuelas primarias—Madagascar**

**2 de marzo, 11:30 a.m. EST Escuelas secundarias—Madagascar**

**8 de marzo, 1 p.m. EST Escuelas secundarias—El Salvador**

**9 de marzo, 1 p.m. EST Escuelas primarias—El Salvador**

### Noche de Oración Familiar (*español*): 18 de marzo

Reúne a tu familia o comunidad y conéctate por Zoom para orar juntos por nuestra familia humana.

### Cocinando con Michelle Benzinger—Instagram: 19 de marzo

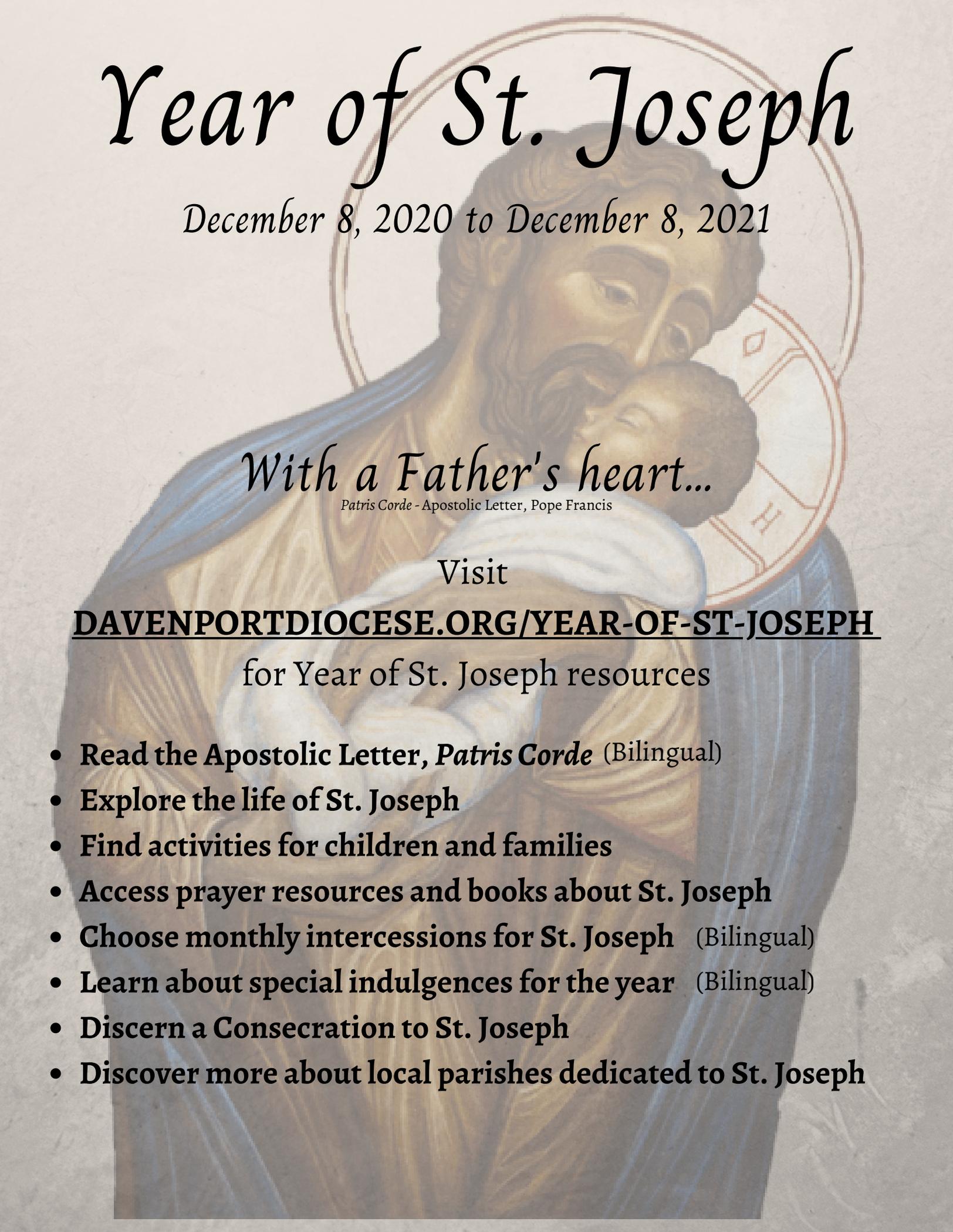
Michelle Benzinger, autora católica, presentadora y directora de Greenhouse Collective y de Meaningful Market, cocinará con su familia una receta sin carne de Plato de Arroz de CRS. Síguenos en [Instagram](#) para recibir más información.

### Noche de Oración Familiar: 24 de marzo, 7 p.m. EST

Reúne a tu familia o comunidad y conéctate por Zoom para orar juntos por nuestra familia humana. Este evento contará con la participación de Danielle Noonan, una reconocida compositora, cantante y presentadora. También tendremos una presentación especial pregrabada de la cantante Sarah Kroger.

*\*Todos los eventos serán en inglés excepto el del 18 de marzo el cual será en español.*

# Year of St. Joseph



December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021

*With a Father's heart...*

*Patris Corde* - Apostolic Letter, Pope Francis

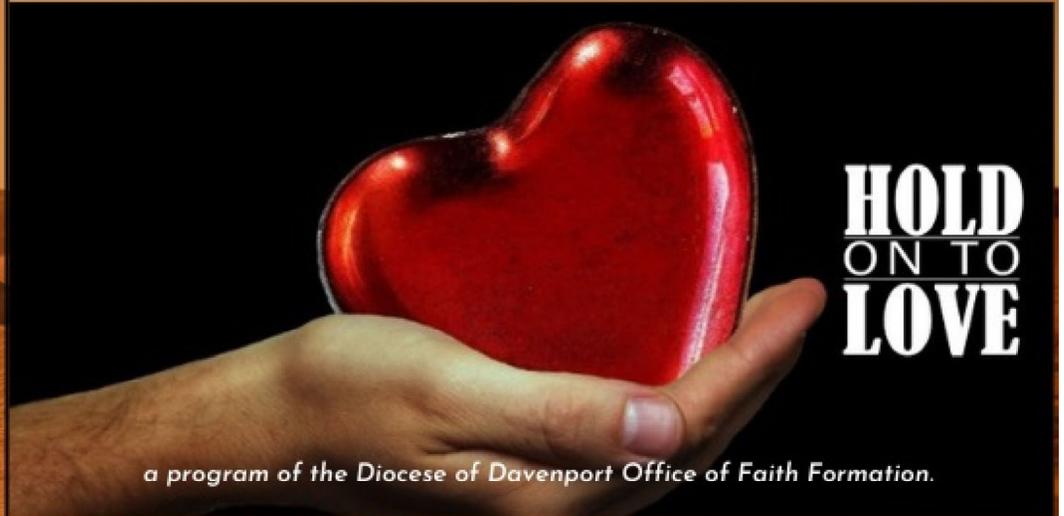
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**[DAVENPORTDIOCESE.ORG/YEAR-OF-ST-JOSEPH](http://DAVENPORTDIOCESE.ORG/YEAR-OF-ST-JOSEPH)**

for Year of St. Joseph resources

- **Read the Apostolic Letter, *Patris Corde* (Bilingual)**
- **Explore the life of St. Joseph**
- **Find activities for children and families**
- **Access prayer resources and books about St. Joseph**
- **Choose monthly intercessions for St. Joseph (Bilingual)**
- **Learn about special indulgences for the year (Bilingual)**
- **Discern a Consecration to St. Joseph**
- **Discover more about local parishes dedicated to St. Joseph**

You're Invited  
to the March edition of



*John the Baptist spent 40  
days in the desert  
preparing for his ministry.*

*Jesus spent 40 days in the  
desert doing the same.*

*This past year at times has  
felt like our desert.*

*What are we being  
prepared for?*

*What is God calling us to?*

featuring



**SUNDAY, March 14, 7:00 PM**  
**on the "Diocese of Davenport" &**  
**"Diocese of Davenport Youth & Young**  
**Adult Ministry" Facebook pages**