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### News From St. Joseph Parish



#### WELCOME TO SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

We hope your visit here will be a prayerful time as you enjoy the lakes region. Please consider St. Joseph's as your church away from home.

Contact us at the Parish Office if we may serve you in any way.

We are committed to proclaiming the
Good News of Jesus Christ and invite you to join us!

May the Holy Spirit lead us in living as a welcoming Catholic community.

#### SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mon.- Thurs.: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Fri.: 8 a.m. - 12 noon

#### **RECONCILIATION:**

3:15 pm Sat; 8:15 am Sun

#### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Tuesday 12 noon

#### MASS SCHEDULE:

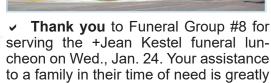
Winter
Saturday at 4 p.m.
Sunday at 9 a.m.
Summer
Saturday at 4 p.m.
Sunday at 7 and 9 a.m.

Are you new to the community? Would you like to join St. Joseph Parish? Just fill out the coupon below and return to the office or in the collection basket.

NAME:		
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State: ——	– Zip:—	
Phone:	•	

PLEASE note ....Msgr. Seifried will be here during the week for daily Mass at St. Joseph and St. Mary's. His schedule requires Mass on Friday morning, Feb. 2 to be at 11:30 a.m. at St. Joseph. Please note that change of time.





appreciated. Funeral Group #1 will handle the next funeral luncheon.

- **Thank you** to the St. Joseph volunteers who worked the Sioux City Soup Kitchen mission on Thurs., Jan. 25. Over 150 less fortunate persons were served.
- **▼ Thank you** to the Rosary/Altar volunteers who prepared and served the Winter Games Bridge tournement participants Fri., Jan. 26. This is a fundraiser for the Rosary/Altar Society.

**MARK** your calendar for the KC Breakfast Sun., Feb. 4, 9 to 11:30 a.m. featuring scrambled eggs, bisquits and gravy.

In a world where you can be anything, be kind.



STILL looking for cooks for the Tues., March 12 Lenten Soup Supper. Call the office today if you can assist in this project.

**MSGR. Seifried** will be at St. Joseph for Mass Tuesday evening at 5:30 p.m. and Fri., Feb. 2 at 11:30 a.m. Please note the change of time of the Friday Mass. On Wednesday and Thursday, Msgr. will be at St. Mary's, in Spirit Lake, to meet their daily Mass needs.





**THE KC Council Regional Spelling Bee will be** Sun., Feb. 4 at the St. Joseph Parish Center. KC members should call Don to volunteer.

#### **Together As One**

**Thank you** to those who have already supported diocesan ministries through TAO. As of Dec. 27, we have raised \$25,522 in gifts and pledges toward the goal of \$40,197.00 with gifts from 114 households. Will you help us meet our fundraising goals? Visit www.scdiocese.org/together-as-one.



#### **Ministry Schedule**

#### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, February 3rd @ 4 p.m.

EMHC: Faith Garcia, Loretta Halbur (Dcn. Darwin)

**LECTOR:** Connie Chapman

SERVERS: Ben Garcia, John Garcia

HOSPITALITY: Irene & Jim McCoy, Terri & Tom Rierson

Sunday, February 4th @ 9 a.m.

**EMHC:** Jim & Laurie Murray (Dcn. Darwin)

**LECTOR:** Sara Laven

**SERVERS:** Asher Knudtson, Simon Walleck

**HOSPITALITY:** Bill & Cheryl Aumer, Lorna Kruger, Marshall Matuska,

Abby Walleck

# News From St. Joseph Parish

#### **Religious Education News** By Erin Lorch

Director of Faith Formation

Greetings!

This past weekend, our 2nd graders had the opportunity to receive their First Reconciliation. Many thanks to the following-our wonderful pizza crew who provided homemade pizza, The CDA who provided cupcakes and candy, to Fr. Hughes for offering this sacrament, and the parents and family members of our 2nd graders. It was a very heart warming and joyful experience.

Please pray for our Confirmation class. This Sunday after the 9am mass, they will have a retreat as they get closer to their Confirmation day!

All students in grades 8-12 are kindly invited to attend the Steubenville Conference in St. Paul, MN from July 26-28, 2024. This is a weekend you won't regret! Contact our Youth Minister, Jacques Bouli with any questions!

Blessings!

Erin

**Upcoming Dates** 

January 24-Class January 28-Confirmation Retreat

January 31-Class

Steubenville Registration

Steubenville registration is open for 8-12th graders. For more information, please contact Jacques Bouli at youth@thelakescatholic.church.





- ✓ Sign-up for the annual Amore Dinner at St. Joseph set for Sun., Feb. 18 from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Parish Center. This is a great fundraiser for students who plan to attend the Steubenville Conference in July.
- ✓ Annual Chicken N' Noodle dinnere is set for Sun., March 3, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please mark your calendar now for the dinner and that Mass that morning moves from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
- Lenten Penance Service on Sun., March 3, 2:30 p.m. at St. Mary's, in Spirit Lake, and 4 p.m. at St. Joseph, Milford.

PRAY for these members: Donna Kramer, Pat Graves, Dean Ulrich, Charles Reckard, Vince Bronson, Linda Cunningham, Mark Kollasch, Tutti Willison, Becky Wittrock, Kiana Svoboda, Andrew Gross, Mary Mit-**Please** tag, Mary Langel, Geneva Knudtson, Rick DeMuth, Mary Ann Sigler,

Dennis and Alma Klute, Jerry Clark, Robert Rowland, Bill James, Marie Van Hofwegen, Steve Painter, Finley Brunsvold, Phyllis Hintz.

PLEASE pray for these special persons: Terri Henkels, Teri Tiefenthaler, Hudson Grace Koeppen, Kim Higgins, Janet Norgaard, Cozy Nelsen, Ron Heller,

Zenrik Young, Elizabeth Olson, Mark McGill, Kevin Tracy, Mary Jones, Pat Reckard, Hope Anderson, Christine Fischer, Tom Kallis, Cheryl Kallis, Duane Doran, Jane Baxter, Wanda Randall, Norine Kennedy, Bruce and Sandy, Kaydan, Adam Hall, Kate Jensen, Cooper Hatfield, Corey Langner, Claire Yaw, Sammy Schumann, Mary W., Mary Bolan, Charles Graves, Zoe Lorenzen, Heather Hamann, Esther Morris, Wayne Bellinghausen, Maxine Thompson, Lois Doran, Dale Gentry, Mike Cooper, Denny Daberkow, Tailen Sturtz, Aimee Wallrich, Peggy Price, John Bruening, Ashlyn Clark, Jerry Wolford, Kami Svoboda, Darrel Wedeking, Dan Mulder, Colleen Mulder.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Jan. 27

4 p: For The People

Sunday, Jan 28

9 a: +Charles McCabe

Monday, Jan. 29

No Mass Today Tuesday, Jan. 30

5:30 p: +Wayne Feller

Wednesday, Jan. 31

No Mass Today

Thursday, Feb. 1

**No Mass Today** 

Friday, Feb. 2

11:30 a: +Frank Kennedy

Saturday, Feb. 3

4 p: +Sandy Long

Sunday, Feb. 4

9 a: For The People

Youth grade K-5 are invited attend



Vacation Bible School at St. Joseph June 9-13, 2024! We are planning a fun filled, meaningful, spirited week of activities just for you. Call Erin at 338-2274 to register.



#### Monday, Jan. 29

7:30 p.m.: Al-Anon meets by zoom 8 p.m.: AA meets in Nazareth Hall

Tuesday, Jan. 30

2 p.m.: Eucharistic Adoration

5:30 p.m.: Mass

Praying for...

#### Wednesday, Jan. 31

Rel. Ed: K-4 @ 5-6:15 p.m.; Grades 6-10 @ 6:45 to 8 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 1

No activities today.

Friday, Feb. 2

8 a.m.: Bible Study, overflow

11:30 a.m.: Mass

Saturday, Feb. 3

4 p.m.: Mass

Sunday, Feb. 4

9 a.m.: Mass



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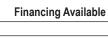


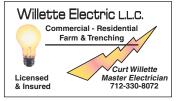






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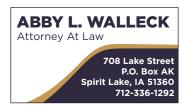
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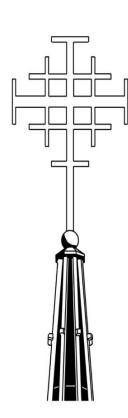
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# News From St. Mary's Parish



#### **Eternal Rest**

Please remember Mary Buckley in your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light

shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

#### **Monthly CDA Meetings**

CDA has moved the monthly meeting to Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. (after noon Mass) for the winter.

#### Steubenville Registration

Steubenville registration is open for 8-12th grades. For more information, please contact Jacques Bouli at youth@thelakescatholic. church.

#### **Movie Night**

The February "Movie Night" will be at 12:30 p.m. (after noon Mass) on February 7th. Everyone is invited to come watch the movie "Sound of Freedom." Please join us, and bring a friend!

#### Fish Fry Dates

Mark Your Calendars! The Fish Fry season will soon be here. The dates this year will be February 16, February 23, and March 1 at St. Mary's and March 8 and March 22 at St. Joseph's. More details in the weeks to come. Questions and volunteer opportunities may be directed to Andrew Vortherms at 507-884-6139 or Rob Waterhouse at 712-320-0269.

#### Knights of Columbus Members of Council #5043

If you have taken only the 1st degree ceremony, you can get your 2nd and 3rd degree by attending our local ceremony here at St. Mary's. We urge you to take advantage of this option. Please contact Brian Nokleby at 712-339-0083 to get on the list for the next ceremony.

#### **Eucharistic Miracles of the World Coming to St. Mary's**

St. Mary's will host the Vatican-approved international Eucharistic Miracles of the World exhibit from February 10 – February 18. It is free to view before and after Mass times. The Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit is a traveling display on loan from Spirit Catholic Radio. It features 39 beautiful panels that highlight some of the most powerful Eucharistic miracles in the world. For more information, visit spirit-catholicradio.com/miracles.

#### **Weekend Mass Schedule**

Masses at St. Mary's are at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday and 10:30 a.m. on Sunday.

#### **FORMED**

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish. Once you have an account, consider downloading the FORMED app on the App Store or on Google Play (search: FORMED Catholic). Downloading the app makes viewing FORMED content easy.

#### **Together As One**

Thank you to those who have already supported diocesan ministries through TAO. As of December 31, we have raised \$27,566.00 in gifts and pledges toward the goal of \$30,923.00 with gifts from 125 households. Will you help us meet our fundraising goals? Visit www.scdiocese.org/together-as-one.



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Parish Office Hours:

Mon.- Thurs.: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Fri.: 8 a.m. - 12 noon
Reconciliation:
4:45 pm Sat;
9:45 am Sun; 11:30 am Wed
Bulletin Deadline
Monday at 8 a.m.
Mass Schedule:
Winter:

Saturday at 5:30 p.m. Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

If you are a new parishioner at St. Mary's, we welcome you to register with our parish. Simply go to our parish website (stmarysspiritlake.org), and click on "Parish Registration" at the top of the page. Then complete the form, and click "Submit." We look forward to serving you here at St. Mary's!

# News From St. Mary's Parish



Monday, Jan. 29

No Mass Today

Tuesday, Jan. 30

No Mass Today

Wednesday, Jan. 31

12 p.m.: +Louis Demers, Jr.

Thursday, Feb. 1

2 p.m.: Adoration

5:30 p.m.: +Mary Lou Korwes

Friday, Feb. 2

No Mass Today

Saturday, Feb. 3

5:30 p.m.: Liv and Dec of St. Mary's

Sunday, Feb. 4

10:30 a.m.: Special Intention





Monday, Jan. 29

No events today

Tuesday, Jan. 30

5:30 p.m.: Adult Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, Jan. 31

12 p.m.: Mass

Thursday, Feb. 1

2 p.m.: Adoration 5:30 p.m.: Mass

Friday, Feb. 2

No events today

Saturday, Feb. 3

5:30 p.m.: Mass

Sunday, Feb. 4

9 a.m.: Lectio Divina Group, clsrm.

10:30 a.m.: Mass

#### **Special Collections in February**

Donations for the Building Fund and Briar Cliff collections should be placed in the basket on the weekend of February 4. Donations for the Aid to Global Churches collection should be placed in the basket on the weekend of February 18. Please make checks payable to "St. Mary's," and write "Building Fund" or "Briar Cliff" or "Aid to Global Churches" in the memo line.

If you would like to give to these collections online, please visit our website (stmarysspiritlake.org), and click on the "Give" option at the top of the screen. Then click on the "Click Here to Make an Online Donation" button. To see all available funds, click on "View All Funds." Choose the fund you want to give to, and click "Give Now." The February special collections will be available on our website from February 1-29. Thank you for your generous support!

#### Prayer Chain

All Confidential Prayer Chain requests may be directed to Jean Mohr, our Prayer Chain Coordinator, at 712-320-0748. Prayer intentions may be entered in the prayer request book, which can be found in the narthex of the church.

#### **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat**

Rachel's Vineyard is an extraordinary opportunity for any person who struggles with emotional and spiritual pain of abortion(s). The weekend is a unique and effective process designed specifically to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. For more information and a list of upcoming dates, email rachelshelpersofiowa@gmail.com or call 712-898-5550.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter for Married Couples** 

Consider making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and enrich your lives together. It is a unique approach aimed at revitalizing Christian marriage. The upcoming dates are April 12-14, 2024, in Epworth; September 27-29, 2024, in Dubuque; and November 8-10, 2024, in Holstein. For more information, call 563-920-9419.



#### **Ministry Schedule**

#### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, February 3rd @ 5:30 p.m.

**EMHC:** Patty Delaney, Kim Ingwersen (Dcn Darwin)

**LECTOR:** Josh Zigrang

**SERVERS**: Gabe Bennett, Mackenzie Bennett

**HOSPITALITY:** John Delaney, Mark Ingwersen, Brian & Kathy Nokleby

**ONLINE:** Jean Mohr

Sunday, February 4th @ 10:30 a.m.

**EMHC:** Chris & Renee Quance (Dcn Darwin)

**LECTOR:** Jim Staver

SERVERS: Ava Wasson, Miles Wasson

**HOSPITALITY:** Brian & Michelle Koppen, Brady Kramer, Jim Wiese

#### Following is general information that may be helpful to you.

- **BAPTISMS:** Contact the office to inquire about pre-baptismal class.
- ✓ MARRIAGE: Contact the office at least six months before the date of the wedding.
- ✓ CONFESSIONS: Wednesday at 11:30 a.m., Saturday at 4:45 p.m. and Sunday at 9:45 a.m.
- ✓ **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Thursday from 2 to 5:15 p.m.



#### **Appliance Collection**

We are grateful for all the folks who have made a contribution to our "Appli-

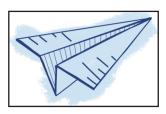


ance Collection" to furnish our retired priests house at 1011 15th Street in Milford. The house and its remodeling are a gift from Tom Clary. We are moving forward in our effort to raise the money the appliances and furnishings for the house. Together we

can work to welcome a retired priest to assist our pastor with daily Mass and other pastoral duties here at St. Joseph's and St. Mary's. We will continue to welcome gifts to this fund for the next two weeks. As of this printing, we are a bit more than halfway to our goal.

#### **Beware of Scams**

Recently several parish members have received messages that propose to be from Father Hughes asking for money or gift cards. The first text message includes a greeting and a request for a return message. After



the return message there is a request for money or gift cards for assistance in a tragic situation. A message follows instructing the parish member to buy gift cards and then open the seal on the gift card and take a photograph and send it. These kinds of messages are a complete and total scam. Fr. Hughes will never elicit funds over the phone, via text message or via an email. Please disre-

gard these requests for payment and delete them as soon as they arrive. Please be careful to examine the phone number and email address of these

requests. The messages often make the request sound urgent. PLEASE disregard any requests that falsely identify Fr Hughes as requesting financial assistance in any way.

#### **Use good judgment**

With the increased numbers of covid, the flu and RSV cases, please use good judgment in deciding if you should attend Mass. If you are ill or do not feel well, please stay home and watch the Mass on livestream. When you are sick, your Mass obligation is no longer in effect.



# Stewardship YYYYY REPORT

Moses told the people, "A prophet like me will the Lord, your God, raise up for you from among your on kinsmen." God still provides among His people the tifts and talents necessary to continue the work of His Church. What gifts are yours to share?

# ST. JOSEPH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP Jan. 20-21, 2024 Attn: 420

**Adults:** \$4,681.00 **Loose:** \$846.00 **Online:** \$7,323.00

Altar/Rosary Dues: \$60.00 Peace & Justice: \$25.00 Building Fund: \$292.00

# ST. MARY'S FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP Jan. 20-21, 2024 Att: 474

Adults: \$5647.00 Online: \$500.60 Loose: \$796.24 Votive: \$59.00

**Dollar Collection:** \$369.14



# Pastor Fr. Brian Hughes Deacon Darwin Messerly and Deacon Ken Lindquist

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