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6[™] SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors, Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all that you vow." - Mt 5:33

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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RECONCILIATION

Thursday: 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM Friday: 6:30 AM to 7:00 AM Saturday: 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM or by appointment

ROSARY

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 AM

MASS TIMES

Monday: 9:00 AM Tuesday: 9:00 AM Wednesday: 9:00 AM Thursday: 9:00 AM Friday: 7:00 AM

Saturday: 4:15 PM (livestreamed)

Sunday: 8:00 AM | 10:00 AM

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PASTOR'S REFLECTION

Monday Feb. 13 9:00 AM

† John and Janet Schwendinger † Brian Gockel

Tuesday Feb. 14 9:00 AM

† Mary Louise Pusateri † Dave Lammer

† Guy A. Gard, Jr.

Wednesday Feb. 15 9:00 AM

† Joan Higley

Thursday Feb. 16 9:00 AM

† Evelyn G. Stieber

Friday Feb. 17 7:00 AM

† Helen Hartig

† Joan Higley

Saturday Feb. 18 4:15 PM

† Dick Strub

† June and Kenneth Palm † In memory of Ed Spoerre

† Arnie Honkamp & Heidi Honkamp-Myhre

† Guv A. Gard, Jr.

† In honor of Mary Gjerde Lemke

Sunday Feb. 19 8:00 AM

† Alice Amling

† James Gregory

† Earl Larson

† David and Judy Ochs

Sunday Feb. 19 10:00 AM

Pro Populo

† Gerard Noonan

† Matt Cusack and Millie & Roy Schlickman

† William Patt

† Berniece Knippel

Have you seen any of Pope Francis' trip to Africa last week? Video of people joyfully praying, dancing, and receiving the Eucharist at the papal Masses touched my heart.

It brought to mind distributing Eucharist as a seminarian at one of Pope St. John Paul II's Masses in Baltimore. I will never forget people helping each other navigate the stadium steps and aisles as they made their way to Communion. The assistance everyone offered expressed powerfully our desire to help each other receive Christ into our lives.

That brings something to mind about liturgical ministries at Mass. We speak of encountering Christ in four ways at Mass: in the Eucharist, in God's Word, in the ministry of the Priest, and in each other: the assembly of the baptized.

Have you ever thought about your experience of that? Jesus has stirred up within a desire for Him; it brings us to Mass. In one's ministry, we help Jesus fulfill that desire! Ushers, Lectors, Servers, musicians—all ministries—help the assembly receive Christ in those four ways. We become the means by which our brothers and sisters encounter Jesus.

In that, ministry offers a unique encounter with Christ in each other. As my voice, hands, face and presence bring Christ to you, I in a very personal way meet Jesus in you as I do. I find this especially true of being a Eucharistic Minister. I see and hear your gratitude to Jesus as you receive! Its humbling and profound.

Ministering the Eucharist does not require particular holiness. Only that one is striving to love the Lord, and receiving the Sacrament regularly. We need more Eucharistic ministers if we are going to offer the Precious Blood of Christ at Mass again.

Give yourself the gift of receiving Jesus as you offer Him to your brothers and sisters. There is nothing like it!

Fr. Tom Mc Dernot



FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

Saint Valentine and Friendship

Ana feels frustrated. She wants to be everyone's best friend. Lukas tells her the story of St. Valentine to help her understand the meaning and value of friendship. https://watch.formed.org/lukas-storyteller

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PARISH NEWS

Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Breakfast | February 12

KC Council #15813 will host a free will offering breakfast this Sunday, February 12, 7:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., to support the Iowa K of C Ultrasound Initiative. These machines allow women in crisis pregnancies to see their child and choose life. The breakfast will include made-to-order omelets and all the fixings.

Seasonal Decorating of Our Worship Space

We would like to extend our thanks to the following people for sharing their time and talents by helping with the set up/tear down of the church for Christmas. You are so appreciated!

Jen Porter, Isabel and Caroline Stratford, Grace Gilbertson, Rick and Cindy Hanten, Daryl Dorr, Chris Polley, Carol Lavenz, and Ron Hoefer

Sincerely,

Mike and Jan DeMoully, Arts and Environment chairs

If anyone is interested in helping the Arts and Environment committee with Lent and Easter decorating, please call or text Jan DeMoully at 563-451-8850.

Snow Removal During Winter Months

If it is snowing when you come to morning Mass, please park in the flat lot across the street. It is the first lot cleared and in the best of condition. However, if it is really bad outside, please rethink leaving the safety of your home.



Next Sunday, February 19, the loose coin collection goes to the Dominican Sisters of Vietnam.

COMMUNITY NEWS

DCRTL Equipped for Life Seminar | Feb. 19—April 2

Dubuque County Right to Life presents the Equipped for Life seminar, which provides a fresh approach to the dialogue about abortion. This method is developed from many conversations with pro-choice people. The seminar will help you have charitable dialogues with anyone regardless of their religious or political beliefs. Meetings are one hour each week on Sundays, February 19 - April 2nd, at 3 p.m. Please register at least one day prior to the start date by calling the DCRTL office at 563-556-5960, or email dcrtl@dcrtl.org.

Resurrection Parish Mission | February 26 & 27

All are invited to attend Resurrection's Parish Mission beginning Sunday, February 26. Anthony Digmann, Theology teacher at Beckman High School in Dyersville, will speak about the importance of the Eucharist and lead us into a deeper appreciation of that sacrament within our own individual lives as well as within the life of our parish community. It is a two-night series—Sunday night (February 26) and Monday night (February 27), both from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Each evening will include one hour of Eucharistic Adoration (including confessions) preceding at 5:30 p.m. and will conclude with a cookie and punch social from 8 to 8:30 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday Feb. 13	Cub Scouts 6:00 P.M. Presentation Hall Boy Scouts 6:00 P.M. Fogarty Hall Girl Scouts 6:00 P.M. Convent Building, 2nd Floor Families Anonymous 7:15 P.M. Fogarty Hall
Tuesday Feb. 14	Holy Family Wrestling Practice 3:00 P.M. Convent Building Finance Meeting 6:00 P.M. Fogarty Hall
Wednesday Feb. 15	Knights of Columbus Meeting 6:30 P.M. Presentation Hall
Thursday Feb. 16	Eucharistic Adoration With Students 12:05—2:15 P.M. Church All are welcome to join our students! St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 6:00 P.M. Fogarty Hall
Sunday Feb. 19	RCIA 11:00 A.M. Presentation Hall
Wednesday	Ash Wednesday
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Feb. 22

Ash Wednesday
Masses at 7:00 & 9:00 A.M & 6:00 P.M.



ArchdioceseOne—Give Online and Pray for Success

Please remember that you can also give to ArchdioceseOne online. This can be done at www.archdioceseone.org/support. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of a gift to ArchdioceseOne.

Also, please continue to pray for the success of this special appeal and for its beneficiaries as we move forward. Please email Jeff Schneider at jeff.schneider@dbqarch.org with any questions. Thank you.

God, come to our assistance. Lord, make haste to help us. Amen.



The observances of National Marriage Week (Feb. 7-14) and World Marriage Day (Sunday, Feb. 12) are an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family.

This year's theme, "Marriage...one flesh, given and received" highlights the one-flesh union of husband and wife that is willed by God. It also indicates the personal self-gift of each spouse, one to the other. These concepts point to Christ who gives Himself under the appearance of bread and wine—as real flesh and blood. (USCCB)

O God, who in creating the human race willed that man and wife should be one, keep, we pray, in a bond of inseparable love those who are united in the covenant of Marriage, so that, as you make their love fruitful, they may become, by your grace, witnesses to charity itself.

Through Christ our Lord,

Amen.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Baptism is the basic Sacrament of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit, and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. With the new birth through water and the Word, we are freed from sin and regenerated as sons and daughters of God. We ask expecting couples to visit our website or contact Serena Freisinger at s.freisinger@dbqarch.org during pregnancy to help prepare for the baptism of their child.

First Reconciliation & First Communion

These sacraments are typically celebrated when a child is 7 or 8 years old, or in second grade. At St. Columbkille, we have a firm belief that since Reconciliation and Communion are part of everyday Catholic living, preparing for these sacraments at home within the family is essential. We are guiding families in a way that not only provides parents with the tools they need to prepare their child, but also walking with them to learn how to use those tools in their daily Catholic family life. If you are looking for more information in regards to these exciting Sacramental firsts, please contact Jessica Rauen at j.rauen@dbqarch.org.

Marriage

The sacred covenant in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony is a symbol of the union between Christ and his Church, and we would love to celebrate it with you at St. Columbkille. Please contact the parish office at least 6-12 months prior to the intended wedding date. For more information, visit our website or contact the parish office at 563-583-9117.

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

The RCIA process is open to those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, even though they may not be ready to make a commitment at this time. It typically involves someone ready to take the next step in their faith journey. For more information, visit our website or contact Tricia Tranel at t.tranel@dbgarch.org.

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