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CATHOLIC CHURCH



God **CALLS** us to be disciples and **FORMS** us by our Catholic Faith to:

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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

“Go, therefore, and make
disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name
of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.”
- Mt 28:19-20

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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

Children's Liturgy of the Word is
celebrated during most 10 AM Sunday Masses

MAY 21
2023

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MASS INTENTIONS

PASTOR'S REFLECTION

Monday
May 22
9:00 AM

† John and Joan Higley
† Dennis O'Neill and family

Tuesday
May 23
9:00 AM

† Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Piekenbrock
† Bert Tranel

Wednesday
May 24
9:00 AM

† Marge Larson
† Blaine and Janaan Hancock
† Louis Dunn
† Don Oliver, Jr.

Thursday
May 25
9:00 AM

† Helen Molo
† John C. Welter



Friday
May 26
7:00 AM

† Joan Higley
† Alice Freyaldenhoven

Saturday
May 27
4:15 PM

† Bill Huss
† Helen Hartig
† Maury and Jared Sturm
† Don Ruden and Ron Ruden
† Guy A. Gard, Jr.
† Clarence and Sylveria Ruden family

Sunday
May 28
8:00 AM

† Robert E. Molo and Helen T. Molo
† John and Myra Welsh & Daisy Stabenow
† June and Kenneth Palm

10:00 AM

Pro Populo
† Barb Setter
† Blaine and Janaan Hancock
† Debbie Menadue

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATING SENIORS!

Whether from high school or college, this week-end we thank God for the gifts our graduates have brought to us in their years among us. Please pray for them asking for God's guidance and protection to be with them on the next steps they will take in life and in witness to Jesus as our Lord and Savior. May their futures be full of joy in Christ as life unfolds!

Today we celebrate Jesus' Ascension into Heaven. Our Savior returns to our Father, taking the now-glorified humanity He shares with us into the very being of God. There is a *belonging* for us in the God who created us to *rise above* the limits we experience now! Alleluia, He is risen!

We celebrate this Christian *rising above* in the midst of our civic "graduation season." From colleges, high schools, for some perhaps boot camp—our young adults are graduating. Diploma in hand, on to the next step in life. Congratulations to all who have made the most of their gifts! Blessings to you going forward!

Both ascension and graduation are words that describe movement *upward*. But in both these actions, the upward is not to *leave behind*. The graduate does not start over a blank slate. He or she stands on the education and character formation received, to then rise above the next challenge. Christ ascends to the Father so they can send the Spirit of their love down into us. From the apostles on, God is helping us love in the way Jesus taught us and showed us. With Jesus, we too can rise above the pull of sin to hold us in the limiting experiences of being less than Christ-like.

In both Christian and civic moments of moving up, the critical virtue is gratitude. For the graduate—gratitude for those who have supported me to this point. For the Christian—gratitude to the God who could have stayed above the messiness of this world, but instead came down to save us from our sins.

If I grow in awareness of how I've been helped, I nurture a sense of justice and responsibility to help those coming up behind me. May we all ascend to the next level of gratitude; for the good of our world, and the glory of God!

F. Tom McDermott



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PARISH NEWS

Training/Refresher This Weekend for Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion

We will begin distributing the Precious Blood at Holy Communion on the first weekend of June. A training/refresher will be offered for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion this weekend after each of the Masses. Please contact Fr. Tom, Fr. Dave, or Tricia Tranel (t.tranel@dbqarch.org) if you have questions or if you would like to help make this possible by becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.



Fr. Casey Flack Mass of Thanksgiving | May 27

Next weekend our normal Saturday evening 4:15 p.m. Mass will be a Mass of Thanksgiving for Deacon Casey Flack following his ordination into the priesthood. A dinner will be held in Presentation Hall after Mass for Fr. Casey's family and guests. If you would like to help support our hospitality committee in hosting this event, please call the parish office and convey your willingness to help prepare, serve, or clean up after the celebration. Many hands make light work! Please keep Deacon Casey and Deacon Jeffrey Frieden (also being ordained into the priesthood) in your prayers.



Next Sunday, May 28, the loose coin collection goes to the Dominican Sisters of Vietnam.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Prayer Service for New Archbishop | May 31

Join fellow Catholics from the area as we pray for the next Archbishop of Dubuque and those involved with his selection. On Wednesday, May 31 after the usual 5:15 p.m. Mass at the Cathedral of St. Raphael, we'll pray the rosary and Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary for this important intention. On this feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we ask our Lady to intercede for us. All are welcome and if you cannot worship at Mass, still participate in the Marian devotions around 5:45 p.m.

Walking Through Grief With Hospice of Dubuque

To support those who are grieving the loss of a loved one, the Hospice of Dubuque Bereavement Team is hosting Walking Through Grief. This drop-in support group is for any tri-state adult who has experienced a loss. From May through September, these walking sessions will take place at Bergfeld Recreation Area on the fourth Wednesday of each month, 9—10 a.m. (May 24, June 28, July 26, August 23 & September 27). To learn more, contact Mary Boots at bootsm@hospiceofdubuque.org or call 563-582-1220.

46th Annual Wahlert Open Golf Outing | June 12

The Wahlert Catholic High School Booster Club is hosting the 46th Annual Wahlert Open Golf Outing on Monday, June 12 at Thunder Hills Country Club. The 1st Annual Pickle Ball Tournament will also be held. Dinner and program for both to follow. Information and registration can be found at Holyfamilydbq.org/WahlertOpen or call Wahlert Activities Office at 563-583-9771. Proceeds support all co-curricular activities.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday

May 22

Cub Scouts

6:00 P.M. | Presentation Hall

Girl Scouts

6:00 P.M. | Convent Building, 2nd floor

Families Anonymous

7:15 P.M. | Fogarty Hall

Tuesday

May 23

Holy Family Wrestling Practice

3:00 P.M. | Convent Building

Pastoral Council Meeting

6:00 P.M. | Fogarty Hall

Wednesday

May 24

Boy Scouts

6:00 P.M. | Convent Building, 2nd floor

Thursday

May 25

Eucharistic Adoration With Students

12:05—2:15 P.M. | Church

All are welcome to join our students!

Catholic Charities Circle Meeting

4:30 P.M. | Convent Building, 2nd floor

Holy Hour for Ordinations

5:30 P.M. | Church

Due to the Holy Hour, 6 p.m. Reconciliation will not be available this evening.

Saturday

May 27

Fr. Casey Flack Mass of Thanksgiving

4:15 P.M. | Church

All are welcome to attend!

Save the date!

Sunday

Aug. 6

Joy of Columbille Golf Outing

Bunker Hill Golf Course

Saturday

Aug. 26

Knights of Columbus Golf Outing

Timberline Golf Course

Sunday

Aug. 27

Brewers vs. Padres Bus Trip

St. Columbille Parish will be sponsoring a baseball trip to Milwaukee to see the Brewers vs. the San Diego Padres on Sunday, August 27. The cost is just \$75.00 per person. This price includes your bus fare and Loge Outfield Box seat ticket to the game. For more details, please contact Kirk Fitzgerald (kirkfitzdbq2@gmail.com / 564-8209), or Mike Specht (mikespecht2@gmail.com / 608-630-5615).

Sunday

Sept. 17

Joy of Columbille Parish Picnic

10 A.M. Outdoor Mass followed by picnic

STAFF CORNER

Happy Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky?

We've all seen things that have astonished us. Whether it is the glory of a beautiful sunset, or the face of a baby, the majesty of the Milky Way at night, or the marvels of the ocean, we observe things in this world that make us wonder. I imagine the disciples looked up and saw Jesus ascend to his seat at the right hand of God and they had to be wondering to themselves, *what now?*

Yes, what now? If you read the end of Luke's Gospel, you will notice that after the Ascension, the disciples went back to Jerusalem full of joy and continually praised God. In the book of Acts, Luke's continuation of his Gospel, we read what led to them being full of joy. While gazing up, two angels announce to them what has happened. The apostles finally "get it" and return to Jerusalem with newfound joy.

Jesus promised them the Holy Spirit "in a few days". The disciples began praying and gathering as a group with the other believers. Thus started the first novena - praying for the nine days between the Ascension and Pentecost. I like to picture this being led by the Blessed Mother, who was present with the 120 believers we read about in Acts during Pentecost. We've been praying novenas ever since - nine days of prayer for a specific intention. In this case, the believers prayed for the gift of the Paraclete.

It seems the two angels' announcement sparked something in the apostles that led to their joy. That spark led to the flame and fire that was lit in them by the Holy Spirit during Pentecost. They then brought Christianity to the world. May we too not just stand and stare in wonder and astonishment, but rather go out and evangelize as we are called to do by our words and our actions.



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ORDINATION
— TO THE —
PRIESTHOOD

STREAMING LIVE
FROM THE
CATHEDRAL OF ST. RAPHAEL
MAY 27, 2023 | 10:00 A.M.

DEACON CASEY FLACK

DEACON JEFFREY FRIEDEN



Archdiocese of Dubuque

Watch the Ordination Mass on Saturday, May 27 at 10 am as Deacons Casey Flack and Jeffrey Frieden are ordained for service in the Order of the Priesthood: [DBQArch.org/live-broadcasts](https://dbqarch.org/live-broadcasts), Facebook Live, and YouTube.com/DBQArch

THE STAFF OF ST. COLUMBKILLE WELCOMES YOU!

Parish Office Hours: Mon.—Thurs., 9:00 AM—3:30 PM



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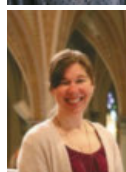
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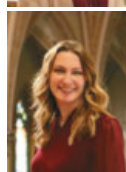
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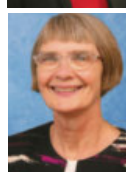
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