

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

Be a Catholic Community that is a Visible Presence of Jesus.

#### **SACRAMENTS**

#### **Baptisms**

Baptisms are scheduled for individual families upon request, preferably during a weekend Mass. We request that parents attend a Baptismal class prior to the sacrament. Please register for class at https://res-dbq.org/baptismal-preparation-class

#### Weddings

All persons who wish to arrange for marriage are asked to contact Fr. Phil Gibbs six months in advance.

#### Reconciliation

Saturday 3:15 PM Monday 7:30 AM Other times by appointment.

#### PARISH MEMBERSHIP

If you would like to become a member of Resurrection Parish, please call the Parish Office: (563-556-7511).

#### MASS SCHEDULE

#### **Weekend Masses:**

Saturday 4:00 Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 AM

Holy Days & Weekdays: Refer to Bulletin



### **MARCH 17, 2024**



## **5TH SUNDAY OF LENT**

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glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." - Jn 12:23-24

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#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday-Thursday: 8:00 AM-4:30 PM; FRIDAY: 8:00 AM-2:00 PM

Website: www.res-dbq.org | Facebook: facebook.com/resdbq



#### MON, March 18

Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM † Benny Martensen

† Carolyn Gibbs

#### TUES, March 19

St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

† Darlene McDonald

#### WED, March 20

7:00 AM † Joseph & Mary Behnke

† Linda Morgan

#### THURS, March 21

7:00 AM † Sharon & Danielle Cate

† Ed & Gertrude Gibbs

9:00 AM † Gib & Esther Digmann

† Frank & Edith Schwind

#### FRI, March 22

7:00 AM † Rev. Joseph Hauer

† Donnie Gibbs

#### SAT, March 23

Nursing Home Mass at Dubuque Specialty Care

9:00 AM † Carolyn Gibbs

† Lloyd & Rosie Gibbs

Vigil of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

4:00 PM † Dan Oberbroeckling

† Shirley Feldman

#### SUN, March 24

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:00 AM Pro Populo

† Larry & Mary Cheney

9:00 AM † Clete & Jerry Koppen

† Kathy Decker

11:00 AM † John Kramer

† Eldora Hines

#### REST IN PEACE

Marge Jahn, sister-in-law of Anne Powers; David Lampe, parishioner.



#### **DEAR PARISHIONERS,**

Have you ever heard of the Svalbard Global Seed Vault, otherwise known as a doomsday vault or Noah's ark for plant life? This vault, dug into a mountain side -400 feet tunneled through the permafrost, is located on a group of frozen islands 500 miles north of mainland Norway. Its purpose is to protect future food crops from nuclear wars, natural disasters or any other global crises. Officially opening on February 26, 2008.

Currently it has now secured more than 1.1 million seed varieties since it opened in 2008. That amount of seed sample represents an estimated three-quarter of the biological diversity of the world's major food crops. This giant ice box has a capacity of storing 4.5 million varieties of crops and securing 2.25 billion seeds. The harsh conditions outside keep them well protected and the natural arctic temperatures inside keeps them well preserved. This unmanned facility holds seeds that will still be viable 20,000 years from now.

These seeds, still viable and full of great potential, are suspended in a stasis – frozen in time – for up to 20,000 years. That is an incredible shelf-life. And, it truly gives credence to the scripture passage from John, "unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat, but if it dies, it produces much fruit."

I was not aware of the existence of a "seed vault." I am fascinated by the science and I am happy to know that we, as a global community, are taking steps to ensure that future generations will benefit from our planning and participation here and now.

However, as we make the jump from genetic seeds of vegetation to spiritual seeds of faith there is quite a distinction. The seeds stored in the arctic permafrost can be thawed out and planted 20,000 years from now. We, with our seeds of faith, don't have that long of a shelf life. And, even though the global community is making efforts to secure food resources for future generations, this local parish community cannot tuck away, suspend in a stasis or freeze our seeds of faith. Our future generations, those of our youth who already belong to this parish and those yet to come, need us to plant our seeds now in order that they may enjoy the fruits that come from our faithfulness to God and our commitment to His church.

Sometimes I wonder if we treat our faith seeds like those frozen seeds north of Norway. Do we hold them back from their due time? Are they frozen in fear? Do we suspend them in selfishness when we are called, in humility and generosity, to plant them without hesitation; foster them with great care and share their fruits with those around us here and now? How do Jesus' words about the seed falling into the ground, dying, and only then producing fruit challenge you? What needs to die in you?

Please reflect on this story entitled, "The Fern and the Bamboo"

One day I decided to quit.... I quit my job, my relationship, my spirituality. I wanted to quit my life. I went to the woods to have one last talk with God. "God", I said. "Can you give me one good reason not to quit?"

His answer surprised me... "Look around," He said. "Do you see the fern and the bamboo?" "Yes," I replied. When I planted the fern and the bamboo seeds, I took very good care of them. I gave them light. I gave them water. The fern quickly grew from the earth. Its brilliant green covered the floor. Yet nothing came from the bamboo seed. But I did not quit on the bamboo.

In the second year the Fern grew more vibrant and plentiful. And again, nothing came from the bamboo seed. But I did not quit on the bamboo."

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#### IN THE PARISH

#### **SENIOR SOCIAL LUNCH & CARDS**

The next Senior Social will be held on Monday, March 18, 2024, at 11:30 am in the Church Social Space. Cost is \$5 if you are not bringing a dish to pass. Sign up on the bulletin board in the Gathering Space or call Julie at 563-663-2034.

#### KC Baby Shower

Knights of Columbus Councils #510, #10069, #5513 and #15813 will be holding their 19th Annual Baby Shower. All donations will be given to Birthright. Donations can be placed in the baby crib on display at Resurrection Parish until March 17. A list of requested items (diapers, newborn outfits, blankets, etc.) will be available in the crib. Please be generous.

#### THANK YOU FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES

These past several weeks Catholic Charities has received strong spiritual and financial support for their 2024 Annual Appeal. It is the collective radiance of our individual lights that weaves a vibrant tapestry of compassion and love. Thank you for your generous commitment to our Annual Appeal and all the ways you are sharing the light of Christ throughout the Archdiocese of Dubuque. Join our community of salt and light today at

https://catholiccharitiesdubuque.org/donate.

#### **MUSIC**

Coordinator of Liturgical Music Amy Dolan

Today's gospel is a turning point in Jesus' ministry as he announces, "the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified." He tells his apostles, "unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." As we receive the body of Christ today, we sing the familiar hymn by Bernadette Farrell, "Unless A Grain of Wheat Shall Fall." The words of this hymn remind us what Lent is all about: dying to ourself, sacrificing for others, as Jesus did. Jesus was troubled as he recognized that he would have to suffer and die in order to fulfill God's plan. As Christians, we know that death is not the final word, and if we remain in God and God's word lives in us, then we also can bear much fruit. Lent is a time for us to grow through our sacrifices and through our prayer. Through dying to old ways, we discover new ways to live, better choices to help us live in God's love. The verse below speaks so simply of our calling as followers of Jesus: we need to hold firm through the ups and downs of life. Only 2 weeks until Easter! Its never too late to start or restart your Lenten journey. One tiny grain of wheat can grow into a huge stalk of many, many grains. Through prayer, fasting and giving, we can grow in our faith and share God's love with all those we encounter.

If we have died with him, then we shall live with him, if we hold firm we shall reign with him.

#### **LITURGY**

Liturgy Deacon Mike Ellis

**Upcoming Liturgical Events/Training/ Special Masses** 

#### Reconciliation Services at Resurrection

Saturday, March 23: 2:30 -3:45 pm Monday, March 25: 7:30 - 8:30 am Tuesday, March 26: 6:00 - 7:00 pm Weds: March 27: 7:30 - 8:30 am Thurs. March 28: 7:00 - 8:00 am

Fri. March 29: 7:00 - 8:00 am & 4:30 - 5:30 pm Sat. March 30: 7:00 - 8:00 am & 3:00 - 4:00 pm

#### Lent Stations of the Cross, Fridays at 5:30 pm:

March 22: Traditional Stations

#### **Holy Week Services**

Mass of the Lord's Supper: Thursday, March 28: 7:00 pm Night Prayer 10:00 pm The Passion of the Lord: Friday, March 29: 3:00 pm

Easter Vigil: Saturday, March 30: 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday: 7am, 9am, 11am

#### **Practices for Holy Week Liturgies**

Weds, March 27: 6:00-7:00 pm, Holy Thursday Practice Weds, March 27: 7:00-7:30 pm, Good Friday Practice Saturday March 30: 10:30-12:00 pm, Easter Vigil & Easter Sunday Practice

Adoration Chapel During the Triduum: The Adoration Chapel will be open for prayer during the Triduum. The Blessed Sacrament will be removed at 10:00 pm Thursday and will be replaced after the Easter Virgil Saturday Night. Please note: Holy Thursday Morning Prayer will be at 7am. Good Friday Morning Prayer at 7am and Holy Saturday Morning Prayer will be at 7am all in the Chapel.

**Funeral Pre-Planning:** if you are interested in pre-planning your Funeral Mass, please contact Deacon Mike.

#### **NEW STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Through the gifts of parishioner's financial gift in memory of loved ones and those wanting to give a contribution we have decided to purchase new Stations of the Cross. They have been ordered and are coming from Italy. The cost of the Stations and postage is \$40,000.00. We have raised \$27,000.00. If you would like to give to this project in memory of a loved one, any amount is appreciated, please contact Deacon Mike.



#### **HEALTH MINISTRY**

Mary Schmidt, Parish Nurse

#### **CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER**

Care for the Caregiver will meet Monday, March 18,2024 from 1:30–2:30 pm in the Community Room. Respite care is available for your loved one during the meeting. Please contact Mary Schmidt at 563-556-7511 if you plan to utilize this benefit.

# **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**& SACRAMENTS

Wendy Osterberger Director of Faith Formation



#### **High School Confirmation Class**

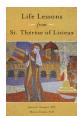
Our next prep class for high schoolers receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation in April will be held Wednesday, March 20, from 7:00-8:00 pm downtown at the Cathedral . For this class, the

students will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

#### First Eucharist Interview Sign-up

If your child is preparing to receive their First Communion in May, be sure to go online and sign them up for their interview in April. The link to sign up has been sent to your email so be sure to check your inbox.





#### **Res Readers Book Club**

ALL women are welcome to join us as we discuss our next book, "Life Lessons From St. Therese of Lisieux." The book is available at River Lights Bookstore. On March 21, we will meet in the Small Meeting Room at the parish office from 7:30 am -9:00 am and discuss the book.

#### Help Needed for the CGS Atrium

We have just a few more things that we need to have built, painted, sewn, donated and handwritten for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) atrium for our parish's little ones. If you are able to help with any of these projects, please contact Wendy at 556-7511. We still need:

- •7 Candle Holder, Liturgical Calendar, & Earth puzzle built
- Picture enlarged and framed
- •Small wooden peg dolls painted
- •Scripture handwritten in booklets

#### **Becoming Catholic**

We welcome all adults interested in being baptized in the Catholic Faith or who are wanting to become Catholic from another Christian denomination. To get started on your journey, contact Wendy at dbq058FF@dbqarch.org



#### Get Signed on to FORMED



Our parish purchased an online platform called FORMED which has thousands of videos to watch. Get signed on today if you haven't done so already by visiting sig-

nup.formed.org Enter our parish zip code (52002), your name and email address. That's it! No passwords or logins to remember. Start enjoying thousands of enriching Catholic movies, programs, audio, and books instantly on FORMED.

#### **Faith Sharing**

If you would you like to be a part of a small faith sharing group and/or would be willing to host a group in your home, contact Wendy for help in getting started at 556-7511.



#### YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Emily Tatum
Coordinator Youth Faith Formation

#### Children's Lent Alms' Giving 2024

Don't forget to bring in your change as we continue to raise money for Almost Home as our children's Alms Giving project.



#### **Faith Formation**

We are looking for Faith Formation Teachers for our Summer Program. We currently have openings for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th grade. If interested please contact Emily Tatum.



#### Children's Liturgy of the Word

The children who attend Children's Liturgy of the Word during Mass will learn about the Gospel in addition to something that will lead their little hearts closer to Christ. This week, the children

will talk about not being wasteful.

**Palm Sunday** we will have a special Easter Egg Hunt during Children's Liturgy of the word at the Saturday 4pm and Sunday **9am and 11am** Mass. All children age 4 through 5th grade are invited.

#### MIDDLE & HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY

Brian Nilles, Coordinator of Youth Ministries

#### Mar 23rd "Living Stations of the Cross"

Please join the youth after the 4:00 pm Mass as they perform "The Living Stations of the Cross."



#### **Lent for High School**

Read Palm Sunday Gospel reading then pray, reflect, and discern on it throughout the week. The following Sunday we will gather in the LoBianco Youth Room at 7:00 pm. Enter door #2

#### Palm Sunday Reading: Mark 15:1-39

Jesus is sentenced to death and crucified. The centurion who witnessed his death declared, "This man was the Son of God." As Christians, we pray that we will be able to recognize Jesus as the Son of God and remain mindful that he loves us and is with us always. How have you/we recognized Jesus this Lent?

#### Mar 24 Iowa Catholic Youth Conference (ICYC)

ICYC is a day-long event targeting those in grades 6-8 (and their parents). Date: Sunday, March 24, 2024 Time: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm Who: Middle School Youth (grades 6-8) and their parents. Location: Regina Education Center, lowa City Cost: \$55 Contact Brian

#### For more information, contact:

Brian Nilles 556-7511 or dbq058ym@dbqarch.org

#### **PARISH SUPPORT**

#### Adult tithe for March 10, 2024

Weekly contributions needed	\$34,615.38
Collected from 189 out of 2345 envelopes	\$26,720.00
Offertory	\$653.52
Electronic Fund Transfer (293 envelopes)	
Total collected	\$57,932.19
YTD collections needed (7/1-3/10)	\$1,280,769.23
YTD collected in envelopes (7/1-3/10)	\$1,258,915.60
YTD total over/short	(\$21,853.63)

#### Have you remembered Resurrection in your will?

Thank you for your support!

#### **SCRIP**



The next scrip order date is Monday, March

**18, 2024.** Orders and payment must be received by 10:00 am on Monday.

To sign up for a scrip account, or for any other questions related to scrip, contact the Resurrection Scrip Program at: <a href="mailto:scripoffice@gmail.com">scripoffice@gmail.com</a>

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

"If anyone would serve me," says Jesus in today's Gospel, "let him follow me; where I am, there will by servant be." In what way is Jesus inviting me to follow Him? What service is he asking of me?

#### AROUND TOWN

#### Dubuque Area Congregations United Interfaith - DACU-Interfaith

The March meeting for DACU will be at the Multicultural Family Center, 1157 Central Avenue. The March 26 meeting will start at 7pm. The speaker will be the MFC Director, Antonio Mouzon on "Creating Community through Cultural, Ethnic, and Racial Understanding." ALL Faith communities and interested parties are welcome!!

#### Help Relight the Centennial Cross in Key West!

The Knights of Columbus have set up a not-for-profit organization formed to rebuild and relight the blue cross in Key West. The cross was originally constructed in 1937 to commemorate the Centennial of the Archdiocese of Dubuque and has been a symbol of Christian faith for over 8 decades. Now it's time to bring it back and make it even better. The plan is to pour new concrete footings and erect a new steel cross that is 137' tall and add blue LED lights on both sides of it.

It's an ambitious project but with your help it will be done. Donations can be sent to Centennial Cross, PO Box 1315, Dubuque, IA 52004-1315 or payment can be made on the website at <a href="https://www.centennialcross.org">www.centennialcross.org</a>

Plans are underway for a Donor Recognition/ Information board to be built in Mt. Olivet Cemetery including donors that give \$10,000 or more. All donors over \$100 will be acknowledged on the website.

Centennial Cross Incorporated is a 501(c)(3) organization.



#### **ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS**

Parish Offices are closed Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday.

MONDAY, March 18		
10:00 AM SCRIP DueParish Office		
11:30 AM Senior Social Church Social Space		
1:30 PM Care for the Caregiver		
Community Room		
3:30 PM Children's ChoirChurch		
5:45 PM Stretching to GodLL Social Space		
6:30 PM Social JusticeCommunity Room		
6:45 PM Bell ChoirChurch		
TUESDAY, March 19		
1:00 PM Bible StudyAdult FF Room		
2:00 PM Rosary MakersUpper Room		
WEDNESDAY, March 20		
4:00 PMYFF Class Church Social Space		
5:00 PM BeFrienderCommunity Room		
5:00 PM Finance CouncilSt. George Room		
6:30 PM YFF ClassSchool		
6:30 PM Living Stations RehearsalChurch		
THURSDAY, March 21		
7:30 AM M.E.S.SChurch Social Space		
7:30 AM Res ReadersSmall Meeting Room		
1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry2nd Floor		
5:00 PM ChoirChurch		
6:00 PM St. Vincent de PaulSt. George Room		
FRIDAY, March 22		
5:30 PM Stations of the CrossChurch		
SATURDAY, March 23		
6:30 AM TMIY Rectory		
5:30 PM Living Stations of the CrossChurch		
SUNDAY, March 24		

#### A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

No Events



Relationships come with a price tag. We must be willing to entrust ourselves to another, to let go of our autonomy and die to our independence. It is in dying to our

independence that we find interdependence with others. - Bud Ozar

#### MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT



"If a grain of wheat dies, it produces much fruit" (Jn 12:24). Death is hard: the death of a loved one, the death of dreams, and the daily dying to self. But Jesus promises that when we

are united with Him, even death and suffering can be fruitful. Find comfort in His words today.

MARRIED COUPLES: A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is like Springtime. It's a weekend of fresh air, the rebirth of romance and new beginnings. If you'd like to make your marriage even more special than it already is sign up now at <a href="wwme.org">wwme.org</a> or call Greg & Denise at 563-920-9419. Upcoming dates: April 12-14 in Epworth, September 27-29 in Dubuque and November 8-10 in Holstein, IA.

#### **CONTACT US**

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#### PARISH CHAIRPERSONS

# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL VOUCHER CENTER NEEDS



#### End Poverty Through Systemic Change

Thank you for your continued support of our Resurrection St. Vincent de Paul Conference as we serve our neighbors in need. In February our downtown Voucher Center filled 167 vouchers that helped over 450 people with nearly 1,200 pounds of donated goods and products. Across all Parishes we had over 275 hours of volunteer time at the Voucher Center! The following items are needed most right now:

- Pancake mix and syrup
- Hygiene products (shampoo, body wash, bars of soap)
- Cleaning supplies
- Cooking oil
- Cold cereal



Please be sure to return the blue bags with your donations. If you wish to make a financial contribution to St. Vincent de Paul you can use the envelopes in the pews. If you, or someone you know, is in need of assistance, please call the St. Vincent de Paul Voucher Line at 563-584-2226.

#### Social Justice Committee Facebook Group

The Resurrection Social Justice Committee would love to hear from you! Check out our Facebook group below to find out about what we are doing and to share your own experiences and ideas.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/922909382036597

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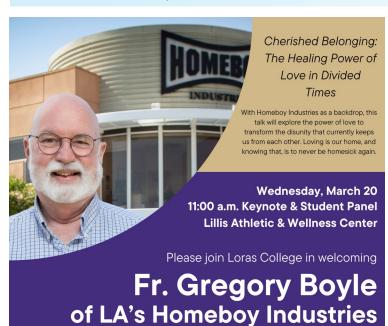
He said, "In the third year, there was still nothing from the bamboo seed. But I would not quit. In the fourth year, again, there was nothing from the bamboo seed. I would not quit."

He said, "Then in the fifth year a tiny sprout emerged from the earth. Compared to the fern it was seemingly small and insignificant. But just 6 months later the bamboo rose to over 100 feet tall. It had spent the five years growing roots. Those roots made it strong and gave it what it needed to survive. I would not give any of my creations a challenge it could not handle."

He said to me. "Did you know, my child, that all this time you have been struggling, you have actually been growing roots. I would not quit on the bamboo. I will never quit on you. Don't compare yourself to others." He said. "The bamboo had a different purpose than the Fern, yet, they both make the forest beautiful." "Your time will come," God said to me. You will rise high! "How high should I rise?" I asked. "How high will the bamboo rise?" He asked in return. "As high as it can?" I questioned. "Yes." He said, "Give me glory by rising as high as you can." I left the forest and brought back this story. I hope these words can help you see that God will never give up on you.......

Fr. Phil Gibbs, Pastor

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Free and open to the public Please RSVP here:



#### **VOCATION VIEWS**

We should like to see Jesus. Where and how do we see Jesus? Pray for a clear vision of Jesus in the Body of Christ that surrounds us: in the poor, the outcast, and the suffering. Pray for the grace to stand with them. (John 12:20-33)

Please pray for all seminarians of the Archdiocese of Dubuque and those in formation for religious life.

#### **Prayer for Vocations**

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, religious, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help us respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

