

*Working Together To
Build the Kingdom of God*

Mass Schedule:

St. John the Baptist, Mount Vernon

Sunday at 8:00 am

Wednesday & Friday - 8:30 am

St. Isidore the Farmer, Springville:

Saturday at 5 pm - Tuesday & Thursday 8 am

St. John's Parish Confession:

Sunday at 7:30 am or by appointment

Monday 5:30 pm; 6:30 pm

During SS. Monica & Anthony Holy Hour

St. John Office Hours

Monday to Thursday from:

8 am - 4 pm

Friday:

8 am - 2 pm

Pastor:

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*March 8th, 2026
The Third Sunday of Lent*



Readings for the week of March 8, 2026

Sun: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2,6-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42

Mon: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 42:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30

Tues: Dn 3:25,34-43/Ps 25:4-6,7,8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wed: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thurs: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Fri: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6-9,10-11,14,17/Mk 12:28-34

Sat: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday:

1 Sm 16:1,6-7,10-13/Ps 23:1-6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41

**LISBON - MOUNT VERNON, IA
AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES**

Website: <http://www.stjohnmv.org>

Parish Theme: Pilgrims of Hope: We are Chosen, Faith Filled, Joyful!

Dear Parishioners and friends,

Happy third Sunday of Lent. Before I left for Ghana to attend the funeral of my mother, I shared a brief biography about her. Last weekend at Holy Mass, I expressed my gratitude to you for your prayers, support, and condolences.

This weekend, I wish to bring you some glimpses of what the funeral celebration was with a few pictures so you have an idea of how funerals are celebrated in Ghana, and that you can continue to offer prayers for my family and the repose of my mother's soul.



Top: Celebrating the Funeral Mass



Left: Priests from my class carrying the casket

Bottom: My siblings at the funeral



Left: My nieces & nephews



Bottom: A tribute to mom by the siblings



Parish Faith Formation

LENTEN PROJECT FOR
FAITH FORMATION STUDENTS

Hygiene Kits for Willis Dady Homeless Shelter & Fresh Start Ministries

PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING ANY OF THE
FOLLOWING ITEMS

- travel size shampoo
- travel size conditioner
- travel size body wash or bar soap
- deodorant
- tooth brush
- toothpaste
- razors
- Ziploc bags



Drop off donations in the church
entryway or when you come to class

ALL LENT:
FROM
FEB. 18-
APR. 2

ICYC 2026

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DAVENPORT
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of DUBUQUE

High School – March 21, 2026
Middle School – March 22, 2026
St. Ludmila, Cedar Rapids



FEATURING THE SCALLY BROTHERS BAND

5TH ANNUAL IOWA CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE



EASTER FLOWERS

If you would like to donate in memory of a loved one for our Easter flowers please donate online or put Easter flowers in the memo of a check.

Thank You All For Helping To Make
Our Parish Beautiful!



Lenten Alms For Retired Priests & Religious

The St. John's Social Justice Committee has decided to direct our Lenten Alms this year to retired priests and religious of the Archdiocese of Dubuque. If you would like to support this collection either donate online using Lenten Alms or put Lenten Alms in the memo of a check!





Wednesday March 11th, 2026:

8:30 AM: Carl & Marie Morrison

Friday March 13th, 2026:

8:30 AM: Marie Morisson & Carl Morrison Jr.

Sunday March 15th, 2026:

8:00 AM: Dolores Apel

Liturgical Ministers March 15th, 2026

Sacristan: Hugh Scieszinski

Lectors: Samantha Phillips - John Rife

EM: Lisa Thuerauf-Larry Collins-Charlene Vig

EM (Cup): Tom Wieseler - Conni Swart - Diane Apel

Rosann Sandersfeld - Ellen Bentley

Hospitality: Troy & Tracey Louwagie & Family

Andy & Erin Moeller & Family

Dean & Kathy Mallie

Servers: Casey Swart - Kiersten Swart

Adam Swart - Andrew Dix

Meetings and Activities of the Week

Monday March 9th -

5:30 - 7:00 PM: SS. Monica & Anthony Holy Hr.

Tuesday March 10th -

6:00 - 7:00 PM: Liturgy Committee Meeting

6:00 - 7:00 PM: Social Justice Committee Meeting

6:30 - 7:30 PM: Faith Formation Committee Mtg.

Wednesday March 11th -

8:30 - 9:00 AM: Mass

7:00 - 7:30 PM: Stations of the Cross

7:00 - 9:00 PM: Adoration

7:00 - 8:15 PM: 7th - 12th Grade Faith Formation
& Shadow Stations Practice

Thursday March 12th -

6:30 - 7:30 PM: Book Study

Friday March 13th -

8:30 - 9:00 AM: Mass (Fellowship to Follow)

Saturday March 14th -

6:30 - 8:00 AM: Men's Group

Sunday March 15th -

8:00 - 9:00 AM: Mass

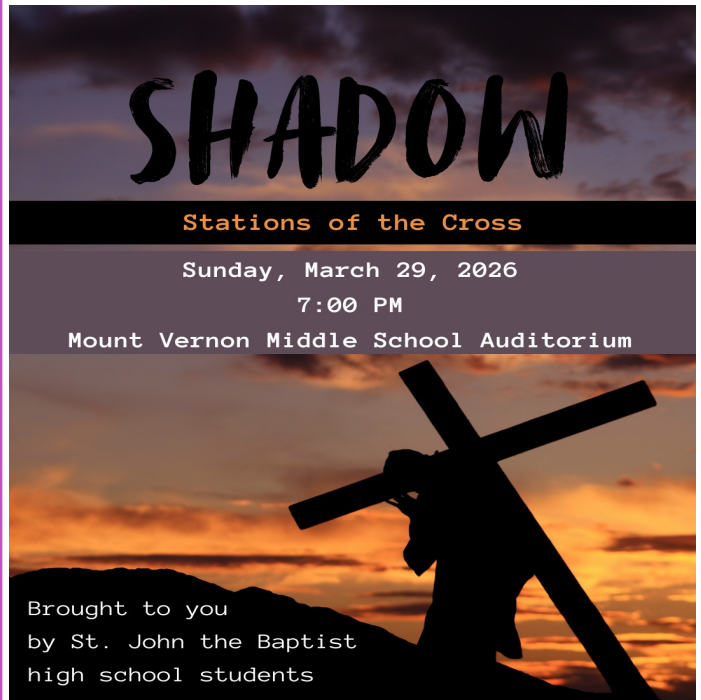
No Faith Formation - Spring Break

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly contributions needed..... \$7115.38

Contributions Received Through March 3rd, 2026

Budget, Adult	\$ 3707.00
Loose.....	\$ 537.00
Online Donations.....	\$ 5790.25
Holiday Donations.....	\$ 20.00
Auction.....	\$ 500.00
Upkeep.....	\$ 200.00
Total Collected.....	\$ 10754.25
YTD collection needed.....	\$ 256193.68
YTD collections received.....	\$ 254896.30
YTD	\$ 1297.38



**Go to our website stjohnmv.org
to access FORMED!**

News & Events

Adoration:

- After 8:30 AM Mass on First Friday of the Month
- Every Monday Night 5:30 - 7:00 PM SS. Monica & Anthony Holy Hour
- Every 1st & 3rd Wednesday 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Reconciliation:

- Confessions held 30 minutes before Sunday Mass - 7:30 AM.
- Monday 5:30 - 6:30 PM During SS. Monica & Anthony Holy Hour
- They can also be made by appointment by contacting Father Andrew either call the office at 319-895-6246 or email dbq137@dbqarch.org to schedule.

Baptism: Baptismal Catechesis is done by our Baptismal Catechesis Team. Please contact the office at 319-895-6246 or email dbq137sec@dbqarch.org with any questions and to sign up for a session

Marriage Prep: Please contact the office at 319-895-6246 or email dbq137sec@dbqarch.org with any marriage related issues or questions and to schedule an appointment to start preparation.

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