

Rock Island's Historic Catholic Parishes



PASTOR'S CORNER

All Souls and Blessed John Duns Scotus

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Praying for those who preceded us from this earthly life has been an actual tradition and practice since the early times of Christianity. In the 2nd Book of Maccabees, we can read about the practice of praying for those who died and making supplications for their sins. It's based on the belief that we all are judged immediately after death. For those who are doomed to hell, there is no hope. Those who were ready for heaven, the saints, are enjoying their unity with God. But, the majority of us (probably) will not be prepared for heaven at the time of our death, yet we won't be (thanks be to God) against God or apart from Him. So, hell won't be the option, but not heaven as well yet. Thankfully God prepared some extension of the time of preparation. That is purgatory. It is not the place of punishment. It is the place (or state of existence) when we need to grow in love, which is painful – mainly because we would know that we could have already been with God. Our longing for God's closeness will be our pain. It will be like the impatient waiting for something we are so excited about but cannot get it yet.

That's why we will need lots of prayers. Those can help us to grow in love because the prayers of those who remain on earth are acts of love toward us. People who pray for their deceased ones, love them and remember them, and wish them well. That is the lesson all people in purgatory need the most. To know that they are loved and are dear to someone. That can spark even greater love for God as an act of gratitude. That's why Catholics always pray for their deceased ones. We simply love them and proclaim our faith in God's mercy. We want to meet with our loved ones in heaven. So, we want them to be there. In our Franciscan Rule, St. Francis ordered all friars to pray our daily breviary (or "Our Fathers" instead of reciting the psalms), but he also added: "They should also say some prayers for the dead." So, in our Franciscan tradition, we pray daily for the deceased ones.

This week, on Friday, November 11th, we will celebrate the Memorial of Blessed John Duns Scotus – another Franciscan saint. Bl. John (1266-1308) was a Franciscan Priest and Theologian. Born at Duns in the county of Berwick, Scotland, John was descended from a wealthy farming family. In later years, he was identified as John Duns Scotus to indicate the land of his birth; Scotia is the Latin name for Scotland. "Next to St. Bonaventure, Bl. John is perhaps the most important and influential theologian in the history of the Franciscan Order. He was the founder of the Scotistic

School in Theology, and until the time of the French Revolution, his thought dominated the Roman Catholic faculties of theology in nearly all the major universities of Europe. He is chiefly known for his theology on the Absolute Kingship of Jesus Christ, the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and his philosophic refutation of evolution." (Source: ewtn.com).

Peace and Goodness,
Fr. Witold Adamczyk, OFM Conv.

Calvary Catholic Cemetery in Rock Island serves our parishes by providing consecrated ground as a resting place as we wait in hope for the Resurrection. Catholic Cemeteries are often at the bottom of the list for charitable giving but are in need of your support too. *We are taking up a 2nd collection this weekend in support of Calvary Cemetery and we thank you in advance for your generosity.*

2023 Parish Calendars are available in the vestibules at both parishes.

Our Thanksgiving Day Mass will be celebrated at Sacred Heart this year and be at 9 a.m. on Thanksgiving morning. You are invited to bring any foods from your Thanksgiving meal that you would like to have blessed at Mass. We'll also have blessed candles for you to use at your Thanksgiving meals with family and friends.

Advent Nights this year will be hosted at Sacred Heart from 6-7 p.m. on the following Wednesday evenings: December 7, 14, and 21. These evenings will offer you a chance to spend time with Jesus in Adoration. More details to come!

MASS SCHEDULE & MORE!

Nov 8	12:10 p.m. Mass - <i>Deceased members of the Altar and Rosary Society</i> ST. MARY'S Altar & Rosary Meeting after Mass ST. MARY'S 6:00 p.m. Men's Fellowship Meeting ST. MARY'S
Nov 9	11:00 a.m. Adoration & Confessions 12:10 p.m. Mass - <i>Fred Orth</i> ST. MARY'S
Nov 10	12:10 p.m. Mass - <i>Mike Sullivan</i> SACRED HEART
Nov 11	12:10 p.m. Mass - <i>For the beatification of Servant of God Frank Duff</i> SACRED HEART
Nov 12	3:00 p.m. Confessions ST. MARY'S 4:00 p.m. Mass - <i>For the People of Sacred Heart & St. Mary's Parishes</i> ST. MARY'S 5:15 p.m. Mass - <i>Marlene Friedel</i> SACRED HEART
Nov 13	8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Confessions SACRED HEART 9:00 a.m. Mass - <i>Carol Lee Ott</i> SACRED HEART 10:30 a.m. Mass - <i>Niyankundiye Domitilla</i>

ST. MARY'S

SACRED HEART PARISH NEWS

Stewardship of Treasure: Oct 29/30

Offertory Envelopes	\$1,693.00
Loose Money	\$229.00
Online Giving	\$575.00
Property Improvement Fund	\$1,330.00
Envelopes Used	81

If you use parish envelopes, a box with your name on it is available to take from the Fr. Anthony Vestibule.

All Veterans at Sacred Heart are invited to be at our 9 a.m. Mass next Sunday, November 13, to be honored with a special blessing.

Our Book of the Dead is out now and will be throughout the month of November. You are invited to write in the names of deceased loved ones to be remembered during our liturgies this month. The book is located near our Fr. Anthony Vestibule entrance doors.

Introducing Sacred Heart Dinners! One of our goals at Sacred Heart is to build community and so we're very excited to introduce our new Sacred Heart Dinners! These gatherings are designed to not only build community but to also help raise a little money for our parish ministries and to support other needs in the community. The dinners will be hosted once a month at QC Pancake House, 3rd Ave, Rock Island, IL 61201 (across from Circa 21). A special menu will be prepared by owner and Chef Jose Zepeda and we'll have the restaurant to ourselves. The cost will vary each month, depending on the menu and the support needed for various ministries.

Our first Sacred Heart Dinner will help to kick-off Advent and be on Wednesday, November 30, from 6-8 p.m. The cost is \$15/adult. Kids under 12 are free. Money raised will be used to support our Christmas Gift & Food Basket ministry and our Burmese community. We ask that you please RSVP using the form in the Fr. Anthony Vestibule or online at www.sacredheartri.com/dinner. Please join us - all you have to do is show up and eat some wonderful food while also getting to know your Sacred Heart family a little better! Invite anybody you'd like!

Join Our Choir! You are invited to join our choir here at Sacred Heart! If you are interested in singing at our Saturday and/or Sunday Masses, or if you have a musical talent we are unaware of please contact Trevor at (414) 217-0354. We would love to have many voices and new faces join us!

Mark your calendars and join us!

- Sunday, November 20: Investiture Mass, 9 a.m.
- Sunday, December 4: Parish Christmas Party, 12 p.m.

ST. MARY'S PARISH NEWS

Stewardship of Treasure: Oct 29/30

Offertory Envelopes	\$2,561.50
Loose Money	\$364.81
Online Giving	\$455.00
Building Improvement Fund	\$20.00
Envelopes Used	83

A Memorial Mass for our deceased members of Altar and Rosary will be held Tuesday November 8th. We will light a candle in their honor. The following have passed since our last memorial Mass: Bonnie Curry, Susan Breuwet, Elaine Brozovich, Marge Attwood, Mary Ann Carmack, Mary Ann Voss, Domitilla Ntiyankundiye, Regina Drescher, and Shirley Van de Maele.

Altar and Rosary society will have their last meeting for 2022 on Tuesday November 8th in Schroeder Hall after the 12:10 Mass. Rosary will be said 30 minutes prior to Mass. Hostesses are Carol H and Jeri L. Hope you can attend!

Throughout this month of November, the Book of the Dead is in the glass house and you are invited to write in the names of your deceased loved ones to be remembered during our Masses. In addition, we also remember those from St. Mary's who have died in the past year: Marjory Attwood, Susan Breuwet, Elaine Brozovich, Mary Ann Carmack, Bonnie Curry, Regina Drescher, James Fetes, Garry Hird, Richard Klauer, Barbara McGrath, Ricky McGrath, Jack Milefchik, Domitilla Ntiyankundiye, Robert Tanghe, Shirley VanDeMaele, Mary Ann Voss, and Kathleen Zbleski.

Join the choir! You are invited to join the choir for our first practice on Saturday, November 12, at 9:30 a.m. in the church. A practice schedule will be established at the first practice, and practices will last one hour. All voices are needed, but specifically lower voices (alto, tenor and bass).

Attention St. Mary's men! Please join the Men's Fellowship for their next meeting, this Tuesday, November 8, at 6 p.m. in Schroeder Hall. Chili and hot dogs will be served!

Holiday Christmas Party: Join us and have some fun!

- When: Tuesday, December 6th.
 - Where: Holiday Inn 226-17th Street, Rock Island (2nd floor).
 - Time: cocktail at 11:30 cash bar with lunch served at noon.
 - Price: \$20
- Tickets will be sold before and after Masses on the week ends of November 19th and 20th and December 3rd and 4th. If you cannot buy in person you can call Jeri at 309-558-7800. Reservation cut-off is no later than December 4th. Bring a friend, we'll see you there!

FLOCKNOTE FOR SACRED HEART AND ST. MARY'S PARISHIONERS!

Get the latest news from Sacred Heart & St. Mary's with Flocknote! To sign up for FlockNote notifications of Mass times and interesting parish information:

Text to the number: 84576
With the message: 123sh (for Sacred Heart)
With the message: 123stm (for St. Mary's)

LOCAL CATHOLIC NEWS & EVENTS

Get the latest news from our local Catholic parishes and groups at www.catholicqc.com

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Ministry schedules including altar servers, EMHC's, lectors are now available to members of that ministry via Flocknote and/or email correspondence, and to Sacred Heart parishioners on our website.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR OUR PARISHES

Financial support for both Sacred Heart and St. Mary's parishes can be accomplished several ways. If you wish to receive contribution envelopes are not currently doing so, please contact our parish office immediately.

Please also consider giving online. This allows you to keep track of your giving for the year (tax statements) and makes bookkeeping easier for the parishes. If you're interested in this route, please contact the parish offices for more information!

REMEMBER US

Both Sacred Heart and St. Mary's Parishes have always been very appreciative of the generosity of their parishioners. We're often asked how you can remember Sacred Heart in your wills, trusts, or via other gifts. It's important that you reference the parish as Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Congregation of Rock Island, Illinois or St. Mary's Roman Catholic Congregation of Rock Island, Illinois.

SACRED HEART FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry Weekend is always the 2nd weekend of the month at both Sacred Heart and St. Mary's. We appreciate your support of this vital ministry!

DID YOUR CONTACT INFO CHANGE?

Please let the church office know your new information as soon as possible so that we may update our records.

WHEELCHAIR AVAILABLE

A wheelchair is available for any parishioner who needs a pick up or drop off at the parking lot. It's in Good Shepherd Vestibule at Sacred Heart and the vestibule at St. Mary's.

SACRED HEART & ST. MARY'S CONTACTS

Sacred Heart 794-0660
2810 5th Avenue, Rock Island, IL.
shrec@sacredheartri.com www.sacredheartri.com

Saint Mary's 788-3322
2208 4th Avenue, Rock Island, IL.
stmarysrockisland@gmail.com www.stmaryri.com

Office Hours: Monday-Friday: 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Office Address for Both Parishes: at Sacred Heart:
2810 5th Avenue, Rock Island, IL.
Christine Coleman, Office Manager

Fr. Witold Adamczyk, OFM Conv., Pastor

Catholic Cemetery

Calvary Cemetery is our local Catholic Cemetery - 2901 12th St., Rock Island, IL 61201-5335. Please call them when making arrangements for loved one by contacting them at 309-788-6197 or via email at info@calvarycemeteryri.com or at www.calvarycemeteryri.com.

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

BAPTISM: Parents must be registered and doing what is within their means to support the parish and be faithful in sharing the Sunday Eucharist. A baptismal class is required. Godparents must be Confirmed and be practicing Catholics and if married, that their marriage is validly recognized by the Catholic Church. If you are a Sacred Heart parishioner, contact Chris Mandle. For St. Mary's parishioners please contact Christine in the parish office.

MARRIAGE: Diocesan Policy - Please notify the office at least 8 months prior to setting the date for your marriage. Requires completion of the Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Whenever needed, please call the parish office. Please advise us of persons in the hospital, nursing facilities, or homebound.

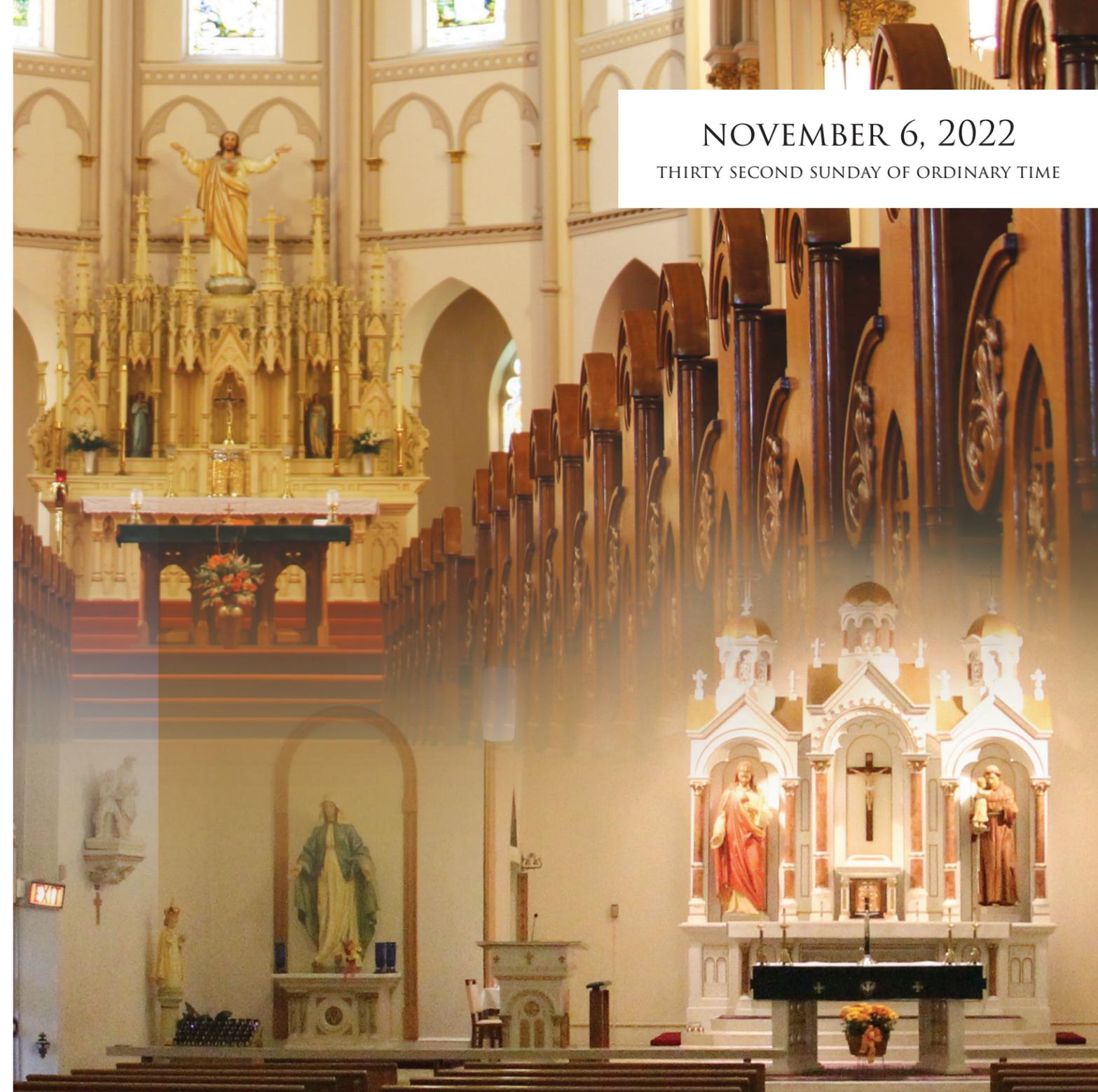
RECONCILIATION: Wednesday: 11:00 a.m. - 11:55 a.m. and Saturday: 3 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. at St. Mary's. Sunday: 8 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart. Also, by appointment.

Thinking of joining the Catholic Church?

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)
Persons wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith, or to join our Catholic community, please contact Christine in our parish office at (309) 794-0660 or (309) 788-3322 to set up a time with Fr. Witold.

NOVEMBER 6, 2022

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ADDITIONAL PARISH NEWS AND MORE!



GO MAKE DISCIPLES: ADA UPDATE

As you know, 2022 ADA is underway in our parishes. Thank you to all who have already contributed! With your help, we are getting closer to reaching our parish goal. If you have not received a pledge card in the mail or have misplaced it, the Diocese of Peoria will be mailing a follow up letter that you may have already received. It will include another pledge card and a self addressed envelope. Please consider supporting our diocesan ministries. If you have already contributed and receive this letter in the mail, please disregard it, as pledges are often received and processed after a letter is assembled and mailed. Currently, we have:

	Goal	Pledged
Sacred Heart	\$26,798	\$5,510
St. Mary's	\$33,178	\$7,405

If you would like help with a pledge please contact Christine in our office at (309) 794-0660 or (309) 788-3322. You can also go online to contribute at: www.cdop.org/offices/development-stewardship/ada

Keep these parishioners, family members, and friends in your prayers:

Joe Cervantes	Mike Clark	John Versluis
Stephanie Smith	Judy Clark	Jean Paggen
Rosa Steinbaugh	Nancy Harlow	Rebecca Becker
Lois Evans	Angie Conicella	

If you would like to have prayers offered for parishioners, family or friends, please contact Christine in the office at (309) 794-0660 or (309) 788-3322 or ricatholicoffice@gmail.com. We will publish these names from time to time as space allows. It'll also be important to alert Christine in the office if someone's name should later be removed from the list. Thank you in advance to all who will be praying for those in need!

Men: Building Your Relationship With Jesus

Father Chase Hilgenbrink will offer a morning retreat for men on Saturday, November, 12th, at St. Pius Xth, McCarthy Hall. Event registration will follow 7 am Mass. (Attendees are encouraged to attend mass prior to the event). Father's presentation will begin at 9 am; the program will end by 11 am. Following his ordination in

2014, Father Chase spent his first two years in the Quad Cities in parish ministry, and as chaplain at Alleman High School. He then served as the campus chaplain at the University of Illinois, Newman Center, before his present assignment as the Vocation Director with the Peoria Diocese. He entered the priesthood following an illustrious and successful career in professional soccer. Father's presentation will help Catholic Men understand what it means to be in a thriving and intimate relationship with Jesus Christ. Coffee and donuts will be provided. A free-will offering will be accepted and granted to the Diocese of Peoria Vocations Office. RSVPs are not necessary. For more information call Rick Cervantes at 309-738-2545. The event is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Allouez Council.

Alleman High School presents "The Little Mermaid" the Musical!

In less than one month, over 40 Alleman students will stage "The Little Mermaid" the musical. Join us "Under the Sea" November 17-19 at 7PM or November 20 at 2PM at the Dr. Tracey Spaeth Performing Arts Center. You won't want to miss this fun and energetic Disney show! Students \$7; Seniors \$8; Adults \$9. Tickets are available online or at the box office before the show. NEW this Year: Along with our performances, we are offering 2 events to add to your "Under the Sea" experience!

- Saturday, November 19 - Dinner Theater: Join us for dinner and a show with a delicious meal at Alleman and the performance to follow. This event costs \$40 and includes a gourmet meal (brought to you by Alleman parent Duncan Kramer and his team of volunteers) and a show ticket. Event is limited to 50 people so get your tickets early!
- Sunday, November 20- Under the Sea Kids Carnival: Our cast can't wait to meet all of our grade school friends before the Sunday matinee. Don't miss this opportunity for photos with the cast, games, and crafts. The event will start at 12:30. Price is \$15 and includes the activities and show ticket. Adults only need to purchase a general admission ticket. Tickets to both events can be purchased at <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/67532>

The Christ Child Society of the Quad Cities

is having a social/meeting to educate and recruit members to our organization and you're invited! Thursday, November 17 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Refreshments Served. Butterworth Center, 1105 8th Avenue, Moline, IL. We hope you'll join us to learn more about the important work of the Christ Child Society in the Quad Cities and how you can help in our mission.

RSVP no later than Friday, November 11 to Judy Scarpinato, jscarpinato@hotmail.com, 309-912-0327.

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Jordan Catholic School has the Save Around Quad Cities Coupon Books available.

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- Psalm 8:9-10

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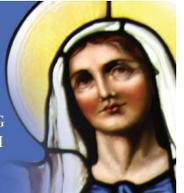
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