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January 18, 2026

Behold,
the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world.

John 1:29

Mass Times & Intentions

TUES. Jan. 20/ 8:30 AM, St. Patrick: Holy Souls in Purgatory

WED. Jan. 21 8:30 AM, St. Patrick: Bob & Leota Niederhauser

THURS. Jan. 22/ 8:30 AM, St. Stephen: Marian Dorothy

FRI. Jan. 23/ 8:30 AM, St. Patrick: Karey VanSant

SAT. Jan. 24/ 4:00 PM, St. Patrick: For the People

SAT. Jan. 24/ 6:30 PM, St. Joseph: Kenny and Helen Barker

SUN. Jan. 25/ 8:00 AM, St. Stephen: Those who are Widows

SUN. Jan. 25/ 10:30 AM, St. Patrick: Mitchell Price

Reconciliation: 3:30 p.m. on Saturday at St. Patrick; 7:30 a.m. on Sunday at St. Stephen or by appointment.

For all other Sacraments, please, call or stop in either parish office.

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Hours

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From Father Sean

Dear Friends in Christ,



Here's a bit of an update on *Journey in Faith*. As you recall, we spent last fall having regional and parish meetings to hear about the Vision, Mission and Values for the Archdiocese of Dubuque. In addition, there were three priorities identified, Evangelization, Leadership Formation, and Pastoral Planning. The first of these priorities to be addressed is Pastoral Planning, which was the heart of most of the discussions last fall.

Across the Archdiocese, thousands of people participated in the meetings and thousands provided feedback on the *Journey in Faith* website. The formal feedback period closed in late November, and Archbishop Zinkula and his Core Team have been hard at work processing all of the feedback to develop Pastorates to come together in July, 2026. The announcement of the Pastorates is expected in mid April, 2026.

I'm sure many of you have questions about aspects of this Pastoral Planning process. Last week the Archbishop and the Core Team began providing what they are calling the Prep Series to priests, deacons, and parish staff. This Prep Series is intended to help with the transition to the Pastorates. Topics that will be covered in the coming weeks and months include:

- Ministering to Our People
- Parish Staffing
- Pastorate Budget / Budgeting for 2026-2027
- Parishioner Rosters, Ministry Rosters, and Council Rosters
- Rectories and Living Spaces
- Councils
- Interim Mass Schedules
- Standardized Systems - expectations and plans
- Announcement Preparation
- Rituals and Celebrations

At this point, mostly what we have is a plan for when details will be communicated. So please, a little grace for us when we don't have the answers to all your questions; information is forthcoming. But, the Archbishop and the Core Team are communicating with priests, deacons, and parish staff on a weekly basis to provide information when we need it. We are doing our best to support all of you during this process, and we will share information per the communication plan of the Archdiocese.

Let's continue to pray for Archbishop Zinkula and the Core Team, and for each other, during this time. Let us pray in confidence and hope, that "If we walk this path with courage, with faith, and with love — listening to one another and to God — we can renew our Church and build something lasting for generations to come."

+Peace,
Fr. Sean

LITURGICAL MINISTERS	January 24 4:00 p.m. St. Patrick	January 24 6:30 p.m. St. Joseph	January 25 8:00 a.m. St. Stephen	January 25 10:30 a.m. St. Patrick
Lector	Charlotte Scheckel	Sarah Russell	Dianna Hackman	Bennett Clark
Children Liturgy	N/A	N/A	N/A	Shannon Clark Veronica Groesbeck
Eucharistic Ministers	*Geralyn Russ Patty Delagardelle Lynn Engelken Charlotte Scheckel *clean vessels	Teresa Uhlenkamp Don Reichenauer LaRae Reichenauer	Diane Brecht Nanette Meeker Monica Carpenter	*Elly Whitson Julie Corpstein Kimberly Keister Jeff Whitson *clean vessels
Altar Servers	Brielle Gravel Jonah Wagner	Harper Russell Owen Russell	Lucy Ruley Alissa Fleming	Finley Clark McCoy Clark
Greeters	Bob Gravel Natalie Gravel	Jim Thielen Karen Thielen	Dave Allen Mary Allen	Malinda Engelbart Steve Engelbart
Ushers	Keith Doyle Gary Teymer	Jim Thielen Karen Thielen	Dave Allen Mary Allen	Rick Cook Jeff Fliehler
Sacristan	Charlene Knutsen	Gifts: Jerome Family	Gifts: Don and Shirley Henle	Rosann Hurt
Rosary	Rick Delagardelle	N/A	TBD	Linda Bonifazi-King

St. Patrick News



LET US PRAY FOR...

Mary Barnes, Dale Breon, Matthew Corpstein, Jordan Darrow, Mike Fitzsimmons, Amanda Gardner, Connie Gogel, Nancy Haefner, George Helle, Bob Holland, Allen Hudson, Esther Hudson, Jennifer Jeffrey, Matthew Jennings, Alvin Johnson, Cheryl Leiferman, Lavonne Ludwig, Shannon McManus, Morgan Meyer, Dennis Moss, Sharon Nakielski, Ember O'Donnell, Angie Osterkamp, Deb Paustian, Edith Schwes, John Secrist, Candy Shada, Cooper Sievers, Samuel Simko, Catherine Skarbek, Robert Skarbek, Caro Thompson, John K. Tigan, Mary Jo Yotty, those homebound and in care centers, those listed in our Prayer Intention Book

Our Sanctuary Lamp will burn for
Ruth Hinz
 the week of January 18
**Christ be our light
 shine through the darkness**



St. Patrick Youth Faith Formation Classes
Wed., Jan. 21st -- Grades 1-11 class at 6:15 pm
Wed., Jan. 28th -- Grades 1-11 class at 6:15 pm
Wed., Feb. 4th -- Grades 1-11 class at 6:15 pm
Wed., Feb. 11th -- Grades 1-11 class at 6:15 pm

OFF THE CUFF #2 ✓

The second "Off the Cuff" was held at Las Brañas Sunday after Mass. It was a few hours of socializing, laughing, meeting new people, eating and enjoying a relaxing time.



When and where will the next one occur: Hmmm????
 You'll just have to keep looking at the bulletin to find out.
 Watch for the words: **Off the Cuff**
 That's when the secret will be unveiled!!!

TMIY THAT MAN IS YOU! **Calling All Men! TMIY Is For You!!** **TMIY** THAT MAN IS YOU!

If you thought you might attend this past Fall and then things just didn't work out, this is a new start with all new programs. It works the same way. On every Saturday an optional coffee and light breakfast begin at 6:00 am. At 6:30 am the video program begins. From 7:00 am to 7:30 am there is small group conversation discussing the presentation. There is no fee, no book, no homework, no problem with continuity if you miss a session. Last Fall 18 different men showed up at least once with the most common group size being 12 men.

Don't miss the next session at 6:00 am in the parish hall.

Next TIMY is Saturday, January 17, 2026

Join us for the 2026 Women's Conference
 Beauty in Christ: Grace for the Journey on
 Saturday, January 31st from 8am-1:30pm!
 Gather with other faith-filled women for this
 wonderful event. Be inspired to know that His
 grace is enough! Please RSVP by emailing or
 calling the office at dbq005ff@dbqarch.org or
 319-462-2141 **by Monday, January 19.** \$15.00
 to attend. Breakfast and lunch provided.

Sandwich-to-Go for St. Patrick School

Sandwich-to-Go is back on January 24 and 25 in honor of Catholic Schools Week, will be featuring 1/4 lb. all beef hot dogs. Don't miss out on the chance to enjoy a great sandwich and support St. Patrick school at the same time




2026 Women's conference
Grace for the **JOURNEY**
Saturday
JANUARY 31
 LIVESTREAM starts at 9:00 am



Mardi Gras Family Carnival

St. Patrick School Staff and PTO invite you and your family to a fun-filled Mardi Gras Carnival Night!



Date: Tuesday February 17th
 Location: St. Patrick School
 Time: 5:30PM-7PM



Join us for a delicious bowl of soup- plus hotdogs for the kids!



St. John, Coggon | St. Joseph, Prairieburg | St. Stephen, Central City

LET US PRAY FOR...

Don Beranek, Anita Besler, Pat Cameron, Ruby Drexler, Karen Dunlap, Lauren Foss, Glenda Grant, Jean Greif, Barb Heller, Diane Korte, Cheryl LloydRyan, Skip Powers, Dan Reiter, Sharon Reiter, Zora Ronan, Steve Walker, Sam Weller, James Weighton, Kenneth Zieser,

This Month's Third Sunday Loose Change Collection will be going to the Retired Priests of the Archdiocese of Dubuque.

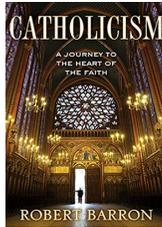
The monies donated will help support retired priests by providing stipends and healthcare. Our Retired priests remain active, assisting with Masses, retreats, and community events- at times helping cover Masses for our working priests when they are sick. Please be generous in your donations to our retired priests.



NLCC Youth Faith Formation



- January 18th – Confirmation Mass and Class
- January 18- 12:30 pm Catholic Heart Work Camp meeting @ ST. PATRICK'S
- January 21- Class for K-9th grades
- January 28- Class for K-9th grades
- February 1st – Confirmation Mass and Class



Adult Faith Formation: CATHOLICISM

Upcoming Class times: January 18, February 1, 8, & 15th, March 1, 15, 22nd, and April 12th.

Contact David Allen (319-329-5750 or email: dallen@aol.com) with questions.

Parish Visitor Reminder:

Please call the office or Monica if you would like Monica to sit in prayer with you or bring you the Blessed Sacrament on a regular basis or to schedule a special time for you. Monica: 319-438-1979.

Note: If the weather or wind-chill is in the danger zone on a given day, the Parish Visitor will not be able to do visits that day.



PLEASE REMEMBER—If you are scheduled for a ministry and need a substitute or switch with someone please let Monica know so she can make sure we are covered for mass!



Thank you to the Family of Allan Kula, for the donation of Angel Statues that have been placed in St. Joseph Cemetery.



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Grab-n-Go Breakfast Burrito



Sunday, 25 January 2026

After Mass in the Gathering space
St. Stephen's Church
Central City



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Looking for something to do with the family this New year?



St Stephen Vocation Crucifix Sign up today!

Sign up today to take home the vocation crucifix for a week. The vocation cross comes with variety of prayers at different levels for families to pray together for the increase of those to join religious life and priesthood.



Prayer Chain

St Stephen's Prayer Chain
If you wish to participate in the chain or have a prayer request, call or message 319-438-1170. Names and details are not required, a request will be sent to volunteers, and prayer will be offered for that intention.

All Parish News

Weekly Offerings—1/12

St. Patrick—\$5,209.00
 St. Joseph—\$349.00
 St. John—\$0
 St. Stephen—\$1,173.00
 Mt. Olivet Cemetery \$100.00
 St. Joseph Cemetery \$0

Weekly offerings can be made through automatic ACH withdrawals. Forms can be found on the parish websites. Completed forms can be mailed, dropped off or put in the collection basket at Mass.

Scripture For The Week: Jan. 19- Jan. 25

Mon. 1/19 1 Samuel 15:16-23 Mark 2:18-22
Tues. 1/20 1 Samuel 16:1-13 Mark 2:23-28
Wed. 1/21 1 Samuel 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 Mark 3:1-6
Thurs. 1/22 1 Samuel 18:6-9; 19:1-7 Mark 3:7-12
Fri. 1/23 1 Samuel 24:3-21 Mark 3:13-19
Sat. 1/24 2 Samuel 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27 Mark 3:20-21

Sunday, January 25 Readings

Isaiah 8:23—9:3 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17
 Matthew 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Moving Forward in Faith and Hope

The Archdiocese of Dubuque continues to move forward with its Journey in Faith pastoral planning process. The feedback and data collected from parishes are now being reviewed carefully. This process of discernment will continue through the coming months, with the final pastorate plan and clergy assignments to be announced this spring. In July 2026, each new pastorate will begin an interim six-month Mass schedule as parishes discern how best to collaborate and flourish as joyful missionary disciples, centered in the Eucharist and united in faith.

Archbishop Thomas Zinkula expresses his gratitude for the ongoing participation and prayer of parishioners, clergy, and staff. He acknowledges that this time of change brings both hope and uncertainty, and he invites all to continue praying for one another and for the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

As the Church enters a new year filled with promise, may it also be a time of renewal and deeper faith. For additional information and answers to questions, please visit dbqjourneyinfaith.org/faq.

Address change notification

The Sisters of Mercy of the Americas have moved their offices from the former Sacred Heart Convent on the Mount Mercy University campus effective on December 22, 2025. Their new location is on the main level of 1540 Midland Ct. NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402. You may contact them at 319.364.5196 or by the individual employee's email address.

The Week Ahead

Tue. 1/20	8:30 a.m. Rosary: SP 1:00 p.m. Pray Group: SP 5:30 p.m. Knight of Columbus Meeting: Sp 6:30 p.m. BOE Meeting: SP
Wed. 1/21	9:00 a.m. Coffee Club: G & G

Mass Intention

Mass intentions for 2026 are now being accepted through June 30. At this time, intentions are available only up to that date. The offering for each Mass intention is \$10. If you are interested reach out to **the office at (319) 462-2141**

Beauty In Christ
 Archdiocese of Dubuque Women's Conference

Grace for the JOURNEY

Saturday JANUARY 31 8:00AM - 1:30PM

Speakers
 Kitty Cleveland
 Kelsey Kaiser

Eucharistic Adoration St. Patrick Catholic Church Anamosa

Thursday, January 22nd at 5:00-6:00 PM



Eucharistic Miracle of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque of Paray-le-Monial, France 17th Century

Reprinted from Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition
<http://www.miracolieucaristici.org/en/Liste/list.html>

The message received by the nun, Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque of Paray-le-Monial, contains the "Twelve Promises of the Sacred Heart," in which Jesus reveals the graces linked to this devotion. Love for the Sacred Heart of Jesus is directly tied to that of love for the Eucharist.

Promise 12: To all people who receive Communion on the first Fridays of nine consecutive months, I will give the grace of endless perseverance and of eternal salvation.

Sanctuary Lamp Offerings

There is still availability for 2026. If you would like to have one offered, please contact the Parish Office at 319-462-2141.





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