



St. Patrick Faith Formation Anamosa

GROWING TOGETHER IN FAITH

July | 2025

The month of July is dedicated to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus.

July is dedicated to the sacrificial love of Jesus, who shed His blood for the salvation of humanity. Through the gift of the Eucharist, His blood is made present among us. This is a time to reflect on the depth of Jesus' love and the immense sacrifice He made on our behalf.

During July, consider praying a Litany or a Chaplet to the Precious Blood of Jesus. This month provides us with an opportunity to deepen our faith, seek forgiveness, and strive to live in a way that aligns with Jesus' teachings, inspired by His extraordinary love.

JOIN ST. PATRICK FOR:
THE MARVELOUS MYSTERY
THE MASS COMES ALIVE

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Registration is \$20 for each child. Simply scan the QR code to register!

SCAN ME

Join Us for St. Patrick Vacation Bible School: *Marvelous Mystery - The Mass Comes Alive!*

We invite you to participate in our vacation bible school, held on **Monday, July 28, to Thursday, August 1, from 6 PM to 8:15 PM.**

On **Friday night from 5:30 PM-7:30 PM**, we will host a family potluck. This program is open to children in Kindergarten through 5th grade (the grade they will be entering this Fall).

Scan the QR code to register or [click here](#) to sign up.

****We are in NEED of volunteers**** If you are available to assist, please sign up here-[Click Here](#).

SAVE THE DATE

Faith Formation
Open House!

Sunday, August 17
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Church parish hall

- Learn about our Faith Formation Program and Sacramental preparation
- Receive information on our 2025-2026 class schedule



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FAITH IN ACTION

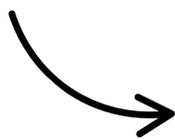
Join us this summer as the First Congregational United Church of Christ, St. Patrick, and St. Paul unite in faith and fellowship to create a positive impact in our local community.

- T-Shirt Bags for the Homeless Shelters
- Assist in Making Laundry Detergent for the Jones County Food Bank
- Prepare a Meal for the Willis Dady Homeless Shelter
- Have a Fun Afternoon of Bingo with Residents of Anamosa Care Center

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*Students in grades 6-12 (entering Fall 2025)

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July 4- Independence Day

Gather for a Prayer for Our Nation and other Independence Day Prayers. Enjoy some Fourth of July patriotic treats and some festive foods.

"If families give Our Lady fifteen minutes a day by praying the Rosary, I assure them that their homes will become, by God's grace, peaceful places. **The family that prays together stays together.**"

~ Venerable Fr. Patrick Peyton

Discover the blessings of praying the rosary as a family.

Discussing Faith with Your Teens

It's completely natural for teenagers to have inquiries regarding their faith. Embrace these questions and create an environment where both you and your teen can grow together. Here are some suggestions:

- Watch a video or listen to a podcast together.
- Explore new Saints, methods of prayer, and opportunities for serving the Church.
- Check out resources from Loyola Press.

Additionally, don't hesitate to reach out to your Priest or Faith Formation leader for guidance.



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“Why do we dress up every Sunday for Mass?”
“Why do we stand, sit, and kneel so often?”
“Why is it necessary to pay attention during Mass?”

These are just a few of the questions children pose to their parents regarding the Mass. This [video](#) aims to address these important questions and assist your children in understanding how we can express our love for Jesus during the celebration of Mass!

July Saints and Feasts

Connect with the Saints!

Saints can teach us many things. Here you will find information about Saints. There are brief descriptions about a few of the "Saints of the Month," as well as additional resources.

July 3- St. Thomas the Apostle

July 6- St. Maria Goretta

July 12- Ss. Louis and Zelig Martin

July 16- Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

July 22- St. Mary Magdalene

July 25- St. James the Apostle

July 26- Ss. Joachim and Anne

July 29- Ss. Martha, Mary and Lazarus

July 31- St. Ignatius of Loyola



Wednesday, August 13!

Join us for music and fun with Steve Angrisano & Mary's Meals Summer Concert Series.

Sing and pray together and learn about the efforts of Mary's Meals, a global movement with the vision that every child deserves an education and enough to eat.

Mary's Meals provide meals at places of education in the world's most impoverished communities, currently to over 2 million children worldwide.

***No cost for the concert; free will donations accepted for Mary's Meals.

To learn more, click down below:

[The Story of Mary's Meals-Click Here](#)

[Steve Angrisano-Click Here](#)



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First Friday Adoration - August 1
6:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.



Attend First Friday Adoration as a family. This provides you and your children a chance to slow down and quiet yourselves before Jesus and to nurture and grow your relationship with our Lord.

****Reminder. no First Friday Adoration—Friday, July 4.**

"Could you not watch one hour with Me?"

St. Patrick
Family Activities

10 July Activities for Families - [Click Here](#)

9 Activities for Family Night - [Click Here](#)

5 ways to keep your summer faith-filled - [Click Here](#)

Plan a tour of local churches in the [Archdiocese of Dubuque](#) this summer

Summer Prayer Placemat - [Click Here](#)

Taking a road trip? Here are some fun [family conversation starters](#)

Make plans this summer: [Activities](#) include a daily to do list, rainy-day activities, tv shows, books and more!

Exciting Announcement! Every First Friday of the month, join St. Patrick Church from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. for Family Adoration.

The Eucharist is the source and summit of our Catholic Faith. Spending time in the presence of Christ in the Eucharist provides immeasurable graces for families! Our children are a gift from Him, and we need to bring them back to Him. There is no better way to pray directly for their needs than with them in Adoration.

We understand that taking your family to Eucharistic Adoration may sound daunting.

What if they talk?
What about the fidgeting?
What if they make noise?

Family Eucharistic Adoration creates an opportunity for you and your child, regardless of their age, to spend time at the feet of our Lord in the Eucharist. **The sounds, the wiggles, and questions are not only welcome but encouraged!**

Here are some helpful tips for bringing your children to Adoration:

Start small: Begin with five minutes, then try ten, fifteen, and gradually work your way up to a comfortable goal.

Be confident: Sit near the front, share whispers about Jesus, smile at fellow adorers, and trust that you're making the right choice. Remember: Jesus is eagerly waiting for them! Let them know how thrilled He is to see them!

Provide your children with a rosary, a children's prayer book, or a journal for jotting down their prayers to Jesus.

Jesus made it clear that He welcomed children during His time on Earth: "Let the children come to me..." Clearly, He desires their presence in Adoration.

We invite you to join us as we pray together.



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Sharing The Joys of Marriage

For Your Marriage helps couples at all stages of life (dating, engaged, married, family life and parenting) to understand and live God's plan for happy, holy marriages by providing educational and spiritual resources. Visit For Your Marriage for more information.



Save the Date- September 2025! She Shall Be Called Woman

This season, we will embark on a profound exploration of what it means to embody the identity of Christ's bride in the world.

Season Three: Love Unveiled

- Session 1: Spoken For
- Session 2: Surrendered
- Session 3: Living Sacrifice
- Session 4: Strength Beneath the Veil
- Session 5: Rescued
- Session 6: Redeemed
- Session 7: Waiting for Happily Ever After
- Session 8: The Wounded Heart
- Session 9: Woman in Love

Prepare your heart for an unforgettable experience where you will be pursued by the Lord in a way that deepens your love for Him, invites your soul to heal, and fortifies your relationship with Christ.

More details to come. We are excited to have you with us on this transformative journey.



St. Patrick Coffee Club

Join us! Perfect blend of great coffee, easy conversation, and encouragement to get you through the week.

9 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Wednesdays at Grounds & Goodies



Celebrate the Year of the Jubilee!

The Year of Jubilee, themed "Pilgrims of Hope," invites us to a spiritual journey of reconciliation, renewal, and awakening.

Archbishop Zinkula highlights this as a chance to deepen faith, heal, and embrace hope. The Archdiocese of Dubuque offers events and resources to foster unity and growth. Participants are urged to reconnect with their spiritual roots.

Throughout the Jubilee Year, topics will be highlighted for which to celebrate and offer prayers.

For more information, visit dbqarch.org/jubilee.