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"Amen, I say to you,
today you will be with me in Paradise." - Lk 23:43

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November 20, 2022

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Weekend Mass: Saturday, 4:00 PM
Sunday, 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Weekday Mass: Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 7:30 AM
Wednesday, 8:15 AM

Adoration: Monday, 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:00 PM to 3:30 PM

St. Joseph Parish Office 377-4869
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New to the Parish: Welcome! Please call the office to make an appointment to register at 377-4869.

Prayer Chain: Contact Deacon Jeff at 377-4869 or j.volker@dbqarch.org.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Call the office and make an appointment with the priest or deacon.

Advanced Care Planning Consultants: Learn about church teachings on health issues and find help with documents pertaining to durable power of attorney for Health care and health care decision directives.

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Infant Baptism: If you wish to have your infant child/children baptized at St. Joseph, please contact Deacon Dennis at: d.ternes@dbqarch.org or 377-4869 to discuss baptism preparation for the parents prior to the scheduling of the baptism.

Parish Disability Advocate: Contact Amanda Weaver at 319-432-9347 or aweaver222@gmail.com

2023 Mass Intentions

Will be received starting on **Monday, December 5th**, to begin in January 2023. Please call the church office at 377-4869 or email Deacon Jeff Volker at dbq126d3@dbqarch.org

Sunday Envelope Giving Week of November 13, 2022 - Week 20

Budgeted Sunday Envelope Needs	\$20,192
Year-to-date budget	\$403,846
Collected last weekend	\$22,399
Actual Year-to-date envelope income	\$397,911
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$5,935)
Unrestricted Gifts and Offertory	\$91,024
Budgeted Gifts and Offertory	\$84,615
Over / (Under) budget	\$6,429
Bricks and Mortar Envelopes	\$15,417
Bricks and Mortar budget	\$19,231
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$3,813)
Social Concerns 5% of Envelopes	\$1,120

November 21 – November 27, 2022 Weekly Calendar & Mass Intentions

Monday, November 21

7:00 AM Adoration
7:00 PM Scripture Study - St. Joseph Room
9:00 PM Benediction

Tuesday, November 22

7:30 AM Mass † **Deceased Members of the O'Connor Family**
(Also broadcasted live at: stjoesmarion.org)

Wednesday, November 23

8:15 AM Mass † **Deceased Members of the Hutton Family**
(Also broadcasted live at: stjoesmarion.org)
9:45 AM Scripture Study - St. Joseph Room
2:00 PM Pietra - St. Joseph Room
7:00 PM Men of Action - St. Joseph Room

Thursday, November 24 - THANKSGIVING DAY Parish Office Closed

9:00 AM Mass † **Robert E. Bradley**
(Also broadcasted live at: stjoesmarion.org)

Friday, November 25 - Day After Thanksgiving Parish Office Closed

7:30 AM Mass † **Jack Comer & Family**
(Also broadcasted live at: stjoesmarion.org)

Saturday, November 26

2:30 PM Reconciliation
4:00 PM Mass † **Ed Brady**
(Also broadcasted live at: stjoesmarion.org)

Sunday, November 27

8:00 AM Mass † **Leo Francois**
10:30AM Mass † **For The People**

Early Submission Deadlines for Bulletin

Bulletin Date

December 11, 2022
December 18, 2022

Early Deadline

Thurs. Dec. 1st at Noon
Wed. Dec. 7th at Noon

Please send submissions to: dbq126sec@dbqarch.org

Ministry Schedule	Saturday, November 26th, 4:00 PM	Sunday, November 27th, 8:00 AM	Sunday, November 27th, 10:30 AM
Sacristan	Angela Sawyers	Rhonda Sourwine	Phyllis Koschmeder
Lector	1 Open	Sandra Alt	Roger Konzen
Altar Servers	Tatiana Noffke Avery Lewis Noah Gonzalez	Maddox Albright Phoenix Albright Nick Walter	Aiden Kuennen Sarah Foerster Julia Foerster
Video Ministry	1 Open	n/a	n/a
Ambassadors	Timothy O'Brien Terry Lynch Tina Neyens Kenneth Baragary	Mary Johnson Mark Barnd 2 Open	Douglas Brock Douglas Smith Gary Kalis David Bowen
Eucharistic Ministers	Douglas Hoeger Mary Mikkola Denise Lewis	Michael Alt James McDonald Becky Miller	Terry Kelly Marge Carson Eileen Clarahan
Master of Ceremonies	Francis Ginther	Darwin Schuttloffel	Jacob Weaver
Door Greeters	Will Gasaway Barbara Gasaway Gracie Gasaway Sandra Osbon	Gunnar Black Marcia Black Dorie Kelchen Robert Buckley	Gary Raymond Julie Raymond Lisa DeWees Timothy DeWees
Music Ministry	Theresa Alt Emily Corder	Patty Kelly Patrice Greenwood	Patty Kelly Hannah Konzen Sharron Konzen

Please volunteer for open ministry opportunities through Ministry Scheduler Pro or by calling Nancy Roush in the parish office.



Please remember in your prayers all those who have died, especially **Dennis Fitzpatrick**, husband of Teresa, father of Hannah, grandfather of Chelsea; and **Helen Kann**, wife of Hugo Kann



Advent Angel Project

It is that time of year again. We have been so fortunate in the past to be able to help those in our Parish Community and the greater Marion/Cedar Rapids community through our Advent Angel (Giving) Project each year. This year we are asking for gifts as well as gift cards for our families.

We will only be using paper angels this year.

We will have a large tree at the entrance of church and smaller trees at the two side entrances this year. The trees will go up, with tags, the weekends of November 19-20 and 26-27. Please drop your gifts off at the entrance of church the weekends of **November 26-27 and December 3-4**. There will be a locked box by the tree for the gift cards. Please attach tags to gift.

Marriage Enrichment

"[We are rescued] from the power of darkness...we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins" (ref. Col 18:13-14)

Marriages and relationships will involve disagreements and misunderstandings.

Approach these conflicts with empathy for the other, especially your spouse. To restore a relationship may involve an act of forgiveness, but asking for forgiveness is challenging. Our lives are not about us. When we put forgiveness of others in relation to God's forgiveness of us - then real forgiveness becomes easier. The act of forgiveness is a humbling experience and in that humble act we will be exalted.

In preparation for Advent, consider receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, accompanied by your spouse. Consider involving the family as appropriate. Through our repentance, the light which was drawn from us in the act of sin is restored.

Ministry Schedule	Thanksgiving Day Thursday, November 24th, 9:00 AM
Sacristan	Phyllis Koschmeder
Lector	Diane Kula
Altar Servers	Ian Perreault Nathaniel Perreault Liam Perreault
Video Ministry	Maria Mendizabal
Ambassadors	4 Open
Eucharistic Ministers	Denise Lewis Becky Miller Jeffrey Alt
Master of Ceremonies	1 Open
Door Greeters	4 Open
Music Ministry	Patty Kelly Kristen Perreault

Adult Faith Formation



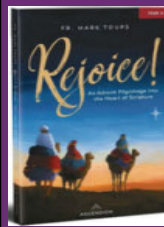
Rite of Acceptance This Sunday

The initial inquiry (precatechumenate) period for our group of inquirers will be moving into the second stage, with our first opportunity for unbaptized inquirers to go through the Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens, this **Sunday, November 20!**

The Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens (Rite of Acceptance) is the first of the "threshold rites" of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), and the first public ritual. In this rite, a change of identity takes place: those previously known as inquirers become catechumens (unbaptized). They are officially welcomed by the Church as disciples, members (albeit not yet full members) of the household of faith. The text calls this rite "the first consecration by the Church" of those seeking Christian initiation. They are literally marked with the cross of Christ as God's own. We invite you to take an active role in welcoming our Catechumens and to be models of faith and Christian charity for them.

We ask you to please continue praying for the catechumens: Lisa Tracy, Sawyer Wood and Hayden Becker, as they continue their conversion journey and for our RCIA team as we assist them in moving toward a closer relationship with God. We also have two adults joining us who are seeking Confirmation: Melissa Mikkola and Anna Shudzeka.

Advent Gathering—November 27th



Advent is a special season for the Church — it is the time when the world prepares to celebrate the coming of Christ. One way that our parish is seeking to prepare for Jesus' birth and experience true transformation in this powerful season is with a program from Ascension - *Rejoice! An Advent Pilgrimage into the Heart of Scripture*.

Join us this Advent season as we journey together as a parish. We will be holding an Advent Gathering on **November 27th after the 8:00 AM Mass in the Church Hall**. Each participant can purchase a *Rejoice!* journal for \$10 and watch an introductory video with Fr. Mark Troups, Fr. Josh Johnson and Sr. Josephine Garrett. Coffee and donuts will be served.

Rejoice! is an opportunity for our community to enter into the season of Advent intentionally and receive the grace God is waiting to give us during these holy weeks. Join us for our Advent Gathering on November 27th and take full advantage of this transformative experience. Everyone is invited to join the Scripture Study groups on Mondays at 7:00 PM and Wednesdays at 9:45 AM where we will reflect on the journals and watch the weekly videos. Videos can also be accessed at rejoiceprogram.com



Celebration of the Sacraments

Please remember in your prayers **Bryan and Kate Petersmith** who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage at St. Joseph on November 12th and **Casey and Shelley Kettmann**, who brought their son Tanner Michael to the waters of Baptism on November 12th

The Synod

You are invited to a discussion on what you want to recommend to Pope Francis for discussion and decision at his October 2023 Synod meeting in Rome. **The discussion will be held at All Saints Church, in Cedar Rapids, on November 30th, from 6:30-7:30 PM.**

The Pope hopes to receive your input regarding 3 questions: 1) What attracts you to the Catholic faith and to be active in your parish? 2) What Church teaching or practice makes you feel unwelcome, alienated, or angry? 3) What topics should the Pope discuss and decide at his October 2023 Synod meeting in Rome? Archbishop Jackels and/or Kim Hermsen (Director of Pastoral Planning and Leadership Development) will be present to lead the discussion and record your responses.

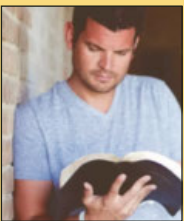
2023 Archdiocesan Women's Conference: *Beauty in Christ*

Saturday, January 28, 2023
Time: 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM

How will you say YES?

Mark your calendars for the 2023 Beauty in Christ Archdiocesan Women's Conference, ***Fiat! Saying Yes to God!*** on **Saturday, January 28, 2023!** This year's virtual event will inspire you to grow deeper in Christ through the company of holy women. If you are interested in gathering together at St. Joseph's contact Bridget at b.becker@dbqarch.org. We can get a group rate and share the morning and lunch together.

The 27th Annual Catholic Men's Conference



The 2023 Men's Conference will take place on **Saturday, March 25th, 2023** at Mt. Mercy University, Cedar Rapids (livestream available). This conference will be held on the Solemnity of the Annunciation and will focus on the role of the Blessed Virgin Mary in our lives. The keynote speaker will be Dr. Edward Sri, a world-renown author and speaker and co-founder of FOCUS (the Fellowship of Catholic University Students). The day will also include Mass celebrated by Archbishop Michael Jackels and breakout sessions presented by local speakers.

For more information and registration, please visit www.archmensconference.org.

Legacy Corner

Making a gift in your will demonstrates a profound sense of caring and a spirit of generosity. It also encourages a tradition of giving, of family philanthropy, which continues to future generations. If you would like more information about leaving a legacy gift to St. Joseph Parish contact Doug Brock at 319-377-4869. If you would like information about gift planning, please contact our planning partner at the Catholic Foundation at 563-552-0176 or CFAD@OurCFAD.org.

Funeral Dinner Changes

Lola McAreavy has stepped down from leading funeral dinners and has turned the leadership over to Karla Kehoe and Sue Schuette.

Arlene Wiley (319-377-5320) will be the new caller of food for names ending in A-M. Mary Johnson (319-929-1491) will continue as the caller of food for last names ending in M-Z. If you wish to contribute food or be taken off the list, please call one of the ladies. Thank you.

Catholic Daughters Christmas Cookie Drive



Delicious homemade Christmas cookies made by the Catholic Daughters! Call Grace at 319-393-4691 or Susan at 319-389-5512 **by Dec. 2nd** to place your orders for boxes filled with a wide variety of homemade Christmas cookies— 2-doz box @ \$15 and a 4-doz box @ \$25. **Drive-thru pick-up date Sat. Dec. 10, from 10:00 AM-12:00 PM**, at St. Wenceslaus Church. Cash only please. Proceeds will go to local homeless shelters at Catholic Worker House and Willis Dady. **Order early! Quantities are limited!** Let the Catholic Daughters make your Christmas cookies this year!

HELP WANTED

Xavier High School is looking to hire two full-time, year-round custodians, one second shift and one third shift. See xaviersaints.org/employment for more info. Send letter of application and/or resume to: **Tom Wille, Director of Buildings and Grounds, Xavier High School**, 6300 42nd St. NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52411 tom.wille@xaviersaints.org

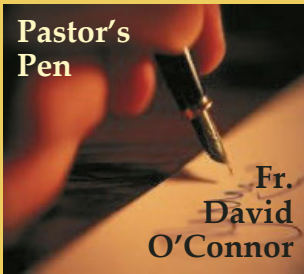
St. Ludmila Christmas Market will be held **Saturday, December 3rd** from 9:00AM to 6:00PM in the lower level of the church. Enjoy shopping from over 20 crafters and vendors! Bid at the Silent Auction, enjoy the cookie and candy sale, and dine at Cafe Ludmila!

St. Joseph School News

Second grade students made letters and colored pictures for Veterans for Veterans Day. We were thrilled to be able to thank our veterans with this small gesture.

4 Great Things Area 4: Educating the Whole Child

Pastor's Pen



Fr.
David
O'Connor

The Solemnity of Christ, King of the Universe (Christ the King)—is celebrated this Sunday. The celebration was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 at the close of the Jubilee Year in response to the fall of various kingdoms after World War One, the growth of secular nationalism that filled the void and the rise of atheism.

Secular nationalism could establish the nation state above God, making it the source of all rights, governance and care of its citizens. God would take a minor if any role in any of this, much less to say that his sovereignty over the world could be denied. Factor in atheism, and the state would reign supreme without any acknowledgement of God who is the source of power that a nation state might possess and the rights bestowed upon humanity.

This year, we reflect upon the establishment of Jesus' kingship by his death on the cross wherein sin is forgiven and death is conquered through his resurrection on the third day. Jesus' death on the cross is the ultimate expression of God's love for humanity and the world. The brokenness of our world, governmental and social structures is healed through his death and given new, redemptive life through his resurrection. Every knee, every civilization, government, culture and society is to bow at the name of Jesus. Indeed, this shall be done at the end of time. Anything less subjects the state, government and society to brokenness because of the deep wounds of Original Sin.

The Season of Advent—begins next weekend. There is a two-fold character to the season: (1) The preparation for the Second Coming of Jesus at the end of time, and; (2) The immediate preparation for Christmas. Both converge into the now. The first part of Advent is the former, while from about the Third Sunday of Advent, it is the latter. We wear purple vestments during the Sundays of Advent, except rose for the Third Sunday, because there is a penitential character to the season as well. You will and are encouraged to go to confession in preparation for the celebration of Christmas and to establish a regular habit to prepare your soul for the end of your earthly life which comes with death.

The season is rich in scriptural reflection upon Jesus and that piece of salvation history that led to his incarnation and birth. Even though this year we will observe the longest Advent that is possible, the season slips away quickly because of our preoccupations with the things of this world. Let that be a sign and a warning that Christ will come at the end of time when you least expect him. That behooves you to prepare for his coming now and the season of Advent offers superb spiritual assistance to do so.

The Advent Confession Schedule—will be posted at the doors of the church, the bulletin boards, at the Reconciliation Room and in the bulletin. Here's the schedule:

Individual Confession Times at St. Joseph

- ♦ Saturdays from **2:30 PM to 3:30 PM** starting November 26th
- ♦ Sunday, December 18th, from **3:00 PM to 5:00 PM**

In the Metro Area

Saturday, December 10th, 10:30 AM, at All Saints, Cedar Rapids
Thursday, December 15th, 6:30 PM, at St. Ludmila, Cedar Rapids
Saturday, December 17th, 10:30 AM, at St. Elizabeth, Hiawatha

Totus Tuus Missionaries Needed

Do you know any college age men and women from your parishes who would be great role models for younger Catholics? The Archdiocese is looking for college-aged disciples of Jesus to serve on teams with other men and women like them during the summer of 2023.

Totus Tuus missionaries serve parishes across the Archdiocese throughout the summer leading songs, teaching, performing skits, and sharing witness talks with the children and youth of the Archdiocese. This is a paid position with training and most expenses provided during the summer. Please encourage anyone who would be excellent at this to apply.

Application information can be found at www.dbqarch.org/Totus-Tuus. Please contact Joanne Pohland (j.pohland@dbqarch.org) with any questions.



Please note the Parish Office is closed on **Thanksgiving Day and Friday, November 25th.**

Give Thanks to God for He is Good!

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