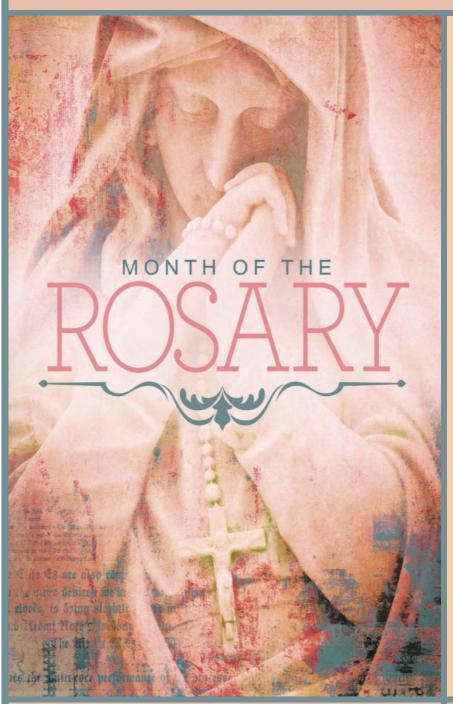


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Weekend Mass: Saturday, 4:00 PM

Sunday, 8:00 & 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

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New to the Parish: *Welcome!* Please call the office to make an appointment to register at 319-377-4869.

Prayer Chain: Contact Deacon Jeff Volker at 319-377-4869 or j.volker@dbgarch.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 319-377-4869 to discuss baptism preparation for the parents prior to scheduling of the baptism. The next baptism prep class is Saturday, November 11th.

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

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Sunday Envelope Giving Week of September 24, 2023 - Week 13			
Budgeted Sunday Envelope Needs	\$20,192		
Year-to-date budget	\$262,500		
Collected last weekend	\$29,389		
Actual Year-to-date envelope income	\$254,610		
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$7,890)		
Unrestricted Gifts and Offertory	\$32,947		
Budgeted Gifts and Offertory	\$71,250		
Over / (Under) budget	(\$38,303)		
Bricks and Mortar Envelopes	\$10,823		
Bricks and Mortar budget	\$12,500		
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$1,677)		
Social Concerns 5% of Envelopes	\$1,469		

October 2 – October 8, 2023 Weekly Calendar & Mass Intentions

Monday, October 2

7:00 AM Adoration

12:00 PM Rosary for the Eucharistic Revival

7:00 PM Scripture Study - St. Joseph Room

9:00 PM Benediction

Tuesday, October 3

7:30 AM Mass † Rev. Michael Fitzgerald (Also broadcasted live at: stjoesmarion.org)

Wednesday, October 4

8:15 AM Mass † Robert Kerns

(Also broadcasted live at: stjoesmarion.org)

10:00 AM Scripture Study - St. Joseph Room

2:00 PM Pietra Class

7:00 PM Men of Action - St. Joseph Room

Thursday, October 5

6:00 AM Men of Action - Church Hall

7:30 AM Mass † Bommert Family

(Also broadcasted live at: stjoesmarion.org)

Friday, October 6

7:30 AM Mass **† Leo & Lois Francois** (Also broadcasted live at: **stjoesmarion.org**)

Saturday, October 7

3:00 PM Reconciliation

4:00 PM Mass † Darlene & Frank Kelly (Also broadcasted live at: stjoesmarion.org)

Sunday, October 8

8:00 AM Mass + For The People

9:00 AM Coffee & Donuts - Church Hall

10:30 AM Mass **† Cameron Breitbach**

11:45 AM Healing Prayer - Church

Children's Worship

They're back! Beginning October 1st, pick one up for your child on the entryway tables.

Ministry Schedule	Saturday, October 7, 4:00 PM	Sunday, October 8, 8:00 AM	Sunday, October 8, 10:30 AM
Sacristan	Diane Kula	1 Open	Moe Ryan
Lector	Erin Seymour	Cody Albright	1 Open
Altar Servers	Eli Mroch Avery Lewis Anna Youngblut	Phoenix Albright Maddox Albright Gunnar Black	Sarah Foerster Julia Foerster Nathaniel Perreault
Video Ministry	Francis Ginther	n/a	n/a
Ambassadors	Monica Dunbar Jamie McAllister 2 Open	Darwin Schuttloffel Scott Irlbeck John Dolphin 1 Open	Kristen Perreault Sharron Konzen Carla Reilly Terrance Reilly
Eucharistic Ministers	Douglas Hoeger Rachel Dunnwald Marguerite Bowen Lola McAreavy Lea Gentzler Christine Hoeger Denise Lewis	Michele Brock Virginia Flannagan Matthew Ramsey Jackson Tupper Marcia Black Angela Sawyers Adrian Rehak	Bob Blocklinger Matt Thompson Peter Ries Karri Kruser Liam Perreault 2 Open
C.L.O.W.	n/a	n/a	Alix McDonald Molly Burgeson
Door Greeters	Barbara Gasaway Gracie Gasaway Will Gasaway 1 Open	Dorie Kelchen Kelly Zimmerman Kathy McPartland Jim McPartland	Dolores Dilger Jerry Dilger Mary Breen 1 Open
Music Ministry	Spirit Choir	Patty Kelly Douglas Brock Jillian Brock	Patty Kelly
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.

Free Concert at St. Pius X, Cedar Rapids
Come join us in song and praise, Wednesday,
October 4th, at St. Pius X. Nationally known
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the church. Their music is written and performed
to inspire and empower others to live a life of Hope. Their
songs remind you that life is worth living for others and how in
our times of struggle, doubt and darkness, we can persevere
through this with love and in turn become a pillar of strength
for others. All ages are welcome- Great for the whole family!
The concert is free. To learn more about the band visit their
website toloveandrescue.com

Special Presentation on Violence Intervention at St. Ludmila

The Social Justice Committee of St. Ludmila Catholic Church in partnership with the St. Ludmila Religious Education Program will be hosting a special presentation, *Stand Up 4 Peace*, on **Wednesday**, **October 4th** in the Social Hall (211 21st Avenue SW, church lower level). All members of the community 6th grade and above are invited to learn more about the harsh reality of group violence in Cedar Rapids and what we can do to bring about more peace in our community, especially for our children and youth. *Stand Up 4 Peace* will feature representatives from Foundation II, the Cedar Rapids Police Department, and Linn County Public Health.

The presentation and Q&A is 5:45-7:00 PM, followed by an optional viewing of the powerful, eye-opening video *When You Pick Up a Gun* from 7:00-7:30 PM, with discussion to follow. (*PARENTAL ADVISORY*: the video contains difficult thematic material and strong language!) Questions, contact Bob Gardner at dbq029s3@dbqarch.org. Please join us for this important, relevant discussion!

Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) Court Cedar Rapids #1768 will meet **Tuesday, October 10th**, 6:30 PM at St. Wenceslaus Church. Doors open at 6:00 PM with a Potato Bar. In recognition of "Respect for Life Month," our speaker will be Kristina Glackin on Human Trafficking. Catholic Daughters across the nation will celebrate Catholic Daughters Sunday on October 15th. Members of the Cedar Rapids Court will celebrate by attending 10:15 AM Mass at Immaculate Conception Church and after Mass will hold a Court Recognition of members ceremony. All Catholic women are welcome to come as guests. Contacts are Ericka 319-238-1798 and Stephanie 319-540-7193.

2023 Mt. Calvary Cemetery Fall Cleanup

The mid-October Mt. Calvary Cemetery Fall Cleanup is around the corner. If you have any floral tributes, decorations, or other items around your loved one's grave sites, please remove them by **Friday, October 13th**. The cemetery will be completely cleared of all decorations starting Saturday morning, Oct. 14th. Inground vases will be turned down into their storage positions until spring usage. After Nov. 15th, holiday wreaths, mounds and evergreen blankets may be placed, and will remain until the spring clean-up in March 2024. If you have questions, please call Mt. Calvary Cemetery at 319-362-4659. If you would like to volunteer your time for this Corporal Work of Mercy, we will be starting our clean up at 8:00 AM on Saturday, Oct. 14th. The location is 375 32nd St. Drive, SE, Cedar Rapids.

Adult Faith Formation



The 2023-2024 RCIA inquiry sessions have begun! We will be meeting on Thursday evenings at 6:30 PM to answer questions and begin the faith journey with those inquiring about the faith. If you are interested in joining us contact Bridget Becker at 319-377-4869 or email b.becker@dbqarch.org



The Eucharistic Miracles of the World



Talk on Eucharistic Miracles with Brother Solanus Marie from the Knights of the Holy Eucharist.

Wednesday, October 11 at 7:00 PM St. Joseph Church Hall

Visit the exhibit and witness how Jesus miraculously manifested himself throughout the centuries and how this proves he is totally present body, blood, soul and divinity in the Eucharist.

October 4 - 18 in the St. Joseph Church Hall

October is RESPECT FOR LIFE MONTH

We will have a pack & play crib in the back of the church for the next four weeks. The items that are collected will be used by Birthright and Bridgehaven which provide assistance to mothers in need. Some of the items that are needed are diapers, formula, blankets, bibs, toys and other baby essentials. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY - MARCH 2024

St. Joseph parishioners are invited on a pilgrimage of all Italian Shrines with Spiritual Leaders Fr. David O'Connor and Deacon Kenneth Bauer March 4-17, 2024.

For more information and to register visit:

www.206tours.com/bauer

Questions, email 206 Tours: cara@206tours.com



Please remember in your prayers Mitchell & Chelsey Whitney, who brought their daughter Elle Marie to the waters of Baptism on September 24th



The next Healing Prayer gathering will take place with Adoration on Sunday, October 8th at 11:45 AM in the church. There will be small prayer teams available to pray with you individually and to intercede for you and your needs.

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in the midst of them." - Matthew 18:20



October is the month of the rosary.

Combined with the Eucharistic Revival we will have a Rosary for the Eucharistic Revival at Noon in the church on Mondays beginning October 2, 2023.



Pray that we do not ignore the cries for help from the unborn and their mothers and fathers.



The Cedar Rapids LIFE CHAIN is LIFE CHAIN Sunday, October 1st from 2:00-3:30 PM. Make a public, prayerful, peaceful

stand for Life along First Ave. Meet at St. Matthew Church parking lot at 2310 First Avenue NE, Cedar Rapids to sign in and pick up signs. A send-off prayer will be led by Deacon Mark Sandersfeld before participants will go to their assigned blocks. Chairs and strollers are welcome. All are asked to pre-register with Sue Martinek at 319-270-0054.

The Coalition for Life of Iowa is looking for people to commit to pray in front of Planned Parenthood for 40 Days for Life campaign. Sign up for an hour any day or night! Join us in prayer and fasting for an end to abortion in front of Planned Parenthood September 22nd—November 5th.



Web: https://40daysforlife.com/cedar-rapids

Phone: Call Pat 319-721-9730

St. Joseph School News

We had a good morning with Donuts with Dads on September 22. Thanks to everyone for making this special event happen. Four Great Things Area 3: Safe, Welcoming, Family-Like Atmosphere





"Humbly regard others as more important than yourselves" (Phil 2:3).

Passages such as this give pause for us, to reflect on how we consider the virtue of Humility in our lives and in our marriages. A Virtue in the teaching of the Church is synonymous with 'goodness'; an act of

doing good. Through our baptismal calling we are to serve in the example of Christ. In our daily lives and through our marriages, we live out that baptismal calling in service to those in need with kindness and charity. Along with your spouse instill the virtue of humility in your children. Teach them how to give humbly of themselves, to serve others as Christ himself served. By the humility of the act, the reward is the joy which we receive by helping someone out.

In his encyclical *Redemptoris Missio* (on the Church's missionary mandate) Saint Pope John Paul II wrote: "The witness of a Christian life is the first and irreplaceable form of mission" (42). This witness involves "exercising humility; practicing charity toward the poor, weak and suffering; and imitating Christ's own simplicity of life" (43).

Humility is a great asset in marriage, provided it is not laziness in disguise. "I don't care. Whatever you want." can be gracious, or it can mean you are overly passive. Let us strive for a mission of humble service because it is through service that "We are the

St. Joseph Middle School Work Day - October 25

Christ's mission was to love and serve. As Catholics it is ingrained in everything we do as the St. Joseph Parish Family. This fall, the St. Joseph Middle School would like to offer raking and yard cleaning services to members of the parish. They will provide the rakes, the lawn bags, and the energy of youth to free your yard of leaves. The work day is scheduled for the afternoon of Wednesday, October 25th. With limited spaces available, we will be prioritizing those who need the extra help this fall. Don't hesitate to call if you are interested. Please contact Deacon Jeff Volker at 319-377-4869 by Wednesday, October 18th.

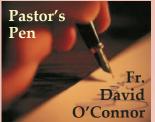
Catholic Worker House Meals

Help feed the hungry! Every **2nd Monday** of the month, the St. Joseph Social Justice Committee & friends collaborate to provide a meal for 25 children and adults staying at the St. John of the Cross Catholic Worker House in Cedar Rapids. Sign up to provide part of a meal, then drop off your ready-to-eat contribution at St. Joseph Catholic Church (main front doors) between 4:00-4:30 PM on that second Monday. Our volunteer transporter will leave St. Joe's at 4:30 PM to ensure that all the dinner components will arrive by 5:00 PM.

> Sign up at http://signup.com/go/PYkXJGy Thank you for your generosity!

Legacy Corner

Life insurance is a way to make a larger gift to your church than you might otherwise be able to afford. Consider naming your church as a beneficiary of any life insurance policy. If you would like more information about leaving a legacy gift to St. Joseph, 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.



Respect Life Sunday/Month—This weekend, we are observing Respect Life Sunday which inaugurates a month of observances and reflections upon respecting life from the womb to the tomb. Each year, the Chair of the Committee for Pro-Life Activities of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, publishes a letter in observance of Respect Life Sunday. This year, Bishop Michael Burbidge writes from the perspective of radical solidarity with women. Please find below the first one of two parts of his letter.

Since 1973, the year the Supreme Court legalized abortion nationwide in *Roe v. Wade*, the month of October has been set aside by the U.S. bishops as a time to focus on protecting God's precious gift of human life. While we thank God that the terrible reign of *Roe* has ended, we also recognize that abortion still continues in most states and is aggressively promoted at the federal level. A great many prayers, sacrifices, and good works are still desperately needed to transform a culture of death into a culture of life. Our public witness, our marching, and our advocacy must continue, yet laws alone will not end the tragedy of abortion.

While ending legalized abortion remains our preeminent priority, the most immediate way to save babies and mothers from abortion is to thoroughly surround mothers in need with life-giving support and personal accompaniment. This is radical solidarity.

St. John Paul II first defined "radical solidarity" in this way: "In firmly rejecting 'pro-choice' it is necessary to become courageously 'pro woman,' promoting a choice that is truly in favor of women. ... The only honest stance, in these cases, is that of radical solidarity with the woman. It is not right to leave her alone."

Being in radical solidarity with women who are pregnant or raising children in difficult circumstances means putting our love for them into action and putting their needs before our own. Pope Francis reminds us that solidarity "refers to something more than a few sporadic acts of generosity. It presumes the creation of a *new mindset*," a transformation within our own hearts.

This new mindset requires that we come alongside vulnerable mothers in profound friendship, compassion, and support for both them and their preborn children. It means addressing the fundamental challenges that lead an expectant mother to believe she is unable to welcome the child God has entrusted to her.

This includes collective efforts within our dioceses, parishes, schools and local communities, engagement in the public square, and pursuit of policies that help support both women and their preborn babies. It all the more so requires our individual, personal commitment to helping mothers in our own communities secure material, emotional, and spiritual support for embracing the gift of life. Radical solidarity means moving beyond the status quo and out of our comfort zones.

The final part of his letter will be in the bulletin next week.

2023 Archdiocesan Conferences St. Pius X, Cedar Rapids

Couples Event Friday, October 27, 2023

The evening will include dinner, a talk by Mike and Alicia Hernon (from *The Messy Family Project*).

Catholic Parenting Conference Saturday, October 28, 2023

Keynote speakers will be Mike and Alicia Hernon and Jonathan and Amanda Teixeira (from Wallet Win: Your Catholic Money Mentors).

For more information and to register go to www.dbqarch.org/parenting-conference.

A reduced rate is offered when registering for both conferences.

2023 Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women Annual Meeting

All women are invited to attend the 2023 ACCW Annual Meeting which will be held on **Saturday, October 21, 2023** at St. Edward Parish in Waterloo. This year's theme is "*Path of Renewed Encounter*," and the keynote speaker will be Fr. Joseph Sevcik, Pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in Lansing and Archdiocesan Point Person for the Eucharistic Revival. Archbishop-elect Zinkula will be the main celebrant for the Mass.

The day will also include a delicious lunch, a short business meeting, and the opportunity to connect with other women from across the Archdiocese. There will be a silent auction, door prizes, and displays. The early bird rate ends October 10th.

Additional information and registration for the ACCW Annual Meeting can be found at: https://dbqarch.org/accw-events

Contact Joanne Pohland at dbqarch.org with any questions.

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