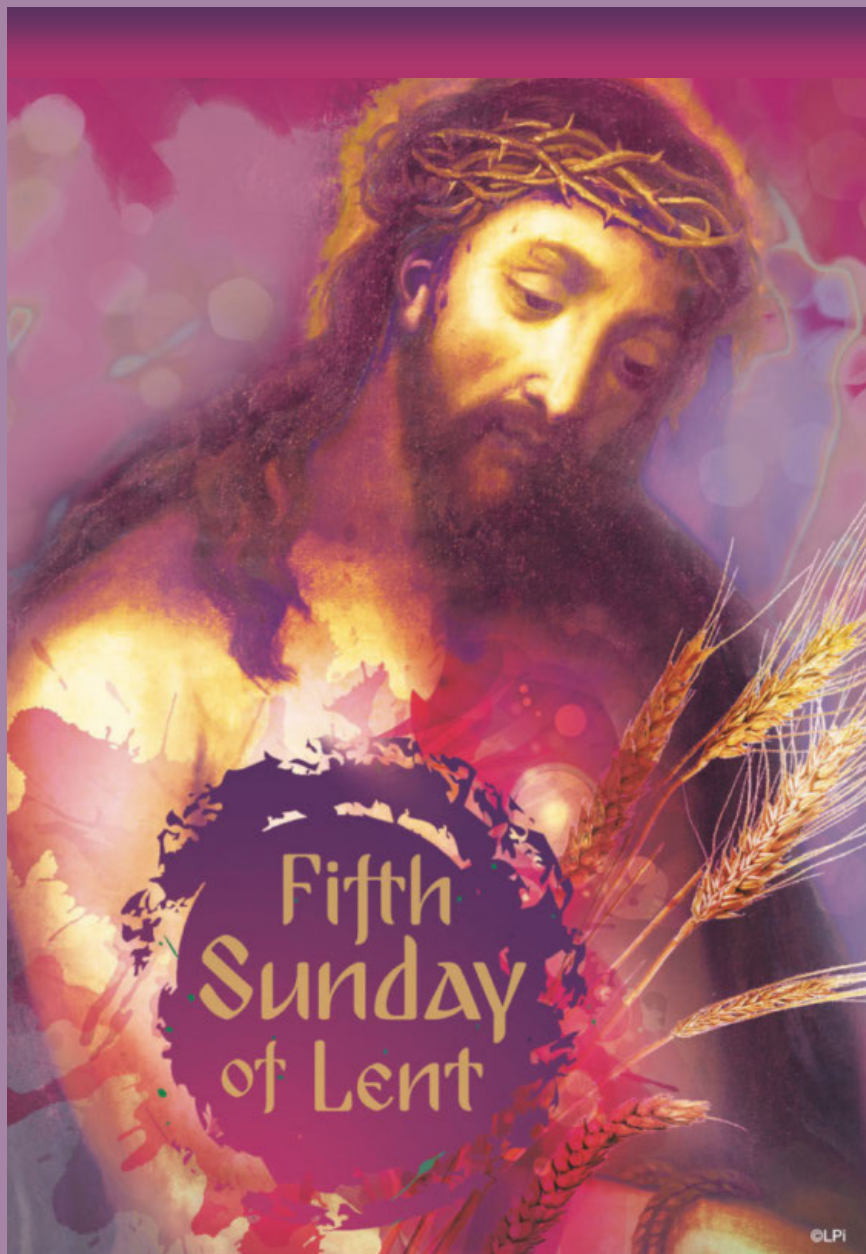




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Weekend Mass: Saturday, 4:00 PM
Sunday, 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Weekday Mass: Wednesday, 8:15 AM
Thursday, 5:00 PM & Friday, 7:30 AM
No Mass on Tuesday

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@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 319-377-4869 to discuss baptism preparation for the parents prior to scheduling of the baptism. The next Baptism Class will be Saturday, May 11, 2024

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

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Sunday Envelope Giving Week of March 10, 2024 - Week 37

Budgeted Sunday Envelope Needs	\$20,192
Year-to-date budget	\$747,115
Collected last weekend	\$17,554
Actual Year-to-date envelope income	\$713,019
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$34,096)
Unrestricted Gifts and Offertory	\$193,765
Budgeted Gifts and Offertory	\$202,788
Over / (Under) budget	(\$9,024)
Bricks and Mortar Envelopes	\$28,121
Bricks and Mortar budget	\$35,577
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$7,456)
Social Concerns 5% of Envelopes	\$878

March 18 - March 24, 2024 Weekly Calendar & Mass Intentions

Monday, March 18

7:00 AM Adoration
12:00 PM Rosary - Church
7:00 PM Scripture Study - Church Hall
9:00 PM Benediction

Tuesday, March 19 - No Mass

Wednesday, March 20

8:15 AM Mass † **Ruth Trausch**
(Also broadcasted live at: stjoesmarion.org)
10:00 AM Scripture Study - Church Hall
2:00 PM Pietra Class - St. Joseph Room
7:00 PM Men of Action - St. Joseph Room

Thursday, March 21

6:00 AM Men of Action - Church Hall
5:00 PM Mass † **Steven Casey**
(Also broadcasted live at: stjoesmarion.org)

Friday, March 22

7:30 AM Mass † **Joan Nath**
(Also broadcasted live at: stjoesmarion.org)
5:30 PM Stations of the Cross - Church
6:00 PM Soup Supper - Church Hall

Saturday, March 23

3:00 PM Reconciliation
4:00 PM Mass † **Phil Menke**
(Also broadcasted live at: stjoesmarion.org)

Sunday, March 24

8:00 AM Mass † **Mary Lynch**
10:30 AM Mass † **For The People**



Tues. March 19 at 6:00 PM

(individual confessions)

St. Matthew, Cedar Rapids

Ministry Schedule	Saturday, March 23, 4:00 PM	Sunday, March 24, 8:00 AM	Sunday, March 24, 10:30 AM
Sacristan	Diane Kula	1 Open	1 Open
Lector	Jamie McAllister	Marcia Schmidt	Terry Kelly
Altar Servers	Genevieve Sullivan Blaise Pacha Cooper Pacha	Norah Marshall Ryan Myers Angela Myers	Julia Foerster Sarah Foerster Natalie Nachazel
Video Ministry	Peyton Stoller	n/a	n/a
Ambassadors	Monica Dunbar Gary Schmidt Timothy O'Brien David Bengford	Michael Alt James Angerer Gregoroy Van Gorp Scott Irlbeck	David Adams Darrell Holub Douglas Smith Gary Kalis
Eucharistic Ministers	Kent Sodawasser Douglas Hoeger Christine Hoeger Jeffrey Schussler Peter Ries Bob Blocklinger Nathan Brownsberger	Marilyn Platner Judy Scott Mary Mikkola Terry Wiebel Jeffrey Alt Jim Holt 1 Open	Timothy DeWees Marge Carson Aaron Randolph Joe Trapani Clark White Teresa White Karri Kruser
C.L.O.W.	n/a	n/a	Jerome Nachazel Philly Wall
Fun & Faith Fcltr.	n/a	n/a	Lydia Wall
Door Greeters	Linda Charlton Sandra Osbon Barbara Gasaway Brian Reynolds	Gunnar Black Marcia Black Jim McPartland Kathy McPartland	Jerry Dilger Dolores Dilger Gary Raymond Julie Raymond
Music Ministry	Patty Kelly Barbara Sullivan	Jacob Weaver Kimberly Menke	JAM Choir

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



Please remember in your prayers all those who have died, especially
Ellen Webber, wife of Aaron Webber, mother of Olivia and Isabelle

Join us for **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Every Friday at
5:30 PM during Lent

Soup Supper to
follow in Church Hall



Lenten Soup Supper Friday, March 22

Please join us for our last
soup supper in the Church
Hall immediately following
Stations of the Cross.

This week's Stations of the
Cross will be led by
Deacon Jeff Volker and
the Soup Supper will
be hosted by
St. Joseph School.

*There will be no soup supper
on Good Friday, March 29*

Adult Faith Formation



NATIONAL
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Revival**

**EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL –
Food for Thought:**

"Jesus is not an idea, a

sentiment, a memory! Jesus is a 'person,' always alive and present with us! Love Jesus present in the Eucharist. He is present in a sacrificial way in Holy Mass, which renews the Sacrifice of the Cross. To go to Mass means going to Calvary to meet him, our Redeemer. He comes to us in Holy Communion and remains present in the tabernacles of our churches, for he is our friend."

- Pope St. John Paul II, Address to Italian youth, Nov. 8, 1978

**Join us for Eucharistic Adoration every Monday
from 7:00 AM – 9:00 PM with Rosary at noon.**

Thank You from Catholic Charities

These past several weeks Catholic Charities has received strong spiritual and financial support for their 2024 Annual Appeal. It is the collective radiance of our individual lights that weaves a vibrant tapestry of compassion and love. Thank you for your generous commitment to our Annual Appeal and all the ways you are sharing the light of Christ throughout the Archdiocese of Dubuque. Join our community of salt & light today at <https://catholiccharitiesdubuque.org/>



March 17 - Fifth Sunday of Lent:

In the Gospel today, Jesus says "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me." When we help the poor, we are truly followers of Jesus, servant of the poor.

As you place your gift in the collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them Easter hope and joy.



Join us on **Saturday, April 6** for Shamrock 2024, the gala event to support St. Joseph Catholic School. The event will start at 6:00 PM at the Radisson Hotel Cedar Rapids and will include heavy hors

d'oeuvres and dessert, casino games, live and silent auctions, games and raffles, drinks, acoustic entertainment and more.

Reservations are due this weekend. Visit www.sjcsmarion.org/shamrock for more information or to complete the online RSVP. Questions may be directed to the school office at 319-377-6348.

Proceeds from the event will go toward a new playground for the school, which serves preschool through eighth grade students, a childcare center and participants in the parish's Youth Faith Formation program. We hope you will consider supporting this worthy cause while enjoying social time with the parish community.

Calling all artists, creators, and makers! Please join us for the **Two Hearts Art Festival and Market** on **Saturday, June 15, 2024** from 9:00 AM-2:00 PM at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Cedar Rapids in the southwest parking lot (at the corner of 1st Avenue and Ellis Blvd NW). Vendor spaces to the market are open to local artists and creators, especially those who strive to bring the beauty of the faith and the light of Christ to the community and environment around them. Vendors and their work must be appropriate for an all-ages audience. The art market is a curated event (completed vendor applications will be reviewed by a selection committee).

Please contact Blaine or Marlana

at divinemercycr@gmail.com for information and an application. **Applications are due by April 15, 2024.**

Please consider joining us!

Legacy Corner

Retirement funds present new opportunities for giving to your church. You may want to name your church as the final beneficiary of your individual retirement account (IRA) or other retirement funds, in the event that you and other named beneficiaries die before receiving all of the funds. If you would like more information about leaving a legacy gift to St. Joseph Parish contact Doug Brock at 319-377-4869 or d.brock@dbqarch.org. 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



Celebration of the Sacraments

Please remember in your prayers all those who are preparing to receive sacraments.

Parish Election Nominations Needed!

Are you - or someone you know - being called to serve in one of the four open positions on the Pastoral Council (2) or Faith Formation Commission (2)?

The **Pastoral Council** is tasked with promoting our parish's mission and charting the course for programs and activities. Members of the **Faith Formation Commission** develop and oversee plans to provide for the lifelong faith formation and education of parish members. Each of these committees is an advisory body to our Pastor and generally meet monthly/bimonthly. Elected members serve for a term of 3 years.

All nominees must be a member of St. Joseph and in full communion with the Catholic Church.

Nomination forms can be found in the pews and in the Parish Office. Please place completed forms in the marked boxes located at each entrance. You can also email nomination information (Nominee Name/Number/Email/Address) to j.quandt@dbqarch.org. Parish election questions can be directed to Nicole Trapani nicole.trapani@gmail.com / 563-495-0190.

Thank you for prayerfully considering this opportunity to serve our parish!

Marriage Enrichment



"If a grain of wheat dies, it produces much fruit" (Jn 12:24)

As Jesus prepares for what will be his triumphal entry into Jerusalem when the people will hail and praise him as the Messiah, Jesus explains to them that His

triumph is to be on Calvary. He will die so that others might live; *"Unless the grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains alone. But if it dies it brings forth much fruit"*. (Jn 12:24)

In this week's gospel, Jesus compares himself to the sacrifice of a grain of wheat. Wheat is "sacrificed", ground into flour and baked into bread, to sustain life. I am the bread of life, Jesus said.

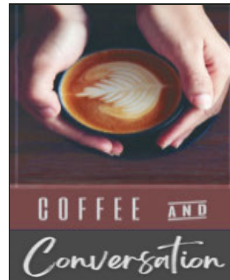
Like the wheat which gives of itself, we are to compassionately give to others. Through our generosity and acts of charity we exemplify our devotion to Christ. We dedicate our lives to service, unselfishly using our gifts and talents to assist those in need. How do you use your gifts in service to others as an example to your family, especially to your children?



Theology on Tap

All 21-39 year olds are invited to join us at Parlor City Parlor City on **Thursday, March 21st** at 6:00 PM to hear from Geralyn Ward on "The Kingdom of God and Our Place in It." First drink is on us!

Check out facebook.com/CRTOT for more information.



To all women of St. Joe's:

Please join other St. Joe's women at **Coffee & Conversation**, which is held at Mr. Beans Restaurant on the 4th Friday at 9:30 AM. The date for March is **Friday the 22nd**. This is a good way to meet and make new friends. Please join us.

St. Monica's Circle Kolache & Rohlicky Bake PRE-ORDER ONLY

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Pick-up **Saturday, March 23rd**, 2:00-3:30 PM
at St. Wenceslaus Glovik Center

Pre-order with Barb at 319-373-3889 or Connie at 319-981-6484
9:00-5:00 on Tuesday, March 19th or Wednesday, March 20th

Easter Flowers



If you wish to donate to the Easter Flowers for our church in the name of a loved one please clip this form, fill it out and return it along with \$15 to the parish office or drop in the collection basket by **Thursday, March 28th**. Your loved one's name will be placed on the flower that you have sponsored. You may take the flower home after the Celebration of Easter.

In Memory of: (Please print)

With love from:

Please provide contact phone number or email address:

Please make checks payable to St. Joseph Church

St. Joseph School News



All students in grades 2-8 attended reconciliation in the past few weeks. Thanks to all the different priests that joined to hear confessions.



Early Submission Deadlines for Bulletin

Bulletin Date

March 31 (Easter)

Early Deadline

Tues. March 19th at Noon

Please send submissions to: dbq126sec@dbqarch.org

Jazz and Sacred Music: Monday, March 18, 7:00 PM Mt. Mercy University Chapel

You are invited to the 2024 Hesburgh Lecture hosted by the local Notre Dame Club! Dr. Wright, the Director of the University of Notre Dame Folk Choir, will lead a discussion on the usage of jazz in sacred music. You will hear examples of sacred music from jazz greats such as Duke Ellington, Dave Brubeck, and Mary Lou Williams, as well as Dr. Wright's own, and we will examine together how we can understand and embrace the contribution that jazz and popular music make to sacred music.

Totus Tuus Missionaries Needed

Do you know any college age men and women from your parish who would be great role models for younger Catholics? The Archdiocese is looking for college-aged disciples of Jesus to serve on teams during the summer of 2024. 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. Applications can be found at www.dbqarch.org/Totus-Tuus. Please contact Joanne Pohland (j.pohland@dbqarch.org) with any questions.

2024 LENTEN PROJECT

Our Lenten Almsgiving project

in support of Discovery Living ends this weekend. More facts about Discovery Living:

- They have served 20 people for over 30 years, including three original members since they opened their first home 40 years ago
- They adapt their homes, vehicles and service delivery methods to accommodate member needs
- They have expanded services during a time when many providers have contracted supports
- Their annual rate of employee turnover is under 20%
- Their accreditation survey outcomes have been outstanding
- They are blessed to have many community supporters

Donations will be accepted through March 17th.

A collection box is located in the main entrance. For more information go to www.discoveryliving.org. Thank you for your generosity!



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Sister Water Project Seeks Volunteers for Service Trip to Honduras

The Sisters of St. Francis of Dubuque need volunteers for service trip on **July 22-August 1, 2024**. The team will help make potable water accessible to people in the rural village of Lavatorio, Yarula, La Paz. Team members must be 21 years old (or 16+ if traveling with a parent/guardian); capable of physical work at high altitudes; and willing to participate fully in daily work, prayer, and team building. Must have a passport that will still be valid at least 6 months after the end of the trip. Travel insurance and appropriate vaccines highly recommended. Cost is expected to be \$1,500—which may vary depending on size of team. Service trip fee includes round trip travel from Dubuque, food, and lodging. For more information about the trip, contact Sister Maureen Leach at (210) 621-5755, or leach@osfbq.org. To apply, email Stacy Francois at francoiss@osfbq.org for an application. **Applications are due by Friday, March 22, 2024.**



Join us for the Closing Rally on **Sunday, March 24th at 5:00 PM**. We pray for one hour outside Planned Parenthood, and then head to Godfather's Pizza at 6:00 PM. We will be collecting items for Birthright and Bridgehaven. Thank you for praying and fasting. Come meet others who have a heart for those hurting because of abortion.

<https://40daysforlife.com/cedar-rapids>

Questions, call Pat at 319-721-9730



Pilgrimage to *Shrine of our Lady of Guadalupe* April 20, 2024 | LaCrosse, WI

With St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish
Depart at 6:30AM, Leave for Home at 4:30PM
Cost \$60/person (includes transportation & lunch)



Register by March 18th

Questions: Trish at tlorkmer@seasp.org
or Julie at julietedluke@gmail.com

CHRIST OUR LIFE CATHOLIC CONFERENCE September 28 & 29, 2024

Wells Fargo Arena, Des Moines

Don't miss this every two-years opportunity to hear world class speakers, celebrate Mass with thousands, attend reconciliation, fill your spirit with music and visit Jesus in adoration. Adult tickets are \$30.

Speakers include **Sister Josephine Garrett**: Raised Baptist, this joyful former banker took her final vows in 2020 and is passionate about youth and the sacred importance of family.

Parish contact: Dory Dilger at 319-270-4699
Go to ChristOurLifeIowa.com for information & tickets



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All are
invited
to attend!

CHRISM MASS

March 26, 2024 | 2:00 p.m.

Cathedral of St. Raphael, Dubuque

Streaming live at DBQArch.org

Embracing Tradition: Inviting All to the Cathedral's Chrism Mass

The Cathedral of St. Raphael is the mother church of the Archdiocese of Dubuque and serves as a place of worship for major events, including the Chrism Mass.

The Chrism Mass is held during Holy Week in every Catholic Diocese around the world. The local bishop gathers the people to bless and consecrate the Holy Oils for the year: Oil of the Sick, Oil of Catechumens, and Sacred Chrism. The Holy Oils are then distributed throughout the diocese, often kept in an ambry near the baptismal font of the church.

Our ancestors used olive oil for healing, sealing, and strengthening. The oil was used to anoint prophets to give them power and authority to speak God's name. These prophets, in turn, anointed kings to rule God's people. The anointing indicated to the people that God's favor rested on the chosen one as God's servant as a king. (Psalm 45:9,

"God your God has anointed you with the oil of gladness...")

The Hebrew word for one who is anointed is "messiah". Translated into Greek, the language of the new Testament, "messiah" becomes "christos", or Christ. Jesus Christ is anointed by God as priest, prophet, and king.

Oil of the Catechumens

Catechumens are unbaptized persons who desire to be fully incorporated into the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist. The Oil of Catechumens is utilized in the sacrament of Baptism, and may also be administered during the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). We anoint catechumens with this oil to strengthen them in the fight against darkness and seal them in grace for the journey to initiation. The Oil of Catechumens offers the elect gifts of wisdom, courage, and strength to live the Gospel as it purifies them from sin before baptism.

Oil of the Sick

The Anointing of the Sick with the blessed sacred oil is a sign of outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the person who is sick. It is meant to unite the sick person to the passion of Christ, give the sick person strength, provide courage in enduring illness or old age, prepare for healing if it is conducive to the salvation of the soul, and to help the sick person in preparation for passing over to eternal life. Those who receive anointing with the Oil of the Sick receive God's blessing, as the prayer of blessing says, "so that they may be freed from pain and illness and made well again in body, mind and soul."

Sacred Chrism

"The Holy Chrism consecrated by the bishop is used to anoint the newly baptized, to seal the candidates for confirmation, and to anoint the hands of presbyters and the heads of bishops at their ordination..." (Ceremonial of Bishops, 274). It is also used to anoint church altars, and in the dedication of a church building because a church's building represents the anointed members of the Church - the people of the Body of Christ.

The History of the Chrism Mass

The earliest recording of this rite was by Hippolytus (a bishop of Rome and early Christian theologian) in the early 200s, who wrote a ceremony during the Easter Vigil at which two holy oils were blessed and one was consecrated. In the 5th century, the ceremony was moved from the Easter Vigil to Holy Thursday. However, due to practical reasons, many dioceses choose to celebrate the Mass on another day of Holy Week, since it involves travel that may be some distance for pastors. In the Archdiocese of Dubuque, the Chrism Mass is held on the Tuesday of Holy Week each year.

The oils consecrated or blessed during the Mass signify the presence of the archbishop in the presence of the parish whenever the oils are utilized. The Oil of the Catechumens and the Oil of the Sick are blessed, while the Sacred Chrism is consecrated when the bishop or archbishop invokes the power of the Holy Spirit in blessing upon the oil.

The order of the Mass is as follows: first, the procession of the oils to be blessed or consecrated. Next, the blessing of the Oil of the Sick, followed by the Blessing of the Oil of Catechumens. The high point of the ritual is the Consecration of the Chrism.

The Mass is a celebration of the priesthood, with Jesus' words at the Last Supper, "Do this in memory of me." Sacred Chrism is a sign of the Holy Spirit, and before saying the Prayer of Consecration, the bishop or archbishop breathes upon the opening of the vessel of the Chrism. This action signifies the Spirit of God "moving over the face of the waters" at creation and Jesus' resurrection appearance to the disciples in which "he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit'" (Jn 20:22). Afterward, the bishop or archbishop invites those gathered to pray in silence before the Consecration of the Sacred Chrism.

After the Mass, the oils are distributed to be used in each parish community over the next year.

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- Archbishop Thomas Zinkula

The Chrism Mass, which [the Bishop] concelebrates with Priests from various regions of the diocese and during which he consecrates the sacred Chrism and blesses the other oils, is among the principal manifestations of the fullness of the Bishop's Priesthood and is considered to be a sign of the close bond of the Priests with him. For it is with the sacred Chrism consecrated by the Bishop that the newly baptized are anointed and those to be confirmed are signed. It is with the Oil of Catechumens that catechumens are prepared and disposed for Baptism. Finally, it is with the Oil of the Sick that those who are ill are comforted in their infirmity.

— *The Order of Blessing the Oil of Catechumens and of the Sick and of Consecrating the Chrism (OBO), no. 1*

The Chrism Mass in the Archdiocese of Dubuque

Each year in the Archdiocese of Dubuque, the Archbishop concelebrates the Chrism Mass with the priests of the archdiocese. This year, Archbishop Zinkula will be celebrating the Mass in a different role than the last time he celebrated the Chrism Mass in

the Archdiocese of Dubuque - now leading the Mass as Archbishop. The concelebration of this Mass is a way of demonstrating the communion of the priests with the archbishop, and during the liturgy, priests renew the promises they made during their ordination.

"The Chrism Mass, which is celebrated during Holy Week, is one of my favorite Masses of the year. One reason it is a highlight for me is because at this Mass the oils that will be used in the archdiocese during the coming year are consecrated (Sacred Chrism) and blessed (Oil of Catechumens and Oil of the Sick). After the Mass, the Holy Oils are brought back to the parishes of the archdiocese," Archbishop Zinkula explains.

"It also is a joy to witness the concelebrating priests of the archdiocese renew their priestly promises at this Mass. Finally, it is a profound and powerful liturgical experience of the local church: the gathering together of the priests, deacons and representatives of the entire archdiocesan community to worship God as we prepare to celebrate the Sacred Triduum. And best of all, their participation is full, conscious and active!"

Invitation to Attend the Chrism Mass

Anyone is welcome to attend the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Raphael in Dubuque. The Mass is held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26.

ArchdioceseOne Cathedral Update

Over \$17.5 million has been raised for the ArchdioceseOne special appeal. \$2.4 million has been restricted to Cathedral repairs and upgrades. There is still a great need to support the Cathedral to complete the work, as the goal of \$11 million was not met. If you are in a position to give, gifts can be made online at www.archdioceseone.org/support, or mailed to ArchdioceseOne, 1229 Mt. Loretta Ave, Dubuque, IA 52003.