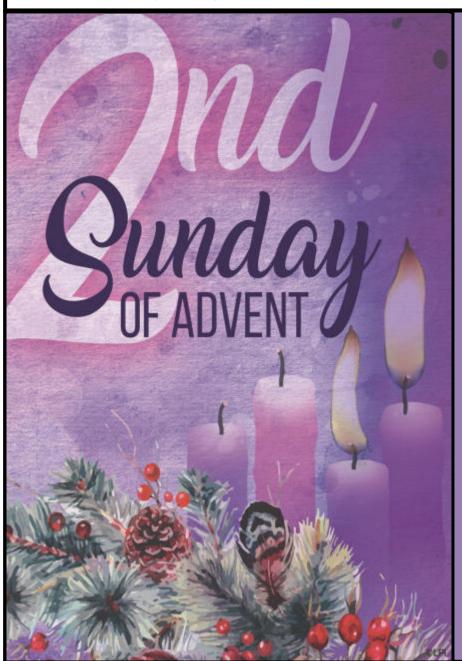


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Liturgies

Weekend Mass: Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Weekday Mass: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 7:30 AM

Wednesday 8:15 AM

Reconciliation: Saturday, December 15, 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Adoration: Mondays 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM

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Youth Faith Formation 319-377-8402 1430 14th Street, Marion, IA 52302

St. Joseph Catholic School 319-377-6348 1430 14th Street, Marion, IA 52302 **New to the Parish:** *Welcome!* Please call the office to make an appointment to register at 377-4869.

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

Prayer Chain: Contact Dawn at 377-4869 or d.feltman@dbgarch.org.

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. Parish contacts: Theresa Alt, 319-447-1132 or alt.theresa@yahoo.com, Jean Randolph, 319-377-0497 or mr926722@mchsi.com, Deacon Dennis Ternes, 319-377-4869 or d.ternes@dbqarch.org and Deacon Ken Bauer, 319-377-4869 or k.bauer@dbqarch.org.

Feed My Sheep: The Marion Food Pantry requests cake, bar, and cookie mixes. Please place your offering in the basket on the altar or ask an usher to take it to the front.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue: Honor the Blessed Virgin Mary by gathering from **December 9 - 14**, to pray the Rosary at the home of Bruce and Kathleen Tentinger, 7416 Idledale Rd NE, at 7:00 PM each evening. All are welcome.

Infant Baptism: The next baptism preparation session will be held on Saturday, January 12, 2019, in the St. Joseph Room of the parish offices from 9:00 to 11:00 AM. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at d.ternes@dbqarch.org or 377-4869 to register and learn more.

Sunday Envelope Giving Week of December 2, 2018 - Week 23			
Budgeted Sunday Envelope Needs	\$22,641.51		
Year-to-date budget	\$520,754.72		
Collected last weekend	\$29,027.65		
Actual Year-to-date envelope income	\$482,766.73		
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$37,987.99)		
Unrestricted Gifts and Offertory	\$62,893.81		
Budgeted Gifts and Offertory	\$57,196.93		
Over / (Under) budget	(\$5,696.88)		
Bricks and Mortar Envelopes	\$20,981.00		
Bricks and Mortar budget	\$19,528.30		
Over/(Under) Budget	\$1,452.70		
Social Concerns 5% of Envelopes	\$1,451.38		

December 10 - December 16 Weekly Calendar & Mass Intentions

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Monda	y, Decen	nber 10		
7:30	AM	MASS	† Jim Burns	
8:00	AM	Adoration	•	
	PM	Rosary		
6:30	PM	Scripture Study,	St. Joseph Room	
7:45	PM	Scripture Study,	St. Joseph Room	
Tuesda	v. Decei	mber 11		
	AM	MASS	† Mary Jane Feldman	
1:00	PM	Quilting ministry		
7:00	PM	•	St. John Paul Room II	
6:30	PM	Bells, Church		
6:30	PM	Spirit Choir, Reh	nearsal	
Wedne	sdav. De	ecember 12		
8:15	AM	MASS	† Gus & Mary Cleppe	
9:30	AM	Scripture Study.	St. Joseph Room	
2:00	PM	Pietra Fitness. S	St. Joseph Room	
5:30	PM	Minor Miracles,	Church	
6:30	PM	JAM, Church		
7:30	PM	MAC, Church		
Thursd	av. Dece	ember 13		
6:00	ÁM	Men of Action, C	Church Hall	
7:30	AM	MASS	† Susan Bonlander	
9:30	AM	Summit Pointe	† Ann Tack	
6:30	PM	Advent Concert,	Ċhurch	
6:30	PM	RCIA, St. Josep	h Room	
Friday, December 14				
7:30	AM	MASS	† Harold Matt	
5:00	PM	Rosary, Church		
5:30	PM	Advent Soup Su	pper, Church Hall	
6:30	PM	Silent Prayer, Cl	hurch	
Saturday, December 15				
3:00	PΜ	Reconcilation		
4:30	PM	MASS	† Gladys Hilsenbeck	
			& Don Berns	
Sunday, December 16				

MASS Intentions
Please see Dawn Feltman in the Parish Office

† Margaret Easton

† For the People

Ministry Schedule	Saturday, December 15, 4:30 PM	Sunday, December 16, 8:00 AM	Sunday, December 16, 10:30 AM
Sacristan	Rhonda Sourwine	Diane Kula	Linda Maher
Altar Servers	Owen Hlubek Chloe Thraen Matthew Thraen	Josie Logan Wesley Logan Jack Oehler	Anna Esch Andrew Golimowski Olivia Holm
Lectors	Erin Seymour Michael Wobbe	Emily Logan Mark Oehler	Kevin Holm Jeffrey Puffer
Ministers of Holy Communion	Cathy Wobbe Darwin Schuttloffel James Ford Jennifer Hlubek Patricia Halstead Joyce Wright Rita Greif	Brian Logan Marge Carson Marilyn Casey Virginia Flannagan Steven Freemon Michael Cira Peggy Detweiler	Jackson Tupper Jerry Cleveland Audra McEnany Chelsea Watts Michelle Brock Jean McNamara Barbara Celichowski
Ministers of Hospitality	Robert Dawson Kenneth Baragary Timothy O'Brien Lola McAreavy Kossivi Tomedonou	Howard Schiffer Dennis Holdgrafer Melvin Holubar David Van Gorp Gregory Van Gorp	Teresa Girard Donald Klostermann Michelle Soyer Norbe Boettcher Verna Klostermann
Children's Liturgy	n/a	n/a	Emily Meyer 1 Open
Door Greeters	Dawn Barnes Christopher O'Brien Robert Buckley 1 Open	Kelly Zimmerman Jim McPartland Kathy McPartland 2 Open	Matthew Schlegel Scott Schlegel Meghan Mather Mary Breen
Master of Ceremonies	Timothy DeWees	Francis Ginther	Patrick Soyer
Music Ministry	Handbells	Patty Kelly Barbara Sullivan	Patty Kelly Minor Miracles

8:00

10:30

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Please remember in your prayers all those who have died especially **Ann Conner**, wife of Jeff, mother of Matthew, daughter of Don & Mary Cole; **Danielle Holub**, granddaughter of Dean and Joellen Holub; and **Bettye Penn**, sister of Mary Earlene Lewis.

Women's Connection

Women's Connection will meet Thursday, **December 20**, 11:30 AM, at Zio Johno's, Marion, for the monthly luncheon. For more information please contact Carol Gonzalez at 654-6296.

Pietra Fitness Classes

Join for gentle stretching and strengthening of the body combined with prayer and Christian meditation. Wednesdays, in the St. Joseph Room, from 2:00 - 3:00 PM. Suggested offering of \$5 per class.



St. Joseph Quilting Ministry

The Quilting Ministry meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month (next meeting is **December 11**) in the Church Hall from 1:00 - 3:00 PM where they make quilts for various charities throughout the greater Cedar Rapids area. For more information, please contact Lynn Mitchell at 377-6166.

Senior Lunch

There will **not** be a Senior Luncheon in **December.** Senior luncheons will **resume** in **January.**

Gems of Hope, Inc.

Gems of Hope, Inc. is a nonprofit organization that offers small gifts mounted on inspirational cards to cancer patients, bringing hope to the patients and their families. St. Joseph's group meets the 4th Tuesday of each month in the church hall from 1:00 - 3:00 PM to make the cards that are given to others. There will **not** be a meeting in **December.** Gems of Hope will **resume** meeting in **January**. For more information, contact Dawn, 377-4869.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Compassion and knitting/crocheting combined into a prayerful ministry which reaches out to those in need of comfort. Contact Sharon at 373-2810. Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the first Wednesday of the month, from 1:00 - 3:00 PM, in the St. Matthew Room. Next meeting, **January 2**, **2019**.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Adult Faith Formation contact info - Sean McVeigh - s.mcveigh@dbgarch.org or call 377-4869.

Advent and Christmas Talks - If you missed the Advent and Christmas talks given last Saturday by Sean, our Director of Adult Faith Formation, they are now available for you to view on our parish YouTube channel. Just type "St. Joseph Catholic Church, Marion" into YouTube and you should find our channel. Be sure to subscribe and click the bell icon if you would like to be notified when we do uploads in the future.

Evangelization training workshops - This is an 8 week course led by Sean McVeigh. These workshops are offered on Mondays from 7:45 - 8:45 PM as well as on Wednesdays from 10:35 - 11:30 AM. Meetings are held in the St. Joseph Room. For a detailed outline of topics visit our website through the topic of Evangelization under the "Get Involved" or "Grow in Faith" buttons.

Who Am I to Judge? – An 8 week study on how to address moral relativism. Offered on Monday 6:30 - 7:30 PM or Wednesday 9:30 - 10:25 AM in the St. Joseph Room. You are welcome to join in even if you have not attended any of the other sessions.

RCIA – If you have an interest in becoming Catholic, but have not yet signed up, be sure to contact Sean McVeigh. We'd love to have you as part of our program!

Back by popular demand, the Parish Life Committee is sponsoring this fun event. Mark your calendars for Sunday,



January 27, 2019. Details will come later,

in the bulletin. Right now, we are in need of couples or singles to host a dinner group of other adult parishioners. You decide how many people you are comfortable hosting, and then prepare the entrée and provide drink. Your guests will provide salad and/or vegetable. After the meal, everyone meets up at the Church Hall for dessert. The fun part is that no one will know who is in their dinner party until they all show up! Hosts don't know, and guests are only provided the address and what kind of food item to bring. This is a fun way to meet some of your fellow parishioners other than just seeing them on your way in or out of church! So if hosting might be for you, now is the time to call or email Sharron Konzen, at 319-350–9861 or rkonzen@yahoo.com.

Your wonderful smile and friendly greeting is needed at our door! St. Joe's is looking for warm and welcoming folks to be door greeters for the various Masses. On the job training is available! Please contact Patty Kelly at p.kelly@dbqarch.org if you are interested.

Advent Reflections



A voice calls out, "Prepare the way for the Lord!"
May my heart be prepared for you to enter;
My being ready to behold your saving power.
Give me strength to live your justice and sow your peace.
In the wilderness of life, I await your salvation.
Amen

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court #1768

Will meet Tuesday, **December 11**, at St. Wenceslaus Church at 6:30 PM. Christmas dinner will be served by Your Mother's Catering. Please bring non perishable food items and/or winter hats, gloves, scarves, etc. for the Catholic Worker House. Also, bring a wrapped Christmas gift to exchange in a Christmas game. Guests are always welcome. Contact: Susan at (319) 389-5512.

A big THANK YOU to all for your support of the Catholic Daughters' recent Charity Bake Sale at Immaculate Conception Parish. Through your support we are making contributions to Metro Catholic Outreach and other food pantries in the Archdiocese.

Aging religious need your help

Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests ministered for years for little to no pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate retirement savings. Your gift to today's second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. Please be generous. Thank you.



Early Deadlines - St. Joseph Bulletin

Bulletin Date: December 16 - Deadline December 10 Bulletin Date: December 23 - Deadline December 14

Advent Soup Supper

Have you ever discussed the **new** and **everlasting** covenant with friends and family? If not, join us this Advent for the praying of the Rosary, scripture readings, and a free soup supper with lively discussion for all on the covenantal relationships God has established with the human race through history. Sessions will be on the Friday before each Sunday of Advent. The dates are as follows, **December 14**, and **December 21**. We will start in the church at 5:00 PM with the Rosary and scriptures. The supper will start at 5:30 PM with a short introduction to the topic for discussion, in which Christians of all ages can participate. A non

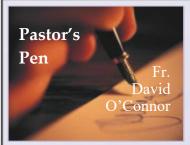


perishable food item can be brought for the food pantry or a free will offering opportunity will be provided. Come and share a meal with your parish family.

Christmas Wreath and Poinsettia Memorials

If you would like to have a wreath or poinsettia placed in the church during the Christmas season as a memorial of a loved one, please clip this form and return it to the parish office by **Monday**, **December 17**. Your loved one's name will be placed on the wreath or poinsettia that you have sponsored. You may take the wreath or poinsettia home after the season of Christmas ends in mid-January.

Check one:	Wreath \$12	Poinsettia \$17		
In Memory of: (Please print)				
With love from:				
Diagon make abo	alsa massahla ta Ct. Ja	saanh Chumah		
Please make che	ecks payable to St. Jo	sepn Cnurcn.		
(Please note wre	aths are artificial due	to fire regulations.)		



"Then the wolf shall be a guest of the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid" (Is 11: 6a)—The recent death of President George H. W. Bush has been an authentic expression of national mourning. Both aisles of Congress paid tribute to our forty-first president and reached out to his grieving family. There were many touching scenes of former associates and collaborators of President

Bush mourning his loss along with ordinary Americans. Death can do many things including bringing a nation together in a way reminiscent of what we hear from the prophet Isaiah that I quoted. Enemies come together, speak to one another and mutually honor and respect the dead. It is a great example even if is but fleeting. Ultimately, only Jesus can save and unify us. So far, anyway, there has been no screaming, rancorous people hurling incivilities. Rather, seeing order out of chaos this week helps to inspire the hope we find expressed Advent, that one day, "the baby shall play by the cobra's den, and the child lay his hand on the adder's lair" (Is 11: 8).

<u>The Retirement Fund for Religious</u>—annual collection is this weekend. Last year, we raised \$ 172,000 in the archdiocese to support the religious men and women who have generously served in our archdiocese and the nation. May we build on that generosity this year.

We Need a New Roof for the Church—I asked Santa if he could bring it to us for Christmas, but he can't fit it into his sleigh and the reindeer can't haul it from the North Pole. So, we're going to have to care for it ourselves. There will be more to share in the coming weeks.

<u>Advent Confessions</u>—There will be extended and additional opportunities to go to confession during this great season.

• Saturday, December 8, and 15: 3:00-4:00 PM

• Saturday, December 22: 2:00-4:00 PM

• Sunday, December 23: 3:00-5:00 PM

Communal Penances in the metro area with an opportunity for individual confession include:

- Saturday, December 13: St. Ludmila, Cedar Rapids, 7:00 PM
- Saturday, December 15: All Saints, Cedar Rapids, 10:30 AM

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