

Notre Dame Parish

Cresco, Iowa

St. Agnes Oratory, Plymouth Rock and St. Bridget Oratory, Bluffton

*"My soul proclaims
the greatness of
the Lord:*

*my spirit rejoices
in God my savior."*

Luke 1.46-47



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Monday through Friday

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www.ndcschool.weebly.com

Celebration of Sacraments

Baptism Please contact the parish office to register for the required Baptism class, to schedule a Baptism or for more information. Next Baptism preparation class is scheduled for **Feb. 7, 2022**, 7:00 p.m. (Note date is subject to change).

Reconciliation Saturday 3:15—3:50 p.m.; Sunday 9:15—9:50 a.m. or contact the parish office or email Fr. Jacob at: dbqrouse@dbqarch.org to schedule an appointment to celebrate this Sacrament of God's forgiveness.

Marriage Contact the parish office at least six months before intended wedding date.

January 16, 2022

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 62:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11; John 2:1-11

The experience of joy is all too rare these days. The experience of superabundant joy is almost unheard of. Joyful experiences are far different than those giddy highs which come from a favorite team winning a big game, or winning a big prize from some drawing, or even winning the lottery. Joy is more deeply based, more intimately connected to life at its depths.

Joy would be characterized by events like the tearing down of the Berlin Wall; or like having an oppressive dictatorship ousted and democracy restored. And joy is expressed in those close-to-home profound events like births and weddings.

When God said that His relationship to His people would be like that of a bridegroom to his bride—as today's first reading describes—that should be a cause for joy. Indeed, God fulfilled that promise and wedded Himself to us humans by becoming human in the person of Jesus. And Jesus, in John's gospel, frequently speaks of His abundant joy in God, and of His desire to share that joy.

The wedding celebration of Cana is a little more than a convenient stage setting for John. Front and center is Jesus—God Incarnate—who is providing the plentiful wine of joy for the guests. God is wedded to us—this is cause for joy. We are to drink deeply and then, as the psalmist bids us: "Sing to the Lord. . . give the Lord the glory due His name!"

Next week's readings:

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12:12-30; Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

When you are good to others, you are best to yourself.

Monday, Jan. 17— No Mass. Pray for vocations.

Tuesday, Jan. 18—Mass in church and livestreamed

No Mass. Pray for the sick.

Wednesday, Jan. 19 —Mass in church and livestreamed

8:00 a.m. +Gerald Rinken

Sacristan: Roger and Elaine Kleve

Thursday, Jan. 20 Mass in church and livestreamed

9:00 a.m. +Kay Reinhart

Sacristan: Ken and Maryln Shores

2:00 p.m. Mass at Accura +Elias Zweibahmer

Friday, Jan. 21 Mass in church and livestreamed

8:00 a.m. +Stella and Harry Courtney

Sacristan: Jerry and Barb O'Donnell

Saturday, Jan. 22 Mass in church and livestreamed

4:00 p.m. +John Gosch

EMHCs: Steve and Terry Duerre, Marcie Huhe

Lectors: Terry Duerre

Servers: Caleb and Dawson Holzer

Music: Carol Foley, Wendy Schatz

Greeters: Galen and Lavon Fye

Hosts: Adam Skoda Family

Ushers: Adam, Aidan and Awnan Skoda, Jim Murphy

Sacristan: Terry Duerre

Sunday, Jan. 23 Mass in church and livestreamed

8:00 a.m. +Joe and Ethel Sexton

EMHCs: Frank and Donna Ryant, Jim Truka

Lectors: Jim Truka, Roger Kleve

Servers: Claire and James Kach

Music: Katie Ferrie, Jamie Fisk

Greeters: David and Elaine Bergan

Hosts: Jim and Lori Truka

Ushers: Nick, Ava and Audrey Ferrie, Tom Mullen

Sacristan: Frank and Donna Ryant

10:00 a.m. Mass in church and livestreamed

+Marian Haskovec

EMHCs: Jed and Joyce Becker, Sue Runyan

Lectors: Jed Becker, Sue Runyan

Servers: Addison Bohr

Music: Good News Singers, Deb Moellers

Greeters: Ken and Nita Hackman

Hosts: Ken and Nita Hackman

Ushers: Jerry Wilson, Jerry and Wanda Reicks

Richard McConnell

Sacristan: Jerry and Wanda Reicks

I know God will not give me anything I can't handle.

I just wish he didn't trust me so much. Mother Teresa

Check out our website: notredamecresco.com You can now contribute to Notre Dame Parish through the website using your checking account or credit card. Also register as a new parishioner of Notre Dame Parish on the website. For more information, call the parish office.

In Memory

Joseph Kerian

Sanctuary Candle

Joe and Peggy Rouchka

Altar Bread

Urban and Mickie Drilling

Altar Wine

Marie Sebastian

Missalettes (January)

Stewardship of Prayer

Please pray for the sick of our parish, including the following and those listed in the Book of Petitions.

Parker Byrnes

Dianne Kovarik

Makiah Pierce

Dean Dietzenbach

Dorothy Barnes

Debra Winsell

Arlene Kuennen

JoDene Van Dyke

Joyce Kapler

Don Neubauer

Deanne Webb

Bill Smith

Marilyn Novak

Steve Slifka

Magnus Forland

Marian Wiltgen

Dan Praska

Paula Growden

Randy Smith

Pat Smith

Emma Jean Koudelka

Tom Gebel

Liz Yount

Lavon Hyberger

Janice Ries

Lois Svestka

We clear the prayer list quarterly. Please contact the office at that time to have a name put on again if desired.

*We are pleased to pray for the sick, if you would like to add a name, please call the parish office after receiving permission from the person to have their name published; however, to preserve space if a person has sufficiently recovered and can be removed from the prayer list, also please contact the parish office. **Ministry of Prayer Network:** If you would like to serve on this Prayer Network, please email the office at: DBQ047S1@dbqarch.org. When a request is received, you will receive an email asking for your prayers for the immediate need. If you have an urgent need for prayer, call the office at 563 547-3565 to activate the prayer network.*

Stewardship of Offering

Jan. 9, 2022

Total Stewardship Contributions/Offertory Income

Needed each week: \$10,817.00

Last week's Envelope Contribution Income: \$ 14,212.70

Last week's ACH Contribution Income: \$ 732.00

Last week's offertory income: \$ 317.00

In today's second reading, St. Paul tells the Corinthians (and us) that all of our gifts are from God and that they are given, not for ourselves along, but for the common good. But the generosity of God knows no limits—the miracle at Cana reminds us that whenever we faithfully do as God asks, He can change our gifts of water into wine!

St. Peter's Circle has sent out letters to collect dues this month. Please send in your dues as soon as possible. Thank you!

Reverse Collection was held last weekend. Please return the item to be given to the local food pantry.

Wee Families will meet on Sun., Jan. 16, 4:30 p.m. Notre Dame Church. Short and sweet faith formation for young families. Ideal for children ages 1-5. Milk and cookies.

Into the Deep will meet on Sun., Jan. 16, 7:00 p.m. Notre Dame Church. Watch the intro on Fr. Jacob's YouTube. Theme is on Creation and Evolution.

Circles of Faith will meet on Mon., Jan. 17, 5:30 p.m., Joseph Room.

Knights of Columbus will meet on Tues., Jan. 25, 7:00 p.m., KC Room. *Note the date change for this month.*

First Communion Parent/Student Meeting will be held on Wed., Jan. 26, 6:15 p.m., Notre Dame Church Hall.

A liturgical ministry schedule for January, February and March is available on the parish website.

Activity Calendar for Jan. and Feb. can be found on the parish website.

Football Mania Thank you to all who are participating in the Notre Dame School Fundraiser. Winners for the final Week: Lisa Kammerer, \$200; and Randy Reinhart, \$25 *Thank you to all who supported this fundraiser for our school.*

Scrip Program includes Dollar Fresh, HyVee, Pinter's, Ruppert's Ace Hardware, Fareway, Fisk's, Subway, Casey's, A & W, Long John Silvers, Sue-Z-Q, Atomic Pizza and Kwik Star. Cards are available at the parish office. Cards will be available in church the weekend of Feb. 5-6.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a catholic faith based marriage enrichment program and has been providing couples with better communication skills and tools for over 50 years. Find out what you've been missing by attending one of these upcoming experiences. February 11 - 13th in Ankeny; April 23 - 24th in Epworth. For more information or to register go to iowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305.

Tuition Assistance Are you looking for a way to help our Notre Dame students afford a Catholic education either at Notre Dame School or through our Religious Education program? Donations to our Adopt-A-Student Fund are always welcome and appreciated. For more information, contact the parish office.

Radio Rosary is broadcast every Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. on KCZQ 102.3 FM. and will again be broadcast every evening during Lent. Sponsors are welcome to support this broadcast. Cost is \$30.00 per broadcast. If you are interested in contributing towards this Radio Rosary, please contact Mary Gansen, 563 547-5495 or the parish office, 563 547-3565. Thank you!

How do I become a member of the Catholic Church? What do Catholics believe? If you or someone you know are inquiring into the Catholic faith, or are a parishioner who wants to learn more about your faith, please contact the parish office at 563 547-3565 to receive information about classes.

Thank You

We are grateful for all the volunteers who offer their time and talent as good stewards for the betterment of the parish. This week we thank the Social Justice Committee



Notre Dame School Activity Corner: Plan to attend the Lasagna Supper Drive Through on Friday, January 28. Lasagna preorder forms are available in the parish office. Participate in the online auction January 20-27. To view or bid on auction items go to: www.ndcschool.weebly.com and click on the auction link. For questions please contact Andrea Klimesh, 319-883-0244, or by email abschatz@hotmail.com For more information see bulletin insert.

Beauty in Christ Archdiocese of Dubuque 2022 Women's Conference: Holy Women of the Visitation; Jan. 29, 2022, 8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Notre Dame Parish will be hosting this event virtually in the parish hall. Join others for fellowship, brunch, drinks, door prizes. \$10 registration. See registration forms on parish website, in Brochure Stand in the front entrance of the church or at the parish office. Register now—the first 15 registered will be entered into a special drawing.

Annual VFW Cancer Benefit Breakfast Sun., Jan. 16, 8:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m. serving Regular, Blueberry and Chocolate Chip Pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs and beverage at the VFW Hall, Cresco. Free Will Donation. Proceeds to be used for local cancer organizations: HOCA and Milz Cancer Fund (FRW Auxiliary). Sponsored by VFW Post 4561 and Auxiliary, Cresco.

Powerful Tools for Caregivers class coming in March to Cresco. This class will meet weekly from 1:00—3:30 p.m. on Wednesdays for six weeks starting March 16, 2022 and runs through April 20, 2022. It will be held at the Iowa State Extension office, which is located at 132 1st Ave. West in Cresco. This class is appropriate for caregivers of elderly or disabled adults and will help the participants by improving communication, reducing stress, and connecting you with professionals available to help. The cost of the class is \$15 which includes snacks and program materials. If interested, please contact Cindy Thompson at 319-334-8013 to register by March 9.

Knights of Columbus Council #1571 NEWS FLASH!!! The online promotion to join us for free has been extended to June 30, 2022. Visit www.kofc.org/joinus using promo code MCGIVNEY 2020. Join today. Questions call 563 581-2239.

LIHEAP (Low income Home Energy Assistance Program and **LIHWAP** (Low income Household Water Assistance Program) have been established to help qualifying low income Iowa homeowners and renters pay a portion of their bills. For more info contact Northeast Iowa Community Action Corporation at 563 547-4413 or 563 382-8436

Create Your own Omelet Breakfast Sun., Jan. 23, 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. Ft. Atkinson Comm. Center. Breakfast includes omelets with ham, cheese, onions, green peppers and/or mushrooms, rolls, toast, juice, coffee and milk. Tickets: Adults \$8.00; ages 6-12 \$6.00; ages 5 and under free. Proceeds to Trinity Catholic School Boosters.

Remember us O God; from age to age be our comforter.

*You have given us the wonder of time,
blessings in days and nights, seasons and years.*

*Bless your children at the turning of the year
and fill the months ahead*

with the bright hope that is ours in the coming of Christ.

You are our God, living and reigning, forever and ever.

USCCB

2022 Lasagna Carry Out Supper & Online Auction!



We invite you to help us kick off Catholic Schools Week 2022 with the Notre Dame Catholic School

Lasagna Carry Out Supper and Online Classroom Project/Pie Auction! ~Online Auction~

To view or bid on our auction:

Go to: www.ndcschool.weebly.com
and click on the auction link.

Link also on the Notre Dame School FB page, and Notre Dame Parish website.

Create a Hi-Bid account, you only need an email address and password, or log in and start the bidding!!
Auction Preview & Bidding: 1/19-1/27 until 6pm.

Lasagna Carry Out Supper \$10

Lasagna, French Bread, Salad and Dessert. No individual lasagna for sale.

Preorder Tickets Only.

Notre Dame School Families and Staff preorder date: 1/4-1/10, Notre Dame School.

Public preorder availability starting 1/11/21 at the Notre Dame Parish Office.

Thank you for your continued support of Notre Dame School.

Drive Thru Directions

Using the **2nd Ave E** entrance, please pull up in two parallel lines and remain in your vehicle. A school representative will come out to collect your order form and bring your food to you!

We will not have a drive through in the back entrance.

THANK YOU!!

**Online Auction:
Online Preview & Bidding
1/19 ~ 1/27
Supper & Auction Pick
Up 1/28/2022
Time: 4:30-6:30 pm**

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