

Notre Dame Parish

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

*my spirit rejoices
in God my savior."*

Luke 1.46-47



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9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Monday through Friday

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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 23, 2022

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

This past Monday our nation observed a national holiday: the anniversary of Martin Luther King's birthday. This man, during his life, and even more so after his death, rose to national prominence. He was, and still is, vilified by some. But by most Americans he is seen as one who exerted a strong and non-violent energy to bring greater justice to all minorities in our land. He is seen as the voice of a prophet.

In 1963 he delivered a monumental speech at the Lincoln Memorial. That speech is now simply known as the "I Have a Dream" speech. He set forth his dream of a united, free, equal and just society. He labored vigorously to bring this about until his assassination in 1968.

There are parallels between Martin Luther King and Jesus. The gospel of today brought them to mind. At the beginning of his public ministry, Jesus presented himself as part of the long prophetic tradition of Israel. A prophet's role was to set forth clearly and resolutely God's message. That message spoke of God's expectations of how God's people are to live with one another. A considerable part of the latter message has to do with the labor for liberty and justice that are to be engaged in, and with the ever vigilant care of the poor and dispossessed.

It is all too rare the world is gifted with great prophets. When they do arise, those who hear them should pay them heed and to live out their message.

Next week's readings:

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:21-30

If our life is without prayer, it is like a house without a foundation.

Monday, Jan. 24—No Mass. Pray for vocations.
Tuesday, Jan. 25—Mass in church and livestreamed
Rosary at 4:55 p.m.
5:15 p.m. +Jim Kuennen
Sacristan: Janet Andera
Wednesday, Jan. 26—Mass in church and livestreamed
8:00 a.m. +Marie Kreitzer
Sacristan: Roger and Elaine Kleve
Thursday, Jan. 27 Mass in church and livestreamed
9:00 a.m. +Adrian and Betty Schatz
Sacristan: Ken and Maryln Shores
2:00 p.m. Mass at Evans +Larry Barnes
Friday, Jan. 28 Mass in church and livestreamed
8:00 a.m. +Suzanne Gebel
Sacristan: Jerry and Barb O'Donnell
Saturday, Jan. 29 Mass in church and livestreamed
4:00 p.m. +Raymond Bieri; Patricia Burns
EMHCs: Jill McConnell, Angie Kappes, Lisa Kimball
Lectors: Marlene Quinn
Servers: Emma and Regan Drees
Music: Harlan Larson, Mary Larson
Greeters: Bryan and Denise Sheehy
Hosts: Bryan and Denise Sheehy
Ushers: Bryan Sheehy, Adam, Aidan, Awnan Skoda
Sacristan: Jill McConnell
Sunday, Jan. 30 Mass in church and livestreamed
8:00 a.m. +Gerald Nehl
EMHCs: Boyd and Mary Turnbull, Julie Wilson
Lectors: Mary and Boyd Turnbull
Servers: Carly Miller, Cali Schwickerath
Music: Pam Daley, Jamie Fisk
Greeters: Bart and Julie Wilson
Hosts: Quentin and Darlene Vsetecka
Ushers: Bart and Julie Wilson,
Quentin and Darlene Vsetecka
Sacristan: Marvin Lensing
10:00 a.m. Mass in church and livestreamed
+Adam Burke
EMHCs: Wayne and Janet Kreitzer, Jessica Kapler
Lectors: Nita Hackman, Rylee Kapler
Servers: Hadley and Harper Riehle
Music: Dee Hosek, Polly Jones
Greeters: Jerry Wilson, Jolene Trachta
Hosts: Mark Kapler Family
Ushers: Jerry Wilson, Don and Kris Dietzenbach
Brian McConnell
Sacristan: Jessica Kapler

Lord, grant that I may always bear in mind the very great dignity of the life you have called me to and all its responsibilities. Never let me dishonor it by being cold, or unkind, or impatient.

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

In Memory

Dec'd members of Gehling Family

Sanctuary Candle

Paul Sir

Altar Bread

Wilma Daley

Altar Wine

Marie Sebastian

Missalette (January)

Stewardship of Prayer

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

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| 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 | |

Our sympathy...

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Margaret (Peg) Seifried and Lois Svestka. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

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. 16, 2022

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| Total Stewardship Contributions/Offertory Income | |
| Needed each week: | \$10,817.00 |
| Last week's Envelope Contribution Income: | \$10,324.77 |
| Last week's ACH Contribution Income: | \$ 7,563.00 |
| Last week's offertory income: | \$ 456.75 |

The U.S. bishops' pastoral on stewardship reinforces today's reading from 1 Corinthians: "Because its individual members do collectively make up the Body of Christ, that body's health and well-being are the responsibility of the members—the personal responsibility of each one of us. We all are stewards of the Church."

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.

Pastoral Council will meet on Thurs., Jan. 27, 7:00 p.m., Joseph Room.

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.

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.

Donations requested. New tables are needed in the church hall. If you would like to donate towards the purchase of tables, you can mark it "TABLES" and put it in the offering collection or drop off at the parish office. Thanks!

ArchdioceseOne On September 29, 2019, in response to real needs, and after broad consultation, Archbishop Jackels announced the start of a special appeal, called **ArchdioceseOne**, to help the poor and to support the mission of the Church. In March of 2020, the Covid-19 pandemic forced us to pause active fundraising for ArchdioceseOne. In mid-February, we'll be restarting our fundraising efforts for this special appeal. You likely received a letter in the mail recently regarding this subject, but if not, **Archbishop has made a video for you about this important effort he'd like you to see. It will only take about 5 minutes of your time to watch.** Simply scan this QR code with your smartphone camera. Then click the link that pops up on your phone's screen. This will take you to his video.

**If you don't have a QR enabled smartphone, type the following link into your internet browser: [Archbishop Jackels Video](#). Thank you!



If you have a child under age 17 who is not yet baptized, or a baptized child who has missed their First Communion and you would like to have them receive these sacraments, please call the parish office at 563 547-3565. Let us help you and your child prepare for these wonderful Sacraments of Initiation in our Catholic faith.

Don Davis Good Samaritan Fund Donations are always accepted for this fund through Notre Dame Parish and will be deposited in the local Salvation Army account administered by CUSB. It will provide a centralized community resource for all Cresco churches to refer requests for emergency financial assistance. For more info, contact the parish office.

Dishes are accumulating again in the breezeway of the church hall. If you have donated food for an event at church and have not picked up your dishes, please do so as soon as possible.

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 those who donate to the local Food Pantry.



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 the front entrance of the church or at the parish office.

We welcome Jack Richard Steiner, son of Caleb and Kylee Steiner, who was baptized at Notre Dame on Jan. 16.



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.

Mobile Food Pantry Tues., Feb. 1, 5:00—6:30 p.m., Featherlite Bldg. Drive through method. We need boxes again—bring empty boxes and exchange for boxes of food! Please note you can only attend 1 MFP per month. If you are in need of food assistance, please consider taking advantage of this great opportunity. For more information call NEIFB 319 235-0507 or Cindy 719 237-6102 or 563 547-2108.

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.

Musicians Needed: If you would be willing to share your musical talent with your parish, Notre Dame Parish would appreciate volunteers for song leading and accompaniment. Please call the parish office.

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.

You cannot always depend on prayers to be answered the way you want them answered but you can always depend on God.

God, the loving Father often denies us those things which in the end would prove harmful to us. Every boy wants a revolver at age four, and no father yet has ever granted that request. Why should we think God is less wise?

Someday we will thank God not only for what He gave us, but also for that which He refused.



Notre Dame Catholic School

January 31-February 6, 2021
#CSW21



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| <p>Friday January 28</p> |  <p>Lasagna Supper Carry Out - 4:30-6:30 pm Online Auction Pick Up Head to www.ndcs.weebly.com and register for our auction!</p> |
| <p>Monday January 31</p> <p>Sport day/hat day</p> | <p>Community Service Project: Collect personal care items for NEICAC</p>  <p>Eulenspiegel Puppet Theatre</p> |
| <p>Tuesday February 1</p> <p>Dress Head to Toe in one color</p> | <p>Eulenspiegel Puppet Theatre</p>  |
| <p>Wednesday February 2</p> <p>Dress for your favorite holiday</p> |  <p>Eulenspiegel Puppet Theatre</p> |
| <p>Thursday February 3</p> <p>Dress Your Best Day or ND Shirts</p> |  <p>CSW Mass at Notre Dame - 9:00 am</p> <p>Game Day with Prayer Partner</p>  |
| <p>Friday February 4 Pajama Day</p> |  <p>Notre Dame Cinema Day with Treats</p> |



Holy Women of the Visitation



January 29, 2022 | 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



Emily Jaminet

Emily has co-authored the award-winning book, "Divine Mercy for Moms" and "The Friendship Project" "PrayFully", and "Our Friend Faustina". Her most recent book is "The Secrets of the Sacred Heart". She writes on a regular basis for catholicmom.com and has a daily segment called "A Mother's Moment" on St. Gabriel Catholic Radio and Mater Dei Radio in Oregon. More information can be found at www.emilyjainet.com.



Liz Kelly

Liz is a retreat leader and the award-winning author of nine books, including "Reasons I Love Being Catholic", which won the Catholic Press Association First Place award for Best Popular Presentation of the Faith in 2007. Kelly's written work often appears in the Magnificat's Lenten and Advent companions and in other Catholic venues such as the Catholic Spirit, Blessed is She, and jesuprayer.org. She focuses on the Ignatian exercises and leads retreats with a particular focus on helping women to flourish in their faith. For more information go to LizK.org or follow her on Instagram at [LizKToday](https://www.instagram.com/LizKToday).



Notre Dame Parish

Notre Dame will be hosting the Beauty in Christ event virtually in the Parish Hall.

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