Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday- Vigil: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 PM (IC) Kenny Youngblut
5:30 PM (SJ) For the People

Sunday- Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM (IC) Irma Delagardelle (Anniv)
10:00 AM (IC) John Vieth

Monday - USA Day of Prayer for the Protection of Unborn Children

NO MASS

Tuesday - Weekday
8:00 AM (SJ) Living and deceased members of the Ted & Lena Becker family

Wednesday - Saint Frances de Sales, Bishop
7:45 AM (IC) Bob Mangrich and Kelly Lamphier (Anniv)

Thursday- The Conversion of St. Paul Grades K & 1
8:00 AM (SJ) Dean Frost (Anniv)

Friday- Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops Grades 2-12
7:45 AM (IC) Don & Agnes Mangrich

Saturday- Vigil: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 PM (IC) Ella Even
5:30 PM (SJ) For the People

Sunday- Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM (IC) Special Intention
10:00 AM (IC) Living and deceased members of the Catholic Order of Foresters

Meetings and Activities

Sunday, January 21
RCIA Class, 8:45 - 10:00 AM..................I.C. School
Confirmation Class, 7:00 PM..................St. Mary Center

Sunday, January 28
RCIA Class, 8:45 - 10:00 AM..................I.C. School

Cautions about Iowa’s Living Will

The standard language for Iowa’s living will (Declaration Relating to the Use of Life-Sustaining Procedures) as given in the Code of Iowa and the Iowa State Bar Association form is not consistent with Catholic moral teaching on the issue of providing medically assisted nutrition and hydration to permanently unconscious patients. This is explained at length in the Medical-Moral Commission’s backgrounder “Should a Catholic Use Iowa’s Living Will?” available at http://www.dbqarch.org/advance-directives. Please share this information not only with parishioners in general but especially with lawyers in your parish/cluster as lawyers often provide advance directive forms to clients. Among the advance directive forms provided by the Iowa State Bar Association, only the Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care form by itself should be used by Catholics.

Daily Readings

Mon Jan 22 1st Reading - 2 Samuel 5:1-7
Psalm- 89:20, 21-22, 25-26
Gospel- Mark 3:22-30

Tues Jan 23 Reading- 2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19
Psalm- 24:7, 8, 9, 10
Gospel- Mark 3:31-35

Wed Jan 24 Reading- 2 Samuel 7:4-17
Psalm - 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30
Gospel- Mark 4:1-20

Thur Jan 25 Reading- Acts of the Apostles 22:3-16
Psalm- 117:1bc, 2
Gospel- Mark 16:15-18

Fri Jan 26 Reading- 2 Timothy 1:1-8 or Titus 1:1-5
Psalm- 96:3-4

Sat Jan 27 Reading- 2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17
Psalm- 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17
Gospel- Mark 4:35-41

Sun Jan 28 1st Reading- Deuteronomy 18:15-20
Psalm- 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9
2nd Reading- 1 Corinthians 7:32-35
Gospel- Mark 1:21-28

Your Sacrificial Offering

Previous Week

Immaculate Conception Parish

Budget $4,867.00
Youth $2.00
Offertory $465.00
E-tithing $1,397.50
TOTAL $6,731.50

Needed Each Week $13,512.00

St. Joseph Parish

Budget $1,755.00
Offertory $92.00
E-tithing $540.00
TOTAL $2,387.00

Needed Each Week $3,987.00

Pro Life Quote: "Every human being has a right to life, the fundamental right that makes all other rights possible…”
~Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, USCCB

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Come celebrate the 10 year anniversary of the Perpetual Adoration Chapel. All adorer gathering on Tuesday, January 23 begins with 5:30 PM Mass at Columbus High School. Please RSVP on sign-up sheet in chapel, or call William Brandle @ 319-939-9000. Specific hourly needs at this time are Wednesdays at 1 am and Mondays at noon (temporary). Contact cvadoration@gmail.com or call Mike Strei at 801-920-9130
Don Bosco Breakfast - St. Joseph Parish in Raymond will host their Don Bosco Benefit Breakfast TODAY, Sunday January 21st. Serving from 8:30 AM until 12:00 noon at Reuter Hall. Come and enjoy a delicious breakfast with all proceeds going to Don Bosco High School.

Omelet Breakfast: St. Joseph Parish will be hosting a Made to Order Omelet Breakfast on Sunday, February 11. If you would like to help cook omelets or work at the breakfast please contact Rick Kresser 319-234-9066. Donations to off set the expense of the breakfast can be placed in an envelope marked St. Joseph Omelet Breakfast and placed in the collection basket at any weekend Mass. All help and donations are greatly appreciated.

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THANK YOU NOTES

Thank you to St. Ann’s Circle for assisting in the funeral dinner for the Bobbie Reiter Family. St. Elizabeth’s Circle will be in charge of the next funeral dinner.

The family of Patrick Fischels would like to thank all for the support, sympathy, prayers, visits and all acts of kindness during Pat’s illness and in his passing. Thank you to Fr. Huber and Fr. Reuter for the beautiful Mass and support during the final days and in his passing. Also thanks to Sue Reiter and the Resurrection Choir and all who participated in the church services. Thanks to the Catholic Order of Foresters, Sharon and Ken Even for leading the rosary. Thanks to the American Legion, Nancy Schares and all helpers and St. Theresa’s Circle for donating extra food for the lunch. Thank you to Hagarty-Waychoff-Grarup funeral home and staff for their direction and kindness at this time.

Kathy A. Fischels and family

School News

Bosco Catholic School System

www.boscocatholic.org

PARENTS- As we prepare for the 2018-2019 school year, we are gathering numbers for our incoming kindergarten and preschool classes. If you have a child who will be entering kindergarten or preschool next year, or if you know of someone who has a child, please call the school office at 319-296-1089.

Mission Trip- Don Bosco High School is taking 14 students and 3 adults on their annual Appalachian Mission trip this March. The Fr. Beiting Appalachian Mission Center serves people in need throughout Eastern Kentucky, one of the poorest areas in our country. They provide outreach, home repairs, well-visits, thrift shop vouchers, emergency and transitional housing, run summer camps for kids and operate a summer feeding program, just to name a few of their services. The mission center operates on a handful of employees and hundreds of volunteers, but they are in a financial crisis right now. To help keep their programs running, they have increased the fee (covers housing and program) which we have passed on to our volunteers. They are also assessing $350 PER work crew to help cover the average cost of materials for a job site. Because of our large group, we will have 3 work crews this year! If you would be willing to help sponsor a work site for our group, in full or in part, we would be most grateful. We’re trying to help keep the cost down for our volunteers. For more information, contact Kim Huff at ConnectTheMap@gmail.com. To make a donation, make checks payable to FBAMC and send to Don Bosco High School, c/o Kim Huff.

Area Events

Gilbertville Community Blood Drive will be Tuesday, January 30 from 1:30 PM until 6:30 PM at the Gilbertville American Legion Hall. Blood Banks are experiencing a shortage due to the holidays and weather. Please come and donate, we will be very grateful to see you there. Contact Julie Frost at 319-215-6948 to set up an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome also!

CEW Retreat- This year’s CEW has a new look. We are moving off the gym floor and into the American Martyrs Retreat House. A beautiful facility with private rooms and comfortable beds. We are also changing to a co-ed format. This year’s CEW will be February 2-4, 2018. The retreat begins Friday with registration at 7:15 and concludes Saturday at 4:00 PM.

Save the Date!

World Marriage Day - Love One Another - February 11

Join Worldwide Marriage Encounter in celebrating World Marriage Day at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Waterloo, 2:00 PM Mass with reception to follow.

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend has something in it for every married couple. The Weekend has value for couples married one year on up to 50 years or more. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on Feb. 9-11 in Ankeny, Mar. 9-11 in La Crosse, Apr. 20-22 in Dubuque. Early registration is highly recommended. For information and to register go to iowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305 or email: JLJwwme08@Gmail.com

Archdiocese of Dubuque Women’s Conference Saturday, January 27, 2018, Doors open at 7:30 AM. Location: Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Cedar Rapids Convention Center. Featured speakers are: Coach and Radio Host Judy Hehr and Author and Musician Emily Wilson. Archbishop Jackels will celebrate Mass at 11:30 AM. Opening prayers begin at 8:00 AM, closing at 3:30 PM. Please invite your mother, sisters, daughters, friends, and neighbors to this exciting event! The registration fee is $55. For more information or to Register online go to:

https://www.archwomensconference.org/

We also have registration forms at the parish office. Or contact: Sheila Rassman 569-8387 or Kathy Ball 569-8452.

Franciscan Common Venture – a volunteer program sponsored by the Sisters of St. Francis of Dubuque, Iowa, provides the opportunity for persons age 20+ to contribute their time, commitment and talent in service among people who are poor. There are multiple service opportunities from quilting to a food bank’s community garden. Long-term service is also available. If interested, contact Sr. Michelle Balek, OSF; 3390 Windsor Ave; Dubuque IA 52001; Phone: 563-583-9786; e-mail: balekm@osfdbq.org; OR visit our website: www.osfdbq.org/commonventure.