

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday- Vigil: The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM (IC) For the People

5:30 PM (SJ) Verne Seidel

Sunday- The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM (IC) Cletus & Maxine Even (Anniv) and family

10:00 AM (IC) Joe Larson

Monday - Weekday

8:30 AM (IC) Fr. Reuter's Intention

Tuesday - Weekday

8:00 AM (SJ) NO MASS

Wednesday - Ash Wednesday



7:45 AM (IC) For the People *All School Mass*

5:30 PM (IC) Deceased members of the Paul Schares family

7:00 PM (SJ) Willie & Marcella Breuer

Thursday - Thursday After Ash Wednesday

8:00 AM (SJ) George Schmitz

Friday- Friday After Ash Wednesday



7:45 AM (IC) Mike Driscoll

Saturday- Vigil: The First Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM (IC) For the People

5:30 PM (SJ) Nate Springer

Sunday- The First Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM (IC) The deceased members of the
Norbert & Jean Even family

10:00 AM (IC) Dan Huck

(IC) Immaculate Conception (SJ) St. Joseph (FRH) Fr. Reuter's House

Meetings and Classes

Sunday, March 3

RCIA, 8:45.....IC School

Confirmation Class, 4:00 - 6:00 PM.....St. Mary Center

Saturday, March 9

Rite of Elect, 10:00 AM.....St. Edward Church, Waterloo

Sunday, March 10

RCIA, 8:45.....IC School

Children's Religious Program, 10:00 AM.....IC School Rm 102

Fr. Reuter's 90th Birthday Party!

We will have an Open House honoring

Fr. Reuter on **Sunday, March 17** from

9:00 AM until noon at

St. Mary Center, Gilbertville

Come out and wish him a very

Happy 90th Birthday!

Catholic Charities Jail and Prison Ministries Program -

Did you know that clients in Catholic Charities' Jail & Prison Ministry program are 49% less likely to reoffend when compared to the state's average rate? This work saves taxpayer money, decreases the strain on our law enforcement and most importantly improves the quality of life for those in the program and their families. Support this important work, and more with your gift to the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. Learn more at <http://www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org>.

Daily Readings

Mon Mar 4 Reading - Sirach 17:20-24

Psalm - 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7

Gospel- Mark 10:17-27

Tues Mar 5 Reading- Sirach 35:1-12

Psalm- 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 & 23

Gospel- Mark 10:28-31

Wed Mar 6 1st Reading- Joel 2:12-18

Psalm - 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 & 17

2nd Reading- 2 Corinthians 5:20 - 6:2

Gospel- Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thur Mar 7 Reading- Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Psalm- 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6

Gospel- Luke 9:22-25

Fri Mar 8 Reading- Isaiah 58:1-9a

Psalm- 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19

Gospel - Matthew 9:14-15

Sat Mar 9 Reading- Isaiah 58:9b-14

Psalm- 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

Gospel- Luke 5:27-32

Sun Mar 10 1st Reading- Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Psalm - 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15

2nd Reading- Romans 10:8-13

Gospel- Luke 4:1-13

Your Sacrificial Offering

Previous Week

Immaculate Conception Parish

Budget	\$4,105.00
Youth	\$2.00
Offertory	\$328.00
E-tithing	\$6,066.17
TOTAL	\$10,501.17
Needed Each Week	\$13,512.00

St. Joseph Parish

Budget	\$1,745.00
Offertory	\$60.00
E-tithing	\$1,700.00
TOTAL	\$3,505.00
Needed Each Week	\$4,337.59

Pro-choice argument #3:

Religion should not influence our laws.

Pro-life answer:

1. That statement begs a more fundamental question - what is the unborn? If the unborn is in fact a human being, then we can't permit abortion simply on the basis that Christianity opposes it.
2. Laws against murder and stealing are based on the 10 Commandments. Which one of these would you like to toss? The truth is that killing children in utero violates the natural law, not just Christian teaching.
3. If something is true, it remains true, regardless of who agrees with it. Should we stop teaching times tables in school because the Church agrees with arithmetic? The nature of the unborn is key in this debate, not who are the groups debating it.



Lenten Regulations

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
3. On these 2 days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these 2 days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not apply.
4. Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from the fast and abstinence prescribed by the Church.
5. Lent is the principal season of Christian year. Priests, religious, and laity are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulation) serious prayer and a performance of works of charity and mercy.



Due to the Catholic Order of Foresters hosting their annual Matching Fund Breakfast in St. Mary Center, Our Children's Religion Program for March 10th. will be held in I.C. School in Room 102 instead of St. Mary Center. Please enter through the front doors of the school. Thank you.

School News

Bosco Catholic School System
www.boscocatholic.org

Bosco Catholic School System Kindergarten Parent meeting - The 2019-2020 Kindergarten Parent meeting will be in St. Joseph Church, 313 East Central Street, Raymond on **Tuesday, March 5** from 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM. At this meeting, you will hear about our school system and our kindergarten program, meet the teachers and ask questions. Registration materials will be distributed and the registration process will be explained. Please call 233-5980 to let us know you will attend the meeting so materials will be ready for you.

Milk Moola Coming to an End

For the last 15 years, Kwik Trip Inc. has offered the Milk Moola fundraising program to thousands of organizations as a way to give back to the communities. Kwik Trip has decided to end the Milk Moola program and reallocate efforts and donations in a different direction. If you have Milk Moola caps please turn them into school before **March 27, 2019.**

AREA EVENTS

Breakfast TODAY Sunday, March 3 from 8:00 AM -10:00 AM at Sacred Heart Church, La Porte City. Free will offering. Money donated will go towards our Lenten project: Sing Me to Heaven Foundation, and for our students to attend NCYC 2019!

Gilbertville Daze- Planning is underway for the Gilbertville Daze celebration July 12 and July 13. Come join and share in the planning. The next meeting will be **Monday, March 4** at 6:00 PM in City Hall. We are looking for new ideas and NEED new help. We need someone to take over the kids games, we have great notes and very good help, we just need a couple people to be the leads for it. Remember a lot of help makes for light work and a lot of fun for all. Any questions call City Hall at 296-1822.



Friday Fish Fry's at the American Legion, Gilbertville
March 8, 22, 29, and April 12
Serving from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM. Adults \$10, ages 6 - 9 \$5, 6 and under FREE
Everyone is welcome!

The Catholic Order of Foresters youth members can see a Hockey game between the Waterloo Blackhawks & Sioux Falls Stampedes on **Saturday, March 9** at the Young Arena in Waterloo for just \$3.00. The game starts at 7:05 PM with doors opening at 6:00 PM. Friends and any adult tickets are \$8.00. Please call Donna Delagardelle at 827-1609 or 239-9945 for ordering your tickets by Tuesday March 5.

COF Matching Fund Breakfast- St. Mary's Court #1099 of the Catholic Order of Foresters is sponsoring a Matching Fund Breakfast on **Sunday, March 10.** Sausage, eggs, hash browns, cinnamon rolls, coffee, orange juice and milk will be served. The breakfast is open to the public and will be serving from 8:00 AM to noon at St. Mary Center. Free will donations and raffles are also being conducted. The money raised this year will go for curricula enhancements and technology at Immaculate Conception School in Gilbertville.

Need a new focus for the new year?

A Christian Experience Weekend (CEW) consisting of presentations, reflections, liturgies, and other activities is scheduled at The American Martyrs Retreat House in Cedar Falls. The coed weekend will be held **March 15-17.** Brochures are available on request.

If you have any questions, please contact :
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23rd Annual Catholic Men's Conference

Men of high school age and older are invited to attend the Catholic Men's Fellowship annual Catholic Men's Conference on **Saturday, March 16** at Xavier Catholic High School, Cedar Rapids. The keynote speaker will be Anthony Digmann (www.anthonydigmann.com). The day also includes breakout sessions, lunch, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and more. For more details and registration, visit www.catholicmenonline.com