

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday- Vigil: Third Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM (IC) Mike Driscoll

5:30 PM (SJ) For the People

Sunday- Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM (IC) James P. Blunt

10:00 AM (IC) Jerome "Buss" Becker (Anniv)

Monday- St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin

NO MASS

Tuesday- Lenten Weekday

5:30 PM (SJ) Stations of the Cross

6:00 PM (SJ) Louis & Gertrude Kwash

Wednesday - Lenten Weekday

5:00 PM (IC) Stations of the Cross

5:30 PM (IC) Mike Driscoll

Thursday- Lenten Weekday *Grades K & 1*

8:00 AM (SJ) Dick Thome

Friday- Lenten Weekday  *Grades 2-12*

7:45 AM (IC) John & Angela Falk and family

Saturday- Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM (IC) Dillon Schmit

5:30 PM (SJ) Camilla & Arnie Weber

Sunday- Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM (IC) Roman Schaefer (Anniv)

10:00 AM (IC) For the People

Meetings and Activities

Sunday, March 19

RCIA Class, 8:45 - 10:00.....I.C. School

Baptism Class, 9:00 AM.....Heritage Room

Wednesday, March 22

Soup Supper, 6:00 PM.....St. Mary Center

Sunday, March 26

RCIA Class, 8:45 - 10:00.....I.C. School

13 Hours begins following 10:00 AM Mass.....I.C. Church

Speaker: Fr. Bob Gross 7:00 PM.....I.C. Church

Monday, March 27

13 Hours begins following 8:00 AM Mass.....I.C. Church

Speaker: Fr. Bob Gross 7:00 PM.....I.C. Church



Do you have a couple hours every week that you watch TV? Consider 'fasting' from a TV show for a Lenten sacrifice and instead spend that time in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel located at Columbus HS. Drop-in anytime or consider becoming a committed adorer whenever it fits your schedule. Specific needs at this time are for Sundays at 3am and 1pm.

If interested email cvadoration@adorationmanager.com or call William Brandle at 319-939-9000.

American Martyrs Retreat House Gift Shop is now open. We have gifts for Baptism, 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation. We are open Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. We are located at 2209 N. Union Road Cedar Falls, Iowa. You can call 1st to see if we have what you are looking for, 319-266-3543. Stop by and check us out.

Daily Readings

Mon Mar 20 Reading - 2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16

Psalm- 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 & 29

2nd Reading - Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22

Gospel- Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Tues Mar 21 Reading- Daniel 3:25, 34-43

Psalm- 25:4-5ab, 6 & 7bc, 8-9

Gospel- Matthew 18:21-35

Wed Mar 22 Reading- Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9

Psalm- 95:1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9

Gospel- Matthew 5:17-19

Thur Mar 23 Reading- Jeremiah 7:23-28

Psalm- 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

Gospel- Luke 11:14-23

Fri Mar 24 Reading- Hosea 14:2-10

Psalm - 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 & 17

Gospel - Mark 12:28-34

Sat Mar 25 Reading- Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10

Psalm- 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11

2nd Reading - Hebrews 10:4-10

Gospel - Luke 1:26-38

Sun Mar 26 1st Reading- 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Psalm- 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

2nd Reading- Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel- John 9:1-41

Your Sacrificial Offering

Previous Week

Immaculate Conception Parish

Budget	\$7,313.12
Youth	\$2.00
Offertory	\$529.00
Easter	\$1,050.00
E-tithing	\$1,162.00
TOTAL	\$10,056.12
Needed Each Week	\$13,512.00

St. Joseph Parish

Budget	\$1,885.00
Youth	\$0.00
Offertory	78.51
E-tithing	\$190.00
TOTAL	\$2,153.51
Needed Each Week	\$3,987.00

Quote of the Week- "The only way to shield our hearts and minds from the lies of a hostile culture is to fill them with reinforcements before we head out to battle each day." One such reinforcement is spiritual reading, which helps us to build a relationship with Christ and be inspired by his followers, the saints. *Author Vicki Burbach*

Upcoming Confirmation Meeting:

Wednesday **March 29th**

7:00 PM in St. Mary Center

Area Events

Thirteen Hours March 26 and 27

Our parishes Thirteen Hours will begin following Exposition after the 10:00 Mass next Sunday, March 26 and continue through Monday, March 27. I.C. Church will be open each day following the morning Mass for those who wish to spend time in prayer. Fr. Bob Gross is our guest speaker this year. Fr. Gross will speak each evening at 7:00 PM and his talks will center around "Prayer and How do you Pray". Each night will conclude with Benediction.

As many of you know we have replaced our Stations of the Cross booklets at both parishes. We have placed the old outdated booklets on the credenza in the Heritage Room. Feel free to take one to keep at home if you would like to say the Stations of the Cross on a daily basis.

Wednesday Night Soup Supper - Join us at St. Mary Center for a warm bowl of homemade soup. You may choose either Potato and Ham or Bean and Ham this week along with fresh bread and a tasty treat all following Mass on Wednesday evening. Free will offerings are given to the Rice Bowl Project at the end of Lent.

SAVE THE DATE FOR FUN AND GAMES -

The 2017 IC – St. Joseph's Confirmation Class is hosting a LOCK IN – a night of fun and games for students in grades 2-8 on Friday, **April 7, 2017**. This fundraiser is to support the Waterloo Catholic Worker House and will assist them in covering the costs for three properties to shelter the homeless and provide for their needs. Pre-registration is recommended, but not required. Pre-registration is \$13 per student and is due by April 4, 2017. Registration forms are available in the IC School Office or on the school's website. Admission at the door will be \$15 per student. Your admission includes pizza and snacks all night long and a dance from 9-10pm.

If you are interested in supporting this project, you can do so by donating your time, talent or treasure. If you'd like to volunteer to work at the event or provide drinks or snacks please contact Kim Rottinghaus at (319) 239-1672 or kimrottinghaus@gmail.com. If you would like to make a monetary donation to offset the costs for this event or to donate to the project, please send your check payable to IC Church and mail it to the church office – Attn: Lock In. All proceeds and donations from this event will go to the Waterloo Catholic Worker House.

Thank you for your support of this project. We sincerely appreciate your help and look forward to working with the Catholic Worker House to support the needs of those they serve. The 2017 IC/St. Joseph Confirmation Class

School News

The School web site is

<http://www.boscosystem.net>

The Don Bosco Drama Department will present *Annie Jr.* on **Friday, March 31 and Saturday, April 1** at 7:00 PM and **Sunday, April 2** at 2:00 PM in the Don Bosco gymnasium. Annie is the story of young orphan girl trying to find a family in 1930's New York. Full of familiar songs like "Hard Knock Life," "Easy Street," and "Tomorrow", Annie is sure to delight everyone who attends. Admission is \$8.

Mark your calendar for the IC *Dessert Auction* on **Saturday April 22nd**. This event will once again coincide with a Legion Steak Fry. Plan to attend and bid on some great treats and sweets!! Proceeds will go to Don Bosco High School.

FISH FRY- American Legion Hall in Gilbertville on **Fridays: March 24 and April 7**. Serving from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. Adults- \$8, 6 to 9 year olds- \$4 and under 6 are free.

St. Mary's Court 1099 Catholic Order of Foresters are sponsoring a **Matching Fund Breakfast** on **Sunday, March 26**, Serving from 8am – Noon at St. Mary Center. Menu includes sausage, eggs, hash browns, cinnamon rolls and beverage. Free will donations are accepted. Proceeds will go to St. Athanasius School, Jesup, for laptops for the classrooms. Please join us!

Agnus Dei Ministry will present an all new program this Lenten season called **Journey of Mercy**. This new presentation focuses on different aspects of God's mercy and will feature beautiful music, narration and reflection on the great gift of God's Mercy. Local performances are **March 26, 7 p.m. at St. Patrick Church in Cedar Falls, April 2, 7 p.m. here at I.C., and on Palm Sunday, April 9, 7 p.m. at St. Edward Church in Waterloo**. Agnus Dei members from our parish include Nichole Knepper, Sue Reiter, Jody Schares and Laurie Thome. More info can be found at www.waterloocatholics.org/agnus-dei-ministry.

Men's Retreat- American Martyrs Retreat House, 2209 North Union Rd, Cedar Falls on **April 7-9**. Title of the retreat is "Gentlemen Start Your Engines" with Fr. Jim Starbuck. To register or for more information contact AMRH at one of the following: Email dbqamrhsec@DBQarch.org or phone 319-266-3543.

GRW T-Ball & Boy's Pitching Machine League

It's time to think spring! The 2017 GRW T-Ball and Boy's Pitching Machine League sign up is underway. To be eligible for GRW T-Ball, your son or daughter must be 4 years of age by April 21st and no older than first grade in the fall. To be eligible for the Boy's Pitching Machine League, your son must be going in to 1st grade in the fall and not older than 4th grade in the fall. (Current Kindergarten boys can choose to either play t-ball or the pitching machine league. Parents will need to make that determination based on what they feel is appropriate for their child.) Entry fee is \$25.00 per child. Checks should be made out to GRW T-Ball/Pitching Machine. Games will begin on **April 21st** and every Friday night for approximately 6 weeks at the Gilbertville softball complex. Please return all forms and money to I.C. or St. Joe's by **March 24th, 2017** to the attention of Erin Hogan or mail to 6831 E. Washburn Rd. Waterloo, IA 50701. If you have any questions regarding the T-Ball League, please contact Trish Weisert at 231-9295 or Bruce Schmitz at 215-8125. If you have questions regarding the Boy's Pitching Machine League, contact Erin Hogan at 830-1672. Be sure to check out our Facebook page *GRW T-Ball and Pitching Machine League* for forms and upcoming information. Forms will be available in the back of church.