

Mass Schedule and Intentions

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

Exposition and Adoration following
Mass and continuing all day

7:00 PM (IC) Speaker: Fr. Robert Gross

Benediction following talk

Monday- Lenten Weekday

7:45 AM (IC) Elma Mangrich Grades 2-12

Exposition and Adoration following
Mass and continuing all day

7:00 PM (IC) Speaker: Fr. Robert Gross

Benediction following talk

Tuesday- Lenten Weekday

5:30 PM (SJ) Stations of the Cross

6:00 PM (SJ) Merle & Marie Sachs

5:30 PM (IC) Confessions

6:30 PM (IC) Praise and Worship

7:00 PM (IC) Healing Mass

Wednesday - Lenten Weekday

5:00 PM (IC) Stations of the Cross

5:30 PM (IC) Deceased members of the
Joe & Florence Fischels family

Thursday- Lenten Weekday Grades K & 1

8:00 AM (SJ) Doug Reiter

Friday- Lenten Weekday

7:45 AM (IC) Joe & Marie Thiry

Saturday- Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM (IC) Cletus Even (Anniv)

5:30 PM (SJ) For the People

Sunday- Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM (IC) Norma Schares (Anniv)

10:00 AM (IC) In Thanksgiving for 40th Wedding Anniversary
Gene & Paula Even

Meetings and Activities

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

Wednesday, March 29

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

Confirmation Class, 7:00 PMSt. Mary Center

Sunday, April 2

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

Agnus Dei, 7:00 PM.....I.C. Church

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Fr. Reuter would like to thank everyone who sent him a Birthday card! God Bless you all!

Daily Readings

Mon Mar 27 Reading - Isaiah 65:17-21
Psalm- 30:2 & 4, 5-6, 11-12a & 13b
Gospel- John 4:43-54

Tues Mar 28 Reading- Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12
Psalm- 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9
Gospel- John 5:1-16

Wed Mar 29 Reading- Isaiah 49:8-15
Psalm- 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18
Gospel- John 5:17-30

Thur Mar 30 Reading- Exodus 32:7-14
Psalm- 106:19-20, 21-22, 23
Gospel- John 5:31-47

Fri Mar 31 Reading- Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22
Psalm - 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 & 23
Gospel - John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Sat Apr 1 Reading- Jeremiah 11:18-20
Psalm- 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12
Gospel - John 7:40-53

Sun Apr 2 1st Reading- Ezekiel 37:12-14
Psalm- 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
2nd Reading- Romans 8:8-11
Gospel- John 11:1-45

Your Sacrificial Offering Previous Week Immaculate Conception Parish

Budget	\$6,385.00
Youth	\$2.00
Offertory	\$559.00
Easter	\$.00
E-tithing	\$1,412.00
TOTAL	\$8,358.00
Needed Each Week	\$13,512.00

St. Joseph Parish

Budget	\$2,280.00
Youth	\$0.00
Offertory	\$101.00
E-tithing	\$455.00
TOTAL	\$2,836.00
Needed Each Week	\$3,987.00

Quote of the Week- "Reason itself is a matter of faith. It is an act of faith to assert that our thoughts have any relation to reality at all." - G.K. Chesterton

Thirteen Hours March 26 and 27

Fr. Robert Gross will preach at our **Lenten 13 Hours** today, **Sunday, March 26** and tomorrow **Monday, March 27**. Exposition will begin following the morning Mass on Sunday and Monday. Fr. Gross will speak on "How to Pray" at 7:00 PM both evenings and conclude each evening with Benediction.

Thank You Notes

Thank you to everyone who sent me a Birthday card! God Bless you all! Fr. Reuter

We would like to thank everyone who has recently helped Anna Distler in anyway. Anna currently is at Ravenwood Specialty Care, 2651 St. Francis Dr. in Waterloo and would enjoy your visits.

Thank you again, Raymond & Mary Distler

St. Joseph Parish would like to express our sympathy to the family of Nate Springer. We thank them for remembering St. Joseph with their generous donation to our parish. May God bless you.

Immaculate Conception Parish would like to express our sympathy to the family of Dean Frost. We thank them for remembering Immaculate Conception with their generous donation to our parish. May God bless you.

Thank you to all of the friends and family of Dean Frost. All of your prayers, flowers, food, cards, memorials and acts of kindness were of great comfort and greatly appreciated. Loving Dean, The Frost family

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS -- Tuesday, March 28. Immaculate Conception Church, Gilbertville. Fr. Jim Starbuck will be the celebrant for this healing Mass hosted by the Inter-City Charismatic Prayer Group. Confessions at 5:30-6:30pm. Hymns of praise and worship begin at 6:30pm; Mass will begin at 7:00pm. An opportunity to pray for personal healing and fellowship will follow the Mass. The Inter-City Charismatic Prayer Group meets regularly on Tuesday evenings at Sacred Heart Church in Waterloo. For information call Sharon at 319-232-7338.

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. This week along with fresh bread and a tasty treat we will be serving Chicken & rice soup. 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'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.

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Castille #49 is offering two \$750 College scholarships to area high school senior Catholic girls. Applications are due April 5, 2017 and are available from your school Guidance Office.

Area Events

FISH FRY- American Legion Hall in Gilbertville on **Friday, 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** TODAY **Sunday, March 26**, Serving from 8am – Noon at St. Mary Center. Free will donations are accepted.

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 PM at St. Patrick Church in Cedar Falls, April 2, 7 PM here at I.C., and on Palm Sunday, April 9, 7 PM 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.

23rd Annual 4-H Omelet Breakfast on **Sunday, April 2**. Serving made to order omelets along with pork sausage, hash browns, cinnamon rolls, toast and beverage from 8:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Proceeds benefit Black Hawk County 4-H Programs & FFA Fair.



Immaculate Conception's Don Bosco Benefit Dessert Auction Saturday April 22nd.

Along with a Legion Steak Fry, we have a lot of fun bidding on and enjoying some pretty fancy desserts and support our high school in the process! Please plan to attend this year.

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.

DISCIPLESHIP THROUGH SOCIAL JUSTICE -- **April 28-30**. Prairiewoods Franciscan Spirituality Center, Hiawatha. This Discipleship Experience Weekend (DEW) will focus on seven themes or principles of Christian/Catholic Social Teaching. A team of presenters will explain the major components of each theme and facilitate discussion of the implications of that principle for daily life today. The Friday night discussion will begin at 8:00pm and is optional. The program on Saturday and Sunday begins at 8:30am and will conclude with Mass at 2:00pm Sunday afternoon. The basic fee for the DEW is \$75, including meals. For further information contact Fr. George Karnik at 319-226-5412 (email dbqkarnik@dbqarch.org). Online registration is available at: <http://bit.do/D-E-W>. Participants may make their own arrangements for accommodations. Overnight accommodations at Prairiewoods make directly with the Spirituality Center at 319-395-6700.