

Mass Schedule and Intentions

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

Monday- Lenten Weekday

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

Tuesday- St. Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

5:30 PM (SJ) Stations of the Cross

6:00 PM (SJ) Germain Decker

Wednesday - St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest

5:00 PM (IC) Stations of the Cross

5:30 PM (IC) Irvin Weber (Anniv)

Thursday- Lenten Weekday *Grades K & 1*

8:00 AM (SJ) Bertin (Anniv) and Bernice Schmitz

First Friday- St. John Baptist de la Salle 

7:45 AM (IC) Howdy Knight (Anniv) *Grades 2-12*

Following Mass, Exposition and Adoration

11:30 AM (IC) Benediction

Saturday-Vigil: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

4:00 PM (IC) Brenda Fettkether Burnett (Anniv)

5:30 PM (SJ) Richard Dittmer and Al Dittmer

Sunday- Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00 AM (IC) Arnold & Camilla Weber

10:00 AM (IC) For the People

Meetings and Activities

Sunday, April 2

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

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

Wednesday, April 5

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

Sunday, April 9

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

Children's Religion Program, 10:00 AM.....St. Mary Center



Our Children's Religion Program for children ages 3 to 6 will be held next Sunday, **April 9** at St. Mary Center in Gilbertville. Children may be dropped off at the Center 15 minutes before the 10:00 Mass at Immaculate Conception Church.



"Prayer is the best weapon we possess. It is the key that opens the heart of God." (St. Padre Pio)
Offer your prayer, and open the heart of God as you are in His presence, spending quiet time at the Perpetual Adoration Chapel located at

Columbus HS. Drop-in anytime or sign-up for a committed hour. Specific needs are Friday at 3:00 AM and 1:00 PM. Email cvadoration@adorationmanager.com or call William Brandle at 319-939-9000 if interested.

Daily Readings

- Mon Apr 3** Reading - Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62
Psalm- 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Gospel- John 8:1-11
- Tues Apr 4** Reading- 2 Corinthians 4:1-2, 5-7
Psalm- 37:3-4, 5-6, 30-31
Gospel- Luke 6:43-45
- Wed Apr 5** Reading- 2 Timothy 4:1-5
Psalm- 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10, 11
Gospel- Luke 12:35-40
- Thur Apr 6** Reading- Genesis 17:3-9
Psalm- 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
Gospel- John 8:51-59
- Fri Apr 7** Reading- 2 Timothy 1:13-14; 2:1-3
Psalm - 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6
Gospel - Matthew 18:1-5
- Sat Apr 8** Reading- Ezekiel 37:21-28
Resp.- Jeremiah 31:10,11-12abcd, 13
Gospel - John 11:45-56
- Sun Apr 9** 1st Reading- Isaiah 50:4-7
Psalm- 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24
2nd Reading- Philippians 2:6-11
Gospel- Matthew 26:14 - 27:66

Your Sacrificial Offering	
Previous Week	
Immaculate Conception Parish	
Budget	\$9,556.00
Youth	\$68
Offertory	\$569.00
Easter	\$0.00
E-tithing	\$6,540.67
TOTAL	\$16,666.35
Needed Each Week	\$13,512.00
St. Joseph Parish	
Budget	\$1,655.00
Youth	\$0.00
Offertory	\$110.00
E-tithing	\$190.00
TOTAL	\$1,955.00
Needed Each Week	\$3,987.00

Quote of the Week- Every Sunday at Mass, we profess our Faith. What we believe as a people is integral to who we are as individuals and is deeply ingrained in our thoughts, words and actions.

Of course, we must take steps to continue to grow in the knowledge and understanding of our Faith.

How to Read Your Way to Heaven by Vicki Burbach

Wednesday Night Soup Supper - Our last soup supper for the year will truly be an assortment of recipes so come and enjoy your favorite at St. Mary Center this Wednesday night following the 5:30 PM Mass. We hope you have enjoyed your evenings of prayer, Mass and fellowship along with caring for the less fortunate who benefit from the Rice Bowl Project.

Seniors Treat Seniors! The annual celebration of our Don Bosco Seniors planning a special day for the "seniors" in their life is scheduled for **Friday, April 28**. Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, neighbors, community members and special 'senior' friends of the Class of 2017 are all invited to join us for Mass, Lunch and Games in the DB Gym, starting at 10:00 am. Please RSVP to your DB Senior or by calling the school at 319-296-1692 by April 19th. Hope to see you there!

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 **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.

National Honor Society Red Cross Blood Drive- Will be held on **Tuesday, April 4th**, from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm in the Don Bosco High School Gym. Please call the high school office at 319-296-1692 to schedule an appointment

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

Thank you to all who send in Box Tops for Education and Hy-Vee Tapes. These items earn our school money. Please continue to save and send them to school or drop them off at church. Please remember to turn them in often. They have expiration dates on them. Campbell's has ended their Labels for Education program.

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.

Catholic Order of Foresters Youth Easter Egg Hunt will be **Sunday, April 9** at 1:00 PM at St. Mary Center. Each child will hunt for candy and eggs. The children also receive a toy.

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 **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 TODAY, 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

Gather your friends and make plans to attend our parish benefit for DBHS.

Don Bosco Benefit

We will have 12 delicious desserts up for auction. All will be remarkable and fun to share with your family and friends.

Desert Auction

Saturday, April 22nd

Please note that the proceeds from this Dessert Auction will benefit DBHS. This fun event replaces the breakfast that IC parish in the past would host for DBHS. We look forward to your support and participation at the Dessert Auction!

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 of 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.