

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Vigil: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM (IC) Betty Brustkern

5:30 PM (SJ) Phyllis Fischels and Janet Paulsen

Sunday- Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM (IC) Celeste Schares

10:00 AM (IC) For the People

Monday- Weekday

8:30 AM (FRH)

Tuesday-St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

8:00 AM (SJ) Larry Delagardelle

Wednesday- Weekday

7:45 AM (IC) Living and deceased members of the Cletus and Irene Thome family

Thursday- Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels

8:00 AM (SJ) Lavern Schneider *Grades K & 1*

Friday- St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

7:45 AM (IC) Ruth Gardner *Grades 2 - 12*

Saturday- St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

1:00 PM (IC) Wedding: Nikki Even and Jake Pfalzgraf

Vigil: Twenty seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM (IC) Howdy Knight

5:30 PM (SJ) For the People

Sunday- Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM (IC) Barbara (Anniv) & Paul Schares and Connie Driscoll

10:00 AM (IC) Norma Schares

Meetings and Activities

Sunday, September 25

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

Wednesday, September 28

2017 Confirmation mtg., 7:00 PM.....St. Mary Center

Thursday, September 29

Adult Faith Formation 6:30 PM.....Heritage Room

Sunday, October 2

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



"The best, the surest and most effective way of establishing everlasting peace on the face of the earth is through the great power of Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament."
(Saint John Paul II)

In a time when our nation is struggling with peace, Jesus waits for your visit in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel located at Columbus HS, available 24/7/365. Drop in or consider becoming a committed adorer at any time that fits your schedule.

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

CONFIRMATION - FOR 2017- If you have a student who is currently a sophomore in high school and would like to be confirmed there will be an informational meeting for next year's Confirmation class on **Wednesday night, September 28, 2016** at 7:00 PM in St. Mary Center. There is a \$30 fee for the program, please bring your payment to this meeting. The meeting is for all candidates and parents to attend. Thank you!

Daily Readings

- Mon Sept 26** Reading - Job 1:16-22
Psalm- 17:1BCD, 2-3, 6-7
Gospel- Luke 9:46-50
- Tues Sept 27** Reading- Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23
Psalm- 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8
Gospel- Luke 8:19-21
- Wed Sept 28** 1st Reading- Job 9:1-12, 14-16
Psalm- 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15
Gospel- Luke 9:57-62
- Thur Sept 29** Reading- Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
Psalm- 138:1-2ab, 2cd3, 4-5
Gospel- John 1:47-51
- Fri Sept 30** Reading- Job 38:1, 12-21: 40:3-5:1-11
Psalm - 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab
Gospel - Luke 10:13-16
- Sat Oct 1** Reading- Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17
Psalm- 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130
Gospel - Luke 10:17-24
- Sun Oct 2** 1st Reading- Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
Psalm- 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
2nd Reading- 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
Gospel- Luke 17:5-10

Your Sacrificial Offering	
Previous Week	
Immaculate Conception Parish	
Budget	\$10,442.60
Youth	\$2.00
Offertory	\$453.00
E-tithing	\$1,072.50
TOTAL	\$11,970.10
Needed Each Week	\$13,512.00
St. Joseph Parish	
Budget	\$1,945.00
Youth	\$0.00
Offertory	\$99.00
E-tithing	\$240.00
TOTAL	\$2,284.00
Needed Each Week	\$3,987.00

Mercy Challenge- Reflect on the Parable of Lazarus and the Rich Man. How does God's mercy balance with his judgment? How is God's judgment expressed in the consequences of our actions? How can God's judgment also be merciful?
Family Challenge: Read the second reading together. Are you a family that pursues "righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness?" Are you a family that "competes well for the faith?" In what ways can you grow?

Adult Faith Formation: Bishop Barron's DVD series: *The Pivotal Players*: Thursday, **September 29** at 6:30 p.m., **Sessions 3 and 4: ST. THOMAS AQUINAS**, the Theologian, demonstrated that faith and reason are not at odds, as they come from the same source. Parts I and II

Respect Life Sunday Living Rosary - St. A's, Jesup
The rosary will be 1/2 hour before Mass begins
Saturday Oct 1 Mass begins at 5:00 PM and Sunday Oct 2 Mass begins at 8:30 AM.

Dear Parishioners, October is Liver Cancer Awareness Month. My wife Diane died from liver cancer. Hope Lodge is a place in Iowa City which helps cancer patients with room and board at no cost during their treatment. Hope Lodge operates strictly on donations. Diane and I used Hope Lodge during Diane's treatment and it helped a lot.

If you would like to help, during the month of October I will be collecting items to take to Hope Lodge. Needed items are laundry supplies, simple office supplies, general cleaning supplies and kitchen supplies. Or you are welcome make a monetary donation, please make checks payable to **Hope Lodge**. You may bring the items to the Heritage Room.

Thank you, Randy Mangrich *Cancer Touches Everyone*

Immaculate Conception Harvestfest – Oct 16th

NEED HELP – Harvestfest Sign-up this weekend and next, **September 24 & 25, October 1 & 2** in the Heritage Room before and after Masses. We need over 180 people to help fill these time slots. **PLEASE** be generous with your time, it only involves 1 hour or 1 ½ hour time slots. We have enough parishioners between the ages of 25 – 60 that should be able to fill these spots, as always we welcome the older parishioners and we thank you for being generous with your time. Please sign up and save us from having to make more work and make phone calls to ask for help.

We are still looking for new people to volunteer to fill committee members positions. Now is the time to work with them and then they will help transition you next year as well.

Book sale drop off – at Rosie Bloes's house, 719 12th Street, Gilbertville. Drop on Saturday morning at St. Mary Center from 8-12 on October 15 is also welcome.

Please do not drop off at Rectory

HARVESTFEST RAFFLE TICKETS: Please pick up your Harvest Breakfast raffle tickets in the back of church to avoid mailing expenses. Also, please return all sold and **unsold** raffle tickets either in the church collection basket, to the Rectory during normal business hours, or to the raffle booth at Harvest Breakfast at St. Mary Center the day of the event, Sunday, Oct. 16. NOTE that the price of **each ticket is \$2.**

St. Joseph Parish Harvest Breakfast - Oct 23rd

Sunday October 23rd is the date for our Harvest Breakfast. The St. Joseph Parish Society is in charge of the breakfast and hosting it. If anyone would like to make a cash donation to help defray expenses of the breakfast please call Michelle Stroh at 319-429-3293, or you may also place your donation in an envelope marked ST. JOSEPH BREAKFAST and place it in the church collection basket.

Please call Michelle if you have a specific shift you want to work or the sign up sheets are in back of the church entrances, or someone will be calling you. Please remember this is the only Parish Society Breakfast we have for the year.

We will also be having an all parish Silent Auction and an all parish Bake Sale both held upstairs in Reuter Hall. Both will be the same time as the breakfast: 8:30 AM through noon. You may call Diane at 235-9242 with your Silent Auction items. Any NEW item, no matter the cost is appreciated. SCRIP is always a good choice to donate. The school benefits as well as the church.

Area Events

St. John Catholic Church, Independence, will hold its annual **Fall Festival TODAY Sunday, September 25,** in the St. John Multi-purpose room at St. John School. Turkey and dressing dinner serving from 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM. Many other events also. Everyone Welcome

Knights of Columbus Breakfast Buffet -

Sunday, **October 2,** serving 8:00 am to Noon.

1955 Locke Ave. Waterloo

Pancakes, eggs, biscuits and gravy, sausage, hash browns, fruit and cinnamon rolls

St. Francis Church, Barclay invites everyone to attend their annual parish dinner on Sunday **October 2nd** from 11 a.m to 1:30 p.m. The menu includes: Roast beef, ham scalloped potatoes, green beans, home-baked breads, salad and dessert bar. Prices are: Adults \$9; ages 5-10 \$6; preschool and under is free. Country Store, raffles and other children's games for you enjoyment.

All are welcome at the Saint Patrick Parish Fall Festival on **Sunday, October 2** from 10:30 AM to 2 PM. Enjoy a turkey dinner with all the trimmings plus homemade pie. Adults \$9, Seniors \$7, ages 4-12 \$4. Kids 3 and under eat FREE! Buy and paint pumpkins at the Pumpkin Patch. Play games and enjoy other kids' activities. Visit the Halloween Costume Booth, Book Sale, Bake Sale and Silent Auction. Take a chance at the Pot of Gold cash raffle.

9th Annual Special Mass for Mental Illness Awareness will be **Sunday, October 2,** at 2:00 PM at St. Patrick Church, 120 5th St. NW, Cedar Rapids.

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS -- Tuesday, Oct. 4. 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 6:00 pm. Hymns of praise and worship begin at 6:30 pm; Mass will begin at 7:00 pm. 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.

St. Athanasius School Senior Citizen Lunch will be Monday, **October 3** at 11:10 am in the school cafeteria. Menu will be Meat with Gravy and Mashed Potatoes. Cost is \$3.25/person. Cards will follow lunch.

SAVE THE DATE FOR A SPECIAL CELEBRATION

On **Sunday, October 9,** St. Patrick Church, Cedar Falls will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Father Dennis Colter's Ordination to the Priesthood. Join us for 11:30 am Mass; lunch will follow in Dutcher Gym or drop in until 3 pm to offer your congratulations. No gifts please.

"Discover What God Wants for Your Marriage and the Five Tools Every Couple Should Know!" Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Enrichment. For information, dates and to register go to iowa-wwme.org or call [563-608-3305](tel:563-608-3305). Upcoming Dates; October 21-23 at American Martyrs, Cedar Falls IA; Nov 18-20 at St Anthony's Center, Marathon City WI; Dec 2-4 at Clarion Inn, Iowa City IA; Feb 17-19th at Ramada, Ankeny IA.

Save the Date! – Year of Mercy Closing Celebration

Join the Waterloo Catholic Parishes as we celebrate the many rich blessings of this jubilee Year of Mercy with a closing celebration, “*Journey of Mercy*,” presented by Agnus Dei Music Ministry. This prayerful presentation will include beautiful music, readings, narration, and reflection and will be held at **Sacred Heart Church** in Waterloo at 2:00 PM on **October 30**.

School News

Bosco Catholic School System

www.boscocatholic.org

Campbell’s is giving 100 schools \$10,000

Go to <http://www.grandstandforschools.com> follow the instructions (the first time you log on, you will need to enter your birth date, email address, address, and phone number, but after that you will just be required to enter your birthdate and email address). Where it asks for your school enter 50634 and Immaculate Conception School. You can even spin the wheel and win something for yourself. You can log on every day for a chance to win for yourself and the school until October 30. Winners will be drawn at random and announced on Nov 22. The more times you enter the better chance we have.

Help the school get free books:

Are you looking for another way to support our schools? SunnyD is in their 9th year of donating books into classrooms. To date they have donated \$6 million in books across the country. All you need to do is clip the UPC barcodes and send them to school. For every 20 UPC barcodes, our teachers can receive 20 books. For more information please go to www.promo.sunnyd.com

Pizza Ranch Fundraiser- Please join the Flames 14U Volleyball team for a fundraiser at the Independence Pizza Ranch on **Monday, October 17th** from 4:30 to 7:30 PM. The girls will be helping out at the Pizza Ranch that night and a portion of the sales along with the tips will be donated to the team. Please come out and support our team. Thank you from The Flames Emma McMahon, Julia Thiry, Lexie Reiter, Brooke Zoll, Morgan Fry, Laney Fisher, and Jamie Thoma.

Help needed: Bosco System PTO is looking for volunteers to help take redeemable cans and bottles to R’s Redemption in Waterloo. R’s Redemption has been picking up these cans and bottles on a weekly basis for about 4 years. They are getting to busy to pick them up on a weekly basis so we are looking for volunteers with a truck or trailer to help deliver them so we can continue this fundraiser and not have the shed over flowing. If you are interested please email Brenda Schares at bschares@asiowa.com or text 319-939-4580. Thank you!