

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday- Vigil: The Nativity of the Lord

5:00 PM (IC) Arnold & Rosemary Frost

5:00 PM (SJ) Cliff Youngblut

9:00 PM (IC) Leander & Augusta Thoma

Sunday- The Nativity of the Lord

8:00 AM (IC) For the People

10:00 AM (IC) Jim, Marge and Peggy Youngblut

Monday- Saint Stephen, The First Martyr

NO MASS

Tuesday- Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

8:00 AM (SJ) Ronald & Arlene Weber

Wednesday- The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

7:45 AM (IC) Mary & Bob Schmitt (Anniv)

Thursday- Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

NO MASS

Friday- The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

7:45 AM (IC) Jack Heintz

Saturday- Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

1:00 PM (IC) Wedding: Amber Even & Rex Goodrich

Vigil: Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

4:00 PM (IC) Joe & Aggie Thome (Anniv)

5:30 PM (SJ) Special Intention

Sunday- Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

8:00 AM (IC) For the People

10:00 AM (IC) Regina Corkery

Meetings and Activities

Sunday, December 25

NO RCIA Class

Sunday, January 1

NO RCIA Class



Evil today is glamorous, but rarely is it beautiful.

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, find, not glamour, but true beauty in a visit to the Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel located at Columbus HS. Drop-in anytime or consider

becoming a committed adorer weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly. Specific needs at this time are Sundays at 8am. If interested email cvadoration@adorationmanager.com or call William Brandle at 319-939-9000.

Preparation Class for Baptism will be **Sunday, January 22, 2017** at 9:00 AM in the Heritage Room at IC. Expectant parents or parents of newborns, please call the rectory at 296-1092 between 8:00 and 4:00 weekdays to register. Also expectant parents who have not attended a Baptism Preparation class within three years are required to attend.

Daily Readings

Mon Dec 26 Reading - Acts of the Apostles 6:8-10; 7:54-59
Psalm- 31:3cd-4, 6 & 8ab, 16bc & 17

Gospel- Matthew 10:17-22

Tues Dec 27 Reading- 1 John 1:1-4

Psalm- 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12

Gospel- John 20:1a, 2-8

Wed Dec 28 Reading- 1 John 1:5 - 2:2

Psalm.- 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8

Gospel- Matthew 2:13-18

Thur Dec 29 Reading- 1 John 2:3-11

Psalm- 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6

Gospel- Luke 2:22-35

Fri Dec 30 Reading- Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Psalm - 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

Gospel - Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Sat Dec 31 Reading- 1 John 2:18-21

Psalm- 96:1-2, 11-12, 13

Gospel - John 1:1-18

Sun Jan 1 1st Reading- Numbers 6:22-27

Psalm- 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

2nd Reading- Galatians 4:4-7

Gospel- Luke 2:16-21

Your Sacrificial Offering

Previous Week

Immaculate Conception Parish

Budget	\$6,885.32
Youth	\$1.00
Christmas	\$1,510.00
Offertory	\$416.00
Holy Day	\$25.00
E-tithing	\$1,082.50
TOTAL	\$9,919.82
Needed Each Week	\$13,512.00

St. Joseph Parish

Budget	\$5,020.00
Youth	\$0.00
Offertory	\$75.00
Christmas	\$850.00
E-tithing	\$190.00
TOTAL	\$6,135.00
Needed Each Week	\$3,987.00

Next weekend is split between December and January. Eucharistic ministers, lectors, servers and gift bearers please check the December schedule for the Sunday, January 1st list. Ushers, as before, December volunteers please cover the entire weekend. Due to the larger volume of donations the December money counters handle we ask that the January money counters please cover the December 31/January 1 collection.

FROM THE
PASTOR 

We genuinely appreciate all of the cards, gifts, delicious

food and well wishes we have received this Christmas season. Your thoughtfulness and generosity is overwhelming. We wish you and your families the most blessed new year.

Fr. Reuter

Fr. Huber

End of Year Contributions

As we near the end of the year please keep in mind to clearly mark your donations as to which year you would like them included. The best solution to this is to use your contribution envelopes supplied by the parish. Any donation the comes into the office on January 2 must be applied to 2017

The Parishes' office will close at 3:30 on Tuesday, January 27 and will be closed all day December 29 and 30. The office will be open on January 2. Please plan accordingly when making your donations to your parish.

Thank You Notes

From all of us at Dynamic Catholic, I would like to thank you for passing out books at you parish this Christmas. Your generosity is an inspiration to us all. We are blessed to be able to celebrate Mass daily in our in-site chapel. Our chaplain Fr. Bob and the rest of our team will be offering a Mass on January 24th for you and your parish. Matthew Kelly often reminds us that one will only ever see less than 1% of the impact of their generosity. He lives on in other people, in other places, and in other times. thank you for partnering with us to make a difference in the lives of so many!
God Bless, Mark Moore, Director of Ministry

Thank you to everyone who participated in the I.C. Giving Tree and also for those who responded to our needs for our recent refugees who came earlier this month. Your generosity not only helped out the two families that just arrived, but we were also able to give extra items to a refugee family that came in late fall. Thank you, also to the students who helped move in the donation items and get the apartment ready for the family of five. We are overly grateful for your time and treasure for our latest new refugees in the Cedar Valley. Have a blessed holiday,

Mary and Agnes, Catholic Charities Waterloo Staff.

School News

Bosco Catholic School System

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The students and staff of the Bosco Catholic School System would like to wish the parishioners of Immaculate Conception and St. Joseph a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year. Thank you for your support of the BCSS!

Area Events

NEW YEAR'S EVE RETREAT -- Dec. 31-Jan. 1. American Martyrs Retreat House, Cedar Falls. "Seek and Find God's Will for the New Year" is the theme of this overnight retreat facilitated by Deacon Bill Biver. The retreat begins at 5:00pm on New Year's Eve and ends at 11:00am on New Year's Day and is open to all ages, married and dating couples and singles. Fee is \$65 per person. For information and registration contact the Retreat House at 319-266-3543 (email dbqamrhsec@dbqarch.org).

St. Athanasius Pancake Breakfast- There will be a pancake breakfast on **Sunday, January 8** in the St. Athanasius lunch room. Serving from 8:30 to noon, menu includes pancakes, sausage, fruit cup and rolls and beverage. Adults- \$6, ages 6 through 12- \$4, ages 3 through 5- \$3 and ages 2 and under are free. Carry-outs available.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast Buffet- 1955 Locke Ave. Waterloo. Serving from 8:00 AM to noon on **Sunday, January 8**. Menu includes pancakes, eggs, biscuits and gravy, sausage, hash browns, fruit and cinnamon rolls. Adults \$8, Kids 6-12 \$4, Kids under 6 Free

Please note that this is a change from our normal 1st Sunday to the 2nd Sunday due to New Year's Day falling on Sunday

Don Bosco Breakfast- St. Joseph Parish in Raymond will be hosting their Don Bosco Benefit Breakfast on **Sunday, January 15th**. We will be serving from 8:30 AM until 12 noon in Reuter Hall. If you would like to help defray the cost of the breakfast you can place your donation in an envelope and mark it St. Joseph Don Bosco Breakfast and drop it in the collection basket at any weekend Mass at either parish.



