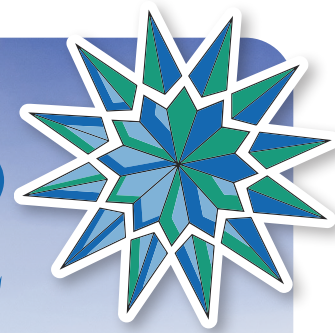


ALL SAINTS

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL



Love God • Serve Others • Form Disciples



**September 21 & September 22, 2024;
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*God
has called
us through the
Gospel to possess the
glory of our Lord
Jesus Christ.*

2 Thessalonians
2:14

MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am

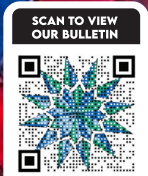
WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday 8:00 am
Wednesday 8:00 am
Thursday 8:30 am
Friday 8:00 am

“It is in humility that we build the future of the world.” – Pope Francis



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Please Pray for the Following People

(Why people want prayers isn't important, *the prayers are!*)



Tom, Mike, Jassam, Mark Dougherty, and Kim Witte.

Parishioners & Family Members on Active Duty:
Matthew Reitzel



To add a name call Dan Alpers, at 363-6130, ext. 100. Names will be listed for four weeks and may be renewed. †, Recently deceased will be listed for two weeks.

Stewardship Corner



Today's second reading warns that a heart consumed with avarice and envy leads to jealousy, strife, conflicts, and disputes. A giving heart, in contrast, can sing instead with the psalmist, "Freely will I offer you sacrifice; I will praise your name, O Lord, for its goodness."

A Weekly Tip on Caring for Our Common Home



Engage in forthright and honest discussions about environmental problems and policies, understanding that issues cannot be dealt with once and for all. Ongoing discussion will allow issues to be continually reframed and enriched with a variety of valid viewpoints and possible solutions.

The Sacrament of Confirmation



Fr. Jack will be teaching the preparation classes for the Sacrament of Confirmation. We will celebrate this sacrament on March 30, 2025 at 2:30 PM. Archbishop Zinkula has asked all of the parishes to "partner" with another to ease his schedule. We will be partnering with St. Pius X and the sacrament will be celebrated there. Each parish will prepare the students individually. If you have a student who is in 10th grade or older and would like to be included, please email the following to Tracy Huk (businessmgr@allsaintscr.com): Full name of the student, name of the parent(s), email address that communication should be sent, location of baptism (if your student was not baptized at All Saints, please have a record of the baptism sent to the parish office as soon as possible), phone number to contact, address to use for contact. The dates for the classes are to be determined yet, so please email your information today so that we are able to keep you informed. If you have any questions, please call Tracy at 319-363-6130 ext 111.



Ad Altare Dei



The purpose of the Ad Altare Dei (to the altar of God) program is to help Catholic Youth develop a fully Christian way of life in the faith community. The program is designed for Scouts ages 13-14 years old, but all Scouts up to 18 years old and Venture Scouts up to their 21st birthday can attend. The program is organized in chapters based on the seven Sacraments. The seven Sacraments are a primary means toward spiritual growth. Participants must also attend a retreat and participate in a group service project.

Sessions will be held at All Saints Catholic Church on Sundays from 4:00 to 5:30 PM for eight weeks, beginning Sep. 15, 2024 and ending on November 17, 2024. Class will not be held on Oct. 27th and Nov. 3rd.

The retreat and Board of Review will be held on Sunday, December 1, 2024 from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. To register for this event go to mycouncil.haweyebssa.org/event/catholic-scouting

For more information contact John Stallman at stallmanj@gmail.com.

Iowa Catholic Youth Conference 2025



The 4th annual Iowa Catholic Youth Conference (ICYC) which targets those in grades 6-8 and their parents is set for Sunday, March 30, 2025. Mark your calendars! The event, which is co-sponsored by the Archdiocese of Dubuque and the Diocese of Davenport, will take place at St. Ludmila Parish in Cedar Rapids and will feature the energetic Catholic artist and witness of faith Connor Flanagan (<https://www.connorflanaganmusic.com/>). More information will be available later this Fall.

All Saints Blood Drive - Thank You!



Thanks to everyone who participated in our blood drive on September 7th. Collectively your efforts resulted in 20 units of whole blood being donated. In appreciation of our effort the IMPACT LIFE Blood Center will be awarding a LifeSaving Grant of \$270 to All Saints School. More importantly, your blood donations will provide life saving support for those in need throughout eastern Iowa.



Everyday Metanoia



Currently, I am listening to a series of podcasts on the Hallow app that review and teach about the various ways that we can pray. Imaginative prayer was included in last week's line up and could be used for reflection with this Sunday's Gospel. It might be helpful to enter into pray with Mark 9:30-37 in the role of all three of the main characters one at a time: as Jesus; as Peter; and as the other disciples.

If we imaginatively enter into the first part of this story as Jesus, we might feel the fullness of his humanity. Jesus has a difficult, but important message to impart to the apostles - his immanent suffering, death and resurrection.

When we have challenging news to impart to family and friends, we usually do not do so in a crowd of people; rather, we gather them in a quiet location that is apart from others. Jesus does the same. The first time that Jesus told his disciples about what was coming, we know that Peter reacted in shocked denial which led to a sharp retort from Jesus. What might Jesus be feeling or anticipating from this second round? Might he feel frustrated? Might he be hopeful that the apostles will understand this time? Might he have rehearsed several reactions from the disciples just like we do sometimes? All of these emotions are very human and can help us feel closer to Jesus. We can trust Jesus because he knows our humanity - he "gets" us.

If we imaginatively enter into the second part of this story as Jesus, we feel his patience. While he might be humanly frustrated with their petty argument, we do not get a sense that Jesus is angry. He does not rebuke them, but rather he sits them down and gently teaches them (once again) how Christian ministry should look as we work to make the kingdom of God visible on earth. Mary Healy in her commentary on Mark says, "...he turns human thinking on its head: the only way to fulfill [this], paradoxically, is to put oneself last in priority. And this is not merely a pious thought, it must be expressed in concrete actions, by becoming a servant of all. This was a radically unconventional idea in the ancient world, where humility and meekness were viewed not as virtues, but as signs of weakness."

If we imaginatively enter into the first part of this story as Peter, we might feel confusion and some trepidation. Jesus is saying that something horrible is going to happen. Why is Jesus talking about this again? What is he really trying to say? Jesus uses symbolic language so many times - is this another instance? Peter was rebuked after his first response to Jesus; we can understand his desire to stay silent this second time even though he still does not comprehend the reality of what Jesus is saying. Has a family member or friend ever told us about a bad health diagnosis? Have we, perhaps, reacted just as Peter, even when the facts are repeated after our initial disbelief?

If we imaginatively enter into the second part of this story as Peter, so many conflicting emotions might come to the fore. Did Peter take part in the dispute for who was the greatest? Jesus had identified Peter as a chosen one more than once. During the debate among the apostles did he assert himself as such or was he silent; quieted by the many times that he had disappointed Jesus and fretting as to his "status" with the Teacher?

If we imaginatively enter into the first part of this story as the disciples, how do we feel about the news that Jesus is imparting? We still believe that Jesus will be a "leader" as in ancient times - that he will eventually wield his authority and rise to power and glory. Why is Jesus talking about death again and...what is going to happen to us? Will we be killed, too, or has Jesus been teaching us in order for us to take the reigns of glory that he is to initiate? After a friend, co-worker or family member has shared some challenging news, have some of our first thoughts ever been, "How will this impact me?" Heavy thoughts. Serious thoughts. The response of silence is very understandable as the disciples contemplate their future.

If we imaginatively enter into the second part of this story as the disciples, we wonder about what started the competition among them. Healy comments, " Having just heard Jesus speak of his willing acceptance of rejection and death, they are suddenly preoccupied with jealous competition for privilege and prestige. No conversation could have been more contrary to what he was trying to impart to them. Yet, Mark, once again, does not display the disciples' failures so his readers can marvel at their ineptitude. Rather, it is to bring us face-to-face with our human tendencies to seek our own glory in competition with others, which hinder us from yielding ourselves to God's marvelous plan."

Thank you for entering into imaginative prayer with me during our reflection on this Sunday's Gospel from Mark. I invite us to take the thoughts and emotions that arose during this time to prayer this week as we continue on the way to understanding and living the Christian life that God calls us to. Come to Mass this weekend (and the next and the next!) Invite someone you haven't seen in a while. Take the time to introduce yourself to someone that you don't know. The burdens and joys of a journey are better when shared.

Tracy Huk, Business Manager, businessallsaints@gmail.com

Service to Others

Metro Catholic Outreach



School Bag Program

Last year we supplied about 23 bags per week to kids in need at our Catholic schools. This year we have already jumped to 32 bags weekly, and the school year is just beginning. These are for children who face food insecurity on weekends and breaks when school breakfasts and lunches are not available. Please pick up some of our much needed items when shopping for your families, or order from home using the handy Amazon Wish List links above, and they will be delivered directly to MCO.

- Microwaveable Mac and Cheese Cups
- Ramen Noodle Cups
- Fruit Cups
- Breakfast Bars / Pop Tarts
- Mini Cereal Variety Packs
- SpaghettiOs, Easy-Open Canned Pasta Meals
- Juice Boxes/Pouches



Bus Passes Needed

Bus passes are always so appreciated by our homeless clients. We are currently OUT and any donations of these will be put to use by those with no other means of transportation. Thank you for your generosity and thoughtfulness!

https://www.cedar-rapids.org/residents/city_buses/passess.php

Save the Date x 3!



- Saturday, September 28 - Men's Breakfast. Beginning at 7:00 AM all men of the parish are invited to a delicious breakfast in the Social Hall followed by a short video and small group discussion. The morning will conclude by 8:00 AM. Please invite a friend to join you!
- Wednesday, November 6 - Discussion and Drinks. All adults are invited to gather in the Social Hall at 6:00 PM. We will view the keynote address given by Bishop Robert Barron at the National Eucharistic Congress in Indiana this past summer. Small group discussion will follow. The evening will conclude by 7:00 PM. Wine, beer and simple snacks will be served.
- Wednesday, November 13 - Discussion and Drinks. All adults are invited to gather in the Social Hall at 6:00 PM. We will view the keynote address given by Chris Stefanick at the National Eucharistic Congress in Indiana this past summer. Small group discussion will follow. The evening will conclude by 7:00 PM. Wine, beer and simple snacks will be served.

If you have any questions, please call Tracy Huk at 319-363-6130 ext 111 or email at businessmgr@allsaintscr.com. We hope to see you there!

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Mass for Mental Illness Awareness



Sunday, October 6, 2024

Mental Illness Awareness Week is October 6-12. The annual Mass for Mental Illness Awareness will be celebrated at St. Patrick Church in Cedar Rapids at noon on Sunday, October 6. A promotional flyer can be found [HERE](#). Please print copies to post in your parishes, and share in your bulletin announcements. For those who cannot attend, the Mass will be live-streamed at www.facebook.com/stpatrickcr

2025 Archdiocesan Women's Conference: Beauty in Christ



Saturday, January 25, 2025

Time: 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM (Time is tentative)

This year's virtual conference is designed so that you can gather women in your parish/cluster for a morning of friendship, faith, and formation! Women to participate from the comfort of their own homes or to gather in parishes to experience the event together! Individual and Group ticket prices will be available. We will have great speakers! More information and registration will be available soon at <https://www.archwomensconference.org/>. Contact Joanne Pohland at j.pohland@dbqarch.org for more information.

We. Need. YOU!



Weekly Mass on Saturday and Sunday are a community effort. As they say, "It takes a village." As our parish grows and evolves, our needs grow and evolve. Our little village requires the time and talent that only parishioners can provide. Do you have a passion for All Saints? You can transform that passion into something bigger. We invite you to learn more about the various volunteer opportunities available at All Saints parish. During fellowship following Mass on Saturday, September 28 and Sunday, September 29th, representatives from various ministries will be available to talk about what they do and why volunteering is impactful on their lives.

World Day of Migrants and Refugees



On the weekend of Sept. 28/29, you are encouraged to include a special petition for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees in your Prayers of the Faithful. A few sample petitions can be found here: [Prayers of the Faithful- World Day of Migrants 2024](#)



Catholic Daughters of the Americas [CDA]



NEW PLACE, NEW TIME Catholic Daughters of the Americas [CDA] Court Cedar Rapids #1768 will meet Tuesday, October, 15 at 6:15 pm at St. Pius Church. Doors open at 6:00 pm with refreshments. Our speaker is Dr. Janet Cuhel: 100 Year Lifestyle. Catholic Daughters across the nation will celebrate Catholic Daughters Sunday on October 20. Members of the Cedar Rapids Court will celebrate by attending 10:30 Mass at St. Ludmila's Church and after Mass will hold a Court Recognition of members ceremony. Guests are welcome. Contacts: Roberta 319-366-0999 or Stephanie 319- 540- 7193

Catechism for Adults



All Saints is excited to respond to the requests of our parent, grandparent, and adult parishioners. During the Listening Sessions held in the Spring of 2023, several of our participants requested an ADULT catechism program that mirrored what their children and grandchildren are learning in school so as to be able to have meaningful conversations as a family as well as grow as individuals in their faith. The resources are now available through Pflaum Publishing and we would like to invite you to participate.

Who: Any/All Adult members of the Catholic Faith

What: Catechism for Adults

When: Thursdays following the 8:30 am Children's Mass (Approximately 9:30 am-TBD)
Beginning October 3, 2024

Where: All Saints Social Hall

This intergenerational program welcomes adults of all ages. The resources are based on the upcoming Gospel for the week allowing you to benefit at any point you are able to join us. We recognize schedules are busy and welcome you when it works best for you. We appreciate your registration so as to have a sense for the number of resources we need to have available. Thank you! Please contact Stacy Cataldo (catechesis@allsaintscr.com) with any questions.

We look forward to seeing you!

Please click this link to register: <https://forms.gle/sBk9i9LjRtwS5Mg36>



National Catholic Youth Conference



Considering the National Catholic Youth Conference in 2025?

The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) happens every year, but the Archdiocese typically takes part in odd years. NCYC 2025 is coming fast. The dates for NCYC '25 are November 20-23.

There are three ways for teens to experience NCYC.

- 1. Be a part of the Archdiocesan Delegation.** Parish leaders (paid or volunteer) register their group with the Archdiocese. Package price of approximately \$850 per person covers travel, lodging, registration, some meals, and on-site support. To join the Archdiocesan Delegation, we ask for group leaders to open a group account with the Archdiocese and submit a no-obligation group size estimate before December of 2024. Look for future announcements in the Official Bulletin and The InFo.
- 2. Organize a parish or collaborative/regional group.** Work with other adults in your parish or other parishes near you to form your own group. Buy your own tickets. Book your own hotel rooms. Arrange your own transportation and meals. The Office of Youth Ministry will provide some tips and tricks to make it easier for you, but you will be independent of the Archdiocesan delegation.
- 3. Family option.** Families can buy their own tickets and make travel plans without having to go through a parish. Sometimes, if your group is small, that is the easiest. A mom or dad with their own children can zip in and out a lot easier and likely save on costs.

Contact Kevin Feyen (k.feyen@dbqarch.org) for more information.

All Saints Foundation



You can have an everlasting influence on the lives of families at All Saints Parish. Please ask your attorney to include a bequest for our parish in your will. If you would like more information about leaving a legacy gift to All Saints contact Tracy Huk at 319-363-6130 ext 111 or businessmgr@allsaintscr.com. If you would like information about gift planning, please contact our planning partner at the Catholic Foundation at 563-552-0176 or CFAD@OurCFAD.org.

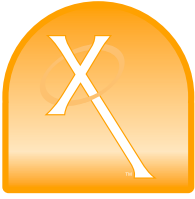
We send out a monthly e-newsletter in partnership with CFAD. If you are not receiving this and would like to, please contact Tracy Huk at businessmgr@allsaintscr.com.

Children's Liturgy of the Word



We are excited to share that it is time for Children's Liturgy of the Word. This is a program that is available to ALL parish children (Pre K through Grade 2). This program takes place DURING the 9:00 am Mass on Sundays. We will begin on Sunday, October 6, 2024 and conclude Spring of 2025. Registration is appreciated so we know the number of resources to purchase. There is NO cost to families. We hope you find this to be a meaningful way for your child to spend the Liturgy of the Word while allowing you, the parent, an opportunity to fully engage in this part of the Mass. We encourage all children in 2nd grade to attend as an extension of their sacramental preparation this year. Please click on the registration link for more details and the opportunity to register. <https://forms.gle/atdZzPEuK8A5Z4RS8>

School Fundraising 101 Follow-Up by Dan



After last week's article published, I was provided with last year's Hy-Vee Cash 4 Students results. I'm sure that many of you were wondering just how close from the top spot All Saints actually was. Your patience has paid off because I'm about to blow your mind with the actual dollars and cents. The list provided includes all of Cedar Rapids, Marion, Hiawatha, and surrounding communities for a grand total of 89 schools.



First place in the 2023-2024 race was Trinity Lutheran School with a grand total of \$3,892.48. Second place was earned by LaSalle Catholic School with a total of \$3,735.39. And third place was All Saints with a grand total of... drum roll please... \$3,131.49. The difference between third and first place is a mere \$760.99.

\$760.99 sounds like an absolute piece of cake to me. With that said, the next time you're at Hy-Vee buying a slice of cake, or you're at Hy-Vee Gas filling your tank, be sure to print that receipt. The key factor in making that relatively short jump from third to first place, however, is to make absolutely certain that you bring those receipts to the office in a timely manner. Late receipts are simply missed opportunities as All Saints approaches that first place finish. Now go make at least \$800 worth of magic happen. You got this!

All Saints Financial Update



Financial Update as of 8/30/2024:

All Saints Parish is in need of your participation and help. Budget income for August declined by \$23,560 from July to August of this year. We typically experience a small decline from July to August, but we are \$26,758 below this same time as last year. A parish is not just the bricks and mortar, it is not the staff, and it is not all the programs available. A parish is the people who attend Mass and contribute their time, talents and treasure to the vitality and needs of the parish. The parish staff works with the Pastoral Council and the Finance Council to keep our expenses as low as possible. We are stewards of the funds you generously donate and we take that very seriously. If you are not currently contributing to the life of All Saints Parish, I encourage you to do so. If something has happened in the past and you would like to talk about it, please call or email me. Like the old Army poster said - we need you!

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Christ Our Life Conference Livestream



St. Mary in Solon would like to extend the invitation to all parishes in the area to join us for a Livestream Watch Party for the Christ Our Life Conference taking place in Des Moines on Sept 28 and 29. This is a wonderful opportunity for those unable to travel to Des Moines but would still like to experience the conference. Tickets to attend the Livestream Watch Party may be purchased [HERE](#) or at the door. Cost per adult is \$30 and youth are free. Please see the attached flyer and schedule for the 2 day conference. Attendees may join for both days or one day - whatever works for their schedule. We would appreciate you sharing this information with your parishioners. If anyone has any questions, they can contact our parish office for more details: 319-624-2228

**For those who plan to attend, we ask for an rsvp on our website to help with planning. Click: [WATCH PARTY RSVP!](#)

Altar Server Training



Please join us on September 22, 2024 or September 29, 2024 for altar server training.

Who: 4th and 5th Grade Students who have completed the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, and First Communion.

When: Sunday, September 22, 2024 OR Sunday, September 29, 2024

Location: All Saints Church

Time: Following the 9:00 am Mass

Sign up using this link: <https://forms.gle/iyCegcHFvXPGWX74A>

Unwrapping Your Spiritual Gifts



Unwrapping Your Spiritual Gifts as a metaphor that speaks to the process of discovering the gifts God gives each of us. There are special spiritual gifts that are given each of us to be used for the Church, the people of God, and in our personal lives. Those gifts come from the Holy Spirit. They are meant to help build the Kingdom of God.

“To each person the Manifestation of the Spirit is given for common good” 1 Corinthians 12:7

Uniquely Called and Gifted

“...each member has ‘his own special gift,’ as Saint Paul teaches. Although this ‘gift’ is a personal vocation and form of participation in the Church’s saving work, it also serves others, builds the Church and the fraternal communities in the various spheres of human life on earth.” -Pope John Paul II, Redeemptor Hominis (Redeemer of Man).

If you have an interest in learning about your Motivational Gift, please call Bob Lillibridge at the parish office 319-363-6130 ext.109 or email him at adultformation@allsaintscr.com.

Interested in the Catholic Faith?

Check out OCIA/RCIA. (Order/Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

We offer an opportunity to meet and learn more about our Catholic faith. If you know of someone who may be interested, invite them to come and learn how the OCIA/RCIA process works. This for those with questions about the Catholic faith or those who are curious and want to learn more the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. For more information about OCIA/RCIA or to setup a meeting please contact Bob Lillibridge at 319-363-6130 ext. 109 or email: adultformation@allsaintscr.com

Mass Intentions

Tues. September 24 8:00 am
† John Edward Rater

Wed. September 25 8:00 am
John Creen

Thurs. September 26 8:30 am
Roberg Family

Fri. September 27 8:00 am
† Ed Gorman

Sat. September 28 4:00 pm
Scherrman/Barry Families

Sun. September 29 9:00 am
For the People

Scripture Readings

Week of September 22, 2024

Sunday:

Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16-4:3/Mk 9:30-37 (134)

Monday:

Prv 3:27-34/Lk 8:16-18 (449)

Tuesday:

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Lk 8:19-21 (450)

Wednesday:

Prv 30:5-9/Lk 9:1-6 (451)

Thursday:

Eccl 1:2-11/Lk 9:7-9 (452)

Friday:

Eccl 3:1-11/Lk 9:18-22 (453)

Saturday:

Eccl 11:9-12:8/Lk 9:43b-45 (454)

Sunday:

Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48 (137)

Parish Life



Do you enjoy getting people together for fellowship and having fun as well? Parish Life Committed is looking for additional members to appreciate each event. If you are interested, please contact Ellen Mouw at 712-253-5540 or eamouw@aol.com.

Un-Committee



Don't have time for committees or meetings, but still want to help? Join the "Un-Committee" where you are contacted only for special events at All Saints Church. If interested, please contact Ellen Mouw at 712-253-5540 or eamouw@aol.com.

All Saints Nights at Green Square Meals



All Saints helps prepare and serve dinner at Green Square Meals soup kitchen, 2-3 times a month. Sign up to help at the link below or contact Melissa Peckosh (847-975-1785 or missypeckosh@yahoo.com).

ALL SAINTS NIGHTS: 2nd & 5th Tuesday, 3rd Monday
All volunteers in sixth grade and up are welcome. Sign up at:
<https://signup.com/go/vJYiFPm>

Parish Office Hours



- Monday - Thursday - 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Friday - 8:00 am - 1:00 pm
- Saturday and Sunday - closed

The parish staff knows that your time is valuable. Please **call** or **email** the staff member you wish to speak with to ensure that they are available.

Bruins Beat

They Blinded Me With Science!

3rd graders measured their legs and matched up with the best dinosaur before competing in Dinosaur Races 2024!



4th graders try their hands at electric circuit boards!



www.allsaints-crschool.org

Ministry Schedule

September 21, 4:00 PM Saturday

Sacristan

Cynthia Gunsolly

Extraordinary Ministers

Kathi Grainger
Aaron Kelly
Andrew Lang
Gavin Miller
Daniel Prentice
Alison Prentice
Becky Weininger

Altar Servers

Emma Colby
Zachary Prentice
Noelle Robbins

Lectors

Theresa Harker
Kathy Ulrich

Hospitality Ministers

Elie AbouRaad
Jen Colby
Chris Colby
Daniel Greene
Dick Kettelkamp
Marcia Myers

September 22, 9:00 AM Sunday

Sacristan

Chris Conway

Extraordinary Ministers

Brian Conway
Mary Jo Goerdt
Terry Goerdt
Ann Hunter
Larry Hunter
Wade Johnson
Gregory O'Connell

Altar Servers

Katherine Osen
Ellorie Shane
Eli Shane

Lectors

David Shema
Loesje Shema

Hospitality Ministers

Maureen Dale Ernst
John Ernst
Pete Rethwisch
Bea Rethwisch
Maureen Wolf
Dave Wolf

Ministry Schedule

September 28, 4:00 PM Saturday

Sacristan

Mary Pat Wilkinson

Extraordinary Ministers

Jean Bell

Kathi Grainger

Suzanne Lammers

Sara Lang

Ellen Mouw

Joan Murrin

John Myers

Altar Servers

Emerson Eichhorn

Jackson Keller

James Lammers

Lectors

Stacy Cataldo

Kathy Ulrich

Hospitality Ministers

Sue Bright

Ryan Donnelly

Barb Lindstrom

Marcia Myers

Tom Takes

Mike Votroubek

September 29, 9:00 AM Sunday

Sacristan

Cate Biro

Extraordinary Ministers

Tom Amosson

Sherry Casey

Mary Jo Goerd

Terry Goerd

John Michael

Daniel Prentice

Alison Prentice

Altar Servers

Maeve Ainsworth

Everly Felland

Roman Kilburg

Lectors

Robin Brown

Mick Erdman

Hospitality Ministers

Jeanne Amosson

Stephanie Guzman

Nicole Johnson

Chris Shimon

Maureen Wolf

Dave Wolf

Family Ministry

September 22, 2024 • 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Mark 9:30-37

The Last Shall Be First

As Jesus travels with his disciples, he hears them arguing among themselves. When he discovers that they are arguing about which of them is the greatest, Jesus reminds them that those who will be the greatest or the first, will be those who were servants to all and vulnerable like small children.

Jesus is frustrated with his apostles. He is trying to talk to them about important things and they are concerned about who of them is the greatest. They want to know who is first in Jesus' eyes. Jesus responds to them by telling them he measures a person's greatness by how much concern they have for others—especially their concern over those who are considered unimportant.

Sounds like a family story to me. I think the words, "Me, me, me" or "Me first," must resound at some time or another in every family kitchen and backyard in America. The world could stop revolving around the sun and the stars could fall from the heavens and some youngster somewhere would be upset that they are not the center of attention.

This is what being a child is like. The littler they are the more dependent they are on others, and the more they need to make sure they are not forgotten. Sometimes it seems that little ones need to be constantly recognized—constantly reassured they are first in your life. As parents, we are expected to patiently answer our toddler's "Me, me, me" with a reassuring smile and pat. Gradually and gently, as they grow older, we begin to teach them to put others, younger, more vulnerable than themselves, first.

In this Gospel Jesus tells us, "Whoever welcomes one child such as this in my name welcomes me." This is good to remember when traveling in a car for several hours with more than one preschooler screaming, "Me," "Mine" or "Me first."

FAMILY RESPONSE

Ask each family member to name one thing they like best about each of the other family members. If your family is small name two things. You are not allowed to repeat what someone else has said.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

In the space below write down what you like most about each of the people in your family. Write down what you like best about yourself. What do you want to remember from last week? What are you looking forward to next week? What are your concerns?

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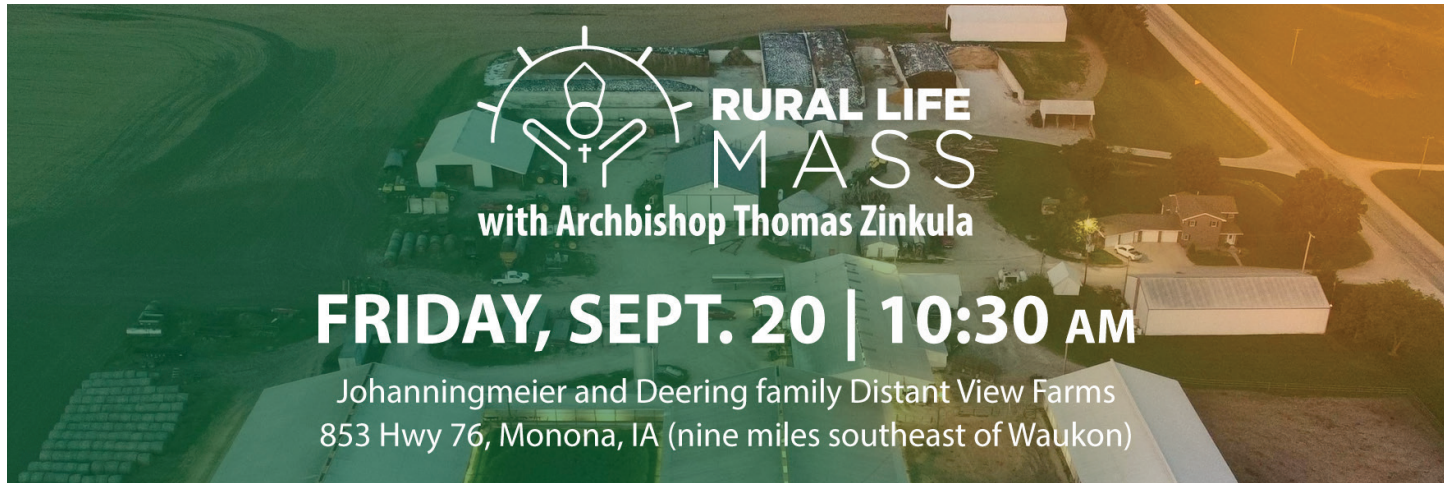


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Archbishop to celebrate Archdiocesan Rural Life Mass recognizing those who work the land and live in our rural communities

By Cassie Bird

On Friday, September 20, Archbishop Thomas Zinkula will celebrate his first-ever Rural Life Mass in the Archdiocese, hosted by the Johanningmeier and Deering families at Distant View Farms in Monona. This special event will recognize the many people who work the land and live in our rural communities.

After the Mass, there will be a blessing of the animals and farm equipment, a recognition program, and a free-will offering lunch hosted by St. Patrick Parish, Waukon.

Deacon Brian Zeman, Director of Life, Earth, and Social Justice Ministry in the Archdiocese of Dubuque, and Fr. John Moser, Pastor at St. Patrick in Waukon, led the efforts to organize the Mass.

“The Archdiocese of Dubuque is a vast area that consists of 17,000 square miles of geography. Much of that geography is small rural communities, farmland,

and people who work the land,” Deacon Zeman pointed out. “There’s much focus given to Dubuque sometimes because we are the Archdiocese of Dubuque, but the archdiocese is made up of much more rural geography than metropolitan.”

Although Archbishop Zinkula currently resides within the city limits of Dubuque, he is no stranger to rural life – he grew up on an Iowa farm along with his eight siblings. He is excited to celebrate this Farm Mass in rural Allamakee County.

“Archbishop Zinkula grew up on a farm. He understands their hardships, their joys, and wants to celebrate their rural life and the way they contribute to what is the majority of our archdiocese,” Deacon Zeman added.

He also reflected on the ways in which the seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching intersect with life at the farm, although many people do not realize it. Care for God’s Creation, The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers, Solidarity – these values can be identified in the way that farmers steward the land, offer opportunities for workers, and in the solidarity of people who are working to produce foods and goods for the benefit of our human family.

There is even an organization, Catholic Rural Life, that is dedicated to the vitality of the American countryside. Since 1923, the national nonprofit organization has promoted Catholic life in rural America.

In order to learn more about organizing a rural life Mass, Deacon Zeman and Fr. Moser attended the organization’s 100-year anniversary celebration last May. At this celebration, they were able to meet with the organization’s leadership as well as others who have coordinated these Masses. The Archdiocese of Dubuque now has a formal commitment to work with Catholic Rural Life in the future. In order to bring such a Mass to the Archdiocese of Dubuque, Deacon Zeman also drew inspiration from a rural life Mass held in the diocese of La Crosse, Wisconsin.

The hosts of the Archdiocese of Dubuque Rural Life Mass, the Johanningmeier and Deering families, are looking forward to the gathering of the faithful from across the archdiocese that will be held on their property.

“It’s an honor to be chosen to host Archbishop Zinkula’s first Rural Life Mass in the Archdiocese of Dubuque and to share our gratitude for life on

the farm with our church community. We are blessed to live this life every day, and although it is hard work and there are many sacrifices, it has many great rewards to be living, nurturing, and protecting the land and the animals of God,” the Johannngmeier family said. “We want to demonstrate how our trust and faith guide us each and every day – to be witnesses to the glory of God in farm life.”

“This is an opportunity to share God’s gift to us with others and possibly even some who haven’t experienced God’s love for the farm.”

The upcoming rural life Mass is not the only time that the families at Distant View have opened up their farm to their community.

“Every year we host many elementary classes for field trips to the farm. We are honored to share our farm with them and to teach them where milk and meat come from, how the crops are grown to feed the animals, and how to make other food for people. Food is a gift from God that he entrusts the farmer to raise and provide,” the Johannngmeiers explained.

“With fewer and fewer farms, many of our youth do not get to learn that food doesn’t come from a factory or store, it comes from God’s gift of nature and the land and animals. We’ve hosted many other community events to generate agricultural awareness and education for others including the Hay Expo, Cattleman’s Association, and local Fire Department events to name a few.”

Education is an essential component to ensuring that the knowledge necessary to maintain and steward farmland is not lost over time.

The Johannngmeier family recognizes that their efforts and daily work ensure the current success of their farm and help preserve the viability of their land for generations to come.

“God is not making more land, so we need to take care of what we have and preserve it for future generations. We have been connected to the land for our whole life and it is our dream that our family remains connected to the land. We don’t farm to live, we live to farm,” the Johannngmeiers said.



Pictured left to right: Jase, Jaelyn, Mike, Lori, Jacob, Steve, and Jane Johannngmier, Khloe, Klaire, Kohen, Ann, Kade, and Koal Deering

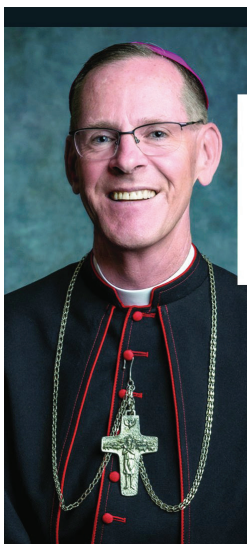
“We pray for the continued safety, health, fruitful yields, and the ability to sustain our way of life into the future. We give honor and glory to God to be able to work the land and to be a part of his magnificent creation and nature.”

Make sure to save the date for the Rural Life Mass on Friday, September 20, with

Mass beginning at 10:30 a.m. Come to worship as an archdiocesan family and stay to recognize those like the Johannngmeier and Deering families who steward the land. Additional information, including directions to the farm, can be found at dbqarch.org/rural-life.

Episcopal Ordination and Installation of Bishop-elect Scott Bullock

Mark your calendars for two livestreams celebrating the ordination of former archdiocesan priest, Bishop-elect Scott Bullock. The Diocese of Rapid City, SD will be livestreaming Solemn Vespers and the Mass of Ordination and Installation on their Facebook page and website on September 22 and 23. Visit either [Facebook.com/DioceseofRapidCity](https://www.facebook.com/DioceseofRapidCity) or www.rapidcitydiocese.org/live.



**Episcopal Ordination and Installation of
Bishop-elect Scott Bullock**
September 23, 2024 ~ 4 p.m.

Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Rapid City

Solemn Vespers
September 22, 2024 ~ 5 p.m.

Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Rapid City

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A DOCUMENTARY ABOUT SEX TRAFFICKING IN IOWA

You're Invited: Screening of the Documentary *Gridshock*

We are pleased to invite you to a special screening of *Gridshock*, a powerful documentary that sheds light on the alarming issue of sex trafficking in Iowa. Join us as we come together to learn, reflect, and take action against this pervasive crime.

****Event Details:****

****Date:** Tuesday, September 24th**

- **Time: 6:30 PM**

****Location:** Kearn Hall at St. Matthew Catholic Church
2310 1st Avenue, Cedar Rapids, Iowa**

****Refreshments will be provided.****

***Gridshock* exposes the reality of sex trafficking in our own communities, sharing stories that inspire us to be part of the solution. Your presence will not only enrich the discussion but also contribute to creating a stronger, more vigilant community. Together, we can make a difference.**

This event is proudly sponsored by the ACCW (Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women). We hope to see you there!

For any questions please contact Billie Burhite at 319-241-7604

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Sacrament Information

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptism preparation class is required for parents. Contact Deacon Ed Martin (DeaconEd@allsaintscr.com or 319-364-7524) to schedule a class and date for the baptism (some date restrictions may apply).

Sacrament of Matrimony: Couples are to make arrangements at least six months before the intended date of the wedding in order to fulfill the necessary requirements. Please contact Deacon Mike Klappholz (DeaconMike@allsaintscr.com) to begin the process.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA): Classes are scheduled for Monday evenings beginning in the Fall. Contact Bob Lillibridge, Director of Formation, for more information (adultformation@allsaintscr.com).

Confirmation: Classes will be led by Father Jack Flaherty after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays in the Social Hall. Start date TBD (fatherjack@allsaintscr.com).

First Reconciliation & Eucharist: Second graders combine home study and retreats to prepare for these sacraments. Contact Stacy Cataldo, Director of Catechesis, for more information (catechesis@allsaintscr.com).

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the office at 319-363-6130, ext. 100 to schedule anointings.

Miscellaneous Information

Newcomer Registration: Call the Parish Office at 363-6130, ext. 100, or register on line at <http://www.allsaintscr.com>.

Bulletin Deadline: Items must be submitted electronically to the parish office by Noon on the preceding Monday to: bulletin@allsaintscr.com.

Opportunities for Prayer

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Thursdays, 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM in the Church.

All Saints Prayer Group: Tuesdays at 3:00 PM in the church lower level.

Prayer Tree: Available to anyone who would like us to pray for their intentions. Please call Darlene Fandel at 319-560-4844.

Women's Prayer Group: Tuesday mornings after 8:00 AM Mass.

M.O.M.S Rosary: 7:30 PM 1st Monday of the month, Queen of All Saints Chapel.

Prolife Rosary: Fridays after 8:00 am Mass.

Parish Website: You may both submit and view prayer intentions any time at: <https://allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/people/forms/413117>.