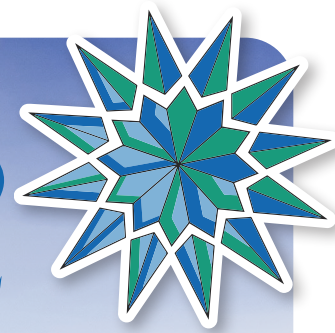


# ALL SAINTS

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL



*Love God • Serve Others • Form Disciples*



**February 22 & February 23, 2025;  
Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time**

*I give you  
a new commandment,  
says the Lord: love one  
another as I have  
loved you.*

John 13:34

### WEEKEND 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

*Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.*



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## Please Pray for the Following People

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



Keri Farrell Thomas and Tyson Colvin.

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



Easier said than done, right? But, in **Stewardship**, we are to imitate Christ. Most of us need to practice mercy and compassion more frequently. Start with the little daily annoyances that we experience, the unkind word or hateful glance we receive. Instead of plotting revenge on that person, try saying a quick prayer for that person. Praying for our enemies doesn't change them, it changes us. Mercy and compassion will keep us on the path to holiness.

## A Weekly Tip on Caring for Our Common Home



Consider planting trees and/or shrubs next to your house. They will help keep you cool naturally in warmer weather, lessening the desire for air conditioning, and they help to pull carbon from the atmosphere.

## For the Married Couples



In today's gospel, Jesus commands us to love our enemies. How does your family follow Jesus' command to "bless those who curse you, and pray for those who mistreat you?" (Luke 6:28)

## I Smell Cinnamon Rolls Again!



Mark your calendars, another Parish Life's weekend of cinnamon rolls and hot chocolate is coming! March 1st & 2nd, after each Mass. We look forward to seeing you!

# Everyday Metanoia



Welcome to the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time. We began the three-part teaching on the Beatitudes last week and will conclude next week. So...what does this week's installment bring to us?

This week Jesus shares descriptive examples of what it means to accept the work of being one of his disciples. Even though there was a crowd of people surrounding Jesus, he spoke very plainly to the disciples so there could be no misunderstanding of his teaching; of his expectation.

In 2022, Pope Francis explored this same Gospel with his audience. His words, reflection and challenge could serve as a catalyst to make some changes on our journey of discipleship; that being to sweep away our ego, our attachment to the world and our lack of mercy; making needed room for love and charity.

“Indeed, the Beatitudes define the identity of the disciple of Jesus. They may sound strange, almost incomprehensible to those who are not disciples; whereas, if we ask ourselves what a disciple of Jesus is like, the answer is precisely the Beatitudes. ‘Blessed are you poor, for yours is the Kingdom of God’. Blessed are you poor. Jesus says two things to his people: that they are blessed and they are poor; indeed, that they are blessed because they are poor.

In what sense? In the sense that disciples of Jesus do not find their joy in money, power, or other material goods; but in the gifts, they receive every day from God: life, creation, brothers and sisters, and so on. These are gifts of life. They are content to share even the goods they possess because they live according to the logic of God. And what is the logic of God? Gratuitousness. The disciple has learned to live in gratuitousness. This poverty is also an attitude towards the meaning of life because Jesus' disciples do not think about possessing it, about already knowing everything, but rather they know they must learn every day. And this is poverty: the awareness of having to learn every day. The disciple of Jesus, since he or she has this attitude, is a humble, open person, far from prejudice and inflexibility... Instead, those who are too attached to their own ideas and their own securities, find it difficult to truly follow Jesus. They follow him a little, only in those things in which ‘I agree with him and he agrees with me’, but then, as far as the rest is concerned, it goes no further. And this is not a disciple. Perhaps they listen to him, but they do not follow him. And so, they fall into sadness. They become sad because the accounts do not add up because reality escapes their mentality and they find they are dissatisfied. Disciples, on the other hand, know how to question themselves, how to humbly seek God every day, and this allows them to delve into reality, grasping its richness and complexity. In other words, the disciple accepts the paradox of the Beatitudes: they declare that those who are poor, who lack many goods and recognize this, are blessed, that is, happy. Humanly speaking, we are inclined to think in another way: happy are those who are rich, with many goods, who receive plaudits and are the envy of many, who have all the certainties. But this is a worldly mindset, it is not the way of thinking of the Beatitudes! Jesus, on the contrary, declares worldly success to be a failure, since it is based on a selfishness that inflates and then leaves the heart empty. Faced with the paradox of the Beatitudes, disciples allow themselves to be challenged, aware that it is not God who must enter into our logic, but we into his. This requires a journey, sometimes wearisome, but always accompanied by joy. Because the disciple of Jesus is joyful, with the joy that comes from Jesus. Because, let us remember, the first word Jesus says is: blessed, *beati*, which gives us the name of the Beatitudes. This is the synonym of being disciples of Jesus. The Lord, by freeing us from the slavery of self-centeredness, breaks our locks, dissolves our hardness, and opens up to us true happiness, which is often found where we do not expect it to be. It is he who guides our life, not us, with our preconceptions and our demands. Disciples, in the end, are those who let themselves be led by Jesus, who open their hearts to Jesus, who listen to him and follow his path.”

Richard Rohr in his book, *Jesus' Alternative Plan: The Sermon on the Mount*, sums it up: “Jesus didn't want his community to have a social ethic, he wanted it to be a social ethic. Their very way of relating was to be an affront to the system of dominance and power; it was to name reality in a new way. They were to live in a new symbolic universe.” As we go through the next few weeks before Lent, let's look at ourselves, our families, our workplace, our world in a new way. Rather than asking what would Jesus do in this situation, let's start asking how would Jesus be love in this situation. Before our actions change, our attitudes and heart have to come first. Thoughts to take to pray.

See you at Mass!

Tracy Huk, Business Manager, [businessmgr@allsaintscr.com](mailto:businessmgr@allsaintscr.com)

## Upcoming Dates of Importance



- Nomination Weekend will be held at both Masses on March 1 and 2.
- Ash Wednesday is March 5 at 8:30 AM and 5:30 PM in the sanctuary.

## Lent is Just Around the Corner



Here are a few details regarding our upcoming Lenten activities:

- Ash Wednesday is March 5. Mass and ash distribution will be at 8:30 & 5:30 pm in the sanctuary.
- Begin contemplating your prayer, fasting and almsgiving plans: All Saints will have Stations of the Cross & Mass on Tuesday evenings during Lent beginning at 5:30 pm. with a soup supper to follow.

**More information coming soon!**

## Evening Eucharistic Adoration Held During Lent



During the Lenten season, we invite you to participate in Eucharistic Adoration. It will be held in the chapel from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on the following Monday evenings:

- Monday, March 10
- Monday, March 17
- Monday, March 24
- Monday, March 31
- Monday, April 14

Please join us as we spend this time in prayer and reflection. Please contact Peg Schmitz with any questions at [peg@schmitzia.com](mailto:peg@schmitzia.com).

## Stations of the Cross



Are you interested in participating more fully in the Liturgy this Lenten Season?

Stations of the Cross and Mass are offered on Tuesdays from March 11 through April 1. This requires 3 people to facilitate the Stations of the Cross. If you would like to participate in one of these roles, please contact Deacon Ed Martin. [deaconed@allsaintscr.com](mailto:deaconed@allsaintscr.com) 319-363-6130 ext 105

# Retirement Reception to Honor Fr. Jack



The All Saints Pastoral Council and the All Saints Finance Council will be hosting a reception to honor Fr. Jack after the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday, June 29 in the Social Hall. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. More information to come!

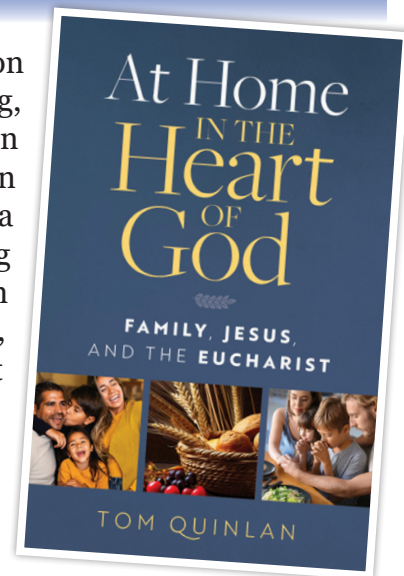


## Save the Date



Catholic author and speaker, Tom Quinlan will be our Lenten Mission guide for this year. Tom will be presenting Sunday - Tuesday evening, April 6 - 8, in the All Saints Social Hall. In his latest book, Tom Quinlan invites parents to consider how the love they have for their children reflects the love God has for each of us. This love is reflected in a particular way through the gift of the Eucharist. His book is inspiring and affirms the essential role of the parent in the faith formation

of their child. Tom is the author of several other books and will share stories, reflections and spiritual guidance from those to help us make this Lent one that truly changes our hearts and our lives. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us. Watch future bulletins and our social media for more information. This event is sponsored by the All Saints Faith Formation Commission: Lauri Talyat, Bea Rethwisch, Alissa Pfab, Cate Biro, Jen Colby, Lynn Holverson, Samantha Dolezal, Amy Mason, Alison Prentice, Stacy Cataldo, Bob Lillibridge and Tracy Huk.



As described by *Twenty-Third Publications*:

***“Tom Quinlan’s At Home in the Heart of God brims with warm, personal stories and incarnational insight. This booklet is a practical encouragement for parents who wish to connect their families’ spiritual life to the Eucharist, and a wealth of ideas for living out the Catholic faith as a family.”***

~ Most Rev. Robert Barron, Bishop of Winona-Rochester

***“It is my fervent prayer that these thoughtful reflections will both inspire and challenge you as parents. In these pages you will find great wisdom and joyful moments of Tom’s encounter with Jesus Christ, made possible by his wife and children.***

~ Bishop Frank Caggiano • Diocese of Bridgeport

***“What a wonderful little book! Quinlan’s insightful and practical reflections will speak to the heart of every parent. I made a bulk order for my parish.”***

~ Fr. James Mallon, pastor and author of Divine Renovation

In this practical and inspiring booklet, Tom Quinlan invites parents to consider how the love they have for their children reflects the love God has for each of us. This love is reflected in a particular way through the gift of the Eucharist. Parish and catechetical leaders will also find inspiration for affirming the essential role of the parent in the faith formation of their child.

# Service to Others

## Metro Catholic Outreach



### ***Do You Want To Go Paperless?***

— A Note From MCO Board Past President Mary Zogg

To be good stewards of your generous donations, with the cost of stamps at 73 cents per stamp and will be increasing in July 2025, please take the time to pick one of the following:

1. If you would rather receive a “Thank You!” email instead of a paper thank you, please email [thezoggs@yahoo.com](mailto:thezoggs@yahoo.com) and indicate that you would like to be put on the email list.
2. If you do not wish to receive a paper thank you nor an email thank you, please email [thezoggs@yahoo.com](mailto:thezoggs@yahoo.com) confirming this preference.
3. If you prefer to receive a paper thank you, please indicate this to the email listed above and please know we will send out a thank you either bi-annually or quarterly.

Thank you for your generosity and support in helping MCO serve those in need in our community.

Mary Zogg  
MCO Board Member

## Celebrating the Jubilee Year as Women of Hope



Catholic Daughters Court Cedar Rapids #1768 St. Therese, The Little Flower cordially invited you to our Spring Welcome Brunch.

**Date:** Saturday, March 8, 2025

**Time:** 9:30 - 11:00 am

**Location:** St. Pius X, Parish Hall - 4949 Council Street NE, Cedar Rapids

Join us for food, fellowship, a speaker, and door prizes including a chance to win a 1-year membership in Catholic Daughters of the Americas. NO RSVP needed. We look forward to seeing you!

Questions? Please contact Stephanie at (319) 540-7193.

Author Pat Martin is excited to join us and talk about being “An Accidental Tourist in the Czech Culture.” Pat Martin is a long-time member of All Saints Catholic Church and has been a member of the choir for 45 years.

## Nomination Weekend (March 1 & 2)



During both the March 1 and March 2 Masses, parishioners will be asked to nominate themselves or someone they know to the 3 open positions on the Faith Formation Commission and the 2 open positions on the Pastoral Council for 2025/2026. Nominees should be confirmed practicing Catholics who are passionate about their faith and have a strong desire to assist the parish in carrying out our Mission Statement: ***Love God-Serve Others-Form Disciples***. Please take this to prayer this week. Is God calling you?

# Save the Date



## Save the dates May 23rd - 25th! *National Eucharistic Pilgrimage in the Archdiocese*



During this extraordinary *Jubilee Year of Hope*, and picking up where the 10th National Eucharistic Congress left off, the 2025 National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will go through the Archdiocese from May 23rd to May 25th. Eight young adult Perpetual Pilgrims will accompany Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, starting in Indianapolis in mid-May and ending on the Feast of Corpus Christi in Los Angeles.

On Friday, May 23rd, we will receive the monstrance from the Diocese of Davenport and process it to the Cathedral to begin a Memorial Day weekend of special activities stretching across the Archdiocese. Save the date and stay tuned for more details on this important series of events!

## Catholic Charities Annual Fundraising Appeal: Pilgrims of Hope



**THANK YOU** to all parishes who helped kick off our 2025 annual fundraising campaign! We appreciate your time and efforts in helping spread Archbishop Zinkula's message of the sanctity of family, community, and the dignity of the human person. Thanks in large part to your efforts, our fundraising is off to a strong start. Please consider sharing our bulletin announcements and Facebook posts with your parishioners and visit our Annual Appeal website for more information. Please contact Jeff Schneider ([jeff.schneider@dbqarch](mailto:jeff.schneider@dbqarch)) or Megan Stammeyer ([m.stammeyer@dbqarch.org](mailto:m.stammeyer@dbqarch.org)) with any questions you may have. Thank you for providing help and creating hope for our most vulnerable neighbors in Northeast Iowa!

## Planned Giving - The All Saints Foundation



The Season of Lent will soon begin. We have been reading the Beatitudes from the Gospel of Luke as the gateway into this Season. We do not need fancy or complicated programs to guide us through Lent. What we need is a clear set of glasses to examine our lives, the courage to be honest, and a love of God which allows us to begin or grow a relationship with Him. Both the Gospel of Matthew and the Gospel of Luke share the same conclusions: a relationship with God should be built on the solid foundation of loving God before all things and loving our neighbor as we would want to be loved. When we leave this earth, the opportunity to love God and neighbor need not die with us. Through thoughtful and intentional estate planning, your love can continue to be a living force in this world for generations to come. One act of love builds upon the next and can be the source of hope, love and mercy of which our world is in much need.

If you would like to discuss how you can leave a financial gift of love and hope to All Saints Parish in your will, please contact Tracy Huk, Business Manager at 319-363-6130 ext. 111 or [businessmgr@allsaintscr.com](mailto:businessmgr@allsaintscr.com).

# Iowa Catholic Youth Conference (ICYC)



One Weekend; Two Big Events  
EPIC - Saturday, March 29, 6:00 - 9:00 PM

This is a great opportunity for your teens to meet others like them from all over eastern Iowa, hear a nationally-known musician (Connor Flanagan), and grow deeper in their faith. Cost will be \$25 per person and will include a pizza supper! This is a great event for youth groups, follow-up for recently Confirmed teens, or teens attending NCYC in November.

More information can be found [here](#).

## ICYC for Middle School Students



ICYC (middle school event) will take place on Sunday, March 30 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Registration is now open! Cost is \$50 per person until March 1.

For more information, or to register go to [dbqarch.org/icyc-ms](http://dbqarch.org/icyc-ms).

## Totus Tuus Missionary Opportunity



The Archdiocese is working to hire enough missionaries to serve the parishes who are requesting to have Totus Tuus 2025. If you know any college-age young people, particularly women from your parishes who would be great role models for younger Catholics, please encourage them to apply to serve as a Totus Tuus Missionary for Summer 2025! This is a paid position with training and most expenses provided during the summer.

Application information can be found at [dbqarch.org/Totus-Tuus](http://dbqarch.org/Totus-Tuus). Please contact Joanne Pohland ([j.pohland@dbqarch.org](mailto:j.pohland@dbqarch.org)) with any questions.

## 2025-2027 IMPACT Program for Catholic Adults



IMPACT is a two-year formation program for Catholic adults, which is coordinated by the Archdiocese of Dubuque. The next offering of the IMPACT program will be held at St. Mary Catholic Church in Vinton, starting in September of 2025. IMPACT provides the opportunity to grow in your faith by attending monthly sessions with dynamic presenters, reading spiritual books, engaging in discussions with other participants, and receiving guidance from a spiritual mentor. Through study, prayer, reflection, and conversation, participants are challenged to respond more fully to Jesus' call to mission—to IMPACT our world! To learn more and apply, visit [www.dbqarch.org/impact](http://www.dbqarch.org/impact).



## Mass Intentions

Tues. February 25 8:00 am  
† Father Recker

Wed. February 26 8:00 am  
† Jim Barry

Thurs. February 27 8:30 am  
† Tom Zobl

Fri. February 28 8:00 am  
† Sharon Warden

Sat. March 1 4:00 pm  
† Rosemary & Lawrence Schenden

Sun. March 2 9:00 am  
For the People

## Scripture Readings

Week of February 23, 2025

### Sunday:

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38 (81)

### Monday:

Sir 1:1-10/Mk 9:14-29 (341)

### Tuesday:

Sir 2:1-11/Mk 9:30-37 (342)

### Wednesday:

Sir 4:11-19/Mk 9:38-40 (343)

### Thursday:

Sir 5:1-8/Mk 9:41-50 (344)

### Friday:

Sir 6:5-17/Mk 10:1-12 (345)

### Saturday:

Sir 17:1-15/Mk 10:13-16 (346)

### Sunday:

Sir 27:4-7/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45 (84)

## Parish Life



Do you enjoy getting people together for fellowship and having fun as well? Parish Life Committee 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:missypeckosh@yahoo.com)).

ALL SAINTS NIGHTS: 2nd & 5th Tuesday, 3rd Monday

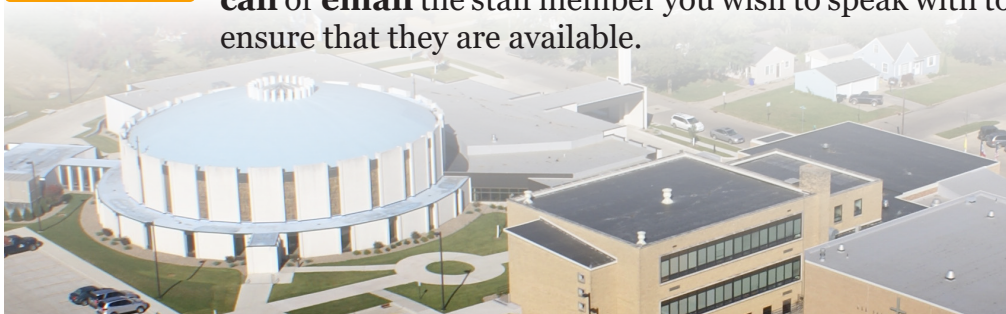
All volunteers in sixth grade and up are welcome. Sign up at: <https://signup.com/go/vJYiFPm>

## Parish Office Hours



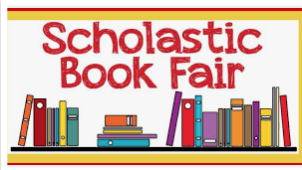
- Monday - Thursday - 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Friday - 8:00 am - 2:00 pm
- Saturday and Sunday - closed

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

## Some Notes from APT



We need volunteers to help us make the book fair happen. Please sign up [here](#) for a shift after school next week.



Sign up [here](#) to donate money or items for teacher conference meals next week.

The logo for AirFX Trampoline Park, featuring a silhouette of a person jumping on a trampoline.

**Spirit Night at AirFX**  
Join us Thursday, March 27, from 4-8 PM  
for a fun night with family and friends!  
All Saints gets 20% of admission profits.  
Everyone's invited!

## A Message from the All Saints Staff

Dear Families,

Winter weather has made a swift and abrupt return. I hope the students had an opportunity to enjoy some time outside during our snow day this week. Next week we will gear up for cold weather and likely indoor recess!

On Valentine's Day, we would like to share love and appreciation to our students, families, teachers, and staff. In a world filled with trying times, we remember to share love generously with those around us; to share a sense of belonging and community with those we spend our days with. Thank you for being a part of something special.

Sending love from our family to yours!

Your All Saints Teachers and Staff



[www.allsaints-crschool.org](http://www.allsaints-crschool.org)

## Ministry Schedule

February 22, 4:00 PM Saturday

### Sacristan

Jean Bell

### Extraordinary Ministers

Connie Deutmeyer  
Joan Fishburn  
Riley Hoover  
Kourtne Powell  
Mike Powell  
Daniel Prentice  
Marvin Stallman

### Altar Servers

Stella Lippe  
Lindsey Talyat  
Megan Talyat

### Lectors

Theresa Harker  
Lisa Stephenson

### Hospitality Ministers

Jen Colby  
Chris Colby  
Peg Schmitz  
Lauri Talyat  
Brian Talyat  
Theresa Werner

February 23, 9:00 AM Sunday

### Sacristan

John Michael

### Extraordinary Ministers

Tom Amosson  
Cate Biro  
Terry Goerd  
Mary Jo Goerd  
Bill Knapp  
Dianne Knapp  
Andrew Lang

### Altar Servers

Addison Johnson  
Henry Johnson  
Ava Szymanowski

### Lectors

Lynn Holverson  
Todd Holverson

### Hospitality Ministers

Maureen Dale Ernst  
John Ernst  
Nicole Johnson  
Tyler Martin  
Beth Martin  
Chris Shimon

# Ministry Schedule

March 1, 4:00 PM Saturday

## Sacristan

Peg Schmitz

## Extraordinary Ministers

Kathi Grainger

Riley Hoover

Suzanne Lammers

Gavin Miller

Ellen Mouw

Joan Murrin

Stephen Schmitz

## Altar Servers

Emma Colby

Emerson Eichhorn

Martin (MJ) Golobic

## Lectors

Theresa Harker

Kathy Ulrich

## Hospitality Ministers

Jen Colby

Chris Colby

Daniel Greene

Dick Kettelkamp

Barb Lindstrom

Mike Votroubek

March 2, 9:00 AM Sunday

## Sacristan

Sherry Casey

## Extraordinary Ministers

Brian Conway

Chris Conway

Larry Hunter

Ann Hunter

Gregory O'Connell

David Shema

Loesje Shema

## Altar Servers

Paige Ainsworth

Maeve Ainsworth

Charles Schmitt

## Lectors

Mick Erdman

JoAnn Hand

## Hospitality Ministers

Jason Ainsworth

Kim Ainsworth

Nicole Johnson

Chase Philpott

Tony Satariano

Diane Weimer

# Family Ministry

February 23, 2025 • 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Luke 6:27-38

## Jesus Tells Us to Love Our Enemies

*Jesus continues to speak to the crowd, giving them perhaps his most difficult teaching. He tells them to give to everyone who asks and expect nothing in return. He instructs his listeners to love everyone, and reminds them that even sinners love those who love them. "...Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you"(v.27).*

This is the bottom line of what it means to be a Christian—loving even those who don't love you. However, it's important to understand what love really is. For example, you can love someone and not like him. Loving and liking are two different things. Love is a bond, sometimes accompanied by a warm and glorious feeling of devotion, even passion. But much of the time, love is just a strong sense of connection. The test for real love is when that wonderful, warm feeling is absent and the connection remains.

This is the love Jesus is talking about—a loving bond that demands respect and tolerance. We are expected to recognize the connection that exists not just within our own families but also within the family of humankind, and to honor its demands. If someone chooses not to love us back, we do not allow her actions to dictate ours. We don't give others that power over us.

In your household when one brother smacks another, you don't persuade him to hit back. When one child is disrespectful of another's toys, you certainly don't encourage reciprocal action. All people are part of the family of humankind, and God, as a parent, offers the same advice you would give your children.

Teach your children by example. That's what God did. Jesus stood up for what he believed. He never cowered. But when things got too hot, he walked away, and usually found a quiet spot to pray and regroup. When he was ultimately overpowered and put to death, he still triumphed. That's the message of the Resurrection: The love God asks of us will always see us through. It is even more powerful than death.

## FAMILY RESPONSE

Ask family members to talk about someone they have trouble liking. Do not allow any belittling. Try to talk about the person in a respectful way. Finally, find at least two things that are nice about that person.

## PERSONAL RESPONSE

How do you usually treat people you do not like? How do you respond when someone is unkind to you? How would you like to respond?

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## Mt. Calvary Cemetery 2025 Spring Cleanup



A reminder that the Mt. Calvary Cemetery 2025 Spring Cleanup is coming up fast. This year the Spring Cleanup will be on Saturday, March 15th.

If you have wreaths or other holiday tributes on your loved one's graves at Mt. Calvary and you wish to keep them, please have them removed by Friday, March 14th. The cemetery will be completely cleared of all decorations starting Saturday morning, March 15th. After April 15th conforming spring/summer floral displays may be placed. If you have any questions or wish to volunteer for this Corporal Work of Mercy, please contact Mt. Calvary Cemetery at 319-362-4659 or by email at [crmt.cal@gmail.com](mailto:crmt.cal@gmail.com).

## Spreading Seeds of Hope to the World



Single women 19-45 years are invited to discern your vocation, March 7-8, 2025 in Dubuque, Iowa. Meet Sisters from different congregations and learn how to discern God's loving plan for you. Together we'll uncover how your gifts can inspire hope, healing and transformation in the world around you." Register at [www.dava.org](http://www.dava.org). For more information, contact Sr. Janet May, [mayj@osfdbq.org](mailto:mayj@osfdbq.org).

Other Religious Life Discernment Opportunities are available at [dbqarch.org/religious-life](http://dbqarch.org/religious-life)

## THANK YOU - THANK YOU - THANK YOU



Several weeks ago, Fr. Jack shared our concerning financial picture with the parish. Not only were we below the giving level for that same period of a year ago, but we were experiencing a negative cash flow as a result. It is with so much gratitude in our hearts, that we can now report that the giving level has increased since that announcement and we now have a positive cash flow. So many parishioners and friends responded to Fr. Jack's announcement. We are a blessed. Thank you for your generosity and your commitment to Love God-Serve Others-Form Disciples.

The All Saints Finance Council and the All Saints Pastoral Council



## Ministry Schedule

March 5, 5:30 PM Ash Wednesday

### Sacristan

Joan Fishburn

### Extraordinary Ministers

Terry Goerd

Mary Jo Goerd

Stephanie Guzman

Bill Knapp

Dianne Knapp

Andrew Lang

Marvin Stallman

### Altar Servers

Joseph Cataldo

Roman Kilburg

Cayden Suby

### Lectors

Stacy Cataldo

Lynn Holverson

### Hospitality Ministers

Nicole Johnson

Tyler Martin

Beth Martin

Tom Takes

Maureen Wolf

Dave Wolf



# The Gospel at Home

## This Week's Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

Jesus continues his teaching following the Beatitudes. He tells us to love our enemies, pray for those who hurt us, and give of ourselves to anyone who asks. We learn the great Golden Rule: Do to others as you would have them do to you. Offer a prayer of praise as we cannot hear these words often enough.

## Exploring the Gospel Message

**Seeds (Preschool):** This week, your child learned that Jesus simply wants us to love and forgive others. Ask your child how he or she shares, exercises, learns, pretends, helps, laughs, and plays with others. Share with your child your own ideas on how to do these things. Be sure to check out the “My Friends and Me” booklet that your child made in class this week.

**Promise (Grades K-1):** Jesus taught us to be kind. Your child learned about the Golden Rule to treat others as we want to be treated. Ask your child about times this week when he or she was kind to others. Share when you felt someone was kind to you. Accept your child's Kindness Coupons with love. Thank the Lord for your child, so they can hear your love for them.

**Good News (Grades 2-3):** Your child learned this week about Jesus' law of love, which means being kind to others and even loving your enemies. Ask your child why Brendan Groehl's story was a good one for this week's lesson on kindness. Talk about the class activity to make the four story problems better or worse.

**Venture (Grades 4-6):** Talk with your young person about where he or she sees injustice in the world. Ask your youngster why the story of Mother Mary Lange was a good one for this week's lesson on justice. Have a family discussion on why it is so contrary to society to love our enemies as Jesus taught. Pray for people who have hurt you or who oppress others in the world. Pray, too, that your family remains loving to everyone.

**Visions (Grades 7-8):** How were Medgar and Myrlie Evers able to learn not to hate people who hurt them? Your youngster read the sad story of Medgar Evers this week. Pray that people have learned from Medgar's sacrifice. Pray, too, that we can learn to love our enemies as Jesus taught. Discuss how peace begins with each of us, and how far that peace might go if we are successful. Play a round of the “Push, Pass, or Peace” game from this week's lesson.

**Awaken (Teens/Adults):** Discover a new level of spiritual growth for parents with *Awaken*, the new adult level of the *Pflaum Gospel Weeklies*, developed to deepen your faith journey alongside your children. Scan the QR code to learn more.



## Pray Together

Pray that you and your family can be instruments of peace in the world. Be sure to mention this idea during mealtime or other daily prayers. Pray for the Holy Spirit to give us the strength to be kind when others are not, and to seek forgiveness when we fail to do so.



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## JUBILEE 2025

Reconcile – Renew – Reawaken

### Jubilee Year 2025 Honors Armed Forces, Police, and Security Officials in February

By Cassie Bird

During each month of the Jubilee Year, the Church celebrates numerous groups of laypeople and religious. Armed forces, police, and security officials are being honored in February alongside artists and deacons.

The following article contains interviews with three members of law enforcement, both active and retired, who are parishioners in the Archdiocese of Dubuque.

#### Chief Deputy Jill Knipper Parish: Sts. Peter & Paul, Petersburg

Jill Knipper is Chief Deputy of the Delaware County Sheriff's Office, and has worked in law enforcement for 21 years. She is married with three children, and is a parishioner at Sts. Peter & Paul in Petersburg where she volunteers at various parish events and serves as a



Eucharistic Minister.

Jill first felt called to a career in law enforcement because of how it provides a wide variety of opportunities to keep her local community safe and happy where they work, live, and raise families.

She says that her Catholic faith has always been something that is at the center of her decision-making.

"I try to start each day with a positive outlook knowing that God will show up for me in many ways throughout the day, whether those ways be big or small," Jill reflects.

"I think my faith has helped me be more understanding and willing to give a chance to people who many think may not deserve that chance. My faith has guided me through tough situations and has been a driving force when there are things on my mind or situations that need my attention."

Weekly church attendance helps ground her in a world that can be ever-changing. Law enforcement is never the same career from day to day. It has her constantly thinking on her feet and adjusting to different situations that she may not have planned for, but knows that

she has trained for.

"Just as we are taught to fall back on the trainings and teachings of Jesus, we as law enforcement are taught the same - to fall back on our teachings and trainings."

Law enforcement is well supported and appreciated in her community, which is a two way street.

Jill speaks about how compassion, forgiveness and justice are three things that can be looked at differently by all people. Law enforcement is looked at differently by all people, and so they go hand in hand in her book.

"Law enforcement allows me to have and use compassion for others on a daily basis just based on the variety of populations I have an opportunity to work with in a day. The goal of law enforcement is to bring justice to the communities we serve and again that looks different for many, but seems simple when you look at the teaching we hear about in Mass weekly. I know that my faith has deepened and my relationship with God has changed in many ways since becoming a law enforcement officer, and I am sure this will continue to deepen and change as I continue my career."

**Corporal Travis Kramer**  
**Parish: Resurrection, Dubuque**

Corporal Travis Kramer is the Property and Evidence Coordinator for the Dubuque Police Department, with over 25 years of experience in law enforcement.



Travis is married with three children, and is a parishioner at Resurrection Parish. There he has served on a number of committees, co-chaired the parish festival, and served on the Pastoral Council.

Travis attended Loras College, where he graduated with a BA in International Business. During his senior year there, his best friend was a member of the Dubuque Auxiliary Police and invited him to also join. Travis ended up enjoying it, and decided to pursue a career in law enforcement after graduation.

His Catholic faith and the lessons about how to treat others often comes into play in his work.

“Law enforcement officers deal with people across the full spectrum of life, but often during times of tragedy and need. Being Catholic guides me to treat others with respect and compassion, serve those in need of assistance, and treat others equally, as Jesus taught us to,” he says.

During times of difficulty, Travis turns to a saint that he feels especially connected to - St. Michael the Archangel.

“I carry blessed Saint Michael medals with me at work, one in my pants pocket and another in front of the ballistic panels of my vest,” Travis explains.

“I pray to him and Jesus before and after every shift, thanking them for their protection of me and my fellow officers, and asking to help us be a light of Christ to others.”

The faith community, like a majority of the Dubuque community, has been supportive of Travis and the other members of local law enforcement. That support is shown through prayer intentions, kind words, and even treats

and cards written to officers from Wahlert Catholic High School students.

Catholic teachings have also helped him to deal with difficult situations on a routine basis.

“Working with victims and their families requires compassion, while treating offenders with fairness. Reading and learning about these situations is one thing, but by living them over and over I have developed a much deeper understanding of Catholic teachings about compassion, forgiveness, and justice.”

**Deacon Michael Klappholz**  
**Parish: All Saints, Cedar Rapids**

Deacon Mike Klappholz was a Cedar Rapids Police Officer for over 33 years, the last nine of which he served as Chief of Police before his retirement. He is married with two



children, and is a proud grandfather to four grandchildren. He is a longtime member of and deacon at All Saints Parish in Cedar Rapids, where he has served on archdiocesan committees and is currently the Chaplain for the Catholic Committee on Scouting.

His first memory of expressing interest in law enforcement was during his senior year of high school at his Eagle Scout Ceremony. There, the Cedar Rapids Police Chief at the time, George Matias, was the guest speaker.

After his freshman year of college, Deacon Mike enlisted in the Iowa Army National Guard and spent the summer at basic training. He decided to major in Criminal Justice, and after graduation joined the Cedar Rapids Police Department (CRPD) as a rookie and began his career in law enforcement.

At the time of his retirement, he was Police Chief of CRPD and a Colonel in the Iowa National Guard. The day before his retirement ceremony, he began Formation to become a deacon.

His Catholic faith has had a profound impact on his career, in addition to his life overall. Many of his friends and

interests came into his life due to his parish and his faith, not to mention his pastor’s guidance over the decades.

“From my first days as a Cedar Rapids Police Officer, All Saints has been with me on my journey. Upon my appointment as a rookie in the Police Academy, the parish newsletter had an article featuring another new officer and me,” he remembers. “Over the year, whenever someone or something was needed, many times the person stepping forward was from our Catholic faith.”

Deacon Mike also makes the connection between being a police officer and a deacon. “In both roles, we at times are called to assist others during difficult situations in people’s lives. This can certainly call for compassion, forgiveness, and justice.”

The lesson that Deacon Mike would give to someone who is considering a career in law enforcement is the same one that he would give to anyone contemplating their calling in life.

“As a retired police officer and chief, I have observed and witnessed officers perform heroic actions under very stressful and difficult circumstances, and at times, put their arm on someone’s shoulder and cry with them. It takes a special person to be a good police officer (the same goes for a priest and even a deacon). The challenge is determining what God is calling us to do and, more importantly, what to be. Only through prayer and reflection is knowing this possible.”



**For more information or to register, visit [www.ArchMensConference.org](http://www.ArchMensConference.org)**

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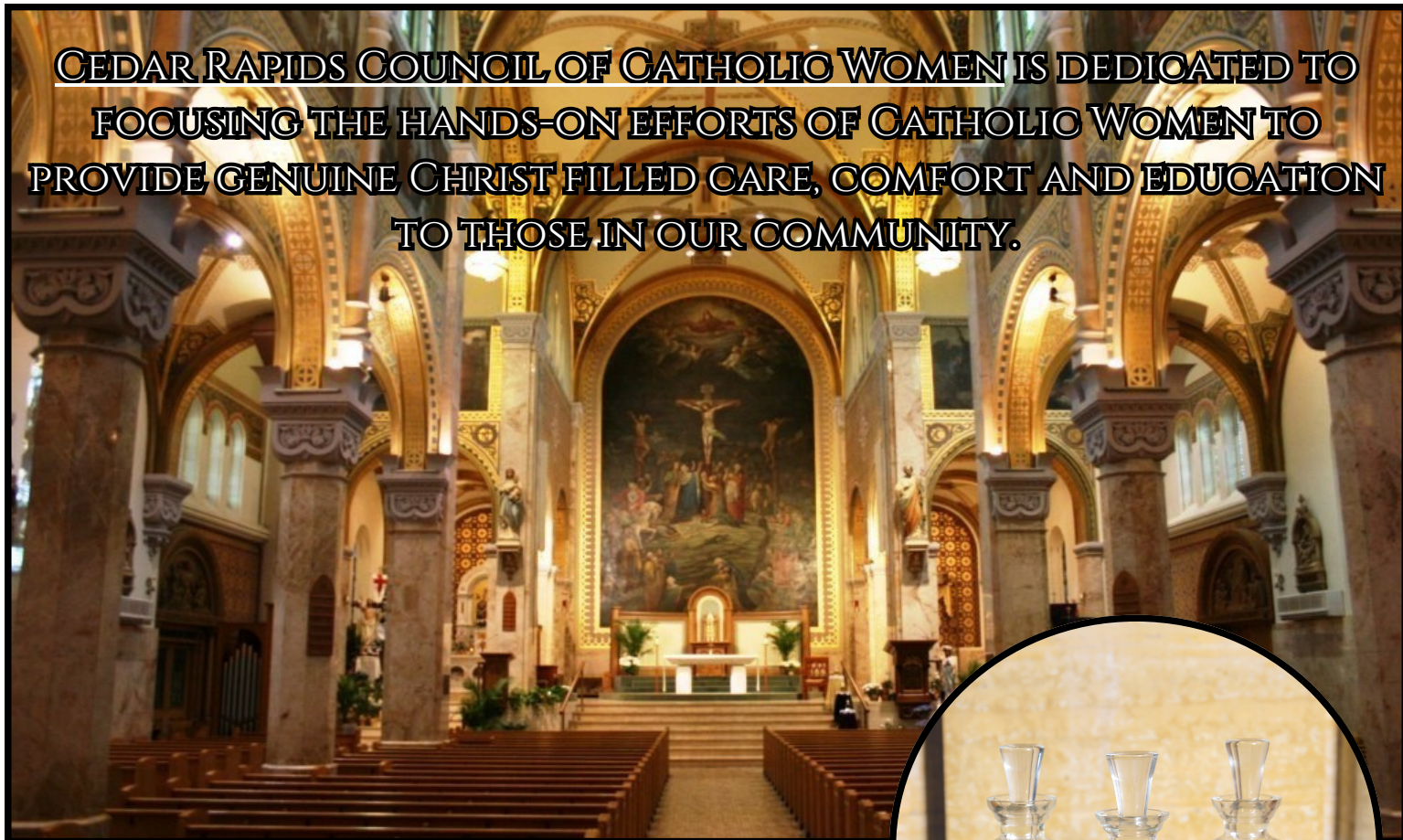
Totus Tuus calls upon college students and seminarians who are hired to share their energy, enthusiasm, love and witness of the faith, commitment to spiritual growth, ability to work as a team, and desire to work with youth.

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If you are interested in serving as a Totus Tuus Missionary for Summer 2025, and would like to learn more about the Totus Tuus program, please contact the Archdiocesan Totus Tuus Director, Joanne Pohland at **563-556-2580, ext. 255** or **[j.pohland@dbqarch.org](mailto:j.pohland@dbqarch.org)**.



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## **CHRISM MASS TRIP**

April 15th, time TBD

Cost: TBD

Join us for a trip to the Cathedral of Raphael in Dubuque to celebrate the Chrism Mass. The cost of the event will include bus fare and dinner at Timmerman's Supper Club.

**For Questions, contact Isabelle Miller at the [i.miller@dbqarch.org](mailto:i.miller@dbqarch.org) or call 319.363.8269**

\*RSVPs must be turned in by April 5th.

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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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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. ([fatherjack@allsaintscr.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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>.