

ALL SAINTS

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL



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**March 22 & March 23, 2025;
Third Sunday of Lent**

*"This is my
name forever;
thus am I to
be remembered
through all
generations."*

Exodus 3:15

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

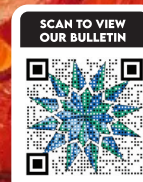
Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday	8:00 am
Tuesday	6:00 pm
Wednesday	8:00 am
Thursday	8:30 am
Friday	8:00 am



Repent, Stay Faithful, and Bear Fruit



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All Saints Catholic Church † 720 29th Street SE † Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52403 † (319) 363-6130

Please Pray for the Following People

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



Kim Witte and † Scott Bush.

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



We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have, or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous; we are called to develop and nurture our gifts as Stewards; and return them with increase. We are called to be generous with all of gifts; especially the one that means the most to you.

A Weekly Tip on Caring for Our Common Home



When driving long distances or not in stop-and-go traffic, use your vehicle's cruise control. You could increase your fuel mileage as much as 15 percent, which will reduce carbon emissions.

For the Married Couples



In today's gospel parable, the orchard owner gives the fig tree another chance to bear fruit. How are you encouraging your spouse to bear fruit and to grow in holiness? How might you provide the cultivation of mind and heart necessary for him/her to thrive?

Fellowship this Tuesday Evening!



Please join us this Tuesday morning, March 25 for Fellowship following Mass at 8:00 am.

Everyday Metanoia



Welcome to the Third Sunday of Lent. The parable of the fig tree in today's Gospel is about repentance. It is hard to believe, but next Sunday will already be the half way point in our Lenten journey. For three weeks now, God has been searching our hearts for repentance and love for Him and for our brothers and sisters. Is the fig tree of our life bearing fruit? If not, Jesus (the gardener in the parable) is inviting us to look deeply into our hearts and to fertilize it as needed through reconciliation, prayer, more frequent reception of the Eucharist, fasting from the destructive habits and patterns in our lives, and loving our brothers and sisters by taking care of them.

Pope Francis elaborates on this parable, highlighting that it is also calling us to action: "...it speaks to us of God's mercy and of our conversion. [In today's Gospel] the gardener expresses his dissatisfaction for the tree that did not bear fruit and asks for the gardener to eradicate it so that it won't exhaust the soil. The gardener asks the master to be patient and pleads for an extra year, during which he promises to cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it to stimulate the tree's productivity. The master represents God the Father and the gardener represents Jesus, while the fig tree is the symbol of an indifferent and arid humanity. Jesus intercedes with the Father on behalf of humanity and begs Him to wait and give humanity more time, so that in it may bear the fruits of love and justice. The fig tree represents a sterile existence, incapable of giving, of doing good: it is the symbol of a person who lives only for himself or herself, satiated and satisfied, happy with his or her own comfort, incapable of opening his or her eyes and heart to those brothers and sisters who live in suffering, poverty, discomfort. This attitude of selfishness and spiritual sterility is contrasted by the great love of the gardener for the fig tree: he has patience, he knows how to wait, and he devotes his time and his work to it. He promises his master he will take special care of that unhappy tree. This story tells of God's mercy, despite the sterility that sometimes marks our existence. God has patience and offers us the possibility of changing and making progress on the path to good. But this does not mean there is no urgency for conversion. The possibility of conversion is not unlimited. That's why it is necessary to seize it immediately; otherwise it may be lost forever. We can rely greatly on God's mercy, but we must not abuse it. We must not justify spiritual laziness, but increase our commitment to respond promptly to this mercy with sincerity of heart. The time of Lent [is when] the Lord invites us to conversion. Each of us must feel challenged by this call, correcting something in our lives, in our way of thinking, acting and living our relationships with our brothers and sisters. At the same time we must imitate the patience of God who has confidence in the ability of all to rise up and resume [our] journey. He does not extinguish the weak flame, but accompanies and cares for those who are weak so that they may strengthen themselves and bring their contribution of love to the community."

During Lent, the Confirmation students are using a resource called 40 Conversations with God. The conversation for today is one we might all benefit from: "Lazarus was lying at the rich man's doorstep. How could he not notice Lazarus right there? Wait. Who is at the door in my world, Jesus? Who is the person who is homeless in the park? The grandparent who is forgotten at the local nursing home? The family trying to get away from the war or terror in their home country? The person who is waiting to die on death row? The child who is starving? The exhausted essential worker? The student who is looked at with suspicion because of the color of their skin? The family member I misunderstood? The friend I haven't spoken to since middle school? Who do I need to notice today, Jesus? Don't let me pass by them. Show me what to do."

Yes, Jesus, please help us to see, and to hear, and to take action. We want our lives to bear fruit for you and for our brothers and sisters. Lord, we believe. Help us in our unbelief. Turn our selfishness into self-less love for others.

See you at Mass!

Tracy Huk, Business Manager, businessmgr@allsaintscr.com

Hold on to Hope



When you contribute to our sister parish, you help them hold on to hope for education.

Hold on to Hope

Notre Dame de Lourdes | 2025 Lenten Alms for Haiti



Part of the trainings includes small group work. In this photo the group is developing a list of school rules. These collaborations allow teachers from various schools to share ideas and get to know each other.



Teacher training in Ducrabon. One of our goals is to add hands-on learning activities to supplement rote (memorization and repetition) learning that is typical in rural schools. We emphasize learning IS fun! Check out the smiles in this photo.



One year the travel team made posters in appreciation of teachers. We followed up in our training encouraging them to display students' work as it brings pride and joy to the students and their families.

Please continue to support our sister parish with prayer and financial contributions.

Donate today! Visit allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/giving and choose "Haiti Lenten Alms" from the drop-down menu. You can also send a check to All Saints, with HAITI LENTEN ALMS in the memo line.

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ALL SAINTS PARISH *Mission* 2025

Preparing with Jesus this Lent...To Live in Easter Joy!

Each year we make the long journey through Lent. Lent is not the end but rather an important means to the final goal of Catholic life, achieved in Jesus' Resurrection. With the help of Scripture and story, let us reflect on the love and saving power of our God, which offers us and our children joy and fullness of life in Christ Jesus!

Join us for our mission speaker Tom Quinlan at All Saint Catholic Church 720 29th St SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52403.

- **Sunday, April 6.** Doors open at 4:30 presentation to begin at 5 pm for the parents of children. Taco bar available.
- **Monday, April 7 and Tuesday, April 8.** Doors open at 5:30, presentation to begin at 6 pm. Snacks will be served.

We welcome all that want to Live in Easter Joy.

Attention Married Couples



A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is like Springtime. It's a weekend of fresh air, the rebirth of romance and new beginnings. If you'd like to make your marriage even more special than it already is - call now. Contact Denise and Greg – 563-920-9419 or sign up at www.me.org. Upcoming dates: April 25-27 in Epworth, IA and September 12-14 in Dubuque, IA.

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](#).

Mercy Auxiliary Spring Bazaar



Mercy Auxiliary Presents: Mercy Auxiliary Spring Bazaar
Thursday, April 17, 2025, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Mercy Medical Center – Hallagan Education Center, 701 10th Street SE, Cedar Rapids. Mercy will presenting the annual Spring Bazaar. Not only will there be nearly 40 local vendors booths, but we will also be featuring Kroul Farms with spring plants and Iowa Nutty as well as spring items at the Mercy gift shops. This event is free and open to the public.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas - DATE CHANGE



Catholic Daughters [CDA] Court #1768 will meet MONDAY, APRIL 7th at ST. PIUS X PASTORS HALL. Doors open at 6:00 PM with refreshments at 6:15 PM. Speaker from ST. VINCENT de PAUL at 6:30 followed by our business meeting. Easter favors for Sisters of Mercy will be made at the end of the meeting.

DONATIONS COLLECTED THIS MONTH: Sponges, Manual Can Openers, Full-size Deodorant. Guests are welcome. Contacts: Roberta (319) 366-0999 or Stephanie (319) 540-7193.



Service to Others

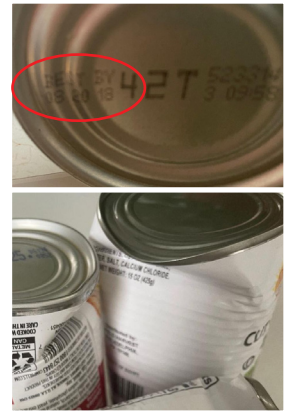
Metro Catholic Outreach



Please Check Those Expiration Dates

When cleaning out your pantries and cabinets, please remember that we can only include fresh, clean, unopened, and unused items in our food boxes. So much food is donated here each and every week that sadly must be discarded, creating more busy work for our already very busy volunteers.

If your eyes are good, you'll see the can in the photo is from 2018. The other cans pictured are damaged to the point of being unsafe to consume. Cans that are expired or dented cannot be given to our clients. Hygiene products that have been opened or partially used must also be discarded. Thank you ALL for your generosity to our neighbors in need!



All Saints Foundation



In today's Gospel Jesus talks about the care of a fig tree so that it bears great fruit. If we liken our assets to the fig tree, what kind of research and attention will it need during our lifetime in order to have an abundant harvest after our death? Jesus teaches us that regular attention and care is needed for all things if we want to achieve the best outcome. Regularly review your relationships, your assets and your wishes for whom those assets will benefit. 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.

Earth Day, 2025



The Parish Office staff will be spreading mulch around the trees and refreshing a few of the flower beds. We would appreciate the help of the parish through donations of bags of mulch. The color we use is the chocolate or brown wood mulch. A pallet will be placed over by the church garage door (west side of the church.) Our goal is to get 55 bags. Earth Day is April 22 so we will appreciate all donations by Sunday, April 20. If you have any questions, please contact Jeremy Lutz at bookkeeper@allsaintscr.com.



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 \$60 per person.

For more information, or to register go to dbqarch.org/icyc-ms.

Vocational Call to the Permanent Diaconate?



Permanent deacons are ordained ministers of the Church who, like bishops and priests, have received the Sacrament of Holy Orders. Deacons are called to be servants of God to His people. Just as Jesus said, “I come not to be served, but to serve,” (Matthew 20:28) so, too, a deacon is called to this fundamental mission of the Church.

The ministry of a permanent deacon is a threefold:

- † In the **Ministry of the Word** he participates as evangelizer and teacher.
- † In the **Ministry of the Liturgy** he participates in the celebration of the Eucharist and may preside over other liturgies.
- † In the **Ministry of Charity** he is the Church’s servant to the world around him, ministering to those in need and urging others to join him in outreach.

Applications for Class XXIII of the Permanent Diaconate for the Archdiocese of Dubuque are being accepted through the end of March 2025. If you are interested in the permanent diaconate and want more information about deacons, formation and the application process please contact:

Deacon Mike Klappholz at (319)-363-6130 ext 107 / email deaconmike@allsaintscr.com

Deacon Ed Martin at (319) 363-6130 ext 105 / email deaconed@allsaintscr.com

Deacon John Stierman at (800) 876-3546 ext. 252 / email DBQCPD@dbqarch.org



Official Appointments



The full list of new priest assignments is now available, and with it comes an opportunity to embrace new beginnings, and support our priests as they take on new opportunities and callings. Whether you will be

welcoming a new pastor, seeing a familiar face take on a different role, or simply staying informed, you can find all the details [HERE](#).

OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS

I wonder if my former associate pastor has a new parish...

Fr. announced he's been assigned to a parish 70 miles west!

How many other priests are going to a new parish?

These transitions are part of our shared journey, and as our priests step into their new roles, let's keep them in our prayers and extend the warm hospitality our communities are known for.

Join the All Saints Community for Lent



Join the All Saints community for Lent this March 25, and April 1st. Stations of the Cross begins at 5:30 during which reconciliation will be offered. Mass will follow each session with a soup supper in the social hall afterward.



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 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.

St. Patricks Fish Fry Dates



Every Friday during Lent from 5:00-7:30 pm. Call ahead, Dine-in, and Drive through. 2025 fish fry dates include: March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18. More information can be found at www.stpatrickscr.org/fish-fry

Communal Reconciliation Opportunities for Lent



- Wednesday, March 26 at St. Paul, Newhall beginning at 6:15 PM
- Sunday, March 30 at St. Mary, Urbana beginning at 3:00 PM
- Thursday, April 3 at St. Jude, Cedar Rapids beginning at 7:00 PM
- Saturday, April 5 at St. Ludmila, Cedar Rapids beginning at 10:30 AM

Reminder that confessions are heard every Saturday at All Saints from 3:00 - 3:45 PM



Mass Intentions

Tues. March 25 8:00 am
† Babies Lost Through Miscarriage

Tues. March 25 6:00 pm
For the People

Wed. March 26 8:00 am
† John Behounek

Thurs. March 27 8:30 am
Cunningham/Herman Families

Fri. March 28 8:00 am
† Dolores Reisinger

Sat. March 29 4:00 pm
† Bob & Mary Hook

Sun. March 29 9:00 am
For the People

Scripture Readings

Week of March 23, 2025

Sunday:

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9 (30)

Monday:

2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Lk 4:24-30 (237)

Tuesday:

Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38 (545)

Wednesday:

Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19 (239)

Thursday:

Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23 (240)

Friday:

Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34 (241)

Saturday:

Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14 (242)

Sunday:

Jos 5:9a, 10-12/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 (33)

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.

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).

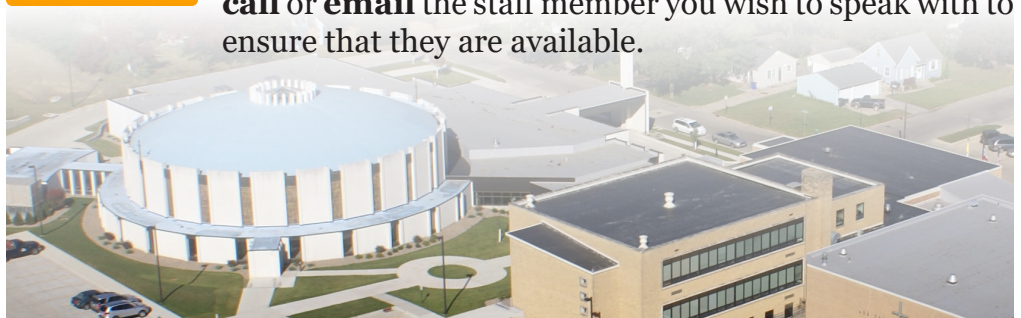
ALL SAINTS NIGHTS: 2nd & 5th Tuesday, 3rd Monday
All volunteers in sixth grade and up are welcome. Sign up at:
<https://signup.com/go/vJYiFPm>

Parish Office Hours



- Monday - Thursday - 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Friday - 8:00 am - 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

K-5 Weekly Spotlight

Our 4th and 5th graders recently wrapped up their biology units, exploring isopods, mealworms, darkling beetles, goldfish, and guppies while discussing variation and environmental factors. To build on their learning, we welcomed naturalists from Water Rocks!—a dynamic program from Iowa State University that brings high-energy, high-impact science lessons straight to the classroom!

During their visit, Bill and Matt led an engaging discussion and activities on biodiversity and ecosystem diversity. By the end of the lesson, an impressive 98% of our students could accurately define diversification! Our visitors even left with high praise, calling our students very intelligent!

A big thank you to Water Rocks! for an unforgettable learning experience!



www.allsaints-crschool.org

Ministry Schedule

March 22, 4:00 PM Saturday

Sacristan

Joan Fishburn

Extraordinary Ministers

Connie Deutmeyer

Riley Hoover

Andrew Lang

John Myers

Stephen Schmitz

Peg Schmitz

Marvin Stallman

Altar Servers

Alexandra Lang

Caleb Lang

Dylan Lang

Lectors

Stacy Cataldo

Joseph Cataldo

Hospitality Ministers

Elie AbouRaad

Sue Bright

Ryan Donnelly

Marcia Myers

Tom Takes

Theresa Werner

March 23, 9:00 AM Sunday

Sacristan

John Michael

Extraordinary Ministers

Tom Amosson

Terry Goerd

Mary Jo Goerd

Dennis Mullarkey

Gregory O'Connell

David Shema

Loesje Shema

Altar Servers

Rocco Schmidt

Hunter Schmidt

Cayden Suby

Lectors

JoAnn Hand

Kathy Ulrich

Hospitality Ministers

Maureen Dale Ernst

John Ernst

Tyler Martin

Beth Martin

Chase Philpott

Chris Shimon

Ministry Schedule

March 25, 5:30 PM Tuesday

Sacristan

Cynthia Gunsolly

Extraordinary Ministers

Stephanie Guzman

Peg Schmitz

Mary Takes

Altar Servers

Annemarie Jiacinto

Julien Jiacinto

Jackson Keller

Lectors

Joe Jiacinto

Hospitality Ministers

Jason Ainsworth

Bea Rethwisch

Diane Weimer



Family Ministry

March 23, 2025 • 3rd Sunday of Lent • Luke 13:1-9

Do It Sooner Rather than Later

Jesus speaks out against the idea that some people who were killed by Pilate and others who died in an accident in his time died because they were sinners. At the same time, he encourages people to repent in whatever ways they need to. He also tells a parable teaching that we don't have unlimited time to begin bearing good fruit. Like a fruit tree that will eventually be cut down if it doesn't bear fruit, we also must not keep putting off for later what we can do now.

These verses can sound a bit threatening: “repent or perish.” In fact, they come in the middle of several chapters in which Jesus is communicating a great urgency for his listeners to take action and begin doing the work of building the Kingdom of God. Several parables before and after today’s reading have the same theme. “You know what to do. I’m giving you a heads-up, so don’t wait. You never know how much time you have left to live so get started now before it’s too late.”

What is it Jesus wants us to do before we die? He has spent the first half of Luke’s Gospel telling us: feed the hungry, heal the sick, welcome the outcast and the stranger, love your neighbor as yourself, pray for what you need, celebrate goodness and beauty, etc. It’s so easy for us to be lulled into thinking we’ll always have more time, but anyone who has ever lost a loved one knows we are never promised tomorrow. God asks us to bear fruit now. Hug your children today when they go off to school and before they go to sleep (even if you’re frustrated with them!). Circle back to the difficult conversation with your partner that needs to be resolved rather than stewing about it for another day. Call your estranged relative, neighbor or friend today lest neither of you be around tomorrow to make amends then. Slow down and listen to the child or the lonely person who is desperate for your time and attention today rather than be productive in one more thing you won’t care about if you were to die tomorrow.

Jesus knows we can’t do everything we want to do in our limited waking hours. He also knows that just as trees need water, manure, and pruning to bear good fruit, we need our own versions of nourishment to keep doing good work. He’s not asking us to bring about God’s kingdom by ourselves. He’s just urging us to do what is ours now rather than discover in the future that we’ve missed our chance.

FAMILY RESPONSE

Brainstorm and decide together something you can do that shows you are bearing good fruit as a family.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Is there something that feels important that has been nagging at you that you feel God wants you to do? Make a plan to do it today.

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Join us for the WCI Potluck

Friday, April 4

5:30-7:30 pm

**St. Matthews, Kearn Hall
Cedar Rapids, IA**

**All are
welcome!**

**Please bring a
dish to share.**

**Plates and
utensils will be
provided.**



Father Loecke will lead us
in Stations of the Cross
and prayer.

*Stations of the cross to start at
5:30pm, with dinner to follow.*

This event is hosted by the Wojtyła
Community & Institute.

For more information or to join our
email list, contact

TheruleCR@gmail.com or visit our
Facebook page, Cedar Rapids WCI.

Disability Inclusion



March is *Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month*. The Archdiocese of Dubuque provides valuable educational resources and support to help parishes in assisting persons with disabilities in all aspects of parish life. If you are interested in serving people with greater needs in your parish, become a Parish Advocate for Disability Inclusion! Contact *Lynne Chapman* to learn more.

Ministry Schedule

March 29, 4:00 PM Saturday

Sacristan

Jean Bell

Extraordinary Ministers

Kathi Grainger

Gavin Miller

Ellen Mouw

Joan Murrin

Kourtne Powell

Mike Powell

Daniel Prentice

Altar Servers

Zachary Prentice

Lindsey Talyat

Megan Talyat

Lectors

Theresa Harker

Lisa Stephenson

Hospitality Ministers

Daniel Greene

Dick Kettelkamp

Barb Lindstrom

Lauri Talyat

Brian Talyat

Mike Votroubek

March 30, 9:00 AM Sunday

Sacristan

Sherry Casey

Extraordinary Ministers

Tom Amosson

Stephanie Guzman

Ann Hunter

Larry Hunter

Bill Knapp

Dianne Knapp

Dennis Mullarkey

Altar Servers

Kendra Beeler

Everly Felland

Adalyn LaMere

Lectors

Robin Brown

Tasha Tataira

Hospitality Ministers

Jeanne Amosson

Chase Philpott

Tony Satariano

Diane Weimer

Maureen Wolf

Dave Wolf

Ministry Schedule

April 1, 5:30 PM Tuesday

Sacristan

Joan Fishburn

Extraordinary Ministers

Maureen Dale Ernst

John Ernst

Sara Lang

Altar Servers

Joseph Cataldo

Charlie Hamilton

Ilyzza Shea

Lectors

Hospitality Ministers

Nicole Johnson

Tyler Martin

Bea Rethwisch



Xavier High School

6th Annual Mattress Fundraiser



@ the High School

Saturday, Apr. 5th, 2025, 10:00AM - 5:00PM

Savings on mattresses from top brands!

Twin Mattresses from \$199 | Full Mattresses from \$249
Queen Mattresses from \$299 | King Mattresses from \$499



Adjustable Bases



Mattresses



Protectors



Pillows

Benefits Xavier High School

- ✓ All sizes & firmness levels available
- ✓ 25+ styles on display
- ✓ Brand new with full factory warranties
- ✓ Adjustable bases available
- ✓ Mattress protectors, premium pillows & more!
- ✓ Home delivery available
- ✓ All forms of payment accepted
- ✓ Financing available

Xavier High School Mattress Fundraiser

FREE Sheets with Mattress

Credit goes to:



Saturday, Apr. 5th, 2025, 10:00AM - 5:00PM @ the High School | cfsbeds.com

Questions? Contact: tim.devoss@cfsbeds.com



St. Pius X

Grieving with Great HOPE



Six week Grief Support Workshop

This series offers ways to incorporate your Catholic faith and the church as tools to help walk through grief.

If you have lost a spouse, a child, a grandchild, a parent, another family member or a friend, you are encouraged to attend

Every Thursday at 6:30 pm
April 24- May 29
at St. Pius X
4949 Council Street,
Cedar Rapids

Register today at

www.crpriusx.org/bereavement



The Gospel at Home

This Week's Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

When people told Jesus about a group of Galileans killed by Pilate, he told the people that unless they repent, they will all likewise perish. To help them understand, he tells them a parable about giving a fig tree more time to grow fruit. If not, the tree would be cut down. Jesus teaches that God gives us every opportunity to grow closer to him.

Exploring the Gospel Message

Seeds (Preschool): The class this week learned that Jesus wants us to grow. Your child explored how plants and animals grow. Talk about how your child has grown already. Share a story from when you were young that will show how you grew up. How does your family help plants and pets grow around your home? Reflect on how we can grow closer to God.

Promise (Grades K-1): Ask your child to answer the question: What helps us grow? This week, the class also answered the question: Who gets a second chance? Your child can share the story about a first-grade teacher who brought her baby to meet her students. Take a walk around your neighborhood and make a note of all the things that are growing. Say a prayer of thanks for all the living things that grow around us.

Good News (Grades 2-3): Who gets a second chance? That was the question explored in the *Good News* class this week. Ask your child to share the story about brother and sister, Martin and Maria. Why did the animals ask for a second chance? Ask your child how God is like a gardener. If they need help look at the Gospel reading again. Be sure to talk about reconciliation and why it is so important. Talk as a family about how the Sacrament of Reconciliation works. Thank the Lord for giving us the sacrament and for granting us second chances.

Venture (Grades 4-6): Where is the land where Moses walked? Your youngster's class talked

about how God spoke to Moses in the desert. In the Gospel reading this week, Jesus explains in a parable that there is time to change. Discuss the parable with your youngster. Ask, too, why Sam was sorry and whether Brigida forgave Sam in this week's story. The class also studied the Lord's Prayer. Consider adding it to daily prayer times. Ask, too, what Saint Paul did during his lifetime.

Visions (Grades 7-9): The class considered six situations where someone may deserve a second chance. Ask how your youngster decided each of them. Talk about times when you've had a second chance, and how much that meant. Find out the name of the Superhero from a story in class. How does the Superhero save the day? Jesus wants us to turn our hearts to him. Discuss how we need to keep trying because he never gives up on us. What is the name of this kind of change of heart? Your youngster should know. Finally, ask what is the name of God that is shared with Moses. How does that make sense?

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

Lent is a great time to incorporate the Rosary into prayer time if you don't already do that. Start at the crucifix by making the Sign of the Cross. Pray the Apostle's Creed, then the Lord's Prayer first, then three Hail Marys on the next three beads. The fifth bead is the Glory Be to the Father. Then there are sets of ten beads with one in between each set. You recite one Lord's Prayer, ten Hail Marys, and one Glory Be. At the same time, recall one of the four sets of five mysteries from Jesus life. There are the Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful, and Glorious mysteries.



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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. (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>.