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December 13 & December 14, 2025;
Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)



*You too must
be patient. Make your
hearts firm, because the
coming of the Lord
is at hand.*

James 5:8

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday 8:00 am
Wednesday NO Daily Mass
Thursday 8:30 am
Friday 8:00 am



Joy Grows in the Waiting



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Please Pray for the Following People

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



Dawn Bembenek & Sarah Robbins

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



Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with. We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule; we like things to be convenient. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer God reveals to us what He wants us to do with the gifts He has given us. Stewards are able to better align ourselves with God's will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own.

For the Married Couples



"I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you" (Matt 11:10). Jesus reminds John the Baptist's disciples about the fruits of his ministry. How has the example you have shown in your marriage helped to "prepare" the people around you, in your family, parish, or community, for the coming of Jesus?

Christmas Collection Goal and End-of-the-Year Giving



As the calendar comes to a close, the Finance Council invites you to remember All Saints as end-of-the year and Christmas gifts are planned. The goal for our Christmas collection is \$70,000.00. All Saints depends on your generosity at Christmas to cover operational costs such as snow removal and the extra cost for heating and lighting during January, February and March. End-of-the year financial gifts will be accepted for 2025 through the Vigil Mass for Mary, Mother of God on December 31. Additionally, any gifts received via USPS with a postmark of December 31 or prior will be credited for 2025. Thank you for your generosity - Come Holy Spirit! If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to one of our Finance Council members or Tracy Huk, Parish Life Coordinator.

Everyday Metanoia



Welcome to the Third Sunday of Advent. Both Scripture and various reflection resources have been very active in my Advent preparations the past few days. God has put them all in conversation within my heart and mind in preparation for the coming of his Son, Jesus Christ.

This past Saturday at the Communal Reconciliation Service, Fr. Eric chose the reading of the prodigal son for the Gospel and his homily. The sins of the youngest Son are much greater than we can relate to living in the United States in the 21st century. In requesting his half of the estate, the younger son in essence, told his Father that he considered him to be dead. The father surely experienced a feeling of shame, not unlike we do, when a child or family member does or says something hurtful in public. When we focus on the act of reconciliation and forgiveness that concludes this parable, we concentrate on the words and actions of the father and not the two sons. God gave us the gift of free will and the father in the parable mirrors that generosity. When this story is put into conversation with our Advent bulletin board activity, we can ask ourselves some important questions, as asked in the reflection booklet, *In Time* by Claire Dwyer: Do you believe that God the Father, at the smallest sign of your openness to Him, would run to welcome you? What parts of your heart do you hold back with hesitation? Can you imagine yourself turning to Him, holding out your shameful places, and seeing Him rush to cover you in mercy?

Time is also a factor to consider in the parable of the prodigal son. The father waited many years for his son to return home, not knowing if he ever would. God, the Father, also waits patiently for us, never forcing our decision, but always at the ready to welcome us if and when we turn back to Him. Our New Testament reading from the Letter of James talks about patiently awaiting the return of our Lord. Living in an area that knows four distinct weather seasons makes it easier to understand the pattern of waiting described. Practicing this patience on a daily basis is what keeps our foundation in the Lord firm and gives us hope and encouragement even during the darkest of days.

The darkest of days and even the gray ones...why do we so quickly abandon our firm foundation and our presence with God when these happen? Why do we run to the land of the past or to the “what if” land of the future; turning away from the Lord and seeking our own egotistical counsel? Earlier in the Letter of James, he writes, “Be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deluding yourself.” In their book, *Tuning in to God’s Call*, authors Andrew Carl Wisdom, OP, DMin and Christine Kelly, ASCJ state, “The great tragedy in contemporary life is that we are content to be good people, when we are called to greatness. Each one of us, after all, is called to be a saint...Saints are not perfect people. They are imperfect people constantly cooperating with God’s grace in perfecting their minds, hearts, and souls for their love of God and neighbor...To be a saint is to be open and committed to God’s design instead of one’s own. It is to daily walk the paths God beckons us to travel rather than our own direction.”

That is one of the beauties of attending Mass faithfully. During the liturgical year, we rejoice with Mary as she says yes to God, we expectantly wait with Joseph and Mary for the birth of our Savior, we celebrate and learn with our Biblical brothers and sisters as they witness the healing power of God, we grasp an ever deeper understanding of the prophets and the kings, and we, too, turn our faces to Jerusalem, trusting in God despite all of the evidence to the contrary for the glorious resurrection of our Lord and Savior. Like a well worn hiking path, the more we walk the trail of faith and patiently trust in God when our path becomes blocked or turns in an unfamiliar way, the more we resist the voice of our own ego, tempting us to turn from God in times of trial.

Claire Dwyer adds another layer to our own sacred story in relation to God, our Father: “Our Father is not a distant God who set things in motion long ago and sits back, watching disinterestedly...he is as close as our hearts. God is also not a puppet master, controlling us on thin strings of fate. He created us to be free, to make our own choices - to choose Him.”

We are entering the third week of Advent. God is patiently waiting. What can we clean out of our hearts to make room for the baby Jesus? What can we let go of and give to God and receive His glorious embrace, welcoming us back? How can we see our own story as an important and valued part of God’s sacred story?

Come Holy Spirit!

Praying with you always, Tracy Huk, Parish Life Coordinator

Young at Heart



Come join All Saints' Church members for the Young at Heart Luncheon on Wednesday, December 17 at 11:45 am in the Social Hall. This month from Noon until 12:15 the students from All Saints will share some of the songs that they sang for their concert. Come and join us for a Meal and Fellowship! All Saints members over 50 are welcome each month. There is no cost for lunch. Remember if school is cancelled, the YAH luncheon will also be cancelled.

Mass Intention Stipends



Archbishop Zinkula has issued a decree that beginning with all Mass stipends accepted on January 1, 2026 or after, the customary offering will go from \$5.00 per Mass to \$10.00 per Mass. All Mass stipends accepted prior to January 1, 2026 will still be honored at the \$5.00 offering. If you have any questions or concerns, please call or email Dan Alpers, Office Manager at 319-363-6130 ext 100 or officemgr@allsaintscr.com.

Adoration During Advent



This year, we will once again offer Adoration on Monday evenings during Advent, combining it with the Advent Stations.

****Advent Stations**** will begin at 5:30 p.m. in the Social Hall.

****Adoration**** will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel and conclude at 6:30 p.m.

We invite you to sign up for a volunteer position for Adoration using the following link: <https://signup.com/go/FgWeKJS>.

To sign up:

1. Click the link above.
2. Review the available options and select the spot(s) you prefer.
3. Sign up! You do not need to register an account or manage a password on SignUp.

*Note: SignUp does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me directly at peg@schmitzia.com or 319-329-0155, and I will sign you up manually.

Thank you, Peg Schmitz



Service to Others

Metro Catholic Outreach



Our Most Urgent Weekly Needs

Pantry Needs: Helper Meals & Rice
Homeless Supplies: Bus Passes & Underwear
Personal Care: Soap & Shampoo

Christmas Eve Mass



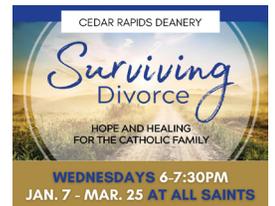
REMINDER: At 9:00 am last Tuesday, we began taking reservations for 4:00 Christmas Eve Mass. By the time you read this, it's likely that reservations are filling up very fast. If you haven't yet reserved your seats, please visit allsaintscr.com and click the beautiful red/green button. As always, you're welcome to join us for 6:00 Mass (reservations NOT necessary) or Christmas morning at 9:00 am.

Divorce Ministry



Surviving Divorce is a facilitated, small-group Catholic conversation that is endorsed and promoted by the Archdiocese of Dubuque. The sessions are a 12-week process and are led by trained facilitators using the program: *Surviving Divorce*, published by Ascension. The local team for *Surviving Divorce* has planned the Winter session: The sessions will run on Wednesday evenings, January 7th to March 25th 2026, from 6-7:30pm at All Saints.

This is our thirty-second session in the Cedar Rapids metro area since beginning in the winter of 2009. We have trained staff members who function as the directors of the program from each parish in our Deanery. All session facilitators are parishioners who have personally experienced divorce and are trained through our Archdiocese.



Giving Tree Thank You



This is a very small portion of the gifts that you so generously provided for both individuals and families who do not have the means to purchase Christmas gifts. Several of the agencies that All Saints assists through your generosity to the Loaves and Fish fund also benefited. I know that many of you gave not from your excess, but truly made this a part of your sacrificial giving. Thank you for sharing your love and care for those who have less. God is good - all the time. And all the time - God is good!



Mass Intentions

Tues. Dec. 16	8:00 am
†	Alicia Schmitz
Thurs. Dec. 19	8:30 am
	Damien Lappe
Fri. Dec. 20	8:00 am
	The Wurzer Family
Sat. Dec. 21	4:00 pm
†	Bob & Mary Hook
Sun. Dec. 22	9:00 am
	For the People

Scripture Readings

Week of December 14, 2025

Sunday:

Is 35:1-6a, 10/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11 (7)

Monday:

Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Mt 21:23-27 (187)

Tuesday:

Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Mt 21:28-32 (188)

Wednesday:

Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17 (193)

Thursday:

Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25 (194)

Friday:

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Lk 1:5-25 (195)

Saturday:

Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38 (196)

Sunday:

Is 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24 (10)

Metro Catholic Outreach

Calling All Volunteers



Can you give a couple of hours once or twice per month to help those with food insecurity right here in our city?

Our volunteer shifts only last about two hours, morning or afternoon, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays.

Our pantry volunteers organize incoming donations, check expiration dates, stock shelves, bag up snacks, toiletries, produce, and pack the food boxes.

Our distribution volunteers add the fresh items to the food boxes on the dock, greet our clients as they arrive to pick up their groceries, and help load the cars.

Our volunteers in the office answer the door and phones, schedule clients for their food pick-ups, assemble and distribute the homeless bags, organize clothing donations and other supplies.

We are in need of more volunteers, in the pantry, the distribution dock, and in the office. We promise you will never be bored!

Contact us if you would like a tour and maybe try out a shift to see if it is a cause you would enjoy. You won't regret giving your time to help families in need! 319-739-5490.

All Saints Nights at Green Square Meals



All Saints helps serve dinner at Green Square Meals twice each month on the 2nd Tuesday and 3rd Monday. All volunteers in sixth grade and older are welcome. Use the sign-up link below or contact Bea Rethwisch (319-651-4831 or pbr8675@msn.com).

Sign up at: <https://signup.com/go/vJYiFPm>

Parish Office Hours



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

Our Upcoming Holiday Schedule

- December 23-12:15 Early Dismissal for Christmas Break
- January 5-School Resumes

A Note from Principal Starr

(From December 5 Bruin Bulletin)

As we conclude the first week of Advent, we are reminded of the joy in preparing for Christmas. The children are eagerly preparing for the Christmas concert, which will be next Tuesday evening. We look forward to seeing all of our families filling the gym.

As a reminder, 'tis the season for cold recess! Please send students to school with hats, gloves, snow pants, and boots each day. It works well to have a separate bag to put these items in to bring home at the end of the day. If you are in need of any of these items, please email me at kelly.starr@crxcs.org.

As we move into week two of Advent, I invite all of us to slow down and refocus on bringing PEACE into our homes. Family dinners, board games on the weekend, or a book at night are just a few ways we can take a moment to reconnect and focus on PEACE within our homes.

Wishing everyone a blessed start to their Advent season.

In Faith,
Ms. Starr

Our Preschool Christmas Program



www.allsaints-crschool.org

Ministry Schedule

December 13, 4:00 PM Saturday

Sacristan

Mary Pat Wilkinson

Extraordinary Ministers

Connie Deutmeyer

Joan Fishburn

Sara Lang

Ellen Mouw

John Myers

Stephen Schmitz

Marvin Stallman

Altar Servers

Dylan Lang

Alexandra Lang

Caleb Lang

Lectors

Joan Murrin

Becky Weininger

Hospitality Ministers

Elie AbouRaad

Ryan Donnelly

Daniel Greene

Dick Kettelkamp

Barb Lindstrom

Mike Votroubek

December 14, 9:00 AM Sunday

Sacristan

John Michael

Extraordinary Ministers

Tom Amosson

Sherry Casey

Stephanie Guzman

Bob Helgens

Wade Johnson

Mike Klappholz

Gregory O'Connell

Altar Servers

Willa English

Charlie Hamilton

Stella Lippe

Lectors

Mary Beth Helgens

Chase Philpott

Hospitality Ministers

Jason Ainsworth

Kim Ainsworth

Tony Satariano

Diane Weimer

Maureen Wolf

Dave Wolf

Ministry Schedule

December 20, 4:00 PM Saturday

Sacristan

Joan Fishburn

Extraordinary Ministers

Jean Bell

Sara Lang

Ellen Mouw

Mike Powell

Kourtne Powell

Marvin Stallman

Becky Weininger

Altar Servers

Bo Dittmar

Jackson Keller

Tucker McGee

Lectors

Theresa Harker

Lisa Stephenson

Hospitality Ministers

Sue Bright

Ryan Donnelly

Dick Kettelkamp

Marcia Myers

Peg Schmitz

Mike Votroubek

December 21, 9:00 AM Sunday

Sacristan

Cate Biro

Extraordinary Ministers

Joseph Cataldo

Mike Klappholz

Stephanie Klappholz

Bill Knapp

Dianne Knapp

John Michael

Dennis Mullarkey

Altar Servers

Paige Ainsworth

Kennedy Blue

Lucy Klappholz

Lectors

Chris Conway

Brian Conway

Hospitality Ministers

Jason Ainsworth

Kim Ainsworth

Tyler Martin

Beth Martin

Pete Rethwisch

Bea Rethwisch

Family Ministry

December 14, 2025 • 3rd Sunday of Advent • Matthew 11:2–11

Are You the One?

John the Baptist sends his messengers to ask Jesus if he is the promised Messiah. Jesus answers by telling him how he has fulfilled the words of Isaiah regarding the Messiah. He has healed the lame and given sight to the blind. Jesus does not say directly that he is the Messiah, but he answered John's question.

The Jews believe that the Messiah was the anointed one, the promised king of a new Israel. Jesus answers John's questions by talking about his relationship to the people he encounters. He lets John know that he fulfills Isaiah's messianic prophecies, but his kingdom is of a different sort. He is a healer, a reconciler. He brings good news to the poor.

The kingdom in which Jesus rules as the anointed one is not a set place or a particular country. The kingdom of God is wherever God's rule of love reigns. It is where greed and prejudice, self-absorption and pettiness are not welcomed. Some find the kingdom in fleeting moments of quiet peace, others in the joyful celebration of life. For too many suffering people, the kingdom is a distant dream. However, one thing is certain; we know the kingdom can be found almost anywhere. Wherever there is healing or reconciliation, wherever the good news is proclaimed in word or action, we will find the kingdom of God. It can be shared around the kitchen table when we really listen to what each person has to say. It can be found as we bandage the scraped knee of a child and listen to the story of how she hurt herself.

The kingdom of God is not just in some far-off heaven or afterlife. It is also found in the present, in the here and now. We are called to be kingdom builders—to create a safe environment for our children where they can feel loved and valued and where they can learn to love and value others.

FAMILY RESPONSE

Ask family members to talk about a person who makes them feel good about themselves. Send a note or phone the person to let him or her know he or she is appreciated.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

When and how have you experienced the kingdom of God? 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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2025 Holiday Scrip Schedule



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To pick up your order on:	Place your online order before:	Drop off your paper order form before:
Nov 14	Nov 10	Nov 10
Nov 21	Nov 17	Nov 17
Dec 5	Dec 1	Dec 1
Dec 12	Dec 8	Dec 8
Dec 19	Dec 15	Dec 15
Jan 9	Jan 5	Jan 5

The All Saints Scrip Office will be closed [REDACTED] Dec 19-Jan 4.

Online orders are available while the Scrip Office is closed. Dropoff orders, "Pay Coordinator" and "Ship to Coordinator" items will be delayed until the office reopens.

Contact Lori at scrip@allsaintscr.com / 319.535.3570 or scan the code to visit scrip.allsaintscr.com for more details.



❄️ *Thank-you for supporting All Saints!* ❄️

Save the Date - Beauty in Christ



Start the New Year off right! Join All Saints to virtually attend the 2026 Archdiocesan Women's Conference, Beauty in Christ: Grace for the Journey on Saturday, January 31, 2026, 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM at the All Saints Social Hall. Inspirational speaker and singer/songwriter Kitty Cleveland and Kelsey Kaiser, authentically joyful wife and mother from Bellevue, IA will help



us begin the new year by sharing their stories of how the Lord has filled them with "Grace for the Journey"! Their witness will captivate our hearts and lead to conversation, praise, and thanksgiving. Check out the website for more information about the speakers, invite your sisters and friends, and be ready to receive His grace! For more information about the speakers go to: <https://www.archwomensconference.org/>.

We will have breakfast, lunch, prizes and great conversation!

Registration Link: <https://allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3317296>

Some Musical Selections for Your Consideration



The Spirit of Advent: from Darkness into Light

Beethoven's Fifth Symphony's connection to Advent is primarily through its premiere date, December 22, 1808, during the Christmas season in Vienna, a legendary, frigid, four-hour concert that also debuted his Sixth Symphony and Choral Fantasy, becoming an iconic winter event; while not a traditional Advent piece, it has themes of struggle and triumph.

Advent itself represents a journey through darkness toward the light and promise of redemption.

This symphony embodies a powerful narrative arc that parallels this journey from darkness to light. Its structure is famous for moving from the minor key of C minor (often associated with struggle and pathos) to the triumphant C major.

1. Struggle and Inevitability (Movements I & II)

The iconic opening motif ("fate knocking at the door") immediately establishes a mood of conflict and struggle. The first two movements are characterized by tension, uncertainty, and a sense of powerful, relentless forces at play. This mirrors the spiritual wrestling and patient endurance that characterizes the start of Advent.

2. Transition and Building Tension (Movement III)

The third movement (Scherzo) acts as a bridge, building immense tension and mystery. It is a hesitant, uncertain passage that prepares the listener for a dramatic shift. The transition to the final movement, with its hushed timpani roll and gradual crescendo, is one of music's great moments of anticipation and profound longing.

3. Triumphant Fulfillment (Movement IV)

The transition breaks spectacularly into the Finale, which bursts forth in a glorious, powerful C major. This movement is pure exuberant triumph, victory, and resolute joy. It is the musical fulfillment of all the tension and struggle that preceded it, symbolizing the arrival of light overcoming darkness.

There are several fine recordings available, including those on YouTube. Perhaps you will find something new and interesting this season via an unintended consequence, such as a new listening or first listening of Beethoven's magical, mysterious, and momentous Fifth Symphony.

Christmas Caroling



Please join us as we enjoy time together as a community singing Christmas carols and enjoying Christmas cookies in the Narthex after Mass on Saturday, December 20 and Sunday, December 21. Everyone is welcome!

Mass Times: Saturday, December 20 - 4:00 pm & Sunday, December 21 - 9:00 am



BECOME A VOLUNTEER

VOLUNTEERS ARE THE HEART OF HOSPICE CARE AT SUNCREST

Suncrest Hospice is looking for volunteers to join the Suncrest Team as we provide excellent care and support to our hospice patients and their families in their homes!

Make a Difference

As a Volunteer, you can
choose between many
opportunities:

- The gift of companionship
- Caregive Respite
- Bereavement Support
- Assist office staff with administrative task

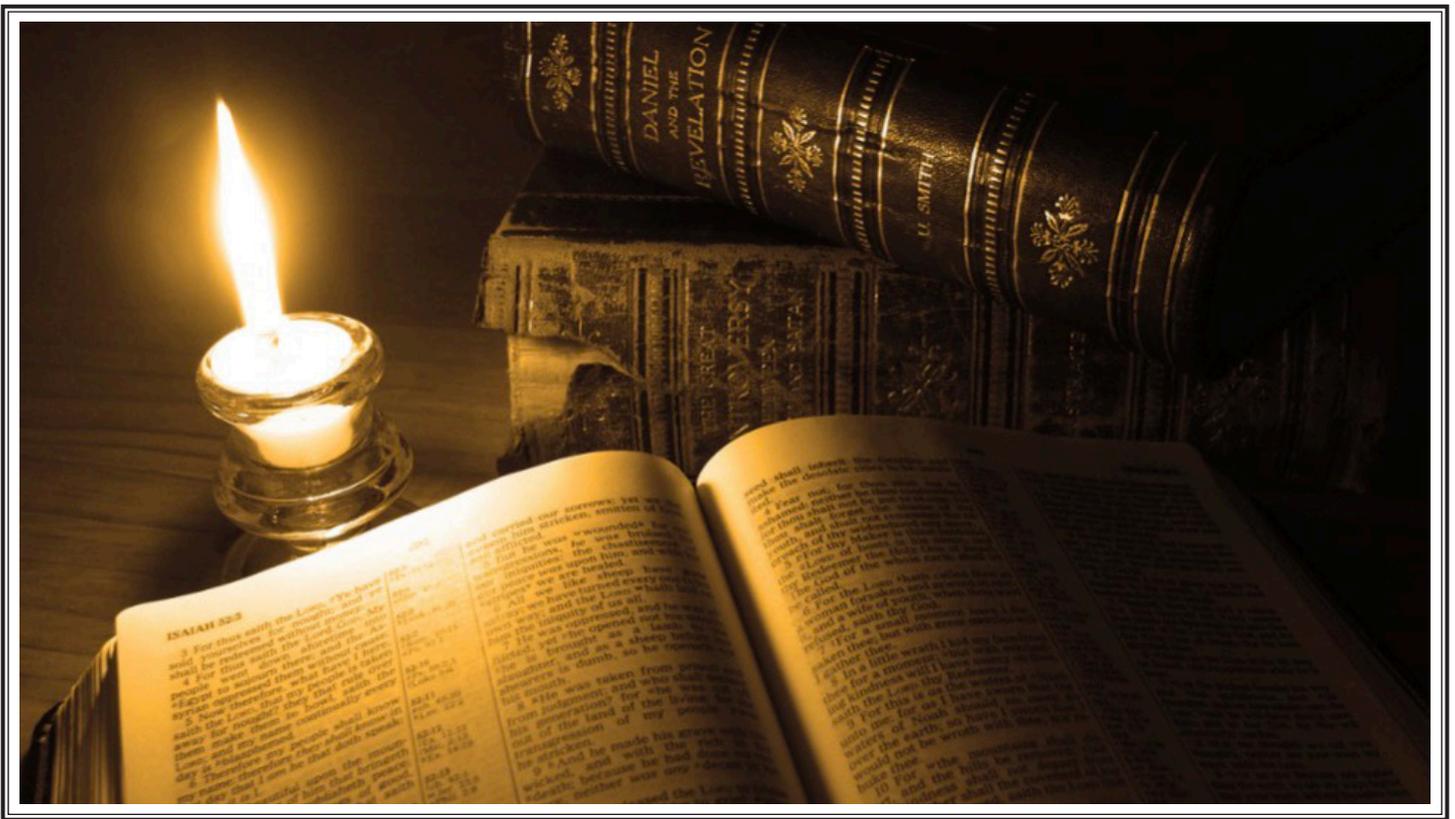
It only takes a few hours a month to make a difference in the lives of others! Give back, gain experience, and truly make a difference.

April Adair
aadair@suncrestcare.com
319-451-6300



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

If you are at least 16 years old and available to provide at least a few hours a month of volunteer time, please contact Suncrest for an application.



THE BIBLE MADE ME DO IT!!!



The one scripture verse that changed everything...

God used one date with a Christian girl and just one scripture verse to change his life forever. Ray's newfound love of scripture and persistent 40 year search for truth lead him ultimately to embrace the Catholic faith.

Where: St. John XXIII Catholic Church
8100 Roncalli Dr SW, Cedar Rapids, IA

When: Monday, December 15, 2025

Time: 6:30 - 8:00 PM

A light meal will be served. Childcare is not available. There is no charge and all are welcome. Please scan QR code for live stream.

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Catholic Evangelization Outreach

The Gospel at Home

This Week's Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

In Advent, we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus, who is truly human and truly God. Healing actions prophesied by Isaiah—making the blind see, the deaf hear, and the lame leap, as well as preaching the Good News to the poor—all tell John the Baptist who Jesus is. Jesus' loving actions continued to be completed by his followers today. Jesus calls us to be just and loving as he is, especially by helping people unable to help themselves. All the readings for this Sunday recall the themes of reconciliation and wholeness.

Exploring the Gospel Message

Seeds (Preschool): This week the class learned to tell the Christmas story. They learned about Mary and Joseph's long trip to Bethlehem. Be sure to ask what they know about the people in the story. Ask your child to show you what he or she drew on the Christmas tree ornament in this week's lesson. Don't forget to paste a new flaming candle on your child's little Advent wreath.

Promise (Grades K-1): Your child's class discussed Mary and Joseph's long journey to Bethlehem. Ask them to tell your family about the different characters in the story. The class also learned about the Good News Jesus shares with us, and how he brings happiness and joy. Invite your child to tell you about Jesus helping the blind, the sick, and the poor. Talk together about who helps your family and the ways your family helps others.

Good News (Grades 2-3): The class studied more of Isaiah's words that showed just what Good News Jesus brings to the world. Ask your child to tell you the story of Juan Diego, the beautiful lady, and the December roses. The image of the Blessed Mother on Juan Diego's cloak is a reminder that Mary is a mother for all of us. Finally, the last page of this week's lesson features a little song from the Magnificat, the great prayer of praise from Mary. Ask your child what his or her favorite song about Jesus is. He or she can also explain who the Messiah is.

Venture (Grades 4-6): Your youngster's class learned about the Advent tradition of the Jesse Tree. Consider having a Jesse Tree in your home. Let your young person head up the project. Talk about the Gospel story of John the Baptist's disciples who came to ask Jesus if he was the One. Discuss the answer Jesus gave to the disciples. What good things did Jesus say about John the Baptist? Finally, let your youngster make suggestions for activities the family can do together to prepare for Christmas. He or she can use the Week 3 Calendar, on page 5, for ideas.

Visions (Grades 7-9): Your young person's class read the story, "A Different Kind of Success." Ask your youngster what the Minnesota robotics team in the story experienced at Christmas. Discuss what it means to say that Jesus must increase while we must decrease. The class also learned about Second Isaiah's hope for a peaceable world. Share ideas of how your family can be peacemakers in your home, Church, community, and world.

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

As you say your Advent wreath prayer this week, include prayers for all the areas of the world where there is a need for peace. Family members can mention a need, and the whole family can respond: "Lord, make us all instruments of your peace."



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For a complete listing of Xavier Catholic Schools, go to <https://crxcs.org>



Sacrament Information

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3:15 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): To schedule classes, contact Bob Lillibridge, Director of Formation, for more information (adultformation@allsaintscr.com).

Confirmation: Classes have begun. For more information, contact Alisa Pfab (alisapfab@hotmail.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: Wednesdays, 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM in the Chapel.

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 submit prayer intentions any time at: allsaintscr.com/prayer.