

ALL SAINTS

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL



Love God • Serve Others • Form Disciples



**February 28 & March 1, 2026;
2nd Sunday of Lent**

*Go forth from
the land of your
kinsfolk and from
your father's house
to a land that
I will show
you.*

Genesis 12:1

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

Light of the Mountain

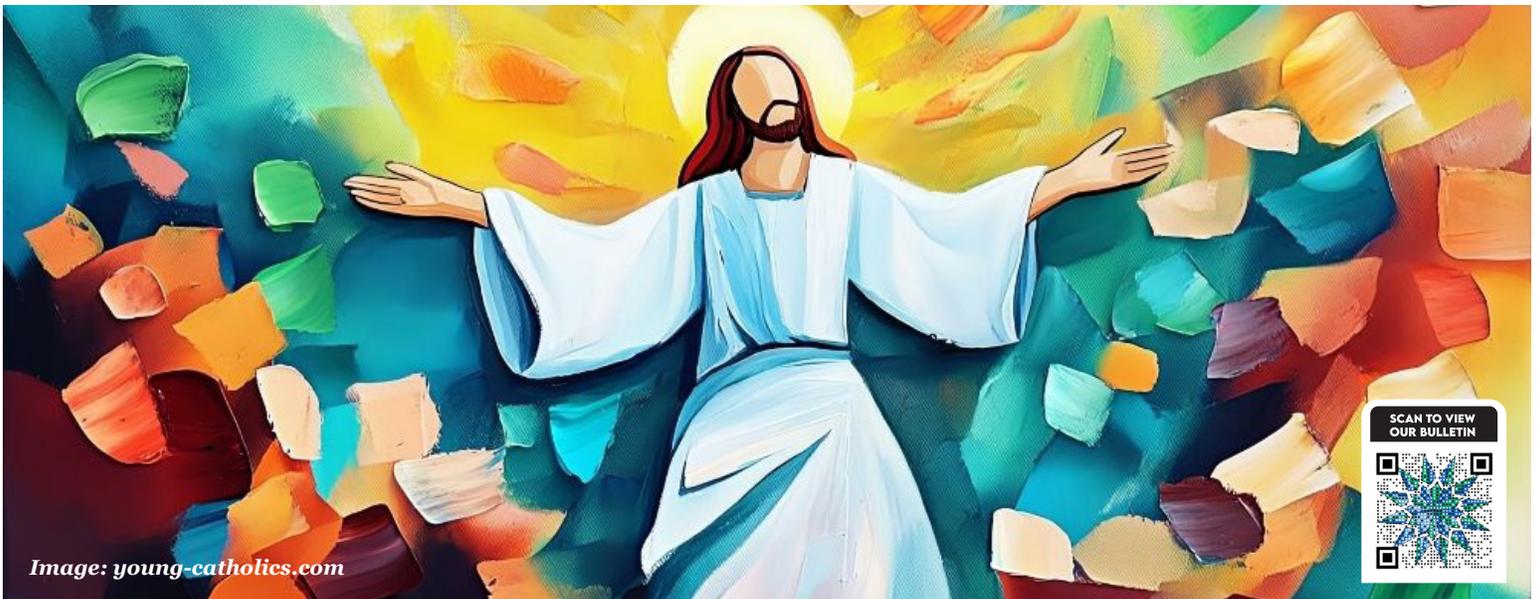


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Please Pray for the Following People

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



† Patricia Chadima & Brian Jackson.

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



God calls all of us to leave behind our old ways and to follow Him, placing our complete trust in Him. Some of the old ways that we struggle to leave behind might be materialism, selfishness and greed. Yet, God promises to show His Stewards a new land and a better way to live. Remember what St. Teresa of Calcutta said, “God does not call us to be successful, God calls us to be faithful.”

Service to Others

Metro Catholic Outreach



Donate Without Leaving Your Comfy Couch

Today our Amazon delivery expert, Fermin, surprised us with another delivery of supplies for our pantry, from one of our thoughtful donors. Use our handy link in each newsletter to order from Amazon, whose friendly drivers will bring your orders directly to our pantry! Simply click [THIS LINK](#). You don't have to order our suggestions. Cruise around Amazon and easily order anything you'd like to donate. Search for “homeless supplies”, for example, and you will find hundreds of reasonably priced items our clients living outside would need. A case of canned pasta sauce would be heavy and inconvenient to lug from a store into our pantry. Let Fermin do it for you and never leave your living room!



ADDITIONAL NOTE FROM DAN:

This week's newsletter from MCO has reiterated (once again) the significant need for everyone to read expiration dates on the products they donate. Now that I'm in the trenches with the Freedom Festival as their newest board member, I'm well aware of how challenging it is to talk people into donating their time. I can imagine that there are so many other tasks at MCO that are more fun and fulfilling than checking finely-printed expiration dates. The reason I'm volunteering my time with the Freedom Festival is because I know I'll be doing something fun and fulfilling. Let's help MCO volunteers feel fulfilled at the end of their shift. Make their jobs easier by NOT donating expired food, dented and/or rusted cans, or open packages. While your donations are appreciated, please also remember how precious volunteers and their gifts of time are.

Everyday Metanoia



Welcome to the 2nd Sunday in Lent. We jump from chapter 4 in Matthew from last Sunday to chapter 17 for today. Needless to say, much has happened. Just prior to the transfiguration, Matthew recounts how Jesus shares with the disciples the suffering and ultimate death he will face upon entering Jerusalem. Jesus, then ups the game and tells the disciples that if they are going to continue to follow him then they, too, will share in that suffering and death. “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” The mention of the cross must have absolutely terrified the disciples. Even the Roman citizens didn’t talk about the cross in public!

Peter, James and John were Jesus’ inner circle - those most close to him. What do we do when we are facing a tough situation? We call on our closest of friends to surround us with love and support. In their commentary on the Gospel of Matthew, Curtis Mitch and Edward Sri add, “Clearly, Christ displays his glory for the sake of Peter, James and John in a way that serves to deepen their understanding of his identity and mission at this crucial juncture in his ministry.” During this second week of Lent, we, too, are being called to deepen our understanding of Jesus, the crucial role he plays in our world - past, present and future - and to hear the Words of God spoken from the cloud of the Holy Spirit, “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; listen to him.”

Are we willing to walk to Jerusalem with Jesus? Are we willing to be his supportive disciples, who may not always understand fully, but are willing to trust and to listen to him? Are we willing to let go of our ego and our own agenda in life in order to humble ourselves as Christ did and be transfigured to the will of God?

To be transfigured can mean to put something on or to take something off so that “you” shine through in your most purest form and being. For example, in the Sacrament of Baptism we put on a white garment. It signifies that we are transfigured and now live as a child of God. Unfortunately, we lose something as we grow older. At first I was going to go with trust and faith, but the more I prayed on it, what we really lose is our satisfaction with the absoluteness of that title or name - child of God. The world tells us that it is not enough and that we need more - money, power and honor to truly be satisfied in this world. And so we learn to put on masks and to act differently depending on whom we are with or when the circumstances change. No wonder that as adults we often grow tired before the end of the day. It is exhausting to put on new outfits, masks and read from a different play each time we interact with different life scenarios and people. After all, if we don’t have the approval of the right people, we are nothing; or so we think. As Henri Nouwen states in *The Wounded Healer*, “[It] all depends on the people [we] meet, the experiences [we] have, and the ideas and desires which make sense to [us] at the moment.” We have lost our “ears to hear” and as a result we have lost sight and connection with our true self; that of, beloved child of God. Henri Nouwen echoes this truth, “[We] no longer believe in anything that is always and everywhere true and valid. [We] live by the hour and create [our] life on the spot.”

How can we reclaim the righteous conviction of security in ourselves as a beloved child of God, and in faith and trust, let that be our anchor in life? I feel that interacting with the Transfiguration and understanding its authoritative relevance in our world, no matter the time period, is the key. Nouwen continues, “When [we] are no longer able to look beyond [our] own death and relate to what extends beyond the time and space of [our] life, [we] lose our desire to create and the excitement of being human.” In the Transfiguration, Jesus was able to show Peter, James and John, the glory that lay beyond his death. And in seeing that glory their immediate response was to create something of honor for Jesus, Moses and Elijah. It also strengthened their excitement in being a living link in the historical chain of humanity to the immortality of the Father. “It is good that we are here.” But for many in today’s world, the traditional modes of knowing and experiencing

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Everyday Metanoia (cont.)



our anchor in the immortal (baptism, the Eucharist, the Word, reconciliation...) have lost their “connective power.” So how do we find that which is lost? Once again, Jesus comes to the rescue.

When we listen to the parable of the lost sheep, we often focus on the one. The one who is lost and separated from the herd. And yes, there are many times when we are the one and Jesus comes looking for us. But in today’s world, most do not want to differentiate themselves; we find safety and comfort in being one of the anonymous 99. I’m going to challenge us to think beyond the obvious in this parable. Jesus didn’t just willy-nilly wander away from the 99. He had faith and confidence that they would stay together as a community. Why? How? Because the herd had an identity, not just as individual sheep, but as a community. The community had a role to play in their own safety, but also in the safe return of the Master and the one. The 99 had “eyes to see and ears to hear.” They knew how to see that which would feed them and that which was a threat. And so, together, the sheep learned from the Shepherd. They had been taught a way of communicating with the shepherd and one another that was sometimes vocal, but more often, silent. And even in the physical absence of the shepherd, the 99 continued to communicate such that all remained together until the return of the shepherd and the one.

I feel that Henri Nouwen has this in mind when he says, “[In the community we] feel that [we] belong to a story of which [we] know not the beginning nor the end, but in which [we] have a unique place...There [we] experience [ourselves] no longer as an isolated individual caught in the chain of cause and effect, but as a [person] able to transcend the fences of [our] own predicament and reach out far beyond the concerns of self...There we come to the shocking, but at the same time self-evident insight that prayer is not a pious decoration of life, but the breath of human existence.”

Prayer is what transfigures us as a child of God. It is that which allows us to see the past, the present and the future and know that we are a valued and loved part of it all. Prayer is how we have eyes to see and ears to hear. Prayer is that spoken and unspoken language we have learned from the shepherd. Prayer, vocal and silent, is what forms, binds and guides the community. Prayer is what allows us to transcend our own needs and like Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane, be able to say to the Father, “But not as I will, but as you will.” There are several opportunities to pray with our All Saints community this Lent - please join us! May God bless your prayer time this week! Come Holy Spirit!

Praying with you always,
Tracy Huk, *Parish Life Coordinator*



Sharing Our Blessings



By Brad Allen

A recent Sunday reading, Isaiah 58:7-10, quotes God saying: “Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked when you see them.” Haiti is the poorest country in the western hemisphere, what better place to share our abundant blessings. It’s been 18 years since my wife, Carmen, and I have been supporting Haiti. I’ve been on two mission trips to Haiti and they changed my life, maybe not drastically, but they gave me a new perspective on what’s important. I saw barefoot people living in dirt floor shacks with only the clothes on their backs. They seemed to have more joy than I have seen anywhere.

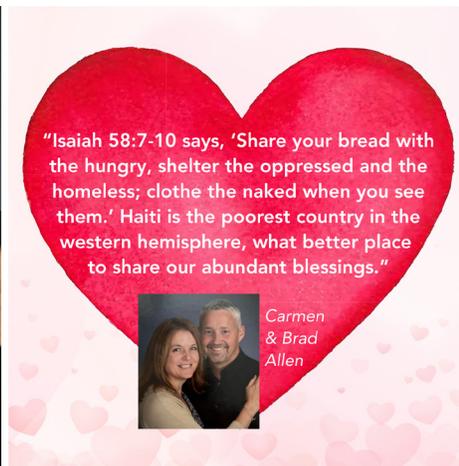
I love the fact that we support education in Notre Dame de Lourdes. The old adage: “**Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will eat for a lifetime.**” comes to mind.

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**Education** is the key to changing the world. We have been “teaching men to fish” for over 25 years in Haiti. We send money to our sister parish pastor, Father Viller, to supplement the salaries of teachers in our remote mountain village schools. We hope and pray this money enables and encourages them to remain teachers, allows them to provide for their families, and inspires them to be the best they can be for the students. Along with our priests over the years, we feel this is the best way to make a change in Haiti.

We believe this is helping students who remain in the villages to farm, run businesses, worship and parent. For the many people who leave the villages, we believe this helps them pursue further education and successfully live in the cities or other villages. Equally as important, we believe this enables them to read the Bible, be good citizens, understand laws, rights and responsibilities, and to make Haiti the beautiful, strong, self-sustaining nation it CAN BE!

Again this Lenten season, we call you to continue your **Legacy of Love** for our sister parish through your prayers, actions and donations.

Donate online at [allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/giving](https://allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/giving) (choose Haiti from the drop down menu). You may also place your contribution in a collection basket or bring it to Holy Thursday mass on April 2. Make checks to All Saints, with HAITI in the notes line.



*Carmen and Brad Allen were members of St Mary’s in Vinton, but have since moved to Minn. They continue to support our mission with prayers and donations. Brad is now in Diaconal Formation.*

# Hy-Vee Receipt Update



Thank you for stuffing that Hy-Vee receipt pocket on my office window every single week! I cannot imagine we're NOT in first place. There are a few things that you can do to make certain that All Saints takes the gold in this year's Hy-Vee Receipt Race.

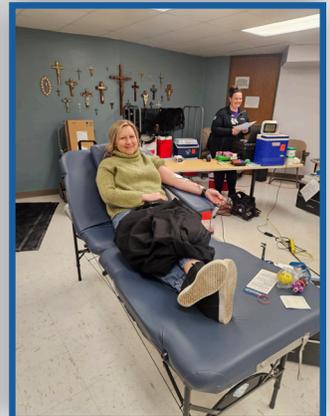
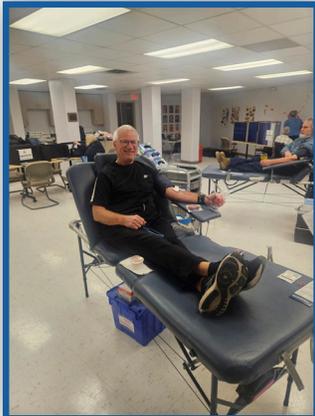
1. Make sure that you're dropping them off in a timely manner. The 2025-2026 'season' ends on the last day of March. Anything turned in late will NOT count. Let's not leave money on the table.
2. Don't forget that receipts from the Starbucks inside our Mount Vernon Road store count toward the total. That fancy new mug you bought for your Sunday morning cup 'o Joe? Yep! Bring the receipt in.
3. Did you buy postage recently? Bring that one in too!
4. We've all been sick this winter. Did you get a prescription at the Hy-Vee Pharmacy? Yep! It counts!
5. Please be sure the entire receipt is intact. Don't cut anything off. The Hy-Vee logo needs to be present and of course that date is imperative.

Thank you for supporting All Saints School.

# Thank You, Blood Donors!



Thanks to all who were able to participate in our February Blood Drive. Your life saving blood donation, truly one that came from your heart, will be used to help those in need within our community.



# Fish Fry Dates!



**EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT**  
**5:00-7:30PM**  
CALL AHEAD | DINE IN | DRIVE THROUGH

## 2026 FISH FRY DATES

~~FEBRUARY 20~~ MARCH 20  
~~FEBRUARY 27~~ MARCH 27  
MARCH 6 APRIL 3  
MARCH 13

[www.stpatrickscr.org/fish-fry](http://www.stpatrickscr.org/fish-fry)



## Catholic Daughters of the Americas



Catholic Daughters Court Cedar Rapids #1768 will have its Spring Welcome Brunch on Saturday, March 7 at St. Pius Parish Hall. Time 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM Sister Linda Bechen with the Sisters of Mercy will be our Speaker. Our monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, March 10, starting at 6 PM. We will also make comfort bags for the homeless. Visitors are welcome. Contact Roberta 319-431-2222 or Stephanie 3119 540-7193

## Catholic Charities Annual Fundraising Appeal



THANK YOU to all parishes who helped kick off our 2026 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!

## Mass Intentions

|               |                              |
|---------------|------------------------------|
| Tues. Mar. 3  | 8:00 am                      |
| †             | Donald Serovy                |
| Thurs. Mar. 5 | 8:30 am                      |
| †             | Gordon Sanborn               |
| Fri. Mar. 6   | 8:00 am                      |
| †             | Scherrman/Barry Families     |
| Sat. Mar. 7   | 4:00 pm                      |
| †             | Rosemary & Lawrence Schenden |
| Sun. Mar. 8   | 9:00 am                      |
|               | For the People               |

## Scripture Readings

*Week of March 1, 2026*

### Sunday:

Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9 (25)

### Monday:

Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38 (230)

### Tuesday:

Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12 (231)

### Wednesday:

Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28 (232)

### Thursday:

Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31 (233)

### Friday:

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46 (234)

### Saturday:

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 (235)

### Sunday:

Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42 (28)

## 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



Due to the recent fire damage at Green Square Meals, services have ceased indefinitely. Keep checking this spot in our weekly bulletin for updates to the situation.

## Parish Office Hours



- Monday - Friday - 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Saturday & 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

## What's Happening at All Saints Elementary

March 10 & 12-Conferences

March 13-20-Spring Break-No school or preschool. ELC/Bruins Care is open.

## Xavier Middle School Update

Our bi-weekly update about the construction of Xavier Middle School is now available! Crews have been making steady progress inside and outside the building, finishing wall framing and early utility work, and are now getting ready to start foundation, stairwell, and exterior excavation work as the project moves into its next phase. The full construction update (and more information about Xavier Middle School) can be found at [CRXCS.org/XMS](http://CRXCS.org/XMS).

## XCS Activities Bus Drivers Needed!

Athletics • Band • Field Trips • And More!

A perfect part-time opportunity for retirees or anyone who loves driving and serving our students! Do you enjoy driving and want flexible, part-time work? Do you know someone who is recently retired, in good health, and interested in driving a bus?

Xavier Catholic Schools is seeking part-time bus drivers to support a variety of school activities. Driving times vary and are primarily within the Cedar Rapids/Marion area, with occasional trips to Iowa City/Coralville.

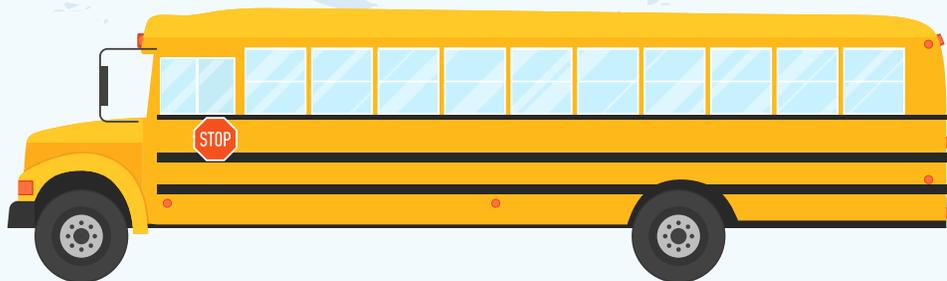
### Requirements & Support:

Applicants must be able to pass a DOT physical through their primary physician or a certified medical examiner.

Need training or the correct license? No problem — we will guide you through the process.

Starting hourly rate: \$24.32

Interested persons should call Cory McGarvey at 319-739-7300 ext 402 or email at [cory.mcgarvey@crxcs.org](mailto:cory.mcgarvey@crxcs.org).



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

## Ministry Schedule

February 28, 4:00 PM Saturday

### Sacristan

Peg Schmitz

### Extraordinary Ministers

Jean Bell

Connie Deutmeyer

Joan Fishburn

Daniel Prentice

Alison Prentice

Stephen Schmitz

Marvin Stallman

### Altar Servers

Emma Colby

Veronica Cruse

Sylvia Robbins

### Lectors

Lisa Stephenson

Kathy Ulrich

### Hospitality Ministers

Chris Colby

Jen Colby

Ryan Donnelly

Joe Jeffries

Ann Jeffries

Mike Votroubek

March 1, 9:00 AM Sunday

### Sacristan

John Michael

### Extraordinary Ministers

Stephanie Guzman

Mary Beth Helgens

Bob Helgens

Bill Knapp

Dianne Knapp

Sara Lang

Dennis Mullarkey

### Altar Servers

Henry Johnson

Ben Richards

Evelyn Richards

### Lectors

Mick Erdman

Gregory O'Connell

### Hospitality Ministers

Jason Ainsworth

Kim Ainsworth

Nicole Johnson

Stephanie Klappholz

Pete Rethwisch

Bea Rethwisch

# Ministry Schedule

March 7, 4:00 PM Saturday

## Sacristan

Cynthia Gunsolly

## Extraordinary Ministers

Joseph Cataldo

Connie Deutmeyer

Joan Murrin

Mike Powell

Kourtne Powell

Stephen Schmitz

Marvin Stallman

## Altar Servers

Katrina Golobic

Martin (MJ) Golobic

Kannon Pfeiler

## Lectors

Lisa Stephenson

Becky Weininger

## Hospitality Ministers

Ryan Donnelly

Daniel Greene

Joe Jeffries

Ann Jeffries

Dick Kettelkamp

Theresa Werner

March 8, 9:00 AM Sunday

## Sacristan

Cate Biro

## Extraordinary Ministers

Tom Amosson

Wade Johnson

Stephanie Klappholz

Andrew Lang

Dennis Mullarkey

David Shema

Loesje Shema

## Altar Servers

Annemarie Giacinto

Julien Giacinto

Dylan Lang

## Lectors

Lynn Holverson

Joe Giacinto

## Hospitality Ministers

Jeanne Amosson

Tyler Martin

Beth Martin

Diane Weimer

Maureen Wolf

Dave Wolf

# Family Ministry

March 1, 2026 • 2nd Sunday of Lent • Matthew 17:1-9

## Space Mountain or Bust

*Jesus takes Peter, James, and John up a high mountain. He is transfigured before them. His face shines and his clothes are a dazzling white. With Jesus are Elijah and Moses. Peter tells Jesus they should set up three tents. As they come down the mountain, Jesus tells them not to tell anyone about the vision they experienced.*

I was always after a mountaintop experience for our family. I can't tell you how many vacations I planned envisioning our whole family arm-in arm declaring, "How good it is to be here!" It never happened. I remember one vacation in particular that I looked forward to for months.

Four of our five children were teenagers. With seven different schedules we hardly ever saw each other. I longed for a week away together, playing board games and enjoying each others' company. I just knew that Disney World would be that dream vacation, so we piled into our old blue van and headed for the famed "Space Mountain."

Nothing turned out as I had pictured it. The four teens spent a great deal of their time in the "Sunshine State" napping. When we finally got to the Magic Kingdom, my suggestions that we stay together went unheard. The kids took off like marbles dropped on concrete. I felt lucky to snap a picture or two whenever we regrouped.

That was the story of the whole week. The kids would go off in twos or threes to swim or hang out. Even our nine-year-old walked at least six feet behind us. I was pretty miserable. Where was all our together time? Finally, I began to realize that all those weeks I was planning how I wanted to spend our family vacation, but the kids had different ideas.

Once I let go of my particular plan, I began to have fun. We even managed to play one or two board games. And we took great pictures. My favorite is of our five children, arm in arm, all wearing big grins and Mickey Mouse ears. Today, whenever I look at that picture I realize we can't force a mountaintop experience, but sometimes if we just let go, it may happen.

## FAMILY RESPONSE

Have family members talk about one of their favorite vacations together as a family. You might have them draw or write down their thoughts beforehand.

## PERSONAL RESPONSE

What was the last mountaintop experience you remember having either by yourself or with your family? 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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# Lenten Almsgiving



Lent is a wonderful season to assess your giving. You can contribute electronically at <https://allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/giving> or by scanning this qr code. If you have any questions or experience any challenges, please reach out to Jeremy at extension 108 or by emailing [bookkeeper@allsaintscr.com](mailto:bookkeeper@allsaintscr.com). Your generosity is very much appreciated.



## Lenten Webinar: Visiting the Imprisoned



**Wednesday, March 11 | 10:00 AM PT / 1:00 PM ET**

During Lent, Catholics are called to live the Works of Mercy. This one-hour Zoom webinar, hosted by the Catholic Prison Ministries Coalition, explores the Church's call to visit the imprisoned and why this work is so vital and meaningful. [Click HERE](#) to register for the webinar.

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Dubuque offers volunteer opportunities through its Jail & Prison Re-Entry program, and this session may help discern how you are called to serve. Learn more about Jail & Prison Reentry Services at [CatholicCharitiesDubuq](http://CatholicCharitiesDubuq).

## \*New!\* *Vocation Bulletin Blurb*



**Second Sunday of Lent - March 1, 2026**

*"This is my beloved Son... listen to him."* (Matthew 17:5)

God's voice calls us to follow His Son closely. Could priesthood be your path to proclaiming Christ's message, leading others to listen to Him? Trust His guidance. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at [dbqcvo@dbqarch.org](mailto:dbqcvo@dbqarch.org).

## Easter Mass



It was truly a blessing to see a packed church and social hall to experience Father Eric's first Christmas Eve Mass. We received an abundance of positive feedback and compliments about how smoothly everything operated. Because of this, we will be utilizing the TicketLeo reservation system for Easter Sunday Mass again this April 5th. We estimate that reservations will open early the week of March 22nd. This will ensure that everyone has plenty of time make their reservations. A few minor flaws in the TicketLeo system were pointed out to us and those have been addressed. Keep your eyes here on the bulletin to learn exactly when reservations will go live. The process will be the same as this last Christmas Eve. I'm excited to see what sort of flashy button Ethan will have cooked up for us. I'm also excited to see every pew in the church packed and every chair in the social hall occupied. In the meantime, check out everything All Saints has to offer during this Lenten season.

# Communal Reconciliation for Lent



- St. Paul, Newhall - Wednesday, March 4 @ 6:15 PM
- St. Pius X, Cedar Rapids - Saturday, March 7 @ 10:30 AM
- St. Joseph, Marion - Saturday, March 14 @ 10:30 AM
- St. Mary, Urbana - Sunday, March 15 @ 3:00 PM
- St. Matthew, Cedar Rapids - Tuesday, March 17 @ 6:00 PM



## Lenten Prayer Opportunities



Lent is a time to give special focus to prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Please join us whenever possible for prayer:

- Mondays from 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM in the Chapel for Adoration (Monday, February 23 - Monday, March 30)
- Tuesdays from 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM - Stations of the Cross in the Sanctuary (followed by Soup Suppers in the Social Hall)
- Wednesdays from 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM in the Chapel for Adoration
- 2nd Wednesday Rosary prayer - March 11 at 6:00 PM in the Social Hall
- 1st Thursday Holy Hour - March 5 from 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM in the Chapel
- Holy Thursday, April 2 after the 5:30 PM Mass we will pray the Liturgy of the Hours and Adoration in the Social Hall



*The Sanctuary and the Chapel are open during office hours for personal prayer.*

## 40 Days for Life



It is that time of the year again to pray, fast, and hold vigil to end abortions. The spring 40 Days campaign runs through March 29th at planned parenthood 3425 First Ave. SE. Come pray with us by going to the website—[www.40daysforlife.com/cedarrapids](http://www.40daysforlife.com/cedarrapids). Signing up online helps others to see when someone else is praying so they do not have to pray alone. Qs Pat 319-721-9730 or Vanessa 319-569-9725

## Journey in Faith: Hope for Renewal



During Lent, we are called to conversion of heart and renewal in Christ. The Journey in Faith process continues to guide our Archdiocese toward that same renewal— strengthening parishes for mission and vitality. Each step of this journey is grounded in prayer and collaboration, ensuring that our Church remains alive in faith and responsive to the needs of today and tomorrow.

We ask you to keep this process in your Lenten prayers and to stay connected at [dbqjourneyinfaith.org](http://dbqjourneyinfaith.org), where you'll find updates and resources for reflection. Together, may we walk in hope toward the renewal God desires for His Church.



OPEN TO ALL MEN AND WOMEN IN THE REGION.

# RESTORED PARISH MISSION

The mission will be led by John Edwards, Catholic evangelist and the host of the popular Just a Guy in the Pew podcast. John will share his powerful testimony from addict to evangelist as well as talk about how to restore our identity as beloved sons and daughters of the Father and the need for a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.



**JOHN EDWARDS**

HOST OF THE JUST A GUY IN THE PEW PODCAST



**JOHN FINCH**

CATHOLIC WORSHIP LEADER & SONGWRITER



**MARCH 6TH-7TH, 2026**

**Immaculate Conception Catholic Church**

857 3rd Ave SE.  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52403

## FRIDAY

|        |                                                                       |
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| 6:00pm | Holy Mass                                                             |
| 6:45pm | Welcome/Praise and Worship                                            |
| 7:00pm | From Addict to Evangelist:<br><i>JOHN'S POWERFUL CONVERSION STORY</i> |
| 8:15pm | Fellowship/Refreshments                                               |

## SATURDAY

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| 7:30am  | Confession                                                                         |
| 8:30am  | Holy Mass                                                                          |
| 9:15am  | Break/Coffee and Snacks                                                            |
| 9:45am  | Restoring Your Identity:<br><i>WHO YOU ARE, WHOSE YOU ARE, AND WHY YOU'RE HERE</i> |
| 10:45am | Break/Praise and Worship                                                           |
| 11:00am | The Most Important Thing:<br><i>A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST</i>      |
| 12:00pm | Mission Ends & Dismissal                                                           |

SCAN THE CODE TO  
REGISTER NOW!



### SATURDAY – MEN'S AND WOMEN'S MINISTRY TRAINING AND LAUNCH

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| 7:00am  | Women's Ministry Training         |
| 12:15pm | Men's Ministry Training and Lunch |

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# LENT MATTERS:

## Growing in Faith, Hope, and Charity



### A Lenten Parish Mission with the Dominican Friars



**Fr. James Mary Sullivan, O.P.**

**Fr. Michael Joseph Donahue, O.P.**

**Sat 03/07 - Sun 03/08:**

Fr. will preach at Mass

**Sun 03/08**

Regular Weekend Mass

Adoration from 11:30 AM-6 PM,

Rosary at 6 PM

Evening Session at 6:30 PM

**Mon 03/09 and Tues 03/10**

Daily Mass at 8 AM

Adoration from 8:30 AM-6 PM,

Rosary at 6 PM

Evening Session at 6:30 PM

**Confession Times:**

Will be released closer to  
the date.

**Adoration Sign Ups:**

We are requesting  
adoration attendees sign up  
for 30-minute increments  
to ensure the Blessed  
Sacrament is never left  
alone.

You are not required to sign  
up to attend.



Please scan the QR  
code or reach out to  
the parish office

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**2310 1<sup>st</sup> Ave NE, Cedar Rapids, IA**



**ST. JOHN XXIII**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

LIVING THE  
LITURGY

*Parish Mission*

*"Where Heaven Meets Earth"*

**March 8 - 10th, 2026 - 6 pm**

**8100 Roncalli Dr, Cedar Rapids**

**Fr. Greg Bahl, former Director of the Office of Worship, will explore the beauty, meaning and power of communal prayer.**

***Please join us and rediscover how the liturgy can transform your heart and our community!***

# The Gospel at Home

## This Week's Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Sunday's Gospel shows both Jesus' future and our own future. The Gospel sets our sight on Easter, just as Peter, James, and John glimpse the risen Jesus for a passing moment in the Transfiguration. Lent invites us to join Jesus on his journey to Jerusalem where he will be crucified, but also where he will rise victorious over death.

## Exploring the Gospel Message

**Seeds (Preschool):** This week's lesson helps children reflect on how they grow and change, and how nature around them is continually changing. Ask your child to recount how a caterpillar turns into a butterfly. Make it a practice to compliment your child every day for a way he or she is growing, especially in learning loving ways to act toward others.

**Promise (Grades K-1):** Lent is a time for growth in loving, sharing, and forgiving. Your child is learning how the world changes with the seasons and age. Talk to your child about what an adventure it is to grow as a loving person when we listen to Jesus. Praise your child when he or she shows love, sharing, or forgiveness.

**Good News (Grades 2-3):** Your child learned to recognize that Jesus is God's Son and learned how prayer is a way to change one's life. Ask your child to share with the family ways of praying—blessing, asking, thanksgiving, and praise. Discuss the meaning of the Transfiguration from the lesson. Talk about various ways your family prays together, and make a plan to try at least one new kind of prayer this week.

**Venture (Grades 4-6):** Your young person learned more about who Jesus is as told in Scripture. God's Son and our Savior gave a glimpse of who he is. Ask your child to tell the

family in his or her own words about Queen Esther, Abraham and Sarah, and Saint André of Montreal. Talk about the Transfiguration, which shows Jesus' future and ours too. Jesus' Resurrection means we too will be raised in glory. Pray for guidance to always listen to and follow Jesus so you can live with God in Heaven for eternity.

**Visions (Grades 7-9):** Ask your youngster to share the story "A.J.'s Secret" with the family. Talk about what A.J. learned from the experience, and how he received understanding and help by sharing his troubles. Talk about Jesus' Transfiguration on the mountain. What did this event show Peter, James, and John? What is the promise this event has for all of us? Ask your youngster about the changes Sister Clare Crockett went through. Discuss any changes you would like to see in your family.

**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 a special devotion, try to have a brief family prayer each of the remaining days of Lent. Use a favorite family prayer, pray in your own words, or say one decade of the Rosary. Be sure to set a definite time for your daily prayer. Try to join in a morning prayer or an evening prayer together each day for a week. Begin and end your prayer times with the Sign of the Cross.



# Parish Office (319) 363-6130

## Monday-Friday, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

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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](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):** To schedule classes, contact Bob Lillibridge, Director of Formation, for more information ([adultformation@allsaintscr.com](mailto:adultformation@allsaintscr.com)).

**Confirmation:** Classes have begun. For more information, contact Alisa Pfab ([alisapfab@hotmail.com](mailto: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](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:** 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](http://allsaintscr.com/prayer).