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THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions for
February 2 – February 7

| | <u>Intention for</u> |
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| Tuesday.....5:15 pm at Parkersburg | Thelma Wilmer |
| Wednesday....8:00 am at Reinbeck | Sue Hayek |
| Thursday.....8:00 am at Reinbeck | Sara Kelly |
| Friday.....7:30 am at Parkersburg | Arnold Wagner |
| Saturday.....5:00 pm at UNI | Cyril Boes |
| Sunday.....9:30 am at Reinbeck | Charles Murphy |

SOMETHING MORE – Mary, the mother of Jesus, was told by Simeon that a sword of sorrow would pierce her heart. Mary is for us a sign of the church and her model of faith. The love of God flows to the world through the pierced heart of Mary, who beheld her crucified son on the cross. As she gave birth to Jesus, so from his pierced heart flowed the blood and water of the birth of the church. In Jesus' final breath, he surrendered himself to his Father, and from them the Holy Spirit entered the world. In his Passover and in the sign of the breaking of the bread, we find freedom, grace and life.

Each time we make the sign of the cross, we proclaim the love the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit that redeems the world. The Trinity dwells in us and is the source of our discipleship with Jesus.

The joy of the Gospel is inseparable from our share in the sufferings of Christ. Whether we encounter it physically or in the labors and sacrifices of service, we are blessed to be united in Christ. Whether we are called to carry the Gospel to far-off lands or to our families, neighborhoods and hometowns, we are blessed to be united in Christ.

The Eucharist we celebrate today expresses the sign we received at baptism. We die with Christ in order to share in his resurrection. The Communion we receive unites us to him and to one another.

Just Ahead

- ❖ Ash Wednesday Mass, Feb 10, 6:30 pm @ R
- ❖ Ash Wednesday Mass, Feb 10, @ noon @ P
Prayer Service, Feb 10, 6:30 pm @ P
- ❖ Ash Wed, FF Family Activities, Feb 10, both sites
- ❖ 1st Communion Rituals, Feb 13/14 both sites

St. Patrick, Parkersburg location

Confession each Saturday beginning at 4:45 pm for 30 minutes
Faith Formation, Wed Feb 3, 6:30 – 7:45 pm
Adoration, Fri. Feb 5, 7:00 am @ P

THE FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME *Focus:*
Love is the greatest of all spiritual gifts. Without it, we gain nothing.

God the Father sent his son, Jesus, out of love to save and redeem us, and to teach us how to live so that we might have eternal life in heaven. Receiving this great gift demands a response on our part – namely, faith and love for Jesus. We must strive to continually grow in our love for Jesus, for it is what gives life to our faith and keeps it strong.

AND STILL MORE – The visit of Pope Francis to the United States last fall prompted unparalleled security to keep him safe. Being a leader is dangerous business. Assassinations reveal the bloody shame of our history. Presidents McKinley, Lincoln and Kennedy were all shot down. We also remember Martin Luther King, Bobby Kennedy, Mahatma Gandhi and many more. It seems the price of leadership is sometimes death.

That seems to be the case in today's Gospel. Jesus is almost killed in his hometown by the angry people in the synagogue who see him as a blasphemer. Jesus dared to claim he was more than just the carpenter's son. Jesus only had three brief years before he was finally killed on the cross. The brutality causes us to ponder the mystery of how our God, who is Love, is still offering salvation to a world so given to violence.

Attention, all Cub, Webelos and Boy Scouts! On Sunday, Feb. 7th, we'll be celebrating Scout Sunday at the 9:30 Mass at St. Gabriel. You are encouraged to wear your uniform to Mass and come forward for a blessing. Do your best!

Holy Family Parish Fun Night will be at The UNI Wellness Center, Cedar Falls, Sat, Feb 6. We will start the night with Mass at 5:00 pm. (Remember there will be no Mass @ P this night) This is a fun time for you and your family of all ages, from the young to Seniors!! Pizza and drinks will be provided. Please bring snacks or bars to share and remember to put your name on pans and utensils. Come enjoy the climbing wall, racquetball, basketball court, games, cards for adults, swimming pool and fellowship! Children bring your swim suites and a towel. Adults bring your cards or a board game, and your collection envelopes. Thank you all for volunteering!! We have our Mass volunteers! **PLEASE COME AND JOIN IN THE FUN!!!**

Income Weekend January 24, 2015

Adult Budget \$ 4,435.00 Needed \$ 5,154.00
Annual Adult Budget \$ 268,000.00

St. Gabriel, Reinbeck location

Confession each Sunday beginning at 8:45 am for 30 minutes
Adoration, Wed. Feb 3, 7:30 am @ R
Faith Formation, Wed Feb 3, 6:30 – 7:45 pm, Mass @ R

Other Announcements

Vocations Office Coordinator -The Archdiocese of Dubuque has an immediate opening for a Vocations Coordinator. This 30 hr per week position will be located in Waverly to provide support to the Vocations Director. Responsibilities include coordinating special events such as parent/seminarian gatherings, ordinations, board meetings and vocations awareness events, maintaining social media sites and providing general office support such as answering phone, assisting with correspondence, mailings, maintaining files, spreadsheets and databases. Must be a multi-tasker, excellent communicator and able to maintain confidentiality. Prefer active Catholic. Competitive compensation and benefits. Email resume and cover letter to DBQCHR@dbqarch.org.

"SOUPER" BOWL SUNDAY - LET'S HAVE A CONTEST!! GET YOUR SOUP CANS READY!! Students and adults can vote for the team they think will win the Super Bowl by bringing a can of soup and placing it in the collection box on the side with their team's logo! Contest will run through Sunday, February 7. Soup collected will be donated to Operation Threshold. Which team will collect the most soup!! The winning team for the "Souper Bowl" will be announced the weekend after the Super Bowl.

"Couples of Faith" Our next date night will be a very special **"Valentine's Date Night"** on Sunday February 14, from 5 to 7 pm. Couples will be served a sit down meal of pork loin, wedding potatoes, veggies and dessert!! Mac & Cheese for kids! We will need a **FIRM RSVP** for couples and child care for this night by February 8th, as the HFP Women's Circle will be preparing the meal again for us this year and they will need to know how many to serve. Come enjoy food, faith, fellowship, couples time with your spouse and a **Special Door Prize!!** Please RSVP to cnorth3412@gmail.com or call, text or message to 319-215-6118.

Expectant Parents Holy Family Parish would like to help out parents who are expecting a baby. Please contact Nancy Brannon 319-231-0911 or Sue Messerly 319-640-7118 if your family would enjoy some home cooked meals after mom delivers baby. If anyone knows of expecting parents from our parish, please let us know so we can contact them. If any parishioners would like to help cook some meals for this outreach ministry, please call Nancy or Sue.

Fair Trade Coffee Reminder that Holy Family Parish is selling Fair Trade coffee for cost to help create opportunity for small-scale farmers of underprivileged countries make a living. As followers of Christ, we are called to demonstrate special concern for the most vulnerable members of our human family. By purchasing this coffee, we are providing a chance to help other humans make a living for themselves as well as creating a safe work environment for them. You can consider buying this coffee as a donation to charity!! Chocolate and tea are two other items that will be for sale in the future. Coffee is for sale the 1st Sunday of the month but you can contact any member of the Social Justice committee to buy it any time. This coffee is also used after Mass every 1st Sunday.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry - The first KC fish fry will be held **March 4th**, serving from 5:00 to 7:00 at St. Gabriel's church. Parishioners willing to assist by working at the event or providing bars may sign up on the sheet in the narthex at St. Gabriel or St Patrick. You may also contact Joe Becker, 319-989-2405 or bojecker@mchsi.com on or before **February 28, 2016**. Thank you for your support.

Women's Retreat February 12-14, 2016 American Martyrs Retreat House 2209 North Union Road Cedar Falls, IA 50613 Title: "My Soul Proclaims the Greatness of the Lord" How to find true joy in the modern day world as we reflect on Mary's joy. **Director: Fr. Jim Starbuck** Fr. Jim was ordained a priest for the Oakland Diocese of California. He served in the military as a surgical nurse and later, after his ordination and a time in parish work, as a Chaplain. Fr. Jim lives in Cedar Falls. He gives retreats, missions, renewal days, is a spiritual director, and he has a healing ministry. He speaks from his heart sharing his own relationship with Jesus and the work of the Spirit. The retreat begins at 8:00 p.m. Friday and concludes after lunch Sunday. The cost of the retreat is \$135.00. A \$25.00 deposit secures your reservation and is credited to your offering for the retreat. **To register or for questions, contact AMRH at one of the following: dbqamrhsec@DBQarch.org Phone: 319-266-3543**

Operation Threshold is in need of cleaning supplies - dishwashing soap, laundry detergent, disinfectant wipes, paper towels, etc.

| | February 6 | February 7 |
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| Accompanist | Sarah | Steve Halbach |
| Cantor | Kathy | Rick Ogle |
| Extraordinary | John Schwennen | John Schwennen (D), Judy Jewett*, Rose Kramer* |
| Ministers | Cam Coy | Ann Lebo*, Kelley Sents, Linda Williams |
| Of Holy Communion | Julie Dunn* | Bob Glick, Margie Glick, Amy Dall |
| Greet | Bob & Peg Neavins | Ben Dall, Mike Williams Steve Cox Family, Ethan DeWall Family, Roger & Sally Dostal Bob & Kathy Eisenman |
| Gifts | Larry & Vi Kisner | Steve Cox Family |
| Reader 1 | Mike Brannon | Kelley Sents |
| Reader 2 | | Sue Sonnenberg |
| Server | Halie Petersen | Tanner DeWall |
| Server | Carley Hook | Sydney Petersen, Baylee Petersen |
| Usher | Chuck Etjen | Don Schmidt, Rich Riesberg, Michael Bennett |
| Usher | Susie Hook | Agnes Biersner, Denny Greiner, Roger Dostal |
| Video | | Todd Rickert |
| Sacristan / MC /Announcements | Mary Schwennen | Mary Linder/Rita Amling/Julie Grunklee |
| Collection Counters | Jeff & Ann Badger | Margie Glick, John Kramer, Bill & Shirley Rogers |