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MARCH 19, 2017
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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Mass Intentions for
Mar 21 – Mar 26

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| Tuesday.....5:15 pm at Parkersburg | <u>Intention for</u> |
| Wednesday....8:00 am at Reinbeck | John Berezcki |
| Thursday.....8:00 am at Reinbeck | Randy Christensen |
| Friday.....7:30 am at Parkersburg | Bill Davis |
| Saturday.....5:30 pm at Parkersburg | Marvin Ostwinkle |
| Sunday.....9:30 am at Reinbeck | Arnold Wagner |
| | For the People |

Something more..... A woman encounters Jesus at Jacob's well while drawing water for her household. Their thirst brings them together. They both need water. Jesus' thirst is physical. After walking in the heat of the day and at a considerable distance his body is hot, tired and thirsty. The woman, too, thirsts. She longs to have the burdensome work of hauling water completed for another day. Given the strict rules of public decorum regarding encounters between men and women not of the same family this chance meeting could have been over before it began. Women and men that were not related did not talk or have any association with one another in public. Add to this that Jews and Samaritans had been the bitterest of enemies for centuries. Their hatred for one another and hostility toward the other knew few if any equals. But yet, the two sit, talk and listen to one another. Through their mutual acceptance of the other, the walls, boundaries, hostilities and hatreds, which had long separated Samaritans and Jews, melt away and disappear. The Samaritan woman comes to understand who Jesus is. Initially he is a Jew, the despised and hated other. As he candidly speaks of her marital history, she comes to believe that he is a prophet. As Jesus teaches her and reveals more of his identity the woman says, "I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Christ; when he comes he will tell us everything." Jesus replies, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you." The woman then hurries away excitedly, to tell others in the town about this extraordinary man at the well. She asks, "Could he possibly be the Christ?" After listening to the woman and then listening to Jesus, the townspeople come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah.

Third Sunday of Lent - Focus: Christ offers all people the living water of salvation.

To those who thirst for truth in this world, our Christian faith offers the living waters of baptism and life in Christ. So many in our world are like the woman in the Gospel, isolated and afraid, often living on the fringes, looking for something or someone in whom to place their trust and faith. Let us pray they turn to Christ.

And Still More.... The Samaritan woman who encountered Jesus at the well declared: "Sir, I can see you are a prophet." After her lengthy conversation with Jesus, she said to her townspeople: "Come and see someone who told me everything I ever did!" The world seems to have always known people who claim clairvoyance. Today if you type "fortune teller" into the browser of your computer you can find hundreds of psychics listed. For \$3.99 a minute you can talk to one who claims to be "a gifted, honest, caring psychic who can help you with all issues." Also available are astrologers, mediums, palm readers and tarot card readers. It costs nothing to visit Jesus in prayer. He is the only one who can really tell you everything you ever did. He is the long-awaited Messiah who said to the Samaritan woman: "I, who speak to you, am he."

Stations & Soup St. Gabriel

Tuesday's at noon during lent
Thursday's at 6:00 pm March 23, 30th and April 6th

St. Patrick Stations of the Cross only

Friday March 24th and March 31st at 7pm.

Communal Reconciliation will be today, March 19th at 4:00 pm at Sacred Heart in Waterloo.

Income Weekend Mar 12, 2017

Weekly Collection \$ 4,098.00 Needed \$ 5,800.00

Income YTD as of February 28, 2017

Total Collections \$ 177,139.42 Total Budgeted \$172,000.00

Annual Adult Budget Needed \$270,000.00

Please have bulletin announcements into the office by Thursday's at 3:00 pm

Just Ahead

FF, both sites, Wed, March 29th @ 6:30

St. Patrick, Parkersburg location

Confessions: 1st & 3rd Saturday at 4:45 pm or by Appt.

FF, Wed, March 22, 6:30 pm @ P

Stations Only, Friday, March 24, 6:00 pm @ P

St. Gabriel, Reinbeck location

Confessions: 1st & 3rd Sunday at 8:45 am or by Appt.

Stations & Soup, Tuesday, March 21, Noon @ R

FF, Wed, March 22, 6:30 pm @ R

Stations & Soup, Thursday, March 23, 6:00 PM @ R

Other Announcements

Fundraiser Thank you to all who have already donated. If you haven't had a chance yet, we welcome any donations! All funds raised will go to Totus Tuus, a week long summer program for kids grades 1-12, and National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC). We are hoping to raise enough money to offer Totus Tuus to our students and families at no cost, and to pay half of each participant's NCYC trip. Your generosity is greatly appreciated as we help our youth navigate the "Road to Jesus"!

Holy Family Circle Update: On Sunday's March 19, 26 & April 2nd all the free will donations collected for donuts will go to the NCYC & Totus Tuus Fundraiser. **Also on April 2, the HFC will be serving a breakfast casserole, fresh fruit and donuts. Come and enjoy!!!** On Tuesday March 21, Judy Schaffer from Ackley will be coming to show us how to make woolen mittens out of old sweaters. She will be here at 1:30. Come to stations, have some soup and then spend an hour learning this. The mittens will be sold at our Holiday Craft table or can be given to family and friends. Also, we are still collecting tee shirts to be sent to Nicaragua to be made into diapers. Thanks to all who have already left some!

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry – The Knights of Columbus would like to thank those who provided bars or worked at the event on March 10th. We served 404 adults and 31 children. The second KC fish fry will be held April 7th, 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 April 2, 2017. Thank you for your support.

Easter Lily Memorial Contributions: Envelopes are available for parishioners to make a contribution for Easter lilies in memory of a loved one or in honor of someone. We are asking \$15 for each lily. Envelopes are in the narthex on the credenza. Please take one home and return it by Sunday, April 9.

Lenten Online Discussion Group Join our parish online discussion group! During Lent we will share comments, ask questions of each other and reflect on the book *Resisting Happiness* by Matthew Kelly. Participating is easy. From your computer or iPad go to <http://resistinghappiness.boardhost.com> and register. To register from a phone go to the website and click on the 3 horizontal bars and chose Desktop format. TO REGISTER, simply provide the information that is asked. Note: We recommend using your first and last name together as a username as a way for people to get to know one another.

2017 Catholic Men's Conference The 21st Annual Catholic Men's Conference is Saturday, April 1st at Xavier High School in Cedar Rapids. The keynote speaker is Doug Barry from the Lincoln, Nebraska diocese and for the first year there will also be a Spanish speaking keynote speaker, Deacon Freddy Palacios from the Archdiocese of Chicago. The conference includes breakout sessions, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation and concludes with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Jackels. Register in advance by March 17th and save \$10! Advance registration is \$35 for adults, \$5 for students and \$50 for one adult and three or more students. For more information and to register go to www.catholicmenonline.org Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Dubuque Catholic Men's Fellowship.

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

Catholic Worker House in need of – disposable shavers, deodorant & Cleaners. **Please put in Collection Box in Conference Room.**

| | Mar 25 | Mar 26 |
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| Accompanist | Lyndsay | Susan Halbach / Choir |
| Cantor | Clara / Marty | Don Davidson |
| Extraordinary | Kelsie Tingle | Georgia Bennett, Karen Benson, Wanda Christensen |
| Ministers | Mary Schwennen* | Michelle Coulter, Michelle Cox, Steve Cox |
| Of Holy | Tamara Tingle | Amy Seitz, Barb Melloy*, Tim Melloy |
| Communion | | Bobbi Peterson, Shalene Peterson* |
| Greet | Chris & Terri Thome | Leon Christensen, Brian & Mary Corwin Al & Denis Bovy |
| Gifts | Gary & Mary Wolfe | Al & Denise Bovy |
| Reader 1 | Mike Brannon | Amy Dall |
| Reader 2 | | Don Davidson |
| Server | Halie Petersen | Colton Glick, Alana Corwin |
| Server | | Thomas Corwin, Katie Van Nice |
| Usher | Susie Hook | Chris Frischmeyer, Julie Frischmeyer, Denny Greiner |
| Usher | Cindy Kannegieter | Marc Gunnarson, Ron Hayek, Curt Jacobi |
| Video | | David Martens |
| Sacristan / MC /Announcements | Nancy Brannon | Helen O'Connor, Rita Amling, Julie Grunklee |
| Collection Counters | Richard & Cam Coy | Shannon Appel, John Kramer, Bill & Shirley Rogers |