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MARCH 27, 2016
EASTER SUNDAY

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Mass Intentions for
March 29 – April 3

	<u>Intention for</u>
Tuesday.....5:15 pm at Parkersburg	Hilda Kucera
Wednesday.....8:00 am at Reinbeck	Paul J. O'Connor
Thursday.....8:00 am at Reinbeck	Eugene & Barbara Krebsbach
Friday.....7:30 pm at Parkersburg	Johanna Thrasher
Saturday.....5:30 pm at Parkersburg	For the People
Sunday.....9:30 am at Reinbeck	Earl McCormick

SOMETHING MORE – The liturgy gives us 50 days to find Jesus in the Word, in the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup, in our prayers and in our going forth to serve others. We are formed and prepared for Pentecost by entering the sacred rites and by looking for Jesus in our world. Everything reveals God, and everywhere is holy ground; all our thoughts, words and actions are illuminated by grace and overflow with new life.

The Holy Week we began in sorrow ends in joy. The altar of Jesus' self-sacrificing love is strong enough to bear our suffering and despair, our unanswered prayers and inexplicable losses. In retelling the story of Jesus, our hearts are opened and our hearts burn within us. What we bring to God through Jesus is consecrated and transformed. The broken lives we place on the altar, we take up again suffused with light and power.

Easter sets our lives in motion. The first disciples ran to and from the tomb. Two disciples ran all the way from Emmaus to Jerusalem to tell the others they had seen the Lord. The first faith community, broken by failure and sorrow, regrouped on Easter Sunday to begin their mission to the world. A new day has dawned, for them and for us. "This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad."

Just Ahead

- ❖ FF Wed April 6, 6:30 – 7:45 pm both sites, Mass @ R
- ❖ Holy Family Circle Mtg after Mass, April 10, @ R
- ❖ NO KC Mtg on Thursday, March 31

St. Patrick, Parkersburg location

Confession each Saturday beginning at 4:45 pm for 30 minutes
FF, Wednesday March 30, 6:30 – 7:45 @ P

Easter Sunday Focus: ALLELUIA, he is raised! Truly, he is Risen!

The significance of the empty tomb was seemingly beyond comprehension of Peter and Mary Magdalen. It was the beloved apostle, John, who understood the implication. *He saw and believed.* When we trust whole-heartedly in Christ, we witness things that seemingly defy human comprehension. Easter is evidence of that. From humiliation, brutality and pain come redemption and salvation. ALLELUIA indeed!

AND STILL MORE – A video about a man and his dog in Argentina offers us this touching story. They were inseparable, doing everything together, the dog waiting patiently outside as the man made his rounds. One night he had a heart attack, and an ambulance rushed him to the hospital. The dog raced behind and took up its station outside the hospital.

Days passed. It rained, and the dog sought shelter under a ledge. Then one morning, the dog lifted his head with hopeful eyes. He sensed the arrival of his master. But instead, it was a smiling woman in a wheelchair, being discharged after a liver transplant surgery. Part of her recognized this tail wagging dog, and the dog recognized his master in her.

After his resurrection, Jesus appeared as a stranger on the road to Emmaus. The disciples sensed a vital connection to him as he explained the scriptures to them, and they recognized him in the breaking of the bread. We know the master because we are now united to his risen body in the world.

Thank you!! Approximately 390 meals were served at the fish fry on March 18th. The Knights of Columbus would like to extend a special thank you to all the parishioners that helped at the event or made those delicious bars.

St. Patrick Parishoners - We are in need of a new Parish Council Member from St. Patrick. Prayerfully consider being part of this important ministry. Please contact Fr. David as soon as possible.

St. Patrick - Volunteers are needed in Parkersburg to deliver Meals on Wheels on Wednesdays for the month of April. Please sign up on the schedule in the back of the church. Thank you!

Income Weekend March 20, 2015

Adult Budget \$ 3,623.00 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
FF, Wednesday March 30, 6:30 – 7:45 @ R

Other Announcements

Sister Marie Hesed is coming to St. Gabriel Sunday April 17. Sister will be talking to us about her ministries. She worked with Mother Theresa of Calcutta. Mass this day will be at 10:00 am. Your family is invited to RSVP for Dinner and to hear Sister speak following Mass. Babysitting will be available. Please RSVP as soon as possible to the office at 319-345-2006 or dbq169sec@dbqarch.org. Please note there will NOT be coffee & Donuts after Mass on this day.

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.

Couples of Faith Join us for our next date night, Happy Together: "The Blueprint of Love" on Sunday, April 10 from 5 – 7 pm. We will be enjoying a Fiesta Meal Bar as we reflect on 6 qualities for a loving marriage. All married & engaged couples of all ages and faiths are welcome to come enjoy food, fun, fellowship and a door prize!! Feel free to invite other couples to come with you! Even if you have never attended Couples of Faith before, we would love to have you come and help us continue our mission of being a marriage building parish. Meal, beverages and childcare all provided. Please RSVP to cnorth3412@gmail.com, or call, text or leave message to 319-215-6118.

Youth Jam is the new Middle School Youth Rally for the Archdiocese of Dubuque. This is a special day set aside for those in 6-8th grade to come together and celebrate our Catholic faith. There will be tons of high energy, activities and inspirational presentations by DJ Bill Lage! DJ Bill is known for his high energy use of music to evangelize and has been a regular at NCYC. Youth Jam will be on April 9th at Columbus High School in Waterloo, from 3:30-8:30 pm. Registration forms are on the tables in the narthex at both churches. Cost is \$29. Registrations will close April 1st or when they reach 300 participants. So register soon! Contact Amy with any questions.

Birthright Open House – April 9 All are invited to tour the new Birthright office on Saturday, April 9 from 1 to 3 p.m. at its new location at 4113 University Avenue, Cedar Falls. This permanent location has been remodeled and we are anxious to show it to the many people in the Cedar Valley who have supported this effort. Birthright's goal is to provide any woman in the Cedar Valley who is distressed by an unplanned pregnancy a safe place to get the support and help she needs. Birthright is also seeking additional volunteers. Anyone interested in learning more should contact the director, Nancy Brannon, at mnbrannon@msn.com or call 319-231-0911.

Seven Sisters Apostolate Morning Retreat: at St. Raphael Cathedral, Dubuque on Saturday, April 2. Registration - 7:30AM, Mass - 8:00AM. Speakers - Fr. Alan Dietzenbach and Janette Howe, Foundress. Theme: Being the Face of Mercy. All women are welcome. Seven Sisters is an apostolate that is committed to having a Holy Hour prayed every day of any given week for a priest. To register contact JoAnn Olson at 563-590-9172 or cjolson@mchsi.com. Make it a pilgrimage with the Door of Mercy at the Cathedral.

D.E.W. (Disciple Experience Weekend): How does one become a more deliberate disciple? How does a disciple live out the Joy of the Gospel? How does Catholic Social Teaching inform discipleship? Come and explore these questions from April 8-10, 2016, Immaculate Conception School, Gilbertville. This spiritual growth opportunity is open to both men and women. Participants may stay overnight onsite or make arrangements elsewhere. The fee for DEW is \$ 50.00 to cover materials and meals. For more information and to register, please visit www.dbqarch.org/dew

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

	April 2	April 3
Accompanist	Lyndsay	Susan Halbach
Cantor	Kyle	Rick Ogle
Extraordinary	Mary Ann Bergman*	Patty Jacobi*, Julie Frischmeyer, Barb Melloy*
Ministers	Cam Coy	Tina Lyon, Janelle Onnen*, Rita Amling
Of Holy	Julie Dunn	Connie Becker, Joe Becker, Cynthia Becker
Communion		Karen Benson, Sue Sonnenberg
Greet	Dan & Beth Bruns	Leon Aalderks Family, Mike & Georgia Bennett, Richard Benson Family
Gifts	Chris & Terri Thome	Leon Aalderks Family
Reader 1	Kathy Hosch	Kelly Brockett
Reader 2		Kathy Zeiner
Server	McKenna Tingle	Avery Coulter, Taylor Frischmeyer
Server	Carley Hook	Madelene Frischmeyer
Usher	Don & Mary Ann Bergman	Chad Vandenberg, Kenny Ackerman, Mike Williams
Usher		Greg Snider, Don Schmidt, Rich Riesberg
Video		Dave Martens
Sacristan / MC /Announcements	Nancy Brannon	Judy Kershaw / Kathy Zeiner / Diane Stephan
Collection Counters	Bob & Peg Neavins, Richard & Cam Coy	Margie Glick, Vicki Daily, Bill & Shirley Rogers