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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

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Mass Intentions for
Aug 8 – Aug 13

Tuesday.....5:15 pm at Parkersburg
Wednesday.....8:00 am at Reinbeck
Thursday.....**Fr. David OFF**
Friday.....7:30 am at Parkersburg
Saturday.....5:30 pm at Parkersburg
Sunday.....9:30 am at Reinbeck

Intention for
Francis Babinat
Mary Coleman
NO MASS
Eva Amfahr
Lori Hoff
For the People

Something more..... On the mountaintop, we are introduced to two of the most eminent of all Hebrew Scripture heroes: Moses and Elijah. Until this experience, Jesus' disciples treated him as an equal of these great prophets of the ages. But, then a cloud comes over the disciples and a "voice" from the cloud says: "This is my beloved Son ... listen to him." What the disciples — and you and I — are being clearly told is that Jesus is more than a prophet, more than a wonder worker, more than any other holy person who ever existed — more than even Moses and Elijah. Jesus, we are told by this voice, is unique in all human history, transcending all those who have gone before. He alone is God's Son! Then, out of the cloud, comes the only directive that the voice from heaven gives. Notice that it is not "worship him." It is not "adore him." It is not even "praise him." Instead, it is a much more intimate, caring command: "Listen to him." Follow him and allow the experience to transform our hearts, to bring about a transplant of the Spirit. This heavenly voice isn't just informing us that Jesus is God's Son to give us information. The voice is encouraging us to understand and live out the message that we are all God's sons and daughters. Despite some terrible sorrows and considerable pain that we may have to endure, we can now trust that in the end all will be well. This experience is reminiscent of a 1970s movie, "Close Encounters of the Third Kind." in which Richard Dreyfus plays an everyday man who becomes strangely attracted to an isolated area in the Wyoming wilderness. He is convinced that something spectacular is about to happen there. And in the last 30 minutes of the movie, something truly spectacular does occur: An enormous space ship hovers over this region. People witnessing it are dumbstruck and terrified, like the disciples in today's Gospel.

HFP Prayer Chain Contacts:

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Holy Day of Obligation, Assumption - Tuesday, Aug 15th
Mass Times: 12:00 Noon St. Patrick
6:00 PM St. Gabriel

FOCUS: This is my beloved son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.
"The word of the Lord" is something we hear in church, perhaps without giving it much thought. Peter and Daniel both remind us that the words of Jesus we hear in Scripture are none other than the words of the beloved Son of the Ancient One, who is the Most High over all the earth. We would do well to pay close attention to these words.

Shoe Collection We will again be doing the "Soles for Souls" shoe collection during August and would appreciate any good new or used shoes. With school starting soon it would be a good time to check your closets! They can be placed in the box in the narthex of each church beginning in August. Be sure and tie them together. Thank you.... The Social Justice Committee

Summer Forum Series The last presentation will be Wednesday, August 9 at 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm at COR – 220 East 4th St., Waterloo. Details can be found at www.waterloocatholics.org/summer-forum-series.

St. Gabriel Piano Fund Drive - Our goal is \$13,500 so we have a long way to go. A thermometer is in the narthex to show where we are at. We appreciate any and all donations /memorials toward the piano. Questions, please visit with Susan Halbach, Jerry Zeiner, or Paula Steimel.

Income Weekend July 30, 2017
Weekly Collection \$ 3,051.00 Needed \$ 4,700.00
Income YTD as of July 31, 2017
Total Collections \$21,483.00 Total Budgeted \$23,500.00
Annual Adult Budget Needed \$275,000.00

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

Just Ahead

HFC Mtg after Mass, Sunday, Aug 13th @ R
Liturgy Mtg, Thursday, Aug, 17th, 6:30 pm @ St. Gabriel

St. Patrick, Parkersburg location

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

St. Gabriel, Reinbeck location

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

Other Announcements

Special Update on the Strong Catholic Marriage Workshop on Saturday, October 14, 2017 at St. Gabriel.

For all our parish couples who attend the retreat, HFP is offering a \$25 rebate of the \$75 registration fee after the retreat. The rebate offer is limited to engaged or married parish members. Our Couples of Faith team encourages couples to participate in this excellent and convenient opportunity. The workshop will be in place of our October Date Night program. The "Essential Elements for a Strong Catholic Marriage" workshop is for couples interested in improving communication, experiencing healing and forgiveness, exploring the role of service and prayer, and cherishing the marriage intended by God. The workshop will take place at **St. Gabriel, Reinbeck on Saturday, October 14, 2017** from 9 am to 4 pm. The presenters will be Greg and Julie Alexander, founders of Alexander House, a non-profit apostolate dedicated to the education and enrichment of marriage and family life. The work of the Alexanders has been used at prior Couples of Faith Date Night programs. \$75 per couple includes lunch & snacks. For more information, and to register online for this event go to <https://www.dbqarch.org/event> or contact Matt Selby at (563) 556-2580, ext. 233 or m.selby@dbqarch.org.

Subscribe to the Archdiocesan Family Matters E-Newsletter! You're invited to subscribe to the *Family Matters* e-newsletter, a monthly publication of the Archdiocese of Dubuque Family Life Office that is sent via email around the 15th of each month. The *Family Matters* e-newsletter includes information and inspiration to help you live your faith in your family. You may subscribe by emailing Lynne Chapman at dbqcfsec@dbqarch.org (you may unsubscribe at any time). Questions or suggestions for content may be directed to Matt Selby, Director of Family Life, at m.selby@dbqarch.org or (563) 556-2580, Ext. 233.

Grundy Center Lions Club Blood Drive will be Thursday, August 17, 2017 from 12:30 PM to 6:00 PM at the Grundy Center Community Center, 705 F Ave, Grundy Center. To make an appointment, contact John Kramer at 319-825-6246 or visit www.lifeservebloodcenter.org

Following God's Lead in the Dance of Life Retreat opportunity for Lay Formation and IMPACT alumni
Alumni of the Archdiocese of Dubuque's Lay Formation and IMPACT programs (or similar programs in other dioceses) are invited to a retreat at American Martyrs Retreat House in Cedar Falls, Saturday, September 30 through Sunday, October 1. Based on Joyce Rupp's book, *May I Have This Dance?*, the retreat will invite participants into a closer relationship with God through a variety of prayer experiences, talks, personal reflection, and small group discussion. Cost is \$125; scholarships are available. For more information or a registration form, contact Theresa Alt at alt.theresa@yahoo.com or 319-447-1132.

Attention Married Couples: "God reveals Himself through the Love of a couple" **Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.** Upcoming Dates; October 27-29 @Cedar Falls. November 10-12 @Iowa City. For information and to register go to iowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305 or email: JLJwwme08@Gmail.com

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.**

	Aug 12	Aug 13	Aug 15/Assumption/6:00pm St. Gab
Accompanist	Lyndsay	Susan Halbach	
Cantor	Kyle	Don Davidson	
Extraordinary	Cam Coy*	Amy Dall, Elaine Folkerts, Tim Melloy	Reno Rodeghiero, Patty Jacobi
Ministers	Mary Schwennen	Bob Glick, Margie Glick, Ann O'Connor	Kelley Sents
Of Holy	Mary Ann Bergman	Rick Nilles, Janelle Onnen, Barb Melloy*	
Communion		Mary Linder, Tina Lyon*	
Greet	Larry & Vi Kisner		
Gifts	Chris & Terri Thome	Brad Evenson Family	
Reader 1	Tamara Tingle	Don Osterhaus	Kelley Sents
Reader 2		Joe Davis	Sue Sonnenberg
Server	Gannon Oberhauser	Colton Glick, Jace Petersen	Andrew Cox, Tanner DeWall
Server	Camden Tott	Sophis Folkerts	Drew Sonnenberg
Usher	Al & Patty Hoff	Brian Corwin, Ron Hayek, Curt Jacobi	Justin Nicklaus
Usher		Robert Lang, Tom Lang, Dave Martens	Rick Nilles
Video		Todd Rickert	
Sacristan / MC /Announcements	Nancy Brannon	Judy Kershaw / Diane Stephan / Janine Stewart	Rose Kramer / Kathy Zeiner / Amy Dall
Collection Counters	Josh Petersen / Roger Oberhauser	Margie Glick, John Kramer, Bill & Shirley Rogers	