

January 20th & 21st, 2024 — Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

St. Joseph (SJ) & St. Patrick (SP) Azria Nursing Home (AZ) Mass Schedule						
Date			Place	Time	Mass Intention	Sacred Scriptures
Mon	Jan	22	SJ	No Mass		Protection of Unborn: 2 Sam 5:1-7,10; MK 3:22-30
Tues	Jan	23	SJ	No Mass		St. Vincent:2 Samuel 6:12-15,17-19; Mark 3: 31-35
Wed	Jan	24	SJ	No Mass		St. Francis de Sales: 2 Samuel 7:4-17; Mark 4: 1-20
Thurs	Jan	25	SP	No Mass		Conv. St. Paul: Acts 22:3-16; Mark 16: 15-18
Fri	Jan	26	SJ	No Mass		Sts. Timothy & Titus: 2 Tim.1:1-8; Mark 4:26-34
Sat	Jan	27	SJ	5:00 PM	+ Dick Vogel	Deuteronomy 18: 15-20; 1 Cor. 7:32-35; Mark 1: 21-29
Sun	Jan	28	SP	8:00 AM	+For Our Parish	Deuteronomy 18: 15-20; 1 Cor. 7:32-35; Mark 1: 21-29
Sun	Jan	28	SJ	10:00 AM	+ Don & Lois Pettit	Deuteronomy 18: 15-20; 1 Cor. 7:32-35; Mark 1: 21-29

Prayer Chain: Courtney Bieghler, Nellie Bindel, Shirley Bittinger, Bob Casper, Malcolm Cortner, Linda Darling, Mike Forsyth, Christina Hefele, Glenn Kordick, Teresa Kordick, Julia Koster, Melinda Morrisey, Josetta Mulvihill, Frank Phillips, Clare Ritchie, Jo Schurman, Linda Sullivan. Please contact St. Joseph office at 515-462-1083 or office@saintjosephchurch.net to be added to the prayer line.

Eucharistic Adoration: St. Joseph Adoration Tues 11 am to 6pm. St. Patrick's Holy Hour is Thursday at 4:30pm followed by evening Mass at 5:45pm.

St. Joseph Altar & Rosary: The next meeting of the St. Joseph Altar & Rosary Society will be held on Thursday, January 25th. There will be a meeting at 1:30 in the Parish Hall with the rosary said at 1:15. There will also be a meeting that evening at 6:30 with the rosary being said at 6:15. We invite all women to attend one of the meetings.

Now that all the hustle-bustle of the holidays are over..... Don't you and your spouse deserve a beautiful, romantic weekend away together? If you agree then you'll want to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. For more info contact Denise and Greg – 563-920-9419. **Upcoming dates:** February 16-18 in Marshalltown, April 12-14, 2024 in Epworth, September 27-29 in Dubuque and November 8-10 in Holstein,

Monthly Rosary: Our World Needs Prayer. Join Fellow Iowans to Pray A Monthly Rosary. Iowa State Capitol - West Side Steps. Third Sunday of Every Month in 2024 at 1:30 PM..

Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule for January 27 & 28, 2024			
Ministry	St. Joe's Sat. 5:00 PM	St. Pat's Sun 8:00 AM	St. Joe's Sun. 10:00AM
Lector	Tonya Vogel	Al Sieren	Jim Jacobsen
Extra Ordinary Holy Com.	Jim Murphy, Barb LaGrange Joe Vogel	Michael King, Jody Watts Angie Hall	Maureen Garlich, Angela Hasbrouck Victoria Williams
Gifts		Larry & Jody Watts	
Servers			Claire Frels, Gus Hilbert
Usher		Michael King, Larry Watts	
Greeter		Al & Mickie Sieren	
Coffee & Rolls			Mike & Angela Frels, Volunteers

From the pastor's desk: This week the Holy Gospel is the call of Andrew and Simon Peter, James and John to follow our Lord and become fishers of Men (and Women too) . In a broad sense we can apply the invitation “to follow me,” to anyone with the courage to be a disciple, However we must also apply this invitation to our young people who might be called to he ministerial priesthood, in other words vocations.

I was reading an article on vocations and one of the main points offered by a bishop was the need for individual, families, parishes, and diocese to rely on God's grace. But there were some practical things to be as well. Vocations come from families who are devout. Families who consider their relationship with God most important. The spirituality of the parents becomes the seed bed of vocations. Another aspect is the Mass. Is it done with reverence? Does it have a transcendence quality or is the Mass just about us. This bishop said that the “Sacred Liturgy is supposed to put us in contact with the transcendent God.” The Mass should lift our hearts and mind toward the glory of Heaven. Flowing from the Mass is Eucharistic Adoration. This another factor in promoting vocations. In the presence of our Eucharistic Lord, in the silence, we hear the Lord speak to us. Inviting us to a vocation of love.

Thankfully, I believe here at St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's we are doing many of the things that encourages vocations. Can we do better? Oh yes, I think so. While we continue to improve in these and other areas, we accept God's grace daily. If we are to continue as a Eucharistic Church, we need vocation to the priesthood and they must come from your families. If we are to be a church of service to the poor, we need men and women religious and those vocations too must come from your family.

Confession Times: St. Pat's 7:15 am on Sundays; St. Joe's 3:30 pm on Saturdays,

St. Joseph's Parishioners: because of the recent cold weather the Listening Session with the diocese have been rescheduled. You may attend this Tuesday Jan 23rd or Tuesday Feb 6th. Please come and share your hopes, concerns and aspirations for the parish with Tom Green. All are invited to attend this session that will begin at 7pm and conclude by 8:30pm. Please contact John Gaffney with any questions @jgaffney@dmdiocese.org

St. Joe's Friday Morning Bible Study: Meets on Friday after Mass. Acts-The Spread of the Kingdom.

Winterwear for CRISP: The Christian Family Movement is hosting a winterwear drive for CRISP. There will be a box in the entryway of St. Joe's to donate gently used or new items:

Invitation to pray the Rosary a half hour before Masses at St. Joe's on the weekends .

FORMED our Catholic Streaming Service: all parishioners can check out the latest Christmas offerings at FORMED. Go to formed.org, type/click on “Signup as parishioners” click on Find your parish, enter Winterset's zip code 50273, click on St. Joseph Catholic Church, enter name and email address. The enjoy amazing and catholic things.

Altar & Rosary Upcoming Events: Trivia Night - Sign up your team now! Saturday, January 27, 2024. Doors open at 6 pm. Trivia at 7 pm. Teams of 8. \$15/person. Optional addition of 2 ringers at \$25 each. Free-will donation beverages. Bring your own snacks. Theme is Beach Party. Certificates for best decorated tables, best costumes, etc. Online signup available at <https://form.jotform.com/233436613570050> or pick up a form. Co-Hosted by St. Joseph Altar & Rosary Society and Winterset Knights of Columbus.

That Man is YOU: The second semester of “Light of Man” meets on Saturday January 27 at 7:00 AM. The coffee will be ready and we will be finished at 8:00 AM. Men from both parishes are invited.

Catholic Conversations: are held on Tuesday evening at St. Joseph. This is an RCIA process with a twist, you are invited to attend any topic that you would like a refresher on. The sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation will be the topic for the Jan 23rd gathering.

Single Catholic Women 20-35: Franciscan Sisters invite you to in-person and on-line Discernment Events designed for you. Discover your calling and purpose. Visit <https://fsc-calledtobe.org> or contact Sr. Julie Ann 920-323-9632.