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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday		5:30pm
Sunday		9:00am
	11:30am	Spanish

Rosary

Thursday..... 8:30am

Confessions

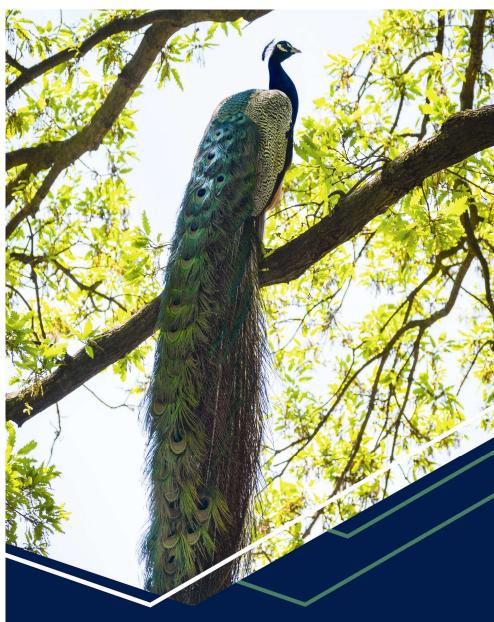
Saturday...... 4:30pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday...... 6:00pm Friday...... 8:30am



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4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." - Mt 5:10-12a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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Mission Statement

"To Glorify God through Word, Worship and Service".

NOTES/NEWS

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Every day, God offers each of us countless opportunities to embody the Beatitudes. Blink and you might miss them. Where is God inviting you to poverty of spirit? Where does he beg you to hunger for righteousness? How does he ask you to make peace? ©LPi

CEW WEEKEND RETREAT

God has given you many weekends-why not spend one with HIM? The lowa Deanery Catholic Community will host a **Christian Experience Weekend** (CEW) retreat on **Feb. 24-26 for women and March 3-5 for men** at St. Mary's, Riverside.

A CEW offers a chance to retreat from everyday life and take a look at who you are and where you are going. Throughout the weekend, you will be given time and tools to rediscover yourself, your faith, and God. The weekend includes time alone and time with others on the same journey. For more information, contact the parish office.

The weekend begins 7:00 p.m. Friday and ends at 4:30 p.m. Sunday. It is open to all men and women **over the age of 18**.

Registrations forms are located at each entrance of the church.

SATURDAY KITCHEN

St James will host **Saturday Kitchen on Feb 4, 2023.** Please join us anytime from 9:00am- 1:00pm at the UP Church kitchen. We will serve a Sausage noodle casserole, green beans and assorted dessert donations (cakes, bars, etc). Tasks include serving food, visiting with patrons, serving drinks and clean-up. All ages are welcome to help for any amount of time! Contact Tina Knutson at 319-863-3522 with questions or dessert donations.

IOWA CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

ICYC is a day-long event for those in grades 6-8 (and their parents).

Date: Sunday, March 26, 2023 **Time:** 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM **Who:** Middle School Youth (grades 6-8) and their parents.

Location: Mount Mercy University, Cedar Rapids
Cost: \$39 (Early Bird) / \$49 (after March 1, 2023)
Featured Speaker/Musician: NCYC 2021 artist Dana

Catherine will inspire young people from Eastern Iowa with her amazing message and song. To learn more about Dana

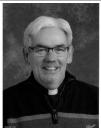
Catherine visit www.danacatherinemusic.com.

Registration & waiver forms can be found here
holy-family-parish-youth-group and turned into

Angie Goodwin or the parish office.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN To report child abuse contact:

Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178 and if it involves clergy or church personnel also notify Alicia Owens, the Victim Assistance Coordinator,563-349-5002; vac@diodav.org or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722.



This week is jam packed with fun stuff. It is Catholic Schools Week! One of the most fun things that you can do during this week is write a check to the school. You can't have more fun than that.

In truth this week is jam packed with fun stuff. The school has lot of different activities planned. Joins us for as many of them as

you can. Check the Web page for details.

February 7^{th} and 8^{th} there will be no 8am Mass. I will be out of town those two days.

Tax returns should be arriving over the next several months. Don't spend it all in one place. Unless of course that place in the Sunday collection. When you get your return do something fun with some of it and save the rest. Just don't go wild, unless of course, you invite me to go with you. Then its ok. LOL

FAITH FORMATION

Please accompany your children on the first Sunday of every month for Deep Root Sunday: Family-Based Learning on the Richness of Our Catholic Faith.

2nd Semester

Feb. 12 & 19 March 12 & 19 Apr. 16 & 23

Deep Root Sunday:

Feb. 5 March 5 April 2

There is **NO Faith Formation** on Sunday:

Jan. 29 Feb. 26 March 26 Apr. 9

Confirmation

9th graders meet from 8am-1am in Tobin Hall basement.

CONNECTING WITH CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES Thursday, February 2, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Our next Lunch and Learn will focus on Catholic Relief Services (CRS). We will discuss various ways to get involved in CRS, including the upcoming Lenten Rice Bowl and CRS Chapters. The many resources that CRS has to offer will be highlighted.

The Social Action Office offers "Lunch and Learn" conversations through Zoom video conferencing. You can call in by phone or connect on your computer, tablet or smartphone. Zoom is a free app and you do not need to set up an account to participate. For more information please visit the Diocesan web page.

KC FISH FRY

The Knights of Columbus will be serving Fish Fry from 5:30 pm-7:00 pm at KC Hall on Friday nights:

Feb. 3, 10, 17 & 24

Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31

DRIVE THRU ONLY

For more information contact Dave Schantz at (319)-750-2451.

JANUARY 2023	Weekly Budget	Week: 1/15/23	Difference
Church Envelopes	\$5,302.00	\$4,588.00	-\$714.00
School Envelopes	\$2,596.00	\$2,928.00	\$332.00
Offertory	\$346.00	\$392.00	\$46.00
Building & Main	\$356.00	\$6.00	-\$350.00
Other/Holiday		\$3.00	\$3.00
Budget Weekly	\$8,600.00	\$7,917.00	-\$683.00
	YTD SHORTFALL / SURPLUS		\$4,770.00

Readings for the Week of January 29, 2023

Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13,Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (Matthew 5:3),

1 Cor 1:26-31,Mt 5:1-12a

Monday: Heb 11:32-40,Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24,Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4,Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32,Mk 5:21-43 Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7,11-15,Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a,Mk 6:1-6 Thursday: Mal 3:1-4,Ps 24:7, 8, 9,10,Heb 2:14-18,Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Friday: Heb 13:1-8,Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc,Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21,Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6,Mk 6:30-34 Next Sunday: Is 58:7-10,Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a),1 Cor 2:1-5,Mt 5:13-16

NEWMAN CENTER COLLECTION

Surround, Support, Strengthen Diocesan Special Collection-February 11 & 12, 2023. Did you know that our diocese has a Newman Catholic Student Center at the University of Iowa? Their ministry is focused on invitation and outreach to students attending UI. The center is funded through the generosity of private donations from individuals and businesses. Bishop Zinkula has authorized a **special diocesan collection for the Newman Center on February 11 and 12, 2023.** For more information on the Newman Center's mission to prepare disciples for the Church and the world and ways that you can help support students in their faith journey, please visit www.iowacatholic.org.

THE CATHOLIC MESSENGER

The Catholic Messenger's current subscription rate of \$29 will increase \$1 effective Jan. 1, 2023. It is the first increase in a decade. The new annual subscription rate will be \$30 per year. This amounts to a nominal price increase of just 2 cents per edition, making The Catholic Messenger an exceptional bargain at 60 cents per edition.

	Saturday, Feb. 4th 5:30 pm	Sunday, Feb. 5th 9:00 am
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	Carl Berst Margaret Marie Daniel Voss Jean Wehr Marty Young	Brian Hora Theresa Hora Luke Horak Emily Klopfenstein Denny Vittetoe
Gift Family	Jolene Colthurst	Kevin Reed
Altar Server		Hattie Longbine William Longbine
Lector	Nicole Stoutner	Suzanne Horak
Music	James Crossroads	Spirit Led Singers

FAMILY LIFE

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Help St. James reach out to parishioners in need. If you are aware of someone who needs a card of encouragement or concern call Charlotte Lindmeier at 653-6274.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Humble of the Earth

When I think of the Beatitudes, I think of collectible coffee mugs emblazoned with the words *Blessed are the peacemakers*, with little pastel flowers stenciled in the white spaces of the lettering. I think of greeting cards and decorative wall hangings.

Why? These are the Beatitudes, for heaven's sake — revolutionary and radical. An uncompromising impeachment of worldly values. They are the opposite of banal.

But I cringed from my head to my toes when I read my first draft of this reflection, a retelling of a time in my life when I decided to embrace humility and meekness. I realized that the Beatitudes aren't something I can tell you about. Poverty of spirit, the hunger for righteousness, the gladness God gives to the downtrodden — these are concepts that must be animated within us. They must be lived. So instead of telling you my story, I want you to tell yours.

I invite you to think of a time when you were vulnerable. When you were discouraged or humbled or felt like a failure. A time when you were cut low. The loss of a job, perhaps, or the rejection of a loved one. The abrupt end of some road that you felt sure would be long and prosperous.

Resentment, envy, and vengefulness flourish in moments like this. Did you experience those feelings? Did you embrace them? Did you want to?

What did the world tell you this moment should mean?

What does Christ tell you it should mean? Have you figured it out, or are you still working on it?

God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise, and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong. — 1 Corinthians 1:27

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This week at St. James . .

Monday, January 30

Tuesday, January 31

MASS-Warren Escher

8:00 am (CH)

Wednesday, February 1

MASS-Jim Ledger

8:25 am (CH)

Thursday, February 2

MASS-Ursula (Galera) Ryan8:00 am (CH)Rosary8:30 am (CH)

Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 pm (CH)

Friday, February 3

MASS-Trier Brothers8:00 am (CH)Eucharistic Adoration8:30 am (CH)Prayer Group7:00 pm (TH)

Saturday, February 4

MASS-The People 8:00 am (CH)
Confessions 4:30 pm (CH)
MASS-Jim Ledger & Gary McClure 5:30 pm (CH)

Sunday, February 5

MASS-Carla Lumberg9:00 am (CH)Cookies & Coffee10:00 am (TH)Faith Formation10:00 am (TH)MASS-The People11:30 am (CH)

KEY: THB-Tobin Hall Basement, TH-Tobin Hall, CH-Church, CHB-Church Basement, KC-KC Hall, CR-Conf. Room, GYM-SJ School Gym, YR-Youth Room

KC HALL RENTAL

To rent KC Hall, go to the website washingtonkchall.com

PARISHIONER INFORMATION UPDATE

Have you remembered to notify the parish of an email or phone number change? Perhaps you had a change of address recently? Please take a moment to keep us informed. Return this form in the collection basket, or at the parish office.

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Name
Address
City/State/Zip
Home Phone
Cell Phone
☐ I prefer electronic communication.
\square I would like to join St. James Parish.
☐ I'm moving away please remove me from roster

GOSPEL MEDITATION

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