

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, August 30**

No Mass

**Tuesday, August 31**

6:00 PM Mass † Howard Unzietig

Eucharistic Adoration following 6 PM Mass

**Wednesday, September 1**

10:00AM School Mass † Charles/Mary Ann Porazil

**Thursday, September 2**

7:15 AM Mass † Joe/Adeline Regan

**Friday, September 3**

St. Gregory the Great; First Friday

7:15 AM Mass † Helen Zrudsky

**Saturday, September 4**

First Saturday

4:00 PM Mass † John/Frances Ryan

**Sunday, September 5**

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Mass St. Ludmila Parishioners

10:30 AM Mass Personal Intention

**Pilgrim Statue in the home of:**

Bernie/Carol Schnauer - 3420 Crown Ave Marion from Aug 30 - Sept 3. The rosary will be recited each evening at 7:30 PM.


**Prayer Line:** Let us pray for your needs 390.1277

**Readings for the Week of August 29, 2010**

- Sunday:** Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14
- Monday:** 1 Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30
- Tuesday:** 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Lk 4:31-37
- Wednesday:** 1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44
- Thursday:** 1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11
- Friday:** 1 Cor 4:1-5; Lk 5:33-39
- Saturday:** 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Lk 6:1-5
- Next Sunday:** Wis 9:13-18b; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33



**The Parish Community** extends its sympathy and prayers to the family of Franklin Michalec who recently passed away. May he rest in peace.



**Welcome To Our Parish Family!**

Brent and Janine Coselman and family  
 Jason and Catherine Lopez and family  
 James and Jacqueline Teahan and family

**Baptism Class** will be offered at St. Ludmila on Sept 19 at 1 PM in the Social Hall. Those attending must register beforehand at their own parish office. We do ask that if at all possible, both parents attend and that you arrange for childcare rather than bring your child to the class. Call 362.7282 with your questions.



**Pastor's Message**



**“Blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you”** is Jesus’ conclusion about our dealings with each other in today’s Gospel. Is that usually “wisdom to follow” in my book? Most of us are happy to help friends and family when we see a need, and my experience of this parish is that we do respond generously to specific requests for disaster assistance. But Jesus is talking about a way of life by which we invite and create opportunities to share our blessings that result in relationships *with me*, and not just gratitude *to me*. Christ calls us beyond the balance of giving/ receiving that is **justice**, to the giving/ receiving that is **love**.

So often for us as Church its not an issue of inviting those in need, its an issue of receiving them! Our Social Justice committee is a key part of how we do receive those who are without in some way. Some long-time committee members are following the Holy Spirit to other ministries. Others are being called by the Holy Spirit to carry on this Gospel work that is so rewarding! Please call me to visit about helping with this group of dedicated disciples!

I can’t hear this Gospel and not think of the issue of immigration reform. There are certainly justice concerns about following our laws, and controlling our borders. But Jesus takes us beyond that reciprocal justice to a humble love that springs forth from recognizing that all is gift from God. As a Church we support there being a pathway to citizenship rather than deportation of those who are here. As a Church we trust that honoring the higher value of keeping families together will outweigh the negatives that come from rewarding those who broke the law to get here. As a Church we are confident this will lead to being repaid at the resurrection of the righteous as Jesus promises. If you want to reflect some more on why our Church holds the positions it does, go to [www.iowacatholicconference.org](http://www.iowacatholicconference.org) Fr. Tom

**College Bound?** If you or someone from your family is going off to college or the military this fall, please take a moment, to call the Parish Office (362.7282) with your name; parent name/s; college/service address or send the information by e-mail: [dbq029@arch.pvt.k12.ia.us](mailto:dbq029@arch.pvt.k12.ia.us) in the next few weeks. We hope to send a newsletter every few months. Fr. Tom

**Are you handy with building? In between jobs?**  
 To continue adding to the safety and usefulness of our school building, we are going to create a covered passageway between the school and gym buildings this fall. We hope to begin in about 3 wks, and do the work mostly in the evenings but will work days as well if our leaders have the help. If you would give one or a few evenings to this work, please call me! Fr. Tom

## Liturgy

### **All Liturgical Ministers including Altar Servers and Ministers of Hospitality**

Tom/Jeanette Niccolai are creating the *schedules for October and November*. They would like for you to call them (363.6115) if you **CANNOT** minister because of illness or vacation. Please let them know **no later than Sept 12th**.

**Lectors**, only if you have a substitute for the weekend after Labor Day, to call Tom/Jeanette at 363.6115 by **Friday, Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>**. We need to mail the readings by Saturday to have you receive them by Tuesday the 7th.

We **seriously need** Hospitality Ministers for the 8 and 10:30 Sunday Masses.

Interested? Call 363.6115.

## Faith Formation

**A VBS thank you to:** Jim Berger for creating & building our *High Seas Ship* and to both Jim and John Pacha for helping to setup.

**Parents are you planning** for your child/children to attend the Religious Education Program for the 10/11 school year? Call 362.8148 for more info. **Classes begin Wed, Sept 15 with a Family Open House at 6:45 PM in the Church.**

**HELP...HELP...** RE Catechists needed for both the sessions: (early 5:15-6:30 PM); (late 6:45-8 PM). We also need aides to help the Catechists for both sessions. Training is available. Call 362.8148 for more info.

**St. Ludmila Reads....**Rediscovering Catholicism! Many readers have already found that this book rekindles their commitment to the Catholic faith. The author recently inspired several audiences right here in Cedar Rapids. We are making the book available for your family's reading in the near future. If you have read the book and enjoyed it, please contact Sr. Mary: 362.7282.

**Becoming Catholic:** If you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic, please invite them to inquiry/informational session on Aug 31 at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center. Contact Sister Mary:362.7282 or [dbq029s@arch.pvt.k12.ia.us](mailto:dbq029s@arch.pvt.k12.ia.us)

**The WORD Among Us** contains Catholic Mass prayers and meditations on the daily Scripture readings, featuring articles on the life of Mother Theresa. Pick one up in the Gathering Space today. Please leave a donation.

## Sacramental Preparation

**Confirmation Registration:** All St. Ludmila Parish 10<sup>th</sup> grade students who are planning on getting confirmed this year are reminded that the final registration deadline is **Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>**! All Confirmation paperwork must be completed and turned into the Religious Education Office in St. Ludmila School by that date . . . **NO EXCEPTIONS!** If you need registration forms or have questions call Bob Gardner at 298.9525 or stop by the Religious Education Office, but don't delay. (NOTE: ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES ARE ALSO REMINDED THAT YOU MUST CALL BOB BY WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, TO SET UP YOUR PERSONAL INTERVIEW, YOUR FIRST REQUIRED ACTIVITY IN THE PROCESS!)

## Appreciation

**Thank you to our parish volunteer secretaries for the week of August 15:** Jeanne Ross and Mickey Betz.

**Thank you to God's Housekeepers for the week of August 15:** Karen Neuhaus, Mary Brecht, Denise Pudil, Kelly Hiserote, Denise Benish, Fran Musel, Jim/Lorlei Christner, Rosann/Natalie Sandersfeld, Joyce Janovec.

**Thank you to our bingo volunteers Aug 15-24:** Joe/Jerri Whitters, Sue Kuba-Tresnak, Pat Wiltgen, Dale Feye, Hope Hugh, Brianne Hugh, Shawn/Shelbi Grommon, Barb Jandl, Jeanne Ross, Paul/Leanne Junko, Frank Roman, Heaven Borseth, Charity Schneekloth, Fran/Kathy Musel, Mark/Rosann Sandersfeld, Mary/Rebecca Weber, Carol/Janet Hayek, Matt Teply, Connie Been, Chris Chambers. Cakes: Joan Sylvester, Renee Levi, Paula Wilhelm, Mary Beth Neal, Sue Berger, Sue Vecerka, and Brenda Havlik.

**Thank you to:**

- John and Kate Pacha for getting the AC working in the Church again!
- The Jim & Sue Berger family for helping Bob Borelli and Mark McCalley of the custodial staff wax the Bingo Auditorium floors.
- Dan Martinek for coming every week to set the church thermostats for the events we have planned.
- Tim Neal for his hard work in getting the parish calendar up and running on our parish website.

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**Senior High Youth Ministry Kick-off:** All 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders from St. Ludmila Parish and your friends are invited to our big Youth Ministry Kick-off Picnic on Wed, September 1st from 6PM - 8PM at Oak Pavilion in Jones Park. We'll have food, games, community-building & tons of fun! Mark your calendars and plan to join us. There is **NO COST** for this event! Ninth graders and new youth parishioners are especially encouraged to attend. This is the perfect opportunity to meet other awesome youth from our parish and get connected to St. Ludmila Youth Ministry.



**Parish Life**

Thank you to the **Senior Citizen Group** who came and enjoyed a delicious meal and fellowship. Approximately 35 people enjoyed the food prepared by our excellent cooks. We thank Joan Sylvester for taking our group picture for the pictorial directory. Then we looked into our purses and pockets for those special items forgotten for our scavenger hunt.



On Monday, August 30, there will be an **Altar and Rosary Society** meeting at 6:30 PM in the Social Hall.

All women of the parish are welcome to join us for the evening.

**St. Anne's Circle annual picnic** will be Wed, Sept 1, at 5:30 PM in the Social Hall. Bring your own table service. Meat and coffee furnished.

**Parish Photo Directory**

There are photo appointments still available. Check our parish website: [www.stludmila.org](http://www.stludmila.org) for openings. Looking for parish activity photos e-mail Linda: [linda.larry.michalec@gmail.com](mailto:linda.larry.michalec@gmail.com)

Our new Parish Photo Directory will include the parish roster. If you wish not to have the following information (name, postal and e-mail addresses, or phone number) included in the roster, please send your wishes in writing to: Postal Mail: Linda Michalec - 2201 2<sup>nd</sup> St SW, Cedar Rapids IA 52404 or by e-mail: [linda.larry.michalec@gmail.com](mailto:linda.larry.michalec@gmail.com) The deadline for notification is September 15.

Thank you for letting us know.

**Holy Family and Xavier**

There will be a **Curriculum Night** at St. Ludmila on Thurs, September 2nd, and a Curriculum Night at St. Jude on Thurs, September 9th, both beginning at 6:30 PM. Important information will be shared at these meetings, and parents can meet their children's new teachers.

The **HF Magazine Sale** will start on Sept 3rd and run through Sept 20th. Please call the school offices for more information.

The **Xavier Foundation's 2010 Parish Appeal** begins next month. The gift of Catholic education would not be possible without the generous support of our parish community. Keep watching for more details.



**ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS**

**SUNDAY, August 29**

3:30 PM Bingo (school doors open) games begin 5:30 PM

**MONDAY, August 30**

6:30 PM Altar and Rosary, SH

**TUESDAY, August 31**

5:30 PM Bingo (school doors open) games begin 6:30 PM

**WEDNESDAY, September 1**

2:00 PM Legion of Mary, PC

5:15 PM Adult Faith Formation, PC

5:30 PM St. Anne Circle Picnic, SH

6:00 PM Senior High Youth Ministry Kick-off, Jones Park

6:30 PM RE Catechist In-service, SC

**THURSDAY, September 2**

12:45 PM Rosary over Lunch, CH

5:00 PM Church Cleaning, Leader Carole Palas

6:30 PM Liturgy Meeting, PC

**FRIDAY, September 3**

No activities/meetings scheduled

**SATURDAY, September 4**

No activities/meetings scheduled

**SUNDAY, September 5**

3:30 PM Bingo (school doors open) games begin 5:30 PM

**C/CH: Church, PC: Parish Center, SC: School, SH: Social Hall**

**Support**

**Divorce and Beyond** is a 10-week process in a facilitated, small-group conversation for divorced adults. An information meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 1st at 6:30 PM in the Clare Room at St. Pius. The 10 sessions begin on September 15. Program flyers are available on the mobile bulletin board in the Gathering Space and at the parish office, for parishioners of St. Pius X, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, and St. Ludmila. For more information contact our parish representative Jeannie Waite: [waitejm@hotmail.com](mailto:waitejm@hotmail.com) or call the Parish Office: 362.7282.

**GriefShare:** St. Matthew Parish is offering a new cycle of GriefShare on Tuesdays beginning Sept 14, from 1-2:30PM. GriefShare is a faith based support class for people who have lost a loved one. Through the use of video and group discussion, you'll find compassion and encouragement for the journey of grief. A \$15.00 registration fee includes the workbook you receive at your first session. Classes run 13 weeks and are held in the basement of the Church. For more information or to register, contact Becky Shaffer at 363.5238. For additional info: [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org)

**St. Ludmila Kolach Bake - Saturday, September 11**

Apple, Apricot, Cherry, Cottage Cheese, Poppy Seed, Prune, Strawberry

**Orders will be taken through Tuesday, September 7 between the hours of 9 AM to 7 PM.**

Call your orders into: Darlene 390.1277; Elaine 364.0897; or Mary 533.3072

This bake is for our National Catholic Youth Conference trip in 2011. Profits of this bake will go to help offset some of the expense involved in taking the young adults.