

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 26

St. Joachim and St. Anne

No Mass

Tuesday, July 27

No Mass/Adoration

Wednesday, July 28

No Mass

Thursday, July 29

St. Martha

No Mass

Friday, July 30

St. Peter Chrysologus

No Mass

Saturday, July 31

St. Ignatius of Loyola

4:00 PM Mass † Beryl Collier

Sunday, August 1

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Mass St. Ludmila Parishioners

10:30 AM Mass Personal Intention

Pilgrim Statue in the home of:

Leon/Geri Durivage – 2725 - 1st Ave; Marion from July 26-30. 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 July 25, 2010

Sunday: Gn 18:20-32; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

Monday: Jer 13:1-11; Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Friday: Jer 26:1-9; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

Born to a new life in Christ and joined to our faith community through the water of Baptism, we welcome:

Connor Michael Clark

son of Michael and Angela Clark

Juan Mendoza

son of Todd and Melissa Weaver

Kole Andrew Zeien

son of Jeremiah and Melissa Zeien



Welcome To Our Parish Family!

Charles and Amy Beach and family

Becoming Catholic: If you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic, please invite them to Inquiry sessions:

August 3, 17, 31 at 6:30PM in the Parish Center.

Contact Sister Mary: 362.7282 or by e-mail:

dbq029s@arch.pvt.k12.ia.us



Pastor's Message



“Teach us to pray” is the request made of Jesus by His disciples in today’s Gospel. It’s a request I have of Jesus too, and wish I was a better student of! A lot of our prayer tends to be what Abraham does in the 1st Reading: pleading with God for some good to happen. Our prayer needs to include that pleading! It expresses our faith that God is the Lord of all, and our awareness that we need God’s compassionate love. But it also needs to move beyond our own needs/concerns, to make space for God to inspire, comfort, guide, or touch us in some other way.

I am in these Scriptures with how the Our Father gives God space to act in its open-endedness. It makes requests but they are broad or non-specific about the answer: “Give us our daily bread”, “Thy Kingdom come”, “Thy will be done”, etc. When my prayer takes the form of “just visiting with God”, or is a sharing with God of my concerns as Abraham did, try concluding it with an “Our Father” offered thoughtfully and sincerely! Doing so can bring that needed balance and openness to one’s time with God. Jesus taught us to pray that way for a reason!

I do want to offer my sincere thanks to the Parish Council and all who helped put on the parish picnic honoring the priests and religious who have served here over the years. I found it to be a most humbling and enjoyable success! I know that my mom, sister, and niece had a great time and appreciated your invitation to them. Fr. Jack Paisley said it was well worth a little trip down from Dubuque to be treated so well! At a time when one mostly hears negative or saddening comments about the priesthood, it was most kind of you to point out so many positives!

If we are to encourage vocations in our midst, I am certain it will only happen if we talk about the all the very helpful priests and sisters, so there is some perspective when we hear about the few who were not! I am grateful for the many kind things you wrote, and you said Saturday evening!

I’ll be away on retreat this week at American Martyrs’ Retreat House. Know that you will be in my prayers. Please keep me and the other priests in yours! Fr. Tom

Stewardship Quote

Jesus is describing God’s immeasurable generosity when He says in today’s Gospel, “Whoever asks, receives; whoever seeks, finds; whoever knocks, is admitted.” But it should also be the description of us as Christian stewards - those seeking to follow Christ by using our gifts in service to others.

Appreciation

Thank you to our parish volunteer secretaries for the week of July 11: Mary Lou Sanborn and Mickey Betz.

Thank you to God's Housekeepers for the week of July 11: Florence Moellers, Charity Schneekloth, Betty Shearer, Janann Anderson, Esther Benesh, Kris Chambers, Bev Kotowske, Jane Milcoff, Emery/Asa Tew and Paula Fries.

Thank you bingo volunteers July 11-20: Frank Roman, Jim Nowadzky, Patty Wiltgen, Jeanne Ross, Karen Billick, Victor Randolph, Dan/Sue Martinek, Barb Jandl, Bob/Velma Leuenberger, Deb Pasker, Jim McEniry, Heaven Borseth, Amanda Schwab, Jeff/Kelly/Carolyn/Collene Pottebaum, Bob/Loretta Claes, Shawn/Shelbi Grommon, Paul/Leanne Junko, Denise Benish, Larry/Linda Michalec, and Hope Hugh. Mary Locher, Karen Billick, Brenda Havlik, Lori McMann, Paula Wilhelm, Mary Beth Neal, Sue Berger, and Sue Vecerka baked cakes.

It is with appreciation and gratitude for the fond memories that we shared of our priests/religious and for the donations of food and time which created a memorable Parish Picnic on July 17. There were over 200 people who attended. Many thanks to: the Parish Council for sponsoring the picnic; Altar and Rosary Society for providing the drinks; Dan Martinek and crew who barbequed; St. Ludmila Knights of Columbus Round Table for the cleanup; for the parishioners who donated delicious salads and desserts! The Parish Council

Parish Life

St. Anne Circle will hold their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, Aug 11 at 1PM in the SH-Multipurpose Room. The **annual picnic** will be Wednesday, Sept 1 at 5PM in Social Hall.

Ladies...Tea with Thee meeting will be held Wednesday evening, July 28 at 7PM in the Social Hall Multipurpose Room for all ladies who are adopting a table. If you have questions or would like to adopt a table, please contact Melissa at 213.0389. Tickets will be available for purchase at your sponsored table. Come join in the fun by creating your very own table!



Xavier

Xavier is **accepting applications** for all grades for the 2010-2011 school year. If you would like more information about Xavier High School or would like a tour, please call Melissa Slinger at 294.6635 x309 to set up an appointment.

ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS

SUNDAY, July 25

3:30 PM Bingo (school doors open) games begin 5:30 PM
7:00 PM Adult Confirmation, SH

MONDAY, July 26

No activities/meetings scheduled

TUESDAY, July 27

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

WEDNESDAY, July 28

No activities/meetings scheduled

THURSDAY, July 29

10:00 AM Legion of Mary, PC

FRIDAY, July 30

9:00 AM Church Cleaning, Leaders Hal/Betty Schulze

SATURDAY, July 31

No activities/meetings scheduled

SUNDAY, August 1

11:30 AM Vacation Bible School Meeting, SH

1:00 PM Baptism Class, John XXIII Church

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

7:00 PM Adult Confirmation, SH

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

Any **St. Ludmila parish group or circle** that would like to be pictured in the new photo directory, contact Angie Svoboda at 396.3017 or e-mail: dustyangie1@msn.com

Parishioners do you have photos of **parish activities** you think would be a good addition to the new Parish Directory? If so, e-mail them to Linda: linda.larry.michalec@gmail.com along with info on what the activity is. Or call Linda (389.1106) and we can discuss them. The photos need to be of good quality and content. Distance shots will not depict the event, in most cases. All submissions cannot be guaranteed to be used, but we would like to have a good cross-section of what our parish does.

It's Garage Sale Time!

St. Patrick Parish Center Courtyard, 120 5th St NW

Thurs, July 29: 8 AM to 7 PM • Fri, July 30: 8 AM to 6 PM

Sat, July 31: 8 AM to 12 PM • All Proceeds to benefit the rebuilding of the St. Patrick Parish Center! Lots of clothes, household items, misc! Don't miss out on the great bargains!

Catholic Charities has an immediate opening for an Iowa licensed mental health counselor or Iowa licensed independent social worker based in the Cedar Rapids office. Flexible schedule, 15-30 hours per week, depending on client appts. Contact Human Resources at 1.800.896.3546 or dbqchr@arch.pvt.k12.ia.us for more information.

Mount Mercy College is seeking a Campus Minister to work 20 hrs/wk during the 10-month academic year. Position will support the sacramental life/spiritual leadership of the College. We are looking for a faith-filled person with a background in pastoral/student ministry, including: BA degree in ministry, scripture, theology, or religious studies; Acquaintance with contemporary issues in Catholic higher education; Significant understanding of the essentials of young adult ministry. Interested? Send your cover letter, resume, and 3 references to mmchr@mtmercy.edu with the subject line "Applicant - Campus Minister" Please do not send application materials via U.S. Mail.

