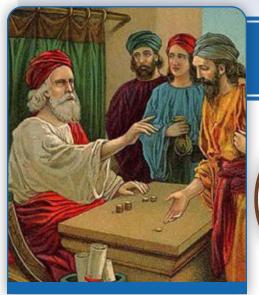


Love God • Serve Others • Form Disciples



September 23 & September 24, 2023; Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



2 Corinthians 8:9

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday	8:00 am
Wednesday	8:00 am
Thursday	8:15 am
Friday	8:00 am

"We're all in this together... equally."









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Please Pray for the Following People (*Why* people want prayers isn't important, *the prayers are!*)



Day Crowder.

To add a name call Dan Alpers, at 363-6130, ext. 100. Names will be listed for 4 weeks and may be renewed. भे, Recently deceased will be listed for two weeks.

Stewardship Corner



or

In today's Gospel, the vineyard owner says, "I am free to do as I please with my money, am I not?" We are likewise free. Is a generous return to the Lord in thanksgiving for His many blessings among the choices we have made?

Good stewards follow the advice of St. Paul and conduct themselves—by wise use of their time and talents—in a way worthy of the Gospel of Christ.

National Life Chain



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1ST 2:00-3:30 PM

Make a public, prayerful, peaceful stand for LIFE

Meet at St. Matthew Church parking lot at 2310 First Avenue NE, Cedar Rapids to sign in and pick up signs. A send-off prayer will be led by Deacon Mark Sandersfeld before participants will

go to their assigned blocks. Chairs and strollers are welcome. All are asked to Pre-register with Sue Martinek 319-270-0054

Cold Weather is Coming... Kids Will Need Coats



It's that time of year again. Evenings are giving us just enough of a chill that we instinctively reach for a hoodie, a jacket, or even (shivers - pun intended) that winter coat. Problem is, we know that not everyone has a decent winter coat. I know that I'll be making a trip down to Williamsburg to the Columbia outlet store to see what they have on the rack. But we know that not everyone has that luxury. That's why the Knights of Columbus folks do what they do. And they're doing it RIGHT NOW! In the main entry way, you'll find their box with this 'place donations here' sign.

Need I say more? Nope! Didn't think so. Let's do what we do and keep folks warm this winter. It'll be here sooner than we think.



Returning this Fall



I write to ask every Catholic woman in the Archdiocese of Dubuque to consider joining the Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) as a member. For some of you that means right at your local parish, and for others that may mean at a neighboring parish. Visit *www.iowacatholicdaughters.org* for more information and to find a local chapter.

The Catholic Daughters is one of the oldest and largest organizations for Catholic women having been founded in 1903, and is dedicated to the principles of "unity and charity". Today the CDA focuses on the concerns of a contemporary church and society as well as issues that affect the well-being of women and children. CDA offers the opportunity for women to come together to share their faith as well as in service to their church and civic communities.

Thank you for your continued support of the Catholic Daughters.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Most Rev. Richard E. Pates Apostolic Administrator of Dubuque

2023 Mt Calvary Cemetery Fall Cleanup



The mid-October Mt. Calvary Cemetery Fall Cleanup is around the corner. If you have any floral tributes, decorations, or other items around your loved one's grave sites, please remove them by Friday, October 13th. The cemetery will be completely cleared of all decorations starting Saturday morning, Oct. 14th. In-ground vases will be turned down into their storage positions until spring usage. After Nov. 15th, holiday wreaths, mounds and evergreen blankets may be placed, and will remain until the spring clean-up in March 2024. If you have questions, please

call Mt. Calvary Cemetery @ 319-362-4659.

If you would like to volunteer your time for this Corporal Work of Mercy, we will be starting our clean up at 8am on Saturday, Oct. 14th. The location is 375 32nd St. Drive, SE, Cedar Rapids.

Returning this Fall



Children's Liturgy of the Word. We will be offering this special programming for our young parishioners ages 4-6. Children's Liturgy of the Word will take place on Sunday mornings during the 9:00 am Mass beginning in October. More information and opportunities to register will be shared via the All Saints website later this month.

At this time, we are seeking adult volunteers who have been confirmed in the Catholic Church to assist us in leading the weekly programming.

If you'd like to serve our parish in this ministry or are interested in learning more about this role, please contact Stacy Cataldo, Director of Children's Formation, via email: *catechesis@allsaintscr.com*

2023 Archdiocesan Catholic Parenting Conference



The Archdiocesan Catholic Parenting Conference will be held at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Cedar Rapids on Saturday, October 28, 2023. Keynote speakers will be Mike and Alicia Hernon (from *The Messy Family Project*), and Jonathan and Amanda Teixeira (from Wallet Win: Your Catholic Money Mentors).

This conference will be for parents of all ages and stages, and will include breakout sessions, Mass, an opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and vendors. This will be a day to connect with other parents, to hear dynamic speakers, to discuss the joys and challenges of parenting, and to receive resources, insights, and information on various aspects of parenting to help you strengthen your domestic church!

A virtual option for the conference is also available!

Children ages 1-11 may participate in Kidzone on-site at St. Pius X Parish during the Parenting Conference and the Couples Night events! Infants are welcome to stay with their parent(s) during the events. Paid adults and volunteer students will manage Kidzone. A liability and medical release form will be sent to you prior to the conference and must be completed for your children to participate. Food will be provided for those registered. Space is limited.

Couples Night Kidzone:

Cost for Kidzone during Couples Night is \$10 per family (regardless of how many children you have).

Parenting Conference Kidzone:

Cost for Kidzone during the Parenting Conference is \$25 per family (regardless of how many children you have).

Registration for this event and the aforementioned couples event can be found here: *https://dbqarch.org/parenting-conference*

Couples attending both events can register at a reduced rate! Register by October 15th for the early-bird pricing! Registration Options: Couples Event Only Parenting Conference Only Couples Package for Both Events Virtual Group Parenting Conference Option

Service to Others Metro Catholic Outreach



Starting Them Young

The school year has begun, and so has our supply of fresh faced volunteers. We have enjoyed Mr. Goldsmith's Xavier students coming in once a week to help with pantry, office, and distribution shifts.

We LOVE their enthusiasm for the time they give us to help those in need. And we think just maybe they enjoy getting out of the classroom for an hour or two!

Urgent Pantry Needs: Kid Friendly Food Items (for the school bags), Tuna/Hamburger Helper, Canned or Packets of Tuna, Canned Soup, Rice, Pork and Beans, Pasta Sauce, Jelly, Syrup, Snack Size ZipLock Bags, and Brown Paper Bags.

Urgent Personal Care Needs: Deodorant, Toilet Paper, Tampons, Laundry Pods, Shampoo, Conditioner, Soap, Body Wash, Aspirin, Ibuprofen, and Wet Wipes.

Homeless Supplies Needed: Mens/Womens Socks, Underwear, Razors, Can Openers, Condiment Packets, Tuna/Chicken Packets, Pudding Cups, Blankets, Clean Clothing, Gently Used Shoes, Tents, Plastic Tarps, and Backpacks

Cold Weather is Coming... Prepare With a Quilt



All Saints Quilters present our 2023 quilt, "Girls in Ruby". Edna Lindenbush's wonderful embroider is the centerpiece of this quilt. Blocks are trimmed with red and ivory cotton fabrics. Tickets are \$2 each or 3

for \$5. They will be available after masses on certain dates and also in the church office during office hours. Thank you for your support.



Relics of St. Jude, known as the Apostle of the Impossible, coming to West Des Moines



Faithful followers of Jesus will have an opportunity to pray before the largest relic of an Apostle outside of Europe on Tuesday, Sept. 26. A relic of St. Jude Thaddeus, an Apostle of Jesus, will be available for one day for veneration at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in West Des Moines beginning at 1 p.m. and continuing until shortly before a 7 p.m. Mass in the saint's honor. Following Mass, veneration will resume until 10 p.m.



Xavier Impact Fund: Partnering to make a difference and change lives through Catholic education.





Congratulations All Saints Parish!

Last fall the Xavier Foundation partnered with All Saints Parish to raise funds for the Xavier Impact Fund. Together with the 10 parishes that make up the Cedar Rapids-metro Catholic community, we raised an amazing \$557,021 to support Catholic education at Xavier High School. Thanks to your hard work and generosity, All Saints surpassed the parish goal of \$72,000. Congratulations!

As promised, all monies received over this goal were given directly back to the parish to use as the parish wishes. We are happy to announce that on September15, a check for \$10,990 was presented back to the parish from the Xavier Foundation.

All Saints Parish went above and beyond! Thanks to the generosity of your parishioners, our PK-12 Xavier Catholic School teachers will benefit from a six percent salary increase.

We commend your parish for your continued support and commitment to Catholic education in the Cedar Rapids-metro area! We are especially grateful for parish leaders Andy and Sara Lang, and Lynn Holverson for their leadership during the campaign.

Next weekend is the next push for the 2023-24 Parish Appeal. We look forward to raising \$1 million for teacher salaries.



Will Education Savings Accounts Affect the STO?

With the establishment of Educational Savings Accounts (ESA), many have asked if this signals the end of Student Tuition Organizations (STO's) and Iowa's 75% tax credits?

The answer is "NO", and in fact, the STO has a huge role to play in the future of Catholic education.

Here are a few important facts to consider:

1) Our Faith STO served **more students** in the current 2023-24 school year than in any other year, even with the ESA's.

2) \$5.6 million in tuition assistance helped 3133 students attend the school of their choice this year. This represents more than 36% of the enrollment at our Archdiocesan schools and St. Paul's in Waverly.

3) When we hit our fundraising goal this year, \$6.38 million in tuition assistance will be available for the 2024-25 school term.

Did You Know Our Faith STO Accepts Grain Gifts?

Talk with your tax consultant about the advantages of:

1. Tax Savings: By contributing grain to the Our Faith STO, the farmer avoids having to include the sale of the crops in his/her income, which results in saving self-employment tax, federal income tax, and state income tax.

Most importantly, grain donors receive a 75% State of Iowa tax credit on the value of the donation.

2. Risk Reduction: After the transfer, the Our Faith STO assumes all risk loss, as well as costs of storage, transportation, and sale of the goods.

3. Maintain Deductibility: Typically, production expenses remain tax deductible as a business expense even after gifting the grain to Our Faith STO.

STO Tax Credits provide the opportunity for you to save on your Iowa Taxes! That's right, a pledge or donation today guarantees you will receive your share of our available tax credits while helping families that otherwise could not afford faith based education enroll their children in one of our schools. *Please consider pledging or donating today and helping yourself to a 75% Iowa tax credit.*

For more information about the Our Faith STO, please contact: Steve Kane, Director- Our Faith STO stodir@dbqarch.org (563) 552-0297, or visit OurFaithSTO.org

You Are Cordially Invited...



Welcome to the Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Gospel reading for this week challenges our human understanding of justice and fairness versus God's bountiful gifts of the same.

One of the many reasons that I love Jesus' parables is that they function on many levels. I feel that most can take away a "lesson" no matter where they are at on the faith journey. What shines through in this Gospel is that God's mercy revealed through His blessings and gifts are so much larger than our human understanding can comprehend. If you have worked for an hourly rate in your life, the understanding was that you are paid for the amount of time you work. The landowner in the parable (God) is totally different. Not only does he pay those who worked the least first, but he pays them the same as those who had worked all day. The workers who were there all day remind me of the older son in the parable of the prodigal son - grumbling because they thought they deserved more and upset by the generosity of another.

We hurt ourselves, each other and God the moment our mind slides from appreciation and gratitude to entitlement. Stewardship reminds us that we own nothing; everything we have is due to God's grace and mercy. Entitlement hardens the heart, deafens the ears, narrow the vision and shrinks the mind. Thanking God and each other with gratitude softens the heart, opens the ears, widens the vision and enlarges the mind. Pope Francis reminds us, "Above all, let us not forget to thank: if we are bearers of gratitude, the world itself will become better, even if only a little bit, but that is enough to transmit a bit of hope. The world needs hope. And with gratitude, with this habit of saying thank you, we transmit a bit of hope. Everything is united and everything is connected, and everyone needs to do his or her part wherever we are." It goes beyond gratitude, though. God's way is for us to celebrate His gifts of mercy whether we think they benefit us or someone else. For when we do this, we start to see the many blessings in our own lives that were not visible to us before. Recently a person shared with me, that after many years, they had come to the realization that the more they gave away; the more they blessed others, then the more they received. A very good thought to take to prayer this week.

And so, I invite you to Mass (and then the next and the next...) If you know someone who has been absent or who is seeking God to come into their life, invite them to join you! *Love God - Serve Others - Form Disciples*. Praying and hoping with you always.

Tracy Huk Business Manager businessmgr@allsaintscr.com



Mass Intentions

Tues. September 26 8:00 am George Benedict Family

Wed. September 27 8:00 am Cunningham/Herman Families

Thurs. September 28 8:15 am Michael & Julia Fitzgerald

Fri. September 29 8:00 am Marcia Zachar

Sat. September 30 4:00 pm For the People

Sun. October 1 9:00 am † Marie & Maynard Marek

Scripture Readings

Week of September 24, 2023

Sunday: Is 55: 6-9/ Ps 145: 2-3. 8-9. 17-18 (18a)/ Phil 1: 20c-24. 27a/ Mt 20: 1-16a

Monday: Ezr 1: 1-6/ Ps 126: 1b-2ab. 2cd-3. 4-5. 6/ Lk 8: 16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6: 7-8. 12b. 14-20/ Ps 122: 1-2. 3-4ab. 4cd-5/ Lk 8: 19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9: 5-9/ Tb 13: 2. 3-4a. 4befghn. 7-8/ Lk 9: 1-6

Thursday: Hg 1: 1-8/ Ps 149: 1b-2. 3-4. 5-6a and 9b/ Lk 9: 7-9

Friday: Dn 7: 9-10. 13-14 or Rv 12: 7-12a/ Ps 138: 1-2ab. 2cde-3. 4-5/ Jn 1: 47-51

Saturday: Zec 2: 5-9. 14-15a/ Jer 31: 10. 11-12ab. 13/ Lk 9: 43b-45

Sunday: Ez 18: 25-28/ Ps 25: 4-5. 6-7. 8-9 (6a)/ Phil 2: 1-11/ Mt 21: 28-32

Announcing Archbishop-elect Zinkula



Dubuque, Iowa – Pope Francis has appointed Most Reverend Thomas R. Zinkula, Bishop of Davenport, as Archbishop of Dubuque. Archbishop-elect Zinkula is scheduled to be installed as the archdiocese's eleventh archbishop on Wednesday, October 18.

Archbishop-elect Zinkula reflected upon his appointment to Dubuque in a statement, saying, "Although I will be sad to leave the Diocese of Davenport in a couple of months, where the diocesan community taught me how to be a bishop and we walked together on our common faith journey, I am humbled and overjoyed to receive the appointment to return to my home diocese to serve as the eleventh archbishop of the Archdiocese of Dubuque."

All Saints Nights at Green Square Meals



All Saints helps prepare and serve dinner at Green Square Meals soup kitchen, 2-3 times a month. Sign up to help at the link below or contact Melissa Peckosh (847-975-1785 or *missypeckosh@yahoo.com*).

ALL SAINTS NIGHTS: 2nd & 5th Tuesday, 3rd Monday All volunteers in sixth grade and up are welcome. Sign up at: https://signup.com/go/vJYiFPm

Save the Date for MCO!



Please plan to visit *Lucky's on 16th* next month on *Wednesday, September 27th*. A whopping 10% of their sales from 6AM - 10PM will be donated to MCO! There will even be Bingo starting that night at 6:00 . Plan to bring your friends and know your patronage is also helping those in our city who need it the most. Watch for more details in September!



Bruins Beat

Father Viller's Visit



Grandparents and Special Friends Day

Friday, September 29 1-3

Grandparents/Special Friends are invited to this special event.

- Prayer service
- Classroom/school tour
- Family photo
- Refreshments
- Adopt-a-book
- RSVP by September 19

RSVP at this link: *CLICK HERE.*



www.allsaints-crschool.org

Ministry Schedule

September 23, 4:00 PM Saturday

Sacristan

Mary Pat Wilkinson **Extraordinary Ministers** Ellen Mouw **Daniel Prentice** Alison Prentice **Altar Servers** Emma Colby Stella Lippe **Zachary Prentice** Lectors Lisa Stephenson Kathy Ulrich **Hospitality Ministers** Jen Colby Chris Colby **Ryan Donnelly Daniel Greene** Dick Kettelkamp Barb Lindstrom

September 24, 9:00 AM Sunday

Sacristan

Cate Biro Extraordinary Ministers Larry Hunter Ann Hunter Sara Lang Altar Servers Alexandra Lang

Dylan Lang Caleb Lang

Lectors Todd Holverson Lynn Holverson

Hospitality Ministers Wade Johnson Shannon Murray Dorothy Svatosch Shelly Zaugg Gary Zaugg Grace Zaugg

Ministry Schedule

September 30, 4:00 PM Saturday

Sacristan

Cate Biro Extraordinary Ministers Cindy Lyness Gavin Miller Ellen Mouw

Altar Servers Willa English Jackson Keller Megan Talyat Lectors Joan Murrin Terry Murrin Hospitality Ministers Elie AbouRaad Sue Bright Ryan Donnelly Daniel Greene Barb Lindstrom Peg Schmitz (sub req.)

October 1, 9:00 AM Sunday

Sacristan

Chris Conway Extraordinary Ministers Sherry Casey John Michael Gregory O'Connell Altar Servers

Annemarie Jiacinto Ellorie Shane Eli Shane

Lectors Brian Conway JoAnn Hand

Hospitality Ministers

Maureen Dale Ernst John Ernst Nicole Johnson Tony Satariano Chris Shimon NOT FILLED

Family Ministry

September 24, 2023 • 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Matthew 20:1–16b

Generosity

Jesus balances last week's parable about the justice of God with this week's story about God's generosity. The parable is about a landowner who goes out to hire workers for his fields. Some people are hired early in the day; others are hired to work only the last hour. At the end of the day, all are paid the same. Those who worked the whole day are upset.

In all honesty, this Gospel story always caused me concern. I found myself on the side of the workers who had labored all day. When I listened to my inner voice, I sounded like a four-yearold," That's not fair!"Then one Sunday a priest told a story in his homily that helped me understand the parable a little better. I'll share it with you.

A middle-aged husband and wife both die, and find themselves surrounded by a large crowd standing in front of the pearly gates. An angel behind the gates tells the crowd that the gates to heaven will be opened at any moment, and eternal judgment will begin.

The husband gets more and more agitated as time passes and as he looks around at the crowd. "Good grief," he tells his wife, "there's George Walton, one of the biggest frauds in the state. What is he doing here in front of heaven's gates? Does he honestly think he has a chance of making it in?" "Oh no," he continues, "there's the assassin Oswald. And is that Adolph Hitler in the corner there waiting to be let in? This is ludicrous," he continues, "Those three should be sweltering in hell. What is God thinking of letting them even near the gates to heaven and close to good folks like us?"

At that moment, the man hears the booming voice of God telling him he has just passed judgment on himself, and he has failed. In questioning God's love and generosity, he has shown his own lack of both. He was refused entrance through the pearly gates.

Jesus is clear in the parable of the landowner that God's love and generosity is not to be questioned. We are all on the receiving end of what was promised. God's generosity is something to celebrate, even if we are not the ones on the receiving end at that particular moment.

FAMILY RESPONSE

Ask each family member to name a gift they received from God. If they were God, what gift would they give to each family member?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

What gift would you give each family member? What would you give yourself? What do you want to remember from last week? What are you looking forward to next week? What are your concerns?

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Sacrament Information

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptism preparation class is required for parents. Contact Deacon Ed Martin (*DeaconEd@allsaintscr.com* or 319-364-7524) to schedule a class and date for the baptism (some date restrictions may apply).

Sacrament of Matrimony: Couples are to make arrangements at least six months before the intended date of the wedding in order to fulfill the necessary requirements. Please contact Deacon Mike Klappholz (*DeaconMike@allsaintscr.com*) to begin the process.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA): Classes are scheduled for Sunday mornings beginning in the Fall. Contact Bob Lillibridge, Director of Formation, for more information (adult*formation@allsaintscr.com*).

Confirmation: High school sophomores meet bi-weekly on Sunday evenings from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM, September through February to prepare. Contact Isabelle Werner for more information (*youthministry@allsaintscr.com*).

First Reconciliation & Eucharist: Second graders combine home study and retreats to prepare for these sacraments. Contact Stacy Cataldo, Director of Catechesis, for more information (*catechesis@allsaintscr.com*).

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the office at 319-363-6130, ext. 100 to schedule anointings.

Miscellaneous Information

Newcomer Registration: Call the Parish Office at 363-6130, ext. 100, or register on line at http://www.allsaintscr.com.

Bulletin Deadline: Items must be submitted electronically to the parish office by Noon on the preceding Monday to: *bulletin@allsaintscr.com*.

Opportunities for Prayer

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesdays, 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM in the Church.

All Saints Prayer Group: Tuesdays at 3:00 PM in the church lower level.

Prayer Tree: Available to anyone who would like us to pray for their intentions. Please call Ramona Welsh at 319-366-1770.

Women's Prayer Group: Tuesday mornings after 8:00 AM Mass.

M.O.M.S Rosary: 7:30 PM 1st Monday of the month, Queen of All Saints Chapel.

Prolife Rosary: Fridays after 8:00 am Mass, in the Sanctuary.

Parish Website: You may both submit and view prayer intentions any time at:

https://allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/people/forms/413117.