

ALL SAINTS

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL



Love God • Serve Others • Form Disciples



**November 9 & November 10, 2024;
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Blessed are
the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the
kingdom of
heaven.*

Matthew 5:3

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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| Saturday | 4:00 pm |
| Sunday | 9:00 am |

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

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| Tuesday | 8:00 am |
| Wednesday | 8:00 am |
| Thursday | 8:30 am |
| Friday | 8:00 am |

She contributed all she had, her whole livelihood.



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Please Pray for the Following People

(*Why people want prayers isn't important, the prayers are!*)



Mark Dougherty, Kim Witte, and John Creen.

Parishioners & Family Members on Active Duty:

Matthew Reitzel



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

Stewardship Corner



The readings today speak of the end of the world and coming of the kingdom. The bishops' pastoral on stewardship says clearly that "that 'life to come' is in continuity with this present life through the human goods, the worthy human purposes, which people foster now." May our good stewardship help us to be numbered among the chosen on the last day!

A Weekly Tip on Caring for Our Common Home



Keep a set of reusable dining utensils in your briefcase, purse, car or some other handy spot so that they are available whenever you buy take-out food. That way you won't have to take plastic utensils (even the compostable kind) from the restaurant.

O CIA (Previously Known as RCIA)



Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) OCIA (previously "RCIA") is a journey to explore becoming Catholic. It includes discovery, prayer, learning, questioning, and becoming part of the parish community. For individuals who choose to remain on the journey, it culminates in the reception of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist. For more information, visit our website or contact Bob Lillibridge at adultformation@allsaintscr.com or 319-363-6130 ext. 109



Everyday Metanoia



Today's Gospel reading focuses on Stewardship - a term we often throw about in our church world. But what does it actually mean? What is a steward? The USCCB in their Pastoral Letter on Stewardship (Stewardship: A Disciple's Response) describes it as, "one who receives God's gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with others, and returns them with increase to the Lord." To fully engage in stewardship, we start with answering God's call to being a disciple - a follower of our Lord Jesus Christ. "This has astonishing implications: mature disciples make a conscious decision to follow Jesus, no matter what the cost; Christian disciples experience conversion - life shaping changes of mind and heart - and commit their very selves to the Lord; Christian stewards respond in a particular way to the call to be a disciple. Stewardship has the power to shape and mold our understanding of our lives and the way in which we live." Let's take a closer look at this statement.

Mature disciples make a conscious decision to follow Jesus, no matter what the cost. Making disciples is the third prong of our parish mission statement. This means that our pastor, the staff, the leadership councils and committees all work together to make sure that the resources we receive from God and from our generous parishioners are cultivated and shared with others so that they are returned with increase to the Lord. The Finance Council and the Parish Plant Committee allocate the talents of parishioners and contractors, alike so that our buildings and campus are well maintained. They review the generous funds that we receive, saving for expenses that may occur in the future. The Faith Formation Commission, the Liturgy Committee, staff and volunteers work to ensure that the Word of God is shared now with adults, teens and children and will be for future generations. The Pastoral Council collaborates with other groups, staff and volunteers to make certain that resources are secured and programming is developed to meet all of us where we are at on our faith journey, but, also to encourage and provide for our growth. Part of that growth is learning to make God a priority and to name and release the other gods in our lives.

Christian disciples experience conversion - life shaping changes of mind and heart - and commit their very selves to the Lord. This is metanoia! When we recognize and allow events and people in our life to work with God to shape and change our hearts and minds. Sometimes it is joy-filled people and happy events that do this, but more often than not, it is the people and events that we wish we could have avoided. Our secular culture often pushes us away from any serious reflection that can lead to change by reversing the primary focus away from our own needs and more on the needs of our brothers and sisters in this world. "People who want to live as Christian disciples and Christian stewards face serious obstacles. In the United States and other nations, a dominant secular culture often contradicts religious convictions about the meaning of life. This culture frequently encourages us to focus on ourselves and our pleasures. At times, we can find it far too easy to ignore spiritual realities and to deny religion a role in shaping human and social values. As Catholics who have entered into the mainstream of American society and experienced its advantages, many of us also have been adversely influenced by this secular culture. We know what it is to struggle against selfishness and greed, and we realize that it is harder for many today to accept the challenge of being a Christian steward. It is essential, therefore, that we make a special effort to understand the true meaning of stewardship and live accordingly."

Christian stewards respond in a particular way to the call to be a disciple. "Stewards of God's gifts are not passive beneficiaries. We cooperate with God in our own redemption and in the redemption of others. We are also obliged to be stewards of the Church - collaborators and cooperators in continuing the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, which is the Church's essential mission. This mission - proclaiming and teaching, serving and sanctifying - is our task. It is the personal responsibility of each one of us as stewards of the Church. All members of the Church have their own roles to play in carrying out its mission: Parents, who nurture their children in the light of faith; parishioners, who work in concrete ways to make their parishes true communities of faith and vibrant sources of service to the larger community; all Catholics, who give generous support - time, money, prayers, and personal service according to their circumstances - to parish and diocesan programs and to the universal Church."

Come, help All Saints Parish grow and evolve as we each experience our own conversion and desire to walk with the Lord. A great place to start would be our Stewardship Committee. They meet in the Parish Library on the 1st Tuesday of every month starting at 6:30 PM.

Come Holy Spirit and show us the way on our journey. See you at Mass!

Tracy Huk, Business Manager, businessallsaints@gmail.com

2024 Holiday Scrip Schedule

The holiday shopping season is upon us, and gift cards make great gifts!

| To pick up your order on: | Place your online order before 8am on: | Drop off your paper order form before 8am on: |
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| Nov 8 | Nov 4 | Nov 4 |
| Nov 19 | Nov 14 | Nov 14 |
| Nov 29 | Nov 25 | Nov 25 |
| Dec 6 | Dec 2 | Dec 2 |
| Dec 13 | Dec 9 | Dec 9 |
| Dec 20 | Dec 16 | Dec 16 |
| Jan 10 | Jan 6 | Jan 6 |

The All Saints Scrip Office will be closed Nov 20-24 and Dec 21-Jan 5.

Online orders will be available while the Scrip Office is closed. However, "Pay Coordinator" and "Ship to Coordinator" items will be delayed until the Scrip Office reopens.

Contact Lori at scrip@allsaintscr.com or 319.535.3570 for more details.

Thank-you for supporting All Saints!

All Saints Giving Tree Begins November 17



The All Saints Giving Tree is starting next weekend. The Giving Tree will be online and ornaments will be on the tree. The gifts you choose to purchase will help children and families in the community.

Advent Wreath Candle Lighting Signup



We are looking for individuals or families to light a candle on the Advent wreath at weekend Masses beginning November 30th. If you are interested, please sign up by following the link listed below. You do not need to register an account to participate.

<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/29920390045/false#/invitation>

Service to Others

Metro Catholic Outreach



What Are You Known For?

Anni Thorn, MCO Associate Director

Luke 19:1-10:

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.

When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today." So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly. All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a sinner." But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount." Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

Reflection:

Zaccheus is known for being short. Not only is he short in stature, he comes up wanting in other areas of his life as well. Tax collectors were Jewish men who were hired by the Roman government to collect taxes from the Jewish people. The taxes were exorbitant, leaving them in extreme poverty. To make matters worse, tax collectors were known to collect additional monies to line their own pockets. They lived a luxurious life while their own community suffered. In response, synagogues banned them from entry. They could no longer worship with their community. Their families disowned them and they walked through the streets flanked with armed guards for fear of retribution. Tax collectors were a despised lot. Zaccheus was well known. He was known for his short stature and lack of character. As chief tax collector, Zaccheus knew what it was like to be hated. He knew what it felt like to walk the streets and receive dirty looks, eyes that looked away, whispers, and backs turned. Zaccheus was an outcast. Though he lived a life of material wealth, his internal life was impoverished. He came up short in what really mattered, meaningful relationships and a sense of belonging. Zaccheus was short indeed. We can only imagine the loneliness and hidden grief that plagued him.

Have you ever felt the sting of rejection or felt like you didn't belong? If you do, you know the weight of loneliness and grief. Do the most vulnerable amongst us feel similar to Zaccheus? Do they experience dirty looks, hushed whispers, eyes that look away or backs turned? Do they carry the weight of public scorn? Do we treat them as if they come up short in life?

What are you known for?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, if we are honest with ourselves, we know that we come up short in our own lives, in the lives of those around us and in our relationship with you. Yet, you cover us with your grace and mercy. Let us dole out what you give so freely to us, especially to those who are on the margins of life, those who are living a lonely and outcast life. Instead of turning away, may we turn towards with our eyes raised and arms opened. May we be known for being compassionate and full of grace. Amen.

Young at Heart



Come join the All Saints' Church members for the Young at Heart Luncheon on Wednesday, November 20, 2024. The speaker for the November meeting will be Sean Ulmer, Executive Director of the Cedar Rapids Art Museum. You will learn about the present art exhibits and the many changing exhibits. Join us and bring a friend. You are bound to enjoy meeting Sean. There is no cost for the meal.

All Saints Foundation



Leaving a gift to All Saints Parish in your will helps you to become a financial contributor who never dies because your gift will produce funds in perpetuity. Our endowment will grow providing funds to support Christ's church and its mission forever. If you would like more information about leaving a legacy gift to All Saints Parish contact Tracy Huk, Business Manager at 319-363-6130 ext 111 or businessmgr@allsaintscr.com. If you would like information about gift planning, please contact our planning partner at the Catholic Foundation at 563-552-0176 or CFAD@OurCFAD.org.

The Apostle of the Impossible

The Arm of ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE

is visiting the United States and is coming to
THE STATE OF IOWA

Known as the *Apostle of the Impossible*, Saint Jude is revered for his unwavering dedication and steadfast faith. Millions have experienced his intercession in times of adversity and need.



DATE: Wednesday, November 13, 2024

LOCATION: St. Jude Catholic Church

ADDRESS: 50 Edgewood Rd. NW - Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52405 (319) 390-3520

VENERATION OF THE RELIC BEGINS: 2:00 PM

MASS IN HONOR OF SAINT JUDE: 6:30 PM

VENERATION ENDS: 10:00 PM

CHECK THE WEBSITE BELOW FOR OTHER LOCATIONS



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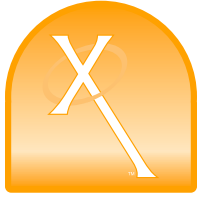


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Xavier Goings On



DISCOVER XAVIER: 8th Grade Student & Parents Invited to 'Xplore All Xavier Has to Offer on November 11th!

8th Grade students and parents are invited to join us for Discover Xavier Night on Monday, Nov. 11th at 7:00 p.m.

Discover Xavier Night is an excellent opportunity to 'xplore and learn about how Xavier positions its graduates for success in any and all post-high school endeavors while forming disciples unafraid to follow Jesus Christ. The evening will feature a presentation, tours, and activities fair. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and program will begin at 7:00 p.m. The Saints Shop will also be open during this event.

All families with students entering Grades 9-12 in the 2025-2026 school year are welcome to attend regardless of where your student currently attends school. For more information, please reach out to Cara Joens at 319-294-6635 ext. 313, cara.joens@crxcs.org or visit www.XavierSaints.org/DXN.



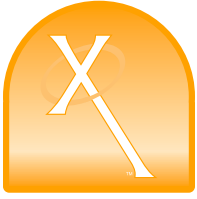
Join Us for Xavier Catholic Schools Fall Fest 2024 on November 15th!

All in our Catholic community are invited to join us on Friday, November 15, 2024 at the DoubleTree in downtown Cedar Rapids for Xavier Catholic Schools' Fall Fest! Fall Fest is a casual, fun-filled evening with casino games, food/dessert stations, signature drinks, silent/live auctions, and more! This event is raising funds to support technology upgrades and technology alignment in our PK-8 schools (All Saints, LaSalle Catholic, St. Joseph, St. Matthew, St. Pius X, Regis) and early learning centers.

Tickets are now on sale and sponsorship/auction donation opportunities are available for businesses! Learn more at CRXCS.org/FallFest.



Xavier Goings On (cont.)



Xavier High School Fall Musical: State Fair!

The Xavier High School Performing Arts Department invites you to experience their production of Rodgers & Hammerstein's State Fair, November 15-17 in the Regis-LaSalle Theatre at Xavier High School!

SHOWTIMES:

Friday, Nov. 15 (7:00 PM)

Saturday Nov. 16 (1:00 PM & 7:00 PM)

Sunday, Nov. 17 (2:00 PM)

TICKETS NOW ON SALE ONLINE:

All tickets are sold online and are \$12 each.

To purchase tickets, head to XavierSaints.org/Tickets.



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Drinks and Discussion



Please join us for two adult formation evenings on Wednesday, November 6 and also on Wednesday, November 13. Both evenings will begin at 6:00 PM in the Social Hall and end by 7:00 PM. Wine, beer and simple snacks will be provided as we take the opportunity to view the keynote addresses given by Bishop Barron and Chris Stefanick at the National Eucharistic Congress held this past summer in Indiana. While there were multiple speakers at the Congress, Bishop Barron and Chris Stefanick both delivered messages that were dynamic and relatable to our parish. I hope that you will take this opportunity to strengthen your relationship with the Eucharist and with your All Saints community. If you have any questions, please email me at businessmgr@allsaintscr.com - I hope to see you there!

Tracy Huk, Business Manager

Xavier Performing Arts Annual Greenery & Poinsettia Sale



Brighten up your home or office with some holiday cheer! The sale kicks off Friday, November 1st and will run through 9:00am on Friday, November 15th. Profits benefit the Xavier Band and Choral programs and students to be used for their performing arts fees and expenses.

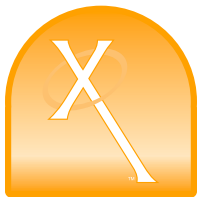
Scan the QR code to order online.

*Items will be delivered before Thanksgiving.

Contact Holly Robe at hrobe@amfam.com or (319) 573-8382 with any questions. Thank you for your support.



Xavier Catholic Schools Impact Fund – Answer the Call!



Throughout November, Xavier High School students will be reaching out to parishioners, seeking support for the Xavier Catholic Schools Impact Fund. Donations to the XCS Impact Fund are tax-deductible and directly benefit our Xavier Catholic Schools, funding faith and building needs across all grade levels—from early learning centers to high school.

To make a gift, visit crxcs.org/Impact or mail your donation to Xavier Catholic Schools Foundation, PO Box 10956, Cedar Rapids, IA 52410. Thank you for your prayers and continued support of our schools!



A Note from Parish Life



"The butter braids and cookie dough will be available for pick up on November 11th from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM, in the church basement OR after each Mass on November 16th and 17th weekend in the basement. - The Parish Life Committee"

Retirement Fund for Religious



The Archdiocese will not be collecting for the Retirement Fund for Religious collection as a stand-alone collection this year. Instead, the Retirement Fund for Religious will be one of the beneficiaries of the Spring Our Call to Share Collection in May. If you receive materials in the mail, please recycle them.

The primary reason for this change is the relatively high degree of misunderstanding that Archdiocesan Catholics had about who this collection actually supports. Many believed funds from this collection go to support our retired priests (they don't), while others believe funds from this collection go to supporting religious congregations in the Archdiocese (they could potentially, but haven't anytime recently). Making the collection a part of Our Call to Share will provide the Archdiocese the ability to do that.

Totus Tuus Missionaries Needed



Do you know any college age men and women from your parishes who would be great role models for younger Catholics? The Archdiocese is looking for college-aged disciples of Jesus to serve on teams with other men and women like them during the summer of 2025. Totus Tuus missionaries serve parishes across the Archdiocese throughout the summer leading songs, teaching, performing skits, and sharing witness talks with the children and youth of the Archdiocese. This is a paid position with training and most expenses provided during the summer. Please encourage anyone who would be excellent at this to apply.

General information about Totus Tuus can be found at www.dbqarch.org/Totus-Tuus. Application information can be found at <https://dbqarch.org/2025-totus-tuus-missionary-application-information>. Please contact Joanne Pohland (j.pohland@dbqarch.org) with any questions.

Did You Know?



As an Iowa taxpayer, by donating to Our Faith STO you can direct the income tax money you pay the state of Iowa and help income-qualifying families choose Catholic education. Donations can take many forms including stock and grain gifts. The STO is good for families, our parishes, our schools, and good for you! For more information, talk to your tax professional or financial advisor, or call Steve Kane, Our Faith STO Director, at 563-552-0297.

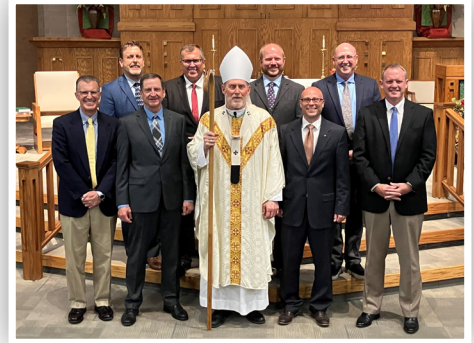
Congratulations



Class XXI instituted as Lectors

On October 4, the eight candidates of Diaconate Class XXI were instituted as Lectors by Archbishop Zinkula at St. Henry Church, Marshalltown. They are: Jeffrey Lampe, Patrick Keenan, Jarret Heil, Joel Rogers, Todd Holverson, David Nienhaus, Joshua Sundstrom, and Brent Hinerichsen.

Please keep these men, their wives, and their families in your prayers as they continue their formation. Congratulations to Todd Holverson from All Saints Parish who was recently installed as a Lector as part of his training for the Diaconate.



150th Anniversary of the Sisters of the Presentation



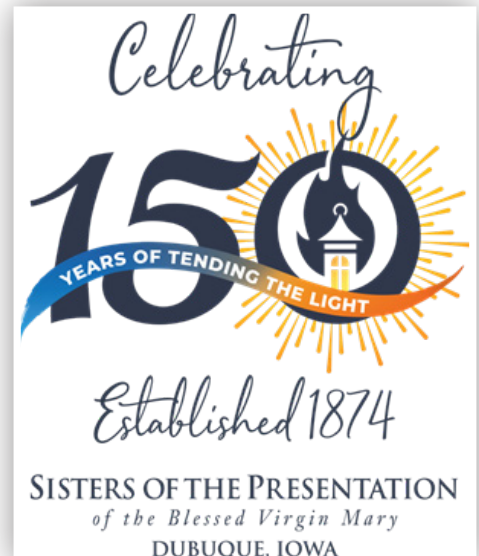
This coming November marks a significant milestone for the Sisters of the Presentation, as we celebrate the 150th anniversary of our arrival in Dubuque, Iowa. In 1874, Mother Vincent Hennessy and three companions journeyed from Mooncoin, Ireland, to educate the impoverished immigrant children, establishing a legacy of service. Over the past 150 years, our sisters have ministered in schools, parishes and organizations, planting seeds of faith, education, hospitality and service that have transformed countless lives.

Our 150th anniversary is not just a celebration of the Presentation Sisters, but a tribute to you who has faithfully walked alongside us. Your support has been essential to our mission, and we look forward to celebrating this rich history with you.

In gratitude for your loving support, we invite you to virtually join us for our 150th opening celebration on Wednesday, November 13 at 4:30 p.m. via Facebook Live. You can watch the special prayer service at www.facebook.com/dbqpbvms.

Thank you for partnering with us in extending the radiance of the lantern into the world today. Together, may we continue to tend Nano's light, allow it to burn brightly and carry it with courage. Let us embrace the call to respond with compassion and openness to the needs of the world, illuminating a brighter, more just future for all.

We look forward to sharing this year of commemoration with you and continuing this journey together.



Mass Intentions

Tues. November 12 8:00 am
Sherrman/Berry Families

Wed. November 13 8:00 am
† Michael Shea

Thurs. November 14 8:30 am
† Dennis Foxhoven

Fri. November 15 8:00 am
† Ed Gorman

Sat. November 16 4:00 pm
† Yvonne & Bill Pape

Sun. November 17 9:00 am
For the People

Scripture Readings

Week of November 10, 2024

Sunday:

1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44 (155)

Monday:

Ti 1:1-9/Lk 17:1-6 (491)

Tuesday:

Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Lk 17:7-10 (492)

Wednesday:

Ti 3:1-7/Lk 17:11-19 (493)

Thursday:

Phlm 7-20/Lk 17:20-25 (494)

Friday:

2 Jn 4-9/Lk 17:26-37 (495)

Saturday:

3 Jn 5-8/Lk 18:1-8 (496)

Sunday:

Dn 12:1-3/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32 (158)

Parish Life



Do you enjoy getting people together for fellowship and having fun as well? Parish Life Committee is looking for additional members to appreciate each event. If you are interested, please contact Ellen Mouw at 712-253-5540 or eamouw@aol.com.

Un-Committee



Don't have time for committees or meetings, but still want to help? Join the "Un-Committee" where you are contacted only for special events at All Saints Church. If interested, please contact Ellen Mouw at 712-253-5540 or eamouw@aol.com.

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).

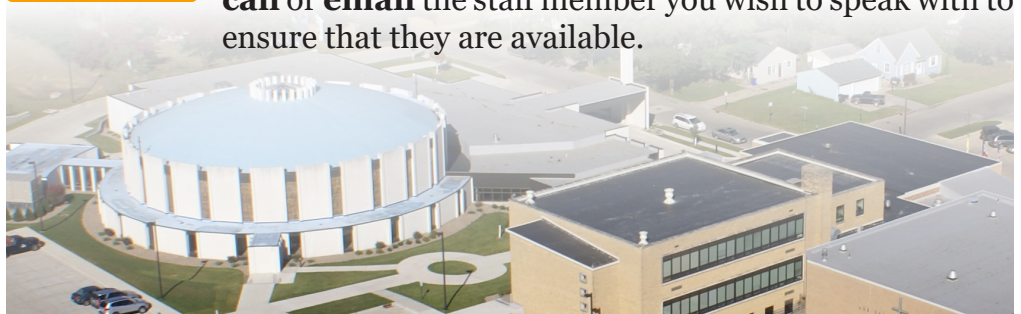
ALL SAINTS NIGHTS: 2nd & 5th Tuesday, 3rd Monday
All volunteers in sixth grade and up are welcome. Sign up at:
<https://signup.com/go/vJYiFPm>

Parish Office Hours



- Monday - Thursday - 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Friday - 8:00 am - 2:00 pm
- Saturday and Sunday - closed

The parish staff knows that your time is valuable. Please **call** or **email** the staff member you wish to speak with to ensure that they are available.



Bruins Beat

Fall Fest 2024!

XCS Families: You Are Invited to Join Us for Fall Fest 2024!

The Xavier Catholic Schools Fall Fest is a casual, fun-filled evening with casino games, food/dessert stations, signature drinks, silent/live auctions, and more! We invite all our XCS families to join us on Friday, November 15, 2024 at the DoubleTree in downtown Cedar Rapids starting at 6:00 PM. Tickets are now on sale (early bird discount ends October 31st) at <https://auctria.events/xavierfallfest>.

Early Bird Discount Extended for XCS Fall Fest!

Early bird discount for Xavier Catholic Schools Fall Fest has been extended to Midnight on Monday, November 4th!

Supporting Our Students!

This event is raising funds to support technology upgrades and technology alignment in our PK-8 schools (All Saints, LaSalle Catholic, St. Joseph, St. Matthew, St. Pius X, Regis) and early learning centers.

Businesses: Sponsorship / Auction Donation Opportunities Available!

If your businesses who would like to sponsor this event or donate items to the Fall Fest auction, information can be found at <https://auctria.events/xavierfallfest> OR contact Angie Stastny, Fall Fest event chair, at FallFest@CRXCS.org. Thank you for your support!

Happy Halloween!



Ministry Schedule

November 9, 4:00 PM Saturday

Sacristan

Mary Pat Wilkinson

Extraordinary Ministers

Joseph Cataldo

Riley Hoover

Sara Lang

Gavin Miller

Kourtne Powell

Mike Powell

Marvin Stallman

Altar Servers

Katrina Golobic

Ethan Meyer

Ilyzza Shea

Lectors

Stacy Cataldo

Lisa Stephenson

Hospitality Ministers

Ryan Donnelly

Daniel Greene

Dick Kettelkamp

Barb Lindstrom

Tom Takes

Mike Votroubek

November 10, 9:00 AM Sunday

Sacristan

John Michael

Extraordinary Ministers

Tom Amosson

Sherry Casey

Stephanie Guzman

Ann Hunter

Wade Johnson

Stephanie Klappholz

Dennis Mullarkey

Altar Servers

Lewis Benfield

Charlie Hamilton

Lucy Klappholz

Lectors

Larry Hunter

Gregory O'Connell

Hospitality Ministers

Maureen Dale Ernst

Maureen Ernst

John Ernst

Tony Satariano

Chris Shimon

Diane Weimer

Ministry Schedule

November 16, 4:00 PM Saturday

Sacristan

Mary Pat Wilkinson

Extraordinary Ministers

Jean Bell

Joan Fishburn

Kathi Grainger

Andrew Lang

Ellen Mouw

Daniel Prentice

Stephen Schmitz

Altar Servers

Zachary Prentice

Sylvia Robbins

Noelle Robbins

Lectors

Theresa Harker

Kathy Ulrich

Hospitality Ministers

Elie AbouRaad

Dick Kettelkamp

Barb Lindstrom

Marcia Myers

Peg Schmitz

Tom Takes

November 17, 9:00 AM Sunday

Sacristan

Cate Biro

Extraordinary Ministers

Mary Jo Goerdt

Terry Goerdt

Bill Knapp

Dianne Knapp

Bea Rethwisch

Loesje Shema

David Shema

Altar Servers

Addison Johnson

Henry Johnson

Ava Szymanowski

Lectors

Mick Erdman

Tasha Tataara

Hospitality Ministers

Nicole Johnson

Mike Klappholz

Stephanie Klappholz

Chase Philpott

Maureen Wolf

Dave Wolf

Family Ministry

November 10, 2024 • 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time • Mark 12:38-44

Living Life With a Generous Heart

Jesus mentions widows twice in this reading. The first time is when he strongly criticizes the scribes for walking around in fine robes while they "devour widows' houses" (v. 40). The second reference is when he points out a generous widow who puts her whole livelihood into the collection.

The widow in this Gospel was certainly a woman of faith and an example to all of us. However, I don't think Jesus is telling us that we are all expected to give away everything we have and just trust in him. This is what he told the rich man, of course, and what he seems to be praising in this story of the widow.

But the call to poverty is a specific call and not one that all of us are meant to live. What I do think Jesus expects of us is to live our lives with a generous heart and with the same faith the widow had as she gave her last two coins away. There is a clear message here that we are not to live like the scribes, enjoying the high life, driving expensive cars, wearing fine clothes at the expense of other people. Jesus is also quite clear about sharing what we have with those who are in need. We are not to give just from the extra money we have, the surplus, but also from our bounty. It may not be necessary to give everything away, but we should give away enough to at least feel the pinch.

Jesus also calls us to live our lives poor in spirit, not getting too comfortable with what we have or what we earn. Financial security is no longer a given reality even for folks who work hard, have a dozen degrees and have served a company loyally for years. The widow gave up her livelihood willingly, but in today's economic world some of us are forced into that situation involuntarily. Like the widow, we need to know that no matter what happens we will be OK. We need her faith in a God who always provides.

FAMILY RESPONSE

Ask everyone to go through their toys or clothes and choose at least two things they can give to people in need. When they have finished, gather again and talk about what you are giving away. Make sure you are giving from your bounty and not just your surplus.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Have you ever had to live without some of the daily essentials of life? How did you cope? How do you think you would cope? 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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St. Ludmila Christmas Market

Saturday, December 7, 2024

9:00am to 6:00pm

Held in the St. Ludmila Community Center

211- 21st Ave. SW Cedar Rapids

St. Ludmila sponsored

Kolaches - Cookie & Candy Sales - Silent Auction - Crafts

Fresh Cut Greenery Arrangements – Café Ludmila

Kolaches will be sold starting at 9:00am until sold out! Come early, there is no limit to the number you can buy! Flavors include: Apple, Apricot, Cherry, Poppy Seed, Prune, Rhubarb & Strawberry

Bring your camera and take photos with Santa noon – 3:00pm

Over 60 Various Crafters and Vendors including:

Carolyn's Caramels - JMJ Woodworking - Niccolai Bakery - Norwex
Avon - Designs on Willow - Tastefully Simple - Dog Gone Good Treats
Loom Woven Rugs - Snugglyskeins - Birds of a Feather - Paper Pie
Gansen Farms - Three Little Kittens Mittens - Potholders by Fred
Scentsy - Divine Mercy Gifts - Mary Kay - Permalinx by jBLOOM
Button Your Ears Designs by Joyce - Sipology - Sew Crafty - What Not
Happy Stuff by Mary - Author Dale Kueter - Pampered Chef
Friends of SJF - Customized Chaos by Monica - Betty's Market Bags
Jersey Lady Creations - Crafts By J - Katie Hartelt Custom Art
Mystic Blooms - Color Street - Unique Crafts & More by C&L
BBeads - Everything That Sparkles & More - Prayer Focus in Wood
Crafts by Cindy Kay - Katie Jo Essentials - L and C Sewing - Bezzie
Sheetz Woodworking - Foam Flowers by TABLO - Lily's Country Soaps
If You Can't Wear It Walk On It - Cricket's Creative Stitches
Seven Acre Creations - Razzle Dazzle Creations by Rissa
Paws Over People - Tupperware - Kalico Kreations - and much more!

The Gospel at Home

This Sunday's Gospel: Mark 12:38–44

This Sunday's Gospel is a call for us all to share ourselves with others. The widow gives to the Temple two small coins that are significant to her livelihood. Jesus contrasts that with the showy gifts most people gave to the Temple treasury. They gave something of their great abundance. The widow gave of herself. We are all called to do the same—to give of ourselves.

Exploring the Gospel Message

Seeds (Preschool): Your child learned that everyone's gift is important. Take a few minutes to talk with your child about what important gifts each member of your family possesses. Make sure your child understands why the small amount of money the widow gave in the Gospel story was so important.

Promise (Grades K–1): In class this week, your child learned about generosity in giving. Play the game on page 2 with your child. (He or she will teach you how.) You can also play the game with real personal treasures. Post the "I Can Give" envelope on your refrigerator or bulletin board. All members of the family can enclose gift certificates for one another in the envelope.

Good News (Grades 2–3): This week, your child learned about generosity and trust in God from the two widows in Sunday's readings. The first widow generously gave of the little she had to feed Elijah and trusted that her family would be cared for. The woman in the Gospel gave what little she had for the good of others. Invite your child to share these stories with the family. Talk about how the Seventh Commandment is about respecting the rights and property of others.

Venture (Grades 4–6): This week, your youngster learned about both the Gospel and the Old Testament reading from Sunday Mass. Through the stories of two widows, your son or daughter discovered examples of generosity. The class learned about the value of the collection at Mass as a way to help spread the Good News. Finally, the class explored the Catholic social teaching about rights and responsibilities. Talk about ways your family shows generosity. Discuss ways your family can help protect the rights of others.

Visions (Grades 7–9): This week, your youngster's class learned that the choices they make are good indicators of their values. They learned from the Gospel that true generosity means giving from the heart and giving what is important to each of them. Ask your youngster to share with the family the story, "The Widow's Gift." Talk about the real meaning of the word charity. List the activities, people, and things that your family values most. How does sharing these with others indicate your desire to follow Jesus as his disciple?

Awaken (Teens/Adults): Discover a new level of spiritual growth for parents with *Awaken*, the new adult level of the *Pflaum Gospel Weeklies*, developed to deepen your faith journey alongside your children. Scan the QR code to learn more.



Pray Together

Before an evening meal, offer prayers of thanksgiving for all the people who have given generously to your family. Talk about how you can best repay their generosity by "paying it forward," that is, by being helpful and generous to others.



CELEBRATION OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

JOIN US FOR OUR CELEBRATION

Thursday December 12

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

857 3rd Ave SE Cedar Rapids, IA

5:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Rosary – 5:30pm

Children's procession with roses
for the Virgin – 6:15 pm

MASS – 6:30 pm

Procession with the Virgin after
Mass. followed by hymns in the
Church after the procession. Social
gathering in the basement (with
bread, hot chocolate, coffee and
tamales)

All services are in Spanish





Grief & the Holidays

Holidays are often difficult for people for people who have experienced the loss of a loved one. The sounds, sights, and smells of the holiday season may trigger feelings of sadness, loss, emptiness and anxiety.

You're Invited to Join the Grief Support Group December 3rd & 10th 6:00 PM

Open to anyone grieving the loss of a significant person in one's life. The time together will focus on how to be gentle with oneself and suggest ways to bring comfort as loved ones are remembered for the holidays.

No registration is required. The Grief Support Group meets in the Pastoral Center Raphael Room weekly. For more information, please call 563.588.0558.



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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.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA): Classes are scheduled for Monday evenings beginning in the Fall. Contact Bob Lillibridge, Director of Formation, for more information (adultformation@allsaintscr.com).

Confirmation: Classes will be led by Father Jack Flaherty after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays in the Social Hall. Start date TBD (fatherjack@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: Thursdays, 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 Darlene Fandel at 319-560-4844.

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.

Parish Website: You may both submit and view prayer intentions any time at: <https://allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/people/forms/413117>.