

SECOND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME, January 15, 2017



# SAINT PATRICK CHURCH IGLESIA DE SAN PATRICIO

4330 St. Patrick Drive • Iowa City, Iowa 52240

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'" — Jn 1:29-30



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### Parish Office

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1:00 pm-4:30 pm  
Fri. (begin 1/6/17).....8:30am-Noon

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www.stpatsic.com

### Parish Staff / Personal parroquial

Pastor. Very Rev. Rudolph T. Juárez, EV, JCL  
Parish Council Pres... Angel Hernandez  
Office Manager .....Lila Scott  
Music Director..... Caroline Marcotte  
Elem Youth Grp..... Heather Feller  
Events Coordinator.....Cheryl Schropp  
Maintenance/Custodian....Ed Villhauer  
Youth Ministry Dir.....Rachel Scholze

### Regina Catholic Education Center / Centro Educacional Catolico Regina

High School ..... (319) 338-5436  
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Business Office ..... (319) 337-2580  
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Admissions..... (319) 499-9006  
Busing ..... (319) 499-9020  
Regina Foundation.....(319) 354-5866

### Sunday Mass Schedule / Horario De Misas Dominicales

Saturday/Sábado (Vigil/Vigilia) ..4:30 pm  
Sunday/Domingo....7:30 am, 10:00 am,  
12:00 pm (Español)

### Daily Mass Schedule (City-Wide) / Horario De Misas Diarias (En La Ciudad)

St. Wenceslaus..... Mon.-Sat. 7:00 am  
St. Patrick.....Tues.-Fri. 8:30 am  
St. Thomas More .....Tues.-Fri. 9:00 am  
St. Mary's ..... Mon.-Fri. 12:10 pm  
Newman Center ..... Mon.-Fri. 5:15 pm

### Confessions/confesiones

Saturday 3:00 pm-4:00 pm.  
Todos los sábados de  
3:00 pm a 4:00 pm



## KC's Free Throw Contest Sunday, Jan 22 2-4pm, St. Patrick Gym



All youth age 9-14 years are eligible to compete at the local level in their respective age division  
Participants are required to furnish proof of age  
and written parental consent

For entry forms or additional information,  
contact: Ed Panther, 319-665-2142

## Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena /

### Novena a Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Socorro

Tuesdays following the 8:30a Mass.

Los Martes después de la Misa de 8:30a.

### The Rosary

The Rosary is said prior to Daily Mass at 8:10 am, Tuesday through Friday. Please join us.

### Adoration and Holy Hour

First Friday of each month after 8:30a Mass—**Feb 3.**

### First Saturday Mass

First Saturday of each month at 8:30a—**Feb 4.**

### Gift Bearers

If you would like to bring up the Gifts at Offertory, please contact an Usher before Mass begins.

### Sacrament of Baptism/ Sacramento del Bautismo

Parents must be registered and active members of the parish. Parents are required to attend one instructional session, ideally before the child is born. Call the parish office to register for the next class on **Feb 11 @ 10:00am in the Parlor.**

Los padres deben ser miembros activos de la parroquia y asistir a las pláticas bautismales. Para mayor informes, favor de comunicarse a la oficina. **11 Febrero, 10:00am.**

### Sacrament of Marriage/Sacramento del Matrimonio

Please contact the parish 1 year prior to your marriage. Comuníquese a la oficina parroquial para mayor información.

### Bulletin Deadline / Fecha límite para el boletín

Submit articles in writing/email by 9:00am Monday. Entregar artículos por escrito antes de las 9:00am los días lunes.

### Welcome Newcomers to St. Patrick's!/ Bienvenido A San Patricio!

Parish registration gathering will be held in the **Social Hall** after Masses on **Feb 5**, or stop by the parish office during business hours.

¡Bienvenido a san Patricio! Puede registrarse después de Misa en la parte trasera de la Iglesia or llenar la forma en línea. **5 Febrero**

### Listening Devices REMINDER!

Assistive Listening Devices are available at the baptistery area for those who need them. Please do not remove the ear buds for your personal use. **Remember the devices are church property, so please return them after Mass.**

### As a courtesy, PLEASE...

**NO** food or drinks in church.

**NO** gum chewing.

**SILENCE** your cell phones when entering the church building. Please do not text during Mass.

**PUT** missals/music books in book holders when leaving.

**PLACE** kneelers in upright position.

**CLEAN** area where you were sitting.

**PARENTS**, watch your children!

Thank you!

## Mass Intentions for Jan 17-22

<b>Tue.</b>	<b>01/17</b>	8:30 am	Jason & Holly Walsh
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>01/18</b>	8:30 am	Sr. Esperanza
<b>Thu.</b>	<b>01/19</b>	8:30 am	John Lenoch
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>01/20</b>	8:30 am	Bill Burke
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>01/21</b>	4:30 pm	For the Parish
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>01/22</b>	7:30 am	Roy & Marguerite Kroymann
		10:00 am	Charles & Florence O'Shaughnessey

## What's Scheduled This Week

\*as of Jan 10—subject to change

**Sun Jan 15:** Mass, KC's Pancake Breakfast, Children's Liturgy, RCIA, Regina Boys 3rd gr BB-ND, M Cossio Baby Shower, Regina 5th gr Boys, JHYG, Regina 4th gr Boys, ispy

**Mon Jan 16: Bulletin items due @ 9am,** Sp Charismatic Grp, Well Read Moms Book Club, Young Adult Catholics

**Tues Jan 17: Bulletin to Print,** Rosary, Daily Mass, Novena, St. Anne's Helpers, Rockets

**Wed Jan 18:** Rosary, Daily Mass, Ecumenical Meeting, Rockets

**Thurs Jan 19:** Rosary, Daily Mass, Marian Retreats, Staff Mtg, Rockets

**Fri Jan 20:** Rosary, Daily Mass, Sp Charismatic Group, Rockets

**Sat Jan 21:** Regina Blue, Sp Ministry Group, Confessions, Mass, Regina Dance Marathon Donation Request, Coro

**Sun Jan 22:** Mass, Regina Dance Marathon Donation Request, Children's Liturgy, 1st Communion class-Eng/Sp, EYG, KC's Free Throw Competition, Regina 5th gr Boys, Regina 4th gr Boys, Confirmation, Regina 6th gr Girls, JH Religious Ed

## January 21-22, 2ND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

### Altar Servers:

4:30 pm N/M Franklin, Boblenz  
7:30 am Z Seaman-L, K Bracken  
10:00 am L/G/S Wagon

### Lectors:

4:30 pm L Alt-Farmer  
7:30 am B Pierson  
10:00 am P Hartley

### Eucharistic Ministers:

4:30 pm B Hunt, J/J Keating, J Mendez, C Oleson, B Ready, B Pierson  
7:30 am S Burlage, R Craig, D Harkey, B/J Klein, J/P McGee  
10:00 am T Streb, P Thomsen, C Wisniewski, C Baker-Clark, G Brandt, R Bullington, P/J Clark, T Dickens

### Sacristans for January:

4:30 pm M Hart  
7:30 am Stauffer Family  
10:00 am M Mahan

### Ushers/Greeters for January:

4:30 pm B Wunder, N Ball, M Callahan, D/J Goody, C Peters  
7:30 am A Lombard, S Byers, A/N Gremm, J Page, B Wisor, B/C Schuchert, G Driscoll  
10:00 am D/J Young, J Whetstine, B Shapcott, P Gantz, M Yeh, S Nibaur

**Please find a substitute if unable to fulfill your ministry!  
THANKS FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP!**

# Youth Ministry

## Youth Groups

EYG (Gr 3-5): Jan 22, 2-3:30pm.

JHYG (Gr 6-8): Jan 15 & 29, 4-5:30pm.

iSPY HS Youth Group: Jan 15 & 29, 7:45-9:15pm.

## MUSIC MINISTRY

Contact [caroline.marcotte@gmail.com](mailto:caroline.marcotte@gmail.com) with questions or if interested in any area.

**Youth Choir:** Youth in grades 3-8 rehearse Wednesdays 5:00-5:45pm.

**Adult Music Ministry:** The Adult Choir meets 7:30-9pm Wednesdays and sings at the 10am Sunday Mass.

Instrumentalists are needed to play at Mass, special services, and Holidays.



## Courage/EnCourage Ministry

For **confidential** Catholic support contact Fr. Thom Hennen, 563-888-4255 OR Marianne Agnoli, 563-888-4242, [agnolim@davenportdiocese.org](mailto:agnolim@davenportdiocese.org)

## Mothers of Young Children (MOYC)

### Upcoming Play Dates:

Tues, Jan. 17 @ 11am, Scanlon Tot Lot, cost \$1

Thurs, Jan. 19 @ 11:15am, Coralville Library Story Time

Mon, Jan. 23 @ 10:30am, Iowa City Library

## Newman Center's Annual Retreat

All graduate students and young professionals are invited to the Newman Center's annual winter retreat on Jan 21-22. The theme is **Cura Personalis: The Care of the Body, Mind, and Soul**. We'll focus on the importance of balance in life. The retreat takes place at Prairiewoods-Hiawatha and costs \$35. Contact Christine-Newman Center for more info ([319-337-3106 ext. 103](tel:319-337-3106), [Christine@newman-ic.org](mailto:Christine@newman-ic.org)).

## Marguerite Ritzinger Scholarship

Applications for the Marguerite Ritzinger Scholarship of the Diocese of Davenport are being accepted now through Feb. 1st. Any Catholic individual who plans to attend a college or university next Fall may apply for a \$1,000 scholarship. Nontraditional students may also apply for the scholarships. Applications must include an essay, copy of a high school or college transcript, 2 reference letters and application. Forms available at: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/documents/2016/12/MRitzingerScholarship-application.pdf>

## Certificates

**Effective immediately**, if you would like a Baptism or Wedding Certificate after receiving the Sacrament, we will make you one upon request to the office. They won't automatically be issued because we do not mail them and families forget to pick them up!



# Youth Ministry

## 2017 Vacation Bible School

**"COOL KINGDOM PARTY" ~ Mary Leads Me Closer to Jesus.** June 12-16, 9a-12:15p in lower level for youth Pre-K thru 6th grade in Fall 2017! Families—keep watch for more info on our 2017 theme!

JH/HS students and Adults: If you are interested in helping with VBS, please contact Cheryl at 337-2856, or Cheryl@stpsatic.com. We need YOU!

## Noah's Nursery(Birth-3 yrs)

**Lisa Bogert & Sarahi Contreras-Jacobo are the co-directors of the Nursery!**

This is a VIBRANT and needed ministry at 10a/12p Masses, but we need your time/talents so it can continue! Volunteers for 12pm Spanish Mass—please contact Piedad Rangel or Socorro Ortiz. Volunteers need to be VIRTUS trained in accordance with diocesan guidelines. **This is a great way to provide stewardship and Adults/JH/HS youth are invited to volunteer.**



## Children's Liturgy (4 yrs-1st gr)

**WHAT: Children's Liturgy is held most Sundays of the school year during 10am Mass-children are released at Liturgy of the Word.**



**REGISTER:** Parents are asked to complete an Information Form if their child will participate. **The form is located on the parish website and the Kiosk.**

**VOLUNTEER:** Parents are asked to volunteer as a helper at least once per school year. The sign-up link will be given to you once your child is registered. This is a great way to complete service hours for Silver Cord or Confirmation, too! **Questions? Contact Sofia Livorsi, [slivorsi@gmail.com](mailto:slivorsi@gmail.com) or 317-447-1448.**

## First Sacraments 2016-17

### CLASSES:

began **Sunday, Jan 8th**, 10am in Social Hall.



### RETREAT:

**Mandatory Retreat Sunday, Apr 30th, 10a-12p**

### SACRAMENT:

**Sunday, May 7 @ 10am**

## Confirmation

### CLASSES:

Group B-last names M-Z meet Jan 8.

Group A-last names A-K meet Jan 22.

### SACRAMENT:

**10am, Apr 2, 2017**, with Bishop Amos & West Branch.

### PROJECTS:

**SERVICE PROJECTS: Completion is required.**

**Saturday, Mar 4, 2017:** Group Service Opportunity-Prepare food for the Ronald McDonald House Lunch.



## What's Happening

### Marian Consecration

#### **6 Week Small-Group Retreat Thursdays, Jan 5-Feb 9.**

Draw closer to the Heart of Jesus through the Heart of Mary. **Join others in our community as we begin a 33-day preparation for Marian Consecration on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, Feb 11<sup>th</sup>.**

Attend Retreat (video & discussion) every **Thursday** in the Social Hall. Two retreat options available: Mornings, 9-10:30am or Evenings, 6:30-8pm. Cost for materials is \$7.

To register, contact Sheryl Schwager, [\(319\) 855-8475](tel:319-855-8475) or [sschw1@gmail.com](mailto:sschw1@gmail.com)

**PLEASE register before Jan. 3, 2017.**

### THANK YOU!

We appreciate everyone who helped with *Operation Christmas Decoration Take Down and Put Away!* Many hands make light work and smooth sailing. Thanks to Miechelle & Larry Weber for their guidance.

### Table to Table

Table to Table is in need of volunteers to help. Please check out their website: [Table2table.org](http://Table2table.org).

### Invitation from Fr. Dan Guenther


#### **The Best of Ireland & Northern Ireland:**

Come along Nov. 6-16, 2017, to some of the most enjoyable places in all of Europe, visiting the Emerald Isle! We'll visit Belfast, Knock, Galway, Dublin and so much more. Mass each day in great Churches and Cathedrals along the way. Cost is \$3,199 with departure from Omaha. For a brochure and more information, please contact Fr. Dan Guenther, Immaculate Conception Parish, P.O. Box 658, Cherokee, Iowa 51012 or call 712-225-4606 or email [frdanguenther@gmail.com](mailto:frdanguenther@gmail.com)



The parish would like to extend its deepest sympathy to the family and friends of **Don Burnett**, whose funeral was held here on Saturday, Jan 7th. May his soul and the soul of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

### Put on a Happy Face—Be a Greeter!

Nothing says hospitality like a friendly smile  when you come in the door! Be a greeter at the Mass you attend and let everyone know they're welcome. Contact Pam Gantz, 430-6697.

#### **To report child abuse, contact:**

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

#### **Wounded by Abortion?**

Project Rachel understands the emotional pain that follows an abortion. Please call the confidential Helpline at 563-333-4107 OR 1-888-456-HOPE.

## What's Happening

### CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICAS

Do you like an active organization? Join us in our Circle of Love ministries, including Little Dresses for Africa and Rosary Booklets for First Communion and RCIA Candidates, that were selected for national recognition by The Catholic Daughters of the Americas. **Any ?'s, contact Carole Olney (319) 351-7554.**



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council #14481

Prospective or transfer members:  
Contact Pat Ruxton (319-400-7198) or Leo Agnew, [agnewleo@gmail.com](mailto:agnewleo@gmail.com) to join/transfer.



#### JANUARY

- 15**-Breakfast served 8a-12p in Social Hall.
- 21**-KCans4Life, Rectory driveway-NW Corner.
- 22**-Free Throw Competition, Gym for 9-14 yrs.

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST-Sunday, Jan 15:

Join us in the social hall after Mass (8a-Noon) for a delicious breakfast of pancakes, sausage, eggs, juice and coffee. Some healthy options added to the menu! Adults-\$7, Youth-\$5. Proceeds go towards funding groups the KC's support.

### FREETHROW COMPETITION-Sunday, Jan 22:

The KC Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district, and state competitions. International champions are announced by the KC international headquarters based on scores from the state level competitions. All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event.

Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent.

**For entry forms or additional information contact: Ed Panther, 319-665-2142.**

### Perpetual Adoration Chapel

#### OPEN HOURS:

**Sunday, 11pm Monday, 11pm**  
**Tuesday, 3am Saturday, 1am, 2am**

THANK YOU for spending time in the Adoration Chapel during our 30th anniversary year whether a regularly scheduled weekly adorer, substitute or a drop-in visitor! Adorers spend 168 hours every week with Our Lord and 40 adorers act as substitutes. You're greatly blessed because God Himself cannot be outdone in generosity! Thank you Fr Rudy and the Iowa City Catholic community who help with this Ministry!

If you're not currently signed up for Eucharistic Adoration, we invite you to spend an hour before Our Lord. God will bless you abundantly with His many graces! Contact Ellen Rethwisch, 351-4335, or email her: [dreth101@yahoo.com](mailto:dreth101@yahoo.com).

## What's Happening

### REGINA EDUCATION CENTER News

#### Regina Dance Marathon-Plea\$e Help!



Regina Dance Marathon is a non-profit organization which raises money for pediatric cancer.

On **Sunday, Jan 29** we will host our dance marathon from **Noon to 6pm in the Regina Elementary Gym**, and our **goal is to raise \$12,000** for the kids! We are asking for donations to help reach our goal, with all proceeds going directly to the University of Iowa Dance Marathon. Members of the RDM will wear their special t-shirts when collecting donations in the Narthex after Mass on Jan 21-22. Cash, coin and checks made payable to Regina Dance Marathon are appreciated! Donations can also be sent to Regina Dance Marathon, 2150 Rochester Ave. Iowa City, IA 52245. Thanks for helping us reach our goal to help the kids!

#### Water for Flint

SAM STEIN, a Regina HS senior/parish member, is collecting water and cash donations for the residents of Flint, Michigan. Single bottles, cases, cash, and checks are all accepted. Checks should be made to "Resources Unite" with the words "Water for Flint" on the memo line and dropped off/mailed to St. Pat's. Or drop off water in the black storage tote located in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please call Sam, **(319) 330-5087**.

#### "Kentucky Derby" - 29th Regina Gala Feb 4, 2017, Coralville Marriott Hotel

Join us for an evening of Southern Fare, drink Bourbon Mint Juleps and merrily bid on your favorites! Enjoy a night of live and silent auctions to benefit Regina with dance music to end the night. Derby fashion including creative bow ties and fancy hats or casual attire.



The **Gala Committee** is seeking gifts and donations for the Live and Silent auctions. For gift ideas visit our gift registries at Amazon, Target, and Bed Bath and Beyond or sign up to donate a themed gift basket through our online Sign Up Genius. You can send your gift directly to **Regina**, 2140 Rochester Ave., Iowa City, IA 52245.

Contact Trish Kohl, trish.kohl@icregina.com, 358-2455.

#### Tri-Parish Religious Education

Religious Education is for ALL K-8 youth who do not attend Regina. Grades K-6, 6:30-7:45p Wednesdays; grades 7-8, 6:30-8p two Sundays most months. Contact the RE office, 319-351-7638.

#### Regina Scrip

We're looking for volunteers to place orders, pick up local orders in the Iowa City/Coralville area & fill orders. Contact Traci Wagner.

The Scrip Office is open **every morning** school is in session from **8-9am** and the 1st Saturday of every month.

#### Scrip Order Schedule Spring 2017

January 23, 30

April 10, 17, 24

February 6, 13, 27

May 1, 8, 15, 22

March 6, 20, 27

## What's Happening

### 44th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade Events Candlelight Walk for Life

**Saturday, Jan 21st @ 6pm** from St. Mary's Church-Iowa City to Emma Goldman abortion facility. Chili Dinner to follow. For more info/RSVP, contact Sheryl Schwager, Johnson County Right to Life at [\(319\) 855-8475](tel:3198558475) or [www.JCRTL.org](http://www.JCRTL.org)

### 9 Days for Life Novena

The U.S. Bishops' annual novena 9 Days for Life takes place **Saturday, Jan 21-Sunday, Jan 29**. Pray for the respect and protection of all human life with new intentions, brief reflections, and more each day. Download the novena online, or participate through Facebook, email, text message or an app. Join at [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com)!

*La novena anual de los obispos de EE. UU., 9 Días por la Vida, tendrá lugar del 21 al 29 de enero. Recen por el respeto y la protección de la vida humana con nuevas intenciones, breves reflexiones y más cada día. Bajen la novena de Internet o participe en Facebook, mensaje electrónico de texto o una aplicación. ¡Únete a [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com)!*

### Sponsor Couples Needed

Married parish members meet with an engaged couple 5-6 times (approx 1 hour each) and discuss important issues that arise in marriage, using the Together for Life book series. A great way to strengthen your marriage and participate in stewardship!

Contact Jan/Scott Miller, [millfam1986@gmail.com](mailto:millfam1986@gmail.com).

### Wedding Assistant Ministry

We have several weddings booked for 2017! What a great way to give your Time and Talent and have fun—assist bridal parties at rehearsal and day of wedding! YOU pick the wedding date that fits in your schedule. This is a fun way to share your time and talents! For more info, contact [Cheryl@stpatsic.com](mailto:Cheryl@stpatsic.com).

### Upcoming Weddings

Altenhofen-Jenn, April 8, 2017

### Newly Engaged? Wedding Information...

Newly engaged couples are asked to make an appointment with Fr. Rudy **as soon as possible** to receive permission to reserve your date with us and begin marriage planning.

### Marriage Preparation

After meeting with the priest, engaged couples can begin marriage preparation. You can meet with an **Engaged Sponsor Couple** from the parish by contacting the office.

**Weekend, 1-day & Online Preavailable:**

<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/faithform/Marriage>



## What's Happening

### God's Helping Hands

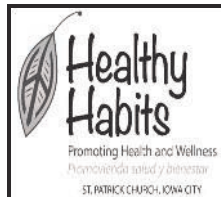
**WINTER ADVISORY:** If school is delayed or canceled due to weather conditions, GHH members will not distribute communion.

God's Helping Hands takes the Eucharist to the homebound, sends cards to parish members, visits parish members admitted to Mercy Hospital and helps to lead the rosary at wakes for parish members. Mothers or fathers of young children are welcome to bring their children along when they visit care facilities or attend meetings. The time commitment can be as little as a few hours per month. We meet in the social hall from April thru December after Daily Mass. **Men & women of all ages—please consider joining our group. Contact Jean Mottet, 563-920-2836 for info.**

### Eucharistic Ministers needed at Mercy Hospital

The Pastoral Care Department at Mercy Hospital is in need of a few volunteers who would be available to take communion to patients on a scheduled basis as needed. Interested persons must be registered members with the parish and recommended by the pastor. For more info contact, Tim Bernemann, Director of Pastoral Care, Mercy Hospital, 358-2725 or timothy.bernemann@mercyc.org.

### PARISH New Year's Challenge!



Many resolutions involve being more physically active, eating healthier or adding more spirituality into our lives. Most people are more apt to stick to their goals when there is a group to support and cheer them along the way. We ask you to follow the guidelines regarding physical activity, nutrition, and spirituality given in last weekend's bulletin flyer and also on Facebook.

**T-shirts courtesy of Hills Bank will be distributed the weekend of Feb 4 for adults and children. We'll end the Challenge on Saturday, Feb 11th @ 10AM with a walk and a basketball game in the lower level gym. BECOME ENGAGED IN YOUR HEALTH FOR 2017!**

### Nurses' Notes

Type II diabetes is a health problem seen frequently within the United States that occurs when the body has difficulty controlling its blood sugar.

**Symptoms of diabetes include:** Urinating often, feeling thirsty or hungry all of the time, extreme fatigue, blurry vision, cuts/bruises that are slow to heal, weight loss—even though you are eating more.

**Early detection** of the signs is the key to effectively treating diabetes. If you or someone you know begins to show these symptoms, talk to a doctor about getting tested for diabetes.

## Walk the Talk

### Reflections

Can you imagine what kind of response I would get if I asked my three children, "Who would like to volunteer to clean up the kitchen after dinner today?" Six eyeballs staring at me like I had two heads! If I couch my request in terms of volunteerism, I have suggested that they don't have any real ownership in this matter. Perhaps they do sometimes think that their mother and I are simply hired hands to take care of them, but rest assured, I have not received a paycheck for services rendered lately.

When you and I give a donation of blood, we volunteer our time and blood to the Red Cross. The Red Cross does not employ most of us, nor do we own a part of the Red Cross. We can only volunteer ourselves for the cause.

As parishioners we are part of a parish family. We belong to our parish community. We do not visit on a Sunday morning, since we cannot visit a place that is home. The call of the body of Christ occurs in every parish and our response should be that of the psalmist, "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will." Real stewardship never counts the cost and never asks for volunteers. We step forward because we belong to something greater than ourselves and the head of that community is Jesus. After dinner at my house, someone needs to clean up the kitchen. In your parish community, someone needs to respond to the call of Jesus. In both cases, no volunteers are needed. We will rely on family instead.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

### Our Lady of Mount Carmel LCC

Lay Carmelite Spirituality every 1st Saturday @ 9am -St. Anne's Room, Lower Level of St. Patrick Church.

For more information, please contact: [drmljoseph@gmail.com](mailto:drmljoseph@gmail.com)

**Next meeting is Feb 4, 2017.**



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# Stewardship

## *The Catholic Messenger*

Please watch your envelope packet for the Catholic Messenger contribution. When we receive our assessment amount, it will be posted.

### **FYI**

Tax time is just around the corner! Please make sure we have your updated e-mail address(es) in the office so that we may send the end of the year statements. If you have moved or changed phone #'s, please notify us. Any donations for the 2016 tax year needed to be transacted on or before Dec 30, 2016. We cannot pre-date contributions made after that date. Thank you.

### **Annual Diocesan Appeal statements**

The Diocese of Davenport will be mailing contribution statements to those who donated to the Annual Diocesan Appeal in 2016. A separate contribution statement will also be mailed to those who donated to the Catholic Foundation/Seminarian Appeal in 2016. If you donated to both the Diocese and the Foundation, you will receive two statements. The statements will be mailed January 25 and marked as an important tax document.

**If you have questions regarding your contributions contact the Diocese: 563-324-1911.**

# Stewardship

## **Time, Talent and Treas\$ure**

Church Support (Jan 7/8) .....	\$10,705.00
Offertory.....	\$1,509.00
Additional Contributions.....	\$1960.00
EFT for Jan. 3 .....	\$8,707.00
Kids.....	1.00

ADA assessment	\$101,244.00
Pledged	115,383.00
Paid to date, 394 families	93,254.00

### **Thank you for your gifts of Time-Talent-Treasure Needed each week: \$19,213.00**

**Please...**Do not use the green-edged envelopes for general contributions. They are for **REGINA only**. Thank you!

### **A special thank you..**

To all of you that have increased their EFT donations. Your generous response is greatly appreciated.

### **Capital Improvements**

All donations made in the purple edged envelopes for Capital Improvements are going towards the **stained glass windows and statues fund**. Thank you.