



1st SUNDAY OF LENT, March 5, 2017

SAINT PATRICK CHURCH IGLESIA DE SAN PATRICIO

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FIRST SUNDAY OF

LENT



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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 MoreTues.-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



DON'T MISS IT! Annual "Wearin' o' the Green" IRISH BREAKFAST-March 12

Serving 8a-1:30p in the Social Hall

- ☑ Irish Breakfast Bake ☑ Green-Gold Egg Bake
- ☑ Sausage Links ☑ Rainbow Fruit Parfait ☑ Daylight Donuts
- ☑ Panera Bread Scones ☑ Juice ☑ Coffee ☑ Shamrock Punch

WIN a Pot of Gold! \$1 or 6 for \$5 chances

Family Fun—Fiesta—Hawk-Irish—Over the Rainbow—Pink Power

Top o' the Mornin'—What's for Dinner?—Zoom! Zoom!

Chances available now until winners drawn (1:45p at party)

Mass Intentions for Mar 7-Mar 12

Tue.	03/07	8:30 am	Robert Moore
Wed.	03/08	8:30 am	Jack & Agnes Streb
Thu.	03/09	8:30 am	Charles & Florence O'Shaughnessey
Fri.	03/10	8:30 am	Eric Schwager
Sat.	03/11	4:30 pm	For the Parish
Sun.	03/12	7:30 am	Frank & Teresa Donchez
		10:00 am	Tim Brandt

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena / Novena a Nuestra Senora 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 8:10a,
Tuesday through Friday. Please join us.

Adoration and Holy Hour

First Friday of each month after 8:30a Mass—**Apr 7.**

First Saturday Mass

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

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
Mar 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 Marzo, 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 **Mar 12**, 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. **12 Marzo**

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 build-
ing. 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!

What's Scheduled This Week

***as of Feb 27—subject to change**

Sun Mar 5: Rosary before Mass, UI Students for Life Fund-
raiser, Children's Liturgy, RCIA, 1st Communion Class-Eng/
Sp, Pot of Gold chances, Rite of Election, Regina 4, 6 BB
practice, JHYG, Confirmation, iSPY

Mon Mar 6: Bulletin items due @ 9am, Sp Charismatic Grp,
Regina Blue 4th gr BB Gym, KC's Rosary & Meeting, Young
Adult Catholics

Tues Mar 7: Bulletin to Print, Rosary, Daily Mass, St. Anne's
Helpers, Novena, Priest Meeting, Rockets VB, Parish
Council, Amazing Grace Concert

Wed Mar 8: Rosary, Mass, Over 50 Potluck, Regina GS
#5355, Youth/Adult Choir, Liturgy, Finance, Rockets VB

Thurs Mar 9: Rosary, Daily Mass, Rockets VB

Fri Mar 10: Rosary, Daily Mass, Fr. Rudy @ Emma Goldman,
Stations of Cross-Eng/Sp, Sp Charismatic Grp, Regina Fish
Fry

Sat Mar 11: Regina Blue, Prep for Irish Breakfast, Baptism
Class Sp Ministry Grp, Confessions, Rosary before Mass,
Coro, Pot of Gold Chances

Sun Mar 12: Daylight Savings Time begins, Rosary before
Mass, Irish Breakfast, RCIA, Pot of Gold chances/Drawing
@ 1:45p, EYG, Regina 5 BB practice

Mar 11-12, 2nd SUNDAY LENT

Altar Servers:

4:30 pm	A Boblenz, W/D Larson
7:30 am	L/M Scholze
10:00 am	Z Larragoite, N Simpson

Lectors:

4:30 pm	S Romont
7:30 am	P Ullrich
10:00 am	C Guidry

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:30 pm	D Rios, S Rojmont, S Ruxton, S Schwager N Yowell, L Alt-Farmer, D Besler
7:30 am	E/R Bracken, D/B Bradford, R Craig, A Feuerbach J Page
10:00 am	D/J/P Rhomberg, A Scholze, L Scott, M Simpson T Streb, P Thomsen, C Wisniewski

Sacristans for March:

4:30 pm	A Yoder
7:30 am	Stauffer Family
10:00 am	D & K Lee-Son

Ushers/Greeters for March:

4:30 pm	B Wunder, N Ball, M Callahan, D/J Goody, C Peters
7:30 am	S Quigley, 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!

Youth Ministry

Youth Groups

EYG (Gr 3-5): Mar 12 & 19, 2-3:30pm.

JHYG (Gr 6-8): Mar 5, 4-5:30pm.

ISPY HS Youth Group: Mar 5, 7:45-9:15pm.

Junior High Youth Rally-March 19th!

All students grades 6-8 are invited to attend the Youth Rally **Sunday, Mar 19th at Regina, 9:30a-5:30p.** Enjoy food, music and great speakers! Information can be found at www.diocesedavenport.org/jhrally or contact Rachel Scholze at rachel.stpatsic.com.

STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE, July 28-30

High School Students...be a part of an AWESOME 3-day experience in St. Paul this summer! Join other students from throughout the Midwest and enjoy great speakers, upbeat music and stimulating small group sessions. Contact Rachel@stpatsic.com with questions. **Open to incoming freshmen to graduating seniors—A fun way to rejuvenate your Faith!** Learn more at <https://steubenvilleconferences.com/youth/nstp/>.

Swim Party!

ALL altar servers & youth choir members!

The parish wants to thank you for your service by inviting you to a relaxing swim party at the UI Wellness & Rec Center on Saturday, Mar 25th, 10a-12p. **PLEASE RSVP by Mar 10 if you can come to amynibaur@hotmail.com as we need a head count by that date.** Please join us for a fun time!



Mothers of Young Children (MOYC)

On **Tuesday, March 21st**, we'll meet in the **St. Thomas More** basement from **7:30-9pm**. After we enjoy some social time and snacks, Inge Ossoinig, owner of **The Mustard Seed** Catholic bookstore, will speak to us about how making Mary a part of our spiritual lives can draw us closer to Christ and also strengthen us in our motherhood. Books, small statues and other Marian items will be available for purchase. ?'s, please contact Sofia at (slivorsi@gmail.com).

2017 Vacation Bible School "COOL KINGDOM PARTY"

Mary Leads Me Closer to Jesus!

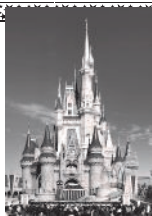
**Monday-Friday, June 12-16
9a-12:15p, Lower Level**

Pre-K thru 6th grade in Fall 2017 Invited!

REGISTRATION BEGINS MARCH 15TH!

LOOK for Youth & Volunteer forms on our website and at the VBS display in the Narthex that date!

JH/HS students and Adults: Great project for Silver Cord, Confirmation or Stewardship! Child care available for 0-3 years so parents can help!
?'s — **Contact Cheryl@stpatsic.com OR 337-2856**



Youth Ministry

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! 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 or 317-447-1448.

First Sacraments 2016-17

CLASSES:

Sundays, 10am, Social Hall. See schedule.

MANDATORY RETREAT:

Sunday, Apr 30th, 10a-12p, Social Hall

SACRAMENT:

Sunday, May 7 @ 10am



Confirmation

CLASSES:

Group A-last names A-K meet Feb 26.
Group B-last names M-Z meet Mar 5.

SACRAMENT:

10am, Apr 2, 2017, with Bishop Amos.

SERVICE PROJECTS:

Completion is required.

Saturday, Mar 4, 2017:

Group Service Opportunity-Prepare food for the Ronald McDonald House Lunch.

9th GRADE (Fall '17): Something to ponder! VBS is a great service project!



What's Happening

Irish Breakfast-Mar 12th

Help is needed preparing food, pots of gold, decorating, etc. SCRIP/item donations are requested for themed pots of gold by Mar 6th. Please contact Cheryl@stpatsic.com, 337-2856. THANKS!

Coffee-Donuts/Registration RESCHEDULED

The 1st Sunday of each month is Coffee-Donuts and New Member Registration in the Social Hall. Due to scheduling conflicts, **Registration will be held Sunday, Mar 12th** and no Coffee-Donuts offered today!

We Were There Soup Supper & Service

Sunday, March 26th—Soup supper 5:30-6:15p Social Hall; 6:15 Service 6:30p Main Church. This Lent, be sure to include this dramatic service as part of your journey to the cross! Each station focuses on a scriptural person who delivers a monologue and concludes with a prayer and a verse of "Were You There?". Peter, Caiaphas, Judas, Barabbas, Maid Servant, Pilate's Wife, Soldier Under the Cross, Soldier, Roman Centurion, Anonymous Woman, Mary, Joseph of Arimathea —all were there. Join them!

Lenten Reminders...

ROSARY: The Rosary will be recited prior to Mass at 4:05p, 7:05a, 9:35a and 11:35a. If you would like to lead the Rosary, please call Cheryl (337-2856) with the date and time.

STATIONS: Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays after daily Mass and at 6pm in Spanish.

Lenten Disciplines of Fasting & Abstinence

Catholics in good health from ages 14-59 are required to fast & abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Catholics ages 14 & older are asked to abstain from meat on Fridays during Lent.

Perpetual Adoration Chapel

OPEN HOURS: Tues, 3a, 4a & Sat, 1a, 2a

Contact Ellen Rethwisch, 351-4335, or by email: dreth101@yahoo.com.



Our Lady of Mount Carmel LCC

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

Next meeting Apr 8th.

For more info, please contact: drmljoseph@gmail.com.



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 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

S-P-R-I-N-G FORWARD!

A reminder that early **NEXT** Sunday morning we are to set our clocks **1 hour FORWARD!** Don't forget!



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICAS SCHOLARSHIPS-Deadline Apr 15th

The Catholic Daughters of Americas Court Craigie #94 will award two scholarships of \$500 each for the 2017-2018 academic year.



The applicant must be a practicing Catholic girl and a member of: St. Mary's (Iowa City), St. Patrick's, St. Wenceslaus, St. Thomas More, St. Joseph's (Hills), St. Mary's (Oxford), or St. Peter's (Cosgrove). She must be graduating this year from a Johnson County high school or accredited home school program. Scholarship money will be applied to any 2-year or 4-year college, university or vocational school.

Applications available in the parish office.

CIRCLE OF LOVE MINISTRIES

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 to join/transfer.



MARCH:

6: Rosary, Supper & Meeting, 6:30p, lower level.

11/12: Assist with Irish Breakfast

19: KCans4Life

Catholic Advanced Care Planning Consultants

Trained volunteers can help individuals with the completion of documents that designate another person with power of attorney for health care in the event of incapacity. It is our to help Catholics have these faith-filled discussions with friends and family in advance of a crisis and to provide guidance in completing advance directive forms in alignment with Catholic moral principles. This service is available without charge. Please contact Esmeralda Guerrero, 563-888-4210 if interested.

Death with Dignity: Empowering Choices

The Department of Spiritual Services of the UHC presentation on Advance Directives, guides to end of life decision making with speakers, document review with help in completing advance directives (if desired). Cost is \$20 (pre-registration) and includes lunch and parking. This will be held in the East Room (Elevator F to the 8th Floor, Parking Ramp #2 with registration from 12:00-1:00 pm on Apr 27th. See kiosk for more information and registration form.

What's Happening

REGINA EDUCATION CENTER News

Regina Fish Fry

Mar 3-Apr 7, 5p-8p in the Cafeteria (not on Good Friday). Carry-outs and curbside delivery service available, call 338-5436. This long-standing Lenten tradition continues! Enjoy your choice of Grilled Salmon, Fresh Catfish, Baked Cod and Butterfly Shrimp! \$11-1 choice, \$13-Combo, \$6-Kids' Menu (cheese pizza or mac 'n cheese w/fries). Meals include baked potato, coleslaw, applesauce, beets, roll, pudding & drink. ALL proceeds benefit Regina Athletics!



Regina Sewing Club

Regina's Sewing Club is in need of fabric to continue their service project! The Sewing Club meets every Thursday after school and makes standard size pillow cases to donate to the **Ryan's Case for Smiles** (the Home Ec Workshop is a local drop off site for this organization). We are looking for 100% cotton fabric. Any type of donation (thread, fabric, etc.) would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the high school office. Contact Stacy Sueppel with ?'s, stacy.sueppel@regina.org or 430-6562. Thank you!

Water for Flint

Donations are still being accepted for the "Water for Flint" campaign. Donations of money to office or place water cases in Narthex tub.

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 319-351-7638.

Regina Scrip

Needs volunteers to place orders, pick up local orders in the Iowa City/Coralville area & fill orders. Contact [Traci Wagner](mailto:Traci.Wagner@regina.org). The Scrip Office is open **every morning** school is in session from **8-9am** and the 1st Saturday of every month.

Upcoming Scrip Order Dates: March 6, 20, 27

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 lead the Rosary at wakes for parish members. Mothers or fathers are welcome to bring their young 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.**

Pictorial Directories are Here!

If you had your picture taken for the Directory or submitted a picture, please stop by the office to pick up your copy of the Directory—Thanks for participating!

Courage/EnCourage Ministry

For **confidential** Catholic support contact Fr. Thom Hennen, 563-888-4255 OR Marianne Agnoli, 563-888-4242, agnolim@davenportdiocese.org

What's Happening

Chuck & Alicia Brock Present...

HOW GREAT THOU ART!

Tuesday, Mar 7th @ 7pm, Day Chapel

Through music, prayer, and reflection, Chuck and Alicia will share their journey of discovering the rich beauty of our church's most beloved, sacred music. Come hear the many stories, history and scriptural inspiration that gave us so many of our favorite hymns. Over the past 2 years, the Brocks reflected on the lyrics from our traditional hymns to compose new hymns for their upcoming album, *How Great Thou Art*.

Free Lunch Info

Next lunch we serve is Wednesday, Apr 19! Look for the sign-up sheet on bulletin board beginning Apr 1st! A reminder that food donations for Free Lunch should be brought to the Social Hall kitchen from 7a-7pm the day before (Tuesday). Refrigerated items should be labeled and placed in the silver fridge in the back and non-perishables placed on the large silver cart in the back. OR you can take directly to Free Lunch by 10a the date we serve.

February Pantry Sunday Update

Volunteer Dan Daly delivered 411 pounds of food and non-perishable items to The Crisis Center on Monday, Feb 27th. Thanks for Spreading the Love!

Sponsor Couples Training

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!

Training scheduled Sunday, Mar 5th @ 11:30am; RSVP Jan/Scott Miller, millfam1986@gmail.com.

Upcoming Weddings

Altenhofen-Jenn, April 8, 2017

Fleischmann-McEnany, April 22, 2017

Brandt-Shellady, April 29, 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 Prep available:**

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



What's Happening

Join Fr. Rudy in prayer during 40 Days for Life!

Friday, Mar. 10 from 11am-Noon, at Emma Goldman Clinic (public sidewalk at 227 N. Dubuque). Father Rudy will be praying for an end to abortion, and for God's mercy on mothers and fathers who need His love and healing.

40 Days for Life Prayer Campaign

Mar. 1 - Apr. 9. Our community will join hundreds of cities around the world to pray for peace in the womb, and for God's mercy on mothers & fathers who need His love and healing. For more details, visit www.40daysforlife.com/iowacity or (319) 330-0961

Additional ways you can help this Lent-

1) Support women who choose LIFE by donating baby items such as diapers, bottles, blankets, clothes, etc. Drop the donations by the pro-life display and they will be delivered to Informed Choices Medical Clinic.

2) Donate \$10 to Johnson County Right to Life and place a blue or pink ribbon around a cross! 58 white crosses have been erected in front of St. Pat's in memory of the 58 million unborn children lost to abortion since Roe vs. Wade legalized abortion through all nine months of pregnancy in the US. Stop by the Pro-Life table in the Narthex after Mass.

Mar 25 & 26 in Iowa City!

Scott Klusendorf presents **Pro-Life Training: Engaged & Equipped**. Scott trains pro-life advocates to persuasively defend their views in the public square.

Registration and information at www.JCRTL.org or call (319) 855-8475.

Walk to Rome this Lent!

Don't forget our Lenten "Walk to Rome" activity, which began on Mar 1st and ends Apr 22nd, with a group celebration when finished! Miles walked will be posted on the world map hanging in the Narthex. T-shirts are still available! Mileage log near map and available on-line.



Rice Bowl

ENCOUNTER LENT. Join our faith community—and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the US—in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the ushers this weekend, and don't forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app! May these 40 days better prepare us to encounter ourselves, our neighbors and our God.



ENCOUNTER INNOVATION. This week, we encounter the Singh family in India, where a mother and father are using innovative farming techniques to feed their family amidst a flood.

How is God inviting us to think outside the box in service to others this Lent? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

Reflections

Everyday Stewardship

Can you believe Lent is here already? It seems like not that long ago I was decorating a Christmas tree! Time waits for no one and that is why it is important to make a mindful commitment now to not let this Lenten season pass you by. It is a great time to focus on growing as an everyday steward. The temptations are always there to procrastinate or to give in to spiritual laziness, but the Church's observation of Lent offers us so many tools to help us get on track. Increased devotions such as Stations of the Cross, various parish missions, or Lenten-focused literature are all gifts that your parish may be offering to assist you in this season.

With the Passion being the focus of Lent, it is easy to contemplate the value of true generosity. How could someone give more than Jesus? He gave until his life was spent on a cross. When contemplating how we can increase our generosity in all aspects of our life, we only need to look to the cross. Of course, this also brings home to us that more may be asked of us than we bargained. The temptation is to not give too much, out of fear that we might face persecution or worse.

But we take solace in the fact that we are disciples of One who had the same temptations. He overcame those temptations. He rejected the easy way out. His love and generosity could not be contained. He gave it all so that you and I have the chance to do the same. This Lent, look to the greatest example of stewardship that ever lived. Jesus will show us the way to observe a Lent that will soon bring forth great Easter fruit.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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Over 50 Potluck, Mar 8th

Fr. Rudy will lead the Stations of the Cross @ 11am in the Main Church. Potluck @ 11:30am in the Social Hall.

'Tis no Blarney! Our March gathering will feature "green", of course, in honor of our parish patron saint. Please bring a food item(s) to share. Drinks and table service furnished. Bring a Friend (or two!)

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Stewardship

The Catholic Messenger

Please watch your envelope packet for the Catholic Messenger contribution. **Our assessment is \$17,982.00.**
Paid to date: \$11,313.00.

Tax Statements

If you do not have a viable e-mail, your statement will be in the box outside our office. **Note: Statements were generated for those contributing \$250 and over (per IRS rules), but again, I am happy to print or e-mail them for anyone.** Lila

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 were mailed Jan 25 and marked important tax document.

?’s about donations, contact Diocese: 563-324-1911.

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.

Stewardship

Time, Talent and Trea\$ure

Church Support (Feb 25-26)	\$6,743.00
Offertory.....	\$1,276.00
Additional Contributions.....	\$1,047.00
EFT for Mar 1.....	\$9,783.00
Kids.....	1.50

ADA assessment	\$101,244.00
Pledged	116,488.80
Paid to date, 398 families	99,248.60

Blessings to those children in Children's Liturgy for their donations of time, talent and treasure. Keep up the good works.

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!

Thank you for Food Pantry donations

Thank you to everyone that donated non-perishable items to the Food Pantry. Your donation equaled 441 lbs and Dan Daly delivered.