

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH****Sacred Heart  
Grundy Center****Queen of Heaven  
Reinbeck****St. Mary  
Dike****St. Patrick  
Parkersburg****Rev. Dennis J. Quint - Pastor  
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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**Liz Nilles, Secretary  
dbq095sec@arch.pvt.k12.ia.us**MASS INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY 16-21**

Tues.	7:00 a.m. (Parkersburg)	Prayer Service
Wed.	8:00 a.m. (Dike)	Prayer Service
Thur.	7:00 a.m. (Reinbeck)	Prayer Service
Fri.	7:00 a.m. (Grundy Center)	Prayer Service
Sat.	4:00 p.m. (Grundy Center)	Donald Kopsa
	6:00 p.m. (Parkersburg)	For the People
Sun.	8:00 a.m. (Dike)	Thomas Benzmilller
	10:00 a.m. (Reinbeck)	Al Franzen

St. Paul tells the Corinthians that all of our gifts are from God and they are given, not for ourselves alone, but for the common good. But the generosity of God knows no limits. The miracle at Cana reminds that whenever we faithfully do as God asks, He can change our gifts of water into wine!

***From the DRE***

This week I attended my monthly meetings with other Waterloo-area youth ministers and the area directors of religious education. Each month I am reminded of how blessed our parish is to have so many volunteers who willingly and joyfully work with our young people. Our site coordinators (CREs) help keep things flowing smoothly at each of our four religious education sites and are invaluable through their weekly communications with catechists and parents. Our catechists provide meaningful weekly sessions for our K-12 youth and show them what it means to have Christ at the center of life. Add confirmation catechists, local youth ministers, aides, and other faith-filled and faithful helpers, and we have over 50 volunteers who work regularly with our K-12 youth, a number significantly higher than many parishes much larger than ours. Take time to thank and pray for all of these volunteers for their dedication to our young people!

This Wednesday, catechists will be attending one of two annual deanery-wide in-services. While we are away, we're hoping families will play. A CCD Game Night will be held from 6:30-8pm at each of our four CCD sites. We hope the time will accommodate entire families, even those with high schoolers with after-school sports practices. The parish will provide dinner—pizza and beverages—and each family is asked to bring a favorite game or two plus a desire to have fun with parish friends. Don't miss this chance to actually eat a meal together and to bond with your parish family!

In Christ,  
Ann Nicklaus Schmelzer,  
Director of Religious Education/Youth Ministry

***Other items:***

- Fr. Quint returns Friday night from vacation. Please contact Liz, our parish secretary, at the office or at her home 824-3590 if you need anything. She can assist in finding a priest in an emergency. Thanks to our lay leaders of prayer for facilitating worship during the week.
- Thank you to Monsignor Steimel for presiding at our Masses this weekend. He provides us with a joyful example of someone pleased with his vocation. We are blessed he shares his time with us.
- Please pray for those from our parish who were invited to come to the vocation night sponsored by the diocese, Operation Andrew.

**Confirmation** Our next confirmation session will be at 6pm Sunday, January 14, at Dike. Our topic will be "Baptism: Born in the Holy Spirit." Please invite your confirmation sponsor or parish mentor to attend this session with you. Should inclement weather interfere, we will institute a calling tree as soon as possible. In that case, candidates should be contacted no later than 4:30pm.

**Scriptural Rosary** on Mon, Jan 15 join fellow Catholics as we pray the scriptural rosary 7 pm at Queen of Heaven, Reinbeck.

**RCIA** does not meet this week.

**CCD News** If you have not already received your child/ren's progress reports, they should arrive early this week.

**Bible study** Come ready to discuss Lesson 2 of the book of Revelation at 6pm Sunday, Jan. 21, at Parkersburg. All are welcome!

**Quest Retreat** We all have our quest in life. Discover yours at this year's Quest Retreat for those in grades 9-11. This retreat will bring together teens from throughout the Waterloo area as we journey through what it means to love ourselves, others and God. Quest will be Feb. 24-25 at Parkersburg. Some have already received registration forms, and others should receive them in the next week or so. Extra registration forms are also available at all CCD centers and church entries.

**Board of Education** meets at 7:30 Monday, Jan. 22, at Parkersburg, following the rosary.

**UNI Family Fun Night** will be Saturday, Feb 3, beginning with Mass at 6 pm. This year the event will be held at the UNI Recreational Center and includes access to the leisure pool, racquetball, basketball, and volleyball courts and climbing wall, as well as card playing (500) and other fun activities. Bring a snack to share. Pizza and pop will be provided. That evening there will be no 6 pm Mass in Parkersburg.

**TEC** High school seniors, have you registered for a Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) retreat yet? There is still time to sign up for the TEC at Columbus High School (Waterloo), which will be held Feb. 3-5. If that doesn't fit into your schedule, there are still about four other TEC weekends planned this spring throughout the archdiocese. TEC retreats are designed specifically for high school seniors to help you in this transition time in your life. Don't let the chance pass you by to focus on your relationship with God and his community as you make some important decisions.

**School Delays or Cancellations** When school is delayed or canceled at the church having daily Mass/prayer service, the Mass will be canceled. Likewise, when school is dismissed early or canceled on a Wednesday, there will be no CCD classes at that church. If parish youth group is scheduled for a Wednesday and any location has either dismissed classes early or canceled school, there will be no parish youth group. Watch KWWL channel 7 for other information regarding cancellations during inclement weather, especially on the weekend.

**Respect Life** January 22 has been designated by the U.S. Bishops as a "particular day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion, and of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life." As some elected leaders in Iowa threaten to relax the ban on human cloning, we must be especially vigilant and prayerful about life issues. Join fellow parishioners and our local Knights of Columbus for the scriptural rosary that night at 7 pm in Parkersburg.

**Christian Experience Weekend** As the cold weather approaches, take time to pamper yourself with a weekend away. You will reflect, relax, laugh, enjoy and pray. It's a spiritual renewal for the body. Upcoming weekends in Cedar Falls are Feb 2-4 for women and Feb 16-18 for men. Call Cathy at 266-1562 for more information and registration forms.

**Catholic Worker House** will host a Mass on Monday, January 15, 7 pm. 321 E. 8<sup>th</sup> St, Waterloo. All are welcome to worship.

**Liturgy Committee** meets on Tuesday, Jan 30 at 7 pm in Dike.

**Knights of Columbus** meet on Thursday, Jan 25 at 7 pm in Dike.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter** Do you want to give your spouse a great Valentines gift? Register now for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and give the gift that keeps on giving. Upcoming weekends: Feb 9-12, Cedar Rapids and Des Moines; June 8-10, Dubuque and Ames. Contact Roger and Marsha Luensmann to register 563/927-4352.

**Retrouvaille** Does your marriage cause you stress? Do you want a chance to eliminate the pain? If both of you want a meaningful relationship, consider participating in a Retrouvaille (Rediscovery) weekend. The next Retrouvaille will be in Waverly January 19-21. For registration information, contact Mike and Lisa Jackson, 515-956-4205 / 800-470-2230; or the Family Life and Adult Faith Office, 563-556-2580.

**Young Adults** A retreat is being offered for folks around age 18-35 on January 26-27 at the American Martyrs Retreat House in Cedar Falls. It will focus on assisting individuals with praying with Scripture. *Lectio Divina* is an easy way to learn aspects of praying with Scripture in the quiet of your heart. Fr. Jim Brokman of Cedar Rapids will be the facilitator. Retreat begins at 6 pm with dinner and closes at 3:30 on Saturday. Contact the parish office or the retreat house (266-3543) for more info.

**Vocations** The vocation crucifix will be handed out each week during the month of January. All of us should hold the cultivation and promotion of vocations to the religious life and priesthood in our thoughts and prayers during this month. On January 23, the Archdiocese is sponsoring an evening for men age 17-45 to come and learn more about the priesthood, discernment, and formation towards ordination. The event includes supper, prayer, and an opportunity to ask questions and hear a couple of talks about priesthood. Please pray for those who have been invited and all young people as they discern their vocation in life.

	<b>January 20 4 pm @ SH</b> Social following Mass	<b>January 20 6 pm @ SP</b>	<b>January 21 8 am @ SM</b>	<b>January 21 10 am @ QH</b>
Music	Jerry Zeiner	Katelyn	Ann Nicklaus Schmelzer	Jean Stephan
Cantor	Sue Halbach	Emma	Rita Amling, Sue Nicklaus	Steve Tschertner
Extraordinary	Dean Eslinger	Matt Herrick	Joe Becker	Sue Messerly
Ministers	Linda Eslinger	Bob Sullivan	Connie Becker	Kathy Etringer
of	Pam Delagardelle	Greg Lievens	Georgia Bennett	Ron Hayek
Holy	Cheryl Osterhaus	Wayne Andersen	Eileen Welzien	P.J. Holbach
Communion	Rich Riesberg	Arnold Schwes	Mike Williams	Laurie Holbach
Greet	Darwin Sents Family	Terry Reams Family	_____	Dean & Donna Larsen
Gifts	Darwin Sents Family	Rex Wangler Family	Steve Freese Family	Dean & Donna Larsen
Lector 1	Rita Forker	Beth Anne McDaniel	Sue Sonnenberg	Leon Christensen
Lector 2	Kathy Zeiner	Casey Christensen	_____	_____
Server	Jacob Delagardelle	Jaclyn Wangler	Kevin Benson	Kayla Holbach
Server	Katie Delagardelle	Lita McDaniel	Nick Livermore	Sarah Etringer
Usher	Leo Kopsa	Mike Brannon Family	Justin Nicklaus	Robert Rickert
Usher	Matt Kuester	Mike Brannon Family	Ryan Folkerts	Ron Hayek
Voc Crucifix	Darwin Sents Family	Greg & Becky Lievens	Steve Freese Family	Pat Petersen
Sacristan	Jerry & Kathy Zeiner	Martha Andersen	Jean Doorley	Video: Pam Heithoff