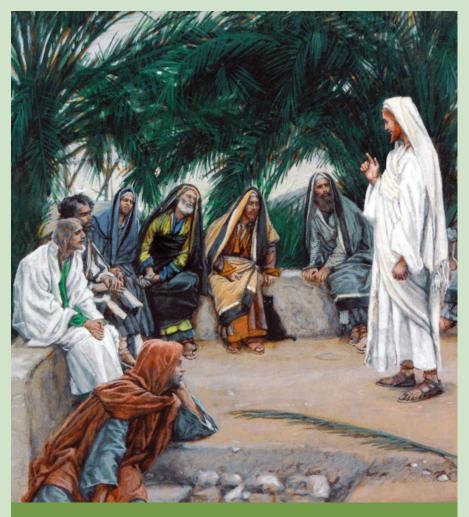


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# August 21, 2016 Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time



"For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last." Lk 13:30

Weekend Masses: Saturday: 4:30 pm Sunday: 8 am and 10:30 am Weekday Masses: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 7:30 am (Please note: Wednesday Mass is at 8:15 am during the school year.)

Adoration: Monday: 7 am to 9 pm

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**New to the Parish:** *Welcome!* Please call the office to make an appointment to register at 377-4869.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 3:30-4pm or by appointment with Fr. O'Connor.

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** Call the office and make an appointment with the priest.

**RCIA:** If you interested in finding out more about the process of becoming Catholic, please contact Matt Selby at 377-4869 or *matt.selby@stjoesmarion.org*.

**Infant Baptism:** The next baptism preparation session will be held on *Saturday*, *September 10*, *2016* in the St. Joseph Room of the parish offices from 9 to 11 am. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at <u>deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org</u> or 377-4869 to register and learn more.

**Notifications for Worship Aid:** Contact Trish at 377-4869 or <u>trish.peyton@stjoesmarion.org</u>.

**Mass Intentions:** Please stop in the office to schedule.

**Prayer Chain:** Contact Vicki at 241-9402 or contact Janice by email at <u>janicekelly66@gmail.com</u>.

**St. Joseph Quilting Ministry:** Day sessions meet every 2nd Tuesday, 1 to 3 pm, in the Church Hall. To learn more, call Lynn at 377-6166. Evening sessions meet every 2nd Thursday, 6 to 8 pm. For location, call Sue at 377-1394.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Compassion and the love of knitting/crocheting have been combined into a prayerful ministry which reaches out to those in need of comfort. If you are interested, please call Sharon at 373-2810.

**Men of Action:** Men's prayer groups meet on Mondays at 7 pm in the St. John Paul II Room and Thursdays at 6 am in the Church Hall. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at 377-4869 or <u>deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org</u> to learn more.

**Women's Connection:** Widows from the parish have the opportunity to share experiences, solve problems, support each other emotionally and spiritually and have fun, all while developing true and lasting friendships. Gatherings are the 2nd Thursday of the month, 1 to 3 pm in the Learning and Leadership Lounge at our school. Contact Carol G. at 319-200-6905 or Sally W. at 373-5484.

**Silent Prayer:** 6:30-7 pm, Friday, in the church.

SCRIP: Contact Jennifer Decker at

jennifer.jill.decker@gmail.com or 558-9072.

**Pilgrim Virgin Statue:** Honor Mary August 21st--26th with Rafael and Catalina Rogel; 1840 Bever Ave SE, Cedar Rapids. Rosary every evening from Sunday-Friday, 7:30 pm.

**Feed My Sheep:** The Marion Food Pantry needs boxed pudding and Jello for August. Please place your offering in the basket on the altar or ask an usher to bring it up.

Mass intentions originally scheduled for Monday morning Masses have been rescheduled in chronological order for the next available Mass.

Date	Mass	Place	Mass Intention		
Mon. 8/ 22	Adoration: 7 am to 9 pm				
Tue. 8/23	7:30 am	St. Joseph	Cecelia Kepros		
Wed. 8/24	8:15am	St. Joseph	Terry and William Canning		
(The Wednesday Mass time has changed for the school year.)					
Thu. 8/25	7:30 am	St. Joseph	Mr. & Mrs. Costolo		
Fri. 8/26	7:30 am	St. Joseph	Bernard Merges		
	9:30 am	No Nursing Home Mass			
Sat. 8/27	4:30 pm	St. Joseph	Gladys Hilsenbeck and Don Berns		
Sun. 8/28	8:00 am	St. Joseph	Irene Kula		
	10:30 am	St. Joseph	For the People		
	Weel	k at a Glan	ce		
Mon. 8/22	7 am-9 pm 5:45 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Cub Scouts Boy Scouts Men of Act	Adoration, Church Cub Scouts, Church Hall Boy Scouts, Church Hall Men of Action, St. John Paul II Scripture Study, St. Joseph Rm.		
Tue. 8/23	6:00 am 7:00 pm		Women's Prayer Group, Church Bells, Church		
Wed. 8/24	9:30 am	Scripture St	Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room		
Thu. 8/25	6:00 am 8:00 am 7:30 pm	Morning Co Xavier Four	Men of Action, Church Hall Morning Coffee, Church Hall Xavier Foundation Mtg,. Community Room		
Fri. 8/26	6:30 pm	Silent Praye	Silent Prayer, Church		

Week of August 14, 2016—Week 6				
Budgeted Sunday Envelope Needs	\$23,077.82			
Year-to-Date Budget	\$161,544.74			
Collected Last Weekend	\$16,652.50			
Actual Year-to-Date Envelope Income	\$152,769.80			
Over/(Under) Budget	(9,774.94)			
Social Concerns (5% of Donations)	\$832.63			
Bricks and Mortar Envelopes	\$762.00			

Ministry Schedule	Saturday, August 27, 4:30 pm	Sunday August 28, 8:00 am	Sunday, August 29, 10:30 am
Sacristan	Moe Ryan	Laurie Schill	Hannah Konzen
Altar Servers	Kristin Gosch Sydney Kleist Alyssa McAleer	Seth Olsen Aubrey Olsen William Oehler	Emily Geiser Marshall Boche Laura Bostwick
Lectors	Doug Brock Erin Seymour	Mark Oehler Richard Dorff	Jane Schlegel Brian Reynolds
Ministers of Holy Communion	Diane Morris John Oates Kim McAleer Marg Bowen Michele Brock Rita Greif	Becky Miller Bob Gruenloh Eric Ratliff Jeff Schussler Judy Block Marge Carson Marian Palmersheim	Aaron Randolph Darlene Schmidt Donna Reynolds Jean McNamara Jerry Dilger Pauline Soukup Steve Freemon
Ministers of Hospitality	Darrell Holub Dave Bowen David Bengford James Ickes Jerry Fetzer	Darwin Schuttloffel Jim Angerer Mark Barnd Roger Bonlander	Dory Dilger Charlotte Osterhaus Bob Blocklinger Don and Verna Klostermann
Children's Liturgy	n/a	n/a	Rhonda Shaffer Madison Shaffer



Living the Faith—In today's gospel, someone asked Jesus if only a few people will be saved, which is a **Pavid** question of how many people and who will be in heaven. Jesus didn't answer O'Connor with a quantifiable number, but he said

to "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." In essence, Jesus is indicating that we must make the effort to work with the grace of salvation that he gives. Saying you love Jesus, that you call him your Lord and Savior and indentifying yourself as Christian are responses to God's grace, but one cannot say these things and not live the faith. Lip service to God and others is not the path to heaven. While no one can earn salvation or justify oneself before God, being a follower of Jesus calls for self-investment in the faith, an on-going conversion and being a presence in the world as one who helps to build the Kingdom. A Christian is one who loves God and neighbor and proceeds to act on that love. Your faith isn't passive. You can sit at the feet of Jesus and contemplate the faith, but it also means that your contemplation leads to action in how you live your life and serve God in the world.

From Seminarian and Parishioner Tyler **Raymond**—As summer draws to a close and in anticipation of his return to seminary this week, I am grateful for this latest installment from Tyler about his journey to the priesthood. I invite your ongoing support of Tyler through your prayers and notes of encouragement. Here is his latest communiqué.

### Hello everyone!

I'm coming to the end of the summer and am about to enter my second year of major seminary at Mundelein. I spent the summer in Dubuque living at the Cathedral. getting a better sense of what it is like to work in a parish (council meetings, parish staff, a few mentally disturbed visitors), starting my Clinical Pastoral Education by visiting home-bound parishioners and nursing facilities, learning Spanish and about Hispanic ministry in our diocese. It was an amazing summer. I learned so much about people, about my future as a priest, and my relationship with Jesus.

I think the number one thing I learned this summer was about my own weakness but willingness. Perhaps not so surprising to others as to myself, I get tired, bored, critical, lazy, and selfish, and yet Christ is always calling me to work harder, to give more, and to choose to love. When I was close to Jesus in prayer it was always easier to do what I was called to do, but when I choose to ignore him everything became harder, even impossible. This summer made it very clear to me that my formation (what we call the process of seminary, being formed into the priest God wants) is not firstly about growing stronger or smarter so that I can simply wring more out of myself or have the right answer, but learning to rely on Christ and His strength, wisdom, and love. Whatever I can do on my own is nothing compared to what Christ can do in me, and even hard and difficult work becomes joyful and life giving when you are co-worker with Christ.

I am excited to return to Mundelein and start classes again (although they say this is the hardest

semester!), and more excited than ever for the moment three years from now when, God willing, I will be ordained a priest, to serve you and the Archdiocese of Dubuque. The last couple of weeks I've been able to be at St Joe's, and it is always a warm and welcoming home. Thank you for all of your prayers! If I could ask one thing of you, please invite a young man in your life (son, brother, nephew, friend, kid in Church) to consider that God may be calling him to the amazing vocation of Priesthood! If any of you are wondering about God calling you to the priesthood (which every Catholic male should consider at some point!) don't hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have about vocation, the process, seminary, good ways to discern God's call, or anything else!

God Bless!

Tyler Raymond

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Directory Photo Session Sign-Up: Sign up for your portrait session using the link on the parish website. After-Mass sign-up times will take place on Sept. 10/11th and 17/18th. Sessions run Sept. 27th through October. Each person/family receives a complimentary parish directory and 8x10 portrait of the directory pose. Additional poses can be taken with grandparents or special items like musical instruments. No pets, please! These will be ready to print as Christmas cards! Bring one food item to the photo shoot and receive a \$5 discount on any prints purchased.

### **School Start Blessing**

With the new academic year upon us, here's a blessing for parents and guardians to offer their children at the start of school. This applies to all levels of education from college to pre-school and can be prayed individually with your children or as a family.

**Leader:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. May the God of wisdom, knowledge, and grace be with you always.

**All:** And with your spirit.

**Leader:** We gather to ask God's blessing upon our children as they begin the new academic year. Studies are hard, but the reward is great. They lead to a knowledge of the world and of God. May God open our hearts and minds as we listen now to the word of God.

**Reader:** A reading from the Book of Sirach (6:32-37): If you wish, you can be taught. . . If you are willing to listen, you will learn; if you give heed, you will be wise... Be eager to hear every godly discourse; let no wise saying escape you. . . Reflect on [the Lord's] commandments. . .; then he will enlighten your mind and the wisdom your desire he will grant.

**Leader:** Let us pray.

Lord our God, in your wisdom and love you surround us with the mysteries of the universe. You sent us your Son to teach us by word and example that wisdom comes from you alone. Send your Spirit upon our child[ren] to fill them with your wisdom and blessings. Grant that during this academic year they may study well and share what they have learned with others. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Leader:** (All make the Sign of the Cross while the leader says): May God teach us his ways and lead us to the joys of his kingdom now and forever. Amen.



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Kettmann, principal:377-6348 or <u>casey.kettman@stjoes</u> marion.org.

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Employment Opportunity at St. Joseph Catholic School: St. Joseph Catholic School seeks a Childcare provider for the 2016-2017 school year. The position will average between 8-17.5 hours per week during the time period of 2:30-6:00 pm. The ideal candidate exhibits a positive, friendly attitude, show initiative and the capacity to work with minimal supervision, and has a genuine interest in working with children. Candidates are expected to engage in activities with children and teach/model play and learning within our Catholic environment. Please contact Casey Kettmann, principal, if you would like to apply. His contact is *ckettmann@sjcsmarion.org* or 319-377-6348.

American Heritage Girls: All girls ages 5-18, and their parents are invited to come and learn more about American Heritage Girls (AHG). AHG offers social development, girl leadership opportunities, life skill enhancement through multi-level badge program, character development through community service and citizenship programs, developing teamwork & building confidence, outdoor experiences and spiritual development. Join us Monday, Aug. 29th, 6-7 pm, in the Learning and Leadership Lounge at St. Joseph Catholic School. Contact Jen O'Brien: 319-431-6552/mcenany2002@yahoo.com or Katie Hein 605-695-8581/hein.katie@gmail.com for more information.

**Support for Divorced or Divorcing Catholics** Divorce and Beyond is a facilitated, ten-week, small-group process of support for adults experiencing divorce. Informational meeting and registration: Monday, September 12, 6:30-7:30 pm, St. Pius X Church, Clare Room, in Cedar Rapids. For information contact Cathy Wobbe: 377-4869 or <a href="mailto:cathy.wobbe@stjoesmarion.org">cathy.wobbe@stjoesmarion.org</a>.

Attention Eucharistic Ministers: Every three years Ministers of Holy Communion and along with newly trained ministers, need to be commissioned during Mass. Plan on attending one of these Masses. Register your attendance by signing the brown book at the back of the church. Commissioning dates: Sat., Sept. 10th, 4:30 PM, Sun., Sept. 11, 10:30 a.m., and Sun., Oct. 9th, 8 a.m. Thank you for your calling to serve God and His people. Email Julie Raymond for questions: <a href="mailto:jwray1214@aol.com">jwray1214@aol.com</a>.

Women's Connection: For Food, Fun, and Friendship! The support group for widows of St. Joseph Parish, will gather at Napoli's for our next monthly luncheon on Thur., Aug. 25th, at 11:30 a.m. Questions? Call Carol at 319-200-6905.



Lasagna Dinner Fund Raiser

The Marion Senior Living Community (whose support is a mission of St. Joseph Parish) is sponsoring its annual lasagna dinner at Faith Lutheran Church, 155 Boyson Rd., Thursday, September 8th, 5—7:30 p.m. \$10 for

adults and \$5 for children ages 10-3. Lasagna catered by local favorite Zio Johno's. Tickets will be sold at the church entrance after all masses on Aug. 27/28 and September 3/4. *If you can donate a dessert, please sign up at the ticket table.* Proceeds from the dinner benefit the care and ministries to low-income seniors living at Moundview Manor, Scott Meadows and Trinity Pointe.

St. Joseph Music Ministry Opportunities *Minor Miracles* is a church choir for children in 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Weekly practices begin Wed., Sept. 21st, 5:50-6:25 pm. This first rehearsal is a parent/student informational meeting. Parents, please come with your children to fill out paperwork and get general information about practices and singing dates. The choir will sing approximately every six weeks. Bonnie Bluml will continue to direct Minor Miracles.

*JAM* = *Jesus Alive in Music!* is a music ministry group for all *high school* musicians. A new season begins with an informational meeting Wed., Aug. 31st, 8 pm, in the church. Rehearsals begin Wed., Sept. 7, 6:30 pm. The first Mass is Sun., Sept. 25<sup>th,</sup> 10:30 am. We need vocalists, pianists, guitarists, instruments; we need YOU!!

Jubilation Singers is a choir open to men and women ages 10-100 years old, and we are looking for new members. The choir practices weekly on Thursday evenings, 6:30-7:30 pm in the church, and provides music ministry at Mass once a month. Practices begin Thur., Sept. 15th. If you would like more information on this choir simply come to a practice!

**Resurrection Choir** provides music ministry for grieving families by singing at funeral services at St. Joseph. The choir meets for practice 30 to 45 minutes prior to each funeral.

For more information on any of the above music ministry groups please contact Bonnie Bluml at bonnie.bluml@stjoesmarion.org or 389-6565.

**MAC** is a men's choir open to any men in the parish, young or old. Practices begin Wed., Aug.31st, 7:30pm. The choir sings once a month. Practice is the two Wednesdays prior to the Mass in which they provide music ministry. For more information about MAC, contact Bill Perreault at <u>waperreault@gmail.com</u>.

**Bell Choir** is looking for people to join our ministry starting in September. You must be able to commit to Tuesday night rehearsals from 7 to 8:30. We play once a month. Interested? Contact Terri Hodge: 377-2615 or <a href="mailto:phlute1@outlook.com">phlute1@outlook.com</a>.

**Morning Coffee:** Morning coffee and rolls in the church hall Thursday, Aug. 25th, after 7:30 a.m. Mass.

Women of the Parish Potluck: Thursday, Sept. 15th, 5:30-7:30 pm. More details to come!

### ADULT FAITH FORMATION

For more information, or about these events, programs or materials, please contact **Matt Selby**, Director of Adult Faith Formation at 377-4869 or <u>matt.selby@stjoesmarion.org</u>.



### Interested in Becoming Catholic? You're invited to join RCIA!

Anyone who is non-Catholic and interested in learning about the Catholic faith is invited to join RCIA. RCIA will meet on Thursdays from 6:30–8:30 PM in the St. Joseph Room, starting Sept. 15th. Please contact Matt Selby if you are interested in participating.

### New Men's Program Coming this Fall!

That Man is You! is an interactive, multimedia men's program focused upon the development of authentic male leadership. The of

the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive. That Man is You! is coming to St. Joseph this fall. Every man of the parish is invited to participate either on Tuesday evenings from 7:00-8:15 PM, starting on September 13<sup>th</sup>, or Thursday mornings from 6:00-7:15 AM, starting on September 15<sup>th</sup>, in the Church

Hall. There is no charge. Learn more and register at <u>www.stjoesmarion.org/men</u>. Contact Matt Selby for questions.

### Financial Peace University

Dave Ramsey's *Financial Peace University* is back! You're invited to come learn strategies to create a budget, pay off debt, increase savings, plan for retirement, save for your children's college, and more! The class will be offered on Sundays from 6:30-8:30 PM in the school Leadership & Learning Lounge starting on September 11<sup>th</sup> and running until November 20<sup>th</sup>. Materials cost \$100 per couple or single. Scholarships are available, so please do not let the cost deter you. Childcare will be provided. For more information and to sign-up, please contact Matt Selby or visit <a href="https://www.stjoesmarion.org/financial-peace-university">www.stjoesmarion.org/financial-peace-university</a>. The registration deadline is Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### "Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come" Scripture Study Series

Our parish Scripture Study groups begin a new series this September on the book of Revelation. Come discover the profound meaning of this rather cryptic text in this 11-week series, which will be offered on Mondays from 7:00-9:00 PM, beginning September 12<sup>th</sup>, and Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30 AM, beginning September 7<sup>th</sup>, in the St. Joseph Room. The cost for materials is \$25. To sign-up, go to <u>www.stjoesmarion.org/scripture-study</u> or contact Matt Selby.

### New Lighthouse Resources

Stop by the Lighthouse kiosk in the vestibule to take a look at the many new resources available, including books, CDs, and pamphlets about with Mother Teresa, who will be canonized by Pope Francis on September 4<sup>th</sup>. Due to price increases on Lighthouse materials, the suggested donation amounts have increased to \$5 for books, \$4 for CDs (or 3 for \$10), and \$3 for booklets. Updated signs on the kiosk indicate this change.

### **Couples Game Night**

The Marriage Enrichment Team invites all couples to a game night on Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM in the Church Hall. Dinner will be included. Come enjoy an evening of fun fellowship with other couples. The cost for the evening is \$10 per couple. Childcare will be provided. Please register by Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at <a href="https://www.stjoesmarion.org/marriage-enrichment">www.stjoesmarion.org/marriage-enrichment</a> or by contacting Matt Selby.



### "Convinced" Movie Night

You're invited to a FREE movie night to view the documentary "Convinced: Why Would Anyone Become Catholic?" on Sunday, September 18th. This 2015 film explores the stories of well-known converts to Catholicism from atheism, agnosticism, and Protestantism, including Jennifer Fulwiler, Scott Hahn, Jeff Cavins and

many more. Come find out why they became Catholic. The movie night will be held at St. Patrick Catholic Church (120 5th St NW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52405) and co-hosted by St. Joseph from 6:30-8:00 PM on September 18<sup>th</sup>. Free popcorn and childcare will be provided.

### Parish Mission with Jennifer Fulwiler

You're invited to this year's Parish Mission on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. Jennifer Fulwiler was raised as a staunch atheist and was vocally anti-Christian. When she was confronted with the teachings of Christianity, she began to wrestle with whether or not they could be true. Her intellectual pursuit of the truth led her to eventually be

truth led her to eventually be received into the Catholic Church. The mission will take place from 6:00-9:00 PM in the church on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. Jennifer will share her conversion story, "From *Atheist to Catholic*," at 6 PM followed by a dessert social and book signing and then will give a second talk entitled, "What You Need to Know to Effectively Share the Gospel with Non-Believing Loved

Ones," at 8 PM. Childcare will be provided.



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