

SS. JOSEPH & CABRINI PARISH

Aug. 24-21st Sunday in Ordinary Time & Aug. 31, 2025-22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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WELCOME VISITORS: All visitors are welcome to share with us the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Your presence with us is always a blessing. If you would like to become a registered member, forms are located at entrance of the church or please call the Parish Office and we can send one to you.

Mass Schedule: 8:30am, Sunday at St. Joseph Church

Sacramental Life:

- Reconciliation available before Sunday Mass (8:00-8:20am)
- Please contact the Parish Office for baptism and marriage preparation, anointing of the sick, illness and hospitalization, deaths and funerals.

Prayer List: If you wish to be added to the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office.

Food Pantry Collection: First Sunday of the month.

Coffee & Rolls Sunday: First Sunday of the month following mass.

Mission Statement

We, as children of God and members of Saints Joseph and Cabrini Catholic Parish, are a welcoming faith community rich in our rural heritage. Called by our baptismal commitment to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ, we are dedicated to our Catholic faith and embrace all those in our world.

##MASS SUNDAY Aug. 24 at SJ 8:30 am

Mass Intention: Ralph & Kathryn Dickinson
Lector: Jerry Adrian
Eucharistic Minister: Don Kaska
Greeters/Gift Bearers: Kevin/Lisa Clark
Ushers: Kevin Clark, Bob Kiefer, Kurt Ledger,
Greg Ledger

AM Prayer Service Aug. 26 at 8:00 am-MC

NO AM Prayer Service Aug. 28 at 8:00 at SJ

##MASS SUNDAY Aug. 31 at SJ 8:30 am

Mass Intention: LeRoy & Kathryn Mineart
Lector: Suanne Dickey
Eucharistic Minister: Suanne Dickey
Greeters/Gift Bearers: Rosemary Pacha/
Karen Horras
Ushers: Mike Adrian, Steve Burgmeier, Jeff
Ledger, David Pacha

AM Prayer Service Sept. 2 at 8:00 am-MC

AM Prayer Service Sept. 4 at 8:00 am-SJ

##MASS SUNDAY Sept. 7 at SJ @ 8:30 am

Mass Intention: Carroll Shelangoski
Lector: Jerry Adrian
Eucharistic Minister: Connie Fritz
Greeters/Gift Bearers: Kevin/Lisa Clark
Ushers: Ed Drzycimski, Paul Fritz, Don
Kaska, Bob Kiefer

If visiting Old Thresher's from Aug. 28-Sept. 1,
remember to go support the St. Alphonsus Church
Food Stand in the food court area. You won't be
disappointed!

St. James Fall Festival in Washington, Sunday, Sept.
7th. Meal served from 11:00-1:00, with an auction
starting at 12:30.

Please Pray For:

Diane Lazono, Terry Schone, Georgia (Bush) Suzu,
Helen Adam, Laurie Moore, Anne Martin, Kathryn
Deutsch, Janice Ledger, Charlotte Kessel, Kameron
McCoy, Laverne & Judy Weber, Jim Adam,
Nathaniel Schadt, Nancy Dickinson, Richard Pepper,
Joe Adam, Linda Zelinski, Lucy Dietzman, Lloyd
Thola, Mark Hagist, Pam Horras Riley, Dan Weber,
Fr. Jim Betzen, Judy Dickey, Emily Ledger, Chuck
Anderson, Doug Howard, Juston Lamb, Bob Sobaski,
Chuck Kaska, Luanne Brown, Jared Greiner, Shirley
Van Dee, Jeff Weber, Karen Morgan, John Adam,
Colleen Adam, Kathy (Fritz) Fray, Ron Fritz, Dick
Pohren, Ryan Marie, Kyle Sobaski, Jodi Reed, Wayne
Knees Kern.

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September Birthdays

1-Gary Fritz	7-Phil Kurtz
8-Sr. Janet Kreber	8-Katie Six
10-David Pacha	12-Kara Sobaski
14-Denise Clarahan	19-Elan Ledger
25-JoAnn Hersh	25-Donna Greiner

September Anniversaries

5-John & Jane Adrian	5-Leonard & MaryAnn Drish
5-Roger & Corrie Drish	7-Shawn & Jody Phillips
9-Dave & Jenna Johnson	

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Contributions for Aug. 10, 2025

Offertory \$1,029.00

****Attendance-Aug. 10—#47

Contributions for Aug. 17, 2025

Offertory \$680.00

Assumption Mass \$154.00

****Attendance-Aug. 17—#57

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*Any items that you are wanting inserted in the bulletin
for weeks of Sept. 7/Sept. 14, please have to Lisa by
Friday, Aug. 29th at: toots85_52654@yahoo.com or call
319-750-2118. Thank you!*

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Shirley VanDee will be celebrating her 90th Birthday on
Sunday afternoon, September 21st from 1:00-5:00/6:00. This
will take place at Highland Ridge Retirement Facility in
Williamsburg. All are invited!

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 3-Parish Council, 7:00 pm @ SJ

Sept. 6-Church Basement cleaning, 8:00 am

Sept. 7-NO coffee & rolls today

Sept. 7-Food Pantry Collection Sunday

Sept. 7-St. James Fall Festival, Washington, Meal served from 11:00-1:00

Sept.9-Altar & Rosary, 1:30 @ SJ

Sept. 21-10:00 Mass with Bishop Walsh; lunch to follow

SEPTEMBER ALTAR & ROSARY GROUP:

Chairperson: Nancy Anderson; Karen Baker, Barb Hood, Susie Drish, Cindy Adam, Karen (Ed) Horras, Amy Jones, Patty Adam, Arlene Fritz.

OCTOBER ALTAR & ROSARY GROUP:

Chairperson: Jane Adrian; Mary Adam, Joyce Emry, Karen (Dick) Horras, Sarah Ledger, Deb Adrian, Deb Greiner.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025: CELEBRATION/ LUNCHEON CELEBRATING A WELCOMING FOR BISHOP WALSH AND THE 123RD ANNI- VERSARY OF ST. JOSEPH CHURCH.

-10:00 Mass with a luncheon to follow; please plan on attending this event!

Important information:

- There will be NO coffee & rolls in September/October. The people assigned to these monthly committees are asked to help set-up and serve for the luncheon (as well as anyone else that wishes to help).
- Pies for the dessert are also being requested from these committee members, along with anyone else that would like to provide for the dessert that day.
- Due to no coffee/roll donation money for Sept./Oct., free will donations to help cover the cost of the meal would be greatly appreciated! Donations may be left at parish office, collection basket, or with a parish council member.

Readings for week Aug. 24 thru Sept. 7

Sunday: Is66:18-21/Ps117:1b-2/Heb12:5-7,11-13/Lk13:22-30

Monday: 1Thes1:1-5,8b-10/Ps149:1b-6a,9b/Mt23:13-22

Tuesday: 1Thes2:1-8/Ps139:1-3,4-6/Mt23:23-26

Wednesday: 1Thes2:9-13/Ps139:7-12b/Mt23:27-32

Thursday: 1Thes3:7-13/Ps90:3-5a,12-14,17/Mt24:42-51

Friday: 1Thes4:1-8/Ps97:1,2b,5-6,10-12/Mk6:17-29

Saturday: 1Thes4:9-11/Ps98:1,7-9/Mt25:14-30

Sunday: Sir3:17-18,20,28-29/Ps68:4-7,10-11/Heb12:18-19,22-24a/Lk14:1,7-14

Monday: 1Thes4:13-18/Ps96:1,3-5,11-13/Lk4:16-30

Tuesday: 1Thes5:1-6,9-11/Ps27:1,4,13-14/Lk4:31-37

Wednesday: Col1:1-8/Ps52:10-11/Lk4:38-44

Thursday: Col1:9-14/Ps98:2-6/Lk5:1-11

Friday: Col1:15-20/Ps100:1b-5/Lk5:33-39

Saturday: Col1:21-23/Ps54:3-4,6,8/Lk6:1-5

Sunday: Wis9:13-18b/Ps90:3-6,12-17/Phlm9-10,12-17/Lk14:25-33

ANNIVERSARY MASS

At the request of Bishop Walsh, the Office of Faith Formation is sponsoring a diocesan celebration for all couple who are celebrating 50 years of marriage this year. A Mass and informal reception will be held at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Iowa City on Sunday, October 19 at 2:00 pm. Couples that were unable to attend precious years' celebrations are also welcome to celebrate. If you were married in 1975 or before, please let Lisa or Carol know by giving your name & address before August 29th.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS-SEPTEMBER

The month of September you may donate anything that will go towards food or supplies. **The food pantry is now located in The H.U.B. in Brighton. There are many that utilize the food pantry for items in need. Checks can now be made out to THE HUB, with "pantry" in the memo; cash donations will also be accepted.**

September 6, St. Joseph Hall cleaning starting at 8:00. Looking for volunteers to help with this opportunity to prepare the downstairs for the Sept. 21st luncheon. All help is appreciated! Many hands make light work!

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

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

There is now guarantee that we'll get credit for our hard work. A steward's job is to sow the seeds, not to worry who harvests the crop.

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GROW CLOSER TO GOD-SEPTEMBER ISSUE

Pick up a copy of the devotional publication "The Word Among Us" and spend time reflecting on the word of God for your life. "The Word Among Us" features uplifting and thought provoking meditations based upon the daily Mass readings. The September issue will be available to pick up at entrances.

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Bible Study

Join St. James Church for an 8 week bible study, Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled, beginning September 15th, on Monday nights at 7:00 pm or Wednesday mornings at 9:00 am. For more information or to register for the study, contact Kathleen Brinning 319-863-3806, Dawn Grenzow 262-949-5956, Linda Gent 319-461-2486, or Krista Gent 319-461-9691. Register by August 18th.

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Lord on this Labor Day,
We thank you for the blessing of work,
We ask for strength to complete each day,
We ask for the rest when we are weary,
We ask Your guidance for everyone seeking employment,
And we ask that You be with those whose faces we might never see,
But who work tirelessly each day for the good of us all.
AMEN

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available Sunday from 8:00AM to 8:20AM, before Sunday Mass

To report child abuse contact: Iowa Dept 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 P.O. Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Barn

It's 9:08 on a Saturday morning, and I am too darn busy for confession.

I've probably written before about how hard I find it to get to confession.....I say 'probably' because I really can't remember. I whine about it so frequently that it's hard to tell if I've made it the subject of a written piece or if it is simply an oft-recited refrain from the Litany of Colleen's Perpetual Complaints.

During the week, it's tough to get to confession because I have little kids who are attached to me like Velcro, and I don't need them listening in on (and eventually repeating to everyone) my sins. On the weekend it's a little easier, but our parish doesn't offer it before or after Sunday Mass, just on Saturdays. Saturday is when I get most of my work done, so getting absolution usually comes at the expense of productivity.

And that, friends, right here, is my barn. Productivity. That's the proverbial storehouse of my earthly harvest. For the rich man in the parable, it's a literal barn, filled to bursting with sellable crops. For you it might be money or your job title or what your life looks like to other people on social media. For me, it's Getting Things Done. That's my barn, the repository that holds the whole of my wordly preoccupations. And it's so full I want to tear it down and build a new one. A bigger one. One that can hold more worry, more time for work, more focus on output and crossing things off a to-do list. Vanity of vanities, indeed.

If I die tonight, the deadlines will go unmet, and no one will even notice. But God, when He meets me in the world to come, will surely ask me why I couldn't take 45 minutes to accept a gift he tried again and again to give me.

I have to burn the barn, friends. I don't want to, but I have to. I'm closing my laptop and going to church.

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