

St John's Faith Formation Presents...

## *A Night in Bethlehem*



Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 pm

Join us for an evening of song and a live recreation  
of the story of the Holy Nativity!  
*Cookies and Juice to follow the program!*

## Thank you St. Nicholas...

and to all of the knights who helped make the annual St. Nicholas Breakfast a huge success. Your contributions help our youth faith formation programs. A special thank you to Aaron Sweers, aka St. Nick, (and his family) for bringing joy to the children and families of St. Johns. We hope to see you again next year!



**Advent is here!** Find creative and simple ways to live the Advent season with your family by going to [dmdioocese.org/living-advent](http://dmdioocese.org/living-advent). Find topics to kickstart a family conversation at dinner, easy crafts, feast days, and additional resources.



St. John's Youth Group will continue its annual Christmas Caroling Tradition on December 13th @ 7:00 PM. If you know anyone in Adel who would like us to come and sing to them, please call the office. The youth group will enjoy cookies and hot cocoa following the event.

**Catholic Charities Fall/Winter Program Needs** If you or your organization are looking for a way to help others in the community, Catholic Charities has put together a list with many ways you can make a difference this fall and winter. From small donations to full-time volunteers, there is something for everyone. Visit [catholiccharitiesdm.org/news](http://catholiccharitiesdm.org/news) for information on how you can make an impact and the current needs of our programs.

**YCS Christmas Party:** Join Young Catholic Singles for a Christmas party on Friday, Dec. 15 from 7-9pm at St. Theresa's parish hall. Festive sweaters are encouraged. Snacks and drinks will be provided. We will also be wrapping presents for our service project for Innervations. Check out our Facebook page or email [ycdm-](mailto:ycdm-)



Reminder: We follow the ADM School District for closing/canceling Mass during the week due to dangerous driving conditions. Weekend Mass is rarely, if ever, canceled.



## CHRIST OUR LIFE

CATHOLIC CONFERENCE



September 28 & 29, 2024

"This was the most joy-filled experience of my life. To be with thousands of other like-hearted individuals was truly uplifting. I want this conference in every city and community. We need that in our world right now."

- 2022 attendee quote

**Let's Believe... Live... and Celebrate Our Faith!**

Go to [ChristOurLifeIowa.com](http://ChristOurLifeIowa.com) for information & tickets

### Job Openings around the Diocese...

**Our Lady's Immaculate Heart Catholic Church** has an opening for a Business Manager. This individual reports directly to the pastor and oversees the stewardship of the physical, financial and personnel resources of the parish. This is a full-time, salaried, benefits eligible position. For a full job description, visit [www.olih.org/employment-opportunities](http://www.olih.org/employment-opportunities). Send resumes to Fr Michael, [frmichael@olih.org](mailto:frmichael@olih.org).

**St. Ambrose Cathedral** is looking for a full-time Director of Family Faith Formation. St. Ambrose is a diverse community of many cultures. Please see the website for a full job description: <https://www.saintambrosecathedral.org/community-news/>.

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Just as we celebrate Thanksgiving by gathering with family. Why not celebrate your Marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? It's a positive, simple, common sense, private experience between husband and wife that revitalizes your marriage. Questions can be directed to 563-920-9419. Weekends are being held February 16-18 in Marshalltown, April 12-14, 2024 in Epworth; September 27-29, 2024 in Dubuque; and November 8-10, 2024 in Holstein.

**Catholic Youth Camp \$175.00 credits available through St. John's.** Each week our Children's Collection at Mass is dedicated a special fund to help our families send their children to Catholic Youth Camp at the St. Thomas More Center in Panora. CYC is an opportunity for students entering 3rd-12th grade to be immersed in the beauty of the Catholic faith and grow in faith, build friendships and create memories. If your family is registered at our parish and would like to receive a \$175.00 credit toward your child's CYC fee, Call Angela in the office BEFORE you register. She will give you a special code to be used at the time of registration. Registration begins Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at noon. You must have the code to get the credit.

