

St. Andrew Parish

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February 3, 2019

Mass times are Saturday at 4:30 pm and Sunday at 9:00 am.

We celebrate 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time this weekend.

Many Thanks to Jerry Schadel and JS Construction for saving the day! We had a water line freeze in the parish center kitchen ceiling. Jerry was able to insulate needed areas to prevent the cold from causing more damage.



Weekend Ministries for February 9 & 10, 2019		
	<i>4:30 PM</i>	<i>9:00 AM</i>
<i>Mass Intention</i>	Charlie Ferring / Branden Sissel	People of St. Andrew Parish
<i>Greeters</i>	Jim & Bobbi Goodin	Manning Family
<i>Announcer</i>	Jim Fries	Morey Pranger
<i>Lectors</i>	Bill Talken / Shirley Schmidt	Janet Friederichs / Sandra Frericks
<i>Ushers</i>	Kathy & Shay Elliott	Schadel Family
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	Caldwell Family	Tina Gipple / Helen Paul
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Jay & Judy Matlock	Yvonne Friedrichsen / Rebecca Escalante
<i>Hospitality</i>	Jeanne Ferring / Candy Harlan	Kris & Chad Burt
<i>Cross Bearer</i>	Anakin Lance	Matt Carlson
<i>Altar Servers</i>	Paige Lansing / Mary Nelson	Makenna & Dillon Burt
<i>Homily Recorder</i>	Jim Crossen	

**It was so cold last Wednesday.....
 That when we milked the cows, we got ice cream!**

Prayer Corner

Dear Father in heaven, we may come to you,
for you have counted us as your children.
Our hearts long to come to you, our God and Savior.
May your Word bless us and restore us.
Give us courageous hearts to bear the distress of our times.
Let a light arise in our days so that people care about your will.
Then the need on earth shall come to an end, your name shall be honored,
and your will be done.
Lord God, you alone are our help.
Be merciful to us.
Stretch out your hand so that all people may turn to you and to your commandments,
and your will may be done on earth.
Amen.



Gracious God, we come to you with day, seeking your guidance and strength. You have called us to ministries for which we feel inadequate. Help us to understand that it is your love that will support and sustain our efforts. Give us the courage to place our trust in your abiding presence. We ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

There is a NEW TIME for the Healing Mass at Sacred Heart Church, 2810 5th Avenue, Rock Island. The February 7th (and following monthly Healing Masses) will begin at 6:00 pm. A beautiful celebration of the Holy Eucharist, followed by a time of worship, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Reconciliation, prayer of healing for each individual that wishes to participate and closing with a Benediction. Contact GMHOWELL1011@gmail.com.



Please continue to keep Dorothy Spiess in your prayers. Dorothy is convalescing at Good Samaritan in Davenport. We welcome Abby Box, who will be playing the piano for us for the next 2 ½ weekends!



All parishioners are invited to this year's **Sweetheart Dinner**, sponsored by Mary's Angels and to be held on Saturday, February 16th in the Church hall. Appetizers will be served at 6:00. Dinner will be served at 6:30. The cost is \$15.00 per person and \$30.00 per couple.

Feel free to invite your friends and relatives. Singles are welcome!



Collections for the Month of December, 2018
We have 286 families registered as active members.

<u>Envelopes</u>	\$24,905.00
<u>Offertory (Cash)</u>	1,427.29
<u>Electronic Giving from 16 Families</u>	2,777.00
<u>Total Collected for the month is</u>	\$29,109.29
<u>Our monthly budget requirement for 2018/19 is</u>	\$15,866.00

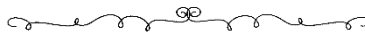
If you need envelopes or want to consider electronic giving, see Deacon Terry.
Thank you for your generosity!

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

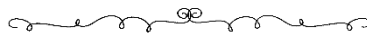
To report child abuse contact: Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178 and if it involves clergy or church personnel also notify Alicia Owens, the Victim Assistance Coordinator, 563-349-5002; vac@diodav.org or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722.



The St. Andrew Knights of Columbus meetings are normally held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the parish center. If interested in joining the Knights, contact Chris Rubley at (563) 594-9851 or Jay Matlock at (563) 381-1028. **Our next meeting is Monday, Feb. 11th at 7:00 pm.**



This month's **Mary's Angels** meeting will be held, Monday, February 4th, at 6:00 pm in the church hall. All St. Andrews women are members and are welcome to attend.



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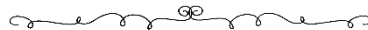
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From Your PLC's Corner

St. Paul says: "Love is patient; love is kind. Love is not jealous, it does not put on airs, it is not snobbish. Love is never rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not prone to anger; neither does it brood over injuries. Love does not rejoice in what is wrong but rejoices with the truth. There is no limit to love's forbearance, to its trust, its hope, its power to endure. Try looking at that reading again but this time, put your name in place of the word love. I think you'll see what St. Paul was trying to get across in our second reading today.

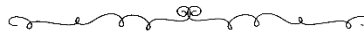
Even though we talk about love, we also have to be kind of tough too. It took courage for Jesus to say the things he did to the crowd. It took a great deal of courage to say those things and then walk through the middle of that crowd. I think that the entire liturgy today is telling us that Jesus came as a "sign of contradiction". It forces us to choose. To choose between wrong and right. To choose between a world of non-believers and those dedicated to Christ. At the same time, it urges each of us, to enter more deeply, into the mystery of the love of God and of neighbor. To enter into the love that surpasses all the others.

Blessings, Deacon Terry



World Marriage Day Mass Sunday February 10, 2019 - 2:00pm at the Basilica in Dyersville. Whether newly married or married 100 years all are welcome to celebrate love, faith and their commitment to the sacrament of holy matrimony. Reception with refreshments will follow in Xavier hall.

Xavier Basilica Address: 104 3rd St SW, Dyersville, IA 52040



WHAT: WINTER PARTY FOR THE POOR & VULNERABLE & FRIENDS

WHEN: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2019, 3:00-5:00PM

WHERE: HUMILITY HOMES & SERVICES, INC.

1016 WEST 5TH STREET, DAVENPORT, IOWA

(CORNER OF 5TH STREET & VINE STREET)

We are not intending to "serve" but rather "mingle with" our brothers and sisters in Christ, getting to know them as they are, as Christ did. We invite all of you to join us and bring a friend. We will offer light refreshments. Please contact Pat at 563-528-6724 or Maribeth at 563-468-7202 if you would like to join us or if you can bake some goodies. Sponsored by *MISSIONS OF MERCY*, a non-profit organization established in 2016 by Holy Family parishioners, Maribeth Green and Pat Cannaday.

They are currently working on their third humanitarian project in the Diocese of Rulenge-Ngara, Tanzania, Africa.

Saint Andrew Parish Website and Facebook pages:

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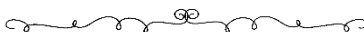
Check out our Facebook Page! You are invited to use the Parish Facebook page to post items of interest to our parish community, photos of life events such as baptisms, weddings, anniversaries, etc. Anything that will further enrich our faith community and let others know what a welcoming and friendly parish we have. **Be sure to "Like" us!** Here is the link to the St. Andrew Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/St-Andrew-Church-111666438870042/>

Would you like to be **e-mailed our Sunday Bulletin**? Just send your e-mail to the parish and Deacon Terry will add you to our weekly e-mail list. We have several 'snow birds' signed up among others!

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The bulletin is also posted on our Web Site!



Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat where all are welcome for prayer, spiritual renewal, solitude, conferences and meetings. *2664 145th Avenue - Wheatland, Iowa 52777*

- For more info and to register: [563-336-8414](tel:563-336-8414) / olpretreat@gmail.com / www.chmiowa.org
- All programs include a delicious homemade meal

Tues, February 12 | 9:30am-3:30pm –

Come to the Quiet: The Way of Suffering – Pat Shea

When faced with our own or another's suffering you might try to get rid of it—fight it off. The way of spiritual wholeness invites us to consider another approach filled with mystery and insights that come when we embrace the graces of our vulnerability. The day begins with a short reflection followed by a two-hour quiet time to use as you choose. After lunch will be another two-hour quiet time. The day ends with a short sharing session Fee \$20

Sat, March 2 | 9:00am-3:30pm

Peacemaking and Active Nonviolence in a Hurting World

Sr. Kathy Sadler, OSF

How can we bring peace to this violent and broken world? Active nonviolence, like electricity, is a powerful force. We will tap into the force within us and see how we can create a world of solidarity and peace based on justice and love. Fee \$20