

ST. EDWARD

CHURCH

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WATERLOO, IA 50702

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Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen. - Lk 9:35-36\

"Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

SCHEDULES

Mass Schedule

Saturday	5:15 p.m.
Sunday	7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
Weekday	See Inside

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Weekdays	15 min. prior to Weekday Masses
Saturday	4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Call the Parish Center to schedule.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Ordinarily, arrangements should be made six months in advance.

CONTACTS

Parish Center 233-8060
(Mon-Fri 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

St. Edward School 233-6202

New Life Center 234-1835

Columbus High School 233-3358

Religious Education Office 233-8060

Youth Ministry Office 233-3358 Ext. 134

Church Hall 233-6414

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Web Site <http://www.sted.org>

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Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions March 1-7

3/1	Mon	7:30 am	Robert & Dorothy Kenny
3/2	Tues	7:30 am	Jerry Nosbish
3/3	Wed	5:30 pm	Special Intention
3/4	Thur	7:30 am	Peggy Hadlick
3/5	Fri	9:00 am	Nancy Koch Voogd
3/6	Sat	5:15 pm	George Glenn
3/7	Sun	7:30 am	People of the Parish
		9:00 am	Tony Schmidt
		11:00 am	Frank Kneeland

Soup Supper

Join us for a simple meal of soup following the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Wednesday, March 11th in the Church Hall.



Baptismal Preparation

Parents who are planning to baptize an infant or child in the near future are reminded that they should attend a preparation program for parents, prior to the baptism. The next preparation class meets on **Saturday, March 13, 9:30 a.m. in St. Edward Church Hall.** To register, call St. Edward Parish Center at 233-8060.

Mass will be offered at Covenant Hospital in St. Francis Chapel, Mondays during Lent at 11:30 a.m. beginning March 1st.

Music Schedule for March 6/7

5:15 - Children's Choir 7:30 - no music
9:00 - Celebration Singers 11:00 - cantor/piano

Cedar Valley Catholic Schools has the following positions open:

- ▶ St. Edward Cafeteria Worker - Start immediately, 2 hours per day, 180 days
- ▶ St. Edward Softball Coach(s) - Starts 3/22/2010

Send resume or stop by:
Cedar Valley Catholic Schools, Rm 103
3231 W 9th Street
Waterloo, IA 50702

Visit the St. Edward web page at
<http://www.sted.org>

Attention Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors,
Greeters and Altar Servers — your schedules
are posted on the web site.

From the Pastor's Desk



Last fall I wrote an article in our parish newsletter about the iron fence on the parish grounds. Because of its deteriorating condition, our buildings and grounds committee proposed removing the remaining sections of that fence along with its concrete foundation which is crumbling away. Recall that the fence used to surround the entire Bickley estate--the land that eventually became St. Edward Parish. In that article, I said that our Pastoral Council would make the decision on the fence, but only after giving our parishioners an opportunity to express their opinions to our council members or to me.

I thank everyone who expressed their views. Over the last several months our council discussed the proposal, and at its February 18 meeting voted unanimously to remove the fence. This cannot occur, of course, until after the snow is gone and the ground thaws enough for the necessary groundwork to be done. Only the iron fence and the concrete base will be removed--the brick pillars on the corners and by the driveways will stay in place. I also need to emphasize that this was the only decision the council made at this time. No decision has yet been made on any of the following:

- what to do with the fence
- constructing a new St. Edward church sign
- what, if anything, to put in place of the fence (plants, hedge, etc.)

These questions will be carefully considered and thoroughly discussed. I assure you that you will be informed of every proposal that is made so that you will again have an opportunity to express your opinions and concerns.

I know that some will be disappointed by this decision. Please know that all opinions on all sides were respected, considered and discussed. Again, I am grateful to all who contributed to this discussion and decision-making process. May we all continue to pray for the Holy Spirit's direction and guidance of our parish.

Fr. Kopacek

Notice From The Waterloo Catholic Cemetery Board

Waterloo Catholic Cemetery Board will no longer hold burial spaces without a financial agreement. Starting April 1, 2010 a payment plan will have to be established and maintained in order to reserve a burial space. If you have a burial space reserved, please contact the Waterloo Catholic Cemetery superintendent, Dan Sink, at 233-0746 prior to April 1st to set up a payment plan. All spaces currently marked as reserved that do not establish a plan prior to this date will be released for sale.

Sign-up sheets posted

Triduum/Easter Sign-up sheets for Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Altar Servers, Greeters are posted on the bulletin board in the main entrance. Please sign up where ever you are able.

LENT 2010

Second Week of Lent Transfiguration



Each day this week I will place myself in the presence of something beautiful. As the disciples witness the transfiguration of Jesus, they are also changed. Beauty calms us, restores us, and strengthens us to face the challenges of life. A sunset, a baby's smile, a cozy room, a quiet church, a lovely picture, glorious music, inspired writing, a well-prepared meal - these are all beautiful and nurture our inner person, the person we long to be.

Easter Flowers

If you would like to donate money for an Easter Lily or other flower in memory of a loved one, please put the money in a sealed envelope marked "Easter Flower Donation," along with your name and the name of the person for whom you are donating, and place it in the Sunday collection. You may also drop off your donation at the Parish Center, Mon. - Fri. between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. All Easter plants and flowers will be used to decorate the church for Easter Sunday and throughout the Easter season.



Lenten Offerings

PARISH ROSARY

Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Monday, March 15 with
Benediction at 7:00 p.m.

SOUP NIGHT

Wednesdays following 5:30 p.m. Mass
March 3, 10, 17 & 24

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

Fridays - 5:30 p.m.

COMMUNAL ANOINTING OF THE SICK

At all Masses, March 13/14

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Communal Celebration

Sunday, March 21, 3:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart

Individual Confessions

15 min. before weekday Mass

Saturdays, 3:30-5:00 p.m.

(Watch bulletin for other confession times)

Paschal Meal

The traditional Paschal Meal will take place immediately following the 5:30 p.m. Mass on **Wednesday, March 31st**. Watch next week's bulletin for reservation form.

Please join . . .

**Columbus Catholic High School
5 K "Walk for Water"**

**Saturday, March 6th, 9:30 a.m. (check-in)
Hawkeye Community College: Tama Hall**

Entry fee is \$10.00 per person or a minimum of \$10.00 in pledges. (Children walking with parents are free, but are highly encouraged to seek pledges!)

Did you know that over 1 billion people, almost half of the world's population, lack access to clean drinking water and sanitation? Over 6000 people die from water related illnesses each day. Over 99% are children under the age of five.

The purpose of the walk is to raise awareness on the lack of water availability throughout the world and to raise money to help build water retention units in Kenya. Women and children in third world countries often walk over five kilometers (3.1 miles) one way to collect drinking water. Bring yourself or gather your friends and family to walk as a team. There will be prizes for the teams with the most spirit, best costumes reflecting water, and of course, the most pledged dollars collected.

"With God, all things are possible."

Please call Columbus to register or pledge a walker at 233-3358. You may also register the day of the walk. Thank you so much for your support.

YOUTH NEWS

High School and Jr. High Peer Ministry this weekend.

All 7th through 12th grade students are invited to join us for the Parabola Youth Theatre performance of "don't u luv me?" - a drama about violence and aggression in teen relationships. The performance will be at 6:30 pm in the Commons at Columbus High School and will include a discussion afterward. Parents are welcome to attend.

"Out in the Cold" - High School students and adults are invited to join us for a special type of campout. On Friday, March 5th, we will spend the night outside of Blessed Sacrament church to collect supplies for Hospitality House in Waterloo and raise awareness about the issue of homelessness in our community. All are welcome to join us for the prayer vigil at 7:30 pm. Students are working on a special art project that will be on display. To participate in this event, please contact Kim at wcyam@mchsi.com or 233-3358, ext 134. Visit us at www.wcyam.net.

Barnes & Noble Fundraiser! Please help support our youth attending Eagle Claw, the summer backpacking adventure, by shopping anytime at the Waterloo B&N store next Saturday, March 6th. Just turn in the coupon inserted in this weekend's bulletin when making your purchase. Coupons are good in the café too! A percentage of sales will help defray the cost of the trip for our group.

Mark your calendar

St. Edward Retirees will not meet for a noon lunch and business meeting during the month of March.

"The Best Weekend of my Life" That's how many people have described their experience at a Christian Experience Weekend. This year's weekends are March 5-7 for women and March 19-21 for men at Don Bosco High School in Gilbertville. To register call Cathy Reindl at 266-1562.

KC Omelet Breakfast in Gilbertville An Omelet Breakfast will be held on Sunday, February 28 at the American Legion Hall in Gilbertville 8:00 a.m. to noon. Proceeds will go to the KC Scholarship Fund which benefits the Building a New Legacy Campaign for Don Bosco.

KC's will have a Lenten fish, shrimp smorgasboard every Friday during Lent, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

St. Mary of Mt. Carmel, Eagle Center will have a breakfast on Sunday, March 7, 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

KC's will have a pancake breakfast on Sunday, March 7, 8:00 a.m. to noon.

Catholic Daughters of Waterloo will host a luncheon meeting, "We Travel the World" at 12:30 p.m. on Wed., March 10, at the KC Hall. Speaker will be Jane Field, Advance Person Abroad for the Bush Administrations.

St. Athanasius Don Bosco Breakfast will be Sunday, March 7 at St. Athanasius School lunchroom in Jesup. Serving from 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

14th Annual Catholic Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, March 27, Xavier High School in Cedar Rapids. Keynote speaker: Deacon Harold Burke-Siver, Founder of Aurem Cordis. Registration: \$35 by March 13 or \$45 at the door (lunch included). Registration begins at 7:00 p.m. with opening prayer at 8:00 a.m. Conference includes Mass celebrated by Archbishop Hanus beginning at 5:15 p.m. Register online at www.catholicmenonline.org

St. Joseph Parish, Raymond will sponsor a card party on Sunday, March 7, 6:30 p.m. in Reuter Hall. Card games of Progressive 500 will be played and prizes awarded. Sandwiches and beverages will be served. Admission \$2.

Adult Formation

This week

GUIDE TO LENT -- Sunday, Feb. 28. 2:00-3:00pm. O'Hagan Hall (church basement), Sacred Heart Parish. "The Infrequent Catholic's Guide to Lent" is an information meeting for adults and young adults who want to learn more about how and why Catholics observe the season of Lent.

"LENTEN LESSONS AND PRAYERS"...A Musical Journey with Christ." Sunday, Feb. 28, 3:00pm. at Blessed Sacrament Church and Friday, March 5, 7:00pm at Sacred Heart Church. Agnus Dei Ministry performs this Lenten program of music and scripture which presents the story of the life, passion and death of Jesus. Free and open to the public.

"A SPIRITUAL SAFARI" -- Monday, March 1. 6:30-8:15pm. Church hall (lower level), St. Edward Parish. This is the second in a four-part Lenten enrichment series sponsored by the Catholic Parishes in Waterloo and presented by spiritual guides from Prairiewoods Franciscan Spirituality Center. Open to adults and young adults of all ages who want to strengthen or deepen their spiritual life this Lent. Information at 319-234-9912 or online at waterloocatholics.org/.

FIRST TUESDAY -- Tuesday, March 2. 7:00-8:30pm. Chapel Wing, Covenant Medical Center, Waterloo. First Tuesday is a support and enrichment opportunity for married couples of any age or faith. This month the group will continue its discussion of The Love Dare. Information at 319-234-9912 or online at Waterloo Catholics.org

SOCIAL JUSTICE LENTEN RETREAT -- Saturday, March 6. 9:00am-3:30pm. O'Hagan Hall (church basement), Sacred Heart Parish. "Lent Through the Eyes of Dorothy Day" is the theme and presented by Brian Terrell, a member of the Des Moines Catholic Worker Community. Open to the public. \$20.00/person (\$15.00/seniors and students). Call 234-9912 for reservations.

Wanted: Confirmation Prayer Partners

We all know that God hears and answers our prayers. We've learned this from Scripture and hear it often in homilies. There are many concerns that we pray for daily, and there is one more person we would like you to add to your daily prayer. We are looking for Prayer Partners for our 40 high school Confirmation candidates. We would ask that you pray daily for one specific young person who is in Confirmation preparation. We would like you to stay anonymous until the Sunday after Confirmation, April 18th, when they will be presented as newly confirmed members of our parish. Our objective is to let these young people know there is someone, even a complete stranger, who is praying and supporting them through their Confirmation experience as they commit themselves to Christ.

Please contact Maureen Gorsche, 232-8215 or Sara McIntee, 240-8357, if you are interested in being a Prayer Partner. Thank you for your support of our young people.

