Rosary Society Letters are available in the east entrance of church. Please pick yours up today. All parishioners are members of the Rosary Society. Your parish depends on your support! Thank You!

ELF Preschool is currently taking registrations for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year. Children must be 3-4 years old by September 15 to be eligible for our program. The 3 year old class meets on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30-11:30 with tuition of $90 a month. Scholarships are available for those who qualify through Northeast Iowa Community Action. 4 year old classes meet either Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings or Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons. 4 year old classes are tuition free thanks to a state wide preschool grant. For registration information, contact Heidi Roete at 283-1198 or email her at hroete@sh-oelwein.pvt.k12.ia.us.

The Oelwein Knights of Columbus are proud to announce three new members: Dillon Arndt, Bill Brownell, and Teagan Tafolla, who joined our Council on March 2. They are now Brother Knights, joining the other 211 Brother Knights of our Council. We are planning another initiation into Knighthood at the end of April. If the time is right for you and your family to become part of the Knight’s family, please contact Mike Schulmeister at 563-920-8345.

Garage Sale - Our Annual Garage Sale is coming soon! As you are doing your Spring housecleaning, please consider donating those items to the sale. Call Pam Wardell at 283-0885 if you have questions or would like to donate items.

Smelt Fry - Friday, April 26, Legion Hall, Aurora, 4-8pm, all you can eat, huge raffle

“Essential Elements of a Strong Catholic Marriage” Day - All married couples are invited to strengthen their marriage by attending this renewal day. April 27, 9am-4pm, St. Ludmila, Cedar Rapids. Visit www.DBQarch.org/events to register and for more information.

Men’s Retreat - April 12-14. American Martyrs Retreat House, Cedar Falls. Theme is “My Peace I Leave With You” We live in a world seeking peace, where can we find true peace? Retreat director will be Father Jim Starbuck. Call 319-266-3543 or email at dbqamrmhs@dbqarch.org to register.

Jerry Beauchamp Band - March 31, 1-4pm, Oelwein Coliseum, fundraiser for Alzheimer’s Association and Polka Club Hall of Fame. Join Fr. Ivan Nienhaus, pastor of St. Patrick’s in Cedar Rapids, and Fr. David Ambrosy, pastor of St. Mary’s in Waverly, on a Pilgrimage to Mexico and Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine from January 30 to February 4, 2020. Cost from Cedar Rapids is $2299.00. There will be an optional post tour to Riviera Maya on February 4-8 for $1499.00. The Riviera Maya is an all-inclusive resort where Fr. Nienhaus will offer a three day spiritual retreat. For a flyer and more information contact Mary Johnston at 319-560-5138 or email her at blessu45@gmail.com.

*If you are new to our parish or just visiting - WELCOME!!*  
If you would like to officially claim Sacred Heart as your Parish Home - we would love to have you! Contact the Parish Office (319-283-3743) for information and a registration form. Forms can be mailed or e-mailed to you or you can stop in and pick them up.

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come. (2 Cor 5:17)
SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sat. Mar. 30  4:30pm  SH  Robbie Casey  Al Matthews & Frances Trebon Allen
Mon.  Apr.  1  8:00am  SH  Christine Gerstenberger Fordyce
Wed.  Apr.  3  8:00am  IC  Marge & Herb Gable
Thu.  Apr.  4  8:00am  IC  L & D Garris family
Fri.  Apr.  5  8:45am  SH  Gene & Bette Adams
Sat.  Mar. 30  4:30pm  SH  Robbie Casey
Sun.  Apr. 7  8:30am  IC  For the People
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Mon.  Apr.  1  8:00am  SH  Christine Gerstenberger Fordyce
Thur.  Apr.  4  8:00am  IC  L & D Garris family
Sat.  Apr. 6  4:30pm  SH  John Fack
Sun.  Apr.  7  8:30am  IC  For the People
10:30am  SH  Paul & Mary Catherine Bloom
Mon.  Apr.  8  8:00am  SH  Robert & Regina Bergman

Confessions on Saturday are from 3:30-4:15pm. Rosary is recited on Saturday at 4pm & Sunday at 10am.

Additional Mass Time on Friday - On the Fridays during Lent, there will be Mass at 5:30pm. Stations of the Cross will follow Mass.

Communion to Shut-Ins: If you are unable to attend Mass and want to receive communion, call Carol Hamilton (283-2817) or the parish office (283-3743).

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ASK FATHER

Question: How does a priest get the title of Monsignor? What special privileges does he gain? What is he able to do that a priest can not do?

Answer: Monsignor is a title given to priests who have accomplished important things for the Church. For example, a man may have built a new church, established a cluster, or been rector of the Basilica or Cathedral. There used to be special dress and places of honor at meals for these priests, but this is a thing of the past. He can do no more or less than a regular rector of the Basilica or Cathedral. There used to be special dress and places of honor at meals for these priests, but this is a thing of the past. He can do no more or less than a regular priest. It is an honor and a title.

Palm Branches from previous years may be returned to church so that they may be burned in the Holy Saturday fire. Palms need to be returned by Sunday, April 14th. Containers for the palms are located in the entrance vestibules.

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Fr. Atwood Email: DBQ151@dbqarch.org
Rectory Phone: 319-283-9577

Homily Notes:

Youth Choir - CHANGE in SCHEDULE - The Youth Choir will not be singing in the month of April as previously scheduled. See you in May!

Adult Choir - next rehearsal is April 3rd at 6:30pm for Lent & Easter.

Rosaries - The Catholic Daughters are once again collecting rosaries for patients in Iowa Hospitals. All new, old, used a bit, used a lot rosaries are accepted and appreciated. There are boxes on the entrance tables for you to put the rosaries in.

Oelwein Kitchen Cupboard - We are collecting canned pineapple for the months of April and May.

Pancake Breakfast - Sunday, March 31, Columbus Club, Oelwein, 8am-12:30pm, pancakes, fresh scrambled eggs, fruit, orange juice, coffee, milk, free-will donation.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place this Thursday, April 4, in the chapel. Adoration will begin immediately after 8am Mass and conclude at 5:45 with Benediction. Everyone is invited to come and spend some time in prayer.

The Rosary Society is hoping to make it easier for everyone to participate in the parish fund-raising by sponsoring an Un-Bake Sale. Instead of buying ingredients and baking, just make a cash donation. On April 6 & 7, there will be people at the entrance doors after Mass to collect your donations. If you won’t be there that weekend, you may put your donation in an envelope labeled Un-Bake Sale and put it in the collection basket or bring it/mail it to the Parish Center.

Catholic Daughters - will meet on Monday, April 8, at 6pm in the church to recite the Rosary. Our Open House for prospective new members, following by a short business meeting, will take place immediately after the Rosary in the social hall. ALL Parishioners are invited to join us at 6pm for the Rosary.

Fish Fry - Friday, April 12, American Legion, Oelwein, 4:30-6:30pm

Baptism Class - is offered for those who wish to have their child baptized at Sacred Heart or Immaculate Conception. The next session will be held on Saturday, May 11, at 8:30 am at the Sacred Heart Parish Center. To register, or if you have questions, please call Deacon Jim Patera at 319-509-1210.

Sacred Heart Alumni Association is looking for addresses of alumni and/or school supporters. We would like to send regular updates as well as information on how you can support us. If you know an address of someone who can help, please send it to oelweinshalum@gmail.com. You may contact the parish office for more information.

Anointing - If you, or someone you know, is having surgery, or dealing with a serious illness, and would like to be anointed, talk to Fr. Atwood at church or call 283-1571. Menu includes: Champagne, Ham, Roast Beef, Chicken and Breakfast Items.

Calling all Catholic Women!! An Open House will be held on Monday, April 8th, beginning with the recitation of the Rosary in the church proper, followed by some fun and entertaining ways to learn more about being a Catholic Daughter of the Americas in the social hall. You may contact Diana Stewart at 319-610-8008 or any Catholic Daughter member. Please consider joining us!