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 283-0865 if you have questions or would like to donate items.

The Oelwein Knights of Columbus will be hosting a 1st - 2nd & 3rd Degrees on Sunday, April 28th starting at noon at the Parish Center. These are the first three lessons of Knighthood: Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. The Knights of Columbus is an organization that figures out how to raise money to support the parish, community and families. 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.

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.DBOarch.org/events to register and for more information. 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 4th 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

The American Martyrs Retreat House has a Gift Shop with items for First Communion, Confirmation and Baptism. We also have a generous supply of inexpensive cards for most religious occasions. The Gift Shop is open on Monday through Friday from 7:30am to 3pm. Call 319-266-3543 to check on what is available. Address is 2209 North Union Road.

Agnes Dei Ministry Praise Concert - Agnes Dei Ministry with the St. Edward Celebration Singers will present “All Glory Praise and Honor” on Sunday, April 28, at 4pm at St. Edward Church in Waterloo. Come and join us in this concert celebrating the Risen Jesus.

The Oelwein Knights of Columbus are hosting their 4th Annual Easter Egg Hunt. It will be Saturday, April 20 at 9:30am at the Columbus Club. Everyone is invited to bring their families, their grandchildren, and their neighbors to this event. It is divided by age group so all have a great time. Be on time as we start at 9:30 and are finished by 9:40. If you have questions you may call Mike Schulmeister at 563-920-8345.

Good Friday Collection - Pope Francis has asked us to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The collection also provides humanitarian aid to refugees. We will take up this important collection on Good Friday at our 6pm service. If you can not attend, put your donation in an envelope marked Good Friday.

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 or you can stop in and pick them up.

“If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.” Luke 9:23

Sacred Heart Parish

“A Eucharistic Evangelizing Community”

April 14, 2019

Feet & Seat Collection

It is our final week to make a sacrifice and make a difference. When Mother Teresa was asked about her motives for her work among the poorest of the poor, she said, “Because we cannot see God, we cannot express our love to Him in person. But our neighbor we can see, and we can do for him what we would love to do for Jesus if He were visible. Joy is a net of love by which we can capture souls. God loves the person who gives with joy.” How many pairs of socks and underwear will we give to God’s little ones with joy? Your gifts of joy need to be brought to church by next weekend (Easter Sunday) and will then be donated to the Community Clothing Closet located at Zion Lutheran Church where they will be given away free of charge to anyone who needs them.

Easter Flower Memorial Donations - All Donations for Easter Flowers need to be in the Parish Office no later than this Tuesday, April 16th. Be sure to include the names of those you want remembered. Those names will appear in next Sunday’s (Easter) Bulletin. What a beautiful way to decorate the church and remember your loved ones at the same time.

Individual Confessions Times: Monday, April 15 - 7 to 8pm at IC Tuesday, April 16 - 11am to 12 noon at SH Wednesday, April 17 - 6 to 7pm at SH Thursday, April 18 - following Holy Thursday liturgy at IC Friday, April 19 - following noon liturgy at IC Saturday, April 20 - 11am to 12 noon at SH NO confessions at 3:30pm on Holy Saturday.
**SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

- **Mon. Apr. 22**: NO MASS
- **Sun. Apr. 21**: 8:30am IC Joe Bovy
- **Wed. Apr. 17**: 8:00am IC Ralph Higgins
- **Mon. Apr. 15**: 8:00am SH John & Flora Mae Kisner
- **Sun. Apr. 14**: 8:30am IC Jack & Mark Duffy
- **Sat. Apr. 13**: 4:30pm SH Arnold Suhr

**Ministers of Vessels**
- Barb Vandersee
- Carol Hamilton
- Dawn Kendall
- Tammy Stasi

**Lectors**
- Natalie Stasi
- Mary Reeder
- Mary Stasi
- Elizabeth Recker

**Music**
- Carol Hamilton
- Tammy Stasi
- Dawn Kendall
- Mary Stasi

**Hosts**
- Carol Hamilton
- Tammy Stasi
- Dawn Kendall
- Mary Stasi

**Rosaries**
- The Catholic Daughters are collecting rosaries for patients in Iowa Hospitals. All new, old, used a bit, used a lot rosaries are accepted and appreciated.

**Holy Thrusday**
- Apr. 18: 7pm IC Bernice Babinat
- Good Friday
  - Apr. 19: Noon IC Good Friday Service
  - Apr. 19: 6pm SH Good Friday Service
- Holy Saturday
  - Apr. 20: 8:30pm IC Deceased Stasi-Troupe families
- Easter Sunday
  - Apr. 21: 8:30am IC Joe Bovy

**Easter Sunday**
- Apr. 21: 10:30am SH For the People

**Ministry Schedule for Good Friday, April 19**
- 6pm at Sacred Heart
- Mass Servers: Brady Burkhart, Kendra Reckhemmer, Natalie Chandall
- Music: Linda Murphy & friends
- Lectors: Natalie Stasi, Nancy Kasol
- Ministers of Hospitality: Todd Kasol, Ernie Steinman, Dawn Kendall, Ron Lenth
- Ministers of Hosts: Carol Hamilton, Mary Reeder, Tammy Stasi
- Washing Vessels: Carol Hamilton

**Champagne Easter Brunch**
- Sunday, April 21, 9am-1pm, Columbus Club, Oelwein, Reservations are necessary so please call 319-283-1571. Menu includes: Champagne, Ham, Roast Beef, Chicken and Breakfast Items.

**Church Directories are here!**
- If you family had a picture taken for the directory last fall, you have a free directory waiting for you to pick up at the Parish Center. Please stop over after Mass this weekend to pick up your directory. You can also stop during the week when the parish office is open and someone will assist you. For those that would like to purchase a directory, we have limited copies available for $10.00.

**Parish Office**
- 9577 DBQ151@dbqarch.org
- Rectory Phone: 319-283-9577

**Our sympathy to the family of Joshua Smith**
- (son of Mary Jo Hegarty and grandson of Loretta Smith and Darlene Hogan)
- and to all who have lost loved ones
- I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me will live, even though he dies.

**Holy Week Schedule**

- Holy Thursday Apr. 18 - 7pm at IC
- Good Friday Apr. 19 - Noon at IC
- Holy Saturday Apr. 20 - 6pm at SH
- Easter Sunday Apr. 21 - 8:30am at IC, 10:30at SH

**ASK FATHER**

**Question:** What is the reason for covering up the crosses and statues during this week of Lent? And why not cover up the Station of the Cross where Jesus dies?

**Answer:** The covering of statues and images is a venerable practice. The idea is a deepening of the Lenten “Fast”. We have fasted from the stomach by not eating meat and giving up other foods/drinks. Now the ‘Church’s Fast’ includes the eyes, which are deprived of the beauty of images until Easter. The practice also creates anticipation for Easter, when the statues and images will be unveiled. The stations are uncovered because they are a central symbol of the Lord’s Passion, and it is appropriate to see them in order to deepen our reflection on the mystery of the Lord’s Passion.