

LITURGY OFFICE

Many thanks to all who participated in and ministered at the Chrism Mass, and behind the scenes; it was a wonderful celebration!

The [April edition of the LiturgyNotes](#) is available.

STEWARDSHIP OFFICE

The Diocesan Stewardship Day (March 6) presentations were recorded and can be found on the diocesan [Stewardship page](#) or [You Tube](#) channel.

Stewardship: A Disciple's Response was published 25 years by the U.S. bishops and dioceses and parishes throughout the world have been teaching stewardship "as a way of life" with impressive results. Anyone wishing to embark upon the stewardship journey, inspire lively stewardship in their parish, or simply rediscover the prophetic vision expressed in this document will want to explore our guide to the Pastoral Letter. Participants are asked to read the six short sections of the pastoral and return brief written reflections, go [here](#). Everyone who completes it by June 1, 2018 will be entered into a drawing for a basket of current "how to" stewardship materials.

MULTICULTURAL MINISTRY OFFICE

Tony Melendez in Concert: May 12, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Sacred Heart Cathedral, Davenport. Special guests will be pianist Fr. Rich Adam with vocalist Fr. Ross Epping. Tickets are \$8 and may be purchased by calling the office at 563-888-4241. More information about [Tony Melendez](#)

SOCIAL ACTION OFFICE

Culture of Life Dinner: April 28, 5:15 p.m., complimentary, St. Wenceslaus Church, Iowa City. Sr. Renee Mirkes, OSF, keynote speaker from Center for NaPro Ethics at the Pope Paul VI Institute in Omaha. Available Fertility Care grants. Short talks by grant recipients. [More information](#)

CRS Rice Bowl Funds: Thank you for your participation in this year's collection. Please send now your community's Lenten gifts to the Finance Office (with CRS Rice Bowl in the memo).

Share the Journey - Prayer Walk: We still have dates available. To reserve the traveling prayer walk contact [Kent Ferris](#), 563-888-4211. [Online calendar for available dates](#)

Available Grants: Application deadline May 31. The Diocese of Davenport Social Action Department is accepting grant applications for the local share of the CRS Rice Bowl and Catholic Campaign for Human Development collections. For more information call Loxi Hopkins, 563-888-4212.

- [Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl](#): For those providing/supporting direct services to people who are hungry (first foot of social justice).
- [Catholic Campaign for Human Development \(CCHD\)](#): For those organizations and projects that promote systemic change (second foot of social justice).

Diocesan Volunteer Program Grant: Grants are open to any Catholic individual or parish within the Diocese. The primary focus of the volunteer program grant is to assist in providing support to individuals for short-term mission work and to support new and existing global projects and partnerships within the Diocese of Davenport. [Grant criteria and application.](#)

The Diocesan Immigration Program is a non-profit program that provides immigration counseling to help reunite families split by immigration, and assists immigrants to adjust their immigration status and advocates on their behalf. The Immigration Program focuses on family reunification immigration cases. The counselors are certified by the Department of Justice and work in close conjunction with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). [More information.](#)

Project Rachel is a confidential, post-abortion healing ministry of the Catholic Church offering hope and healing to women and men hurting from past abortions. Confidential referrals for individualized counseling with a Project Rachel priest or counselor are provided as well as a dedicated helpline and national website. [More information.](#)

The Social Action E-Newsletter is filled with upcoming events and deadlines, calls to action and social justice news and views. [To view previous issues or subscribe to the *Two Feet* newsletter](#) or email kerstena@diodav.org

Social Action Summer Institute (SASI): July 15-19, Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia. *Cultivating Creativity in Social Justice Ministry: 'Love requires a concrete, creative response'*-Pope Francis. [More information.](#)

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

Youth and Young Adult:

Catholics In Action: *Two different formats, St. Mary, Solon.* [More information, promo materials & registration](#)

For 6th-8th graders: June 25-27. Recognizing the myriad of summer opportunities for high school youth, especially service-wise, this year's CIA welcomes present 6th-8th graders to participate and high school youth to serve as CIA Crew to assist with the activities of the program.

Family Style: July 19-22. Give your families an opportunity to vacation with a purpose. Children of all ages are welcome as well as families of all types and sizes. If you know of a family or two in your parish that would welcome such an opportunity, download the flyer and share it with them. Please include something in your bulletins NOW to help families plan for this. Those who take advantage of this opportunity will thank you for doing so!

Adult Formation:

Upcoming Courses: April 7, Eucharist II, by Dr. Corinne Winter and May 12 Matrimony by Deacon Frank and Marianne Agnoli, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., Chancery. Join us to learn more about the Sacraments during our Spring Formation Courses. \$25 per course. [Register](#) or contact [Rosina Hendrickson](#), 563-888-4244.

Practices for Ministry: April 14-15 at the Chancery in Davenport. Looking for a fresh approach to advocating for, planning and organizing your faith formation or youth ministry? *Practices of Ministry* explores the development of comprehensive ministry through the collaborative sharing of the resources in the community. Rooted in a theological and pastoral vision of community life, this course develops foundational understandings that will assist leaders in setting and implementing a vision for dynamic ministry and catechesis. This second course in the *Certificate in Ministry Studies* can be taken as a stand-alone workshop or as part of the full Certificate program. [More information and registration.](#)

Walking Side By Side: A Different Perspective: April 20, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., St. Patrick, Iowa City. Robert Feduccia explores how our perspective changes when we walk side by side with our families, colleagues and parishes. Drawing on wisdom gained in the recent Roundtable Discussions, Robert will help us address the realities, challenges and needs we see in those with whom we share the Gospel and provide us perspective on journeying with one another. Cost is \$35 per person by April 9 and \$40 through April 16 (registration deadline). [Register.](#) For more information contact [Rosina Hendrickson](#), 563-888-4244.

Diocesan Retreat Opportunities: Rosina Hendrickson

Men's Retreat: *Being a Catholic Man:* April 21, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., St. Patrick, Iowa City. The questions that faithful men often ask are: What is God asking me to do? How can I be a better man for my family and in my job? How can I be a better Catholic? In this retreat, we will discover a path forward as we seek to answer life's most prevailing questions. Cost is \$40/person until April 16. [Register.](#)

Women's Retreat: *Ruby Slippers and Yellow Brick Roads*: April 28, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., St. Ann, Long Grove. Like Dorothy in *The Wizard of Oz*, we are searching for a way home. We will explore the opportunities we have every day to experience God in ways that change us forever and recall our eternal home and the path that shows us the way there. [Register](#) by April 8 for early-bird pricing of \$30/person and \$40/person until April 23.

Marriage and Family:

ONE DAY ONLY – “The Dating Project” in select movie theaters on April 17, at 7:00 p.m. This documentary follows five single Catholics trying to figure out dating in the age of social media, texting, hanging out and hooking up. Recommended for all singles 15 years or older, parents of teens, and those serving in related church ministries. [Information and Trailer](#)

Parents, Kids, and Porn: The Conversation: May 15, 11 am - 12 pm or May 22, 7 pm - 8 pm. This free webinar conversation will address how to initiate age appropriate discussion free of fear and shame, how to approach technology, social media and pornography, and ultimately how to create an atmosphere of openness and honesty in your home where you are the go-to person for your kids. [Information](#) and [Registration](#)

Save the Date – *Radical Listening in the Family*: June 9, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00, St. Mary Church, Riverside. All couples are invited to enhance their listening skills for the benefit of their marriages and families by participating in this practical workshop. Sponsor Couples are especially encouraged to attend to meet their annual marriage enrichment requirement and to gain insights on how to model effective listening skills for the engaged couples with whom they journey. [Registration and flyer](#).

Diocesan Marriage Preparation Policies and Procedures: Fillable PDF Prenuptial Investigation forms are on the website: [English](#) and [Spanish](#).

Marriage Preparation Instructional Programs: Several marriage preparation program formats offered. More information: [Marriage and Family webpage](#).

Natural Family Planning: Participation in an Introduction to Natural Family Planning or a method specific instruction is required of all couples of child bearing age preparing for marriage in the diocese. [Listing of free upcoming introductory sessions and specific method classes](#). Contact [Marianne Agnoli](#), 563-888-4242 if you would like to schedule an NFP instruction in your parish or deanery.

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, Victim Assistance Coordinator: 563-349-5002, vac@diodav.org or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004.

OUR LADY OF THE PRAIRIE RETREAT, WHEATLAND

To register contact: 563-336-8414 or olpretreat@gmail.com. To learn more about these programs and Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat visit www.chmiowa.org. All programs include a delicious, organic, homemade meal prepared with local and organic ingredients.

- *Lectio Divina through Current Writers - Book: “Lectio Divina, The Sacred Art”*: April 5, 6:00pm – 9:00pm
- *Come to the Quiet: Give Me a Word*: April 10, 9:30am – 3:30 pm
- *How Essential Oils Enhance Our Lives*: April 11, 9:30am – 3:30pm
- *Taizé Vigil Service at Humility of Mary Center*: April 15, 6:30pm – 7:30pm
- *Weaving Prayers and Baskets*: April 18, 9:00am – 4:00pm
- *Family Healing from Addiction*: April 21, 9:30am – 3:30pm
- *Lectio Divina through Current Writers Book: Invention of Wings*, Sue Monk Kidd, May 3, 6:00pm–9:00pm
- *Walk as One at 1 on World Labyrinth Day*: May 5, 10:00am–3:00pm
- *Preserving Stories of Family & Faith*: May 8, 9:30am–3:30pm
- *Come to the Quiet: The Iridescent Word*: May 10, 9:30am–3:30pm
- *Visio Divina through Film: To Kill a Mockingbird*: (original 1962 version), May 10, 5:00pm meal, 5:30pm film
- *Knit One, Pray Too!*: May 24, 9:30am–3:30pm

EAGLES' WINGS, DAVENPORT

To register or for more information contact marcia@eagleswings.ws, 563-324-7263. 5816 Telegraph Rd., Davenport 52804.

Mass with Prayers for Healing: April 12, 1 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at noon with confessions before Mass.

New Unbound Training: Come and learn from these all new DVDs by the Lozano's. Even if you have received training in the past, these teachings are new and will give you more insight into praying for yourself and others using the 5 keys. Think you might want to be on a prayer team to help set others free or just want to learn more about healing prayer? Meets 4 Saturdays: April 7, May 12, June 16 and July 7 from 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Fee: \$100 and bring a sack lunch.

BENET HOUSE RETREAT CENTER, ROCK ISLAND, IL

Contact Sr. Jackie Walsh, OSB at 309-283-2108, retreats@smmsisters.org or online at <http://www.smmsisters.org/retreats/> to register.

- *Wisdom Woman: A Retreat for the Sisterhood of SMA:* April 6 1:00 pm - April 8 1:00 pm
- *Bookmarks: The Grace in Aging: Awaken as You Grow Older* by Kathleen Dowling Singh, Tuesday mornings: April 10, 24; May 8, 22; 9:30-11 am
- *Boundless Compassion: Creating a Way of Life; A Mini-Retreat with Sr. Joyce Rupp:* April 16 (Book signing 6-7 pm) Mini-Retreat: 7-9 pm; **Note: This program will be held at the Believers Together Community Center, 3205 60th St., Moline
- *Centering Prayer Retreat: "You Are Invited...Entering the Divine Dance":* Thurs. Apr. 19 (Arrival: 4:30 pm; Soup Supper: 5:30 pm; Retreat opening: 7:30 pm)-Sun. Apr. 22, 1pm
- *Friday Night in Color:* April 27 (soup supper 5:30-6:15 pm) 6:30-8:30 pm color time
- *Mother/Adult Daughter Morning: Memories:* April 28 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

SHALOM SPIRITUALTY CENTER, DUBUQUE

To register call 563-582-3592 or email info@shalomretreats.org. 1001 Davis St., Dubuque, IA 52001, www.shalomretreats.org,

Retreats:

The Simple Care of a Hopeful Heart: Resilience, Compassion, Personal Well-Being and Prayer: April 27 7:00 p.m. – April 29 11:30 a.m.

Healing: Myth, Magic, or Miracle?, June 15, 5:30pm — Wednesday, June 20, 9:00am. \$25 Early Bird discount if registered by May 15. Registration Deadline: Monday, June 11.

Wisdom from St. Francis of Assisi for the 21st Century: Sunday, July 15, 5:30pm — Friday, July 20, 9:00am. \$25 Early Bird discount if registered by June 15 Registration Deadline: July 10.

To support the ministry of your parish, school and the diocese these groups automatically receive the *Mini-Messenger*:

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