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This fund helps households in the Solon Community School District with emergency needs such as utilities, food, etc. Contact your pastor at St Mary, Solon United Methodist or Our Lords Church if you have a special need , know of someone who is in need or would like to give a contribution

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**Parish Mission Statement**

To create and maintain a Christ-centered Catholic community where our personal call to holiness, service and spiritual growth leads to continued authentic witness as Christian Disciples.

<b>All Staff email addresses end with @solonstmary.org</b>		
Parish Directors	Kathy Hirl	624-2112
	James Luedtka	624-1306
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Rel. Ed. Director:	Julie Agne (Julie@..)	624-2228
Youth/Young Adult Ministry	Chuck Brock (Chuck@)	319-383-4312
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Music Director:	Chuck Brock (Chuck@...)	319-383-4312
Parish Nurse	Nancy Upmeyer	624-2944
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<b>Parish Council , Commissions &amp; Organizations</b>		
President:	Mark Sovers	319-331-1849
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**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**March 5, 2017**

**St. Mary Catholic Church 1749 Racine Ave NE**  
**Solon, IA 52333**

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**Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:00PM**  
**Sunday 8:30AM & 10:30AM**

**Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:30PM or by appointment**

**Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30AM - 1:00PM**

**WELCOME TO ST. MARYS!** If you would like to embrace our parish family please give Fr. Tim or Amy a call at the office @624-2228.

**Homebound:** If you would like Communion brought to your home, please contact the office @ 624-2228 between 8am and 1pm.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Friday 7am until noon. Monday nights from 6pm to 10pm.

**Sickness:** Please notify the pastor 624-2228 when someone is ill or has been hospitalized. Sacrament of Anointing is available.

**Marriage:** A minimum of 6 months is necessary for

**Child Abuse:** To report child sexual abuse, contact the Iowa Department of Human Services' Child Abuse hotline at (800)262-2178. If the abuse involves clergy or church personnel, also notify Victim Assistance Coordinator, Alicia Owens, anytime at (563)349-5002; by email at [vacdav@attglobal.net](mailto:vacdav@attglobal.net); or by mail at PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722.



	March 11 5:00 pm	March 12 8:30 am	March 12 10:30 am
MINISTRY	NAME	NAME	NAME
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NURSERY			
MONEY COUNTERS	Mon., March 6 - John, Phyllis, Helen, and Jim	Mon., March 13 - Nancy, Evelyn, Narge, and Linda C.	

Collection for February 25 & 26	
Offertory	\$ 441.53
Weekly	\$ 4,962.35
Total	\$ 5,403.88



**Baptism Classes:**

Parents must be members of the parish to have their children baptized. Parents baptizing their first child **are** required to attend all three classes.

**2017 Dates are listed below:**

Classes are from 6:30-8:00

Please register the Friday before the first session

**Spring Class:** April 11, 25 & May 9


**Summer Class:** July 11, 25 and August 8

**Fall Class:** October 10, 24 & November 14

Mass Intentions For March			
Mon.	06	8:00 am	Word & Communion
Tues.	07	12:10 pm	Word & Communion
Wed.	08	8:00 am	Word & Communion
Thurs.	09	9:30 CC	Word & Communion
Fri.	10	7:00 am	Word Service & Adoration
Sat.	11	5:00 pm	Lindsay Thul
Sun.	12	8:30 am	Jim Meyer
Sun	12	10:30 am	The Light & McGroary Families

**“YOU SHALL BE LIKE GODS”**


This original temptation was a promise that what was right and what was wrong would be up to us; that we could write our own moral law. That’s what the “tree of the knowledge of good and evil” meant, and why Adam and Eve couldn’t eat from it. We are all called to know good from evil, but not to decide it. To think we decide it is the error of the “pro-choice” mindset. “It’s all up to me and my choice, even if it means killing a baby.” In the culture of life, on the other hand, we live in the freedom of the children of God, and pattern our lives on the obedience of Jesus that leads to life eternal.



Pray that people recognize and affirm the dignity of human life, and that God leads each of us to take steps to defend life.

The Coalition for Life of Iowa is looking for people to commit to pray in front of Planned Parenthood for 40 Days for Life campaign. Sign up for an hour any day or night! The campaign draws attention to the evil of abortion through prayer, fasting, peaceful vigil, and community outreach.

For additional info:  
Web: <https://40daysforlife.com/cedar-rapids>  
Phone: Call Jim at 319-431-7814,  
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**Pro-Life Training: Engaged & Equipped with Scott Klusendorf**

Saturday, March 25, 2017  
St. Patrick Church- Iowa City 9:00am-3:30pm

Sunday, March 26, 2017  
St. Wenceslaus Church- Iowa City 1pm-2:30pm

Scott Klusendorf trains pro-life advocates to persuasively defend their views in the public square.

Registration and information available at [www.JCRTL.org](http://www.JCRTL.org) or call (319) 855-8475.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Monday: Adoration** 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm

**Tuesday: 12:10 pm** Word & Communion, Potluck to follow

**Thursday: 9:30 am** Word & Communion at Care Center

**Friday: 7:00 am** Word Service and Adoration until 12:00

**Parish Council, Monday** March 6 at 6:30 pm

**RCIA, Tuesday** March 7 at 6:30 pm

**Mom’s Book Club, Wednesday** March 8 at 9:00 am

**Stations of the Cross, Wednesday** March 8 at 5:45 pm

**Youth, Wednesday** March 8 at 6:00 pm

**Grief Share, Thursday** March 9 at 7:00 pm

(L.I.F.T.) (Ladies in Fellowship Together)	
March Schedule	
Mar. 9	Cards/Game
Mar. 16	Crafts

**ST. MARY’S ANNUAL SOUP SUPPER**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 18**

**6:00 P.M.**

**FOLLOWING 5:00 P.M. MASS**


The Church Life Commission will host a chili and soup supper. There is no charge for this event. The Commission only asks that you bring a dessert to share with everyone. This is a time for parish families to enjoy an evening of food, fellowship, and fun!!



**The Catholic Messenger**


The cost of the *Catholic Messenger* is \$29 for a 1-year subscription (50 issues). The parish is assessed \$9,139.50 for *The Catholic Messenger*. Your subscriptions help offset this cost to St. Mary. If you are interested in receiving a new subscription or renewing your subscription, feel welcome to leave your fee in the collection basket along with your weekly contribution. Please, indicate whether your subscription is new or a renewal. Thank you!

**LENTEN PRACTICES**



**Fast** means to reduce the amount of food eaten. For Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 we eat one main meal a day, and two smaller meals. Eating between meals is not permitted. During Lent, we fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.


**Abstinence** is to not eat meat as a way to remember and honor the death of Jesus on Good Friday. During Lent, those ages 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent with exception to the Commemoration of St. Patrick. Bishop Amos has commuted the observance of the law of abstinence on Friday, March 17. That is, any who wish to take meat on Friday, March 17, may do so as long as they abstain from meat on some other day of that week (March 13-18).




**Stations of the Cross**  
Wednesdays at 5:45 p.m. beginning March 8.

**Confessions** CORRECTION: Father Tim will hear confessions on Mon., March 27th and Mon., April 10th from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

**Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick** may be received at all Masses on the weekend of April 29 & 30.



**Strength Through Weakness**



Stephanie used to equate academic success and worldly achievement as the measure of self-worth. As control over her success started to slip, so did her confidence. It was during this time that the Lord showed her identity as a daughter of the King. Finally, after years of struggling, she surrendered herself to Him and He started the healing process. Come and hear how Stephanie gained strength by letting God carry her.

**Where: St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church**  
1224 5th St. SE Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

**When: Tuesday, March 14th, 2017**

**Time: 6:30-8:00PM**

**A light dinner will be served and free child care will be provided.**

**There is no charge and all are welcome.**

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