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 This fund helps households in the Solon Community
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 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



Baptism Classes:
 Parents must be members of the parish
 to have their children baptized. Parents
 baptizing their first child **are** required to
 attend both classes.

2014 Classes are from 6:30-8:00
First Class
 April 8, July 8, October 14
Second Class
 May 13, August 12, November 11



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Contact Lindsey Cary at
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| Secretary: | Donna Matthes (Donna@..) | 624-2228 |
| Rel. Ed. Director: | Julie Agne (Julie@..) | 624-2228 |
| Parish Directors | Kathy Hirl | 624-2112 |
| | James Luedtka | 624-1306 |
| Youth/Young Adult Ministry | Nick Satterlee (Nick@..) | 815-988-6960 |
| Young Family Ministry | Lindsey Carey (Lindsey@..) | 319-400-2484 |
| Parish Life Ministry | Patty Benzing (Patty@..) | 319-541-4253 |
| Music Director: | Sarah Olsem (Sarah@..) | 319-480-3201 |
| Hall Manager: | Renee Gleason (Renee@..) | 331-2783 |

Parish Council , Commissions & Organizations

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| President: | Terry Rasmussen | 624-2391 |
| Vice President: | Mark Sovers | 644-1406 |
| Recording Secretary: | Rose Alice Brokaw | 644-3742 |
| At Large Council Members | Jeanne Haight | 848-8140 |
| | Lisa Connell | 624-5152 |
| | Judy Gleason | 624-3894 |
| Worship & Prayer: | Dcn. Mitch Holte | 624-3151 |
| Justice & Peace: | Diane Wurzer | 624-2719 |
| Church Life: | DeWayne Klouda | 624-3989 |
| Finance Council: | Dcn. David Krob | 848-4348 |
| Family Life: | Patty Benzing | 466-0082 |
| Faith Formation: | Patty Erusha | 624-2537 |
| Stewardship | Bill Christensen | 624-8066 |
| Helping Hands: | Marianne Harney | 624-2630 |
| | Pat Zimmerman | 337-8296 |
| Parish Nurse | Nancy Upmeyer | 624-2944 |
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| | Pat Pisarik | 360-1318 |

EIGHTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
March 2, 2014
St. Mary Catholic Church
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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. Jim or Donna 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 after the 7am Mass until
 noon.

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
 marriage preparation. Please contact the pastor.

Baptism: Parents must be registered members of the
 parish. Baptism instructions are required., ideally before
 the child is born. Please call Donna, 624-2228 to register.

Expecting a New Arrival??? Please call the church office
 at 624-2228 when your baby arrives, so we can arrange
 meals to be delivered when it is convenient for your family.

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
vaccdav@attglobal.net; or by mail at PO Box 232,
 Bettendorf, IA 52722.

| Ministry Schedule | | | |
|-----------------------|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| DATE | March 8 | March 9 | March 9 |
| | 5:00 pm | 8:30 am | 10:30 am |
| MINISTRY | NAME | NAME | NAME |
| CANTOR | B Uhlenkamp | L Hugeback | Adult Choir |
| MUSICIAN | L Broghammer | P Cummings | W Kaefring |
| Eucharistic Ministers | S Ahern J Anderson T Broghammer | D Klosterman K Francois S Johnson | R Myers D Siddell C Smith |
| GREETER | R & D Miller M&M Petersen Families | J & L Koss J & T Koehn Family | D & R Myers K & N Miller Family |
| LECTOR | J Graft A Haluska | R Holubar S Johnson | K Urich J Patrick |
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| Ushers | B Matthes D Matthes | P Francois S Schnor V Schnor | M Klouda DW Klouda D Mensen |
| GIFTS | D & JE Ritchie Family | R & M Holubar Family | K & N Miller Family |
| Child Lit | | B Platz | |
| HC @ Home | | Deacon Mitch Nancy Theresa Mitchell | |
| SACRISTIAN | J Anderson | S Schnor | JJ Urich |
| NURSERY | | | Sheila & Grace Colton |
| NURSERY BACK-UP | | | Angie Anderson |
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Collection for February 22 & 23

Offertory \$ 326.44

Weekly \$ 4,890.50

Total \$ 5,216.94

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Saint Ambrose University, continuing its mission of service to the Diocese of Davenport, announces the **Menke Parish Scholarship Program** for the 2014-2015 academic year. Each parish

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Mass Intentions (March)

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| Mon 03 | No Mass | |
| Tues 04 | 12:10 pm | Bonnie Geering |
| Wed 05 | 7:00 am | Lefty Doyle |
| | 6:30 pm | For the Parish |
| Thurs 06 | 9:30 am CC | Mitch Einck |
| Fri 07 | 7:00 am | Deacon Paul Hittner |
| Sat 08 | 5:00 pm | Gleason 50th Anniv |
| Sun 09 | 8:30 am | Gina Schmadeke |
| | 10:30 am | Donald Lenz |



Congratulations Chuck and Judy Gleason on your 50 years of marriage.



OPERATION RICE BOWL – Incorporates the three pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting and almsgiving while raising our consciousness of the poor and vulnerable in our world community. The bowl includes a calendar with a wealth of resources for spending Lent in solidarity with the poor: Bring your family Rice Bowl sacrificial offering to Mass on Holy Thursday. Half will be sent to Catholic Relief Services; the other half for Kid's for Hunger during our summer Vacation Bible School.



SPREAD THE LOVE. Throughout the month of February, The Crisis Center has been asking the community to help "Spread the Love" by donating peanut butter and jelly to their Food Bank. The social action committee would like to continue this project and ask that you donate an extra jar of peanut butter and jelly for the next food collection in March. The PB and J will be distributed to the Solon Food Pantry and the Crisis Center Food Bank.



Marriage Encounter Weekend: Marriage Encounter Weekend shows couples how to be straightforward and honest in their communication, so they can build a foundation for the kind of trust and love every marriage deserves. Take time out and tune up your marriage! The next locals weekend is in Cedar Rapids at the Coopers Mill Best Western, March 7-9. See <http://www.iowa-wwme.org>

| Parish Income/Expense Report for January 2014 | | | |
|---|-----------------|--|-----------------|
| January Income: | | January Expenses: | |
| Cash | \$4,186 | Admin Salaries | \$5,147 |
| Envelopes | \$24,735 | FICA/Benefits | \$913 |
| Religious Ed | \$20 | Operations | \$10,215 |
| Other Income | \$400 | Repairs | \$450 |
| Christmas Envelopes | \$215 | Religious Ed | \$8,028 |
| Refund from Diocese | 0 | Ministerial Costs | \$3,371 |
| TOTAL INCOME | \$29,856 | TOTAL EXPENSES | \$28,124 |
| Beginning Cash Available | \$117,157 | | |
| January Net Income | \$1,732 | Budgeted income to Expense July-Jan. | \$24,639 |
| February Reserve | (\$27,573) | | |
| Ending Cash Available | \$91,316 | Actual Income to Expense July-January | \$61,407 |
| Building Fund | \$55,704 | Bank Loan | \$0 |

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 12:10 Mass with potluck to follow.



LENT BEGINS ON MARCH 5. Masses on Ash Wednesday are 7:00 am and 6:30 pm. Ash Wednesday is a day of both fasting and abstinence. May the coming 40 days be a time of spiritual renewal as we prepare to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus at Easter.

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 which, if added together, does not exceed the quantity of food in the main meal. During Lent we fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

ABSTINANCE means not to eat meat as a way to remember and honor the death of Jesus on Good Friday. During Lent those 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS begins on Wednesday March 12 at 5:45 pm.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK may be received at any of the Masses on the weekend of March 15-16.

GIRL SCOUTS COOKIE SALE – we have quite a few girls in scouts. They will have a common table in the gathering space on March 8-9 for cookies.

CONFIRMATION CLASS SHIRT SALE – Ash Wednesday after both Masses and March 15-16 after all the Masses. Proceeds to benefit Choices Clinic in Iowa City.



PASTORAL COUNCIL PLANNING RETREAT – Saturday, March 8, 8:30am – Noon in our retreat center. All Commission chairs and members, as well as Finance Council, are expected to attend. Father Sheedy will also be with us so we can familiarize him with the ministry of each Commission/Council, what we have accomplished during the past year, and what we plan to accomplish in the coming year.

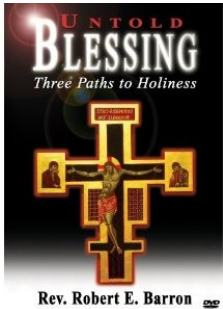
CASTLE SINGERS at St. Mary's March 10 at 7:30pm Castle Singers Tour Concert featuring Solon High School Jazz Choir and Mt. Vernon High School Jazz Choir. *Suggested Donations:* \$10 Adults, \$5 Students.

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SCRIPTURE MEDITATION



(Jerry Galipeau, World Library Publications)

Last week Jesus' words may have sounded impossible. This week he sounds irresponsible. Don't worry, he says? Don't worry about what you will eat or drink or wear? Really? Right; no problem. With global warming, hurricanes devastating communities, countries with unstable leaders gaining nuclear capability, record gun sales, savings for the future evaporating, paying off school debts overwhelming, finding full-time work so difficult, being told not to worry seems quite out of touch. But Jesus is not talking from the perspective of this world's analysis, but from the vantage point of a prophet announcing the coming of God's kingdom. He is calling us to get our priorities in order. There is nothing more important than living a life that trusts in God's goodness and care. God can be looked on as a mother who will never forget the child of her womb, never be without tenderness for her child. As Pope John Paul I once said, "God is the father, but God is also the mother." And this mother will never forget her children or abandon them.

Can you make that radical decision to trust God over and above anything or anyone else?

**Opportunities to Share
Your Time and Talents**

Looking for ways to get involved and volunteer? These are some of our current needs:

Cooks (Kid's Meal): 2 people to prepare, serve & clean-up a simple meal (mac-n-cheese, etc.) the evening of April 5 for kids whose parents are attending the Smart Discipline (approx. 4:30-7:00pm)

Childcare: Help watch kids whose parents are attending Smart Discipline on Saturday, April 5, 6-8:45 pm in the lower level of the hall. Both teens and adults are needed!

Setup/Serve/Clean Up: 3 people needed to setup food, serve soup and cleanup (5:15-7:30 pm on Apr 5)

Setup/Food Prep: 3 people to make meat/cheese trays, cut desserts and prep serving line (4:00-6:00pm on April 5)

Can You Help?

Contact Patty Benzing: patty@solonstmary.org
319-541-4253