

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2019**

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

- 11:00 AM—Mass (Becky Maher) with second collection to support the Medical Mission Trip to El Salvador
- 12:00 PM—Coffee and Donuts

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2019**

Weekday; (4)

**Tuesday, February 5, 2019**

Saint Agatha, Virgin, Martyr

- 6:30 PM—Knights of Columbus dinner and meeting

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2019**

Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

- 9:00 AM—Morning Prayer, Coffee following
- 6:30 PM—Faith Formation, K-8

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2019**

Weekday;

- 6:30 PM—Altar & Rosary meeting

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2019**

Weekday (4); *Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine*

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2019**

Weekday;



"Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place."  
Luke 4:24

**SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday**

Heb 11:32-40  
Ps 31:20-24  
Mk 5:1-20

**Tuesday**

Heb 12:1-4  
Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32  
Mk 5:21-43

**Wednesday**

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15  
Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18  
Mk 6:1-6

**Thursday**

Heb 12:18-19, 21-24  
Ps 48:2-4, 9-11  
Mk 6:7-13



**Friday**

Heb 13:1-8  
Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8-9  
Mk 6:14-29

**Saturday**

Heb 15-17, 20-21  
Ps 23:1-6  
Mk 6:30-34

**Sunday**

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8  
Ps 138:1-5, 7-8  
1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11  
Lk 5:1-11

**Some Dates to Note**

- Feb. 5—Knights of Columbus dinner and meeting
- Feb. 7—Altar & Rosary meeting
- Feb. 21—Finance Council Meeting
- Feb. 29—Liturgy Committee Meeting
- Feb. 29—Parish Council Meeting
- Mar. 3—Knights Mulligan Stew lunch

**ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 6:30 PM**

**PARISH HALL (CHURCH BASEMENT)**

All women of the church are urged to attend in order to help with the important work of the Altar & Rosary Society



**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2019**

**FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

- 11:00 AM—Mass ( )

"Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets."  
Luke 5:5

**Dc. Joe Out of Town**

Dc. Joe will be out of town from February 5 to February 19. Father returns on February 4. In case of emergency, please call Sacred Heart, Newton.

**First-Sunday-of-the-Month Second Collection**

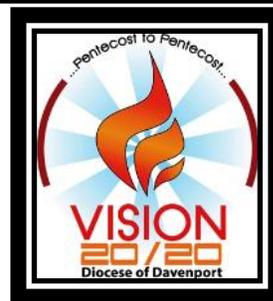
Today's First-Sunday-of-the-Month Second Collection will go to support the annual medical mission trip to El Salvador. If you would like to help with this important mission but are unable to today, you may bring a check later but mark it clearly for the mission trip

**Knights of Columbus Dinner and Meeting**

**Tuesday, February 5**

**Dinner at 6:30, meeting at 7:00.**

All men of the parish are welcome.



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**Faith Formation News**

Regular classes on Wednesday, February 6, from 6:30 to 7:30.



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## FROM THE DEACON'S DESK

### How Does the Bible Address Racism by Fr. Lawrence E. Mick

Racism is “an evil which endures in our society and in our church” and “a sin,” the U.S. bishops have said.

Some religious groups teach that we should only believe what we can find explicitly taught in the Bible. The Catholic Church does not deal with the Bible that way. We recognize that the Bible, as an ancient book, should not be expected to address every issue that arises centuries later.

For example, I cannot find the word “racism” anywhere in the Bible. I can find the word “race” many times. Some of them refer to footraces, some to the human race and many to the Jewish race. But I find no discussion of how we should treat people whose skin color is different from our own.

However, that doesn't mean that the Bible teaches us nothing about racism. Racial relations are part of how we treat other people among us and the Bible has a lot to say about that.

The most obvious example, perhaps, is the teaching of Jesus about the greatest commandment. He combines two commandments into one: Love God completely and love your neighbor as yourself. How we treat those of other races or ethnicities certainly falls under that dual command.

Of course, like the scholar in Jesus' time, we might ask, “Who is my neighbor?” And we know how Jesus answered. He answered with the parable of the good Samaritan. The Samaritan was not part of the Jewish race, yet he reached out in love to care for the wounded Jew on the side of the road. And at the end of the parable, Jesus tells us to “go and do likewise.”

Pushing the point even further, Jesus teaches in the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5:43: “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you.” That teaching may point us to the crux of the matter. One reason for racism, in some cases, is simply our tendency, whether learned or ingrained in us, to stick with our own kind. Perhaps these tendencies are so deep that we can't change them. For some, what is different from them seems threatening to his or her identity or group.

But it is obvious that people respond very differently to racial issues in society. Some give in fully to that instinct to stick with people who are like them and treat those of other races or ethnicities as enemies to be feared or even destroyed.

Others have learned how to behave in a more loving manner, trying to treat each person as a neighbor, or even as a brother or sister. That kind of learning can trump our responses so that we do not act out of fear or prejudice.

Acting in a loving manner toward others, we are able to follow Christ and love our neighbors as ourselves, regardless of their race, ethnicity or background. . Copyright © 2015, Catholic News Service–United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, DC. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

God's abundant blessings

Dc. Joe

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#### ORDINATION BANNS

As James Joseph Flattery, a seminarian from this parish, prepares for possible diaconate ordination this summer, the People of God are asked about his worthiness. If you are aware of any reason why this man should not be ordained, you are asked to contact:

Fr. Joseph Sia  
Office of Vocations  
780 W. Central Park Avenue  
Davenport, IA 52804  
563-888-4255 sia@davenportdiocese.org

The names of those expressing concerns will not be shared with any of the candidates, though the nature of the concern may be shared with them as part of the discernment and evaluation process.

### Cathedral Sunday, Next Sunday, February 10

Next Sunday the Diocese of Davenport recognizes Sacred Heart Cathedral as the Diocesan Home for each Catholic Family in our Diocese. Providing support for our Bishop and Cathedral provides the necessary funds to maintain the integrity and maintenance of this historic structure. Envelopes will be provided next Sunday for your contribution.

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### SAINT OF THE WEEK

#### Agatha: 3rd Century

Feast Day—February 5

As with other early Christian martyrs, the details of Agatha's story are based on Christian tradition and legend. The Sicilian-born virgin was martyred during the persecution of Emperor Decius, who ruled from 249-51.

She was sent to a brothel in an attempt to force her to repudiate her vow of chastity, but she remained steadfast. Amid this ordeal, her breasts were cut off. Healed when St. Peter appeared to her in prison, she died a few days later from further torture. Popular devotion to Agatha soon spread, and she was added to the Roman Canon of the Mass in about 600. Copyright ©2018 Catholic News Service–United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, DC. All rights reserved. Used with permission.



**“An evangelizing community gets involved by word and deed in people's daily lives; it bridges distances, it is willing to abase itself if necessary, and it embraces human life, touching the suffering flesh of Christ in others. Evangelizers thus take on the 'smell of the sheep' and the sheep are willing to hear their voice.”**

**Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium (Joy of the Gospel)**



**February 3, 2019—11:00 AM**

**Lectors:** John Heggen & Rita Krueger  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Claire Williams, Mckensie Brown, Susan Heggen, & Pam Brown  
**Altar Servers:** Makenzie Bussan & Lisa Bussan  
**Greeters:** Bill Hill & Meta Hill

**February 10, 2019—11:00 AM**

**Lectors:** Joann Carrothers & Mary Dell Flattery  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Rita Krueger, Karen Van Dusseldorp., Linda Barnum, Kathy Williams, & Meta Hill  
**Servers:** Irma Bell & Dane Owens  
**Greeters:** Bud Wilson & Claire Williams



## Pray for God's Peace and Joy

Please pray for:

Diane Wood  
Wes Koebrick (Father of Linda Barnum)  
Michael John Nelson, cousin of Mike Wood, nephew of Diane Wood  
James and Edward cousins of Janette Baldwin and Claire Gillan

For all who have died.

For vocations, our parish, and our faith formation program.



**Mark Your Calendars**  
**Knights of Columbus Mulligan**  
**Stew Lunch**  
**Sunday, March 3 immediately**  
**following mass**



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- ⇒ Cathedral Sunday: Q&A about campaign to support our mother church.
- ⇒ Keep God's love alive, pope tells young people at World Youth Day.
- ⇒ High court takes no action on White House efforts to end DACA.
- ⇒ 20 people killed and many injured in Philippine cathedral attack...

Columns

- ⇒ Dan Ebener: The work of finding the lost sheep belongs to all of us.
- ⇒ Fr. Ken Doyle: Q&A on disposing of relics; the church and single parents.
- ⇒ Fr. Rolheiser: Whenever reality isn't respected, it bites back.
- ⇒ Catholic Health Care Today: the eternal mother-child connection..

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## THE LORD'S LAUGHTER

"The One whose throne is in heaven sits laughing." Psalm 2:4  
Psalm 2:4

### Politeness

There are two polite people having dinner together. On the table there is a dish with one big piece of fish and one small piece of fish. They politely say to each other: "You may choose first." "No, you may choose first." This goes on for a while. Then the first person says: "OK, I'll take first." And he takes the BIG piece of fish.

The second person is upset: "Why did you take the big piece? That's not polite!"

The first person says: "Which piece would you have taken?"

The second person replies: "Why, I would have taken the SMALL piece, of course."

The first person says: "Well, that's what you have now!"

## Prayer for Vocations

Compassionate God, You speak your word to us through prophets of long ago and you continue to reveal your message of love today. With great expectation we look to your Spirit empowering us to serve you as Jesus did.

May we listen for your word and respond generously to your call. Renew in us the grace of our baptism. Strengthen married couples, single men and women, deacons, priests, sisters, and brothers as they seek to serve you by sharing their love and compassion.

Grant wisdom to those who are discerning their call. With gratitude we proclaim the Good News of Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. ©2006NCCV [www.nccv-vocations.org](http://www.nccv-vocations.org)

## "The Nature of Love: What it is & Why It Means Everything"

### with Katie Patrizio

Join your friends during the season of love at special evening with Katie Patrizio. On Saturday, February 16, 2019, Katie will share her thoughts about LOVE in a fun way for the marriage and singles to put into action with the everyday life. Katie is the Director of Faith Formation at the St. Cecilia Parish in Ames, regularly on Iowa Catholic Radio and speaker at events around the country.

Sacred Heart Church in Newton invites all to come to the DMACC Conference Center at 5:00 p.m. for a cash bar social hour to meet Katie before a catered dinner followed by her dynamic, heart-warming presentation; The Nature of Love. All are welcome to attend the 4:00 Mass held at Sacred Heart Church. Tickets can be purchased in person at Sacred Heart Church or on line at <http://shcnewton.com> for \$25 per person including the dinner and unforgettable presentation.

## 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, the Victim Assistance Coordinator, 563-349-5002; [vac@diodav.org](mailto:vac@diodav.org) or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004.