

**Daily Readings for the  
Week of February 9, 2025**

Sunday, Feb.9: Isaiah 6:1-2, 3-8/ Psalms 138:1-5, 7-8/ 1 Corinthians 15:1-11/ Luke 5:1-11  
 Monday, Feb.10: Genesis 1:1-19/ Psalms 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35/ Mark 6:53-56  
 Tuesday, Feb.11: Genesis 1:20--2:4/ Psalms 8:4-9/ Mark 7:1-13  
 Wednesday, Feb.12: Genesis 2:4-9, 15-17/ Psalms 104:1-2, 27-30/ Mark 7:14-23  
 Thursday, Feb.13: Genesis 2:18-25/ Psalms 128:1-5/ Mark 7:24-30  
 Friday, Feb.14: Genesis 3:1-8/ Psalms 32:1-2, 5-7/ Mark 7:31-37  
 Saturday, Feb.15: Genesis 3:9-24/ Psalms 90:2-6, 12-13/ Mark 8:1-10

**Schedule for Feb. 16, 2025**

Lector: Mark  
Greeters/Gifts: J. Ahrendsen Family  
Servers: Kevin/Grady  
Money Counters: Mark/Monte  
Extraordinary Ministers  
of the Eucharist: Mark/Doris



**Today's Mass Intention  
Walter and Arlene Sterk**

Mass Intention Feb.16th  
 Rosey Stephan, Paul Clasen, and  
 Alverda and Vin Clasen

**Priest Visit to the Homebound**  
 If you are sick or homebound or know someone who is, and would like Fr. Andrew to visit and pray, contact the main office at 319-320-5003 or email Fr. Andrew at DBQ137@dbqarch.org.

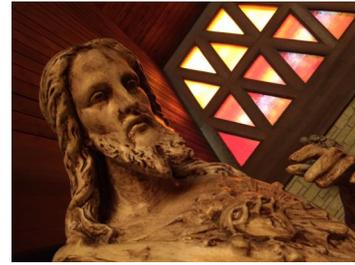
**Prayer Corner**

Betty Anderson, Rich Kleineck, Bill Ihns,  
 Marilyn Stevenson, Julie Ahrendsen, Zoey Meyers,  
 Carrie Leeper, Larry Marek, Carl Koppes, Marsha Lasack,  
 Chris Gibbs, Wendy Larive, Fr. Andrew



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 Mass Schedule: 10:30am Sunday  
 www.sacredheartoj.org

February 9, 2025

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Mon., Wed., Fri.

10:00am-11:00am

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**Office Hours:**

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Ron Nowachek

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Mark Denniston

Embracing the Grace of the Jubilee Year 2025

Dear Parishioners,

As reflections on the Jubilee Year 2025 continue, it is significant that we get involved and stay connected with the universal church. The Jubilee Year is underway from now till the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord on January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026. These are grace-filled moments for all of us in the Church. And precisely so, we are called to be open to the power of God’s grace that comes subtly but palpably to transform our lives.

Among the things that should pivot our interest is the core reason for the celebration, marking the 2025<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord, making it an “event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church.” Therefore, the Church invites everyone to embark on a journey of hope directing our focus to Christ to redirect our focus positively about life amidst the chaos and confusion around us. Jesus Christ, the incarnate Word is still the one who calms the stormy waters.

For every Catholic to have access to the jubilee graces, local bishops are encouraged to identify Churches and Catholic Shrines as places of pilgrimage. We are encouraged to embark on pilgrimages to these designated places if they are available. These journeys can be made to such sacred sites in large numbers or individually to participate in special times of spiritual renewal and reconciliation. This is understood to be a physical act of devotion and commitment to one’s faith.

So far, the Archdiocese of Dubuque has not named any designated sites for visits. We hope to learn more as the year surges on and bring it to your attention. And, if your financial situation permits, you may plan a pilgrimage to Rome with your family or friends.

We want to urge parishioners to take advantage of the opportunities that the year presents and have spiritual renewal and faith enhancement. This is an opportune time for Catholic Christians to reflect upon their lives and find means of strengthening their faith in God who has invited them on a journey of hope. It is a time to reflect upon how merciful God has been to humanity. As we continue to seek mercy from Him, we must put forth efforts to pray to Him to grant us that spirit to be merciful to one another.

**Catholic Charities:** Providing Help, Creating Hope, Serving All Catholic Charities offers life-changing ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Dubuque, including Mental Health Counseling, Affordable Housing, Immigration Legal Services, Jail & Prison Reentry Services, Case Management, Post-Adoption Search, and Crisis Pregnancy Counseling. All are welcome at Catholic Charities, regardless of their faith or background. Your support and prayers for these ministries are a testament to the boundless grace of God. Please consider partnering with Catholic Charities and contribute to the Annual Appeal today at <http://www.CatholicCharitiesDubuque.org/annualappeal>.

The spring/summer kolache bake will be on March 28-29. More information coming soon.

Sacred Heart has three students who will be celebrating the sacrament of Confirmation on March 9th, 2025. Please keep Declan Dies, Timothy Driver and Lucas Carlson in your prayers as they get closer to their confirmation date.

The CCD students and teachers have a spot for messages and words of encouragement located in the center of the hallway at the bottom of the mail slots for our parishioners. Please consider adding a message of support and encouragement to these awesome students and teachers.

Bible Study will be this Wednesday, Feb. 12th at 6:30 in the church library. All are welcome to attend.



**Feb. 2nd, 2025 Collection**

Envelopes	\$ 690.00
Offertory	96.00
Candles	27.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 813.00</b>



If you wish to have your child baptized, please contact Wendy Swan at (319) 320-5003 or e-mail [dbq155sec@dbqarch.org](mailto:dbq155sec@dbqarch.org).