

MINI-MESSENGER **Volume 40 Number 6, December 2010**

The Official Newsletter of the Diocese of Davenport

Published Monthly

Deacon David Montgomery, Director of Communication, Editor

OFFICES CLOSED: The diocesan and Catholic Messenger offices will be closed December 24-January 2.

SEVERE WEATHER CLOSINGS AND CANCELLATIONS

When the chancery is closed or a diocesan event is cancelled due to severe weather, the staff and the public can receive notification through several methods:

1. Call the Diocese at 563-324-1912 and press three during any part of the receptionist's message.
2. Check the Diocesan website home page – www.davenportdiocese.org
3. Check the Diocesan Facebook page – www.facebook/diodav

DIRECTORY CHANGE

Rev. Bob Striegel: new address: 780 West Central Park Ave., Davenport 52804-1901 (phone & email remain the same)

NEW DIOCESAN PHONE NUMBERS

The newly renovated third floor has its first occupants: the offices for the Bishop, Vicar General, Chancellor, Development and Finance. These staff members now have their permanent phone numbers. Please see the attached updated phone list. Yet to move to the third floor are the offices of Vocations, Liturgy, Stewardship and Diaconate. The Social Action Office will also be moving. An updated phone list will be emailed when the next moves occur. The staff phone list may also be accessed from the diocesan website homepage, www.davenportdiocese.org, as it will be updated the days the offices move and phone numbers change.

FINANCE OFFICE

Scholarship for Catholic College Students: Applications are being accepted until February 1, 2011 for the Marguerite A. Ritzinger Scholarship \$1000 scholarship. This scholarship is for Catholic students who will be college freshmen, sophomores, juniors or seniors in fall 2011. The following must be submitted as one package: application, essay, high school or college transcript, and two reference letters. Last year \$18,000 in scholarship money was distributed. An application can be downloaded at www.davenportdiocese.org/finance/finlibrary.htm.

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, or vacdav@attglobal.net or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004.

STEWARDSHIP OFFICE

The diocesan Stewardship Commission has planned a Servant Leadership Day on January 13, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. at St. Patrick Parish, Iowa City. The workshop will meet a dual purpose of concluding the fall 2010 Servant Leadership Institute and launching the spring 2011 Servant Leadership Institute, which will run from January - April. For more information; to register for the day; or to RSVP for lunch email Dan Ebener, ebener@davenportdiocese.org. The only cost of Servant Leadership Day is the cost of lunch, approximately \$5 per participant.

LITURGY OFFICE

Reminder for Roman Missal Workshops: Please get your registrations for the Deanery Roman Missal workshops in as soon as possible. The deadline for the January workshops is December 1 and the deadline for the February workshops is Jan 3. Also, pastors are to submit their requests for pew cards containing the new Mass parts by December 1 as well. Please contact Deacon Frank Agnoli, 563-349-2577 or agnoli@davenportdiocese.org.

PASTORAL SERVICES

Social Action . . .

Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) Collection: Thank you for your support of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. If you missed the collection, it isn't too late to give a check to your parish marked CCHD. This collection helps people out of poverty.

National Migration Week: *Renewing Hope, Seeking Justice* is the theme for National Migration Week, January 2-8. Resources are available in English and Spanish through the USCCB. A poster, prayer card, and bulletin insert can be found at <http://www.usccb.org/mrs/nmw/index.shtml> or call 800-235-8722.

Operation Rice Bowl: Order cards for materials were mailed to all parishes in early October. If parishes did not use this card an order can be placed at <http://orb.crs.org/> and click on "order form" or call 800-222-0025. Orders will be shipped in early-January, six weeks before Lent.

The Annual Catholic Social Ministry Gathering will be held February 13-16 in Washington, DC. The theme for the 2011 gathering is *Protecting Human Life and Dignity, Promoting a Just Economy*. Please take advantage of the early registration discount and register by December 29. For more information go to <http://www.usccb.org/jphd/csmg/index.shtml>.

St. Vincent Home Corporation Grants must be postmarked by **March 19** for consideration at the spring board meeting. All applications must be postmarked by that date. To be consistent with its purpose, the St. Vincent Home Corporation will focus on those projects that assist children who are in the greatest need. Projects that address children in general should explain the extent to which the project also supports children who have special needs, such as poverty, family breakdown or other disadvantage. The grant application and criteria are available at <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/sastvincenthomecorporation.htm>. Please note important changes in the criteria.

If you received a grant in the past you must also submit your progress report by March 19. New funding applications will not be considered until Progress Reports regarding previously awarded grants have been submitted. For questions or information contact Loxi Hopkins, hopkins@davenportdiocese.org or 563-324-1911.

Faith Formation . . .

Day of Reflection: *Growing in Faith Through Difficult Times*, February 26, St. Patrick Parish, Iowa City. Sr. Joyce Rupp will facilitate this day of examining "life, death and new life". This day is open to all parish and school leaders and those seeking a day of renewal. A registration brochure can be found on the diocesan website, <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/faithform/index.htm>.

Upcoming youth retreats

Quest retreats for youth in grades 9 and 10 will be held:

- Jan. 8-9 at Our Lady of Lourdes in Bettendorf. For more information, contact Joyce Kloft at (563) 359-0345 or bettlourdesdre@diodav.org.
- March 26-27 at St. Mary's in Grinnell. For more information, contact Crystal DeNeve at (641) 236-8838 or grinnellstmarydre@diodav.org.

COR retreats for youth in grades 10, 11 and 12 will be held:

- January 21-23 at Our Lady of Victory in Davenport. For information, contact Leigh Boorn at (563) 391-8384 or davolvym@diodav.org.
- March 4-6 at St. Joseph's in DeWitt. For information, contact Pat Sheil at (563) 659-3514 or dewittstjosephym@diodav.org.
- March 25-27 at Holy Trinity Parish in Keota. For information, contact Connie and Jay Peilffer at 641-635-2695 or jpeifferfam@cloudburst9.com.

The Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) retreat for youth in grades 11 and 12 and college freshmen will be held Feb. 19-21 at Assumption High School in Davenport. For more information, contact Pat Finan at (641) 842-5148 or finan@davenportdiocese.org.

“Peace, Love, Jesus” the Junior High Youth Rally will be Sunday, March 20 at Regina Catholic Education Center. Our keynoters will be Oddwalk Ministries, featuring Shannon Cerneka, Orin Johnson and their fabulous keytar. Information will be e-mailed to all parish leaders soon. Registration deadline is March 4, with March 11 being our final deadline (at an additional \$5 per registration). Please steer your youth to www.davenportyouth.org for more information about Oddwalk and our rally.

Upcoming youth events

- **Notre Dame Vision:** The ND Vision program helps young people recognize God’s call in their lives and respond to that call with courage and faith. High school students from across the nation will join together at the University of Notre Dame for five days of discernment about how they can grow and use their gifts. Our diocese is coordinating a contingent to attend June 20-24. Youth applying should have attended CLI (see below). Scholarship support will be available. For more information, go to www.vision.nd.edu or www.davenportyouth.org
- **Catholics in Action**, our annual high school youth service retreat, will be held **June 26-28** at Regina High School in Iowa City. CIA brings nearly 100 Catholic youth (incoming freshmen through graduating seniors) together for three days of service, prayer, learning and fun.
- **Christian Leadership Institute (CLI)**, to be held July 24-29 at the Ewalu Camp and Retreat Center in Strawberry Point. Students in grades 10-12 are invited to learn leadership skills in a Catholic context. Watch www.davenportyouth.org for more information. Scholarship assistance will be available.
- **2011 High School Youth Rally** will be Sunday, Oct. 23 at the Coralville Marriott. Our keynoter will be Mike Patin!
- **National Catholic Youth Conference** will be Nov. 17-19 in Indianapolis, IN. If your parish has not yet indicated interest, please contact Pat Finan at (641) 842-5148 or finan@davenportdiocese.org. We will try to accommodate late requests for participation. For more information, go to www.davenportyouth.org

Marriage Preparation Weekends:

- February 19-20: Bettendorf, St. John Vianney (registration deadline February 11)
- April 9-10: Williamsburg, St. Mary (registration deadline April 1)
- June 25-26: Sigourney, St. Mary (registration deadline June 17)
- August 6-7: Mt. Pleasant, St. Alphonsus (registration deadline July 29)

The registration form is on the diocesan website, www.davenportdiocese.org (Faith Formation Office> Marriage Preparation). Registration is \$125 per couple. For information about marriage preparation in our diocese or neighboring dioceses contact Barb Butterworth, 563-888-4240 or butterworthb@davenportdiocese.org or IlaMae Hanisch, hanisch@davenportdiocese.org.

Ministry Formation Program (MFP): The Ministry Formation Program is a way to grow in your faith and learn how you can become more active in your parish and its ministries. Participants are welcome to register at any time for any number of courses. The remaining courses follow. An informational brochure, registration information and application are in the Faith Formation Library on the diocesan website, www.davenportdiocese.org.

MFP Year II Basic Classes, English:

Dec. 4	New Testament	Dec. 18	New Testament
Jan. 15	Theological Themes	Jan. 29	Theological Themes
Feb. 5	Moral Themes	Feb. 19	Moral Themes
March 5	Canon Law	March 19	Civil Law
April 2	Liturgical Themes	April 16	Liturgical Themes

MFP Year II Basic Classes, Spanish:

		Dec. 19	Introduccion a la Liturgia
Jan. 30	Introduccion al Derecho Canonico	Feb. 20	Introduccion a la Theologia
March 20	Introduccion a la Espiritualidad	April 17	Biblia Viejo Testamento
May 1	Biblia Nuevo Testamento	June 5	Introduccion a los Temes de Catequesis

Parish Life Administrator: All the following; Pastoral Associate: +; Finance Administrator: *

		Dec. 18	New Roman Missal+
Jan. 29	Parish Management I*	Feb. 19	Parish Management II*
March 19	RCIA in the Parish+	April 16	Parish Leadership*
May 7	Sacramental Prep I+	June 4	Annulments+
July 9	Sacramental Prep II+	August 27	Parish Life*

THE NEWMAN SINGERS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Nationally recognized leaders in liturgical and inspirational music, the Newman Singers will present their annual Christmas Concert Shows at the Newman Center in Iowa City on:

Friday, December 3, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, December 4, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, December 5, 1:30 p.m.

With their full orchestra and singers, and a reception following the show, this event is a wonderful and entertaining way to start your Christmas Season. Tickets are \$15 each and are available at the Newman Center, by phone at 319-338-8812, and online at www.newmansingers.com.

Special Youth Group Pricing: Tickets for the December 5 show, purchased as a group through your youth minister, are \$10 each and include a short mini-retreat and refreshments after the concert with University of Iowa students.

Contact Joe Mattingly at 319-338-8812 or nspinfo@newmansingers.com for more information.

CONTEMPLATIVE OUTREACH EASTERN IOWA AREA

Centering Prayer Practitioners are invited to attend the following:

- Advent Retreat: Dec. 4, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., St. Andrew, Blue Grass
- Silent Saturdays: Jan. 15, Feb. 19, and March 19; 9:30-11:30 a.m., Humility of Mary Center, Davenport
- False Self Film Festival: Jan. 23, 1 – 4 p.m. The film *Invictus* will be shown. Holy Family Parish Office, Davenport
- False Self Film Festival: March 6. The film *The Power of Forgiveness* will be shown. Holy Family Parish Office, Davenport
- Local support groups are available in Bettendorf, Blue Grass, Clinton, Davenport, Maquoketa and Rock Island, Illinois

For information on any of the above call Lolita Dierickx, 563-285-7242.

SISTERS OF HUMILITY OF MARY

Holiday Movie and Gift Swap: Dec. 7, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. at the Humility of Mary Center, 820 West Central Park Ave., Davenport. Cost: Free.

The Story of Stuff, 7:00 p.m. With the holiday shopping frenzy in mind... our feature film will be “The Story of Stuff” – a provocative tour of our consumer-driven culture. A fast paced look at the underside of production, consumption, and waste. It’ll teach you something. It’ll make you laugh. And it just may change the way you look at all your stuff. With over 12 million on-line views, The “Story of Stuff” is one of the most widely viewed environmental-themed short films of all time.

The CHM Holiday Gift Swap Meet: *before and after the movie.* Why buy new stuff? As a way to reduce, reuse and recycle everyone is invited to bring new or gently used items that are currently gathering dust on a closet shelf. Then go shopping for that perfect gift for your loved ones...**no money necessary!** Leftover items will be donated to Humility of Mary Housing and Shelter Programs.

SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS, CLINTON

All events are held at The Canticle, 841-13th Avenue North, Clinton, and all are open to the public. For more information, call 563-242-7611 or visit www.cliintonfranciscans.com. For directions select the directions link from the home page.

December 1, 7:00 p.m. - Commemoration of the 30th Anniversary of the Four Women Martyrs of El Salvador - prayer service and presentation by Patricia Farrell OSF, former missionary to El Salvador.

Friday, December 3, 7:00 p.m. - Sunday noon, December 5 - "Birthing Compassion" - an Advent Retreat with Clinton Franciscan Sisters Mary Smith and Janice Cebula. Advance registration required. Call Sisters of St. Francis or visit: www.clintonfranciscans.com / Current Events.

Sundays, Dec. 5, 12, 19: 6:00 p.m. Solemn Advent Vespers on the Sunday evenings of Advent. Service of prayer, music, and Scripture reflection lasts about 45 minutes.

Wednesday, December 8, 7:00 - "Perspective on Palestine": Presentation and discussion with Martha Larson of Michigan Peace Teams, recently returned from 8 tours in the Holy Land.

BENET HOUSE RETREAT CENTER, ROCK ISLAND, IL

To register call 309-283-2108 or go online: retreats@smmsisters.org.

Advent Day of Prayer & Reflection: Pondering the Mystery of Advent Hope: On Dec. 4, 9:00 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sr. Helen Carey, OSB, PhD, invites you to step aside from the rush and bustle of preparation for Christmas and spend a day to take time to awaken and deepen your understanding of the Advent mysteries. The fee is \$30 which includes refreshments and lunch.

Directed Retreat: Sun. Jan. 16, 4 pm – Wed. Jan. 19, 4 pm. *I Will Make You a LIGHT to the Nations* offers you three days of prayer, silence, and an opportunity to meet daily with one of the following certified spiritual directors: Sr. Catherine Cleary, OSB; Fr. Mark DeSutter; Sr. Sandra Brunenn, OSB. Fee: \$230.

An Unfinished Journey: Exploring Issues of Forgiveness: Jan. 22, 9-3 pm. Join us for a daylong retreat on exploring the process of forgiveness and reconciliation, essential building blocks for strengthening our relationships with God and one another. Presenter: Dr. Mara Adams, Associate Professor of Theology, St. Ambrose University. Fee: \$30 (Incl. lunch and free child care.)

Praying with Benedict and Francis: Jan. 27, 9-3 pm. We will explore the core elements in the spirituality of each of these spiritual giants, and consider their unique gifts for us. Presenter: Sr. Sandra Brunenn, OSB, Fee: \$30 (incl. lunch).

SHALOM RETREAT CENTER, DUBUQUE

For more information or to register, contact Karen Knepper: 563-582-3592, kknepper@shalomretreats.org or visit www.shalomretreats.org.

There is a Balm in Gilead: Advent Reflections with African-American Spirituals

Sunday, Dec. 5, 10:00am - 4:00pm

Presenter: Paulette Skiba BVM, Associate Professor of Religious Studies, Clarke University

Inspired by the Scriptures, African-American spirituals have a unique ability to illumine the prophetic texts of the Old Testament used during the Advent season. Paulette will place the spirituals in dialog with the Advent readings as well as offer time for personal and communal prayer. Includes lunch and Sunday liturgy.

Offering: \$40. Register by noon, Wednesday, Dec. 1.

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

Deacons	Diocesan Corporate Board	Youth Ministers	Pastoral Associates
Diocesan Liturgical Commission	Parishes	Parish Lay Directors	Sisters
Priests	Principals	Diocesan Board of Education	Bookkeepers
Diocesan Pastoral Council	Seminarians	Directors/Coordinators of Faith Formation	RCIA Parish Contacts
Diocesan Planning Commission	Catholic Foundation		

Other interested persons are welcome to subscribe. If you have questions regarding your subscription contact Laurie Hoefling, hoefling@davenportdiocese.org.

Diocesan Staff Phone Extensions
As of November 29, 2010

Staff	Direct Number
Diocese (Main Number)	563-324-1911
Agnoli, Deacon Frank	563-349-2577
Amos, Bishop Martin	563-888-4360
Anderson, Arnie	563-888-4229
Blough, Beth	563-888-4233
Butterworth, Barb	563-888-4240
Butterworth, Rob	563-888-4223
Doran, Terri	563-888-4236
Ebener, Dan	563-888-4242
Ferris, Kent	563-888-4214
Finan, Pat	563-888-4244
Flores, Lauren	563-888-4200
Frick, Mary	563-888-4360
Garnica, Gricelda	563-888-4215
Garnica, Karina	563-888-4216
Goedken, Sr. Laura	563-888-4252
Goetz, Fr. Marty	563-888-4388
Guerrero, Esmeralda	563-888-4239
Hanisch, IlaMae	563-888-4243
Hoefling, Laurie	563-888-4220
Hopkins, Loxi	563-888-4239
Huber, Dave	563-888-4228
Hyland, Msgr. John	563-888-4362
Karn, Nancy	563-888-4367
Lackey, Sheryl	563-888-4366
Leach, Glenn	563-888-4213
Maaske, Char	563-888-4365
McCoy, Deacon Bob	563-888-4389
McDaniel, Fr. George	563-888-4363
Montgomery, Deacon David	563-888-4222
Morrison, Lee	563-888-4231
Painter, Laura	563-888-4207
Sowells, Lynnette	563-888-4364
Trees, Jackie	563-888-4221
Trujillo, Virginia	563-888-4230
Wieser, Arnie	563-888-4225
Wieser, Mary	563-888-4241
Wolf, Fr. Joe	563-888-4233
Wolfe, Dave	563-888-4227
Fax: (Faith Formation, Schools, Tribunal)	temporarily unavailable
Fax: (Chancery, Development, Diaconate, Finance, Liturgy, Stewardship, Vocations)	563-324-5842
Fax: (Comm., Immigration, Social Action)	563-888-4383
Catholic Messenger (Main Number)	563-323-9959
Amacher, Anne Marie	563-888-4247
Arland-Fye, Barb	563-888-4246
Hamerlinck, Nancy	563-888-4245
Klosterman, Celine	563-888-4248
Weiss, Kathy	563-888-4249
Fax	563-888-4382