

DIOCESAN OFFICES

The diocesan offices will be closed on Monday, May 31 in observance of Memorial Day.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

St. Patrick, Iowa City and Fr. Rudy Juarez: (Discontinue using PO Box)

All mail goes to their street address: 4330 St. Patrick Dr., Iowa City, IA 52240-4733

(The street address is incorrect in the 2010 Diocesan Directory on page 12 of the parishes section.)

VATICAN EXHIBIT

Vatican Splendors: A Journey through Art and Faith is the largest collection of Vatican art and objects to ever be exhibited in North America. This exhibition will be in only three cities throughout the United States and the only Midwest showing will be in St. Louis on May 15-Sept. 12. The art objects are presented in recreated environments chronicling our Church's history from St. Peter the Fisherman to Pope Benedict XVI, with special displays celebrating the life of Pope John Paul II. See the attached flyer for more information or visit www.mohistory.org or www.vaticansplendors.com.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

September 25-26 is the parish kick-off date for ADA 2010. Promotional material will not be mailed out by the diocese this year. This comes as a result of your evaluations after ADA 2009. Homily drafts, speaker points and bulletin and pulpit announcements will be available. We encourage you to also have a lay speaker in addition to the pastor promoting the ADA. We are planning to bring the record keeping back to the diocese hopefully in 2011. We will ask for parish updates weekly and will send this out to all parishes. The campaign updates have really helped and we hope ADA updates will too. For additional information contact Sr. Laura Goedken, OP, goedken@davenportdiocese.org or 563-324-1912, ext. 290.

VOCATIONS OFFICE

Holy Hours for Vocations: Scheduling has started for 24 Holy Hours and adoration for the gift of vocations throughout the Diocese of Davenport. Watch the *Mini-Messenger* and *The Catholic Messenger* for the dates and locations starting in May and running through November. Come and pray for the gift of vocations! Pastors of the parishes who have been asked to host the Holy Hours received an e-mail earlier and are asked to reply to Fr. Marty Goetz by Monday, May 3.

Ordination to the Priesthood: As a diocese we rejoice and remember in our prayers Deacon Joseph Nguyen who will be ordained a priest for our diocese on Saturday, May 22, 10 a.m., at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Davenport. Let us all pray for the gift of vocations!

New Vocation Website: The Bishops of the United States have launched a new website to promote vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. This new website offers resources for people in discernment and includes valuable information for parents, teachers and catechists. The website can be found at www.foryourvocation.org. Please advertise this in your bulletin and newsletters.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Parish Membership and Address Changes are due by May 1. To ensure parishioners receive a thank you letter from Bishop Amos for the Capital Campaign and any pledge reminders we must have current information. Parishes were sent a parish list for updating. Contact Lynnette Sowell, sowells@davenportdiocese.org if you did not receive your list or have questions.

Gavin Audit lists detailing who has been an employee, volunteer or state certified teacher at your parish or school entity during July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 is due to Lynnette Sowell by May 15. To expedite the process if an individual on your list has not had a background check or is due for their 5-year renewal check immediately

submit their completed background check forms and a copy of their driver's license. For questions regarding the lists, forms or submissions contact Lynnette at sowells@davenportdiocese.org or 563-324-1912, ext. 235.

Compensation for Parish Musicians: The IRS has issued a determination letter, SS8 2010020002, which rules that a musician who was paid by a church to perform at weekly services was an employee of the church and not an independent contractor. Therefore, compensation (whether termed a "fee" or "stipend" rather than salary is immaterial) was subject to employment taxes, a W-2, and employee benefits. Therefore a Form 1099 is not allowed.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

Sessions are open to all adults in the Diocese of Davenport and are mandated for all employees and those volunteers who work on a regular basis with children. To schedule a session contact your deanery facilitator listed on the diocesan website, www.davenportdiocese.org (Offices, Protecting Children, Safe Environment, Protecting God's Children) or Virginia Trujillo, trujillo@davenportdiocese.org or 563-324-1912, ext. 256. Current training scheduled (as of April 27):

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
5/1/10	St. Patrick Parish, Iowa City	9:00 a.m.
5/16/10	Assumption High School, Davenport	3:00 p.m.

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

PASTORAL SERVICES

Social Action . . .

Two diocesan grant applications are due May 31. Operation Rice Bowl grants are made to support direct service (the first foot of Social Justice) to people who are hungry. **CCHD grants** are made to organizations for projects that promote systemic change (the second foot of Social Justice). If your organization is interested in applying, send your request in a 1-2 page letter to: Esmeralda Guerrero, guerrero@davenportdiocese.org or Diocese of Davenport, 2706 N. Gaines St., Davenport 52804-1998. For questions contact Loxi Hopkins, 563-324-1912, ext. 246. Both grants must be postmarked by May 31. Grant criteria are available at <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/index.htm>.

New Catholic Campaign for Human Development Intern: Sarah Wurst was hired for the 2010 school year internship. She will have two weeks of training; one in Washington, D.C. and the other with the Gamaliel Foundation. Sarah is a junior at St. Ambrose University majoring in Arts in English and Theology. She speaks Spanish and spent last summer in Ecuador in an immersion program. She is currently interning with the Sisters of Humility at the homeless shelter. She recently was part of a peace march in Washington, D.C. and assisted with the diocesan Immigration Postcard campaign.

After the Storm is a book designed by trauma counselors to assist children with thoughts and feelings caused by family and personal losses as the result of storms and flooding. It is designed for younger children (the coloring book set) but in looking at the suggestions for adult assistance, and the text, it is possible to develop ideas for working with older youth. If you would like a copy, please contact Glenn Leach, 563-324-1912, ext. 244 or leach@davenportdiocese.org.

Diocesan Immigration Program: Effective immediately the site visits for Columbus Junctions have changed to the first Wednesday of the month. The site visits to Ottumwa will continue on the third Thursday of each month by appointment only from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. To schedule an appointment contact Karina Garnica, 563-324-1912, ext. 232 or Elliott Rivera, ext. 262.

Catholic Relief Services Global Fellows Program: If your parish or a group in your parish would like to schedule a speaker from CRS's Global Fellows Program to come to your parish and speak about CRS programs overseas, please contact Kathy McCoy, Operation Rice Bowl volunteer coordinator at 563-355-6347. Global Fellows are priests and seminarians who have personally visited Catholic Relief Services projects around the world and can share their stories with your parishioners. It is an excellent way to show how our Operation Rice Bowl funds are working in developing countries.

Faith Formation . . .

June Institute: “Connecting Catholic Families with the Bible,” Tuesday, June 22, St. Patrick Church, Iowa City, featuring Joan Weber of the Center for Ministry Development. This workshop offers practical strategies for making the Bible a vital part of the everyday lives of families in your parish. It is designed for parish faith formation leaders, youth ministry leaders, pastors, school principals and all who serve the church. Cost is \$39, which includes a copy of the new *Catholic Faith and Family Bible*, workshop materials, lunch and refreshments. You can register online at <http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07e2tq644h51c7de0c> or go to <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/faithform/fflib/June%20Institute/2010/June%20Institute%202010pdf.pdf> for a traditional registration flier. Deadline to register is June 7.

The Certificate Program in Youth Ministry Studies will be offered again this summer at St. Ambrose. This is a two-summer series, with four additional courses to be offered in the summer of 2011. This summer’s offerings include:

June 10-11 (Th-Fr)	Evangelization & Catechesis	Tom East
June 12-13 (Sa-Su)	Pastoral Care	Deborah McDonald
July 8-9 (Th-Fr)	Justice & Service	Joan Weber
July 10-11 (Sa-Su)	Prayer & Worship	Susan Searle

Each class is \$180 for the first parish/school participant, \$135 each for 2 parish/school participants, and \$95 each for 3 or more parish/school participants. Books are included in price and housing is available upon request. For more information or to register please contact the site coordinator, Stella O’Rourke, at 563-333-6083.

The Institute for New Youth Ministers will be offered July 27-30 in Chicago. Presenters include Bob McCarty, Mike Patin and Frank Mercadante. Early registration, prior to May 1, is \$549. For more information go to <http://www.cultivationministries.com/INYM1.html>.

August Gathering: August 6, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., St. Patrick Church, Iowa City. The presenter will be Joe Paprocki, author of “The Bible Blueprint: A Catholic’s Guide to Understanding and Embracing God’s Word.” Go to www.davenportdiocese.org/faithform/fflib/August%20Gathering/August%20Gathering%202010.pdf for a registration flyer. Deadline to register is July 30.

Opportunities for Youth

Diocesan Youth Ministry Committee: Applications for the 2010-11 Diocesan Youth Ministry Committee are at www.davenportyouth.org. The DYMC is a group of 24 people (three youth and one adult from each of our six deaneries) that promotes comprehensive youth ministry in our diocese. Youth applications must be received by your dean by May 7.

NET Ministries: National Evangelization Teams (NET) retreats will be offered in our diocese in the 2010-11 school year. An announcement of their three-week tour, along with the opportunity to sign up for retreat dates, will be made soon. For more information on NET services, go to www.netusa.org.

A Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) retreat will be held June 12-14 at St. Ann’s Parish in Long Grove. TEC is a retreat for youth who will be high school juniors, seniors and college freshmen this fall. Youth can find more information at www.davenportyouth.org.

Catholics in Action is a three-day service retreat that brings together 100 youth and adults from across our diocese. CIA will be held this year June 27-29. For more information, including registration documents, go to www.davenportdiocese.org/faithform/ffyouthministrypg1.htm#CIA or contact Pat Finan at finan@davenportdiocese.org.

Christian Leadership Institute (CLI), a weeklong empowerment experience for high school sophomores, juniors and seniors, will be held July 25-30 at the Christian Conference Center near Newton. CLI brings together dozens of talented youth every summer for six days to build their leadership skills for service to the church. This year, only one week of CLI will be offered, so save these dates. Youth can find more information at www.davenportdiocese.org/faithform/ffcli.htm. A limited amount of scholarship funding also is available. Please see the same site for scholarship information and deadlines.

High School Youth Rally will be held Sunday, Oct. 24, at the Coralville Marriott. The theme is “Finish the Race – Be Exalted!” Our keynoters will be APeX Ministries, featuring the juggling, humor and solid faith message of Gene Monterastelli and Brad Farmer. Save the date now!

2011 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. Save the date!

Marriage Preparation Weekends:

June 26-27: Sigourney, St. Mary (registration deadline June 18)

August 14-15: Newton, Sacred Heart (registration deadline August 6)

November 6-7: Muscatine, Bishop Hayes School (registration deadline October 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, 563-324-1912, ext. 265 or butterworthb@davenportdiocese.org or IlaMae Hanisch, hanisch@davenportdiocese.org. If your parish is willing to host a weekend (diocese pays all expenses) please contact Barb Butterworth or IlaMae Hanisch.

Ministry Formation Program (MFP):

The dates for the 2010-2011 Ministry Formation Program are being finalized. Year II in the Basic MFP will be offered in English and in Spanish. The specialization track will be Parish Life Administrator training. Look for additional information in future issues of the *Mini-Messenger* and on the diocesan web site.

SISTERS OF SAINT FRANCIS, CLINTON

All events at The Canticle, 841-13th Avenue North, Clinton – home of the Clinton Franciscans. Additional information on the following can be found at www.clintonfranciscans.com or 563-242-7611.

Getting to Zero: Global Security without Nuclear Arms: May 2, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. In advance of the opening of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference at the United Nations, hundreds of peace and justice advocacy groups around the world are coming together to convince their leaders to eliminate nuclear weapons. The Clinton Franciscans are hosting a local symposium that will allow individuals to join together and take action in the global movement.

“*Getting to Zero*” will examine the ongoing dangers as well as the cost of the nuclear weapons program, dealing with the threat of terrorists and the moral imperative to fully implement the Non-Proliferation Treaty, and will explain the role of ordinary citizens in influencing the NPT Review Conference and achieving global security without nuclear weapons.

The event will include: presentations by keynote speakers Dr. Maureen McCue, Adjunct Professor of Global Health at the University of Iowa and coordinator for the Iowa Chapter of Physicians for Social Responsibility (PSR), and Ken Butigan, Director of Pace e Bene Service in Nonviolence and internationally known for his ongoing work to stop nuclear testing, who will discuss “*Freedom from Fear - Defusing the Bomb in Our Lives and Our World Through the Power of Nonviolent Change.*”

There will also be a guided discussion of the new Stanley Foundation film, “*Radioactive Challenge,*” which examines the need to secure all nuclear materials from falling into the wrong hands and, will conclude with a panel discussion on what ordinary citizens can do to help expedite and ensure global security without the use of nuclear weapons and why now, more than ever, is the time for action.

“*Pausing To Grow in Awareness*”: A Spring Retreat with Rev. James Friedel, OSA, May 9-14. This is a preached, silent retreat.

SHALOM RETREAT CENTER, DUBUQUE

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

Finding God's Light in Nature: Praying Through a Camera Lens

Saturday, May 22, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Presenters: Janet Haverkamp OSF, Phyllis Manternach OSF, and Eileen Miller, OSF

Come away for a day of seeing and being present to the manifestation of God in nature! Let your eyes and your camera lens reverence the beauty God has created all around us. The day will include reflective input, examples of photography as prayer, time for taking photos on the luscious grounds surrounding Shalom, quiet time, and sharing your experience and photos. Bring your camera (and digital download cable if you have one), and some of your favorite photos. Wear comfortable clothes and walking shoes.

Offering: \$30, includes lunch. Registration and prepayment deadline: Wednesday, May 19.

June Evening for Married Couples: A Celebration of Life and Love!

Saturday, June 5, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. Musicians: Jim Brimeyer & Marie Therese Kalb OSF Presenters: Terry & Debbie Gross

June is the traditional month for weddings. Whether you were married in June or at another time of year, come celebrate your years together on this lovely early June evening! We will begin with a 5:30 Eucharistic Liturgy at which you will have an opportunity to renew your marriage vows. A lovely dinner at tables for two (unless you request to sit with a group) will follow. Jim and Marie Therese will play for both the Liturgy and the dinner, and will include some of the music they've done for weddings over the years. Terry and Debbie will close the evening with an inspirational reflection.

Offering: \$40/couple. Registration deadline: Wednesday, June 2

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.

“Vatican Splendors: A Journey through Faith and Art”

WHAT: One of the largest collections of art, documents and historically significant objects from the Vatican ever to tour North America is coming to St. Louis. The exhibition features approximately 170 rare works of art and historically significant objects, many of which have never left the Vatican. Taken together these works explore how the papacy has influenced – and been influenced by – the world throughout the centuries. St. Louis is one of only three U.S. cities to host “Vatican Splendors.” Highlights of the exhibition include artwork by Michelangelo, personal objects, and tools used in work on the Sistine Chapel and Basilica of Saint Peter’s; works by masters including Bernini and Giotto; artwork dating back to the third century; venerated relics (bone fragments) of Saint Peter and Saint Paul; storied frescoes and mosaics; works by well-known sculptors; intricately embroidered silk vestments; precious objects from the Papal Mass; historical maps and documents; objects discovered at the tombs of Saint Peter and Saint Paul; and historical objects from the modern and ancient basilicas of Saint Peter’s in Rome.

WHEN: “Vatican Splendors: A Journey through Faith and Art” May 15 – Sept. 12, 2010.

Hours for “Vatican Splendors” will be, daily, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

WHERE: The Missouri History Museum is located in St. Louis at Lindell and DeBaliviere in Forest Park, near the Forest Park-DeBaliviere MetroLink station.

TICKETS: Tickets are \$19.50 for adults, \$17 for seniors, and \$13 for children (age 6-12). Children five and under are admitted free with adult ticket purchase.

Tickets can be purchased online at Ticketmaster.com and at all Ticketmaster outlets, including select Schnucks stores. To charge tickets by phone, call 1-800-745-3000 or 1-877-2VATICAN (1-877-282-8422). Tickets may also be purchased at the Missouri History Museum box office.

GROUP TICKETS:

A group discount is available for groups of 15-or-more. Ticket prices are \$17 adults and seniors; \$10 child (ages 6-12); \$8 school group. Tickets are available by calling 1-800-916-8212 or 314-361-9017 or sending an email to reserv@mohistory.org.

PARISH ADVANTAGE PROGRAM:

Unique opportunities are available to your parishioners in a program called the Parish Advantage. This program allows your parishioners to obtain individual exhibit tickets at a discounted price of \$2 off each ticket. Tickets can be purchased at vaticansplendors.com, by calling 1-877-2VATICAN (1-877-282-8422) or at the Missouri History Museum box office. Enter or mention discount code: Parish. **This special offer will end on June 30, 2010.**

For more information, call 1-877-2VATICAN or visit www.mohistory.org or www.vaticansplendors.com.