

Walking Together in Faith

DIRECTORY CHANGES

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The following is effective August 15:

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RACHEL'S HOPE

The website for Rachel's Hope is up! To access it go to: www.davenportdiocese.org/rachelshope. The site offers a variety of information for persons who struggle with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion or sexual abuse. The staff may be reached at 866-363-3772, 319-665-3077 or rachelshope@davenportdiocese.org.

VOCATIONS OFFICE

The Diocese of Davenport is hosting the State of Iowa Seminarian Convocation this year August 13-15. Seminarians and Vocation Directors from the four dioceses of Iowa will be gathering in Davenport at the Lodge for this event. Sr. Katarina Schuth, OSF, a faculty member at St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity, will be the keynote presenter and will be speaking on *Rural Ministry & Implications for Seminary Formation*.

The Convocation will conclude with an 11:30 a.m. concelebrated Mass on Tuesday, August 15, the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Bishop William E. Franklin will be the principle celebrant. Everyone is invited to attend this liturgy. Come and meet the Iowa seminarians. Priests of the Diocese are welcome to concelebrate. Contact Deacon Frank Agnoli, 563-324-1912, ext. 255 so accommodations may be made.

DIOCESE'S ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Saturday, September 30: We will gather at Le Claire Park in Davenport to celebrate our 125th Anniversary as a diocese. We will begin with Mass at 8:00 a.m. at St. Anthony Church, followed by a Eucharistic Procession to LeClaire Park (beginning at approximately 8:30 a.m. and arriving at the park by 9 a.m.). Our keynote speaker is Fr. Brendan Moss, OSB, a monk of St. Meinrad Archabbey who specializes in preaching with youth. Steve Angrisano, one of the leading Catholic recording artists in the United States and well-known among younger Catholics will provide music throughout the day. We'll also hear from a number of folks from around the diocese regarding our history, and music by Lynn Cooper. The Hispanic and Vietnamese communities of our diocese will also be featured, as will guests from the Diocese of Antsirananana, Madagascar. Food and drinks will be available for purchase; we ask that participants support the parish ministries that will be providing this service. In addition, we are encouraging every parish and school to set up a display honoring their history. A tent-chapel for Eucharistic adoration will be available the entire day. The day-long celebration will conclude with Mass at 4:00 p.m. Come and celebrate our "walking together in faith."

Seeking Vendors: If your group would like to have a space to sell food, beverages or Catholic religious items (such as books, music, pictures, etc.) we invite you to be a part of our anniversary celebration. This is a great way for parish groups to raise money for parish programs. There is no fee for setting up a booth, but a donation at the time of the offering at Mass is requested. Spaces will be pre-assigned only for those registered. Those selling food will need to sign a city permit before being assigned a space. You are responsible for bringing your own tables, chairs and tents. To request a “Vendor Request Form” or if you have questions, please email: marcia@eagleswings.ws.

PROTECTING GOD’S CHILDREN

Sessions are open to all adults in the Diocese of Davenport and are mandated for all employees and for those volunteers who work on a regular basis with children. If you have a need for a session please contact a facilitator in your deanery (listed on the diocesan website, www.davenportdiocese.org) or Virginia Trujillo, trujillo@davenportdiocese.org or 563-324-1912, ext. 256. Current training scheduled (as of July 26):

<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
Riverside, St. Mary	8/15/06	6:30 p.m.
Oskaloosa, St. Mary	8/17/06	6:00 p.m.
Davenport, Assumption High School	8/20/06	3:00 p.m.
Pella, St. Mary	8/26/06	9:00 a.m.
Riverside, St. Mary	9/9/06	4:00 p.m.
Davenport, Assumption High School	11/12/06	3:00 p.m.
Davenport, Assumption High School	3/11/07	3:00 p.m.
Davenport, Assumption High School	5/6/07	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 vacdav@attglobal.net or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Finance . . .

August 1 Due Date: Thank you to everyone for your timeliness in submitting the Budget Corporate Resolution, Workers’ Compensation Audit Form, Summary of Financial Date and QuickBooks back-up by August 1. Your attention to this process is truly appreciated.

Annual Diocesan Appeal . . .

Kickoff for the Annual Appeal is September 23-24. We appreciate the responsibility the parishes have assumed to help the appeal run successfully and smoothly. Thank you! To our contributors...thank you for your support and generosity.

Campaign materials (posters, bulletin inserts, and pledge envelopes) will be ready for parish distribution this month (August). An email will be sent to parishes and priests when they are available. We want to be good stewards of our resources, so any feedback we receive regarding the number of materials, i.e., too few or too many, would be appreciated. Inquiries about campaign materials or requests for additional supplies may be directed to Lynnette Sowell, sowells@davenportdiocese.org or 563-324-1912, ext. 235.

PASTORAL SERVICES

Ministry of Service . . .

The Social Action Summer Institute: July 16-21 at the University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio. This is co-sponsored by all the major social action agencies (USCCB, CRS, CCUSA, CCHD, and the Roundtable of Diocesan Social Action Directors). It will feature a number of outstanding speakers and two tracks of Social Action training. For a copy of the brochure go to <http://www.nplc.org/roundtable/events/SummerInstituteBrochure06.pdf>.

Social Justice Programs:

JustFaith will be starting a 30-week journey into justice in September. There are JustFaith graduates who are available to speak to interested people in your parish.

JusticeWalking (J-Walking) is a program available for high-school age youth.

If you are interested in starting either of these great programs of immersion into justice contact Msgr. Marv Mottet, mottet@davenportdiocese.org or Loxi Hopkins, Hopkins@davenportdiocese.org or 563-324-1911.

Pro-life Masses:

- August 5 St. Pius X Church, Rock Island, IL, 8:00 a.m., rosary after Mass and then at Planned Parenthood, Bettendorf
- September 2 Sacred Heart Cathedral, Davenport, 7:50 a.m., rosary after Mass in chapel and then at Planned Parenthood, Bettendorf
- October 7 Our Lady of Guadalupe, Silvis, IL, 7:00 a.m., rosary after Mass and then at Planned Parenthood, Bettendorf
- November 4 St. Alphonsus Church, Davenport, 8:00 a.m., rosary after Mass and then at Planned Parenthood, Bettendorf
- December 2 Sacred Heart Church, Moline, IL, 8:30 a.m., rosary before and after Mass and then at Planned Parenthood, Bettendorf

SHARE Iowa: Would you like to save money on groceries? Do you know someone who could benefit from stretching his or her food dollars? SHARE can offer you up to a 50% savings on nutritious food packages for just 2 hours of volunteer service each month. To find out more about SHARE check out the web site: www.shareiowa.com, email: shareiowa@lisco.net or call 1-800-344-1107.

Ministry of Worship . . .

Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions: Annual Meeting, October 10 – 13 in Omaha. While the focus of the convention will be on liturgical music and the art of celebrating the liturgy, there will be break-out sessions on a wide variety of liturgical topics. Since our region is hosting this gathering, all are encouraged to attend. More information is available on the FDLC website: www.fdlc.org.

Ministry of Word . . .

Catechetical Sunday Kits: Deadline to order is Wednesday, August 2. This annual resource packet will be available at a reduced cost through the diocese. It includes a bilingual booklet, CD-ROM, and poster. These materials will help you prepare for and celebrate the catechetical theme “Who Do You Say That I Am?” on September 17 (Catechetical Sunday) and throughout the year. The cost is \$12 (a savings of more than \$4). To order, send a check payable to the diocese and mail to: Diocese of Davenport, attn. Virginia Trujillo, 2706 N. Gaines St., Davenport, IA 52804-1998.

August Gathering: Registration deadline is Friday, August 4. “Who Do You Say That I Am?” The 2006 August Leadership Gathering will be held August 11-12 at the Quality Inn Conference Center in Iowa City. Our keynoter will be Kate Ristow, national catechetical consultant for Resources for Christian Living (RCL) and a contributing editor for *Catechist* magazine. Her topics will include “How Catechetical Leaders Can Imitate Christ,” “Making Sense of the NDC,” and “Implementing the Six Tasks of Catechesis as a Springboard for Parish Planning.” A brochure is available on the faith formation page at www.davenportdiocese.org.

Marriage Preparation Weekends: The Registration Form is on the diocesan website, www.davenportdiocese.org. On the home page (left side) click on “Marriage Preparation Weekends.” Currently scheduled weekends are:

- August 5-6 Fort Madison, SS. Mary & Joseph
- November 18-19: Muscatine, SS. Mary & Mathias
- February 3-4: Bettendorf, St. John Vianney

Registration is \$125 per couple. For information about marriage preparation in our diocese or neighboring dioceses contact Barb Butterworth at 563-324-1912, ext. 265 or butterworthb@davenportdiocese.org or IlaMae Hanisch, 641-791-3435 or hanisch@davenportdiocese.org.

Ministry Formation Programs 2006-2007

Application forms and information packets for the following three training programs are available at:

- www.davenportdiocese.org. (home page, left side under programs, click on the name of the program)
- Basic MFP Year II:
<http://www.davenportdiocese.net/MFP/MFP%20Basic%20Year%20II%202006-07%20Info%20App%20packet.pdf>
- Parish Life Administrator: **Application deadline is August 1.**
<http://www.davenportdiocese.net/MFP/PLA/Parish%20Life%20Administrator%20Training%20Information%20&%20Application%20Forms.pdf>
- Finance Administrator:
<http://www.davenportdiocese.net/MFP/FA/Finance%20Administrator%20Training%20Information%20&%20Application%20Forms.pdf>

You may also request an information packet by contacting IlaMae Hanisch at hanisch@davenportdiocese.org or 641-791-3435. If leaving a voice message please leave your name, phone number and mailing address.

MFP- Basic Year II:

Want to become an “informed” leader in your parish? Just want to update and know more about your faith? This “basic” ministry formation program is open to those who want to grow in their faith. For ICN participants classes are 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. two Saturdays a month at ICN locations around the diocese. Non-ICN participants meet once a month for three hours and the schedule is determined by your group and its facilitator.

Sept. 9	Retreat (required by all)	Sept. 23	Old Testament I
Oct. 7	Catechetical Themes	Oct. 21	Old Testament II
Nov. 4	New Testament I	Nov. 18	New Testament II
Dec. 2	Moral Themes	Dec. 16	Discipleship Themes
Jan. 6, 2007	Theological Themes I	Jan. 20	Theological Themes II
Feb. 3	Liturgical Themes I	Feb. 17	Liturgical Themes II
March 3	Spiritual Themes I	March 17	Spiritual Themes II
April 14	Legal Themes I	April 28	Legal Themes II

Registration Fee-Basic MFP Year II (8-month program): This includes most books, reading packet, instructor stipend & facilitator stipend (non-chancery staff) for non-ICN groups, retreat day, and ICN line use. It does not include food or transportation costs.

ICN format:

- \$150/person (resident of diocese)
- \$100/person (group rate of 5 or more registered from same parish or cluster with same pastor)
- \$225/person (non-resident of diocese)
- \$25 per individual course

Non-ICN format:

- \$175/person (resident of diocese)
- \$125/person (group rate of 5 or more registered from same parish or cluster with same pastor)
- \$250/person (non-resident of diocese)
- \$25 per individual course

Credentials may be reviewed to “waive” some course requirements. Contact IlaMae Hanisch for more information.

Parish Life Administrator Training and Formation Program:

Application deadline is August 1. Sessions are 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at the Williamsburg Community Recreation Center; 939 S. Highland Street, Williamsburg (handicapped accessible with elevator, 2nd floor, meeting room A).

Aug. 19	Psychological Screening, St. Vincent Center, Davenport	Sept. 9	Retreat at St. Mary, Riverside
Sept. 16	Presiding: Parish Worship & Prayer	Oct. 14	Parish Management-Finances, Stewardship, & Personnel I
Nov. 11	Parish Management-Finances, Stewardship, & Personnel II	Dec. 16	Sacramental Preparation & RCIA I
Jan. 13, 2007	Parish Leadership & Organization I	Feb. 10	Sacramental Preparation & RCIA II
March 10	Annulments	April 14	Parish Leadership & Organization I
May 5	Parish Life	June 16	Preaching the Word I
July 14	Preaching the Word II	Aug. 11	Lifelong Faith Formation

Concurrent with the above courses is the 12-month internship for Parish Life Administrators. Credentials may be reviewed to “waive” some course requirements. Contact IlaMae Hanisch for more information.

Registration Fee-Parish Life Administrator (12-month program): This includes reading packet, level one psychological evaluation, instructor & internship mentor stipends (non-chancery staff), retreat day, and site charges. It does not include food, books, or transportation costs.

- \$350/person (resident of diocese)
- \$500/person (non-resident of diocese)
- \$40 per individual session (one Saturday)-some courses require 2 sessions (\$80)

Finance Administrator Training Program:

Sessions are 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at the Williamsburg Community Recreation Center; 939 S. Highland Street, Williamsburg (handicapped accessible with elevator, 2nd floor, meeting room A).

Sept. 9	Retreat at St. Mary, Riverside	Oct. 14	Parish Management-Finances, Stewardship, & Personnel I
Nov. 11	Parish Management-Finances, Stewardship, & Personnel II	Jan. 13, 2007	Parish Leadership & Organization I
April 14	Parish Leadership & Organization I		

Concurrent with the above courses is a 6-month internship for Finance Administrators. Also required is Year II of the Basic MFP courses. Credentials may be reviewed to “waive” some course requirements. Contact IlaMae Hanisch for more information.

Registration Fee-Finance Administrator (4-month program): (Year II of MFP basic is also a requirement. See fee listed above for that program). This includes the reading packet, instructor & internship mentor stipends (non-chancery staff), retreat day, and site charges. It does not include food, books, or transportation costs.

- \$150/person (resident of diocese)
- \$40 per individual session (one Saturday)-some course require 2 sessions (\$80)

CONGREGATION OF HUMILITY OF MARY, DAVENPORT

The Healing Power of Stories: Presenter: Rev. Canon Marlin Whitmer

Date and hour: Wednesday, August 2, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

In the morning session, we will learn about the importance of metaphors. Participants are asked to bring the sports section of any newspaper. As the day continues we will look at the applications and outcomes for health care.

Target audience: Caregivers and those with health problems

Canon Marlin Whitmer, a retired hospital chaplain who, in 1966, started the Befriender Program at St. Luke's Hospital in Davenport. He currently lives in DeWitt where he is the primary caregiver of his chronically ill wife. Together they have experienced the healing power of stories.

Unlocking Your Ageless Spirit: 12 Keys to Spiritual Vitality: Presenter: Rosemary Schmitt

Date and time: Thursday, August 10, 2006, 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

This day will focus on the psychological, emotional and spiritual aspects of aging through presentations, prayer, music, and discussion. The 12 keys can help to live life youthfully with meaning and purpose.

Target audience: Individuals who are approaching or living in their senior years.

Rosemary Schmitt is a former teacher who has earned a professional certificate in Spiritual Gerontology from the Johnson Institute in St. Louis, Missouri. Widowed in 2003, she is the mother of three grown sons and enjoys her five grandchildren.

Jesus Said . . . Give Them Something to Eat: Presenters Carol Karwoski, OSF, and Charla Bulko, OSF

Date and Time: Saturday, August 19, 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Our world is filled with blessings: wheat, water, bread, hunger, to name but a few. For what do we hunger? What satisfies our hunger? Am I expected to be bread? To provide bread? To eat bread? How do I satisfy my own hunger? We will spend the day reflecting on hunger in the world and our own spiritual hunger.

Sister Charla Bulko, OSF, Milwaukee. For the past 13 years Sr. Charla was pastoral associate of Sacred Heart Cathedral in Davenport. Now residing in Dubuque, she is director of the YMCA Domestic Violence Program. Sister Carol Karwoski, OSF, Milwaukee now resides in Dubuque and is directing an emergency shelter for women and children. Her entire ministry has been her work with the poor and marginalized, most recently completing ten years at John Lewis Community Services in Davenport.

Exploring the Mandala: Using Sacred Circles to Deepen Our Connection to Creativity and Well-Being: Presenters: Karen Lobovits, Pat Vint, Gwen Deming

Date and time: Saturday, September 9, 2006, 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Using pastels, participants will create their own Mandalas in both morning and afternoon sessions. We will discuss the ancient tradition of the Mandala in Native American, Christian, and Buddhist cultures. All art materials furnished. Special art fee: \$25.00.

Target audience: Particularly geared to anyone wanting to enhance self-awareness, creativity, health, and well-being.

Karen Labovits, B.A., an art therapist, has been facilitating art therapy workshops at Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat Center since 2003. Pat Vint, M. Ed., a psychotherapist is currently working with adolescent girls who are trauma survivors. She does expressive art therapy and Gwen Deming, B.A., a drum circle facilitator.

Deepening Our Union with God through Contemplative Prayer Experiences: Presenter: Mary Dingman, SSSF

Date and time: Tuesday, September 26, 2006, 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Together we will reflect on and experience various ways of entering into prayer, a deepening union with God: praying the Scriptures, *lectio divina*, centering prayer, a contemplative walk, praying with nature, art and music leading us into prayer. Through these experiences we will see that prayer permeates our life.

Sister Mary Dingman, SSSF, is a School Sister of St. Francis and a well-known retreat and spiritual director.

Weekend Retreat for Women: Facilitator: Ramona Kaalberg, CHM

Date and Time: Friday-Sunday, September 29-October 1 Friday evening 7:00 p.m. to Sunday morning, 10:00 a.m.

An opportunity for women to come to a quiet and beautiful setting to be nourished by the presence of God in the wonders of autumn. It is a time for reflection and listening to God speak through the voices of nature and the ordinary daily experiences of life. Limit: 10.

Sister Ramona Kaalberg, CHM: Coordinator of Formation, Congregation of the Humility of Mary. Completed the Spiritual Direction Program at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska.

The Psalms: 3000-Year-Old Prayer: Presenter: Theresa Schumacher, OSB

Date and time: Saturday, October 7, 2006, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

This day will incorporate both study and prayerful reflection on the psalms as they are presented in the Bible, in biblical studies, and in the spirituality of the Christian church. An important focus of the day will be to search out the meaning and formative elements of the psalms and their application in our lives today.

Sister Theresa Schumacher, OSB, a member of Saint Benedict's Monastery, St. Joseph, Minnesota, is working with various aspects of liturgy and liturgical life. She teaches in the monastery's initial formation program, is a spiritual director, serves as a consultant for parishes and monasteries, and gives retreats on liturgy and monastic spirituality.

Knit One, Purl Too, A Quiet Day of Fellowship, Knitting and Prayer: Presenters: Ann Green, Anne Johnson and Karen Brooke

Date and Time: Tuesday, October 17, 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

“Everyone seems to be knitting these days; it's *the* handicraft of the hour. Its very rhythm slows us down, encourages contemplation, and invites us to be open to the Holy Spirit. Bring your size 11 or 13 knitting needles, 3 skeins of yarn, and join us as we begin to create a prayer shawl/lap blanket for a patient or friend in need of comfort. We will knit together, pray together, share the “yarns” of our individual journeys, and enjoy the fall colors at The Prairie.

Beginning knitters, women and men, are welcome.

Ann Green is a lay minister at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, an elementary school teaching assistant and a private piano instructor. Anne Johnson is a fiber artist who has been knitting, sewing and spinning since childhood. Karen Brooke is a lay minister at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral and development director for the Sisters of Humility.

For more information or to register contact Sr. Cathleen Real, 563-336-8414 or ccreal@msn.com.

SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS, CLINTON

A Peace Conference: Giving Witness to Nonviolence; peacemaking and reconciliation five years after 9/11: September 29 –October 1 at Ashford University, Clinton. We will commemorate the fifth year since 9/11 by seeking the wisdom of the prophets as well as contemporary peace practitioners. Ched Myers, activist, writer, community builder and popular educator, will be the keynote speaker. (He was the very popular featured presenter at the Iowa Catholic Conference Social Action Workshop in Newton three years ago). The Social Action Department of the Diocese of Davenport and Jesus Christ Prince of Peace Parish in Clinton are among the endorsers. Ched will be joined by others who have faced the horror of violence in a nonviolent way including Cedar Rapids native, Kelly Campbell, co-founder and steering committee member of September 11 Families for Peaceful Tomorrows. The weekend will also feature a surprise “appearance” from a world-renowned peacemaker and an inspiring performance by HERSONG, the acclaimed Quad City women's chorus dedicated to building a peaceful world. A schedule and registration may be found at www.clintonfranciscans.com. For further information call 563-242-7611.