



**September 29th—Women’s Health Day Salad Luncheon @ Waukon Reception & Banquet Center 11 a.m.— 2 p.m.** Everyone will receive a Goodie bag filled with coupons, samples & general health information.

**September 30th- “Fred Hogan Day”** in honor of his retirement after 48 1/2 years barbering. Stop by the KBSB Community Center between 5 — 7 p.m. Beverages & home baked goodies will be served.

**October** is a month dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The St. George Knights of Columbus in their work in helping people recognize the importance of Mary in the redemptive work of her Son, Jesus, will be passing out “Finger Ring Rosaries” along with billfold size prayer cards explaining how to pray the Rosary. These rosaries will be passed out after the Masses on Oct. 4 weekend.

**October is “Respect Life” month”.** In this day and in this culture “Respect Life” means respecting life from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death. It also means that we respect our sexuality and the sexuality of others by recognizing that God made marital sexual for a married man and woman (husband & wife). It means that we respect our own spiritual life and the spiritual life of others by carrying out that which God asks us in the Commandments and thereby keeping our souls healthy and alive.

**October 1st—”Father-Sons Holy Hour for Priestly Vocations”!** This Holy Hour is especially for Fathers and their sons. This year has been proclaimed by Pope Benedict XVI as a year dedicated to priests. The St. George Knights of Columbus in carrying out this year here in our parishes is sponsoring this Holy Hour. It is not restricted just for dads and their sons but for everyone so feel free to come and join us. However, we want to especially invite dads and their sons to come and pray. It will consist of Scripture, prayer, a video and then end with a chili lunch in the hall. Pass the word on to everyone!

**October 1st—**The Low-income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is open for application for elderly and disabled individuals on October 1st and for other income eligible individuals starting **November 2nd**. Any questions call 568-4224.

**October 2nd—I.C. Wexford Fish Fry:** Menu: Fish, cheesy potatoes, potato salad, salad bar, dessert & roll. 4:00 p.m. –8:00 p.m. Adults \$8.50, Children (5-10) \$4.50 Under 5 Free.

**October 3rd— Arts & crafts Festival @ Chihak Hall, Spillville, Iowa.** Lunch will be served from 9 a.m.— 4 p.m. Homemade chicken noodle soup, rolls, hot chicken sandwiches, pies, desserts & kolaches.

**October 4th—** As we progress further into the fall season we will soon be turning on furnaces to keep warm. The same is true in our churches and Religious Education centers. Those of you from I.C. Parish will find a special envelope, in your church envelopes boxes, with a red edge around it dated “Oct. 4—ENERGY NEEDS”. You are asked to be generous in your donation toward this need. Even though St. Joseph does not have a separate envelope, the need for the contribution is still there so use your regular envelope and please be especially generous! Welch Feed and LP Gas has been contracted to supply the LP gas needed during the upcoming season. They have provided excellent service during the past years and are only a penny or two higher than the lowest bid received. Their service is very important to us since the buildings are not inhabited all the time and their care and concern for proper gas fill is needed.

## Calendar of Events:

Sept 28—Grief Support Group meet @ I.C. Education Center 6:30 p.m.

Sept 30—Confirmation/parent meeting @ I.C. Rel. Ed Center 6:45 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

Oct 1—All Night Adoration @ I.C. 6:00 p.m. Confessions 6:30-7:00 p.m.

K of C sponsored Holy Hour for priestly vocations @ I.C. 7:00 p.m.

Oct 3—K of C will be passing out “Finger Ring Rosaries” along with billfold size prayer cards.

Oct 5—Social Concerns Meeting at Rel. Ed Office 8:15 a.m.

Oct 8—K of C Meeting @ I.C. 7:30 p.m.

Combined Faith Formation Committee Meeting @ I.C. Rel. Ed Center 6:30 p.m.

**I.C. Fall Festival Committee** is asking all parishioners for a cash donation to help defray the cost of the Festival. There is a donation form in the entrance of the church. We will display your name and donation on a board the day of the festival unless you prefer not. For more information please call Kathy Strub—538-4885, Karen Weber –538-3933 or Joe Strobel –538-4096

**I.C. Fall Festival Committee** is asking for items for the Silent Auction for the Festival on October 18. **Auction items must be new or hand made ONLY**, with a value of \$25.00 or more. When donating items please attach the dollar amount of the item. We will use that amount as the starting bid. We would like to display the items in church on October 10 & 11. If possible, please have the items here before the 9th. At 1:00 p.m. the silent auction will end. The highest bid at 1:00 p.m. will receive that item. For more information contact: Kathy Strub—538-4885, Karen Weber –538-3933 or Joe Strobel—538-4096.

**Donations requested for Children's Games** at the I.C. Fall Festival on October 18th. Each parish family is asked to donate 3—5 items for games. Please include at least one item of \$3.00 value. Total prizes should be valued at approximately \$7.00. If you would rather not purchase prizes, a cash donation will be accepted before **October 12th** and parish volunteers will purchase your prizes for you. Please label an envelope “children's games” and place in the collection or drop off at the Rectory or Rel. Ed Center. Younger children enjoy little toys, stickers, coloring and story books, etc. Older children enjoy pens, pencils, etc. Please no donations of candy or pop as we do not want any spills in our new center.

**I.C. Parish Festival:** I.C. Parishioners your “Raffle Tickets” are in the back of the Church. You are asked to work hard at selling them or buying them yourselves. . We will be looking for items for the **Farmers Market** so if you have items in your garden or are canning now, please save some back for us. Farmers market items & baked goods like **jams, jellies, tomatoes, carrots, pumpkins, squash, watermelon, onions, zucchini, grapes, apples, pears, sweet corn, canned beef, bread, rolls, cakes, cookies etc.**

Allen Staige has been at I.C. the past week working on the outside of each stained glass window replacing the rotted sills. He should be finished with that work in a couple weeks. That was badly needed and definitely needed before painting of the interior could take place. Replacement of the sills will alleviate water coming in around the windows and therefore destroying the plaster and the paint.

I notice in the high school bulletins that there are many college/university recruiters visiting students interested in college. Don't forget to visit with the Catholic colleges when their recruiter comes. Even if you do not plan on attending a Catholic College please speak with them—it is amazing how many minds were enlightened once they had a chance to really speak directly with the Catholic college. Some of those Catholic colleges are: Viterbo (LaCrosse), St. Mary (Winona), St. Thomas (St. Paul), Creighton (Omaha), Loras (Dubuque), St. Ambrose (Davenport), Briar Cliff (Sioux City) and many, many more.

**Question:** We were on the sand bar for the weekend—does that excuse us from Sunday Mass? **Answer:** NO!!  
If you missed Mass because of that you have committed a serious mortal sin.

**Marriage Encounter:** Designed to help married couples communicate more intimately with one another in order to deepen and enrich their relationship.  
*Worldwide Marriage Encounter.* February 12-14, Cedar Falls. Call Bill & Kathy Gianoli at 608-452-3307.

### Stewardship of Treasure Sunday, September 20 , 2009

<b>I.C.</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>
Adults	\$1304.00	\$ 1503.00
Children	\$ 9.25	\$ 2.75
Paint Fund		\$ 555.00
Total as of 9-21-09		\$25,979.00
Needed		\$50,000.00

<b>St. Joseph</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>
Adults	\$ 441.00	\$ 1322.50
Children	\$ 4.00	\$ 5.00