



St. Mary St. Patrick

February 23, 2025

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Feb. 23, 2025 – The Church on Immigration

Part 2: Teachings from the Bishops of the United States

To help us understand more fully the Church's Teaching on Immigration, I drew upon an article by Barb Arland-Fye from the Davenport Diocese's Paper, *The Catholic Messenger*. Here is compiled together the Church's teaching on immigration as articulated by the U.S. Catholic Bishops and the Iowa Catholic Bishops.

What is the Church's Stance on Border Control?

The United States also has a responsibility to prevent individuals with a history of violent crime from entering the country, as their presence could undermine a community's peace and security. The Church teaches that the protection of society is a legitimate concern of the state and measures to ensure this protection must be just and humane. (*Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, USCCB Pastoral Letter, Nov. 2023*).

While "The Church recognizes the right of a sovereign state to control its borders in furtherance of the common good, it also recognizes the right of human beings to migrate so that they can realize their God-given rights. While the sovereign state may impose reasonable limits on immigration, the common good is not served when the basic human rights of the individual are violated. (*Strangers Now Longer, 39, USCCB Pastoral Letter, Jan. 2003*)

What do the US Bishops say about immigration reform?

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has published a resourced called "Catholic Elements of Immigration Reform." The Bishops say that safeguarding American Communities and upholding the rule of law are laudable goals. At the same time, a country's rights to regulate its borders and enforce immigration laws must be balanced with its responsibilities to uphold the sanctity of human life, respect the God-given dignity of all persons, and enact policies that further the common good. The USCCB document on immigration reform, grounded in Catholic social teaching, includes six elements according to the Iowa Catholic Conference newsletter (Jan. 23, 2025):

- 1) Enforcement efforts should be targeted, proportional, and humane
- 2) Humanitarian protections and due process should be ensured
- 3) Long-time residents should have an earned pathway to citizenship
- 4) Family Unity should remain a cornerstone in the U.S. System
- 5) Legal pathways should be expanded, reliable, and efficient
- 6) The root causes of forced migration should be addressed

Why do immigrants enter our country?

Continued on the back page

23 de Feb. 2025 – La postura de la Iglesia en relación a la Inmigración

2da Parte: Enseñanzas de los Obispos de los Estados Unidos

Para ayudarnos a comprender más plenamente la enseñanza de la Iglesia sobre la inmigración, recurrí a un artículo de Barb Arland-Fye del periódico de la diócesis de Davenport, *The Catholic Messenger (El Mensajero Católico)*. Aquí se compila la enseñanza de la Iglesia sobre la inmigración tal como la articulan los obispos católicos de Estados Unidos y los obispos católicos de Iowa.

¿Cuál es la postura de la Iglesia sobre el control fronterizo?

Estados Unidos también tiene la responsabilidad de impedir que personas con antecedentes de delitos violentos entren al país, ya que su presencia podría socavar la paz y la seguridad de una comunidad. La Iglesia enseña que la protección de la sociedad es una preocupación legítima del Estado y las medidas para garantizar esta protección deben ser justas y humanas. — *Formando la conciencia para ser ciudadanos fieles, Carta Pastoral de USCCB, nov. 2023*.

Mientras que "La Iglesia reconoce el derecho de un estado soberano a controlar sus fronteras para promover el bien común; también reconoce el derecho de los seres humanos a migrar para que puedan realizar los derechos que les dio Dios. Si bien el Estado soberano puede imponer límites razonables a la inmigración, el bien común no se beneficia cuando se violan los derechos humanos básicos del individuo. — *Ya no somos extranjeros, 39, Carta Pastoral de USCCB, enero 2003*.

¿Qué dicen los obispos católicos de Estados Unidos sobre la reforma migratoria?

Los obispos católicos de los Estados Unidos (USCCB, por sus siglas en inglés) publicaron un documento llamado "Catholic Elements of Immigration Reform" (Elementos católicos de la reforma migratoria). Los obispos dicen que proteger a las comunidades estadounidenses y defender el estado de derecho son objetivos loables. Al mismo tiempo, los derechos de un país a regular sus fronteras y hacer cumplir las leyes de inmigración deben equilibrarse con sus responsabilidades de defender la santidad de la vida humana, respetar la dignidad dada por Dios a todas las personas y promulgar políticas que promuevan el bien común. El documento de la USCCB sobre la reforma migratoria, basado en la enseñanza social católica, incluye seis elementos según el boletín de la Conferencia Católica de Iowa (enero 23, 2025):

- 1) Los esfuerzos de cumplimiento deben ser específicos, proporcionales y humanos
- 2) Se debe garantizar las protecciones humanitarias y el debido proceso
- 3) Los residentes de larga data deberían tener un camino ganado hacia la ciudadanía
- 4) La unidad familiar debe seguir siendo una piedra angular en el sistema estadounidense
- 5) Las vías legales deben ampliarse, ser confiables y eficientes
- 6) Es necesario abordar las causas profundas de la migración forzada

Continued on back page

St. Mary

611 Sherman, Ackley, 641-847-2329
stmarystpatrick@gmail.com

Book Club

March 3 at 6 p.m.

The God of the Woods

By Liz Moore

Everyone is welcome to join! Great discussion and fellowship!

Save the dates

May 23rd - 25th!

National Eucharistic Pilgrimage in the
Archdiocese

During this extraordinary Jubilee Year of Hope, and picking up where the 10th National Eucharistic Congress left off, the 2025 National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will go through the Archdiocese from May 23rd to May 25th. Eight young adult Perpetual Pilgrims will accompany Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, starting in Indianapolis in mid-May and ending on the Feast of Corpus Christi in Los Angeles.

On Friday, May 23rd, we will receive the monstrance from the Diocese of Davenport and process it to the Cathedral to begin a Memorial Day weekend of special activities stretching across the Archdiocese. Save the date and stay tuned for more details on this important series of events!!

Stewardship - Treasure

Sunday, February 16, 2024

Adult Envelopes \$730

Offertory \$242

Give Online www.FranklinHardinCatholic.org/online-giving

Liturgical Ministers

March 2 – 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lector: Rosie Lindaman, Scott O'Brien

Ushers: Jim Wessels, Angel Vera, Mike Bonewitz,
Bob Burkle

Eucharistic Ministers: Denise Sprain, Scott O'Brien

Money Counters: Pat Klingaman, Jeff Frazier

Altar Servers: Lucas Mausser

Sacristan: Jim Wessels

Rosary in Spanish on Saturdays at 5:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome!

Lenten Meals

We will be serving Lenten Meals on Friday during Lent following the Stations of the Cross at 6 p.m.. If you would be willing to make and serve a meal, let David Keninger know 515-681-3750. Dates: March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11.

Coffee and Rolls

March 2

Everyone is welcome!

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Contribution Statements will be going out the first part of January. If you think your statement is incorrect or if you did not receive a statement and think you should have, contact Barb Keninger.

The virtue of faith is a gift. You can work hard to develop many virtues, but with faith, we ask: "Lord, increase my faith." Ask dozens of times each day. And as your faith grows, you will see more and more miracles, until finally, you will realize everything is a miracle.

33 Days to Eucharistic Glory

St. Patrick

1405 N. Federal, Hampton 641-456-4857
Office Hours: Monday through Thursday
9:00 AM-1:00 PM, excluding holidays.
dbq097sec@dbqarch.org

Liturgical Ministries

March 2nd, 2025 – Marzo 2nd, 2025

Mass— March 2nd 2025 10:30 a.m.

Lector: Mary Ann Patton

Ushers: Madonna Weiland, Trey Horton

Eucharistic Ministers: Jose & Maria Alonzo

Money Counters: Millicent Fielding, Sue Basye

Altar Servers: Ryne & Teegan Magner, Rymer Velica

Sacristan: Judy Nelson

Linens: Judy Nelson

Spanish Mass—Marzo 2nd, 2025 5:30 p.m.

Lector: Esther Garcia, Janeth Valenzuela

Ministros de Eucarísticos: Lina Vallejos, Jesus Andrade

Contador es de Dinero: Anabel Alaniz, Amber Lopez

Monaguillos: Adan Rodriguez, America Dominguez, Ariste Ramirez

Sacristan: Esther Garcia

You are responsible to find your own replacement.

Usted es responsable de encontrar su propio reemplazo.

Mass Times – Lent / Misa Tiempo-Cuaresma



Lent is fast approaching with
Ash Wednesday on March 5th.

Mass times will be as follows:

St. Patrick 6:30 PM Bilingual St. Mary 7:00 PM

Daily Mass will be held at St. Patrick on Tuesdays at
8:30 AM and on Thursdays at 5:30 PM (No morning
Mass will be held on Thursdays during Lent.) /

La Cuaresma se acerca rápidamente con
Miércoles de Ceniza el 5 de marzo.

Los horarios de las misas serán los siguientes:

San Patricio 6:30 PM Santa María Bilingüe

7:00 PM La misa diaria se llevará a cabo en San
Patricio los martes a las 8:30 a.m. y los jueves a las
5:30 p.m. (no se llevará a cabo misa matutina los
jueves durante la Cuaresma).

STEWARDSHIP TREASURY SUNDAY FEBRUARY 16th, 2025

| | |
|-----------|-----------|
| REGULAR | \$ 665.00 |
| OFFERTORY | \$ 321.00 |

Give On-Line at www.franklinhardincatholic.org volunteers@stpat.org

Dono en línea para www.franklinhardincatholic.org donaciones en línea.

Happenings Week of February 23rd, 2025

Monday/ February 24th/ Febrero 24th

1:00 PM Say Your Name Grief Group – Library

Tuesday/ Martes February 25th/ Febrero 25th, 2025

8:30 AM Mass

7:00 PM AA/Al-Anon (RE Center)

Wednesday/ Miércoles – February 26th / Febrero 26th

10:00 AM-12:00 PM Food Pantry/Despensa de Alimentos
(Social Hall)

8:30 – Faith Formation

Thursday/ Jueves – February 27th / Febrero 27th

8:30 AM Mass

1:00 – 3:00 PM Crafts (Social Hall)

6:00-8:00 PM Adoration/Adoración

Sunday/ Domingo March 2nd/ Marzo 2nd

10:30 AM – Mass

5:30 PM – Mass- Spanish

MEN'S GRIEF GROUP

If you are a male who is experiencing grief over
the death of a loved one. St. Patrick will be hosting a
men's grief group meeting

The next meeting will be

March 3rd at 6:00 PM

St. Patrick Church Parish Library

For More Information

Contact Steve Pearson at 641-425-1662 or contact the Parish

Office at 641-456-4857



ROLL BREAKFAST & SOCIAL SUNDAY MARCH 2nd/MARZO 2nd /PANECILLO DE DESAYUNO & DOMINGO SOCIAL

Please join us after the 10:30 AM Mass for Coffee, Rolls and
Fellowship and after the 5:30 PM Mass for social time.

Únase a nosotros después de las 10:30 a.m. Misa de café,
magdalenas y compañerismo y después de las 5:30 p.m.
Misa para el tiempo social.

"SAY THEIR NAME" GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS BEGINNING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH 1:00 PM ST. PATRICK CHURCH

Everyone experiences grief in their
lifetime whether it be a parent, spouse,
child, good friend or even a beloved pet.

This is led by lay people who have
experienced grief and survived it.

It is free, confidential and
everyone is welcome!

Contact St. Patrick Church Office
641-456-4857,
Maggie 641-425-1046 or
Fran 515-290-5147

Father's column

Continued from front page

Why do immigrants enter our country?

Many immigrants have been forced to leave their homes and countries seeking to provide the most basic needs of their families and themselves. Their desperate circumstances do not

What does the Church teach about welcoming immigrants?

Catholics are called upon "to welcome the newcomers in their neighborhoods and schools, in their places of work and worship, with heartfelt hospitality, openness, and eagerness both to help and to learn from our brothers and sisters, of whatever race, religion, ethnicity, or background."

(*Welcoming the Stranger: USCCB Pastoral Letter, Nov. 2000*)

Peace

— Fr. Kevin

Continued from front page

¿Por qué los inmigrantes entran a nuestro país?

Muchos inmigrantes se han visto obligados a abandonar sus hogares y países buscando satisfacer las necesidades más básicas de sus familias y de ellos mismos. Sus circunstancias desesperadas no corresponden a la duración excesiva de tiempo (a veces más de 15 años) esperando en fila para que el sistema actual procese una solicitud. — *Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de Iowa, la voz de los obispos de Iowa en materia de políticas públicas.*

¿Qué enseña la Iglesia sobre la acogida de los inmigrantes?

Los católicos están llamados a "acoger a los recién llegados en sus barrios y escuelas, en sus centros de trabajo y culto, con sincera hospitalidad, apertura y disposición tanto a ayudar como a aprender de nuestros hermanos y hermanas, de cualquier raza, religión, grupo étnico o formación cultural". — *Acogiendo al forastero entre nosotros: Carta Pastoral de USCCB, nov. 2000.*

Paz

— Padre Kevin

IMEGAN (KEMINGEI) NESHANU,
Jacob Sudtelgte



Please make use of your parish's prayer chain:

St. Mary, Ackley:

Jolene Harms at stmarystpatrick@gmail.com

St. Patrick, Hampton:

Mary Ann Patton at thepattons4@gmail.com



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd training

St. Mary and St. Patrick has made the change to Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in our Faith Formation program. It is a different way of teaching our youth their faith. It uses the Montessori style of teaching (hands on), it allows the youth to explore the works of our faith with hands on projects.. if you would like to learn more you are welcome to tour the classrooms.

We are offering Level I and Level II at both parishes. The two levels are for preschool – kdg and first - third grade. For the continued success of this program we are in need of people to take the training to help us keep the program going. There will be a Level I training offered at St. Cecilia Catholic Church in Ames. The classes will begin July 19, 2025.

We need your help to keep this program going!



MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, February 24

8:30 a.m. Mary Kathryn Schumacher St. Mary

Tuesday, February 25

8:30 a.m. Father Carl Schmitt St. Patrick

Wednesday, February 26

NO MASS

Thursday, February 27

NO MASS

Sunday, March 2

8 a.m. Mary Harrenstein St. Mary

10:30 a.m. For the People St. Patrick

5:30 p.m. Manuel Garcia St. Patrick

Spanish

Live stream of Mass

www.franklinhardincatholic.org/livestream

YouTube Channel: Franklin Hardin Catholic

Father Kevin Earleywine

k.earleywine@dbqarch.org

Hampton-Ackley