





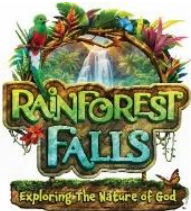
**Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism**

The Knights of Columbus will meet on **Monday June 8th, 2026**, at **6 p.m.** (new time) in the Parish conference center. For details, please contact Chris Rubley at 563-594-9851 or Clemente Escalante at 563-554- 0787.

**St. Andrew Blue Grass Knights of Columbus #13108 Annual CPID "Tootsie Roll" Drive. This Sunday, June 7th, the St. Andrew Blue Grass Knights of Columbus Council #13108 will host our annual CPID (Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities), also known as the Tootsie Roll drive. Of the total amount collected, 90% will be distributed between Blue Grass and Walcott Elementary Schools. The remaining 10% will be donated to the Iowa Special Olympics.**

**A couple of Knights will be stationed at the exit of the Church, receiving donations and offering Tootsie Rolls.**

**Please support our community. Thank you!**



***RAINFOREST FALLS***  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
**JUNE 22nd – 26th, 2026**  
*Exploring The Nature of God*

More information is available on flyers in the Gathering Area!!!



**Our next St. Andrew Church Ladies' Lunch will be at THE CORNER GRILL Blue Grass, Iowa on Monday, June 08th.**

**We will meet at 11:30. We hope you will be able to join us.**



It is, once again, that time of year to sign up for St Andrew's 2026-2027 Parish Ministries. Sign up sheets are on a table in the Gathering Area. All Parishioners are invited to sign up and serve. Please sign up again in the Gathering Area even if you are on the current ministry lists. Thank you for your Ministries! It is GREATLY appreciated.

**To report child abuse contact:** Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178. If the abuse involves clergy or church personnel, also notify Alicia Owens, the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Davenport at 563-349-5002 or [vac@diodav.org](mailto:vac@diodav.org).

**From the Desk of Deacon Matt**

When new members of the Catholic Church are asked what was it that drew them into making the decision to come into the Church, many will say the Eucharist. I speak from my own personal experience that I would totally agree. I wanted the Body of Jesus; I needed the Body of Jesus. And I knew with every ounce of my being that Jesus was truly present in the Eucharist: Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity!!

When the Chosen People journeyed across the vast desert for forty years (forty indicating a lengthy time of trial), God provided manna to nourish and sustain them. Without it, many would have starved and never made it to the promised land. The manna sent from heaven restored life to their bodies. The Body and Blood that Jesus gives us to eat nourishes and sustains us as we journey through our earthly lives—which can be times of trial—on our way to be with him eternally. This is what we celebrate every Sunday and every time we celebrate the Eucharist. The living bread comes down from heaven gives us life forever. The true food and true drink we consume gives us true life: life eternal.

Saint Paul tells the Corinthians that they receive more than sustenance and nourishment when they receive the Eucharist. They also participate in the offering of the Body and Blood of Christ to begin with. This puts us into communion with God and with each other. It also brings us into unity as the single body of Christ, which is the Church. Our spirits need sustenance and nourishment as much as our bodies do. We need friendship, we need intimacy, we need peace of mind, we need love. The “true food” Jesus provides is his very self, which gifts us an intimacy beyond any other gift, a communion of love with Christ in the Eucharist.

My sisters and brothers, if we truly believe this how can we NOT want to Live to Give the Gospel, Glorify the Lord, and Become the Good News by Being the Good News to each other.

Shalom Shalom

WEEKLY OFFERINGS AS OF 05/31/2026					
	WE HAVE 149 FAMILIES REGISTERED AS ACTIVE MEMBERS	ACTUAL MONTH OF MAY	BUDGET MONTH OF MAY	TOTAL TO DATE	2025-2026 GOALS YEAR ENDING 06/30/2026
34 OF 124 ENVELOPES	\$ 1,866.00	\$17,957.00	\$ 17,083.33	\$ 169,255.00	\$ 205,000.00
7 OF 25 ELECTRONIC	\$ 232.00				
CASH (LOOSE)	\$ 82.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 583.33	\$ 5,451.00	\$ 7,000.00
CHILDREN'S	\$ 20.00	\$ 130.00		\$ 939.00	\$ -