

The Catholic Communities of Cherokee and Holstein

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October 4, 2020 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR:

Today is the Twenty-seventh (27th) Sunday in Ordinary Time. As humans, we can be possessive of our worldly goods and take credit for our talents. Yet, everything we have is a gift from God – even the work we do to earn our living is done through the energy and talents that God gave to us. Like the tenants in today’s Gospel, we owe everything to God, our divine Landlord.

Our annual TOGETHER AS ONE campaigns helps to support our future. Please consider a gift to strengthen our Catholic community. The goals [monetary and pledge card return] for each parish are listed below. We want and need 100% participation from our parishioners. That is, we need every parish family who received a TAO pledge card to return it, no matter what amount you give [\$0-\$1,000,000+]. Thank you for your assistance.

Again, thank you to everyone who visits our parish website and Facebook page to stay in touch with the latest news and information, to utilize our weekend Mass reservation system [<https://cherokeecountycatholics.org/mass-attendance-reservations> [under the Liturgy menu]] to reserve your spot by Saturdays 3:00 p.m.

*And again, if we have any spikes in COVID cases in our communities, we will need to close our buildings to public Masses and private prayer. The churches will remain locked except for half hour before Mass times and private prayer times [two hours after each daily Mass]. Saturday evening and daily Masses at Cherokee are live streamed on our website.

And thank you for all parishioners who continue to mail in their parish contributions and/or go online to do this.

Please remember your parish in your will.....Your bequest is a testimony to your faith in our future.

Fr. Mark

SACRAMENT & PARISH INFORMATION

RECONCILIATION: Before Mass and by appointment.

BAPTISM: Parents must attend Baptism Class. Register with Michelle Wilson at 712-229-0299.

MARRIAGE: Contact the parish office 9 months in advance.

COMMUNION and ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call your parish office or contact Fr. Mark.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: Contact the parish office or go to cherokeecounty Catholics.org.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Wednesday.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

IC **Sept 20**

Weekly Total: \$3,518 – Adult Envelopes \$2,554, General – Online \$460, Major Repair - Envelopes \$270, Major Repair - Online \$110, Loose \$34, CAP \$45, Votives \$20, Religious Ed \$25. **TAO Goal:** \$41,385; cards to be returned: 464.

OLGC **Sept 27**

Weekly Total: \$720 - Envelopes \$715, General - Bank ACH \$35, Loose \$5. **Capital campaign:** Goal \$350,000, Pledges: \$445,312, Amount received: \$357,10. **TAO Goal:** \$9,735, Pledged \$135, Paid \$135; Cards to be returned: 112, Cards returned 2.

OF INTEREST TO BOTH PARISHES

October is Respect Life Month: This year's theme, 'Live the Gospel of Life,' was inspired by the commemoration of the 25th anniversary of Pope John Paul II's encyclical, The Gospel of Life. Pope John Paul's masterfully articulated defense of the right to life for children in their mothers' wombs, the elderly, persons with disabilities, and the marginalized is more relevant today than ever before. Abortion is a tremendous evil, for it kills innocent human life and generally haunts those involved for the rest of their lives. It is difficult to maintain that abortion is just one issue among many when we learn that while 11 million people were killed by the Nazis, 42 million babies worldwide were aborted in 2019 alone. Nearly 62 million babies have been aborted in the U.S. since 1973. That is nearly as many as have been killed by communists worldwide over a full century. Vastly more babies died because of abortion than those who have died in all wars since the Civil War. Those who fight against abortion are fighting both for the lives of the unborn and for the souls of all those involved in abortion. As long as abortion is legally protected in our culture, we are fighting against the culture. Any culture that allows the killing of the most vulnerable is a dying culture, and it is becoming clear that ours is.

Life Chain will be held in Cherokee on Sunday, October 4th, 1:15-3:00 p.m. beginning the with praying the Rosary in the Prayer Garden [fountain courtyard] by the IC

Church and then standing in silent prayer in downtown Cherokee holding prolife signs [which will be provided]. Physical [social] distancing and facemasks are required. This is a great way for us to put faith into action by standing up for life from the womb to the tomb.

Together As One [TAO] 2020, our annual appeal for the parish and for the Diocese assists with supporting Catholic ministries in the parish and the diocese, including pastoral, educational, spiritual and human services that benefit thousands of families throughout the 24 counties in the Diocese of Sioux City including helping to advance the work of parishes with financial assistance and support services. Without your generous support the vital work of the Church would not be possible. Everyone's support and cooperation are needed to make this a successful campaign.

Ushers needed to assist with greeting, taking attendance, seating, and dismissing Mass attendees. Volunteers need to be under age 65 and in general good health and able to do this challenging task. To volunteer, please contact Fr. Mark. Thank you to our current ushers who are doing a great job under challenging circumstances.

Faith Formation and other parish events will be postponed or cancelled if staff, catechists, or others exhibit symptoms of COVID-19. Please stay tuned to the parish website, Facebook page, and email for any updates and announcements as we did for Faith Formation at Cherokee on September 16th and 23rd.

Persons Wishing to Join the Catholic Church, whether baptized in another faith or unbaptized and over the age of seven [7], may contact Fr. Mark at any time of the year to begin the process known as RCIA [Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults]/RCIC [Rite of Christian Initiation of Children]. Preparation classes normally begin in September.

Forty Days For Life in Sioux City has been reactivated because the Planned Parenthood site in Sioux City has opened again and is providing chemical abortions at their location each Wednesday. The Sioux City Diocese will be leading a 40 Days for Life campaign again this year in the hope of saving innocent babies and the eventual closure of this facility again. Please consider signing up for vigil hours during the upcoming 40 Days for Life campaign: September 23rd - November 1st at the Planned Parenthood site (4409 Stone Ave) from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm Sunday through Saturday. Volunteers will need to wear masks and observe appropriate social distancing while volunteering on site. To sign up, go to:

<https://www.40daysforlife.com/siouxcity>.

Mass Offerings are gifts given to priests to offer the Eucharist for particular intentions. The Eucharist is always offered for the intention of all the faithful. But at

the same time a particular intention can be added for any person[s], living or deceased, or groups, events, etc. Most often, when a relative or friend dies, people often submit intentions to a priest. Offerings are accepted for any \$ amount with the typical amount in our Diocese being \$10. When these offerings are assigned, they are noted in our bulletin after each assigned Eucharist in brackets (i.e. [Joe Smith+] with a "+" to designate that the person is deceased.) Many years ago, these offerings were the sole income for priests. Today, this income is supplemental. A priest can only accept one offering per day and must always offer one Eucharist on Sunday for the "People of the Parish." Offerings are made by presenting to the priest the names of the person[s], etc. and a donation. Checks are to be made out to the parish. These donations are deposited into the "Mass Offering Fund" and paid out after the intention is offered.

Silence is golden in Liturgy. Silence is time for prayer. We need silence before and after spoken prayers, proclaimed Word, and songs. Silence is time for God to speak to us.

Laudato Si Series – Global Inequality: Pope Francis points out that people with power often make detrimental decisions that harm the health and livelihood of the voiceless poor who make up the majority of the world's population. "...a true ecological approach always becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor" (49). Reflect on ways that the harm to the environment causes harm to the poor. Act: Vote for people who support the care of the earth and justice for all. Read: Chapter 1, Section 5 of Laudato Si found under Parish Documents on our website. <https://www.ncronline.org/news/earthbeat/true-ecological-approach-always-becomes-social-approach>.

Racism – There is a greater number of people of color contracting and dying of COVID-19 because of their living conditions. In many cities, this population lives near factories that pollute the air, so they suffer from respiratory and heart diseases. There is a lack of health care, a lack of grocery stores with healthful food, little or no public transportation in and out of the neighborhood, and low wages. They can't afford to take sick days and often don't have insurance. These essential workers often work in unsafe environments that put them in close contact with many people.

IC PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

IC Parish Prayer Chain: Call Gert Selk 712-229-1756 to put prayers (illness/other) on prayer chain.

Please remember Jeanette Arndt (81), who died on September 30th and whose funeral was October 5th, in your prayers as well as her family.

CDA News: CDA will meet Monday, October 5th in the parish hall. Rosary at 5:30. Bring a sack lunch and drink. Meeting to follow. No committee to serve.

Congratulations to Evelyn George, daughter of Levi/Angela, and Olivia Weathers, daughter of Bill/Nicole, who made their First Holy Communion on Saturday, September 26th.

Guild Dues are due. For your convenience, a pink "Ladies Guild Dues" envelope may be found in your October-November contribution envelope packet. All registered parish women over the age of 18 are automatic members of the Guild. Single men and teens may disregard this envelope.

Face Masks: Jackie Frantum and Julie Luken will make them for parishioners who do not have access to getting one. If you need a mask, contact Jackie at 712-261-3510 or Julie at 712-221-9595.

~ IC Birthdays ~

- Oct 7** Connie Hill, Wanelda Moon
- Oct 8** Rhett Lundsgaard, Jeffrey Rupp, Brian Shea
- Oct 9** Jennie Evans
- Oct 10** Shirley Bobolz, Aubree Gaes, Emma Jensen, Whitney Johnson, Cheryl Kaskey, Baleigh Kennedy, Cindy Short, Wendy Slaughter, Jeannine Waddell, David Wilberding
- Oct 11** Mary Ellen Bumann

* Faith Formation News *

Catechists needed for Grades 6, 8, 9, and 10.

Faith Formation registration is due now. If you have not registered your children, please visit <https://cherokeecountycatholics.org/immaculate-conception>, print, completed, and return to the parish office from under 'Faith Formation Documents': Registration Form 2020-2021, Faith Formation Fee Agreement 2020-2021, and Waiver Form. Thank you.

OLGC PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Line: Contact Joyce Galvin at 251-1687 or Diane Gardalen at 229-1486.

KC tootsie roll drive will be held at OLGC Sunday October 4th and 11th, outside after Mass. Funds raise goes to Special Olympics of Iowa and local programs with persons with disabilities.

Face Masks: Pat Cronin has some face masks for anyone in Holstein who is in need of one. Contact Pat at 712-251-8328.

Mailing Address: Please use our new mailing address: PO Box 380 when sending us mail. Thank you.

Please Pray For Those Who Are Remembered Here...

<i>In Memory of...</i> Barbara Rupp	<i>In Memory of...</i> Ralph, Herta and Sharon Rupp	<i>In Memory of...</i> Jerry & Steven Madsen	<i>In Memory of...</i> Stacy Goth, Roger Goth, Adrian & Helen Goth and Margaret Healy
<i>In Memory of...</i> Del Ament and Jill Ament	<i>In Memory of...</i> Jim Schallau	<i>In Memory of...</i> Roger, Marilyn & Karen Immele and Sy Rodgers	<i>In Memory of...</i> Emil & Helen Mendt
<i>In Memory of...</i> Bud & Marjorie Brandt	<i>In Memory of...</i> Kay Chettinger	<i>In Memory of...</i> Dale & Ann Wright and Floyd & Mark Courtright	<i>In Memory of...</i> John Berigan
<i>In Memory of...</i> Owen & Eileen Hiniker	<i>In Memory of...</i> Dick & Darlene Hirschman	<i>In Memory of...</i> Paul & Matt George and John Storbeck	<i>In Memory of...</i> Nancy Wright, Justin & Corey Nicolaisen And Richard Wych
<i>In Memory of...</i> Tom Murphy	<i>In Memory of...</i> Romaine & Joanne Ryan	<i>In Memory of...</i> Jim Karhoff & Dan Karhoff	<i>In Memory of...</i> Lester & Mary Ann Bush, Mike Bush, Sharon Geary and Sandy Tuttle
<i>In Memory of...</i> Wayne & Rosemary Roepke	<i>In Memory of...</i> Max D. Martinsen	<i>In Memory of...</i> JoAnn Bartlett	<i>In Memory of ...</i> Richard & Sally Henke
<i>In Memory of...</i> Chuck & Joyce Perrin, Dan & Mike Perrin & Mike Gates	<i>In Memory of...</i> August "Gus" Erickson	<i>In Memory of...</i> Pat Bakker, Dale Bakker Jr. and Barb Timmins	<i>In Memory of ...</i> Kenneth & Elva Johnson
<i>In Memory of...</i> Bud Perrin	<i>In Memory of...</i> Lori Sokolowski and Aaron Sokolowski		

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