

October 30, 2016
31st Sunday in Ordinary
Time

All Saints Catholic Church

Mission Statement: "Rejoicing with gratitude in God's blessings, we invite and welcome all to share in the fullness of the Catholic faith. We live our baptismal call through worship, teaching, and serving one another."

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News & Views from Father Ray

Dear Parishioners,

A big reminder to everyone that All Saints' Day is observed on Tuesday November 1, and is a Day of Obligation. All Saints is a Solemn Holy Day dedicated to the saints of the Church—those who have attained heaven. The following day (Wednesday November 2,) is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven. On this day we think of everyone dear to us who have died and hopefully we pray for them always and not just on All Souls Day. We will have the privilege of Mass on both days. The Mass schedule for each day: All Saints & All Souls will be 5:30 pm at St. John in Adair and 7:00 pm at All Saints at Stuart.

The history of these days is that they were formally started by Pope Boniface IV, who consecrated the Pantheon at Rome to the Virgin Mary and all the Martyrs on May 13 in 609 AD. The choice of the day may have been intended to co-opt the pagan holiday "Feast of the Lamures," a day which pagans used to placate the restless spirits of the dead." (from Catholic Online) We ought to remember that most of the converts were pagans, and living in Rome one would have been surrounded by the pagan religion. The Church wishes to take what people are familiar with and find what is worthy and to build from there. One of the qualities of Christ's Church is the ability to take what is good among the various cultures and build on it bringing unity of peoples and orienting all of us to unity with God.

Continuing the history of these days, "following the Protestant Reformation, many Protestants retained the holy day, although they dismissed the need to pray for the dead. Instead, the day has been used to commemorate those who have recently died, usually in the past year, and to remember the examples of those who lived holy lives. The Catholic practice however, celebrates all of those who have entered heaven, including saints who are recognized by the Church and those who are not (from Catholic Online), as well as, remembering all those who died."

Please remember to add the names of your loved ones who have passed since last November to the list that will be transferred into the Book of the Dead. The sheet is in the gathering space of the church.

Have a great week,

Fr. Ray

Around the Diocese: Sponsor Couple Training Nov. 1st & 8th, from 6-8pm at St. Boniface Parish, Waukee. Couples must attend both evenings. Contact Adam Storey at 515-237-5056 or astorey@dmdiocese.org

Parish News & Events

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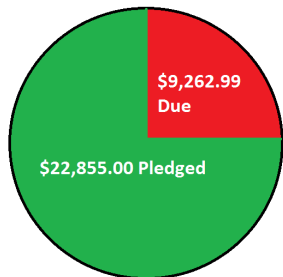
Sunday 10/30	Monday 10/31	Tuesday 11/1	Wednesday 11/2	Thursday 11/3	Friday 11/4	Saturday 11/5
9am Choir Practice 10am Mass For the People	Church office is closed on Mondays	6-7am TMIY 9-10:15am Women's Group 7pm Mass ALL SAINTS DAY For Lucille & Albert Greubel Birthdays: Ida Griffin	6:30-7:30pm Faith Formation 7pm Mass All Souls' Day Birthdays: Payton Drake	9am Mass at the Care Center For Rosalie McGinnis Birthdays: Donna Olson, Egan Durbin	8:30am Mass In Thanksgiving for George & Miranda Holland Church office is closed on Fridays	3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Mass For Dylan Watson Anniversary: Pat & Barb Marnin 1960

Weekly Prayer Requests

Please pray for: *Mary Keast, Keenan Volz, Mary Winkels*. To request prayer for someone for publication in the bulletin, please contact the church office at 515-523-1943 or via email at: stjohnallsaints@gmail.com. Be sure to include the person's name, your contact information, and that you have permission to submit the name.

Upcoming Special Masses:

The Solemnity of All Saints - Holy Day of Obligation
Tuesday 11-1: 5:30pm at St. John/7pm at All Saints
The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed
Wednesday 11-2: 5:30pm at St. John/7pm at All Saints
 If you would like to add a loved one's name to the *Book of the Dead*, please do so on the sign up sheet in the gathering space.




Financial Report
 for the week of Oct. 23
Tithes \$1,686.00
Children: \$39.51
Building Fund: \$0.00
Special Collections - Mission Sunday \$95.00
2016 ADA
 Balance Due \$9,262.99

All Saints Chicken Dinner

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual Staley's Chicken Dinner on Sunday October 30th from 10:30am-1pm in the parish hall. Adults \$9, Children ages 6-12 \$4, Children 5 and under FREE. Menu includes mashed potatoes & gravy, vegetable, salad, dinner roll, drink, and homemade pie.

SATURDAY 11-5	Rosary Leader	Cross Bearer	Lector	Greeters & Gifts	Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist	REMEMBER: If you cannot serve, please be kind and find your own replacement.
Liturgical Ministers	Mary Doud	Eric Tiernan	Roni Wilson	Matt & Jen Dickson	Mark & Kari Tisl, (need 3rd person)	
	Ushers	Servers	Commentator			
	Matt & Jen Dickson	Zoey Dickson, Riley Doud	Carol Smith			

SUNDAY 11-6	Ushers	Servers	Lector	Greeters & Gifts	Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist	Gulbranson, (need 3rd person)
Liturgical Ministers	John Gulbranson, Bob Olson	Sam Kasap, Cam Tigges, Alli Boyle	Donna Olson	Bob & Donna Olson	Amy Doud, Harriet	
	Cross Bearer		Commentator			
	Eli Kasap		Wayne Nosbisch			

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM: Preparation class for parents and godparents is required. Please contact the church office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Preparation for marriage must begin at **least six months** before the anticipated date of the wedding. Please contact the church office to set up an appointment to speak with Father.