

**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."

# All Saints Church

Pentecost

216 All Saints Drive, Stuart, IA 50250

June 4, 2017



## Mass Times

- **Sunday 9am Adoration**  
**10am Mass**  
8am at Adair
- **Tuesday NO MASS**
- **Wednesday Adair NO MASS**
- **Thursday 9am Prayer**  
Service w/ Communion  
at the Community Care Center  
-Adair **NO MASS**
- **Friday 8:30am**
- **Saturday**  
**3:30pm Confessions**  
**4pm Rosary**  
**4:30pm Mass**

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## Dear Parishioners

Many experience in our culture a general malaise or dissatisfaction with life, and try to compensate by filling one's life with various activities: from busying their children or one's self with the extra-curricular; spending lots of time working whether at home or work; running from one form of entertainment to another; or perhaps, "dealing" or "not dealing" with issues and using some form of escape whether through the abovementioned, chemicals, gambling, or avoidance, etc.

Perhaps, each of us suffers some form of the realities of this culture, but we have an answer to our concerns and the Trinity (God) demonstrates this through revelation. From the Scriptures (Bible) we find the Father always reaching out to teach and correct us so that we might learn how to be loved and to love—to be one in communion with Him and each other. Jesus Christ, "God's Word" is God taking on our Humanity (while remaining Divine) to confront

us in our "own skin" so to speak, speaking and showing us how to be a beloved daughter and son of the Father and how to live in the midst of difficulty. The Holy Spirit continues to give us what we need in order for us to "counter a culture that doesn't need or want God." We often fall prey to and end up finding ways to cope with disappointment, depression, wondering if there is a God, and dissatisfaction despite attempts to simulate what one thinks will make them happy. I believe we have lost the ability to be taught by God and one another; maybe we have a general distrust and will figure things out on our own. Of course this leads to disaster. Yet, God wishes for our happiness and to be loved and to love and He teaches us how to have this even when there is suffering. When we love someone very much we are not looking for suffering, but comfort, happiness, good feelings, and love. Yet, there are times we suffer greatly because the other does not respond, or rejects

us; there could be a death or serious illness which causes us to suffer and maybe even causes us to pull away from God and others.

It is time for us to call God for a "New Pentecost," asking God to renew the Holy Spirit's influence in our lives so that we can revisit the Scriptures with a renewed vigor for learning and doing God's will. The Holy Spirit will help us to have the very traits of Jesus Christ. These traits or gifts along with a virtuous living will help us to be one with God and in communion with those around us. We will pray for those gifts at Mass and they are: Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety, and (proper) Fear of God. Pray for these gifts each day. This fall, I will be offering an adult class to focus on the gifts of the Holy Spirit, the Virtues, and other important aspects of our faith. I hope you will plan to join us. Also, I will be on retreat this week with the priests of the Diocese. May you have a blessed week.

## Conception Abbey: A Benedictine Monastery

Conception Abbey is a Benedictine monastery located in northwest Missouri where everything accomplished is dedicated to the glory of God as St. Benedict instructs in his *Rule*. We exist to praise God in our daily cycle of prayer and work, welcome guests, educate future priests, and share the Gospel. Learn more about us and know you are always wel-

come at Conception Abbey. The Conception Abbey Guest Center (AGC) provides a variety of services to meet the needs of those who wish to visit Conception Abbey. As a complete retreat center, the AGC welcomes over 8,000 people to campus each year for spiritual

renewal and an opportunity to witness Benedictine hospitality. There are many reasons to visit Conception Abbey! Whether it's to join the monks in their daily cycle of prayer, to visit the Gift Shop, or make an overnight stay in the Abbey Guest Center, the monks of Conception Abbey welcome all.



## For the Freedom of the Church

### Pray

That the Church would have the space to carry out her mission of service and mercy for the whole world.

### Reflect

The Church is the body of Christ, the pilgrim people of God. She is not simply another charitable organization. The Church is called to carry forward the mission of Jesus Christ in all times and places. Much current work for religious

freedom asks for exemptions from the state. But we should keep in mind that the government is not granting us rights. Rather, the state is correctly acknowledging the right of the Church to fulfill her purposes. As Pope Francis, echoing Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, has said, the Church is not merely an “NGO” (non-governmental organization). The Church is empowered by the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission of Christ, and a well-functioning government will recognize its own lim-

its and allow the Church the space to do her work.

### Act

Our freedom for mission is difficult to appreciate if it is not exercised. Get in touch with a local parish or diocese, find out what your local church is doing in your community, and see how you can get involved. Even if you don't have time to volunteer, prayer can be an important way to stay connected to the work.

## What is the “Fortnight for Freedom”?

Each year dioceses around the country arrange special events to highlight the importance of defending religious freedom. The Fortnight for Freedom is from June 21—the vigil of the Feasts



of St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More—to July 4, Independence Day.

**Religious freedom** has recently become one of the major focal points in the conversation on how Americans can promote the common good. Our Catholic tradition has much to offer this con-

versation. In this time of **increasing polarization** in our culture, we can contribute to a **better understanding** of this issue in a way that **respects all people**. We can speak with friends and neighbors about religious freedom and work to clear up misconceptions about it.

(For further info, go to: <http://www.usccb.org>)

## Parish Business & Finance

### May 28th Collection

Sat/Sun: \$1,958.00

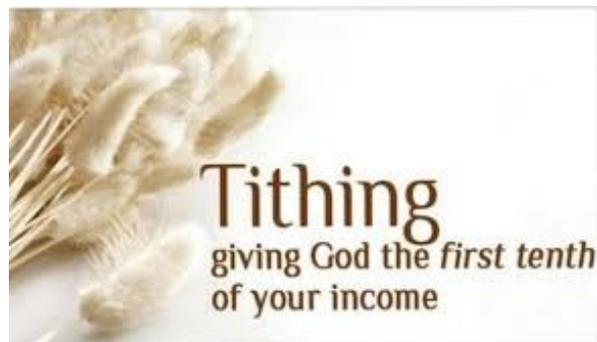
Kids: \$8.00

Building Fund: \$55.00

Special Collections: \$10.00

### 2017 ADA Balance

As of 5/26: \$13,001.00



## Around the Diocese

- **Priestly Ordination** Make plans now to join us at St. Ambrose Cathedral on Friday, June 23 as Bishop Pates ordains Deacon Trevor Chicoine to the priesthood. The celebration begins at 7 p.m. and all are invited.
- **Ask a Priest** Our diocesan newspaper, The Catholic Mirror, has brought back the Q&A that so many readers missed. Send your questions for the "Ask a Priest" column to mirror@dmdiocese.org or mail to "Ask a Priest," Diocese of Des Moines, 601 Grand Ave., Des Moines, IA 50309.
- **Thought for the Day** Msgr. Frank Bognanno, pastor of Christ the King Parish in Des Moines, is on WOI-TV each weekday at 6:59 a.m. with a Thought for the Day.
- **Deaf Ministry** Parish Notice for Des Moines, Adair and Osceola Regions: St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Student Center (on the Drake Campus) is the home of the Catholic deaf community. Sign language is available every Sunday at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. St. Catherine's is the only Catholic parish in the state to offer sign language interpreters at Mass every Sunday. For more information please contact Peggy Chicoine at dpchicoine@msn.com.
- **Catholic Charities Golf Classic** Register your group for the 2017 Bishop's Catholic Charities Golf Classic at Echo Valley Country Club in Norwalk on Aug. 28. Have some fun while supporting Catholic Charities services. Contact Fred at 515-237-5064 or email fhollister@catholiccharitiesdm.org.

## Places to be, things to do...

- Tuesday June 6, the **TMIY Men's Leadership Program** Each meeting begins with breakfast at 5:45am, presentation at 6am, and small group discussion from 6:30-7am. The topic of this week's lesson is: "*The Basics*"
- **Bingo at the Community Care Center** is scheduled for 2:30pm on Monday June 12th. Volunteer helpers are needed and appreciated for this enjoyable community outreach event. If you can help, please meet at the care center at 2:15pm.



### Candles

Many of our parishioners and visitors appreciate the chance to light a candle for a loved one on the votive stands located around the sanctuary. Please note the change in the amount of the suggested donation per candle: it is now \$2 due to the rising cost of the candles themselves. If you are unable to make a donation, please don't let that stop you from lighting a candle - *your prayers are important!*

## Prayers & Thanks

### Please pray for:

Gene Fitzgerald, Tom & Helen Clancy, Mary Doud, and those who haven't asked for prayer, but who are still experiencing pain, illness, or loss.



### Holy Father's Prayer Intention for June

#### National Leaders

That national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade, which victimizes so many innocent people.

Items to be included in the bulletin must be submitted to the office by 5pm Wednesday.

Call 515-523-1943 or email:

[stjohnallsaints@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnallsaints@gmail.com)

to submit your items.

*Bulletins, prayer requests, and other announcements are sent via email through **Constant Contact**. If you are not receiving these emails, please be sure the Church Office has your address. Also be sure to check your "spam" folder as it may be going there. Bulletins are also posted to our website each Friday afternoon.*

Website: [stuartallsaints.org](http://stuartallsaints.org)

### Liturgical Ministers

For scheduling questions, please contact Joyce Van Pelt through the Church office or via email at: [joyceavp@yahoo.com](mailto:joyceavp@yahoo.com).

If you are interested in becoming a Liturgical Minister, please contact the Church office to schedule an instruction time. **Ministers include:** *Sacristan, Ushers, Cross Bearers, Greeters/Gifts, Lectors, Commentators, Altar Servers, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC).*

### Liturgical Ministers:

#### Saturday 6-10

**Rosary:** Frank Holle

**Ushers:** Eric & Margaret Tiernan

**Cross Bearer:** Matt Dickson

**Altar Servers:** Zoey Dickson,  
Connie Drake

**Lector:** Carol Smith

**Commentator:** Sharon Doud

**Greeters/Gifts:** Matt Dicksons

**EMHC:** Maria Ladwig, Sr. Nesta,  
Sr. Andre

### Liturgical Ministers:

#### Sunday 6-11

**Ushers:** Wayne Nosbisch & Jim Doud

**Cross Bearer:** Wayne Nosbisch

**Altar Servers:** Alli, Evie, & Cora Boyle

**Lector:** Wayne Nosbisch

**Commentator:** Gary Riordan

**Greeters/Gifts:** Nick & Tanya Boyle

**EMHC:** Tyler Johnston, Brenda

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*To arrange for Sacraments, rent the parish hall, to join the Church, or if you have a question, please contact the Church Office.*

## Two-Week Calendar of Activities

*To view the entire calendar for both parishes, please go to [stuartallsaints.org](http://stuartallsaints.org) or [adairstjohn.org](http://adairstjohn.org)*

Sunday 6-4	Monday 6-5	Tuesday 6-6	Wednesday 6-7	Thursday 6-8	Friday 6-9	Saturday 6-10
9am Adoration <b>10am Mass</b> for the living and deceased members of the parish  <b>Bds:</b> Reyes Leyva, Allison Doud	   <b>Bd:</b> Jan Gillman   <i>Fr. Out of Town</i>	<b>5:45am: TMIY</b> Men's Group  <b>NO 6pm Mass</b>  Ann: Tom & Kerri McFarland  <i>Fr. Out of Town</i>	      <i>Fr. Out of Town</i>	<b>9am</b> (Care Center) <b>Prayer Service w/ Communion</b>     <i>Fr. Out of Town</i>	<b>8:30am Mass</b> for John Simons	<b>3:30pm Confessions</b> <b>4:30pm Mass</b> for the Men of All Saints  <b>Bds:</b> Mary Ellen Simons, John Wilson

Sunday 6-11	Monday 6-12	Tuesday 6-13	Wednesday 6-14	Thursday 6-15	Friday 6-16	Saturday 6-17
9am Adoration <b>10am Mass</b> for the living and deceased members of the parish  <b>Bds:</b> John Gulbranson, Tanya Boyle <b>Ann:</b> Eric & Laura Weber 2005	<b>BINGO</b> at the Care Center 2:30  <b>Bd:</b> Dave Tisl	<b>5:45am: TMIY</b> Men's Group  <b>6pm Mass</b> for Maynard Witkowski	<b>Bd:</b> Jenna Becker	<b>9am Mass</b> (Care Center) for Bob Griffin  <i>Wedding Rehearsal</i>	<b>8:30am Mass</b> for James Witkowski  <i>Poffenberger Wedding</i>  <b>Bd:</b> Steve McAndrews	<b>3:30pm Confessions</b> <b>4:30pm Mass</b> for Albert & Lucille Greubel  <b>Bd:</b> Beatriz Huerta