

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

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

216 All Saints Drive, Stuart, IA 50250

October 1, 2017



Mass Times*

- **Sunday** 8am at Adair
9am Adoration
10am Mass
- **Tuesday** 6pm Mass
- **Wednesday** Adair 8:30am
- **Thursday** 9am Mass
at the Community Care Center
-Adair 6:30pm
- **Friday** 8:30am
- **Saturday**
8:30am 1st Saturdays
3:30pm Confessions
4pm Rosary
4:30pm Mass
**Always Check Weekly
Calendar for Any Changes*

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Adult RE - Lessons for Life

This week in our Adult RE class we continued on the topic of forgiveness. One might think or wonder why or how we can spend so much time on this one topic. Well, think about it - maybe there’s still a lot more for us to learn.

Is there anyone in your own life that you haven’t been able to forgive for one reason or another? I know that I struggle with it sometimes. How can we as humans justify in our minds that God could forgive someone, for example, Adolph Hitler, after what he did. But God does have that capacity - if Hitler would’ve asked for forgiveness, he would have been forgiven. We can hardly comprehend this and yet it is a real and true possibility.

that person wasn’t genuine?

It may take a lifetime to understand that when we’ve been hurt or offended that chances are very real that we may have done something that hurt others as well.

Let’s pretend you and this other person are both standing before God. He asks if you forgave the other person. If you didn’t or found it too difficult, He will then ask the other person if you ever offended them - and how many others in your lifetime. Now, if you couldn’t forgive, then how are you to be forgiven? “What is bound on earth is bound in heaven. What is loosed on earth is loosed in heaven” is found in two places in Scripture. This applies not only to priests but also to every one of us. Forgiveness is a thing we must do together.

In last week’s homily, Father explained the significance of his vestments with regard to forgiveness. The alb, the white garment that he wears, represents baptism - the sacrament that makes us a member of the family. Over that is the stole. This item designates his office as priest and it also represents the “binding of things on

earth.” What a priest binds on earth will be bound in heaven; what a priest ‘looses’ on earth, is loosed in heaven. This is in reference to the forgiveness of our sins. The chasuble - the outer vestment - represents the love that covers everything beneath it. This is a picture of God’s unconditional love and mercy. This is the example of how we are to live our lives - covering everything with love and mercy.

Sometimes we may be suspicious of a person’s motives when they ask for forgiveness. Perhaps they are just going through the motions because someone else is pressuring them. Maybe they seem insincere and past history tells you they’re probably going to keep doing the same thing again - that’s when it’s hard to forgive, too.

God forgives us just because we ask. He doesn’t question our motives (although He certainly knows what we are thinking anyway). He just forgives. This is what we are supposed to learn how to do. God is trying to prepare us to live with Him forever - it’s time we get down to business.

Faith Formation

-Cathy Hicks, Director of Religious Education (DRE)

It's hard to believe we are going into week five of the Faith Formation year.

Next Sunday (Oct. 15th) will be our first Faith Formation Mass, with several of the young people taking on some of the liturgical roles. I would like to get families more involved on these Sundays, so please consider helping. Our next Faith Formation Mass will be Dec. 10th.

Schola will not be singing this season due to the amount of time rehearsal takes away from classroom instruction. The Scho-

la choir will perform, though, several times throughout the course of the year.

The Annual Pet Blessing is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct.11th at 6:30. This will be a regular night of Faith Formation, so all students should be in attendance. There will be several activities this night, including hot dogs and animal crackers. More info to follow.

Take care and have a great week. And may God be forever at your side and keep you in the

palm of His hand.

⇒ Faith Formation Meals

Many of our 7th-12th graders come directly from practices on Wednesday nights and don't have an opportunity to eat anything before class. Wayne Nosbisch is preparing a light supper for these students and will be doing so each Wednesday evening from 5:50-6:20. So stop by the church hall and grab a bite to eat. And give a big thank you to Wayne.

Thoughts From Jodi

- Jodi Bassett, Altar & Rosary Society President

Despite the necessity of taxes, we all grumble about paying them. Sales tax, income tax, sin tax. The State of Iowa is considering a tax on sugar-laden soft drinks. What a sin that Orange Crush is! We may like our accountant, but surely the IRS represents Satan, right? In Matthew's Gospel, the prostitutes and tax collectors entered heaven before the righteous. How can this be? We are just doing our jobs, living our lives and

minding our own business. But so are the tax collectors and prostitutes. This doesn't seem fair. (Perhaps another example of how fair has nothing to do with it?)

But we are nothing like them! No, because the tax collectors and prostitutes repented and changed their ways. Now we know the IRS isn't going away anytime soon, and their agents should be acting in accordance with

the law. And the Vegas strip is still doing a bustling business. But are our sins really any better? Do we belong on the pedestal upon which we sometimes put ourselves? Even Jesus did not equate himself with God, his own Father. His 'pedestal' was a cross. A cross! That would be pretty humbling for us. Probably all our souls could use some humility and repentance. Until next week, many blessings!

Parish Finance Report

September 24th Collection

Sat/Sun: \$1,959.00

Kids: \$8.50

Building Fund: \$0.00

Hurricane Relief: \$835.05

This Week's Income: \$1,967.50

This Week's Expenses: \$1,509.22

2017 ADA Balance

As of 9-1-17: \$8,363.50

Vendor Blender

Saturday October 7th, 9am-1pm at All Saints

Bake Sale

20+ Vendors

Raffle

Breakfast & Lunch

Proceeds Benefit the Cottage Pantry

First Congregational Church of Stuart invites you to their annual Special Speaker's Luncheon

Thursday October 5th
11:30am

Please reserve your seat by calling Marge Watts at 523-2636

The Readings for this week...

<u>Monday 2nd</u>	<u>Tuesday 3rd</u>	<u>Wednesday 4th</u>	<u>Thursday 5th</u>	<u>Friday 6th</u>	<u>Saturday 7th</u>	<u>Sunday 8th</u>
Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels		Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi	Optional Memorial of Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest	Optional Memorials of St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin	Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 5:1-7 Psalm 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20
Zechariah 8:1-8	Zechariah 8:20-23	Nehemiah 2:1-8	Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12	Baruch 1:15-22	Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29	Philippians 4:6-9
Psalms 102:16-18, 19-21, 29, 22-23	Psalms 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7	Psalms 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6	Psalms 19:8, 9, 10, 11	Psalms 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8,9	Psalms 69:33-35, 36-37	
Matthew 18:1-5, 10	Luke 9:51-56	Luke 9:57-62	Luke 10:1-12	Luke 10:13-16	Luke 10:13-16	Matthew 21:33-43

Places to be, things to do...

- Women's Bible Study** will begin Tuesday, October 10th at 9:00 a.m. We will be studying *Living the Beatitudes: A Journey to Life in Christ*. The classes will be held from 9:00-10:15 on Tuesday mornings from October 10th- Nov. 14th at the Church. Anyone is welcomed to attend. If you are

interested in taking the class or have any questions, please contact Cathy Hicks at 515-523-1943 or at cabinmn@gmail.com.

- Informational meeting about the World meeting of Families Pilgrimage opportunity in Dublin, Ireland, August 21-26, 2018.

The meeting begins at All Saints, Stuart, at 6:30pm. Anyone who is interested in this trip is welcome to attend.



Prayers & Thanks

Prayer Requests:

Tina Hilts and family, Rob Tiernan, Wilma Gomez, Rick Gomez, Donna Williams, and the Underwood Family

If you would like to request prayer for someone in need, you may call Viola Heins (515-789-2029) for the telephone prayer chain or email the office at: stjohnallsaints@gmail.com for the electronic prayer chain.

Thank you

The family of Mary Stoberl would like to thank the Altar & Rosary Society women for providing the delicious lunch and desserts after their mother's Celebration of Life. There was enough food to share with the National Night Out organization. Sincerely, Denise Stoberl

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

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

**Liturgical Ministers:
Saturday 10-7**

Rosary: Frank Holle
Ushers: Marvin & Janet Bassett
Cross Bearer: Eric Tiernan
Altar Servers: Connie Drake
Lector: Jodi Bassett
Commentator: Sharon Doud
Greeters/Gifts: Marvin & Janet Bassett
EMHC: Maria Ladwig, Sr. Nesta, Jodi Bassett

**Liturgical Ministers:
Sunday 10-8**

Ushers: John Gulbranson & Pat Beaman
Cross Bearer: Patrick Gulbranson
Altar Servers: Cora, Allie, & Evie Boyle
Lector: Wayne Nosbisch
Commentator: Donna Olson
Greeters/Gifts: Nick & Tanya Boyle
EMHC: Harriet Gulbranson, Jo Beaman, Cathy Hicks

ATTENTION USHERS

Our annual October count will run from Oct. 7-8 through Oct. 28-29 this year. Please be sure to count each week without fail.

Thank you,
Bishop Pates



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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.

Calendar of Activities

Regular Office Hours:
9am-3pm T-W-Th

To view the entire calendar for both parishes, please go to stuartallsaints.org or adairstjohn.org

<p>Sunday 10-1 K of C TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE & 6pm Mtg. 9am Choir/ Adoration 10am Mass for the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish ANN: Bruce & Ramona Partlow 1988</p>	<p>Monday 10-2 BDs: Grace Donnelly, Gayle Doud Father out of Town</p>	<p>Tuesday 10-3 6pm NO Mass 6:30pm NO Adult RE Class BDs: Gabrielle Doud, Michael Tiernan, Olivia Nixt 6:30-8pm World Mtg. of Families informational meeting Father out of Town</p>	<p>Wednesday 10-4 6:30-7:30pm Faith Formation ANN: Joe & Jane Sherman 1958 BDs: Josh Martin, Sophia James, Easton Lorenzen Father out of Town</p>	<p>Thursday 10-5 9am NO Mass (Care Center) V BD: Erica Sciarotta Congo Church Luncheon 11:30 Father out of Town</p>	<p>Friday 10-6 8:30am Mass for Donato Cianciaruso BD: Tyler Johnston</p>	<p>Saturday 10-7 8:30am 1st Sat. Mass for Martin G. Lydon 3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Mass for Albert & Lucille Greubel BDs: Rita Rilea, Andrew Hansen</p>
<p>Sunday 10-8 9am Choir/ Adoration 10am Mass Lvg & Dec'd Mbrs of the Parish ANN: Denny & Pat Hohn 1965 BD: Symantha Crawford, Jackson Doyle, Greg Hastings K of C Mtg. 6pm</p>	<p>Monday 10-9 BD: Sharon Jirak</p>	<p>Tuesday 10-10 9am Women's Study Group 6pm Mass for Ernest Suchon 6:30pm Adult RE Class</p>	<p>Wednesday 10-11 6:30-7:30pm Faith Formation PET BLESSING BD: Vince Doud</p>	<p>Thursday 10-12 9am Mass (Care Center) for George Clark ANNs: Roger & Cathy Callahan 1968; Alan & Mary Bovee 1974</p>	<p>Friday 10-13 8:30am Mass for Dcd. Mbrs. Of the Tigges/Boch Families BDs: Allison Fillman, Sandra Hunter</p>	<p>Saturday 10-14 3:30pm Confessions 4:30pm Mass for David Waltz BD: Tara Klassen</p>