

Father Tony's Corner

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what is behind the cross. Jesus endured the full pain of that clash without caving in, winning our redemption. Imitating Christ involves carrying out Christ-like actions: doing what is morally right, even when it is difficult or unpopular; being patient and forgiving with people who drive us crazy; finding creative ways to encourage and support those around us. But it also involves forming a Christ-like heart: recognizing that every single person, starting with oneself, is valued, esteemed, and appreciated by God; actually wanting what is best for every person, regardless of whether or not we happen to get along with them; considering other people just as important as ourselves. As Jesus renews his commitment to us, let us ask him to help us, this week, along the high road to true success by having a Christ-like heart, and carrying out Christ-like actions.

Faith Formation News by Cathy Hicks, Director of Religious Education

It's hard to believe it is fall already. Fall is a time to be thankful for many things: the harvest, family, friends, and faith. Last week we recognized our catechists and showed our appreciation for all they do to provide the best faith education for our young people. A group I would also like to recognize who play such an important role in the shaping of the faith in our youth are the parents. A child's basic religious training begins in the home. Thank you to those parents who practice and model the Catholic faith in their homes and in everyday life, providing a strong faith foundation for their children to grow and strengthen their faith.

Last week Father Tony held a training session for those students who want to become altar servers. Once again, these young people are demonstrating their faith in a very special way by serving the Lord. We will have additional trainings if more students are interested.

Take care and may God always be at your side and forever hold you in the palm of His hand.

Altar and Rosary Society by Jodi Bassett, President

Society seems to judge negatively those who strive to do the right thing all the time. Those deemed 'goody-two-shoes,' or 'know it alls' often meet with resistance. Why would anyone show scorn to another just because they follow the rules? Perhaps they act as a threat to the average person, who maybe doesn't pay much attention to details. In the Book of Wisdom, the just are considered obnoxious because they call out the wicked on their transgressions. No one wants to be found guilty of breaking some law or societal rule. And no one likes a tattler! The wicked were scoffing at the just; they were sarcastic, even.

Saint James begins by contrasting human ambitions which aren't always rooted in good, with the wisdom from God, which is always pure and righteous. The battle between good and evil is as old as Cain and Abel, and it exists yet today. We cultivate wars from our conflicts, conflicts that originate from our passions. Isn't it hard to think that dishonesty, greed, selfishness and other bases of crime are a passion for some people?

Last week I touched on the #metoo movement. This week our state endures another deadly crime against a young female college student. In our shock and frustration, there is much conversation of how to protect ourselves. While this is critically important (for both genders), to me the real message is how we all need to do the right thing. We need to respect each other and each other's everything: possessions, spouse, children, home, safety, reputation, livelihood, and life. No one has the right to take any of the above--and more--from another. We all need to do our part, do what's right, not criticize those who follow the rules, and genuinely love one another.

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Office Hours

Tuesday: 8:30am - 3pm
 Wednesday: 8:30am - 3pm
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Bulletin Deadline:

Noon Wednesday



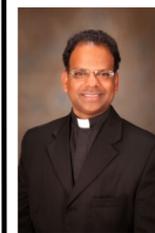
All Saints Mass Schedule

Tuesday: 6pm
 Thursday: 9am (Care Center)
 Friday: 8:30am
 Saturday: 4:30pm
 Sunday: 10am

St. John Mass Schedule

Wednesday: 8:30am
 Sunday: 8am

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Jesus is on a journey again. He is making a journey through Galilee, and finally arrives in a village called Capernaum. It is a fishing village located on the northern shore of the Sea of Galilee. While being with the disciples, he has been explaining to them that he will soon be arrested, unjustly condemned, mocked, and crucified. However, immediately following the explanation, they start arguing about who is going to get which positions - who will be prime minister, who will be secretary of the treasury, who will be defense minister. It is a clear indication that the apostles did not understand the real nature of Christ's Kingdom. Christ's Kingdom is not a political or military reality. Knowing about their discussion, Jesus asks them, 'What were you arguing about on the way'? Perhaps, they are too embarrassed to admit it. They suspect that their interest in worldly success is too self-centered to be praiseworthy. However, Jesus' response is surprising. He does not condemn their normal self-impulse. For he knows the human nature too well. He knows that achieving things, making a difference in the world, is a basic need felt by every human heart. Hence, he does not tell them that they should not desire to excel, or to do great things. One of the purposes of our lives is being a sign of God's goodness by making a positive difference in the world. Jesus utilizes the opportunity to explain the reality of true greatness. The great task for every Christian is not to achieve fame and fortune, popularity, power, and worldly success. Rather, it is the same task that Christ himself undertook: to serve others, to make others happy, to reach out to those who are weak and in need, like little children. Greatness in Christ's Kingdom is equated with humility, an attitude of the heart that puts the good of others ahead of one's own preferences. It is self-giving, and not self-getting. True, lasting, and fulfilling greatness lies - in loving one's neighbor as Christ loves them. Hence the path to greatness is service, not just any service: the humble service of laying down one's life for the benefit of another. Even an ambitious person can seek to perform some service to achieve his ends. When the Lord gives the example of serving a child, it is like a cold bucket of water dumped on the disciples' selfish ambitions. No matter how great we become in the eyes of society, we can never neglect even the least members of it, because our only ambition should be to serve. Nor can we forget that if we achieved anything in our life, it was thanks to our parents. One of the many surprising things about the New Testament is its honesty. Christ's Kingdom is a spiritual reality, the reign of God's will in the hearts of his followers. This is why Christ's sacrifice on the cross is not a terrible failure, but an eternal triumph. When we let God's will reign in our hearts, it always involves self-denial. The clash between God's eternal wisdom, the source of his will, and the selfish preferences of our fallen human nature is

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Sacraments:

Reconciliation:
 3:30pm Saturday in Stuart;
 7:30am Sunday in Adair;
 or by Appointment
Anointing of the Sick:
 Call Fr. Tony before/after hospitalization
Baptism: Call the office during pregnancy for preparation class
Marriage: Call the office at least nine months to one year ahead to plan marriage preparation. Wedding Date should not be set until preparations have begun
Annulment/ Marriage Validation:
 Call Fr. Tony to learn more about this process with Diocesan Tribunal if you are divorced and remarried or never married in the Catholic Church.
RCIA: Call Fr. Tony if you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church or the RCIA process.
Membership/Registration:
 If you are new, welcome to our parish. Please register by calling the office. If you are moving away, please contact the office to notify us before moving.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Updates on Canyon “Moose” Hopkins:** <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/canyonhopkins> or go to www.caringbridge.org and enter “Canyon Hopkins.”
- **Live and Silent Auction to benefit Moose:** October 14th from 12 noon to 6.00 p.m. at the Barne’s place, 20932 – 350th Street, Adel, just north of I-80 off the 106 exit.
- **Priest’s Residence Updating:** Our homes and offices, especially the appliances and furniture, need an updating after several years of use. The priest’s residence belongs to the parish, and it is the responsibility of the parish to maintain and upkeep the residence. Whatever is bought by the parish for the priest’s residence stays there for the use of the current pastor and his successors. The appliances and furniture at the priest’s residence are very, very old. Perhaps the most appropriate time for an updating is when a new pastor occupies the residence. Therefore, your kind and generous support is essential for updating the residence of your pastor. Your contributions are tax deductible, and all the appliances and furniture bought with your financial contribution will remain at the residence. If you are willing to support this much needed project, *Kindly, make your generous contribution to All Saints Catholic Church, and mark on the memo (residence updating).* Thank you so much for your love and support of your pastor and generous sharing for our residence updating project. We are really and truly blessed by your love, kindness, support and generosity. Through your generosity and support, we are able to move forward with our project. Rev. Antony Mathew **Contributions to date: \$ 5,035.**
- **Office of Bishop Richard E. Pates:** In recent weeks, a once in a century flood disaster occurred in Kerala, South India. It is reported 350 died and some 800,000 have been in relief camps. Fathers Thomas Kunnel, Antony Mathew and Tom Thakadipuram come from these regions in India. Joining Pope Francis may we demonstrate solidarity, prayer and support for these flood victims in the midst of this disaster. Any parishes or individuals who may wish to contribute monetary support are encouraged to do so. Please send such contributions clearly marked, as to their purpose, to the finance Office {**Attention: Paul Carlson, Director of Finance, 601 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50309**}, and they will be forwarded to Catholic Relief Services for outreach in this disaster.
- **Altar Server Training Session at St. John Catholic Church:** An altar server training session will be held on Sunday, September 23rd at 9. 00 a.m. at Saint John Catholic Church. This training is meant for children who have received their first communion, and are interested in assisting at the altar. Those who are currently altar servers are also invited to attend this training. Once trained, you will be assigned, and make sure that you are there to assist on that Sunday.
- **Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive:** The Knights of Columbus will conduct the CPID (Tootsie Roll) drive next weekend Saturday September 29th and Sunday the 30th. Proceeds support programs for people with intellectual disabilities such as the Special Olympics.
- **Father Tony away from the office:** Father Antony Mathew will be away from the parish office from Monday, October 1st through Wednesday, October 3rd attending the annual priests’ workshop with bishop Richard Pates and other priests of the diocese of Des Moines. There will not be a daily Mass on Tuesday, October 2nd., and Wednesday, October 3rd. However, he will be concelebrating Mass with the bishop on those days, and fulfilling the Mass intentions of our parishioners on the calendar for Tuesday, and Wednesday.
- **Position Available:** The St. Thomas More Center in Panora is currently looking for an experienced person to take on the role of the Director of Operations. For more information, please go to <https://www.dmdiocese.org/about-us/employment/diocesan-openings>
- **Attention CWO ladies:** The fall collection of \$25.00 is now due. This replaces our fall dinner. Please pay Wilma Fagan or your monthly Chairman. Thank you.
- **St. John T-Shirt Offer:** St. John t-shirts are available for pre-order. Proceeds will be combined with the Food for the Poor fundraiser. Shirt color is light blue and available in adult sizes - small, medium, large and extra large are \$20; 2x is \$25. Orders with payment are due by September 30 as orders will go in Oct. 1. Contact Annie at 402-216-9488 or message the FB page: www.facebook.com/stjohnsfaithformation/

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- **Cordial welcome to a La Salette missionary:** All Saints and St. John will have the privilege of welcoming a La Salette missionary on the weekend of September 29/30th, there will be a special collection to support the work of the La Salette missionaries. La Salette was an unknown hamlet lost in one of those giant crevices of the French Alps. The missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette are deeply rooted in the apparition of Our Lady of La Salette which occurred near the hamlet of La Salette in southeastern France on September 19, 1846. The missionaries were founded in 1852 by bishop Philbert de Brillard, bishop of Grenoble, France and presently serve in some 25 countries.
- **St. John Liturgical Help:** If you are interested in helping with Mass as a Server, Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Cross Bearer, Greeter, Praying for Vocations or Rosary Leader at St. John’s in Adair please contact Les Elgin at 641-742-3854 or elgins2011@gmail.com.

CALENDAR WITH MASS TIMES, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, SPECIALS

Sunday 9/23	Sunday 9/23	Tuesday 9/25	Wednesday 9/26	Thursday 9/27	Friday 9/28	Saturday 9/29
Adair 7:30am Adoration, Confession, Rosary 8am Mass for Roselyn Seidl	BD: Marvin Bassett Monday 9/24 BD: Violet Aubert	Stuart 6pm Mass for Elmer Witkowski BD: Lee Johnson, Caleb Smith ANN: Steven & Regina James 1971	Adair 8:30am Mass for Patricia Seilhan (health) BD: Liam Craw- ford, Gabe Gerling, Debra Richter ANN: Nathan & Karey Smith 1998	9am Mass (Stuart Care Center) for Ilae and Tony Pivonka BD: Cora Boyle ANN: Raymond & Betty Vais 1958	Stuart 8:30am Mass for Deceased mem- bers of the Tigges and Gladfelder families BD: Joseph Fagan	Stuart 3:30pm Confessions 4:05 Rosary 4:30pm Mass for Maxine Carey ANN: Andrew & Stacy Richter 2012

All Saints Financial Partnership

September 16, 2018

Weekly Offering: \$ 2,270.00
 Children’s Offering: \$ 17.75
 Seminarian Fund: \$215.00
 ADA 2018 Goal: \$29,802.00
 ADA Balance Due: **\$9,222.00**
 Finance Council: Rev. Antony Mathew, Wayne Nosbisch,
 Brenna Bird, Dave Boss, Barb Boss, Eric Tiernan, Tom
 Doud
 Trustees: Janis Gilman, Robert Bird

St John Financial Partnership

September 16, 2018

Weekly Offering: \$ 466.00
 Children’s Offering: \$ 5.00
 ADA Balance Due: \$0 **—THANK YOU!!**
 Finance Council: Rev. Antony Mathew, John Fagan,
 Monica Fagan, Larry Drees, Kenneth Ludwig, Marcia
 Gettler
 Trustees: Sheryl Drees, Les Elgin

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

All Saints

Saturday September 29

Rosary: Frank Holle
 Ushers: Wayne & Jan Gilman
 Cross Bearer: Wayne Gilman
 Altar Server: Jodi Bassett
 Lector: Roni Wilson
 Commentator: Carol Smith
 Greeters/Gifts: Wayne & Jan Gilman
 EMHC: Sister Andre, Maria Ladwig &
 Sister Nesta

All Saints

Sunday September 30

Adoration: *Knights of Columbus*
 Ushers: Knights of Columbus
 Cross Bearer: Knights of Columbus
 Altar Servers: Knights of Columbus
 Lector: Knights of Columbus
 Commentator: Knights of Columbus
 Greeters/Gifts: Knights of Columbus
 EMHC: Knights of Columbus

St. John

Sunday September 30

Cross Bearer: Dave Richter
 Greeters/Gifts: Mr. & Mrs. Ford Lillard &
 Family
 Lector: Julie Plowman
 Host: Matt Fagan
 Cup: Les Elgin & Adella Vogl
 Altar Servers: Cash & Madison Suhr
 Traveling Chalice: John & Adella Vogl