

Father Tony's Corner

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command: 'Master, at your command I will lower the nets'. Simon lets Jesus push him out of his own comfort zone; he takes the risk of stepping into Christ's comfort zone: 'Master, at your command, at your word, because you want it, Lord, I will do it'. That is the formula for Christian revolution, the revolution that brings meaning to life. What has God been asking us to give him? What area of our comfort zone has God been trying to expand? Our comfort zone is made of three main sectors: our relationship with God, our relationships with other people, and our own character, our own inner integrity. Usually, Jesus asks us to put out into deeper water in one sector at a time. Which is he pointing to now for us? Is it our relationship with him? May be we have had a thought in the back of your mind for a long time that we should pray more, or better. May be God has been nudging us to go to confession, and we have been ignoring him. May be he has been gently inviting us to study our faith more, to get to know him better, and we have been resisting. Is it our relationships with others? May be there is someone we need to forgive, or ask forgiveness from. May be we need to cut off or pull back a relationship that is dragging us down. May be we need to renew our commitment to someone we have been neglecting or taking for granted. Is it in our own character and interior integrity? May be we need to leave behind a hidden habit of dishonesty or self-indulgence. May be God is asking us to discipline a particular area of our life. May be we need to leave behind mediocrity and strive again for excellence in one of our responsibilities. Jesus is asking each one of us to put out into deep water, to step out of our comfort zone, not in order to torture us, but because he loves us. We may not understand, but it is OK, because we are not alone. He is in our boats, as he was with Peter, strengthening us, and he will never leave us. Let us trust him. Let us give him whatever he asks. Let his command to each of our hearts revolutionize our lives.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

<p>All Saints <u>Saturday, February 16</u> Rosary: Frank Holle Ushers: Dennis Donnelly & Eric Tiernan Altar Server: Jodi Bassett Lector: Donna Donnelly Commentator: Sharon Doud Greeters: Eric & Margaret Tiernan EMHC: Mark & Kari Tisl & Donna Donnelly</p>	<p>All Saints <u>Sunday, February 17</u> Ushers: John & Patrick Gulbranson Altar Servers: Ivan Hoffman, Nora Hoffman & Jenna Doyle Lector: Gary Riordan Commentator: Daisy Nevins Greeters: John & Harriett Gulbranson EMHC: Harriet Gulbranson, Jo Ann Beaman & Dave Tisl</p>	<p>St. John <u>Sunday, February 17</u> Cross Bearer: Cole Plowman Greeters: Mr. & Mrs. Tom Fagan Lector: Julie Plowman Host: Adella Vogl Cup: Les Elgin & Dave Richter Altar Servers: Addy Richter & Bailey Lillard Traveling Chalice: Francis & Deb Hollinrake</p>
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MONEY COUNTERS

Tuesday, February 12th @ 1pm: Eric Tiernan, Gina James & Donna Donnelly
Sunday, February 17 after Mass: Mark Poffenberger, Donna Olson & Gina Ocheltree

<p>All Saints Financial Partnership February 3, 2019 Weekly Offering: \$ 2,194.00 Children's Offering: \$ 19.75 Building Fund: \$ 801.00 Finance Council Members: Suzy Aubert, John Gulbranson, Anita Hilgers, Scott Lonsdale & Bob Olson</p>	<p>St. John Financial Partnership February 3, 2019 Weekly Offering: \$ 856.00 Children's Offering: \$ 15.00 Finance Council Members: Monica Fagan, Larry Drees, Elizabeth Moreland, Julie Plowman & Andrew Richter</p>
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Office Hours

Tuesday: 8:30am - 3pm
Wednesday: 8:30am - 3pm
Thursday: 8:30am - 3pm

Bulletin Deadline:

Noon Wednesday



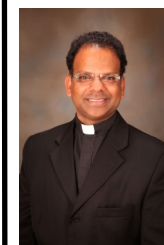
All Saints Mass Schedule

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 was by the Lake of Gennesaret, and saw two boats there alongside the lake. He intentionally got into the one belonging to Simon, and directed him to put out into deep water and lower the nets for a catch. Simon said to him in reply, 'Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets'. Simon is the key character in this gospel narrative. He was a fisherman, and his boat means everything to him. Even though he got skunked the night before he must have been good at what he did. He was successful enough to buy his own boat, and the boat represented security, and his livelihood. Every time Simon looked at that boat, his heart must have swelled with contentment. And then something changed. Jesus entered into his life and invited him to leave it all behind and follow him. The boat could not come with him. This was a crucial moment for Simon. He had seen the miraculous catch of fish, and experienced the presence of Jesus. He was someone unlike anyone he had ever met. He was so moved that he fell to his knees and told Jesus: 'Depart from me, for I am a sinful man'. But Jesus does not leave. He does something much more beautiful and much more challenging. He invited Simon to leave everything behind and follow him. He invited him to share his own life. And Simon said 'Yes' He and his fishing buddies leave everything behind and follow Jesus. They recognized that they were leaving their boats since they had found Jesus. So Simon Peter teaches us a great lesson today. We may lose something of our personal security, we may feel like we are losing control, but it is worth it. Because when we leave everything and follow Jesus, we find so much more. Our hearts are set free, and Christ becomes our life. For Simon, the humble fisherman from Galilee, this was the first day of the rest of his life. From this day on life became meaningful, purposeful, and fulfilling. On this day there was a revolution in his life. It is the revolution we are all thirsting for. And if we follow Simon Peter's example, we can have it. This revolution had two ingredients: First, Christ had to knock Simon out of his comfort zone. Second, Simon had to step into Christ's comfort zone. Jesus does his part masterfully. Jesus tells Simon to 'Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch'. Now, Peter was the expert at fishing, not Jesus. The boat belonged to him; he was the CEO of a fishing company. Simon knew that you do not catch fish in broad daylight, especially after a night without any catch at all. But Jesus just looks right at him, invites him, challenges him: he is pushing Simon Peter out of his comfort zone, into the deep water of the lake, and into the deep spiritual water of faith. That is the first ingredient in the revolution: Jesus knocks Simon out of his comfort zone. Now comes the second ingredient. Simon actually obeys. He does not obey because he understands. He does not obey because he can figure it out. No. He obeys only for one reason: because Christ is the one issuing the

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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

- **Stewardship:** Jesus calls and his call comes not as nameless people in a faceless crowd. He calls us individually, by name. Each one of us has a personal vocation. He gives us a unique role in carrying out his mission. The challenge is to understand our role, and to respond generously to that call. He calls us to a Christian way of life, or a Christian way of discipleship. Christian discipleship is a commitment of life after the model and example of Jesus Himself. It involves stewardship – meaning it requires making time for personal prayer. It means choosing to serve in parish ministries. It means planning a generous, consistent gift to the weekly offertory. Over time, as each person embraces his or her personal commitment, our parish can become a powerful witness to the abundant life that Jesus has promised. Thank you for what you are; and for what you bring to all of us through your life, gifts, and ministry.
- **FAITH FORMATION NOTICE - PLEASE UPDATE!!** If anyone has not received an email from Jill Gerling regarding Faith Formation information/cancellations in the last few weeks please contact Jill at allsaintsff@outlook.com to provide an updated email ASAP.
- **Annual Diocesan Appeal:** I want to thank everyone who participated in the Annual Diocesan Appeal for the year 2018, and a reminder to those who have not participated, that everyone's active participation is required to change the story of All Saints Catholic Church. We have not been able to meet our parish goal here at All Saints. We are looking forward to meeting that goal this year with your support, and sacrificial generosity. The Annual Diocesan Appeal Goal for All Saints is \$29,802 and we have paid \$24,040 so far. There is a balance of \$5,762 yet to be paid before the next appeal kicks in. If God has blessed you, and you are inspired to share a little of that blessing with your parish family to spread His kingdom and mission, please do so. May God bless you, your families and your loved ones with His abundant blessings during this special season. Fr. Tony
- **Appreciation Party for Altar Servers at St. John:** We are blessed with a good number of altar servers, and Father Tony wants to recognize and thank them for their ministry on Sunday, February 17th after 8:00 a.m. Mass in the parish hall. Please consider this as a personal invitation and join us for the party.
- **Thank you Janet Dickson!** The staff at All Saints would like to send a big THANK YOU to Janet Dickson for sharing her wealth of accounting knowledge in helping to meet IRS deadlines for All Saints Catholic Church. We appreciate all that you did for us! God Bless You!
- **Lenten Choir:** Each Wednesday at All Saints, Mass begins with music provided by a Lenten choir. You are invited to take part in this choir by joining us for rehearsals from 3:30-4:15 p.m. prior to Saturday Mass starting February 2nd. Please contact Brenda Wedemeyer at brendawedemeyer@yahoo.com for further information.
- **COMING SOON! Lenten Fish Fry at St. John, Adair:** The Men's Club of St. John Lenten Fish Fry is coming soon! Everyone is invited to come and enjoy a good fish fry meal on Friday, March 15th, Friday, March 29th and Friday, April 12th at St. John's Parish Hall in Adair.
- **COMING SOON: The liturgical season Lent!** Lent is a solemn religious observance in the liturgical calendar that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends approximately six weeks later, before Easter Sunday. It is a time of preparation through prayer, doing penance, repentance of sins, almsgiving, atonement, and self-denial. One of the devotional practices of Catholics during Lent is meditating on the Stations of the Cross, a devotional commemoration of Christ's carrying the Cross and of his execution. This year, we have a unique opportunity to participate in the Holy Eucharist on Wednesdays of lent at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Stations of the Cross, and a soup supper at All Saints. Let us make the season of Lent a time of grace and blessing for ourselves, our families, and our parish family.

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- **Mass Intentions!** The tradition of offering Masses for others, particularly the dead, originates in the very early Church. When we face the death of someone, even a person who is not Catholic, to have a Mass offered for the repose of his soul and to offer our prayers are more beneficial and comforting than any other sympathy card or bouquet of flowers. To have a Mass offered on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special need is appropriate, beneficial and appreciated. If you would like to offer Mass for a deceased family member or someone who is sick or to celebrate someone's birthday or to celebrate a couple's wedding anniversary, kindly contact the parish office.
- **Looking for a Sponsor/Sponsors for the Paschal Candle:** At the Easter Vigil Service, a new fire is lit, blessed, and the celebrant lights the Paschal Candle from the new fire, saying: may the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds. The candle is then processed through the church, at three different times, singing: the Light of Christ (*Lumen Christi*), and the congregation sings in reply: thanks be to God (*Deo gratias*). And then everyone lights their candle from the Paschal Candle and continue in procession until the whole church is alight. The Paschal Candle symbolizes Christ, the Light of the World. We have the Easter Vigil Service at All Saints on Saturday, April 20, would you consider sponsoring that Paschal Candle this year?

Altar and Rosary Society by Jodi Bassett, President

We know we are a sinful people. We are imperfect; we drop the ball. I know I do. I think bad things, I say bad things, I try not to do bad things. But it happens. It happens for all of us. Have you ever wondered why it's so easy to let things slip out our mouths when we know it could be hurtful or offensive to others? Why do we assume or think things about others, that may or may not be true, but that cause us to think badly of them? How often do we do something that causes a difficulty for someone else?

In our first reading, Isaiah proclaimed himself to be doomed, as a man of unclean lips, living among those with unclean lips. A seraphim touched his lips with an ember from the altar, removing Isaiah's sin.

Think about that. Wickedness removed by fire. How would we change our actions if we knew our reconciliation would be purging by a hot ember? Would we speak more kindly and less profanely? Would we be more forgiving of others? Would we feel we qualify to serve the Lord? I think I would give more concern to my language and thoughts if I knew that my lips would be burned. Perhaps we need to consider that option, even though it's not likely to happen that way, to remind us to be better people.

Calendar with Mass Times, Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sunday 2/10	Monday 2/11	Tuesday 2/12	Wednesday 2/13	Thursday 2/14	Friday 2/15	Saturday 2/16
Adair 7:30am Adoration, Confession, Rosary 8am Mass for Francis Hollinrake (health) Stuart 9am Choir Practice 10am Mass for Paul Heins BD: Ana Lorena Dahl & Alli Boyle 2/17 Adair Mass for Francis Hollinrake (health)	BD: Bailey Dickson 6pm Mass for Paul Heins BD: Casey Guillaume ANN: Leo & Jeri Pieper 1977	Stuart 6pm Mass for Paul Heins BD: Casey Guillaume ANN: Leo & Jeri Pieper 1977	Adair 8:30am Mass for Elizabeth Lillard (health) BD: Jason Tigges ANN: Jeff & Gina Ocheltree 1993	Stuart 9am Mass (Stuart Care Center) for Paul Heins BD: Julie Doud & Dennis Donnelly ANN: Jerry & Janet Dickson 1976	Stuart 8:30am Mass for Claire & Pat Dickey BD: Aiden Lewis	Stuart 3:30pm Confessions 4:05 Rosary 4:30pm Mass for Claire & Pat Dickey