

Father Tony's Corner *(continued from front page)*

his resurrection? He breathes on them - quietly and subtly. In the readings today, we are reminded that to be a baptized Christian living in friendship with God means that we do have this power source. His name is the Holy Spirit, and he is the third person of the Blessed Trinity. He is the bond of love between God the Father and God the Son. In the gospel, the Risen Christ breathes on the apostles and gives them the Holy Spirit. This gesture goes back to the very beginning of the book of Genesis, when it says that at the moment of creation the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. In Hebrew, the word for Spirit is *Ruah*, which also means breath. So Jesus, by giving us the Holy Spirit, is recreating us. The Holy Spirit gives us new life. He is present in us as the source of our new life in Christ. This is the Church's work - reuniting the divided human family with God and with each other. The Church has taught us many times and in many ways that the fundamental cause of disunity in the human family is sin, the rebellion of the human heart against God. If we are to fulfill our role as members of this Church whose mission is building unity, if we are to be active, efficient, and effective builders of unity in our families, schools, communities, and workplaces, we must be first and foremost men and women of prayer. Prayer binds us firmly to God, so that through us his strength can bring together the scattered pieces of fallen humanity. A mature prayer life makes us smart partners of the Holy Spirit. Today, when the Holy Spirit renews his presence in us and in the world, let us renew our commitment to becoming mature men and women of prayer, so that we can boldly advance the Church's beautiful and urgent mission, and let us pray for a new Pentecost in our lives, our parish, and our world.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

All Saints

Saturday, June 15

Rosary: Frank Holle

Ushers: Mark & Kari Tisl

Altar Server: Jodi Bassett

Lector: Bob Bird

Commentator: Roni Wilson

Greeters: Marvin & Janet Bassett

EMHC: Mark & Kari Tisl & Sister Andre

All Saints

Sunday, June 16

Ushers: Dennis Van Pelt & Tom Doud

Altar Servers: Ilean Hoffman, Nora Hoffman & Brody Moore

Lector: Amy Doud

Commentator: Daisy Nevins

Greeters: Dennis & Joyce Van Pelt

EMHC: Linda Lee O'Neel, Amy Doud & Joyce Van Pelt

St. John

Sunday, June 16

Cross Bearer: Belle Fagan

Greeters: Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Lector: Barb Bachman

Host: Adella Vogl

Cup: Sister Andre & Matt Fagan

Altar Servers: Luke Brincks & Carley Fagan

Traveling Chalice: Francis & Deb Hollinrake

MONEY COUNTERS

Tuesday, June 11 @ 1pm: Eric Tiernan, Gina James & Donna Donnelly

Tuesday, June 18 @ 1pm: Donna Olson & Gina Ocheltree

All Saints Financial Partnership

June 2, 2019

Weekly Offering: \$ 1,256.00

Children's Offering: \$ 14.15

Building & Repair Fund: \$679.72

St. John Financial Partnership

June 2, 2019

Weekly Offering: \$ 788.00

Children's Offering: \$ 21.00

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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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

Father Tony's Corner



Pentecost is significant in both the Old and New Testaments. "Pentecost" is actually the Greek name for a festival known in the Old Testament as the Feast of Weeks. The Greek word means "fifty" and refers to the fifty days that have elapsed since the wave offering of Passover. The Easter season concludes with Pentecost Sunday. We commemorate the day when the Father and the Son poured out the Holy Spirit in a special way on the Apostles. Strengthened by the Holy Spirit, the Apostles are able to take up the mission of proclaiming the Gospel throughout the whole world. We are reminded of one

of the Spirit's greatest gifts, a gift Our Lord conferred to the Apostles on the eve of his Resurrection: the gift of reconciliation with God. Our Lord first bestows the gift of reconciliation with his dearest friends, the friends who abandoned him in his moment of need: 'Peace be with you'. It is no coincidence that he repeats this desire for reconciliation even as he is breathing the Holy Spirit upon them. It is the Holy Spirit who makes reconciliation possible. The Spirit raised Jesus from the dead and gave him new life so that reconciliation would be possible. The separation between God and man, recalled by the story of the Tower of Babel, is reversed by the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost: in pride, man distanced himself from God and his fellow man, and communication broke down. Through the gift of tongues, the Holy Spirit reestablishes the lines of communication. In the Spirit, man reconciles not only with God but with his fellow man. The Church's first Pentecost was a spectacular event. The Apostles and other Christians were gathered 'in one place together', and we do not know exactly where. They were all in one place, and then a thunderous noise, a strong wind, like a tornado, came from the sky. Flames of fire just appeared out of nowhere, spontaneously, hovering in the air. And these flames divided up and started floating through the air until they came to rest on each of the people gathered. All of a sudden the Christians started speaking in languages that they did not know. A crowd had gathered by now, with visitors from all over the world who were in Jerusalem for the festival. Each one heard the Christians explaining the gospel in their own language. It was a dramatic, spectacular display. But we would be wrong to conclude from this that the Holy Spirit's normal way of acting in our life is through dramatic events. God's action in our life is most often gentle and hardly perceptible at first. How does Jesus send the Spirit to his Apostles after *(continued on back page)*

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

- Annual Diocesan Appeal 2019:** Each year, every member of our diocesan faith community is asked to participate in making a gift to support the work and ministry of Bishop Pates through the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Each of the 81 parishes in the Diocese of Des Moines has a goal that is calculated based on a formula of parish income and expenses. One of the largest expenses covered by the Diocesan Appeal is support of our priests. The Diocese pays 100% of the priests health care. The Appeal also covers the priest's retirement benefits, an expense which is not absorbed by our parish. The Diocese currently supports 112 priests; 37 of those priests are retired, and 75 are active. The Appeal also covers the formation of our deacons, and education of our 21 seminarians as they study in their last years of Seminary. The ADA also covers administrative expenses for the staff of the Diocese who are dedicated to serving our parish in many ways. Bishop Pates' ministry, including housing, travel throughout the Diocese for meetings, special masses, and confirmations are all supported by the ADA. Last, but not least, a portion of our ADA dollars supports Catholic Charities in feeding and clothing those in need; providing shelter for homeless families; assisting victims of domestic violence; counseling thousands of individuals, and welcoming refugees who have fled their native lands as they settle in Iowa. I want to thank everyone who has already participated in the 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal, and provide a friendly reminder to those who are still thinking about responding. Your participation is very valuable to All Saints and St. John Catholic Church. We are looking forward to your support, and sacrificial generosity to share a little of our God-given blessing to spread His kingdom and mission.

All Saints, Stuart, Parish ADA Goal = \$30,035

Gifts Received: \$ 17,680.00

St. John, Adair, ADA Goal = \$7,257

Gifts Received: \$4,720.00

- Thank you from All Saints Altar and Rosary Society:** A big THANK YOU goes out to everyone that helped with the Altar & Rosary garage sale last weekend. We were able to raise some funds and help out some people in the process. It would not have happened without all of you. Thanks again for all your contributions!
- St. John RAGBRAI:** Please plan to attend an INFORMATIONAL RAGBRAI Meeting. The meeting will be held immediately following 8:00 am mass Sunday, June 9th in the Church Hall. We will review what we need for donations and volunteers and will last about 15 to 20 minutes. Please contact Erin Carney at 641-740-7974 if you can not attend and want to learn more, or if you are able to help.

GET OUTSIDE THIS SUMMER!



Catholic Youth Camp will be one of the best weeks of your summer!

Come join us during one of our 11 camp sessions. Available for those entering 3rd grade through high school seniors.

Grow in your faith, be a part of our vibrant community, and enjoy the adventure of camp. For more info and to register visit www.stmcenter.com

We hope to see you at camp this summer!

- 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, someone who is sick, celebrate someone's birthday or celebrate a couple's wedding anniversary, kindly contact the parish office.

- All Saints Altar & Rosary Society:** The Altar and Rosary Society invite you to join them at the Stuart Community Care Center, Monday, June 10th, when they host BINGO at 2:30pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- All Saints Catholic Church Maintenance and Repair Projects:** All Saints Catholic Church has decided to take up three maintenance projects costing around \$ 54,841 dollars. As a matter of fact, all these projects are long overdue. The success of the campaign for these projects will depend upon your commitment in prayer, involvement and sacrifice of God given treasure. Our success will not come from a small group of parishioners, but rather from the participation of 100% of the parish family. I want to thank everyone who has already donated to these projects, and we are looking forward to the support, and sacrificial generosity of others so that in the spirit of the sacrifice and generosity of our founding members, we can answer our challenge today.

Gifts received - \$ 5,775.00

Parishioners Donated: 12

- Air-conditioning of St. John Parish Hall:** We have decided to fulfill a long cherished dream of our parishioners of having an air conditioning system installed at St. John Parish Hall at a cost of \$ 6050 dollars. The success of the campaign for this project will depend upon your commitment in prayer, involvement and sacrifice of God given treasure. Our success will not come from a small group of parishioners, but rather from the participation of 100% of the parish family. I want to thank everyone who has already donated to this project, and we are looking forward to the support, and sacrificial generosity of others so that in the spirit of the sacrifice and generosity of our founding members, we can answer our challenge today.

Gifts Received: \$ 2,485.00

Parishioners Donated: 11



FAMILY FEST

All Saints Catholic Church is hosting an

Annual Family Fest

to celebrate faith and community with a day of food, fun, and fellowship.

Join us **Saturday, August 24, 2019**

from Noon until 4:00



Calendar with Mass Times, Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sunday 6/9	Monday 6/10	Tuesday 6/11	Wednesday 6/12	Thursday 6/13	Friday 6/14	Saturday 6/15
Adair		Stuart	Adair	Stuart	Stuart	Stuart
7:30am Rosary & Confession	BD: Mary Ellen Simons, John Wilson, & Addilynn Richter	6pm Mass for Claire and Pat Dickey	8:30am Mass	9am Mass (Stuart Care Center)	8:30am Mass	Confessions by Appointment
8am Mass for Linda Faga		BD: John Gulbranson & Tanya Boyle	BD: Dave Tisl		BD: Bud Dill	4:05pm Rosary
Stuart		ANN: Eric & Laura Weber 2005				4:30pm Mass for Claire & Pat Dickey
10am Mass for the People						
ANN: Cody & Elizabeth Moreland 2012						