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them and make sacrifices for them. That is what Christ did for us, to prove what kind of friend he wants to be - just look at the crucifix. And if we value his friendship, and want to be his friend, we will, gladly (even if clumsily), 'go and do the same'. Jesus has never stopped telling the world that he wants to be its Good Samaritan that his commandments and sacraments are the healing ointment for our wounds of selfishness and sin. Throughout the centuries he has expressed this message in many ways. He never tires of trying to convince us that he loves us completely, powerfully, passionately, with no strings attached. Christ is our Good Samaritan. Only Christ's help can get us back on our feet, keep us there, and infuse in us the inner, spiritual strength we all know we should have. In a culture drunk with self-indulgence, self-reliance, and extreme individualism, we need to be reminded of this truth. Every Christian is called to be another Christ. Christ wants to reach out to the people in our circles of friends and family, just as the Good Samaritan reached out to the unfortunate man who had been robbed and beaten. And he wants to reach out through us. Each of us knows people who have been robbed and beaten up by the troubles of life in this fallen world. This week, encouraged by the example Christ gives us in this parable, and nourished with his very own supernatural strength through the Holy Eucharist that we will receive, let us allow Christ to reach out to that person through us. By inviting us to be his Good Samaritan coworkers, Jesus gives us an opportunity to show him how grateful we really are. This week, let us obey Christ's command to 'go and do likewise'. If we do, the Lord promises, we become truly alive. As Christians, we have the privilege of knowing that Jesus is the Lord and Savior of human history, and the Lord and Savior of each one of our lives. And so we should adjust our way of thinking and living to be more and more centered on him. We should study what he has told us about how to live. We should dedicate ourselves to living as he lived. We should repent from the sins that distance us from him. We should make use of the many gifts he has given us to help us through life, like prayer, the sacrament of confession, the Bible, the guidance of the Church, the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Jesus is the center of history and the universe, and we have received the great gift of knowing this. All of us want to live in accordance with this truth. Today he is inviting us to renew our efforts towards doing so. As we participate in the Holy Eucharist, and as the Lord comes to our hearts to strengthen us in Holy Communion, let us ask ourselves what one thing we can do this week to live a more Christ-centered life.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

All Saints

Saturday, July 20

Rosary: Frank Holle
Ushers: Marty & Julie Doud
Altar Server: Connie Drake
Lector: Jodi Bassett
Commentator: Sharon Doud
Greeters: Wayne & Jan Gilman
EMHC: Jodi Bassett, Sister Nesta & Sister Andre

All Saints

Sunday, July 21

Ushers: John & Patrick Gulbranson
Altar Servers: Riley & Davis Doud
Lector: Donna Olson
Commentator: Amy Doud
Greeters: John & Harriet Gulbranson
EMHC: Brenda Wedemeyer, Linda Lee O'Neel & Harriet Gulbranson

St. John

Sunday, July 21

Cross Bearer: Francis Hollinrake
Greeters: Mr. & Mrs. Les Elgin
Lector: Theresa Elgin
Host: Elizabeth Moreland
Cup: Sister Andre & Les Elgin
Altar Servers: Luke Brincks & Addy Richter
Traveling Chalice: Les & Theresa Elgin

MONEY COUNTERS

Tuesday, July 16 @ 1pm: Donna Olson & Gina Ocheltree

Tuesday, July 23, @ 9am: Diane Messinger, Dennis Van Pelt & Dave Vigon

All Saints Financial Partnership

July 7, 2019

Weekly Offering: \$ 1,582.00
Children's Offering: \$ 21.00
Building Fund: \$ 477.00

St. John Financial Partnership

July 7, 2019

Weekly Offering: \$ 519.00
Children's Offering: \$ 7.00

Staff

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Office Hours

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

Bulletin Deadline:

Noon Wednesday



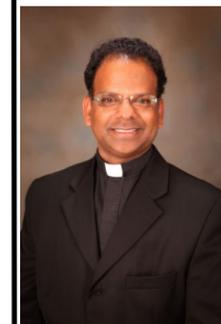
All Saints Mass Schedule

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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The parable of the Good Samaritan is so familiar to us that we often see only one of its dimensions. The dimension we tend to focus on is its presentation of a model for us to imitate. Jesus finishes the parable by saying 'go and do likewise'. In that sense, it is a crystal clear explanation of the great commandment, 'love your neighbor as yourself'. If we strive to follow it, we will without a doubt, live a worthy, meaningful, and fruitful life. But, this parable also has another dimension. The Good Samaritan is, above all, a self-portrait of Jesus and what Jesus has done for us - for the human family as a whole, and for each of us individually. We were like the man left on the side of road to die. Each of us has been robbed of our original holiness by original sin. Our selfishness and sins, and the sins of others, have deeply wounded our souls. We lay on the side of life's path in need of a Savior. We have been bruised and broken and wounded by life in a fallen world. In his incarnation, Jesus comes to us like the Good Samaritan. He is the merciful Lord who heals and restores us with the oil and wine of his sacraments, who pays for our salvation with his own sacrifice on the cross at Calvary, who entrusts the boundless riches of his grace to his own innkeeper, the Church, who in turn watches over our convalescence, our growth into Christian maturity, until Jesus will come again. If Jesus commands us to be Good Samaritans to one another, it is only because he has walked the path ahead of us. It is worth taking some time to think about this parable. In this self-portrait, Jesus shows us what kind of friend he wants to be for us. He puts himself out; he goes out of his way, to save a half-dead traveler, someone he does not know, and someone who belongs to a social group that despises his own social group. Jews and Samaritans had been long-standing enemies by the time of Christ. First of all, this meant taking a risk. Playing dead was a popular ploy of Palestine's experienced roadside thieves and brigands. They would pretend to be injured, and when a kind traveler stooped down to help, the gang of thieves would pop out of hiding and attack. Second, this attention was costly. The Good Samaritan had to use up his own oil and wine to treat the wounds. He had to leave money with the innkeeper to cover expenses. Third, it was inconvenient. The Samaritan was on the road for business, may be very important business. Stopping at the scene of the accident and taking the injured man to safety, would delay his trip. In short, the whole thing was really a bad investment, practically speaking. But friends do that. They put themselves out for their friends. They take risks for

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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

- **St. John Catholic Church parishioners:** One of our fellow parish members has been diagnosed with leukemia. The parish family would like to alleviate as much burden as possible so we will be providing gas gift cards and freezer meals to help them through this journey. Please bring meals and gift cards to the Parish hall after mass on Sunday over the new few weeks and we will distribute them to the family. For more information or questions, please contact Stacy Richter at 515-975-2183 or via email at richterfamily2012@gmail.com. Thank you for your generosity and prayers!
- **Funeral mass:** Florence Lillian Kolp Doud, 89 of Long Beach, FL went home to the Lord on May 26, 2019. A memorial mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 am on Saturday, July 13, 2019 at All Saints Catholic Church in Stuart. Burial will be at the Calvary Cemetery in Stuart.
- **St. John RAGBRAI UPDATE:** As a reminder – Please bring RAGBRAI donation items to the church Hall by Sunday July 21 at 2:00 p.m. Schedule of all workers and map of how to navigate town will be provided after mass on July 13 and July 21. We still need volunteers to help work the food stand on July 22. Our food stand will be between the GCH clinic and the pink building on Main Street. There will be a dark green Farm Credit Service of America Tent set up.

⇒ **PLEASE NOTE!** – We no longer need people to cut up meat on Sunday. Per health department regulations, all meat has to be sliced the day of the event. We will start cutting and grilling meat at 5:00 a.m. the day of the event.

- **Bishop Pates celebrates Mass to honor couples:** Each year Bishop Pates celebrates Masses to honor couples who are celebrating milestone anniversaries. On Saturday, August 3rd during the 5:15 p.m. vigil Mass at St. John Catholic Church in Greenfield, Bishop Pates will be honoring those couples in our diocese who have celebrated a milestone anniversary in the last year! Certificates of blessing are available and a reception will follow for all couples and families. A certificate of blessing is available with registration for couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (5 year increments and 50+). Reserved seating will be available for these couples and their families. To register call Cathy Gearhart at 515-237-5004 or email her at cgearhart@dmdioocese.org

- **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

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

Gifts Received: \$ 18,580.00

Gifts Received: \$ 5,122.17

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- **Update on the Maintenance Projects at All Saints:** First and foremost, I want to thank everyone who partnered in our maintenance projects campaign. You, joining hands with other fellow parishioners of All Saints parish family, is going to change our story. Bishop Pates has given his approval to our projects, and consequently we have signed a contract with Roy Sargent Building, Inc. to fix the upper level parking area and the broken sidewalk, and to add an additional 6 handicapped parking spaces and one Van accessible space north of front entry drive, and the work will begin soon. Having given themselves to our parish family during their energetic years, and as they approach the sunset years of their lives, we strongly feel that our elderly parishioners need a little extra attention, care and love. We hope that the spaces marked for them closer to the Church will give them an easy access. We are really and truly blessed by the love, kindness, and sacrificial financial support of all of you, and we are positively looking forward to that unwavering support in order to make our parish family a vibrant community in the diocese of Des Moines. Thank you for what you and your family are; and for what you and your family bring to our wonderful parish family through your life, gifts, ministry, and generous sharing of your treasure. May God bless you, your family and your loved ones with His abundant blessings. Rev. Antony Mathew, Pastor



RAGBRAI Food Stand HELP

Located in the open lot next to Harmony Chiropractic & True Value

- Set up of tents, tables for All Saints Church
 - Set up of wash stations and other requirements of the Food and Health Inspection License
 - Serving of the items being sold:
 - chicken sandwiches
 - sloppy joe sandwiches
 - water
 - Gatorade
 - Working the Free Will Snack/Dessert table
 - Socializing with the RAGBRAI riders
 - **TEAR DOWN** of the food stand area & **CLEAN UP**
- ♦ You'll be contacted if you've signed up, otherwise call the office to let us know how you can help.

LIKE TO BAKE

The All Saints Faith Formation Families will have a **FREE WILL DONATION** table of snack/dessert food for the Food Stand. If you **LOVE** to bake but don't like to eat it all, we will take your baked items for the table. Baked items need to have the following requirements per the health inspection office:

- Placed in a zip-lock type baggy for single serving
- All baggies of same food into a grocery bag with:
 - Name of food
 - Your name
 - Made with: dairy, egg, wheat or nuts



Deliver to the church during Mass times on Saturday, July 20th and Sunday, July 21st

Calendar with Mass Times, Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sunday 7/14	Monday 7/15	Tuesday 7/16	Wednesday 7/17	Thursday 7/18	Friday 7/19	Saturday 7/20
Adair	BD: Taylor	Stuart	Adair	Stuart	Stuart	Stuart
7:30am Rosary & Confession	Ommen & Richard Bachman	6pm Mass	8:30am Mass for Gary Seilhan (health)	9am Mass (Stuart Care Center)	8:30am Mass	3:30pm Confessions
8am Mass for Joseph Lawlor (health)			BD: Amy Doud	BD: Dennis Hohn & Deb Hollinrake	BD: Joanne Tiernan, Norma Tigges, Ann Vigon & Clare Kasap	4:05pm Rosary
7/21 Mass for Eugene Seilhan (health)			ANN: Richard & Barb Bachman 1976		ANN: Roger & Barb Vais 2008	4:30pm Mass for the People
Stuart						BD: Jerry Kuttler
10am Mass for the People						ANN: Wayne & Jan Gilman 1974
BD: Axton & Braxton Bruns						