

September 4, 2016
23rd Sunday in Ordinary
Time

Saint John Catholic Church

Mission Statement: "We envision a process of transforming all baptized Christian, clergy, and lay into maturing persons knowing themselves in community, growing in their relationship to God, lived in individual and shared ministry responses to their baptismal call."

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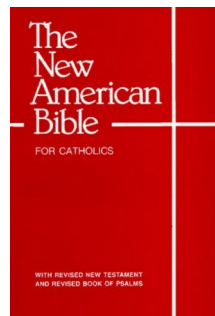
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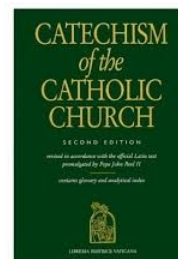
Dear Parishioners,

I'd like to thank our Mass musicians, Deb Hollinrake and Kennedy Plowman. We can sometimes take for granted that our music "just happens" when it's supposed to during the Mass. But, in fact, there's more to it than that. Each week there needs to be a time for rehearsal, choosing the hymns, and working with the choir members in order to provide the music for our worship. Thank you Deb & Kennedy, as well as those who participate in and who support our choir.

Our first adult religious education class went very well. A presentation on the Bible and Catechism was given, including how they are



set up and a summary of their purpose. We will get into more on the Bible later. We reviewed the sections of the Bible and the Catechism and shared a short lesson on how to look up references or citations.



Our next class will be on Creation and Beauty. We will read and discuss the Creation account in the Book of Genesis and discuss the implications of Creation in our everyday lives. I invite you to our classes each Thursday evening following the 6:30 pm Mass. We begin promptly at 7:00 pm.

Our Faith Formation Coordinator Annie Brincks is ready to begin the new student year which begins next Sunday, September 11th, following Mass. I want to thank our men and women who continue to provide a prayerful learning experience for our youth. I pray they will have a wonderful and blessed year.

Happy Labor Day!
Fr. Ray

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM: Preparation class for parents and godparents is required. Please contact the church office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Preparation for marriage must begin at least six months before the anticipated date of the wedding. Please contact the church office to set up an appointment to speak with Father.

Parish News & Events

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Mass Schedule

Sunday 9/4 8:00am For Betty Dill
Wednesday 9/7 8:30am For Joseph Lawlor
Thursday 9/8 6:30pm For Felix Lawlor
Sunday 9/11 8:00am For Christine Hanley

If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, please contact Rita in the Church Office at 515-523-1943.

Financial Report for the Week of August 28th

Regular Tithes \$445.00
Children \$18.00
Building Fund \$0.00

Repair Fund Balance 8/30: \$2,424.63
Furniture Fund Balance \$10,810.50

ADA Balance Due: \$373.90

Faith Formation Classes will start Sept. 11th on Sundays after Mass. The \$20 per student fee is due by the first class. We plan to have a snack and prayer before class so individual snack/drink donations are appreciated. We have a Facebook page which we can post news and teachers can share stories and photos of the kids throughout the year. It is St Johns Catholic Church Faith Formation. If you "like" and turn notifications "on", you should get the posts in your feed. - **Annie Brincks**

Youth Conference

Students in grades 6-8 & 9-12 are invited to attend this year's Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference (DCYC) coming up in October. **Registrations must be made by Sept. 25th through Jill Gerling at All Saints in Stuart.** Contact the Church Office to make your reservation at (515)523-1943.



Holy Father's September Prayer Intentions

Universal:
That opportunities for education and employment may increase for all young people.

Evangelization: That catechists may give witness by living in a way consistent with the faith they proclaim.

Adult Faith Formation

The Adult Faith Formation class meets at 7pm each Thursday for fellowship and discussion. Please join us this week! The topic this week is:
Creation & Beauty

Birthdays

9/4: Mick Baudler

9/6: Larry Ludwig

9/8: Jeanne Richter, Lindsay Skram

Anniversaries

Paul & Marcia Gettler
September 4, 1982

Liturgical Ministers September 11th

Cross Bearer: Cole Plowman

Greeters: Mr. & Mrs. Tom Fagan

Lector: Rich Kennedy

Host: Scott Suhr

Cup: Sr. Andre, Les Elgin

Servers: Cade Suhr, Madison Suhr

Traveling Chalice: Cody & Elizabeth Moreland

