

October 16, 2016
29th Sunday in Ordinary
Time

Saint John Catholic Church

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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Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we say goodbye to Deacon Fred. We have celebrated his recent anniversary and now send him on his way to the next chapter in his faith journey. He has been a wonderful asset to our parishes through the years and I know that God has many more opportunities for him in the days ahead. Deacon has provided us with his mailing address if you'd like to stay in touch. It is: Deacon Fred Cornwell, 150 NE 41st St., #109, Ankeny, IA 50021.

As you may know, Deacon Fred has been volunteering his time as our parish business manager, making sure that we have everything in order regarding best office practices, including the implementation of the diocesan prescribed system of checks and balances with regard to church records. With his departure, many of these duties have been assigned to Brenda Wedemeyer, parish secretary (and prior to that, our DRE). She will continue with her duties as bulletin editor, manager of electronic communications, liturgical scheduler, and general secretarial work. Deacon Fred has done a wonderful job putting things in proper order which will allow for a smooth transition of these tasks to Brenda.

Rita Rilea, who has faithfully worked in the office for close to ten years, will continue as our bookkeeper and I'm grateful for her hard work and dedication keeping our books in order. She takes care of paying our bills, hall rental arrangements, scheduling Mass intentions, financial reporting, and handling of the general finances, all for both parishes. I'm very appreciative and hope that you will let her know you appreciate her as well. In other news, we are heading into a very busy time of year. Coming up October 30th is the annual chicken dinner at All Saints, the pancake breakfast Nov. 6th at St. John's, extra Masses for All Saints' and All Souls' days, not to mention Thanksgiving, Advent, and then Christmas. Be sure to watch for the details in our bulletins each week.

One more thing I want to mention that Deacon Fred has helped us with was to establish a new Pastoral Council. Twelve people have volunteered to take on the responsibility of upholding our parishes in prayer as well as guiding us into the future through the best means they discern. You should notice that they have come to a consensus on a mission statement, especially composed for both of our parishes. It is: "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." You will see it published each week at the top of this page.

Have a great week,
Fr. Ray

Adair Community Blood Drive



Monday, October 17, 2016 2-6pm at the Adair Community Centre. Schedule a blood donation appointment today!

Schedule online at www.lifeservebloodcenter.org or contact Janet Askew at 641-740-0200.

Divorced?

The Catholic's DIVORCE SURVIVAL Guide 12-week group begins Nov. 7th at 6 pm at St Theresa Parish, 1230 Merle Hay Rd, Des Moines IA 50311. Cost of \$30 per person includes a "Personal Survival Guide" and all materials for 12 weeks. Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic teachings. Call Bill and Ann Moore for more information, at 515-480-3314 or 641-425-0109, or at moorefamilysm@gmail.com

For more information visit www.catholicsdivorce.com

Parish News & Events

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This Week's Calendar	Sunday 10/16	Monday 10/17	Tuesday 10/18	Wednesday 10/19	Thursday 10/20	Friday 10/21	Saturday 10/22
w/Mass Times & Intentions, Birthdays & Anniversaries	8am Mass For Leona Drees 9am FF	<i>Eldon Faga's Birthday</i> <i>The church office is closed on Mondays</i>		8:30am Mass For Helen Daume & <i>Angela Faga's Anniversary 1996</i>	6:30pm Mass For Joanne & Ed Littler 7PM Adult Bible Study	<i>The church office is closed on Fridays</i>	Sunday 10/23 For the People

Bible Backpacks Now Available!

St. John's is excited to have Bible Backpacks! These are geared toward children ages 5 and under. The backpacks have some activities to help keep children content during Mass. They can be found in baskets in the back of the church, and can be returned to the baskets following Mass. Please feel free to use everything in the backpacks.

Annual Staley's Chicken Dinner at All Saints Oct. 30th 10:30am-1pm

Menu: Fried Chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, vegetables, salad, dinner roll, drink & homemade pie.
Adults \$9, kids 6-12 \$4, 5 & under - Free

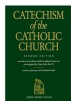
Knights Breakfast

The Adair Knights of Columbus is hosting a pancake breakfast on Sunday November 6th from 7:30-10:30am in the church hall. A free will donation will be accepted and appreciated.



Liturgical Ministers	Cross Bearer:	Greeters:	Lector:	Host:	Cup:	Servers:	Traveling Chalice:
October 23rd	Belle Fagan	Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Ludwig	Rich Kennedy	Scott Suhr	Les Elgin Sister Chinweze	Carley Fagan Cole Plowman	Rich & Grace Kennedy

Financial Report For:	October 9, 2016	Regular Tithes	Children's Collection	Special: Cemetery Fund	Repair Fund Balance	Altar Furn. Fund	ADA Balance Due:
		\$551.00	\$8.50	\$100.00	\$2,674.63	\$10,810.50	\$300.00



Adult Faith Formation



The Adult Faith Formation class meets at 7pm each Thursday for fellowship and discussion. Please join us this week!

Holy Father's October Prayer Intentions

Universal: That human trafficking, the modern form of slavery, may be eradicated.

Evangelization: That with a missionary spirit the Christian communities of Asia may announce the Gospel to those who are still awaiting it.

E-Bulletins & Updates

Weekly bulletins are published online through both our websites and via your personal email address - *if* you have provided us with your current email contact information. The bulletin comes to your personal address at 9am each Saturday. It is also available on our website by Friday afternoon. Please contact the church office to subscribe. Visit: www.adairstjohn.org to view your bulletins.

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.