

St. John Catholic Church

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

501 Adair Street, Adair, IA 50002

July 30, 2017



Mass Times*

- **Sunday:**
7:30am
Rosary & Confessions
8am Mass
10am Mass at Stuart
- **Tuesday:** 6pm Mass at Stuart
- **Wednesday:**
8:30am Mass
- **Thursday:**
6:30pm Mass
- **Friday:** 8:30am at Stuart
- **1st Saturdays:** 8:30am at Stuart
*Always Check Weekly
Calendar for Any Changes

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From Today's Readings...

The following article, taken from the "Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word", published by LTP, gives us a clear picture of what it is to be wise. The 1st Reading, found in 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12, provides a picture of King Solomon who was wise enough to understand that asking for wisdom is the wisest thing we can do.

At the shrine of Gibeon where he had offered sacrifice, King Solomon has a dream in which the Lord appears to him. As in other dreams in the biblical tradition, it is a divine communication in which God takes the initiative, offering Solomon whatever he wants. Be-

fore making his request, Solomon recalls God's steadfast love to his father David. He describes himself as God's servant, adding, "I am a mere youth" - meaning that he lacks the leadership experience necessary for a king. Solomon also speaks of the great number of people he must govern. For these reasons, taking into consideration both his own limitations and the vast number of people, Solomon asks God for an understanding heart so he will be able to govern justly, discerning between right and wrong.

The one word that best describes what Solomon

requests is "wisdom." That Solomon asks to be able to rule with understanding and right judgment, rather than a long life, riches, or defeat of enemies, is one sign that he already has a certain amount of wisdom. His humble stance before God is another.

God - generous both in taking the initiative and in the gift - imparts even more than Solomon asks for. God grants Solomon a heart so wise that neither before nor after him will anyone be equal in wisdom. His wisdom will be a benefit not only for Solomon but also for his kingdom.

ABC's of Fostering Vocations

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Discuss your own vocation to family life, explaining that God calls some people to priesthood or religious life, some to marriage, and some to life as single laypeople. You can talk about vocations firsthand!

Encourage your children to be involved in the liturgical life of the parish as servers, lectors, musicians, etc. (and see to it that they get there on time).

Explore the feelings you might experi-

ence should one of your children choose to give his or her life to Church ministry and discuss with your spouse your feelings and reactions if one of your children decides to become a priest or a nun. (cont'd on page 2)



ABC's of Fostering Vocations *(cont'd from Page 1)*

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Find opportunities to affirm the gifts and talents of your children, and help them relate their gifts to various career and life choices (including priesthood and religious life).

Guide your junior high child to pray that he or she might discover and use the gifts God has given.

Have a priest come and bless your home. Have your younger children make a cross to hang in each bedroom in your home.

Include the diocesan vocation prayer in your personal and family prayer, especially on Wednesdays. Invite a priest, brother or sister to dinner or

to an outing with your family.

Join together in prayer as a family; include a short vocations prayer when you pray before meals (especially on Wednesday).

Keep an open eye for TV shows and movies that present Gospel-centered role models. Watch them with your children and engage in discussion.

Let your children see their Baptism pictures. Have the children make and send a card or note to the priest who baptized them promising him they will pray for them.

Let your children notice an attitude of openness to God's will in you.

Make time for teenagers in your life: your children and their friends, nieces and nephews, babysitters, etc.

Name the gifts of each family member on their birthday. Express gratitude for these gifts.

On the date of your child's baptism, talk about the life of the saint for whom the child is named (or the saint of that day). There is plenty of information about the background of saints on the Internet. The saints are people from all walks of life who tried to make a positive difference in the world - a goal as real today as it was for the saints.

What can we do for you?

If you would like a visit from Father:

Father Ray is available to visit the sick and the homebound generally during the week. If you would like a visit from Father, please call the Church office to set up a time: 515-523-1943.

To Request Prayer:

If you would like to request prayer for someone in need, you may call Adella Vogl (641-742-5277) for the telephone prayer chain or email the office at stjohnallsaints@gmail.com for an electronic prayer chain communication.

Need a Sacrament?

Baptisms: contact the church office to set a date; if you are first-time parents, you will need instruction prior to the Baptism.

Weddings: Be sure to contact the church office to request a date at least six months prior to the wedding. Father will need to meet with the couple for counsel/marriage prep.

Parish Business & Finance

July 23rd Collection

Regular Tithes: \$710.00
Children's Collection: \$7.00

Building Fund: \$0.00

Special: \$0.00

This week's income:
\$717.00

This week's expenses:
\$427.00

ADA Balance Due: \$1,230.00
(\$6,015 pd/ \$7,245 goal)

Repair Fund Bal: \$2,800.12

Pray for Volunteers



Volunteers are needed to drive Veterans from Adair County to appointments in Des Moines or, occasionally, to Omaha. Mileage will be paid. Please contact Rich Schaecher at the Adair County Dept. of Veterans' Affairs at 641-743-2656. Please leave a message.

Diocesan Events

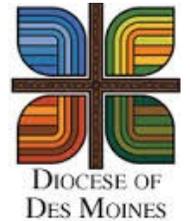
- **Anniversary Masses On the West Side** Join us for our annual anniversary Mass. On Sept. 3 during the 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary Parish in Guthrie Center, Bishop Pates will be honoring those couples in our diocese who have celebrated a milestone anniversary in the last year with a reception to follow. A certificate of blessing is available with registration for couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (5-year increments and 50+ years). Reserved seating will be available for these couples and their families. This

mass is open to all families who would like to honor and celebrate marriage. To register, call or email Adam Storey at astorey@dmdiocese.org or 515-237-5056. **On the East Side** Aug. 20 during the 10 a.m. Mass at St. Augustin Parish in Des Moines.

- **Beginning Experience** Stop by our Open House at St. Augustin Parish Hall on Aug. 18 at 7 p.m. and meet others who are divorced, widowed or separated. We can help you through the grief, loss and pain you're experi-

encing after the loss of your spouse. Let us walk with you on the healing process. For more information, contact Dana Reed at 515-975-3745, Mike Losee at 515-360-8268, or Father Bob Schoemann at 515-418-1938.

- **Find a Mass** Don't take a vacation from God! While you're on vacation, check out **MassTimes.org** and find the nearest church and Mass times.



Resource Websites

Catholic Devotional and Bible Studies

Catholic Scripture Study

www.catholicscripturestudyinc.org

Magnificat www.magnificat.net

U.S. Conference of Catholic

Bishops www.usccb.org

The Word Among Us www.wau.org

Reliable Catholic News Sources

Catholic Culture

www.catholicculture.org

Catholic News Agency

www.catholicnewsagency.com

EWTN News www.ewtnnews.com

Ignatius Insight

www.ignatiusinsight.com

National Catholic Register

www.ncregister.com

Our Sunday Visitor www.osv.com

Zenit www.zenit.org

Information on the Vatican, Church Statements, Teachings, & Documents

Catholic Answers www.catholic.com

The Holy See Inside the Vatican

www.insidethevatican.com

Pope2You www.pope2you.net

US Conference of Catholic Bishops

www.usccb.org

Vatican News www.vatican.va

Save the date...

- **The St. John's Men's Club** annual Family Picnic at the Vogl Park on **Aug. 6th at 5:00**. Every one in the parish is invited to come meet, visit, and support our Seminarians. Meat and drinks are provided. Please bring a covered dish and your own place servings.
- **August 6th:** Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord
- **August 14-15:** Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (*a weekday holy day of obligation*) **Monday 14th 7pm at ADAIR; Tuesday 15th at STUART**
- **Saturday September 9th** "Mass in the Grass" at Vogl Park. Mass will begin at 6:30pm with a potluck supper following.
- Bishop's Anniversary Masses September 3rd during the 10:30 am mass at St. Mary's Parish in Guthrie Center.

Items to be included in the bulletin must be submitted to the office by 5pm Wednesday.

Call 515-523-1943 or email:

stjohnallsaints@gmail.com

to submit your items.

*Bulletins, prayer requests, and other announcements are sent via email through **Constant Contact**. If you are not receiving these emails, please be sure the Church Office has your address. Also be sure to check your "spam" folder as it may be going there. Bulletins are also posted to our website each Friday afternoon.*

Website: adairstjohn.org

Liturgical Ministers Schedule: Sunday August 6th, 2017

Cross Bearer: Cole Plowman

Greeters: Brian Richter & Dave Richter

Lector: Barb Bachman

Host: Dave Richter

Cup: Matt Fagan & Sr. Chinweze

Servers: Addy Richter & Belle Fagan

Traveling Chalice: Phyllis O'Brien

Contact Us

Rev. Raymond J. Higgins, Pastor

Church Office: 515-523-1943

To request a Baptism or other Sacrament, to join the Church, or if you have any other questions, please contact the Church Office.

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Prayer Request Phone Line: Adella Vogl 641-742-5277

St. John's Men's Club: Francis Hollinrake 742-5016

CWO & Parish Hall Rental/Information: Betty Ludwig 742-3812

On our website:

Mass & Confession Times

Events & Activities Photos

Calendar of Events

Catholic News Sources

Bulletins (Church & Children's)

Daily Readings

Contact Information

Calendar of Activities

To view the entire calendar for both parishes, please go to stuartallsaints.org or adairstjohn.org

Sunday 7-23	Monday 7-24	Tuesday 7-25	Wednesday 7-26	Thursday 7-27	Friday 7-28	Saturday 7-29
7:30-7:55am Rosary & Confessions 8am Mass for the living and deceased members of the parish 10am Mass (Stuart)	Reg. Office Hours: <i>9am-3pm T-W-Th</i>	6pm Mass (Stuart) for Pat Cornwell	8:30am Mass for Betty Dill	9am Mass (Stuart) Comm. Care Center) for Bob Griffin 6:30pm Mass for Mable E. Richter	8:30am Mass (Stuart) for dec'd mbrs of the Tigges/Gladfelder families	3:30pm (Stuart) Confessions at Stuart Mass 4:30pm (Stuart) for Dick Simons
Sunday 7-30	Monday 7-31	Tuesday 8-1	Wednesday 8-2	Thursday 8-3	Friday 8-4	Saturday 8-5
7:30-7:55am Rosary & Confessions 8am Mass for John W. Brincks 10am Mass (Stuart)	Reg. Office Hours: <i>9am-3pm T-W-Th</i>	6pm Mass (Stuart) for Joann Allman	8:30am Mass for Barbara Boatwright	9am Mass (Stuart) Comm. Care Center) for Millie & Bernard Hilgers 6:30pm Mass for Mable E. Richter	8:30am Mass (Stuart) for Zachary Terry & Family ANN: Larry & Sheryl Drees 1984	STUART: 8:30am 1st Sat. Mass for James Witkowski 3:30pm Confessions Mass 4:30pm for Albert & Lucille Greubel