

# St. John Catholic Church

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

501 Adair Street, Adair, IA 50002

August 27, 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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## Dear Parishioners

Each year, especially during July and August, I take my mother on vacation and, in that same time, I'm also busy with ongoing education, such as the annual conference I attend at the Seminary in Mundelein, Illinois. I offer a retreat to our International Sisters and privately professed women and laywomen. After Masses this weekend I will be travelling to the Benedictine Monastery in Schuyler, NE to offer this retreat.

Next weekend we have three students: Cole Plowman, Madison Suhr, and Logan Brincks who will be confirmed by Bishop Pates here at St. John's. I ask you keep them in prayer and that the holy Spirit will strengthen their resolve to lead holy lives pleasing to the Lord.

Our Religious Education program is beginning for our young folks on every other

Sunday morning from 9-11am beginning Sept. 10th. I will be offering the adult education class following Tuesday evenings in Stuart following 6pm Mass. I will be offering a review of last years classes on the Covenants, move into the area of forgiveness, and speaking to the area of the virtues and vices. Of course, I want folks to know that I am there to answer questions about any subject, but if there are no questions, then I will offer the above mentioned areas of study. So please join us we have food, great interaction and an opportunity to deepen our understanding of the Bible, Catholic Teaching, and gain a deeper understanding of our faith to share with others. There will be a sign up sheet. The class does not have an obligatory attendance.

On a final note, pray for all our parishioners and their families

so God can grace them to come together as His people to worship Him. Our worship of God is not an individualized approach. We approach God as a family saying "Our Father". We live in a culture where it prizes individuality to its detriment (loneliness or the feeling "no one" cares). We counter such notions by practicing our faith by re-connecting or re-binding ourselves to God and to one another. This is one of the meanings of the word religion: Latin (*re*)-legare; *to bind or connect*; we add "re" so that each time we gather we may reconnect with God and one another. Pray that our Masses will be full and filled with enthusiasm for God and to remember our Father's wish and command that His family gather to worship, sing, and pray together.

Have a blessed week.

## Annual Chicken Dinner

St. Mary's Catholic Church in Anita is hosting their annual chicken dinner, featuring Staley's Famous Chicken with all the sides including homemade salads and desserts.

Dinner will be served from 11am-1pm on Sunday September 10th at St. Mary's.

Tickets are: \$10 for adults; \$5 for children 5-12; and children 4 and under are free.

Carry-outs are available but will only be delivered to shut-ins.

Please call 712-762-3773 for further ordering or ticket information.

## Rural Life Mass

Mark your calendar to join us for a unique outdoor liturgy celebrating our rural heritage.

The seventh annual Rural Life Mass will be Sept. 10 at 2:30pm at the farm of Art and Marcia Pontier, near Osceola.

The outdoor Mass offers an opportunity for urban and rural residents to come together to show solidarity with rural Iowans and celebrate their important role in the diocese. Previous Rural Life Masses have been held on farms in Shelby

County, near Chariton, Cumming, Stuart, Perry and Indiana.

This year's Mass will be at the Pontier farm at 1643 Highway 34 near Osceola. It is 5 1/2 miles west of the intersection of I-35 and Highway 34 (watch for signs).

The Pontier family farms about 2,500 acres of corn and soybeans and has a cow-calf livestock operation.

Following the Mass, celebrated by Bishop Richard Pates, fami-

lies can enjoy walking tacos, home-baked treats and displays of livestock, equipment and more. Jim Ennis, executive director of Catholic Rural Life, will offer a presentation after Mass.

The diocese is grateful to St. Bernard Parish for sponsoring the Rural Life Mass.

For more information, contact Deacon Luke Tieskoetter at 515-249-1327 or tieskoetter-luke3@gmail.com.

## 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](mailto: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

### August 20th Collection

Regular Tithes: \$566.00  
Children's Collection: \$2.00

Building Fund: \$50.00

Special: \$0.00

This week's income:  
\$568.00

This week's expenses:  
**\$417.70**

ADA Balance Due: \$570.00  
(\$6,675 pd/ \$7,245 goal)

Repair Fund Bal: \$2,900.12

### Continuing Adult Religious Education Class Schedule

Each Tuesday evening beginning on September 12th: 6pm Mass; 6:30pm Class Begins.

Adult Ed classes for St. John's and All Saints will be combined this year and held at All Saints in Stuart. Anyone who is interested in the Catholic faith - to join the Church or to increase your own knowledge of the Faith, please consider joining us!

# The Readings for this week...

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Memorial of St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	Memorial of the Passion of St. John the Baptist	1 Thessalonians 2:9-13	1 Thessalonians 3:7-13	1 Thessalonians 4:1-8	<i>Optional Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Thessalonians 1:1-15, 8b-10	1 Thessalonians 2:1-8	Psalms 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab	Psalms 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14, 17	Psalms 97:1a & 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12	1 Thessalonians 4:9-11	Jeremiah 20:7-9
Psalms 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b	Psalms 139:1-3, 4-6	Matthew 23:27-32	Matthew 24:42-51	Matthew 25:1-13	Psalms 98:1, 7-8, 9	Psalms 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9
Matthew 23:13-22	Mark 6:17-29				Matthew 25:14-30	Romans 12:1-2
						Matthew 16:21-27

## Resource Websites

### Catholic Devotional and Bible Studies

Catholic Scripture Study

[www.catholicscripturestudyinc.org](http://www.catholicscripturestudyinc.org)

Magnificat [www.magnificat.net](http://www.magnificat.net)

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

The Word Among Us [www.wau.org](http://www.wau.org)

### Reliable Catholic News Sources

Catholic Culture

[www.catholicculture.org](http://www.catholicculture.org)

Catholic News Agency

[www.catholicnewsagency.com](http://www.catholicnewsagency.com)

EWTN News [www.ewtnnews.com](http://www.ewtnnews.com)

Ignatius Insight

[www.ignatiusinsight.com](http://www.ignatiusinsight.com)

National Catholic Register

[www.ncregister.com](http://www.ncregister.com)

Our Sunday Visitor [www.osv.com](http://www.osv.com)

Zenit [www.zenit.org](http://www.zenit.org)

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

Catholic Answers [www.catholic.com](http://www.catholic.com)

The Holy See Inside the Vatican

[www.insidethevatican.com](http://www.insidethevatican.com)

Pope2You [www.pope2you.net](http://www.pope2you.net)

US Conference of Catholic Bishops

[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

Vatican News [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)

## Save the date...

- **Confirmation Sunday** will be on September 3rd. Bishop Pates will be with us for the Mass and Rite of Confirmation. A reception will be held in the parish hall following the Mass.
- **Saturday September 9th**  
"Mass in the Grass" at Vogl

Park. Mass will begin at 6:30pm with a potluck supper following. Vogl Park is located at 1247 Fallow Avenue, south of Adair. Please bring a lawn chair, table service, and a covered dish to share. Drinks will be provided. Everyone welcome!

- **Faith Formation Kick-Off** will be from 9-11am Sunday September 10th. Registration for the 2017-2018 year will take place immediately following Mass.
- **Catechetical Sunday**  
Is September 17th.

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](mailto: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](http://adairstjohn.org)

### Liturgical Ministers Schedule: Sunday September 3rd, 2017

**Cross Bearer:** Dave Richter

**Greeters:** Mr. & Mrs. Blair Carney

**Lector:** Barb Bachman

**Host:** Dave Richter

**Cup:** Adella Vogl & Sr. Chinweze

**Servers:** To Be Announced - CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

**Traveling Chalice:** Francis & Deb Hollinrake

### 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.

#### Parish Administrative Assistant & Bulletin Editor:

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**Director of Religious Education:** Annie Brincks [annie68164@hotmail.com](mailto:annie68164@hotmail.com)

**Music:** Deb Hollinrake **Liturgical Minister Schedule:** Les Elgin 742-3854

**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

*Reg. Church Office Hours:  
9am-3pm T-W-Th*

*To view the entire calendar for both parishes, please go to [stuartallsaints.org](http://stuartallsaints.org) or [adairstjohn.org](http://adairstjohn.org)*

Sunday 8-27	Monday 8-28	Tuesday 8-29	Wednesday 8-30	Thursday 8-31	Friday 9-1	Saturday 9-2
<b>7:30-7:55am</b> Rosary & Confessions <b>8am Mass</b> for the living & deceased members of the parish <b>10am Mass</b> (Stuart)  BD: Madison Suhr	<b>Father out of Town</b>	<b>Father out of Town</b>	<b>NO Mass</b>  BD: Larry Drees  Father out of Town	<b>9am Mass</b> Prayer Service Only - Stuart Care Center  <b>NO Mass</b>  Father out of Town	<b>Father out of Town</b>	<b>NO Mass (Stuart)</b>  <b>STUART 8:30am 1st Saturday Mass</b>  <b>STUART: 3:30pm Confessions Mass 4:30pm</b>  BD: Matt Fagan
Sunday 9-3	Monday 9-4	Tuesday 9-5	Wednesday 9-6	Thursday 9-7	Friday 9-8	Saturday 9-9
<b>CONFIRMATION</b>  <b>7:30-7:55am</b> Rosary & Confessions <b>8am Mass</b> for Wanda Wilson <b>10am Mass</b> (Stuart)	<b>LABOR DAY</b>  BD: Mick Baudler  ANN: Paul & Marcia Gettler 1982	<b>STUART: 6pm Mass</b> for Ernest Suchon	<b>8:30am Mass</b> for Linda Vais  BD: Larry Ludwig	<b>6:30pm Mass</b> for John W. Brincks	BD: Jeanne Richter	<b>STUART: 3:30pm Confessions Mass 4:30pm</b>