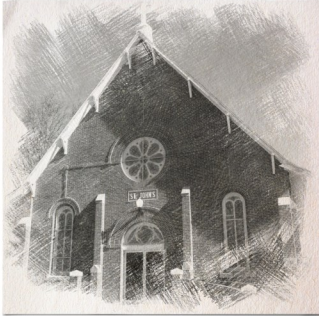


St. John Catholic Church

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

501 Adair Street, Adair, IA 50002

October 1, 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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Adult RE - Lessons for Life

This week in our Adult RE class we continued on the topic of forgiveness. One might think or wonder why or how we can spend so much time on this one topic. Well, think about it - maybe there's still a lot more for us to learn.

Is there anyone in your own life that you haven't been able to forgive for one reason or another? I know that I struggle with it sometimes. How can we as humans justify in our minds that God could forgive someone, for example, Adolph Hitler, after what he did. But God does have that capacity - if Hitler would've asked for forgiveness, he would have been forgiven. We can hardly comprehend this and yet it is a real and true possibility.

But let's bring it a little closer to home - something a little less dramatic. Many of us can think back to a time when, for example, we were hurt terribly by a

loved one who betrayed us in some fashion. They have asked for forgiveness. You may have forgiven them, but you still feel the hurt. What does this mean - did you really forgive them or does this continued hurt indicate that your forgiveness for that person wasn't genuine?

It may take a lifetime to understand that when we've been hurt or offended that chances are very real that we may have done something that hurt others as well.

Let's pretend you and this other person are both standing before God. He asks if you forgave the other person. If you didn't or found it too difficult, He will then ask the other person if you ever offended them - and how many others in your lifetime. Now, if you couldn't forgive, then how are you to be forgiven? "What is bound on earth is bound in heaven. What is loosed on earth is loosed in heaven" is found in two places in Scripture. This ap-

plies not only to priests but also to every one of us. Forgiveness is a thing we must do together.

In last week's homily, Father explained the significance of his vestments with regard to forgiveness. The alb, the white garment that he wears, represents baptism - the sacrament that makes us a member of the family. Over that is the stole. This item designates his office as priest and it also represents the "binding of things on earth." What a priest binds on earth will be bound in heaven; what a priest 'looses' on earth, is loosed in heaven. This is in reference to the forgiveness of our sins. The chasuble - the outer vestment - represents the love that covers everything beneath it. This is a picture of God's unconditional love and mercy. This is the example of how we are to live our lives - covering everything with love and mercy.

World Meeting of Families Pilgrimage

All are invited to join the Diocese of Des Moines on a pilgrimage to Dublin, Ireland next year for a tour of the country beginning Aug. 19, 2018 and concluding Aug. 26-27, 2018 with the closing weekend of the World Meeting of Families. Several information sessions are planned.

Pope Francis is expected to attend the closing events.

Seventy five pilgrims from the Diocese of Des Moines attended the last World Meeting of Families in 2015 in Philadelphia. "It was a powerful moment in the spiritual

lives of those who attended," said Bishop Richard Pates. "It was a privileged moment to pray for married couples and families in all their diverse circumstances. It was a catechetical opportunity for those who attended. It bore fruit in our diocese through a renewal of our Diocesan Marriage Board and new excitement around multiple marriage enrichment initiatives. I am confident that this pilgrimage will be no less fruitful."

Several information nights have been arranged across the diocese for those who are interested but need more information. Stop by

the following parishes 6:30-8 p.m. to hear more about the upcoming pilgrimage: on Oct. 3, at All Saints Parish in Stuart.

RSVP's are required and can be made with [Adam Storey](#) at [515-237-5056](tel:515-237-5056).



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

September 24th Collection

Regular Tithes: \$551.00
Children's Collection: \$15.00

Building Fund: \$50.00

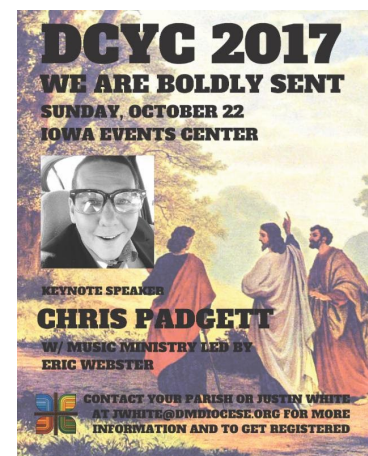
Special: \$0.00

This week's income:
\$566.00

This week's expenses:
\$302.25

ADA Balance Due: \$520.00
(\$6,725 pd/ \$7,245 goal)

Repair Fund Bal: \$2,750.12



The Readings for this week...

<u>Monday 2nd</u>	<u>Tuesday 3rd</u>	<u>Wednesday 4th</u>	<u>Thursday 5th</u>	<u>Friday 6th</u>	<u>Saturday 7th</u>	<u>Sunday 8th</u>
Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels		Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi	<i>Optional Memorial of Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest</i>	<i>Optional Memorials of St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin</i>	Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Zechariah 8:1-8	Zechariah 8:20-23	Nehemiah 2:1-8	<i>Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12</i>	Baruch 1:15-22	Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29	Isaiah 5:1-7 Psalm 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20
Psalm 102:16-18, 19-21, 29, 22-23	Psalm 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7	Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6	Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11	Psalm 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8,9	Psalm 69:33-35, 36-37	Philippians 4:6-9
Matthew 18:1-5, 10	Luke 9:51-56	Luke 9:57-62	Luke 10:1-12	Luke 10:13-16	Luke 10:13-16	Matthew 21:33-43

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...

- **Attention All C.W.O Women**
It is time for the fall \$25 collection. This replaces our fall dinner. Please pay either your chairman or Wilma Fagan. Thank you.
- Faith Formation classes are scheduled for Oct. 1st & 15th.

- Tuesday Night Adult Religious Ed with Fr. Ray follows 6pm Mass at Stuart. All are welcome!
NOTE: No class on Oct. 3rd!



**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.*

Website: adairstjohn.org

Liturgical Ministers Schedule: Sunday October 8, 2017

Cross Bearer: Larry Drees

Greeters: Mr. & Mrs. Phil Fagan

Lector: Theresa Elgin

Host: Scott Suhr

Cup: Matt Fagan & Dave Richter

Servers: Carley Fagan & Cash Suhr

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

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

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

Sunday 10-1	Monday 10-2	Tuesday 10-3	Wednesday 10-4	Thursday 10-5	Friday 10-6	Saturday 10-7
<p>7:30-7:55am Rosary & Confessions 8am Mass for Christine Hanley</p> <p>10am Mass (Stuart)</p>	<p>BDs: Ryan Richter, Quynon Younker</p> <p>Father Out Of Town</p>	<p>STUART: 6pm No Mass NO Adult Ed Class at Stuart following Mass</p> <p>6:30-8pm Stuart World Mtg of Families Informa- tional meeting Father Out Of Town</p>	<p>8:30am No Mass</p> <p>Father Out Of Town</p>	<p>6:30pm No Mass</p> <p>Father Out Of Town</p>	<p>STUART: 8:30am Mass for Donato Cianciaruso</p>	<p>STUART: 8:30am 1st Saturday Mass for Martin G. Lydon</p> <p>3:30pm Confessions Mass 4:30pm for Albert & Lucille Greubel</p>
Sunday 10-8	Monday 10-9	Tuesday 10-10	Wednesday 10-11	Thursday 10-12	Friday 10-13	Saturday 10-14
<p>7:30-7:55am Rosary & Confessions 8am Mass for Gene Richter</p> <p>10am Mass (Stuart)</p>	<p>BDs: Angela Faga</p>	<p>STUART: 6pm Mass for Ernest Suchon</p> <p>Adult Ed Class at Stuart following Mass</p>	<p>8:30am Mass for Mable E. Richter</p> <p>BD: Brexton Schneider</p>	<p>6:30pm Mass for Felix Lawlor</p>	<p>STUART: 8:30am Mass for the dec'd members of the Tigges/Boch Families</p>	<p>STUART: 3:30pm Confessions Mass 4:30pm for David Waltz</p>