

St. John Catholic Church

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

501 Adair Street, Adair, IA 50002

October 29, 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

In our culture today, we seem to be bombarded with a never-ending torrent of self-help remedies for everything from weight loss to crow's feet to our inept digestive systems and on and on. This doesn't even take into consideration the advertising "blasts" we get telling us what car to drive, which pills to ask our doctors to prescribe, or what celebrity has the latest, greatest opinion on how to live life to its fullest. Our culture, it seems, is not familiar in the least with what God tells us about how to live a blessed and contented life.

In one of our study groups at All Saints, we are reading the book "**Living the Beatitudes - A Journey to Life in Christ**" by Reverend Monsignor J. Brian Bransfield. In it, Fr. Bransfield gives us a powerful insight into the real "self-help" tactics to live out our lives in the best way we can. The following is an excerpt from his book.

(published by Pauline Books & Media 2011)

"The Christian cannot conquer sin and its effects with his or her own efforts. God offers His own gift of self in His Son as the source of grace by which we can receive His mercy. This gift of God alone conquers human sin. The life of the Christian is therefore a response to the call to holiness offered in the grace of God through

the sacraments. This does not happen in some remote, automatic, or magical fashion. The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit (cf. *Isaiah 11:2*) build the seven virtues (cf. *1 Corinthians 13:13; Wisdom 8:7*) within the believer. The virtues then form the believer to live the Beatitudes (cf. *Matthew 5:3-12*) The **Catechism of the Catholic Church** teaches that the *Beatitudes respond to the natural desire for happiness. The relation of the seven gifts to the virtues and the Beatitudes is the way each Christian is transformed to live a holy life and respond to the natural desire for happiness.*

"Each gift of the Holy Spirit strengthens a particular virtue in the Christian. The virtue, in turn, develops and forms the action proper to a particular Beatitude. The gifts, virtues, and Beatitudes build on one another in a way similar to the upward surging momentum of a fountain."

Wouldn't it seem a much more reasonable thing for us to do: wouldn't we rather be carried upward in the waters of this fountain than be rushed along sideways in the torrential waters of modern culture?

Just to refresh our memories:

- **Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit:** wisdom, un-

derstanding, knowledge, counsel, fortitude, piety and fear of the Lord

- **Seven Virtues:** faith, hope, charity, prudence, temperance, fortitude, justice.

The Beatitudes: *Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are the meek, for they shall possess the earth. Blessed are they who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for justice, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who suffer persecution for justice' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when men reproach you, and persecute you, and speaking falsely, say all manner of evil against you, for My sake.*

Everyone is welcome to attend any of the study groups offered. If you can't find one that fits your schedule but would like to attend, please contact the church office for other possibilities.

HARVEST DINNER

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH MASSENA, IOWA

Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017 11:00 a.m. ~ 1:00 p.m.

Free Will Offering

Menu:

Ham Balls, Roast Beef,
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy,
Green Beans, Salad Bar,
Roll & Dessert



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

October 22nd Collection

Regular Tithes: \$683.00
Children's Collection: \$6.00
Building Fund: \$50.00
Special: \$0.00

This week's income:

\$689.00

This week's expenses:

\$909.77

ADA Balance Due: \$470.00

Repair Fund Bal: \$3,630.12

Knights of Columbus Annual Chicken Dinner

Sunday, October 29th

Serving from 10:30am-1pm

All Saints, Stuart

The Readings for this week...

<u>Monday 30th</u>	<u>Tuesday 31st</u>	<u>Wednesday 1st</u>	<u>Thursday 2nd</u>	<u>Friday 3rd</u>	<u>Saturday 4th</u>	<u>Sunday 5th</u>
		SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS	Commemora- tion of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)	<i>Opt: Memorial of St. Martin de Porres, Religious</i>	Memorial of St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Romans 8:12-17	Romans 8:18-25	Revelations 7:2-4, 9-14	Wisdom 3:1-9 6:19-23	Romans 9:1-5	Romans 11:1- 2a, 11-12, 25-29	Malachi 1:14b -2:2b, 8-10
Psalm 68:2, 4, 6-7a, 20-21	Psalm 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6	Psalm 24:1bc-2, 3- 4ab, 5-6	Psalm 27:1,4,7, 8a,9a, 13-14	Psalm 147:12- 13, 14-15, 19- 20	Psalm 94:12- 13a, 14-15, 17-18	Psalm 13:1, 2, 3
Luke 13:10-17	Luke 13:18-21	1 John 2:1-3	Romans 5:5- 11 or 6:3-9	Luke 14:1-6	Luke 14:1, 7-11	1 Thessaloni- ans 2:7b-9, 13
		Matthew 5:1- 12a	John 6:37-40			Matthew 23:1-12

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.
- The next **Faith Formation** classes are scheduled Nov. 5th & 19th from 9-11am.

- **Tuesday Night Adult Religious Ed** with Fr. Ray will resume November 14th after he returns from his trip.
- **The Children's Harvest Mass** will be November 19th. Please bring imperishable food items to donate. Also, Annie's Faith For-

mation class will be selling jewelry and bookmarks made by the kids along with hot chocolate after Mass. The funds will go to **Food For the Poor**. We have a catalog of items we can choose to give, the kids are hoping to make enough for 20 chicks or even 3 "little pigs". Thank you!

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



St. Gregory Retreat Center is a residential drug and alcohol treatment facility. We are a Christian based organization with the following positions open in our women's facility located in Adair.

Activities Tech: This is an evening and every other weekend position working directly with our guests. Minimal requirement is having a high school diploma or equivalent.

Activities Counselor: Must have CADC or ability to obtain within a reasonable amount of time.

Cook/Chef: Experience in a residential setting desired, but will train right candidate.

Part-Time Retail: This is for our Thrift Store located on Adair's main street. This position would be ideal for someone with a flair for fashion and has had retail experience in the past. Ideal employment for retired or semi-retired ladies!

If you are interested in any of these openings, you are encouraged to apply at our Adair facility. Please go to the lower east entrance at 608 North Avenue or for more information call Chantal at 712-624-7013. If no answer, please leave message.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule: Sunday November 5, 2017

Cross Bearer: Cole Plowman

Greeters: Mr. & Mrs. Francis Hollinrake

Lector: Barb Bachman

Host: Dave Richter

Cup: Sr. Nesta & Adella Vogl

Servers: Luke Brincks & Carley Fagan

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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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

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 10-29	Monday 10-30	Tuesday 10-31	Wednesday 11-1	Thursday 11-2	Friday 11-3	Saturday 11-4
<p>7:30-7:55am Rosary & Confessions 8am Mass for Linda Vais 10am Mass (Stuart) 10:30am-1pm Chicken Dinner Father out of Town</p>	<p>Father out of Town</p>	<p>NO MASS NO ADULT ED Father out of Town</p>	<p>Day of Obligation ALL SAINTS DAY - 5:30 pm MASS at Adair 7pm ALL SAINTS Father out of Town</p>	<p>NO MASS BD: Gail Brincks Father out of Town</p>	<p>Father out of Town</p>	<p>STUART: 3:30pm Confessions Mass 4:30pm for Dylan Watson Father out of Town</p>
Sunday 11-5	Monday 11-6	Tuesday 11-7	Wednesday 11-8	Thursday 11-9	Friday 11-10	Saturday 11-11
<p>7:30-7:55am Rosary & Confessions 8am Mass for Eldon Faga Faith Formation 10am Mass (Stuart) BD: Trinity Calhoun Father out of Town</p>	<p>Father out of Town</p>	<p>NO MASS NO ADULT ED Father out of Town</p>	<p>8:30am Mass for Joseph Lawlor</p>	<p>6:30pm Mass for Hugh Hollinrake</p>	<p>Father out of Town</p>	<p>STUART: 3:30pm Confessions Mass 4:30pm for ALL SOULS /Albert & Lucille Greubel Father out of Town</p>