

# St. John Catholic Church

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

501 Adair Street, Adair, IA 50002

November 26, 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

With the Feast of Christ the King, we come to the end of the Church's liturgical year. Next Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent.

The Feast of Christ the King is a comparatively recent addition to the Church's liturgical calendar - it was introduced by Pope Pius XI in 1925. It was a time in Europe where regimes in Germany and Russia were hostile to religion, along with a growing neglect for learning religion and a general indifference toward God and morality. The "roaring 20's" seemed to stand out as a sign of a new mindset towards sexuality and the diminishing responsibilities that come with it - it wasn't long after discussions concerning contraceptives that the issue of abortion came into vogue. I saw on the news last Thursday night scrolling across the bottom of the television screen: "Abortions at all time low." The way it was being presented almost made it seem like a bad thing. We need to overcome our indifference in the world. The Feast of Christ the King compels us to take a side. The readings for the past

few Sundays also remind us of this important choice to be for Christ, whose reign shall never end. In the parable for this Sunday, all the nations are assembled in the presence of Christ the King and He separates people one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. Some are invited to enter the Kingdom prepared for them since the foundation of the world; others are condemned to eternal punishment. The King's criterion for judgment is straight forward: "Whatsoever you did to one of the least of my brothers and sisters—you did for me." This parable about judgment has one key point in common with the parables that we've heard over the past two Sundays: the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids two weeks ago and the parable of the talents last Sunday. These parables praised those who do good, however, we see something different: these parables were not harsh on those who do evil, but were harsh on those who did nothing. For example, the five bridesmaids had purchased oil for their lamps while the other five did nothing, and they were unprepared

when the bridegroom arrived. In the parable of the talents, two servants doubled the amount of money they were given, but the third servant did nothing. He buried his talent in the backyard and returned his talent to the master exactly as he received it. He did nothing with it. In today's parable, those who are welcomed into the Kingdom are those who fed the hungry, gave drink to the thirsty, clothed the naked, visited the imprisoned. While on the other hand, those who are sent to eternal punishment simply ignored them—they did nothing.

Another example, found in the Book of Revelation, is the judgment passed on the church in Laodicea where Jesus asks John to write to the them and say, "I know about your activities, how you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were one or the other, but since you are neither hot nor cold, but only lukewarm, I will spit you out of my mouth."

So, while there is time, get oil for your lamps, make use of the talents entrusted to you, and be attentive to the very least of your brothers and sisters.

## Faith Formation News Annie Brincks, Faith Formation Coordinator



Pictured are some of our Faith Formation students as they greeted parishioners before our Youth Mass last weekend. We would like to send out a big thank you to everyone who helped support our fundraising project. Annie's class made \$266 from their sale for Food for the Poor. The kids enjoyed the entire experience from making jewelry to deciding what items to pick out of the charity's catalog. Also, thank you for your donations and helping the kids learn about giving.

Please plan to attend the  
**BKODJ Players**  
performance of

**CHRISTMAS ON  
WALNUT  
STREET**

at the Casey Visitor  
Center. Performances will be  
Dec. 2 at 7:30pm  
Dec. 3 at 3:00pm

Tickets are \$10 in advance  
and \$12 at the door and are  
also available at the  
Insurance Store in  
Casey, Fay Pharmacy in Adair,  
from cast members or by  
contacting Pat Pettinger.

## 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

### November 19th Collection

Regular Tithes: \$545.52  
Children's Collection: \$11.00  
Building Fund: \$50.00  
Special: \$0.00

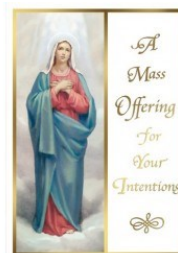
This week's income:  
\$556.52

This week's expenses:  
**\$0.00**

ADA Balance Due: \$470.00

Repair Fund Bal: \$3,680.12

**Mass Intentions** There are Mass times available for your Prayer Intentions. Please contact Rita in the Church Office at 515-523-1943, via email: [allsaintsoffice@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintsoffice@gmail.com), or by regular mail.



**We are short seven (7) intentions for January 2018 at this time.**

Usual donation per intention is \$5.

# The Readings for this week...

<u>Monday 27th</u>	<u>Tuesday 28th</u>	<u>Wednesday 29th</u>	<u>Thursday 30th</u>	<u>Friday 1st</u>	<u>Saturday 2nd</u>	<u>Sunday 3rd</u>
<i>Last week in Ordinary Time</i>			<b>Feast of St. Andrew, Apostle</b>		<i>Optional Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	<b>1st Sunday of Advent</b>
Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20	Daniel 2:31-45	Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28	Romans 10:9-18	Daniel 7:2-14	Daniel 7:15-27	Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7
Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56	Daniel 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61	Daniel 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67	Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11	Daniel 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81	Daniel 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87	Psalms 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Luke 21:1-4	Luke 21:5-11	Luke 21:12-19	Matthew 4:18-22	Luke 21:29-33	Luke 21:34-36	Mark 13:33-37

## 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...

- The next **Faith Formation** classes are scheduled for December 3rd and December 17th.
- Festival of Trees** will be Dec. 2 from 1-8pm and Dec. 3 from 11am-2pm at the Adair Community Centre. Proceeds will go to Senior Scholarships and

community projects.

- We are beginning the project of putting together a **new Parish Directory**. Jill Gerling, Gerling Photography, will be available to take family photos both at Stuart and here in Adair. The sessions will last 15 minutes and will be done at

the church or in the hall. Dates for these photo sessions will be Jan. 20-21; Jan. 27-28; Feb.3-4; Feb.10-11; and Feb. 24-25. Sign-up and informational sheets will be available soon. You may also submit your own photograph.

**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.*

Website: [adairstjohn.org](http://adairstjohn.org)

**Liturgical Ministers Schedule: Sunday December 3, 2017**

**Cross Bearer:** Francis Hollinrake

**Greeters:** Mr. & Mrs. Cody Moreland

**Lector:** Julie Plowman

**Host:** Adella Vogl

**Cup:** Dave Richter & Sr. Nesta

**Servers:** Trevin Suhr & Luke Brincks

**Traveling Chalice:** Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

**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



Attention Please

**\*Finance Council Meeting\*  
7pm Monday December 4th**

**Special Mass Times**

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Adair:** 7pm Thursday December 7th

**Stuart:** 7pm Friday December 8th

**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)*

<p><b>Sunday 11-26</b> 7:30-7:55am Rosary &amp; Confessions <b>8am Mass</b> for the Living &amp; Deceased Members of the Parish <b>10am Mass</b> (Stuart)  <b>BD:</b> Abby Richter <b>ANN:</b> Blair &amp; Erin Carney 2011</p>	<p><b>Monday 11-27</b></p>	<p><b>Tuesday 11-28</b>  <b>6:30pm Mass</b> (Stuart) for Maynard Witkowski  Adult RE Class 6:30pm</p>	<p><b>Wednesday 11-29</b>  <b>8:30am Mass</b> in honor of Tiago DeSouza  <b>ANNs:</b> Matt &amp; Monica Fagan 2003; Ryan &amp; Christine Richter 2008</p>	<p><b>Thursday 11-30</b>  <b>6:30pm Mass</b> for Mable E Richter  <b>BD:</b> Jennifer Richter  <b>ANN:</b> Brian &amp; Jennifer Richter 2004</p>	<p><b>Friday 12-1</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday 12-2</b>  <b>STUART:</b> <b>8:30am Mass</b> for Pat Donnelly <b>3:30pm Confessions</b> <b>Mass 4:30pm</b> for Martin G Lydon</p>
<p><b>Sunday 12-3</b> 7:30-7:55am Rosary &amp; Confessions <b>8am Mass</b> for Eldon Faga <b>9-11am</b> Faith Formation <b>10am Mass</b> (Stuart)</p>	<p><b>Monday 12-4</b>  <b>7pm Finance Council Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>Tuesday 12-5</b>  <b>6:30pm Mass</b> (Stuart) for Albert &amp; Lucille Greubel  <b>BD:</b> Betty Ludwig</p>	<p><b>Wednesday 12-6</b>  <b>8:30am Mass</b> in Gen DeSouza</p>	<p><b>Thursday 12-7</b>  <b>Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>  <b>7pm Mass</b> for Mable E Richter</p>	<p><b>Friday 12-8</b>  <b>Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>  <b>7pm Mass</b> (Stuart) for Donato Cianciaruso</p>	<p><b>Saturday 12-9</b> (Stuart)  <b>3:30pm Confessions</b> <b>Mass 4:30pm</b> for Bob Griffin</p>