

Father Tony's Corner *(continued from front page)*
 mean that we will be their best friends. We pray for them, and we show them kindness. And by the grace of God within us, we can do this. This Old and New Testament insistence on God's choosing coworkers to help build his Kingdom shows us something essential about our Lord: he is a team player. The Lord came not only to announce the Good News, but to set up his Church, the association of his disciples, his coworkers, to keep spreading the announcement to the ends of the earth, until the end of time. Jesus is saving the world, but not all by himself. He wants to do it with our help. From the pope down to the most recently baptized believer, we all share the same mission: to help Christ build up his Kingdom. This should be our greatest joy. Sometimes we forget that Jesus wants us to be active members of his Church. Sometimes we think of the Church kind of like a gas station - somewhere we go to fill up our spiritual tanks. That is part of the story, but not the whole story. Jesus is reminding us that we are his coworkers, his fellow laborers. We are players on his team. And on his team there are no benchwarmers. The more actively we take up our mission to spread Christ's Kingdom with our words, our prayers, and our example of Christian living, the more we will share in Christ's joy. If we courageously go out as Christ's ambassadors, we will come back 'rejoicing', just like the 72 disciples. Those who trust in God and obey his call in their lives, as did the seventy-two, will experience God's power acting in and through their lives, which is exactly what Christ wants. That experience will then open the door to the stable kind of happiness that only God can give, because it teaches us to depend on God, who is all-powerful, and not on ourselves, who are far from being all-powerful. A Christian's happiness does not arise from how great we are or how great our achievements have been. It comes from knowing that we matter to God, that God is our Father, Savior and Friend. It comes, as Jesus tells us, from having our 'names written in heaven'. Let us ask the Holy Spirit to enlighten our minds, so that each one of us can make an honest evaluation of our own discipleship. And as we receive him in Holy Communion, let us ask him to show us how to be better followers, and let us ask him to send us out this week to bring his Good News to someone who needs to hear it.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

All Saints

Saturday, July 13

Rosary: Frank Holle
Ushers: Matt & Jen Dickson
Altar Server: Zoey & Bailey Dickson
Lector: Jodi Bassett
Commentator: Mark Tisl
Greeters: Matt & Jen Dickson
EMHC: Mark Tisl, Roni Wilson & Jodi Bassett

All Saints

Sunday, July 14

Ushers: Pat & Jo Beaman
Altar Servers: Lauren O'Brien & Jenna & Jackson Doyle
Lector: Sean Bovinett
Commentator: Donna Olson
Greeters: Pat & Jo Beaman
EMHC: Jo Beaman, Joyce Van Pelt & Brenda Wedemeyer

St. John

Sunday, July 14

Cross Bearer: Joseph Fagan
Greeters: Mr. & Mrs. Blair Carney & Family
Lector: Barb Bachman
Host: Matt Fagan
Cup: Sister Andre & Adella Vogl
Altar Servers: Carley Fagan & Bailey Lillard
Traveling Chalice: Phyllis O'Brien

MONEY COUNTERS

Tuesday, July 9 @ 1pm: Eric Tiernan, Gina James & Donna Donnelly

Tuesday, July 16 @ 1pm: Donna Olson & Gina Ocheltree

All Saints Financial Partnership

June 30, 2019

Weekly Offering: \$ 1,413.00
Children's Offering: \$ 7.00
Peter Pence: \$ 265.00

St. John Financial Partnership

June 30, 2019

Weekly Offering: \$ 431.00
Children's Offering: \$ 16.00
Peter Pence: \$ 82.00

Staff

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Office Hours

Tuesday: 8:30am - 3pm
Wednesday: 8:30am - 3pm
Thursday: 8:30am - 3pm

Bulletin Deadline:

Noon Wednesday



All Saints Mass Schedule

Tuesday: 6pm
Thursday: 9am (Care Center)
Friday: 8:30am
Saturday: 4:30pm
Sunday: 10am

St. John Mass Schedule

Wednesday: 8:30am
Sunday: 8am

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The words of Sacred Scripture are both informative - they give us information, and performative - they make God present. This means that every time we read or listen to the Bible, God wants to change us. He wants to give us a new strength to live out what we have heard. So it is important to listen attentively, and to try to pick up the significance of even apparently insignificant details. When Moses was leading the people of Israel into the Promised Land, God had him appoint seventy elders to receive Moses' same spirit and become his assistants. Later, the Sanhedrin, the ruling body of Israel after their return from the Babylonian exile, was made up of 71 elders. The number 72 may even have yet another level of meaning. The Book of Genesis described the division of the non-Jewish world into 70 nations. So Jesus' choice of 72 disciples may reflect the universality of his saving mission. It includes those 70 Gentile nations, plus the nation of Israel, and, perhaps, his Church, the new People of God. A total of 72. By following this pattern, Christ, the new Moses, shows that he is bringing the Old Covenant to its fulfillment. Jesus does something extremely important in today's gospel. When he sends his 72 disciples out to preach the Gospel - to share the new life they have discovered by being with him - he sends them out two by two. Perhaps it is a reminder of the great commandment of Jesus: love one another as I have loved you. He is saying that no one can flourish in isolation. No one can love in isolation. No one can become a saint in isolation. Therefore, he sends them out two by two. The message could not be clearer: the only truly convincing witness to Christianity comes when we love one another. However, the disciples were like the rest of us. Some of them did not click with each other. Look at the way Jesus put the unlikeliest people together. In his inner circle we find Matthew, a former tax collector, and Simon, a former Zealot. Tax collectors were considered creatures of the hated Romans who occupied the Holy Land at the time of Jesus. Zealots were freedom fighters who wanted nothing more than to drive out the Romans. And Jesus put the two of them in this band of 12 men who spent three years roaming the countryside together and commanded them to love one another. And they did. This is the new power that we receive as Christians. In our own lives, God will give us people who drive us crazy. He will give us people that we cannot stand, whose one goal in life seems to be to make our lives miserable. He commands us to love them. This does not mean that we will like them. It does *(continued on back page)*

Sacraments:

Reconciliation:
 3:30pm Saturday in Stuart;
 7:30am Sunday in Adair;
 or by Appointment
Anointing of the Sick:
 Call Fr. Tony before/after hospitalization
Baptism: Call the office during pregnancy for preparation class
Marriage: Call the office at least nine months to one year ahead to plan marriage preparation. Wedding Date should not be set until preparations have begun
Annulment/ Marriage Validation:
 Call Fr. Tony to learn more about this process with Diocesan Tribunal if you are divorced and remarried or never married in the Catholic Church.
RCIA: Call Fr. Tony if you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church or the RCIA process.
Membership/Registration:
 If you are new, welcome to our parish. Please register by calling the office. If you are moving away, please contact the office to notify us before moving.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **St. John Catholic Church parishioners:** One of our fellow parish members has been diagnosed with leukemia. The parish family would like to alleviate as much burden as possible so we will be providing gas gift cards and freezer meals to help them through this journey. Please bring meals and gift cards to the Parish hall after mass on Sunday over the new few weeks and we will distribute them to the family. For more information or questions, please contact Stacy Richter at 515-975-2183 or via email at richterfamily2012@gmail.com. Thank you for your generosity and prayers!
- **Bishop Pates celebrates Mass to honor couples:** Each year Bishop Pates celebrates Masses to honor couples who are celebrating milestone anniversaries. On Saturday, August 3rd during the 5:15 p.m. vigil Mass at St. John Catholic Church in Greenfield, Bishop Pates will be honoring those couples in our diocese who have celebrated a milestone anniversary in the last year! Certificates of blessing are available and a reception will follow for all couples and families. A certificate of blessing is available with registration for couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (5 year increments and 50+). Reserved seating will be available for these couples and their families. To register call Cathy Gearhart at 515-237-5004 or email her at cgearhart@dmdiocese.org
- **Annual Diocesan Appeal 2019:** Each year, every member of our diocesan faith community is asked to participate in making a gift to support the work and ministry of Bishop Pates through the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Each of the 81 parishes in the Diocese of Des Moines has a goal that is calculated based on a formula of parish income and expenses. One of the largest expenses covered by the Diocesan Appeal is support of our priests. The Diocese pays 100% of the priests health care. The Appeal also covers the priest's retirement benefits, an expense which is not absorbed by our parish. The Diocese currently supports 112 priests; 37 of those priests are retired, and 75 are active. The Appeal also covers the formation of our deacons, and education of our 21 seminarians as they study in their last years of Seminary. The ADA also covers administrative expenses for the staff of the Diocese who are dedicated to serving our parish in many ways. Bishop Pates' ministry, including housing, travel throughout the Diocese for meetings, special masses, and confirmations are all supported by the ADA. Last, but not least, a portion of our ADA dollars supports Catholic Charities in feeding and clothing those in need; providing shelter for homeless families; assisting victims of domestic violence; counseling thousands of individuals, and welcoming refugees who have fled their native lands as they settle in Iowa. I want to thank everyone who has already participated in the 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal, and provide a friendly reminder to those who are still thinking about responding. Your participation is very valuable to All Saints and St. John Catholic Church. We are looking forward to your support, and sacrificial generosity to share a little of our God-given blessing to spread His kingdom and mission.

All Saints, Stuart, Parish ADA Goal = \$30,035

Gifts Received: \$ 18,080.00

St. John, Adair, ADA Goal = \$7,257

Gifts Received: \$ 5,122.17

- **Air-conditioning of St. John Parish Hall:** We have decided to fulfill a long cherished dream of our parishioners of having an air conditioning system installed at St. John Parish Hall at a cost of \$ 6050 dollars. The success of the campaign for this project will depend upon your commitment in prayer, involvement and sacrifice of God given treasure. Our success will not come from a small group of parishioners, but rather from the participation of 100% of the parish family. I want to thank everyone who has already donated to this project, and we are looking forward to the support, and sacrificial generosity of others so that in the spirit of the sacrifice and generosity of our founding members, we can answer our challenge today.

Gifts Received: \$ 2,887.14

Parishioners Donated: 12

- **Funeral mass:** Florence Lillian Kolp Doud, 89 of Long Beach, FL went home to the Lord on May 26, 2019. A memorial mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 am on Saturday, July 13, 2019 at All Saints Catholic Church in Stuart. Burial will be at the Calvary Cemetery in Stuart.

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- **Update on the Maintenance Projects at All Saints:** First and foremost, I want to thank everyone who partnered in our maintenance projects campaign. You, joining hands with other fellow parishioners of All Saints parish family, is going to change our story. Bishop Pates has given his approval to our projects, and consequently we have signed a contract with Roy Sargent Building, Inc. to fix the upper level parking area and the broken sidewalk, and to add an additional 6 handicapped parking spaces and one Van accessible space north of front entry drive, and the work will begin soon. Having given themselves to our parish family during their energetic years, and as they approach the sunset years of their lives, we strongly feel that our elderly parishioners need a little extra attention, care and love. We hope that the spaces marked for them closer to the Church will give them an easy access. We are really and truly blessed by the love, kindness, and sacrificial financial support of all of you, and we are positively looking forward to that unwavering support in order to make our parish family a vibrant community in the diocese of Des Moines. Thank you for what you and your family are; and for what you and your family bring to our wonderful parish family through your life, gifts, ministry, and generous sharing of your treasure. May God bless you, your family and your loved ones with His abundant blessings. Rev. Antony Mathew, Pastor
- **Missionary at All Saints and St. John on the weekend of July 13th and 14th!** Each year, as part of the missionary cooperative program of the diocese of Des Moines, a missionary is invited to the parishes around the diocese. This year, the Nazareth Sisters of the Annunciation from Kenya will be at All Saints and St. John on the weekend of July 13th and 14th to share about their ministry and request financial support for their programs. Let us extend a cordial welcome and offer our hospitality to the Nazareth Sisters of the Annunciation as they come to make their appeal.

All Saints Catholic Church is hosting an

Annual Family Fest

to celebrate faith and community with a day of food, fun, and fellowship.

Join us **Saturday, August 24, 2019**

4:30 pm Mass will kick off the festivities followed by a meal at 5:30

5:45-7:45 Games & Activities

8:00 Free Family Movie on the lawn

* Games & Activities for a small fee



Calendar with Mass Times, Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sunday 7/7	Monday 7/8	Tuesday 7/9	Wednesday 7/10	Thursday 7/11	Friday 7/12	Saturday 7/13
Adair 7:30am Rosary & Confession 8am Mass for Andrew Lawlor (health)	BD: Felix Young, Andrew Richter & Hannah Richter	Stuart 6pm Mass BD: Joe Sherman & Sutton Witte	Adair 8:30am Mass for Francis Lawlor (health) BD: Jerry Dickson	Stuart 9am Mass (Stuart Care Center) BD: Joy Smull	Stuart 8:30am Mass BD: Paige Witte	Stuart 3:30pm Confessions 4:05pm Rosary 4:30pm Mass for George Clark BD: Debi Kasap ANN: Cleon & Mary Klemish 1963
Stuart 10am Mass for the People BD: Lauren O'Brien & Allen Thelen						