



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
**Bulletin**

All Saints / St John's

October 4, 2020

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**Mass Schedule**

**Saturdays**

4:30pm - All Saints - Stuart

**Sundays**

8:00am - St John's in Adair

10:00am - All Saints - Stuart

**Mondays** - No Mass

**Tuesdays** - 6:00pm at All Saints - Stuart

**Wednesdays** - 6:00pm at St John's - Adair

**Thursdays** - 9:00am at All Saints - Stuart

**Friday** - 8:30am at All Saints - Stuart

6:00pm at St John's - Adair

**Confessions** - Saturdays at All Saints: 3:30

**Rosary** - 4:05pm Saturdays at All Saints -  
Stuart & 7:30am Sundays at St John's - Adair

*All Masses at St John's are OUTSIDE  
unless inclement weather, then Mass will be indoors.  
Mass at the Stuart Care Center is cancelled until further notice.*

**Announcements**

**All Saints/St John's Office Hours**

Office Staff will be in the All Saints office on Tuesdays from 8:30am-3:00pm and  
Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8:30am - 12:30pm.

*Even though office hours are posted, it is best to call first to make sure someone is  
there. Sometimes uncontrollable events prevent staff from being at the office.  
515-523-1943*

**Virtual Bible Conference by The Augustine Institute**

You are invited to The Augustine Institute's free 2020 Virtual Bible Conference

**October 10, 2020**

This event is free on Zoom, and the livestream coverage  
will start at 10 a.m. (MDT)

Are you seeking to grow in your love and knowledge of God's  
Word? Join some of the nation's most dynamic Scripture scholars  
on October 10 for a one-day virtual event that will be live  
streamed via Zoom! *This virtual event is free for all registrants!*



## **FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMMING FOR 2020-21 REGISTRATION**

All Saints, registration is open. Packets with registration forms are in the gathering space.

St. John's registration and quick parent meeting will be Sunday, October 11 after mass.

Fees for the 2020-21 year are \$30.00 per child with a max of \$100 per family.

### **FAITH FORMATION FIRST CLASS**

#### **All Saints**

- Grades 7th through 12th on Wednesday, October 7; 7:00pm-8:15pm
- Grades 1st through 6th on Wednesday, October 14; 6:30pm-7:30pm

#### **St John's**

- Registration Meeting & first class on Sunday, October 11 after mass

The Bible App  
FOR KIDS



### **Attention Parents with Young Children**

from Jill Gerling, Faith Formation Coordinator

Recently, Jill came across a great resource in an app form for children ages 2 through first grade. The App is called **The Bible App for Kids**, it is a great story activity based app which teach the children about stories in the bible and lesson to be learned. Each story needs to be downloaded and watched before the children can access the activities. Jill is not 100% sure if the download will take up space on the device, but if and when Jill finds out, she will let you know.

This would be a great resource for your child while Children's Word is not meeting. Bring some headphones and plug your child into the app during the homily, so you as parents can get Father's message in the homily.

### **Confirmation will be Sunday, October 18 at 12:00 (noon) Special Mass**

*Due to the number of Confirmation Candidates, Confirmation Mass will be at Noon to accommodate the large number of family and guests that may be attending the Confirmation.*

*There will still be 10:00 Mass for the parish.*



### **Gathering for Mass inside All Saints & St. John's**



#### **NOTES for ALL Mass times:**

*Mass will look a bit different with the following CDC Guidance & Diocese of Des Moines Guideline:*

- Parishioners aged 5 and above are strongly encouraged to wear a cloth face covering or mask during Mass. If you do not have one the church has masks available
- Hand Sanitizer is also available in gather spaces and other areas of the building
- Obey the pew markings

- Social distancing must be maintained throughout parishioners' presence on parish property. Household units should sit at least six feet apart from one another.
- When approaching communion follow these steps:
  1. Remain 6 feet away from the person in front of you, unless you are from the same household
  2. Leave mask on
  3. Bow
  4. Place your hands out in the usual manner and receive the Eucharist
  5. AFTER responding Amen
    6. step to the side
    7. lower your mask
    8. place the Eucharist in your mouth
    9. pull mask up and return to seat
- Please remember to practice social distancing before, during and after Mass

We have to protect our own health, as well as, the health of our parishioners which is the reason everyone needs to follow these guidelines. For those who do not attend Mass during this time, God's infinite grace and mercy remain abundantly available. Sunday obligation remains suspended, and the elderly, vulnerable individuals, individuals who live with vulnerable individuals, those who are ill or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 like symptoms, should not attend Mass.

*Come and join us for Mass.*

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## *Prayers for our Parishioners & Families*



**Please continue to pray for Kari Cornwell**, daughter of Jim and Norma Kloewer, as she continues to battle pancreatic cancer. May God heal Kari, body and soul. May her pain cease, her strength increase, her fears be released and may blessings, love, and joy surround Kari and her family.

**Prayers are requested for Bruce Partlow** as he recovers from recent knee surgery. We pray for hope and healing and for God to provide Bruce with His strength as he endures this health challenge.

*We know there are many who are in need of prayer while they await a diagnosis, endure medical treatments, those who quietly deal with a serious or even fatal condition, and those who are afraid to go to the doctor because they fear the worst. Please remember them as well.*

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### St. John's

Friday, October 2: Louetta Langel  
 Sunday, October 4: Rosie Sturm  
 Wednesday, October 7: Francis Hollinrake (health)  
 Friday: October 9: Eugene Seilhan (health)  
 Sunday, October 11: Gary Seilhan (health)  
 Wednesday, October 14: Patricia Seilhan (health)

### All Saints

Saturday, October 3: Betty Tlach  
 Tuesday, October 6: Betty Tlach  
 Saturday, October 10: Betty Tlach  
 Thursday, October 15: Darlene Mary Hannappel





All Saints parish family extends our sincere love, condolences, prayers, and sympathies to the family and friends of Bill Tracy as they walk through the mystery of death and celebrate the gift of everlasting life. May God comfort and heal the grieving families with His healing love, abiding presence, and assurances of everlasting life.

Funeral arrangements are being made by Johnson Funeral Service pending details.

## Supporting our Parishioners

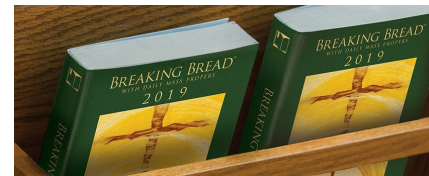
**Want the daily readings? The United State Conference of Catholic Bishops website is a great resource. Click the date in the calendar on the right side to get the readings.**

[USCCB.org](http://USCCB.org)

### Missalettes Available for Personal Use

All Saints and St. John's are giving away the current 2020 Missalettes to parishioners for their own personal use. The books will be available on a table in the gathering space at All Saints, and on a table in the back of the church at St. John's. This will be your book to have since we cannot widely offer them at this time. Each family is encouraged to take 2 missals and bring it to and from mass so you may follow along with the readings. Any books left in the pews will be thrown away.

**We hope this will enhance your participation in the Mass.**



**INFORMATION for our Families about assistance.** The Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) was signed on March 18, 2020. It provides assistance for families dealing with various issues from the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States. To learn more, or to see if you could benefit from the FFCRA, [click here](#).

## FATHER TONY'S CORNER



We are invited to reflect on a group of men who are given the opportunity of a lifetime, both professionally and personally. They are provided a good place to live and a great way to make a living. The situation can be compared to a business at an excellent location, with an abundant clientele, a great lease, and the job of making a lot of people happy. In addition, the men running the business also have a beautiful place to live and a great landlord. Any outside observer would say that professionally and personally the owner has been very kind to his tenants, even going beyond what a

tenant would expect or deserve. All that the owner asks in return is a share of the joy that the tenants would produce. This is where the mystery of sin enters. The tenants start beating up the people coming to collect the owner's fair share and leaving him empty handed. There is no remorse: gradually they start killing them too. The owner shows a kindness that the tenants do not deserve. He lavishly gives them opportunities. And finally, he gives them the greatest and most definitive opportunity of a life time by sending them the heir himself. This was a reminder that he is the owner and they are the tenants. In their twisted logic, the tenants convince themselves that by eliminating the heir, any trace of ownership will die with the owner, and he will also stop bothering them. This parable is a way of teaching the Pharisees that they had fallen into a warped sense of entitlement over something that did not belong to them: the People of God. So when the Son comes on behalf of the true 'owner' of the People of God, they are going to reject him and kill him thinking that somehow everything will then return to normal. On account of their covetousness and envy: everything they thought was theirs will be taken away and given to those who will be worthy stewards of God's gifts. One of the very best things that God gives us is his mercy and patience. God continually gives chances after chances to do the right thing and to fulfill one's own responsibilities in life. In justice, he could have evicted those selfish stewards right away but he keeps on giving them more and more chances, many more than they deserve. This is because he is patient with our sin and selfishness. He never gives up on us, even though sometimes we give up on ourselves. God's boundless mercy is the best evidence of his immense goodness. All that we have to remember is that we live in a fallen world and get used to sin. We get so used to sin that we can easily forget just how evil and destructive it is. Sin is rebellion against God, who is our Creator and Savior. Sin is wishing that God did not exist so that we would be free to rebuild the universe in accordance with our own selfishness and arrogance. Sin, as the crucifix shows us, is an attempt to murder God. Sin has dire repercussions for the sinner and the world, and wounds the Heart of Christ. Jesus shows how sin, when we do not repent from it, can even obstruct God's mercy. God shows us his abundant and limitless mercy. But we can reject his mercy and continue to rebel against him. If we do, we can lose the very source of livelihood, and even our lives. Therefore, sin matters, and we must never underestimate it. One of the most essential step in purifying our life from sin and its destructive repercussions is admitting that we commit sins. This is not popular. It is much more fashionable to blame our selfishness on other people or social circumstances. But the Bible and the Church are very clear about this. We are all sinners. We have all 'fallen short of the glory of God'. This is the reason Jesus came to save us. There are two essential steps to purifying our life from sin and its destructive repercussions. First, we have to take responsibility for our sins and confess them; we have to come clean. God invented confession because he knows we need to go through that difficult process of facing and exposing our weakness and sin, and then of actually hearing the priest absolve us in Christ. Enlightened by God's word, may we have the grace to accept our own sins and confess them.

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Parishioners of All Saints and St John's are asked to  
join together every Sunday at 11:15 am to Pray this prayer to help  
fight the COVID-19 Pandemic

Pope Francis has  
released this prayer as  
our world battles this  
pandemic.

Find time daily to give  
this prayer to God.

*Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of good health and peace that we have enjoyed for so many years. As we find ourselves in this time of crisis today, we ask for your divine intervention and mercy to be upon each of us. Come and guide the minds of those working to discover a treatment to the COVID-19 virus. Grant them the wisdom, knowledge, and clarity of mind, so that all peoples will be free from the threat of this ailment. We also pray for the healthcare workers that are standing in the front line of this*



*battle. Father, we thank you for their hearts of service, putting the needs of society before their own, generously responding to the cry of Your people. We ask that You will grant them strength and protection. As they give of themselves in selfless service, may You fill them with your Holy Spirit as they work to be Your healing hands and feet.*

*Father, we also surrender to You all those who have been afflicted with the virus. Grant them Your healing grace, merciful Father, so that they may recover swiftly and continue to be witnesses of Your love in their lives.*

*Mother Mary, we ask for your intercession in this great time of need. Cover each of us with your blue mantle of protection, so that we may be preserved in good health to continue to glorify your son, Jesus Christ. We make this our prayer through Christ, our Savior and Redeemer. Amen.*

## Financial Partnership

**Thanks to all who are continuing to tithe to the parish!**  
 If you would like to donate electronically, please click -[All Saints website](#)

*All Saints / St John's Church Office, PO Box 605, Stuart, Iowa 50250*  
*Money that is received for St John's will be deposited into St John's account.*

**We are grateful to you for your unwavering support, thank you!**

<b>All Saints Partnership</b>	<b>St John's Partnership</b>	<b>MONEY COUNTERS</b>
<i>Sunday, September 27, 2020</i>	<i>Sunday, September 27, 2020</i>	<i>Tuesday, October 6th 9:00 am</i>
Weekly Offering: <b>\$2,949.00</b> Children's Offering: <b>\$1.65</b> Holy Land: <b>\$100.00</b> E-Giving: <b>\$ 100.55</b>	Weekly Offering: <b>\$457.00</b> Holy Land: <b>\$ 66.00</b>	Bill Clauson Gina Ocheltree

### **2020 Annual Diocesan Appeal**

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 Joensen through the Annual Diocesan Appeal. We are part of a much larger church community – the Church of the Diocese of Des Moines which encompasses 23 counties in Iowa, 80 parishes, 17 schools and more than 35,000 registered Catholic households. The total goal for this year's appeal is \$ 4,488,968 million. Each of the 80 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 percent of the health care. The appeal also covers the priest's retirement benefits, expenses which are not absorbed by our parish. The Diocese currently supports 88 priests, 36 of which are retired and 52 active. The appeal also covers the formation of our deacons and education of 15 seminarians as they study in their last years of Seminary. The ADA also covers administrative expense for the staff of the diocese who are dedicated to serving our parish in many ways. Bishop Joensen's 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 support 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. Your gift has significant impact on the how we live out our faith. Thank you to those of you who have already mailed in your ADA Appeal and a friendly reminder to others to please do so. You may send your ADA appeal to the office at: **All Saints, P.O. Box 605, Stuart, IA 50250**  
*Thank you for your generous financial support.*

**All Saints**  
 ADA Appeal Goal \$ 30,397  
 Gifts Received 09/29/2020 \$18,530.00

**Saint John's**  
 ADA Appeal Goal \$ 7,377  
 Gifts Received \$7,377.00  
**GOAL REACHED!**  
**Thank you!**



*That information can be incomplete and inaccurate but when an error or missing information is found, the staff corrects the information. If you have celebrations not listed, please kindly notify the office by calling or emailing [allsaintsoffice@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintsoffice@gmail.com) ~ thank you*



### **Upcoming Birthday Blessings**

Gabby Doud: October 3  
Mike Tiernan: October 3  
Olivia Nixt: October 3  
Tyler Johnston: October 6  
Rita Rilea: October 7  
Sheryl Drees: October 7  
Symantha Crawford: October 8  
Jackson Doyle: October 8  
Greg Hastings: October 8  
Angela Faga: October 9  
Sharon Jirak: October 9

### **Upcoming Anniversary Blessings**

**Joe & Jane Sherman**  
**October 4, 1958**

**Seann & Courtney Casey**  
**October 6, 2012**

**Ryan & Amber Steensen**  
**October 7, 2006**

**Dennis & Pat Hohn**  
**October 8, 1965**

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***If you have things that would be helpful to see in the Bulletin, please email Tammy at [allsaintoffice@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintoffice@gmail.com) with your suggestion.***