



Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time **Bulletin**

All Saints / St. John's

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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

Confessions - Saturdays at All Saints: 3:30

Attn St. John's: Effective Wednesday, November 4th

Mondays - No Mass

Tuesdays - 6:00pm at All Saints - Stuart

Wednesdays - 5:30pm at St John's - Adair

Thursdays - 9:00am at All Saints - Stuart

Friday - 8:30am at All Saints - Stuart
5:30pm at St John's - Adair

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

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.
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Civilize It

Do you want to help heal the divisions we see in our country? If so, check out Civilize It Iowa, a diocesan campaign that is inviting all of us to pray, fast, and give alms for the sake of charity in your own hearts, and in our country. To check out this simple invitation to pursue holiness in our own lives, and charity in our country, visit civilizeitiowa.com or scan

this QR code:



Diocese of Des Moines

YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE

St. John's Parishioners: Change of weekday Mass Schedule

There will be a change in the weekday Mass Schedule at St. John's, Adair, effective Wednesday, November 4th.

**New weekday Mass Schedule: -
Mass on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.
Mass on Friday at 5:30 p.m.**

Plenary Indulgences which surround All Saints and All Soul's Day

The Plenary Indulgence applicable for visiting a cemetery and praying for the dead between November 1-8 is extended through the entire month of November. The Plenary Indulgence is applicable for visiting a Church on All Souls Day and praying for the dead by recitation of the Lord's Prayer and Creed is extended through the entire month of November. The aged, the sick, and those who cannot leave their homes, or those who do not wish to visit these places due to the practice of social distancing, may, instead of visiting these places, obtain these indulgences by praying in front of a sacred image in their homes, with the intent to fulfill the usual obligation for an indulgence as soon as possible, and reciting a prayer of their choice, reading from scripture, or offering their present sufferings to God as a spiritual sacrifice.



All Saints & St. John's Faith Formation Update

Face masks are **REQUIRED** during all parts of the Faith Formation classes moving forward.

St John's:

- Next class is Sunday, November 8 after mass

All Saints:

- Grades 7th - Confirmation will meet Wednesday, November 4 from

7:00pm -8:15pm

- Grades 1st - 6th will meet Wednesday, November 11 from 6:30pm-7:30pm
- **CHANGE - Life After Confirmation is being moved to Sunday, November 15 from 6:30pm-8:00pm**



If you have not done so, please sign up for reminders on the **GROUPME app**, this app will be used to quickly get out information about **Faith Formation Classes**. Emails were sent out last week with a link to the group to sign up with, if you did not receive an email, please email Jill Gerling at allsaintsff@outlook.com.



Altar & Rosary Society

We will be filling shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child again this year. The boxes, unassembled, are on a table in the gathering space. Each box has directions for assembly. Also on the table are pamphlets to assist with filling the boxes. Be sure to take a red and green pamphlet, as there are labels to put on each box which describes the desired recipient of the box (your choice of boy or girl, and the age range).

Please return the boxes to the church by Sunday, November 15, or to my office between November 9 and November 14. You may also make arrangements to drop the boxes off at the Congregational Church between November 16 and November 21.

You may take one or more boxes. Thank you for your generosity to others during this most challenging year.

Jodi Bassett ~ Altar & Rosary President

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.

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.

Please lift up your prayers for all those suffering from a COVID 19 diagnosis, as well as, those who love them. Pray for the caregivers and first responders who selflessly care for those sickened with this relentless virus. May God grant them the strength and perseverance to endure the challenging journey He has placed before them.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

St. John's

Sunday, November 8: Aaron Rebarcak
Sunday, November 15: Louetta Langel
Sunday, November 22: Mark Richter
Sunday, November 29: Mark Richter

All Saints

Sunday, November 22: Darlene Mary Hannappel

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](https://www.usccb.org)



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



FATHER TONY'S CORNER

As the end of the current liturgical season approaches, we are invited to reflect on the parable of the ten virgins. At first glance, we may think that the wise virgins are mean and selfish. But that is not the case. Their role in the wedding feast, according to customs of the time, was to welcome the newlywed couple to the bridegroom's home after the wedding. They realize their responsibility and want to be faithful to it. They foresee that the wait could be long and so they take extra oil. To give away their oil would be to shirk their responsibility because there was simply not enough oil for ten lamps. The foolish ones probably did not see much beyond the party they wanted to enjoy. But the party was just one part of what was expected of them. This parable of the marriage feast is an image of Heaven. The wise virgins continued to stoke the light with the fuel of love for Christ, and love for others. And that light not only showed them the path to take but others as well. Jesus reminds us that we must have an intense and lasting love to light the way. Love is the only mark of an authentic disciple. We all have the possibility of entering into eternal life with God and the saints. It all depends on what we choose to seek it as our highest goal. Our primary responsibility in life consists in making our friendship with God. But God would not force us to do that; if he did, it would not be friendship. Our lamp needs to be full of the oil of faith, which we cannot borrow from anyone else but have to develop in the intimacy of personal prayer and reflection. We need to keep that lamp filled by persevering and growing in our prayer life and constantly studying Christ and the teachings of his Church. This is the most practical thing that we can do because it has the most important consequences. If we need to refill our lamp, we should start doing so right now. And if we do know how to rearrange the other aspects of our lives to put them in line with our first priority, then there is no need to worry. Like the bridegroom in today's parable, Jesus will appear at a midnight of human history, and we must be ready with lamps bright and alight. The foolish maidens proved how foolish they were by thinking that they could risk not loving enough when the moment of decision came. They wanted to draw the wise virgins into their foolishness by asking for their oil. We see this played out in so many areas of our lives: that negative comment, that judgment, that suspicion. We lack charity, and we want to suck others in thinking it will resolve our problems, but it does not. Love for Christ is not a tradeable commodity. It is intimately personal. If the wise virgins had taken their advice, then there would have been ten foolish virgins left out in the dark that night instead of five. This is how Jesus concludes the parable: 'therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour'. It is so easy to forget this. We go on living as if we think this earthly life will go on forever. Death is not a distant point in the future, an endpoint of our lives. Rather, it accompanies us each step of the way and could come upon us at any time. And history itself will also die, come to an end. When will this last day happen? There are only two possibilities. Either Christ will come again, bring an end to history, and establish his Kingdom definitively before we die; Or before that, he will come to each of us at the moment of our death, and to each of our loved ones, and bring us to his judgment seat individually. There is no doubt about this; our Lord has revealed it. And the Church today is asking us to think about it, to remember it, to have a living faith in it. For us to be unfaithful to Christ and his Church – no matter under what pretext – would be equally irresponsible. For Catholics, the month of November has long been a

time to put things into perspective. It is the month when the liturgy reminds us that our Lord will come again, and that this life is not all that there is. Therefore, now is the time to renew our first priority, to put our lives back on track. Let us renew our commitment to Christ and promise him to do whatever it takes to wake ourselves up and refill our lamps.

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](#)

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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!

All Saints Partnership

Sunday, November 1, 2020

Weekly Offering: **\$1,272.89**

Children's Offering: **\$ 10.00**

Building Fund: **\$225.00**

E-Giving: **\$ 60.55**

Feast of All Saints: **\$195.00**

MONEY COUNTERS

Tuesday, November 10th @ 9:00 am

Cindy Boucher

Dave Vigon

St John's Partnership

Sunday, November 1, 2020

Weekly Offering: **\$281.00**

Children's Offering: **\$0.00**

Building Fund: **\$50.00**

MONEY COUNTERS

After Sunday Mass

Dave Richter

Sheryl Drees

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 as of 11/5/2020
\$20,355.00

Saint John's

ADA Appeal Goal \$ 7,377
Gifts Received \$7,577.00
GOAL REACHED!
Thank you!

The office staff uses information found in the church records management software, ParishSoft, for both All Saints and St. John's to make the birthday and anniversary notes. 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 ~ thank you



Upcoming Birthday Blessings

November 7: Dennis VanPelt
November 9: Amber Steensen
November 11: Kari Tisl
November 11: Luciana Hazen
November 12: Stacy Richter

Upcoming Anniversary Blessings

Tom & Amy Doud
November 7, 1992
John & Adella Vogl
November 8, 1958

If you have things that would be helpful to see in the Bulletin, please email Tammy at allsaintsoffice@gmail.com with your suggestion.