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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 6 pm @ St. Isidore

Sunday: 8:30 am @ St. John

Weekday Mass Schedule

As stated in the weekly bulletin

Confessions Sunday: 8 am or by appointment

Main Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:

8 am - 5 pm

Friday:

7 am - 3:30 pm

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October 27, 2019
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Wednesday, October 30th @ 8:30 am - Faye Pittlik

Friday, November 1st @ 8:30 am - Jim Schemmel

Sunday, November 3rd @ 8:30 am - Arnold Brawner

* Please note that Fr. Andrew will have a Vigil Mass for All Saints on Thursday, October 31st @ 6 pm at St. Isidore.

The Feast Day for All Saints will be held at St. John's on Friday, November 1st at 8:30 am.



All parents wishing to baptize a child must register to attend baptism catechesis session in the parish prior to the baptism. To register call the main office 895-6246.

Baptism catechesis scheduled dates for:

***November 12, 2019** February 11, 2020
 May 12, 2020 August 11, 2020
 November 10, 2020

Liturgical Ministers for November 3, 2019

8:30 am: Sacristan: Jim Kendall
 EM: Heidi Ryan Jacob Ryan
 Hugh Scieszinski Gwen Schmieck
 Leona Smith Faoro Nikki Sporrer
 Ann Thuerauf Lisa Thuerauf
 Charlene Vig De Wagner

Lectors: Christine Tabak Charlene Vig

Servers: Sabrina Bleile Landon Stolte
 Anna Vavricek Luke Stephens

Greeters: Troy & Tracey Louwagie family
 Teresa Pisarik
 Ryan & Amy Reyhons family

Tuesday, October 29th
 7:00 pm - Pastoral Council Mtg

Wednesday, October 30th
 6:00 pm - FF grades 4th - 8th
 7:00 pm - FF grades 9th - 12th



Weekly contributions needed.....	\$5,673.00
October 20th	
Budget, Adults	\$5,554.00
Loose Coin/Currency	\$235.50
Facility-Upkeep	\$10.00
Total Collected.....	\$5,799.50
YTD collection needed	\$90,768.00
YTD collections received	\$78,182.50
TD over/ short	(\$12,585.50)
Thank you for your support	

Readings for the week of October 27, 2019

Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 [7a]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14
 Monday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Lk 6:12-16
 Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3a]/Lk 13:18-21
 Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-5, 6 [6a]/Lk 13:22-30
 Thursday: Rom 8:31b-39/Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31 [26b]/Lk 13:31-35
 Friday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1 Jn 3:1-3/ Mt 5:1-12a
 Saturday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40s 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14 [cf. 1]/2 Thes 1:11—2:2/Lk 19:1-10

Next Sunday:
 Wis 11:22—12:2/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14 [cf. 1]/2 Thes 1:11—2:2/Lk 19:1—10



Next weekend!

Mass Times:

<u>St. Isidore the Farmer:</u>	<u>St. John the Baptist</u>
Tuesday's @ 8 am	Wednesday's @ 8:30 am
Thursday's @ 8 am	Friday's @ 8:30 am
Saturday's @ 6 pm	Sunday's @ 8:30 am

Human Trafficking 101

Social Justice Commission would like to thank Gary's Foods, Knights of Columbus cook crew and all the families that volunteered to help to make the Pancake Breakfast a success. Proceeds (\$1,415.06) helped purchase materials for the **"Take Away Hunger"** packing that was done on Wednesday October 9th by the Faith Formation Students, catechists in grades 4th - 12, and all the volunteers.

Our Call to Share Collection, which is taken up in our parish this weekend, supports the efforts of the Catholic University of America, The Catholic Campaign for Human Development, Archdiocesan Hispanic Ministry, Black and Indian Missions, Catholic Home Missions, and World Missions. Please be as generous as possible, using the envelope you received in the mail this past week. If you forgot your envelope, please bring it next weekend or drop it off at the parish office. Thank you for your prayerful and financial support of these important efforts.

"St. Patrick Catholic School, Anamosa announces a job opening at the position of secretary. The successful applicant will be organized, energetic, and focused on serving the mission of the school. Computer skills, communication skills, confidentiality, and an ability to relate to students, parents, and staff are all required. Send resume and references to Dr. Michael Volk at dbqe02@dbqarch.org by November 7."



Faith Formation: *"Things what we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us.. We will not hide them from their children, but tell the coming generation, the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders he has wrought". (Psalms 78:3-4).*

- In response to the Archdiocese plea for mission-related needs and responding to God's calling to be stewards, St. John grades preschool-eighth-grade will be implementing Archdiocese One as a mission project. Each week of faith formation the children/youth will have an opportunity to help fill up the collecting container with "pennies to pocket change." No amount is too small. Every penny will help secure the future for Priest Retirement, Seminarian Education, Cathedral of St. Raphael Church and Campus repairs and Catholic Charities Immigration Legal Services.
- Our children and youth, from preschool to eighth-grade will be adding two new prayers to their prayer repertoire this year, the Memorare and the Angelus.
- Please keep our twenty-three second-graders in your prayers, as they, under the leadership of their families, prepare together for the Sacrament of Reconciliation that will take place February 29, 2020.

Last Sunday, 40 parishioners were able to attend a very informative presentation about what human trafficking looks like. And yes, it does happen here, especially because of our close proximity to Interstate 80, Highway 30 and 380. 80% of victims are female while 20% are male. Typical targeted victims are 12 – 17 years old but it can happen to 18 month old's or 70 year old's too. Sex trafficking rings look for victims at malls, grocery stores, bus stations, gas stations, streets. In other words, just about anywhere. But social media is the most likely source of recruiting. This **'grooming'** happens when someone online pretends to be your friend. Maybe they tell you they would never treat you badly like friends or family. Maybe they give you gifts. Maybe they promise to get you a modeling job that turns out to be something else. Once they have gained your trust, they will meet you somewhere and snag you. Most every child in Iowa that becomes a victim of human trafficking ran away from home and was captured on the street. In Iowa, 1 of 3 teens who runaway will be approached by someone in human trafficking within 36 hours. Once someone becomes a victim, their average life expectancy is 7 years.

Human trafficking is a pressing social justice concern that continues to grow at an alarming rate. Over 40,300,000 victims (as of 2016) can be found worldwide. To prevent human trafficking, we need to educate ourselves. Education is power. If you are aware of how traffickers lure victims, you are less likely to become one. Be aware of your surroundings, not only for yourself, but in case you spot a victim. If you have a **'gut feeling'** that something is amiss, report it. Don't try to confront a human trafficker yourself because it is not safe.

We want to thank Tish Young of Chains Interrupted for coming to St. John. For more information on Chains Interrupted or human trafficking, visit their website at www.ChainsInterrupted.com. St. John Social Justice Commission is committed to **Respecting All Life**, including victims of human trafficking.

Linda Noll
Social Justice Commission Chair



Is celebrated nationwide on the last **Sunday** of October each year. It is a special day to honor **Priesthood** in the United States. It is a call for parishioners to honor **Christ** as **Priest** and the men who were called to be his **priests** on earth. It is also a day to honor all religious and to focus on the importance of vocations.

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