

*Working Together To
Build the Kingdom of God*

LISBON - MOUNT VERNON, IA
AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 6:00 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

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Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:
8 am - 5 pm
Friday:
7 am - 3:30 pm

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*Welcome to all visitors this weekend.
We are happy you could join us!*

Year of Seeking and Healing through Prayer and Kindness

Catholic Faith in Song Theresa Sundstrom

Blessings to all families as we busily start a new school year. I am very excited to dust off my guitar and get back to teaching your children about our Catholic faith through music! Faith Formation classes will again take turns coming into church for the last 15 minutes of class on Sunday mornings. I pray they come home with songs in their heart and **“Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!”** – Psalm 100:1

Youth Ministry/Young Adult

2021-22 Preparation for Sacrament of Confirmation

Our Confirmation Team would like welcome parents and students who will be joining us for preparation and celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation this academic year. **We will be having our first session next Sunday, September 26th following the 8:30 Mass.** We would love to have one, or both parents join us at this session. **The session will be from 9:30 to noon.**



Come Holy Spirit Prayer
Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.



COATS FOR ALL:

The annual **Coats for All** which is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus has begun. There is a box in the gathering area designated for coats. Please only donate good slightly used coats and jackets in the box. This will run for the next two weeks and will end on Sunday, September 26th.

All coats will be cleaned and given to SE Linn Community Center in Lisbon and local area's. The KC's thank you in advance.

Faith Formation Information by Linda Hansmeier

“God has called us through the Gospel to possess the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.” 2 Thessalonians 2:14

Today is Catechetical Sunday. This year's theme is *“Say the Word and My Soul Shall Be Healed.”* On this day our catechists were commissioned for ministry in our St. John Community. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each baptized person plays in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. This day also provides an opportunity to celebrate those who do the important work of handling on the faith, and an opportunity for all of us Catholics to consider ways we are witnesses for Jesus Christ ourselves.

Congratulations to the Lisbon Volleyball team on their championship. Also, to Jenna Woodward for being nominated for Homecoming Court at Lisbon High School. Jenna is a member of St. John's and is also one of our Mass Server.

Congratulations to MV-L Cross Country Squad as they place first and second place on August 31st in Williamsburg at the Raider Invite. The girls took 1st place and the boys were runners up. Head Couch is Kory Swart a member of our parish. Awesome job!

50th Anniversary: Belated Congratulations to Steve and Joyce Fairley of Lisbon, members of St. John's who were married on August 11, 1971 at St. John's, Mount Vernon.



Pray that we do not ignore the cries for help from the unborn and their mothers & fathers.

40 Days for Life is a cross-denominational, faith-based effort. Join us for the **kick-off rally at 2:00 pm this Sunday, September 19th** at First Open Bible Church, 1911 “E” Avenue NW in Cedar Rapids. Rev. Michael Salemin, Executive Director of Lutherans for Life will present encouragement and guidance speaking up for life through all of its stages with the theme “FEAR NOT”. This rally will inspire and motivate you to pray and fast for an end to legal abortion.

The Coalition for Life of Iowa is looking for people to commit to pray in front of Planned Parenthood for **40 Days for Life** Campaign. Sign up for an hour any day or night! Join us in prayer and fasting for an end to abortion in front of Planned Parenthood Sept. 22-Oct. 31st. Web: <https://40daysforlife.com/cedar-rapids>
Phone: Call Pat 319-721-9730

Email: coalitionforlife@gmail.com

Readings for the week of September 19, 2021

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37
Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13
Wed: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-45
Next Sunday:
Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Liturgical Ministers for September 26th

Sacristan: Jim Kendall

EM: Marylynn Murray Chuck Murray
Stephan Poduska Sarah Rhomberg

Lector: Children

Greeter: Mike & Ruth Clark family
Dave & Lesley Panos family
Troy & Tracey Louwagie family

Servers: Johnny Broulik
Michael Covington



Friday, September 24th

Al Opatz

Sunday, September 26th

Janet Spellerberg



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly contributions needed..... \$5,423.08

Contribution Received

September 3rd, 5th and 9th 2021

Budget, Adult.....	\$ 4,105.00
Loose Coin/Currency	\$ 263.00
Mission Co-op	\$ 295.00
Run for Pie.....	\$ 100.00
Air Conditioning.....	\$ 30.00
Online giving	\$ 5,445.00
Total.....	\$ 10,238.00

YTD collection needed.....	\$ 54,230.80
YTD collections received	\$ 56,785.11
YTD	\$ 2,554.31

August 12, 2021

Budget, Adult.....	\$ 2,510.00
Loose Coin/Currency	\$ 269.35
Facility Up-Keep	\$ 100.00
Run for Pie	\$ 150.00
Memorial	\$ 100.00
Total Collected	\$ 3,129.35

YTD collection needed.....	\$59,653.88
YTD collections received	\$59,694.92
YTD	\$ 41.04

DISASTER AND MISSION APEALS:

Two checks were sent last week to the Archdiocese to forward to Haiti Earthquake Relief (\$2,655.00) and also for the Mission Appeal from which Fr. Andrew Berinnyuy spoke on August 29th (\$5,116.66).

Our pastor, Fr. Andrew thanks all the people who donated towards these two appeals. God is good!

MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Tuesday, September 21st

6:30 pm: Faith Formation Committee Mtg.

Wednesday, September 22nd

6 pm: Faith Formation for grades 4th - 8th
7 pm: Faith Formation for high school

Sunday, September 26th

8:30 am: Preschool - Dismissed before 1st Reading
9:30 am: Faith Formation grades K - 3rd
9:30 am - 11:15: Confirmation session with parents

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 19, 2021**