MISSION STATEMENT
To love and serve God and neighbor by the way we worship, assist those in need, and educate in the faith with fidelity to Sacred Scripture and the tradition of the Catholic Church.

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Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year!
Fr. Bruce, Fr. Travis, Fr. E., Deacon Paul, Deacon Rick, Karmen, Annette, LeAnn, Arian, Mike & Sue, Junior

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS
Friday-12/24—CLOSED
Friday-12/31—CLOSED

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE
Friday-12/24/21-Christmas Eve
4:00PM St. James
4:30PM St. Joseph Ellendale
4:30PM St. Joseph
9:00PM St. Joseph
Saturday-12/25/21-Christmas Day
9:00AM St. Joseph
9:00AM St. James (Spanish)
NO SATURDAY EVENING MASSES

NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE
Friday-12/31/21 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Vigil
5:00PM St. Joseph
Saturday-1/1/22 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
9:00AM St. Joseph
SATURDAY EVENING MASSES AS NORMAL

LECTORS, EMS, HOSPITALITY MINISTERS & SERVERS are needed for our Christmas Masses. Please check the schedule and call the parish office with your availability to serve. Your time is greatly appreciated.

CONFessions on wednesday 12/22 will be extended one hour and be offered from 5:00PM–7:00PM.

COMING SOON!
“If we cannot learn to be comfortable with uncertainty, we cannot learn to live amidst the mess. Learning to live with not knowing is essential if we are to grow in wisdom.”
FROM MATTHEW KELLY’S BOOK
life is messy
GIVEN AS A GIFT AT CHRISTMAS MASSES!

ADORATION SUSPENSION:
CHRISTMAS—12Noon, Friday, 12/24 until 7AM
Monday, 12/27, 2021
NEW YEAR’S—12Noon, Friday, 12/31 until 7AM
Monday, 1/3/2022

PRAYERS: All Saints Parish had a prayer box along side our Christmas Cross at the Pioneer Village the past 2 weekends. Would you please pray for all those intentions and for those who wrote them? Thank you from The Evangelization Committee.

OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY
♦ Orlin Pratt entered eternal life December 10, 2021. He was the brother to Richard (Donna) Pratt of our parish.
♦ Elizabeth Hermes of our parish entered eternal life December 14, 2021.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

THE SECOND COLLECTIONS: December 25 will be for Catholic Charities. December 26 will be for The Gospel Mission of Sioux City, Established in 1938, in addition to offering basic necessities (food, clothing and shelter) to those in need, the Gospel Mission offers a variety of programs and services to address the complex needs of the homeless in the Siouxland area. Programs include alcoholism relapse prevention, financial management training, work assessment and improvement, and personal skill set inventory.
January 2: Repair/Maintenance
DECEMBER 12, 2021 INCOME

All Saints Parish

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COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION: To those unable to attend Mass.
Hospital: 12/27, 12/29—Lori Campbell
Accura: 12/26—Jim & Mary Lou Kestner
Good Samaritan: 12/26—Mark & Julie Theisen
Home Bound & Hospital: 12/26—Keith Bretley, Tom Tanhoff
Park Place/Prime Living: 12/26—Mary Ann Ruether

2021 DONATIONS: Be thinking ahead, as we prepare for year’s end, please be mindful that donations must be received, or postmarked if mailed, by Dec. 31, 2021 in order to be deductible in 2021. If postmarked or received after Dec. 31, 2021, the donations will be deductible in 2022. To comply with federal law, we CANNOT accept donations in 2022 for 2021.

NO CATHOLIC LADIES CLUB 12/21/21. Next one will be 1/4/22.

BUSINESS MANAGER POSITION AVAILABLE at Gehlen Catholic School: If interested, contact Fr. Bruce at the Parish Office for a job description.

St. Joseph Ellendale
23533 K22, Merrill, IA

December 19, 2021. Fourth Sunday of Advent

Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS’ SCHEDULE
Dec. 24 Christmas Eve—4:30PM
Reader: Alise Allan
Servers: Kimberly Hoefling, Noah Koch
EMHC: Gaylen Tapper
Gifts: Jim Soulsbury Family
Offertory: Dave Foley, Gaylen Tapper

LITURGICAL MINISTERS’ SCHEDULE
Dec. 26—8:30AM
Reader: Joan Yoerger
Servers: Cam Bak, Matthew B.
EMHC: MJ Tapper
Gifts: Fred Schiefen Family
Offertory: Kathy Ream, Steve Ritz