

# St. John Catholic Church

5th Sunday of Easter

501 Adair Street, Adair, IA 50002

May 14, 2017



## Mass Times

- **Sunday:**  
7:30am Rosary & Confessions  
**8am Mass**  
10am at Stuart
- **Tuesday:** 6pm  
at Stuart
- **Wednesday:** 8:30am
- **Thursday:** 6:30pm
- **Friday:** 8:30am  
at Stuart

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## Dear Parishioners

Today we celebrate Mother's Day as well as our ACGC High School graduation. I hope everyone will be able to spend some quality time together as a family and let your mothers know how much you appreciate them. We, of course, want to let our graduates know that they have also accomplished something wonderful as well.

In an article written by the History.com staff in 2011 about Mother's Day, we find some interesting facts about the day's origins and the way it is celebrated. I would like to share a few of these with you.

A woman by the name of Anna Jarvis created the special day in 1908 and in 1914, President Woodrow Wilson made it an official U.S. holiday. Anna would later come to denounce what the day had become through the commercialization and materialistic way it was being celebrated.

Prior to Anna Jarvis' efforts, her mother Ann Reeves Jarvis worked to establish "Mother's Day Work Clubs" to teach local women how to properly care for their children.

Earlier history tells us of celebrations of mothers and motherhood traced

back to the ancient Greeks and Romans, but the modern precedent for Mother's Day is the early Christian festival known as "Mothering Sunday."

This was once a major tradition in the United Kingdom. It was a day - traditionally celebrated on the fourth Sunday in Lent - that was meant to be the time when the faithful would return to their "mother church" for a special service.

However you celebrate with your mother, try to keep in mind the beauty and true meaning of what she's done for you.

## Summer Tips *from Catholicmom.com*

*Editor's Note: Thanks to Wendell Teltow, Executive Director of Prevent Child Abuse Texas for sharing the following article.*

The summer is a joyous time when loved ones come together. But for many families, the summer can also be a time of stress and frustration, sometimes unintentionally resulting in an increased risk to the child.

Prevent Child Abuse Texas offers the following tips to help families enjoy the summer while keeping tension to a minimum:

- Establish a budget for summer spending. Be realistic about what you can afford to spend on entertainment, special foods, travel, etc.

- Hold a family meeting to discuss summer plans. Ask for ideas from the children for family activities that would appeal to them.

- Post a calendar of family activities in a place where all family members will see it.

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# Habitat for Humanity Project

Jeff Lamoreux, associate director of "Heart of Iowa Habitat for Humanity", has announced a new project that will begin in Stuart on Saturday, July 8th, and will last for five consecutive Saturdays. The organization is asking area churches to volunteer to help for one of each of the five Saturdays. The help needed is for hands-on carpentry skills, painters, general labor, clean-up, and food items for the day's work. This is a great opportunity to offer works of mercy to our neighbors. This particular project is in Stuart, however the Heart of Iowa group is always looking for projects in Guthrie County.

If you know of someone in need or you are interested in volunteering with a group of people from the parish, please contact the church office for further information.



## How Your Heart of Iowa Habitat for Humanity is Organized

### Each county has four Operating Committees:

#### Family Programs –

Recruits, interviews and recommends applicant families to the County Board for final approval. Supports families during and after construction activities.

#### Church and Volunteer Relations –

Recruits and coordinates volunteers on jobsites. Organizes the church community through "Circle of Twelve" congregation coordinators.

#### Construction –

Recruits and coordinates volunteer construction leaders to plan, organize and carry out the actual construction projects. Selects vendors and coordinates subcontractors.

#### Fund Development –

Creates, organizes and promotes an annual fundraising event (or events).

## St. John's Website: [adairstjohn.org](http://adairstjohn.org)

Have you visited our website? If you have, you may have noticed some, many, or all of the applications there. If you haven't, here's what you're missing:

- **Mass & Confession Times** (Both All-Saints-Stuart and Adair-St. John)
- **Events & Activities Photos** (you are welcomed & encouraged to submit photos to the Church Office for use on the website from parish events, including Baptisms, etc. Email them

to [stjohnallsaints@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnallsaints@gmail.com) for consideration.)

- **Calendar of Events** (You can click on any date to see what is scheduled for both parishes. This is helpful if you want to choose a date for an event - you can see for yourself if the date you want is open before you contact the office to make arrangements.)
- **Catholic News Sources** (Vatican News, National Catholic Register,

Catholic News Service, Rome Reports)

- **Bulletins** (Church & Children's)
- **Daily Readings**
- **"Word on Fire"** with Bishop Robert Barron
- **Contact Information**
- ...and more!

## Parish Business & Finance

### May 7th Collection

Regular Tithes: \$426.05  
 Children's Collection: \$21.00  
 Cemetery Fund: \$0.00  
 Building Fund: \$30.00  
 Repair Fund Bal: \$704.23\*

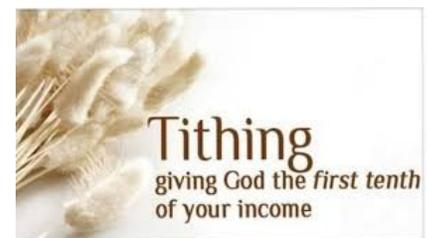
This week's income:  
\$447.05

This week's expenses:  
\$70.00

ADA Balance: \$1,930.00 to date  
(Goal: \$7,245)

\*Thanks to the Men's Group for donating \$1,500.00 from the Fish Fry proceeds to our repair fund!

**Thank You!**



# Diocesan Events

## Bishop's Golf Classic

The 2017 Bishop's Catholic Charities Golf Classic will be held on Monday, Aug. 28 at Echo Valley Country Club in Norwalk.

Gather your business groups, parish members, families, and friends for a team, or sign up on your own and meet some of the other great people who want to care for and empower those in need in our community. Reserve your spot for this fun-spirited tournament that raises funds for Catholic Charities programs and services.

Contact Fred Hollister, Catholic Charities Development Director, at 515-237-5064 for event sponsorships and team reservations.

## Job Openings

The diocese has job openings: an administrative assistant for the Vocations office and executive director for the St. Thomas More Center.

Get details here:



[dmidiocese.org/employment](http://dmidiocese.org/employment)

## Young Adult Ministry

All in their 20s and 30s are invited to join Novos Young Adults for social, spiritual and service activities. Events typically happen every second and fourth Thursday of the month, with occasional weekend gatherings. For more information on events coming up, email us or visit [www.fb.com/groups/](http://www.fb.com/groups/)



## Hall Rental Information

Members of St. John's Parish are invited to reserve our Hall for weddings, family reunions, parties, or meetings.

Rental fee is \$40.

Rental of the Hall by non-members is welcomed and encouraged.

The fee for non-members is \$70.00.

Contact Betty Ludwig at 641-742-3812 for further information or to reserve the Hall.

- Hall capacity is 100
- Hall Kitchen is completely furnished

## One Bread, One Cup Conference

Calling all youth who are looking for a powerful experience of faith this summer. Join other youth from around the country as they discover the Church's treasures of Word, sacrament and mission through prayer, work and recreation. The diocese is funding partial scholarships for three young people who want to be a part of this opportunity. Contact your youth minister and John Gaffney at [jgaffney@dmidiocese.org](mailto:jgaffney@dmidiocese.org) for details.

## Summer Tips *(cont'd from the front page)*

- Check community calendars and local lists of events to find inexpensive or free activities for children. Write all possibilities on individual slips of brightly colored paper and put them in a "summer fun jar." When children have been especially cooperative with other family members, allow them to choose a slip of paper from the jar. Then, the family can enjoy an afternoon of fun activity together.

- Have your children make a list of elderly

or shut-in neighbors in your area. Plan to share a meal, some of your time, or run errands for these neighbors. Explain to children that helping and sharing are important elements.

- Find time to relax and reflect on the simple joys of the summer. When you feel yourself becoming overwhelmed, take a break to get a better perspective on what needs to be done and what can be done.

If you find that it is becoming difficult to avoid being verbally or physically harsh with your children, STOP. Don't take out your anger on your kids. Instead, try the following: Take a deep breath and count to 20. Phone a friend. Take a walk outside, or use another form of exercise. Laugh. Even a comedy show on television will help relieve stress. Spend one hour doing something you really enjoy.

[www.preventchildabussetexas.org](http://www.preventchildabussetexas.org)

Items to be included in the bulletin must be submitted to the office by 5pm Wednesday.

Call 515-523-1943 or email:

[stjohnallsaints@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnallsaints@gmail.com)

to submit your items.

*Bulletins, prayer requests, and other announcements are sent via email through **Constant Contact**. If you are not receiving these emails, please be sure the Church Office has your address. Also be sure to check your "spam" folder as it may be going there. Bulletins are also posted to our website each Friday afternoon.*

Website: [adairstjohn.org](http://adairstjohn.org)

*If you do not see a birthday or anniversary listed that should be, or if the information is incorrect, please contact the church office to make the correction.*

Thank you!



*If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, please contact Rita Rilea in the church office at 515-523-1943 or email her at: [allsaintsoffice@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintsoffice@gmail.com)*

**Liturgical Ministers Schedule: Sunday May 21, 2017**

**Cross Bearer:** Cody Moreland

**Greeters:** Mr. & Mrs. Matt Fagan & Family

**Lector:** Brian Richter

**Host:** Scott Suhr

**Cup:** Adella Vogl & Sr. Chinweze

**Servers:** Addy Richter & Cade Suhr

**Traveling Chalice:** Matt & Monica Fagan & Family

**Contact Us**

**Rev. Raymond J. Higgins, Pastor**

Church Office: 515-523-1943

To request a Baptism or other Sacrament, to join the Church, or if you have any other questions, please contact the Church Office.

**Parish Administrative Assistant:**

Brenda Wedemeyer [stjohnallsaints@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnallsaints@gmail.com)

**Parish Bookkeeper & Mass Intentions:** Rita Rilea [allsaintsoffice@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintsoffice@gmail.com)

**Director of Religious Education:** Annie Brincks [annie68164@hotmail.com](mailto:annie68164@hotmail.com)

**Music:** Deb Hollinrake **Liturgical Minister Schedule:** Les Elgin 742-3854

**Prayer Request Phone Line:** Adella Vogl 641-742-5277

**St. John's Men's Club:** Francis Hollinrake 742-5016

**CWO & Parish Hall Rental/Information:** Betty Ludwig 742-3812

# Calendar of Activities

To view the entire calendar for both parishes, please go to [stuartallsaints.org](http://stuartallsaints.org) or [adairstjohn.org](http://adairstjohn.org)

Sunday 5-14	Monday 5-15	Tuesday 5-16	Wednesday 5-17	Thursday 5-18	Friday 5-19	Saturday 5-20
<b>7:30-7:55am</b> Rosary & Confessions <b>8am Mass</b> for Betty Dill  <b>10am Mass</b> (Stuart)  <b>Mother's Day</b>  <b>Graduation</b>	<i>Church offices are closed on Mondays &amp; Fridays</i>  <b>Reg. Office Hours:</b> <i>9am-3pm T-W-Th</i>  <b>ANN:</b> Scott & Natalie Suhr 1993	<b>6pm Mass</b> Stuart for Bob Griffin	<b>8:30am Mass</b> In Honor of Eugene Seilhan	<b>9am Mass</b> Stuart Community Care Center for Clair & Pat Dickey  <b>6:30pm Mass</b> for Mable E Richter	<b>8:30am Mass</b> Stuart for the dec'd mbrs of the Tigges/Boch families	<b>3:30pm Confessions</b> at Stuart  <b>Mass 4:30pm</b> at Stuart for the Marnin family
Sunday 5-21	Monday 5-22	Tuesday 5-23	Wednesday 5-24	Thursday 5-25	Friday 5-26	Saturday 5-27
<b>7:30-7:55am</b> Rosary & Confessions <b>8am Mass</b> for Leona Drees  <b>10am Mass</b> (Stuart)	<i>Church offices are closed on Mondays &amp; Fridays</i>  <b>Reg. Office Hours:</b> <i>9am-3pm T-W-Th</i>	<b>6pm Mass</b> Stuart for Sr. Phyllis Kerns	<b>8:30am Mass</b> For Harold Ness	<b>9am Mass</b> Stuart Community Care Center for Donato Cianciaruso  <b>6:30pm Mass</b> for the dec'd mbrs of the Vais Family	<b>8:30am Mass</b> Stuart for the dec'd mbrs of the Tigges/Gladfelder families	<b>3:30pm Confessions</b> at Stuart  <b>Mass 4:30pm</b> at Stuart for the Albert & Lucille Greubel