

St. John Catholic Church

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

501 Adair Street, Adair, IA 50002

July 2, 2017



Mass Times

- **Sunday:**
7:30am Rosary & Confessions
8am Mass
10am Mass at Stuart
- *Tuesday: 6pm Mass at Stuart*
- **Wednesday: 8:30am Mass**
- **Thursday: 6:30pm Mass**
- *Friday: 8:30am at Stuart*
- *1st Saturdays: 8:30am at Stuart*

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On Our Religious Freedom

Declaration on Religious Liberty

(Complete article can be found on the USCCB.org website)

On December 7, 1965, the Second Vatican Council approved *Dignitatis humanae*, the Declaration on Religious Liberty. The Declaration addresses a question that comes up in every generation: how do we understand freedom, truth, and the relationship between church and state?

Religious freedom includes two important aspects - freedom *from* and freedom *for*. "Freedom from" is probably familiar and what most of us think of as freedom. It means that we are to be free from coercion. The state is not an all-

powerful institution that can force people to act against their consciences.

The right to be free from coercion limits the power of the state. But this freedom must be paired with "freedom for," a positive orientation to seeking and acting in accordance with the truth. People have both a right *and* a duty to seek religious truth. Freedom from coercion allows the space for the pursuit of religious truth. Religious freedom requires that a society *both* refrain from preventing people from living out their religion *and* help to create the conditions for religious expression to flourish. A free society, then, is one where people actively seek religious truth and fully live out

that truth in public and private.

Parents have a fundamental right to teach their children their faith.

A most precious aspect of being human is the two-fold capacity to exercise reason and to respond to found truth. It is natural to ask, How do I live a good life? Who created this wonderful world, and how should I respond to this Creator? Why is there suffering, and how should I alleviate it? Religious traditions offer answers to these deeply human questions. It is imperative for the sake of human dignity that people are free to pursue these questions.

Mission Appeal Next Weekend

Fr. Mario Solorzano of the Diocese of Jackson, Mississippi, will be with us on Sunday July 9th to appeal for help for the Diocese of Jackson, the largest diocese east of the Mississippi River. "Our Catholic population

is around 500,000. The Diocese of Jackson has nine counties without a resident priest. An appeal came recently to hire a sister for one of these priest-less counties. We had to say, 'We're sorry. There's not

enough money.' And so, that leaves another county without Catholic presence of any kind. Won't you help us to make the church present in our diocese, which is less than 3% Catholic?"

U.S. Bishops Chairman Responds To CBO Report On Senate Health Care Bill

June 26, 2017

WASHINGTON—The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office (CBO) today has released its score on the Senate health care bill. The score could impact how the Senate votes on the Republican plan to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act. As he is analyzing the full report, Bishop Frank Dewane of Venice, Chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Domestic Justice and Humane Development Committee, has issued the following

initial statement:

"Today, the Congressional Budget Office released a report on the 'discussion draft' of the Senate health care proposal, indicating that millions of people could lose their health insurance over time. This moment cannot pass without comment. As the **USCCB*** has consistently said, the loss of affordable access for millions of people is simply unacceptable. These are real families who need and deserve health care. We pray that the Senate will

work in an open and unified way to keep the good aspects of current health care proposals, to add missing elements where needed, and to not place our sisters and brothers who struggle every day into so great a peril on so basic a right."

Article is from the USCCB.ORG website

MEDIA CONTACT

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***United States Conference of Catholic Bishops**

What can we do for you?

If you would like a visit from Father:

Father Ray is available to visit the sick and the homebound generally during the week. If you would like a visit from Father, please call the Church office to set up a time: 515-523-1943.

To Request Prayer:

If you would like to request prayer for someone in need, you may call Adella Vogl (641-742-5277) for the telephone prayer chain or email the office at stjohnallsaints@gmail.com for an electronic prayer chain communication.

Need a Sacrament?

Baptisms: contact the church office to set a date; if you are first-time parents, you will need instruction prior to the Baptism.

Weddings: Be sure to contact the church office to request a date at least six months prior to the wedding. Father will need to meet with the couple for counsel/marriage prep.

Parish Business & Finance

June 25th Collection

Regular Tithes: \$720.00
Children's Collection: \$7.00

Building Fund: \$50.00

Cemetery Fund: \$0.00

This week's income:
\$727.00

This week's expenses:
\$129.61

ADA Balance Due: \$1,330.00
(\$5,915 pd/ \$7,245 goal)

Repair Fund Bal: \$961.23

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<https://catholicfoundationiowa.org>



Diocesan Events - Catholic Charities

- **Find a Mass** Don't take a vacation from God! While you're on vacation, check out Mass-Times.org and find the nearest church and Mass times.
- **YouTube videos available** The diocese has produced a number of videos over the last few years: vocation stories of seminarians, Bishop Pates on mercy and living our faith, and more. While you're surfing the internet this summer, stop by YouTube.com/dmdiocese and see what we have to offer.
- **Strengthen your marriage** If your marriage is hurting, or if you just want to make a good thing better, check out The Third Option. This is an ongoing support group for couples who are working on a set of tools to help with better understanding, sensitivity and trust. We meet the first and third Monday of each month from 7-9 p.m. at the Mercy Medical Center's conference rooms in the East Tower. The next meeting is July 3.
- **Abundant Living** Come join Abundant Living, a social group with the mission of celebrating the gift of the Church's teaching on natural family planning. We're having a potluck picnic July 17 from 6-8 p.m. at Raccoon River Park (2500 Grand Ave. in West Des Moines) at the Coneflower shelter. RSV to Adam Storey so he can plan for food. Feel free to bring a side dish or desert. Contact Adam at 515-237-5056 or astorey@dmdiocese.org.

Prayer & Thanksgiving



Eldon Faga

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.

Amen

Holy Father's Intention for July

Lapsed Christians

That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the

merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.



Save the date...

- **July 2:** Baptism of Brant Lee Irlmeier, son of Kyle & Megan Irlmeier; and Mila Frances Digiovanni, daughter of Philip & Jessica (Irlmeier) Digiovanni
- **August 6th:** Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord
- **August 14-15:** Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (*a weekday holy day of obligation*)
- Coming up on Saturday September 9th we will celebrate our annual "**Mass in the Grass**" at Vogl Park. Mass will begin at 6:30pm with a potluck supper following.
- Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, and the highlights of Spain. November 3-13 hosted by veteran pilgrimage leader Father John Vakulskas Jr. For a brochure and more information contact Fr. John at PO Box 347, Okiboji, IA 51355, 712-490-8047, or johnvakulskas@gmail.com

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

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

Liturgical Ministers Schedule: Sunday July 9, 2017

Cross Bearer: Larry Drees

Greeters: Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Ludwig

Lector: Julie Plowman

Host: Scott Suhr

Cup: Matt Fagan & Dave Richter

Servers: Madison Suhr & Luke Brincks

Traveling Chalice: Kaye & Cleon Klemish

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.

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On our website:

Mass & Confession Times

Events & Activities Photos

Calendar of Events

Catholic News Sources

Bulletins (Church & Children's)

Daily Readings

Contact Information

Calendar of Activities

To view the entire calendar for both parishes, please go to stuartallsaints.org or adairstjohn.org

Sunday 7-2	Monday 7-3	Tuesday 7-4	Wednesday 7-5	Thursday 7-6	Friday 7-7	Saturday 7-8
7:30-7:55am Rosary & Confessions 8am Mass for Betty Dill 10am Mass (Stuart)	Reg. Office Hours: <i>9am-3pm T-W-Th</i> BD: Ethan Richter	No Mass 	8:30am Mass for John W. Brincks	9am Mass (Stuart Comm. Care Center) for David Waltz 6:30pm Mass for Mable E. Richter	8:30am Mass (Stuart) for JoAnn Allman	3:30pm (Stuart) Confessions at Stuart Mass 4:30pm (Stuart) for Albert & Lucille Greubel BDs: Rich Kennedy, Andrew Richter, Hannah Richter
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