

SAINT JOHN CATHOLIC CHURCH

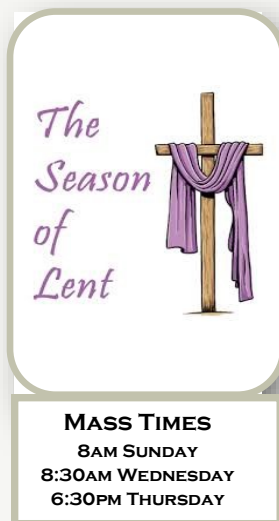
FEBRUARY 18, 2018

501 Adair Street, Adair, IA 50002

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Rev. Raymond J. Higgins, Parish Priest

A New Season Begins



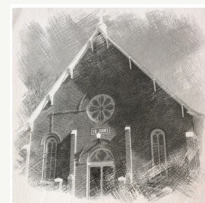
The Saint John Prayer Ministry requests your help during this year's

Lenten season. What we propose, is as simple as this. During the 2018 Lenten season we will make it possible for you to request prayers for any person or cause that you wish. Over time one of the favorites has been to pray for those who have preceded us in death and may now be suffering the pain of purgatory. Other more immediate intentions might include prayers for health, a successful outcome from surgery, safe travel, peace of mind for

a trouble heart or resolution of any and all of the many daily acts of aggression throughout the world. Please join us in the revival of this common Catholic tradition. Fr. Ray will have more details about this mission to share at each mass during the Lenten season. Join us as we use the enormous power of pray to do good for those around us by praying for them or requesting prayers for another, now and in the

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Special Events During Lent

Father has added a 6:30pm Mass on Thursdays at Adair during Lent which will be followed by the Stations of the Cross.

Friday morning Mass at Stuart is being moved to 6pm, also followed by the Stations of the Cross.

St. John's Men's Club Fish Fry Fridays are scheduled for Feb. 23rd, March 9th, and March 23rd at St. John's. Free will offering.

Don't forget your photog-

raphy session appointments with Jill Gerling on Saturday Feb. 24th and Sunday Feb. 25th.

The annual CWO Turkey Dinner at St. John's will be on March 11. See Betty Ludwig for details.

The All Saints Knights of Columbus will be hosting a spaghetti supper on Saturday, Feb. 24th from 5:30-7pm and a spaghetti luncheon on Sunday, Feb. 25th, 11am-1pm. Free will donation with all pro-

ceeds going to the LC Clinic.

The Adair Ministerial Association Ecumenical Lenten service will be at St. John at 7pm on Wednesday March 7th. Free will offering.

Faith Formation meets today (Feb. 18th following Mass).

Reminder: Bulletin items need to be submitted to the church office by 5pm Wednesdays.

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EASTER LILIES, MUMS, BEGONIAS

Sold By St. John's Catholic Church

Please Contact Monica Fagan @ 641-742-3067 if you'd
like to order.

Pick up is Friday, March 23rd from 5-7pm at St. John's
Church Hall.



Money due
at time of
order.

Thank
you!



PRAYER & THANKSGIVING

- ◆ For all those who are suffering with the flu and in the extreme weather we are experiencing
- ◆ *To request prayer, please call the Church office at 515-523-1943, Adella Vogl at 641-742-5277, or email: stjohnallsaints@gmail.com*

Liturgical Ministers Sunday February 18

Cross Bearer: Cody Moreland

Greeters: Mr. & Mrs. Larry Drees

Lector: Theresa Elgin

Host: Elizabeth Moreland

Cup: Les Elgin & Dave Richter

Servers: Belle Fagan & Cole Plowman

Traveling Chalice: Les & Theresa Elgin

PARISH BUSINESS & FINANCE REPORT

February 11th Collection \$411.00 **Kids:** \$5.00

Building Fund: \$0.00 **Special Collection:** \$0.00

This Week's Income: \$416.00 **This Week's Expenses:** **\$526.00**

2017 ADA Balance As of 2/5/22018: \$0.00 *Thank You!*

Trustees: Sheryl Drees, Les Elgin

Council Members: John Fagan, Monica Fagan, Larry Drees, Kenneth Ludwig,
Marcia Gettler

Financial Secretary: Rita Rilea

CALENDAR & DAILY READINGS

Sunday 2-18

7:30am

Adoration

Rosary

Confession

8am Mass for

John W. Brincks

BD: Creighton Suhr

**Genesis 9:8-15;
1 Peter 3:18-22;
Mark 1:12-15**

*The kingdom of
God is at hand.*

Repent and believe in the Gospel. These sound like simple words from our short Gospel today. But it is fitting that Jesus begins His earthly ministry with this powerful message after the Spirit descended upon Him at His baptism. He asks us to believe in the Gospel and embrace its message of humble service and discipleship.

Monday 2-19

**Leviticus 19:1-2,
11-18; Matthew
25:31-46**

*Let us seek first
to be holy in all
things.*

We have the Scriptures to guide us through life. They are the paths we should follow. Jesus was very clear about what lies ahead eternally for those who follow His words, and for those who refuse to follow His words. Let us look for opportunities to reach out to one another in love.

Tuesday 2-20

BD: Cole Plowman

**Isaiah 55:10-11;
Matthew 6:7-15**

*God wants
what's best for
us.*

God is a generous and loving Father who wants only what is best for His children. God showers down rain to make the seed grow, and gives us His Word to bring us grace. But God also expects us to be generous and loving toward all His children—to forgive them from our hearts. We are called to be like God.

Wednesday 2-21

8:30am Mass for
Joseph Vogl

**Jonah 3:1-10;
Luke 11:29-32**

*Let us heed Je-
sus' message of
salvation today.*

The people of Ninevah were evil, yet Jonah had just started through their city preaching repentance when they began to fast and turn from their evil ways. The crowds in Jesus' time had the Lord Himself preaching to them and still did not believe. Jesus is our sign; let us waste no time in repenting and believing.

Thursday 2-22

***The Chair of
St. Peter the
Apostle—Feast***

6:30pm Mass for
Wilma Fagan w/
Stations of the
Cross

*ANN: Kenneth &
Marilyn Ludwig
1955*

**1 Peter 5:1-4;
Matthew 16:13-
19**

*The Church
stands strong on
the apostolic
foundation of
Peter and his
confession of
faith.*

Jesus chooses Peter to be the rock on which He builds His Church, and promises that the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Peter recognizes his mission as one of service and love, not domination and power. We are called to imitate this mission.

Friday 2-23

**Ezekiel 18:21-28;
Matthew 5:20-
26**

*The Christian life
becomes virtu-
ous as we turn
away from sin.*

Today we learn from both of our readings that following the commandments—our moral framework for the Christian life—is necessary for those who desire to live in Christ. This way of life is lived through our direct relationship with our brothers and sisters, and learning to reconcile and forgive one another.

Saturday 2-24

*BD: Madeline
Richter*

**Deuteronomy
26:16-19;
Matthew 5:43-
48**

*The command-
ments guide us
on the path of
discipleship.*

Today's readings remind us that, as people of God, we must keep the commandments of the Lord with our whole heart and our whole soul and walk in the ways of God, no matter how difficult it may be. As members of the body of Christ, we are called to share God's love with everyone, even those who make it challenging to love them.

DIOCESAN NEWS



Diocese of Des Moines
www.dmdiocese.org



A Church on the Move:
How to Get Mission
and Mercy in Motion-
Today, more than ever,
parishes must rethink
how to "do" Church.

On March 8 at All Saints
Parish in Stuart, Joe
Paprocki will identify

strategies for renewing our parish com-
munities and becoming a Church on the
move. Gathering is 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Lunch is
\$5. In his book "A Church on the Move: 52

Ways to Get Mission and Mercy in Mo-
tion" (Loyola Press), Joe Paprocki, offers a
number of strategies for transforming the
way the average parish...

- * thinks
- * functions
- * worships
- * forms people in faith
- * engages the world

...so that we can truly become a church on
the move where people encounter the

transforming grace of our Lord Jesus
Christ. Paprocki holds a doctorate degree
in ministry. To register, contact Sherri
Simmer at 515-237-5058.

If your parish isn't already offering an op-
portunity to join a small group this Lent,
consider spending your Lent growing in
faith with fellow young adults through our
diocesan Lenten small groups. More in-
formation check our website here.

<http://www.dmdiocese.org/young-adult.cfm>

IOWA CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE: FAITH FOR THE JOURNEY

This year's Iowa Catholic
Men's Conference: Faith
for the Journey, is sched-
uled for Saturday, March

10, from 8am to 3:30pm at
St. Francis of Assisi Church
in West Des Moines.

Kingdom of God, the Catholic
truths, and living a virtuous
life within their families and
society.

Our speakers include Trent
Horn, Catholic Answers apolo-
gist, author and speaker,
and Dr. Allen Hunt, author
and member of the Dynamic
Catholic team.

Registration begins at 7am
with Mass at 8am. The confer-
ence runs from 9:30am-
3:30pm. You can register
online at
www.iowacatholicradio.com
or by phone: 515-223-1150.

Adults: \$30; students: \$15;
Seminarians: \$10. Fees
include lunch.

Guided by
the Four Pil-
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version, Rec-
onciliation,
Discipleship,
and Evangeli-
zation, the
Iowa Catholic
Men's Con-
ference is
dedicated to
building
faithful disci-
ples of Jesus
Christ.

We encour-
age and chal-
lenge men to
boldly pro-
claim the

SAVE THE DATE...

Adair Lenten Ecumenical Service

- ♦ March 7th
7pm

Fish Fry Fridays

- ♦ February 23
- ♦ March 9
- ♦ March 23

Turkey Dinner

- ♦ March 11
- ♦ See Betty Ludwig
for details

IOWA CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE
FAITH FOR THE JOURNEY
A one-day conference featuring world-class
speakers, fellowship, The Holy Eucharist,
Reconciliation, Adoration & More

Building Missionary Disciples

Saturday, March 10, 2018
8am - 3:30pm
St Francis of Assisi Church, West Des Moines

The Brief

Registration	7 - 9:30am
Mass	8am
Conference	9:30am - 3:30pm
*Fee includes lunch	
Adults.....	\$30
Students.....	\$15
Seminarians.....	\$10

Register by January 15 to receive 33% off

Get Registered

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