

All Saints Catholic Church and St. John Catholic Church



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Tuesday 8.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. Wednesday 8.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. Thursday 8.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

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Sunday, January 22 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Schedule - All Saints, Stuart Mass Schedule

Tuesday 5. 30 p.m.

Thursday 10 a.m. (care center)

Friday 8. 30 a.m. Saturday 4. 30 p.m. Sunday 10.00 a.m.

Confession

Saturday 3.30 p.m. Rosary 4.00 p.m.



Schedule - St. John, Adair

Mass Schedule

Wednesday 5. 30 p.m. Sunday 8.00 a.m.

Confession 7.15 a.m.

Rosary 7.30 a.m.



PRAYER

We know that there are many who are in need of our prayerful support while awaiting a diagnosis, getting treatment for an illness, recovering from a surgery and grieving the loss of a dear one. We want to assure everyone that they are in our thoughts and prayers.

REQUESTS Sick: Dan Hilgers, Jill Gerling, Mary Lonsdale, Jaya Fever, Matt Olson, Joanne FOR Tiernan, Bertha Fagan

Deceased: Cleon Klemish, Maxine Hagen, Virgil Rosonke, Colleen Tiernan Otto, Pat Schaeffer

Parish Mission

Rejoicing with gratitude in God's blessings, we invite and welcome all to share in the fullness of the Catholic faith. We live our baptismal call through worship, teaching and serving one another.

ather Tony's Corner! The arrest of St John the Baptist, mentioned at the beginning of this Gospel passage, was a moment of transition for Jesus. Before that point, Jesus had begun gathering his Apostles and preaching, but only on a part-time basis. As long as John continued preaching and baptizing, Jesus stayed in the wings. But when John was arrested, that was the sign. The last prophet had been silenced, and the moment had come for Jesus, the Messiah whom all the prophets had announced, to take center stage. Saint Matthew tells us that when that moment came, Jesus moved to Capernaum, a more cosmopolitan city than his small hometown of Nazareth. And then he called his first Apostles. Peter, Andrew, James, and John had all met Jesus before, when they were still disciples of John the Baptist. They had spent time with Jesus. They had seen him perform the miracle at Cana, turning water into wine at the wedding feast. They had started to get to know him - the Gospel of John tells us that they had even come to believe that he was the Messiah. But that is not enough for Jesus. Jesus has more to show them, and more for them to do. So, at this crucial moment, when he is ready to begin his full-time ministry, Jesus goes out to these fishermen as they ply their trade on the Sea of Galilee, calls them by name, and invites them to help build his Kingdom. Jesus did not start his mission alone, and he does not continue it alone. He established his Church and began his work of salvation with the help of these chosen apostles, and today he continues his work in the same way, calling normal fishermen, folks like you and me, to become his apostles. It is interesting to notice exactly how Jesus issues this invitation. The Apostles are on the lake, fishing - in the middle of their work, their business. Jesus comes to meet them there. He walks out to the lakeshore. He enters into their environment. He walks everyday lives. Up until this point his only contact with them had been in extraordinary circumstances - festal gatherings and holidays. But now he comes right into the warp and woof of their daily lives. He could have dropped by their houses after work. He could have spoken to them after Saturday services in the synagogue. He could have met them in town on one of their days off. That would have been easier on them - less of an interruption, less of an inconvenience. But he does not. He wants to be part of their lives. He does not want to be on the fringe - he wants to be involved. He deals with us the same way. He is always coming out to meet us, walking along the shore of our lives. He is always thinking of us, watching us, and calling out to us through the Church and through our conscience - regardless of convenience. He wants us to follow him more closely today than yesterday, more passionately tomorrow than today. We just need to listen, to pay attention, and when necessary, to leave behind our nets, our relationships, our boats - anything that hinders us from hearing and heeding the call of our Lord. How overjoyed Jesus must have been when he saw these men, who had everything to lose, put it all on the line for him. How it must have thrilled his heart to find friends and followers who were willing to trust him completely. Jesus does not work alone. He calls us to work with him. We respond to that call by following his commandments and obeying the teachings of his Church. We respond by keeping our prayer life in shape and embracing the sacraments. We respond by looking for opportunities to draw others closer to Christ through our courageous but respectful words and through our tireless example of humility, faith, and selfless concern for our neighbor. We respond by listening for the small inspirations the Holy Spirit sends us each day - inspirations that almost always lead us out of our comfort zones for the sake of our neighbor. Jesus calls, and we must respond, leaving behind the boat that we love and the nets that we depend on. It is not always easy to respond to Christ's call. Life is already hard. When he asks more of us, our first reaction is usually to hesitate, or even to rebel. That is when we have to remember why Jesus keeps calling us. It is because he loves us. It is because he wants us to be with him. It is because he knows that only he can fill our hearts with the meaning and purpose we yearn for. Jesus does not call us for selfish reasons - he cannot be selfish. He calls us for our sake, and when we respond, he always stays right there at our side. It is only because he has called us to be his followers that we will have this remarkable opportunity to receive God himself at Holy Communion. When we do, let us thank him for not giving up on us, for continuing to call us - and let us promise him that we will listen with extra attention.



Your annual contribution statements for the year 2022 are ready to be picked up. It is also an opportunity to recognize, acknowledge and appreciate your generous financial support to your parish family. Your generous and sacrificial support enables us to pay salary to the staff, utilities, and other day to day expenses of the parish. Without such generous financial support, it would almost be impossible to do all of the above. Thank you for being a wonderful blessing to your parish family.



Our New Offering Envelops (2023) are delayed this year. We will hand them out to you as soon as they arrive. Meanwhile, please continue to use LOOSE CHECKS/CASH. You can also set up for automatic withdrawal from your bank account or you can set up for online giving using your bank card/credit card. Thank you for being a wonderful blessing to us.

Annual Diocesan Appeal Reminder for All Saints Parishioners!

52 families of All Saints have contributed \$ 24, 037 dollars towards our goal of \$ 36, 555, and we are short of our goal by \$ 12, 518 dollars. If the remaining balance is not paid off, then it has to be paid from our operating account. And it will adversely impact our parish finances. May I ask you to share a little more of your blessing to spread God's kingdom.



Two Minute Homily by Jodi Bassett (1/22/23)

Speaking to the Corinthians, Paul exhorts them to close the divisions among themselves, as they need to be united, both mentally and in intention. He urges them in the name of Christ to be in agreement with each other. Perhaps Paul needs to speak to our citizens today as he did to the Corinthians. Can anyone remember a more divided time in our society? Even people who recognize as a part of a specif-

ic group can't agree among themselves on certain things. Two years later, the Department of Justice is still dealing with the insurrection on the Capitol, which occurred because of disagreements and differences of opinion. Politics pervades every aspect of our society. And the politicians who supposedly lead our country can't agree on anything, making our society less cohesive and amenable to work together to solve our problems. This isn't meant as a political statement, more just a modern-day example of the type of schism to which Paul refers and wants his audience to correct. While we may need to unite behind our leaders for the betterment of our country, Paul asked the Corinthians to be united with Christ. Maybe if our society were to more closely align with Christ, we would have fewer divisions and more harmony. And that sounds like a better civilization for all of us.

The Two-Minute Homily by Jodi Bassett (1/29/23)

Saint Paul explains to the Corinthians how God chose those whom the earth considers lesser to shame those often perceived to be wise, strong, and "something." It is easy to categorize our population; to identify those like ourselves, and those unlike ourselves. Do we put ourselves on a pedestal, buffing our nails on our lapels, and thinking how much we aren't like "them?" Or do we long to be like the rich, the accomplished, the highly respected? Neither is likely to be advantageous to ourselves or to others. A familiar lament says, "There but for the grace of God go I," suggesting that God has favored one over others. Several chapters later in Corinthians (15:10) is a verse, similar, but significantly different: "But by God's grace I am what I am, and his grace to me has not been ineffective." That sounds a lot like God making us as was his choice, for his purpose, for our benefit, and something about which to boast.

Bingo at the Care Center on Monday, January 23, at 2. 30 p.m.

The Altar and Rosary Society will be helping with Bingo at the Community Care Center on Monday, January 23, at 2. 30 p.m. and we would appreciate helpers.



Continued prayers are requested for Jill Gerling, our coordinator of faith formation who just underwent a surgery and is on the path of recovery. We are confident that God, who is good and gracious, will enable Jill Gerling to experience his powerful gift of healing.

Looking forward to a Vincentian Parish Mission led by Rev. Robert Gielow, C.M. in Lent at All Saints



A Parish Mission is special time in a parish community when the community gathers together to gain further insight into a faith filled life. It is a time for grace and renewal of the parish through services and talks filled with stories, examples and meaning. The Mission Service will be centered around the Eucharist as it is at the core of the parish mission experience, which is to reconnect people to their faith and celebrate the communal dimension of what it means to be Catholic. The mis-

sion talks will occur during the Mass at the normal time of the homily with the entire service lasting no longer than an hour. The talks will be based on the selected mission theme and will be presented in such fashion to be beneficial, informative and understandable for all parishioners young and old.

Financial Partnership

Sunday, January 15, 2023

Tithing: \$ 2242 Children: \$ 21

Money counters (1/24/23)

Bill Clauson and Diane Messinger



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Automatic withdrawal
from Bank Account or
online giving through
credit card or bank card

Easy, convenient, and secure way of giving. Consider the advantages, and signup for automatic withdrawal/online giving. Inspired, please contact the parish office: 515-523-1943.

Liturgical ministry - All Saints, Stuart Saturday 1/21/23

Altar servers - needed Greeters - Jodi Bassett and Donna Donnelly Ushers - Wayne Gilman and Marty Doud Lector - Donna Donnelly Commentator - Donna Donnelly Euch. min. - Jodi Bassett

Sunday 1/22/23

Altar servers - needed Greeters - Vince and Christy O'Brien Ushers - Vince and Christy O'Brien Lector - Angie McMahon Commentator - Angie McMahon Euch. min. - Amy Doud

Saturday 1/28/23

Altar servers - needed Greeters - Matt and Jen Dickson Ushers - Matt and Jen Dickson Lector - Roni Wilson Commentator - Roni Wilson Euch. min. - Mark Tisl

Sunday 1/29/23

Altar servers - needed Greeters - Knights of Columbus Ushers - Knights of Columbus Lector - Knights of Columbus Commentator - Knights of Columbus Euch. min. - Amy Doud Financial Partnership

Sunday, January 15, 2023

Tithing: \$ 843 Children: \$ 17

Money counters (1/22/23)

P. Gettler, A. Richter, C. Moreland, Francis Holl-

inrake and Matt Fagan

Liturgical ministry - St. John, Adair

Sunday 1/22/23

Cross Bearer - Cody Moreland

Altar servers - Addi Richter and Ruby Marso

Ushers - Larry Drees and team

Lector - Julie Plowman Euch. min. - Dave Richter

Tra. Chalice - John and Katy Fagan

Sunday 1/29/23

Cross Bearer - Carley Fagan

Altar servers - Belle Fagan and Hunter Lilllard

Ushers - Larry Drees and team

Lector - Sr. Gloria

Euch. min. - Sr. Nesta

Tra. Chalice - Srs. of the Imm. Heart of Mary



Any Catholic men interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, contact Grand Knight Sean Bovinett via call or text at 712-574-3886 or email sbovinett@gmail.com. You can also visit kofc.org/joinus to get the process started and to learn more about the Knights organization.

Knights of Columbus sponsored Day of prayer for the legal protection of unborn children



Monday, January 23rd is being observed as the Day of prayer for the legal protection of unborn children. All Saints' Council of Knights of Columbus invite you to join them on Sunday, January 22nd from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. to observe

the Day of prayer for the legal protection of unborn children.