We hope your visit here will be a prayerful time as you enjoy the lakes region. Please consider St. Joseph's as your

church away from home. Contact us at the Parish Office if we may serve you in any way. We are committed to proclaiming the

Good News of Jesus Christ and invite you to join us! May the Holy Spirit lead us in living as a welcoming Catholic community.

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mon.- Thurs.: 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fri.: 7:30 a.m. - 12 noon

RECONCILIATION:

30 minutes before each Mass **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Tuesday 12 noon

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday at 4:30 p.m. Sunday at 8 and 10 a.m. Summer

Saturday at 4 and 5:30 p.m. Sunday at 7:30, 9 and 10:30 a.m

Are you new to the community? :Would you like to join St. Joseph: :Parish? Just fill out the coupon: below and return to the office or in the collection basket

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"I only went out for a walk and finally concluded to stay out till sundown, for going out, I found, was really going in." (John Muir, founder of our National Parks)

Of all the activities taking place in the lakes area these summer days-including the boaters, those fishing, bikers, the crowds enjoying yet another outdoor concert or filling the



By Fr. Tim Johnson

Okoboji Summer Theatre—the sight of those walking leisurely on the sidewalks seem to define the true spirit here and within ourselves. Within the grace of nature those walking find an inner peace, a gratefulness for the moment, unbounded by the constriction of time, comfort in just being present to the person they are walking with. the sights and sounds of the activities taking place and the gentle wisp of nature touching their soul--be it an elderly couple stepping slowly forward, a younger couple. a group of friends, individuals, a family. To witness their freedom--however short-lived--from the limitations of time and destination, gives us pause to consider what we take for granted and the most profound means of Jesus' ministry: walking.

Most likely Jesus walked at least 3,000 miles or more during his three years of ministry until his death. He traveled by foot throughout the region of Galilee, including the Sea of Galilee, walking up to 20 miles a stretch. Jesus frequently traveled by foot to Jerusalem for the holy days; roughly speaking about 65 miles. That would take at least three days on foot. Sometimes Jesus walked alone with his own thoughts or in personal prayer, often with the company of his apostles or disciples, villagers striding with him for a mile or so after parting from their community. Though little is written about his "walking ministry" in scripture, we can only imagine Jesus' inner peace within nature that surrounded him, the folks that walked beside him for a distance, his personal prayers. His destination and time was secondary to the journey itself.

With these precious few days of summer and warm weather may we take the time for a walk, a prayer walk, where time and destination is secondary to the journey itself and above all, heed the words of Jesus in today's gospel: "Go on your way."

And in the words of St. Francis, "It is no use walking anywhere to preach unless our walking is our preaching."

We have received word from Verdin Bell Company in Ohio. They will complete the refurbishing of our church bells and steeple clock beginning this Monday the 8th. (Will be good to look up and see a different time other than 8:15.)

Of interest: Nine siblings attended our parish Mass last Sunday. They grew up in the Omaha area and were sharing a few days of a family reunion of sorts absent their siblings, children and grandchildren. Each of them live in a different state! Their parents, God rest their soul, would be proud of them gathering together despite the distances.

And the kind words scrawled on a piece of paper and left in our church sanctuary sometime Sunday afternoon: "You church is beautiful. Thank you and God Bless. Jane & Steve of Jacksonville, Florida." Fr. Tim

FAITH FORMATION

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

By Sharon Mayer

I'm back! Well, at least for a short time per day. Thank you to everyone for thinking of me and the gifts, cards, flowers, while I have been on the mend. Every day is different but I am progressing. I am setting my sights on August as far as getting families registered for religious education and getting Catechists lined up. If you would like to become one of the small group of us who teach our children about their faith, please contact me. I will know all of my openings

If you are a new family to our parish, we do offer an alternative to weekly religious education classes in the form of family formation. This is a program where parents teach their children at home using prepared curriculum from the parish. Families do get together at the beginning of every month to discuss and share information while children are quizzed and have a lesson from a Catechist. For some families this works very well but you have to be willing to attend the required once a month meeting and teach the lessons at home every week. This means setting aside a specific time for those and not letting anything interrupt that. This takes dedication. This program also assumes weekly church attendance. During the weekend of August 24 and 25, I will be taking early registrations and answering questions about any aspect of our religious education area at St. Joseph. Likewise, if you have children who have missed any or all of their Sacraments and you would like to update that. I meet with families when it is convenient for you. This process begins in September as well. Just a few things to think about before August is upon us.

VOLUNTEERS will be needed to "man" the sign-in desk for photos next week. If you can help any of the days, please call the office. Photos begin Tues., July 9.

"We all should know that diversity makes for a rich tapestry, and we must understand that all the threats of the tapestry are equal in value no matter what their color." -- Maya Angelou

Former St. Joseph Parish Pastor Fr. John Vakulskas will celebrate his 50th Ordination Anniversary in the Priesthood Sunday, July 14, 2019 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, in Milford. The public is invited to a dinner at 12:30 p.m. catered by Sneaky's, Sioux City, in the Parish Center at St. Joseph, Milford. The dinner is \$15 and an RSVP is required for head count to Susan Reiser at 338-2274 by July 10. Following the dinner, a Mass of Thanksgiving begins at 2 p.m. with a reception at 3:30 p.m. in the parish center. Fr. Vakulskas requests no gifts, please.

UPCOMING EVENTS



8 p.m.: AA in Nazareth Hall; Al-Anon in NW.

Tuesday, July 9

8 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Eucharistic Adoration. 2 p.m. to 8:40 p.m.: Lifetouch Centennial Book photography begins in Nazareth Hall

Wednesday, July 10

8 a.m.: Peace & Justice meets in overflow. 2 p.m. to 8:40 p.m.: Lifetouch Centennial Book photography in Nazareth Hall

Thursday, July 11

8 a.m.: Bible Study, Nazareth 9 a.m.: Soup Kitchen Ministry

2 p.m. to 8:40 p.m.: Lifetouch Centennial Book photography in Nazareth Hall

Friday, July 12

10:30 a.m.: Mass at Milford Care Center. 2 p.m. to 8:40 p.m.: Lifetouch Centennial Book photography in Nazareth Hall

Saturday, July 13

10 a.m. to 4:40 p.m.: Lifetouch Centennial Book photography in Nazareth Hall

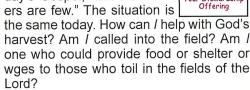
PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY from the St. Joseph Parish Family to Teresa Place on the death of her mother, +Janet Broshuis 89, of Stuart, IA, who died Thurs., June 27. Services were held July 2 in Stuart, IA.



WELCOME to the Catholic Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism to Sawyer Leonard Keeling, son of Joel and Annika Jansen, who was baptized at St. Joseph on Sat., June 29.

Please remove your flowers from the cemetery

"The harvest is rich," Jesus tells the seventy-two in today's Gospel, "but the work-



Weekly budget needs are \$7,582

June 29-30, 2019

Weekly: \$7,397.00 Kids: \$87.15 Loose: \$3,651.62 Candles: \$114.67 Quilt: \$73.00 Endow: \$250.00 2nd Collection P & J: \$1.321.40 Misc: \$486.00 Missionary: \$275.00 Haiti: \$1,500.00 Memorial: \$625

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Welcome to our visitors who are worshipping with us this weekend. May your time in the lakes region be special.

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday, July 13 @ 4 p.m.

EMES: (7) Dick and Connie Mataloni, Carol Lee, Jim Baumgard, Susy Carr, Deb Travis, Alex Jones **GREETERS:** Kathleen Baumgard, Jean Kennedy

LECTOR: Pat Carr

SERVERS: Caleb Jones, Addison Frerichs

USHERS: Sharon & Jim Metgzer **GIFTS:** Creighton Uridil Family

PC TECH: Streit

Saturday, July 13 @ 5:30 p.m.

EMES: (6) Larry Arndt, Steve and Kris Feld, Faith

Garcia, Jean Petitti, Pat Graves **GREETERS:** Bob and Donna Elser **LECTOR:** Irene McCoy

SERVERS: Will Anderson, Isabel Nelsen

USHERS: Jim McCoy **GIFTS:** Kraig Vos Family

Sunday, July 14 @ 7:30 a.m.

EMES: (5) Tom and Jan Johnson, Tom and Terri Rierson, Darlene Moritz

GREETERS: Volunteers **LECTOR:** Loretta Halbur

SERVERS: Jeff Knudtson, Asher Knudtson

USHERS: Jeff and Pat Rolfes

GIFTS: Volunteers

Contemporary Mass

Sunday, July 14 @ 9 a.m. EMES: (8) Chris & Connie Bjornstad, Jeff Nelson, Sara & Pete Laven, Terry & Lori Gray, Chris Hinshaw

GREETERS: Curt and Susan Willette

LECTOR: Joseph Schmidt

SERVERS: Tyler Wittrock, Jack Laven **USHERS:** Bill & Cheryl Aumer & students

GIFTS: Students

PC TECH: Jack and Julie Kliegl

Sunday, July 14 @ 10:30 a.m.

EMES: (6) Denise Cole, Deb Faulkner, Dori Lippon,

Beth Lorch, Erin and Aaron Lorch **GREETERS:** Molly Foss

LECTOR: Donna Clark

SERVERS: Nick Stein, Mark Foss **USHERS:** Wayne and Barb Woodley

a written release by the original pho-

tographer.

GIFTS: Steve Peterson Family

FYI - NEW TILE is expected to be laid near the serving window in the Parish Center on Monday and Tuesday this week. Thank you for avoiding the area.

IT'S TIME FOR PHOTOS!

PARISHIONERS may go online at stjosephmilford.org and sign-up to have their photo taken for the new Centennial book. It takes five minutes. Do it today, stop at the table in the Parish & Center or call the office. If you wish to submit a family photo instead, please do so by Aug. 15. Be sure to include

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 6

4 p +Stan Norman, Sr. **5:30 p** +John Cain

Sunday, July 7

7:30 a +Tom Mulvihill

+Norma and +Fritz Thoma

9 a +Jim & +Phyllis Streit 10:30 a +Lorraine Kenney

Monday, July 8

7:30 a +John Cain

Tuesday, July 9

5:15 p +Steve Muhlbauer

Wednesday, July 10

7:30 a +Halbur/Johnson Special Intention (JEW)

Thursday, July 11

7:30 a +Mary Negus Friday, July 12

7:30 a +Bud Brooks **10:30** a +Cindy Rush

Saturday, July 13

4 p +Stan Norman, Sr. +Special Int. (N & D Pieper) 5:30 p +Darold Haberman

Sunday, July 14

7:30 a +Sharon Knudtson

+Ken Knudtson +Lynn Knudtson

9 a +Maurice & +Eileen Northup

10:30 a +Bill Ruml

O Angel of God, my Guardian dear, To whom God's love, commits me here; Ever this day, be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen



Please pray for these St. Joseph Parishioners:

Sharon Mayer, Jan Nau, Dennis and Alma Klute, Jerry Clark, Joan Langel, Irene Clark, Harlan Schumacher, Robert Rowland. Bill James, Marie Van Hofwegen, Ethel Wilson, Steve Painter. Ginny Yore, LaDonna Jansen, Dale Langel, Finley Brunsvold, Dee Bryant, Phyllis Hintz, Terry Abbas, Susan Robinson, Leona Spieker.

Other Special Persons: Jan Wolf, Peggy Price, Joan Mertz, John Bruening, Joene Edwards, Ann Willette, Ashlyn Clark, Jerry Wolford, Harvey Baxter, Jr., Kami Svoboda, Darrel Wedeking, Dan Mulder, Pam Meyer, Peri & Vern Hughes, Dan Donovan, Leah Brevik, Colleen Mulder, Jamie O'Neill, Carol Willette, Nancy Younie, Pat Juza, Kathy Reimers, Bea Reiter, Paula Bernardy. Mary Jones, Andy Bensman, Todd Clausen, Zach Budden, Jan James, Sharon Forsman, Aden Remme, Jeff Harbst, Esther Baxter, Melissa Hruby, David Smith, Jean Stilley and Howie Holdenried. Please call to add persons.