

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

AUG. 4, 2019

WELCOME TO SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

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: Winter 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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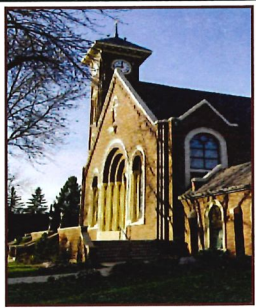
I apologize for the continued state of 'limbo' in regards to our bell tower and clock. Although the electrical components have been installed and completed three months ago by a local firm, Verdin Bell Company of Ohio has had difficulties keeping up with their contracted work. Because they are shorthanded we have asked them to finish the project by the end of summer. In regard to the gutters that are damaged in three places with a discernable leak in the joint of another, a company from Denison will repair all the damaged areas and reseal all the joints. Our weather patterns have been a bit erratic as of late and the repairs and refurbishing will better handle the moisture, ice and snow. They will complete the work this coming week, (I hope).

Though she was so young, Ann Frank nonetheless embodied simple wisdom. Pertaining to today's gospel passage her thoughts seem so relevant and reflective of what Jesus was trying to point out to his disciples. "Human greatness does not lie in wealth or power, but in character and goodness. People are just people, and all people have faults and shortcomings, but all of us are born with a basic goodness." Each Memorial weekend I pay my respects to the graves of my parents, grandparents and others I know. Each Memorial weekend, I sometimes glimpse the largest tombstone in my hometown Catholic cemetery. I was informed it marks the grave of one of the wealthiest persons from my hometown who died many years ago. During the time I pause before the graves of family members, I have always noticed others pausing before graves; tombstones that are of various sizes, but none the size of that particular one of the wealthiest man. I also notice in particular how each person "paying their respects" is doing so because of the character, the personality, a shared experience of the deceased family member, friend or neighbor. I doubt such respectful "remembering" has anything to do with the deceased's wealth or position of power. Everything to do with a shared experience of our humanity, of a goodness passed on by the grace of God. Yes, at times the gain of money does pull us away from the essential premise of life: the relationships and people that God has placed within our lives allowing us to believe in our true character that God has formed within us. As Jesus said, "though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

If anyone is interested in learning more about our Catholic faith or joining our faith please contact me at our parish office. If you know of someone who may be interested, contact the office. As we have in the past, RCIA (discussions to prepare individuals coming into our Catholic faith) will be shared with St. Mary's Parish in Spirit Lake.

"Seek not greater wealth, but simpler pleasure; not higher fortune, but deeper felicity." (Mahatma Ghandi)

Fr. Tim



By Fr. Tim Johnson

FAITH FORMATION

By Sharon Mayer

Fond memories. This is what celebrations like Pioneer Days brings back to us. Over the weekend there were many people who came back to the area because they grew up here but now live elsewhere. They greet old friends and classmates; look at the surroundings and mention how much it has changed or maybe not at all. They seem to like it when things mostly stay the same.

I see quite a few of these people at the golf course. Some get back here every year, but many do not. They always have a memory to share and it is nice to be a part of that. Sometimes cousins meet each other out my way by accident-that is really something! We have many family reunions of people who are now scattered all over the country but still come here because some of their best memories for them are here. I have seen the 4th generation of a family come through my place. All of those occasions lead to my own fond memories of my kids growing up and their friends and experiences. Sometimes I want to shoo the memories away because I know that means I am getting older and am on the downside of human existence but at the same time that is what life is about. Hopefully we carry with us more good memories than bad but they all give us a perspective on life.

Many memories come with this job. So many things to think about after 22 years of being a part of religious education and now in my eighth year as DRE. The need still exists for people to help teach our children on Wednesdays. This year I am in need of 3rd, 5th and 6th grade teachers on Wednesday afternoons and an 8th grade teacher in the evening. Please step in if you can.

The Knights of Columbus along with the Catholic Daughters are partnering up to pray for 'those who have fallen away from the church'. They are our family and friends who we are missing. Prayer works and we invite YOU (all parishioners) to pray for these families and friends with us. Each Tuesday our parish has the opportunity to take part in adoration from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.. If you have 15 minutes or an hour, we invite you to join us in this mission to bring back members of the Catholic faith through loving prayer. 'And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.' -Ephesians 6:18

UPCOMING EVENTS



Monday, Aug. 5  
8 p.m.: AA in Nazareth Hall; Al-Anon in NW.  
Tuesday, Aug. 6  
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Eucharistic Adoration.  
Thursday, Aug. 8  
8 a.m.: Bible Study, Nazareth  
Friday, Aug. 9  
10:30 a.m.: Mass at Milford Care Center.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

✓ Thanks to all the wonderful volunteers who did what they had to do to make Pioneer Days activities held at St. Joseph a success.  
✓ Thank you big time to all the wonderful people who had anything to do with making the Festival celebration of my 50th anniversary of priesthood such a success. This was not so much to honor me but to honor the fact that we are all members of God's family here on earth to work together to know Him and to love Him and to serve Him in response to the words of Jesus in Chapter 25 of the Gospel of Saint Matthew. My family members were mightily impressed by the faith and goodness of the people of the Saint Joseph Parish Family. Special thank you to Father Tim Johnson for his cooperation and encouragement and support. Always remember that God Loves You!

Father John Vakulskas

FUNERAL Group #7 will be in charge of the next funeral luncheon.

If God is your Co-pilot, swap seats!

OUR PARISH will consecrate gluten free hosts for communion on weekends. The priest will hold the container of those hosts at each Mass.

Seeing Jesus transfigured made Peter want to do something to mark the event. But the Voice from the cloud said clearly that the first task of those who recognize Jesus as Lord is to listen to Jesus -- and then act!

Weekly budget needs are \$7,582

July 27-28 2019

Weekly: \$5,090.00 Kids: \$107.75 Loose: \$3,792.40  
Candles: \$1117.09 2nd Coll Parish Charity: \$1,353.27  
Cans: \$362.15 Garage Sale: \$1,351.56  
Rosary/Altar: \$200.00 Poor Box: \$29.81

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Saturday, Aug. 10 @ 4 p.m.

EMES: (8) Charree Sweeten, Deb Faulkner, Alex Jones, Pat Graves, Jim Baumgard, Mary Dunleavy, Laurie and Jim Murray  
GREETERS: Volunteers  
LECTOR: Nancy Crepeau  
SERVERS: Addison Frerichs, Melika Smith  
USHERS: Sharon and Jim Metzger  
GIFTS: Eric Stoll Family

Saturday, Aug. 10 @ 5:30 p.m.  
KC Mass

EMES: (6) 6 KC Members  
GREETERS: KC Members  
LECTOR: Don Breuker  
SERVERS: Brian Jones, Dylan Jones  
USHERS: KC's  
GIFTS: KC Members  
PC TECHS: Streit

Sunday, Aug. 11 @ 7:30 a.m.

EMES: (5) Faith Garcia, Ron Swartz, Pat and Jeff Rolfes, Deb Travis  
GREETERS: Volunteers  
LECTOR: Darlene Moritz  
SERVERS: Jay Garcia, Loretta Halbur  
USHERS: Julie Reynolds, Tom and Terri Rierson  
GIFTS: Jeff Rolfes Family

Sunday, Aug. 11 @ 9 a.m.  
Contemporary Mass

EMES: (8) Jan Pithan, Aaron Hyatt, Steve Eral, Pete and Sara Laven, Mark and Deb Johnson, Chad Harms  
GREETERS: Barb and Wayne Woodley  
LECTOR: Joseph Schmidt  
SERVERS: Austin Harms, Brianna Swenson  
USHERS: Chris and Connie Bjornstad  
GIFTS: Steve Eral Family  
PC TECH: Jack and Julie Kliegl

Sunday, Aug. 11 @ 10:30 a.m.

EMES: (6) Bob and Kay Sewell, Beth Lorch, Terry and Lori Gray, Maureen Higgins  
GREETERS: Volunteers  
LECTOR: Donna Clark  
SERVERS: Rick and Alyssa Wittrock  
USHERS: Jim and Irene McCoy  
GIFTS: Bob Sewell Family

DON'T forget to return your quilt raffle tickets.

Don't forget Bible Study on Thursday morning, 8 a.m. in Nazareth Hall. Fellowship. Fun. Refreshments.

FRI., AUG. 23 is the last day to bring items for the Labor Day Garage Sale.

IT'S TIME FOR PHOTOS!

If you wish to submit a family photo for the new Centennial photo book, please do so by Aug. 15. Be sure to include a written release by the original photographer.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Aug. 3

4 p +Stan Norman, Sr.  
+Harold Eilers  
5:30 p +Darold Haberman

Sunday, Aug. 4

7:30 a +Sharon Knudtson  
+Ken Knudtson  
+Lynn Knudtson  
+Gary Oeth  
9 a +Jim & +Phyllis Streit  
10:30 a +Lorraine Kenney

Monday, Aug. 5

7:30 a +Mary Negus  
Tuesday, Aug. 6

5:15 p +John Cain  
Wednesday, Aug. 7

7:30 a +Halbur/Johnson  
Thursday, Aug. 8

7:30 a Special Int. (JWJ)  
Friday, Aug. 9

7:30 a Special Intention (JLW)  
10:30 a +Bud Brooks

Saturday, Aug. 10

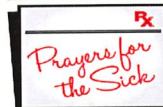
4 p +Stan Norman, Sr.  
+Bill & +Elvera Kane  
5:30 p +Paul Delaney

Sunday, Aug. 11

7:30 a +Fritz & +Norma Thoma  
9 a +Maurice & +Eileen Northup  
10:30 a +Harlan Schumacher

Celebrate Mass at the Care Center in Milford on Fridays at 10:30.

Is God's will in your will?



Please pray for these St. Joseph Parishioners:

Peggy Rients, Sharon Mayer, Dennis and Alma Klute, Jerry Clark, Joan Langel, Irene Clark, 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: Everett Ward, 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, 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 Stille and Howie Holdenried. Please call to add persons.