

SEPT. 22, 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.

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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.

NAME: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

Schuchert-Lentz

Funeral Home & Crematory

Spirit Lake 712-336-8471

There has been interest in starting a retreat program for men and women to be shared within the parishes of St. Mary/Spirit Lake, Sacred Heart/Spencer, St. Patrick/Estherville and our parish, St. Joseph. CHRP or Christ Renews His Parish has been a part of our Catholic church for a number of years, a national program that follows a certain format similar to that of Cursillo (used within our diocese for a number of years. First and foremost the purpose of CHRP retreats is the renewal of personal faith and participation within one's parish. Normally the men and women's retreats are held on consecutive weekends (Saturday morning through Sunday mid afternoon), twice a year. Except for the Sacraments of the Eucharist and Reconciliation offered during the weekend, the retreat is led by lay volunteers. I was involved with CHRP during my time in Fort Dodge and in Carroll. For parishioners and parishes alike, it was a breath of fresh air. Most often the cost to put on the retreats (meals, material, bibles, etc) is covered quite generously by donations allowing for anyone to participate without regard to cost. If you desire to be involved or have any questions please call me at the office. We hope to hold our first men's and women's retreats around the beginning of Lent. Presently working with individuals from Sacred Heart to organize a beginning date, the space and materials. Possibly and hopefully by the grace of God.

A technician from Verdin Bell Company of Ohio worked on the digital controls and connections for two days to bring the bells in line with the clock. Obviously there are some glitches to work out in the time and ringing of the bells; and too the steeple clock. We will have to alter some of the programming the Verdin Company set up. Please be patient as the process has taken much longer than anticipated.

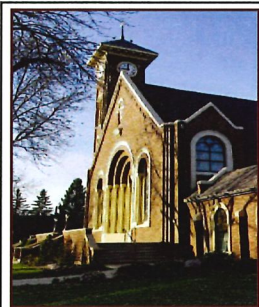
Special thank you to our parishioners who are volunteering their time and faith and hope as Religious Education teachers and aides. Thank you! Whatever you offer in instruction, sharing of prayer, answering questions about our faith and the Church is richly supplemented by your presence and character—just being yourself. I welcome the Confirmation students and their sponsors who are participating in a mini-retreat this Sunday under the guidance of their formation team of Teresa, Karen and Molly. With your introduction at the 10 a.m. Mass, may we as a parish support and accept your journey of faith and relationship with God however unique. Thank you for choosing to be Confirmed into our Catholic-Christian faith; and my gratitude to their parents for your support and faith.

Noting how quickly the KC's homemade pies have sold out, this abbreviated poem by poet Alesia Leach says it best:

Apple Pie, Apple Pie

I cannot believe I did not share.
It was tasty on my tongue,
and now there is no more there,
not even a crumb.

Fr. Tim



By Fr. Tim Johnson

FAITH FORMATION

By Sharon Mayer

Last Sunday we acknowledged the Catechists and as usual, when trying to thank people for their service, you can forget someone as I did last week. My apologies. Those to whom I am grateful for their participation are: Jeanette Baack, Lynnette Cook, Molly Foss, Chris Hinshaw, Jenn Prentice, Larry Sattler, Abby Walleck, Sara Anderson, Heidi Wittrock, Teresa Goehring, Karen Schwaller, Teresa Schoelerman, Kara Rice, Kendra Peterson, Julie Chicoine, Theresa Eckard, Alice Mulder, Faith Garcia, Morgan Langel, Liz Chicoine, Loretta Halbur, Patti Scott, Kathy Hessel-tine and Cain Junkman. This Sunday we recognize our Confirmation class. They begin with a retreat and then attend Mass with their sponsors.

This week we will not have class in the evening for grades 5-12 due to homecoming. We now have a VIRTUS class for any Catechist that has to be trained in child protection. The class runs from 6 p.m. until about 8pm.

That same day, our 4th grade will be introduced to altar serving. Parents should be looking for a packet to come home. The 6th grade field trip to the Grotto, originally scheduled for Sept. 25, has been moved to Oct. 9 because of conflicts.

Very soon now, we will be talking Christmas program. There is nothing quite like the Christmas story acted out by small children. I'm sure each time there is one, they are smiling in heaven. I will be seeking some parent help with the program from dress rehearsal time through the day of the program which will be on Dec. 16 at 4 pm.

As I sat in our opening Masses, in general, I am pleased with the respect shown. Of course, there needed to be some reminders of what we as Catholics do. Everything we do from Holy Water to Sign of the Cross to genuflecting has purpose. There is so much in our Mass alone that they can learn. We even had some good singing! Thank you so much to Cain who had some help from Larry Sattler and Karen Schwaller with the Echo Our Father. It is nice to change it up a bit so thank you to them as well.

THANK YOU to Funeral Group #1 for serving the +Irene Clark funeral luncheon Thurs., Sept. 12. Your service to a family in their time of need is greatly appreciated. Funeral Group #2 will be in charge of the next luncheon.

RCIA begins on Tuesday, the 24th. We welcome anyone interested in joining our Catholic-Christian faith. Please call the parish office with your questions.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Monday, Sept. 23

9 a.m.: Deadline for submitting items for October newsletter.

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

Tuesday, Sept. 24

8 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Eucharistic Adoration.

Following Mass: CDA meets in Nazareth Hall.

6:30 p.m.: Baptism Class, overflow

6:30 p.m.: RCIA in Bethlehem.

Wednesday, Sept. 25

3:40-5 p.m.: Rel. Ed grades K-4

5:15 p.m.: Adult Choir Practice, church

7-8 p.m.: NO Rel. Ed for grades 5-12 because of Homecoming

Thursday, Sept. 26

8 a.m.: Bible Study, Nazareth

Friday, Sept. 27

10:30 a.m.: Mass at Milford Care Center.

2:30 p.m.: Homecoming Parade

Saturday, Sept. 28

5:30 p.m.: KC Pie Appreciation supper, PC

Sunday, Sept. 29

10 a.m.: Choir sings

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

from the St. Joseph Parish Family to:

✓ Jerry Clark on the death of his wife, +Irene, who died Sat., Sept. 7. Her Mass of Christian Burial was held Thurs., Sept. 12 at St. Joseph; and to

✓ Tammy Delaney on the death of her father, +Mike Hawn, who died Wed., Sept. 11. His Mass of Christian Burial was held Mon., Sept. 16 at St. Mary's, in Spirit Lake.

WELCOME to the Catholic Faith to:

✓ Anarah Madisen Schwager, daughter of Mark and Jenelyn Schwager, who was baptized Saturday, Sept. 14 at St. Joseph.

The dishonest manager in today's parable knew how to manipulate money to his own advantage. But the Gospel warns that no one can serve both God and money. Which do I serve? Is my stewardship such that anyone can tell?

Weekly budget needs are \$7,582

Sept. 14-15, 2019

Weekly: \$7,216.00 Kids: \$32.60 Loose: \$1,638.89

Candles: \$85.36 P & J: \$42.00 Misc.: \$80.00

Gutter Insurance: \$27,085.60 Poor Box: \$35.67

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, Sept. 28 @ 4:30 p.m.

EMES: (6) Bob and Barb Kollasch, Dave Loebig, Cory Knudtson, Bonnie Duhn, Charree Sweeten

GREETERS: Volunteer

LECTOR: Kathy Eilers

SERVERS: Asher Knudtson, Dalton Kilgore

USHERS: Doug Heller, Dick and Connie Mataloni

GIFTS: Aaron Hyatt Family

Sunday, Sept. 29 @ 8 a.m.

EMES: (5) Bev Kruger, Tom and Jan Johnson, Jeff and Pat Rolfes

GREETERS: Volunteers

LECTOR: Loretta Halbur

SERVERS: Dylan Jones, Brian Jones

USHERS: Ron & Carol Swartz

GIFTS: Volunteers

Sunday, Sept. 29 @ 10 a.m.

EMES: (6) Mark and Deb Johnson, Carol Lee, Aaron and Erin Lorch, Beth Lorch

GREETERS: Barb and Wayne Woodley

LECTOR: Sara Laven

SERVERS: Ethan Weston Austin Harms

USHERS: Curt and Susan Willette

GIFTS: Jim Sporrer Family

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Molly Foss

ADDITIONAL MEALS on Wheels drivers will be needed in October as an additional route has been added. If you have 30 minutes to spare between 11 and 11:30 a.m. and can help, call Terri Rierson at 320-3217. For some of these recipients, a visit by the Meals on Wheels volunteer is the only outside contact they have.



St. Joseph is responsible for cooking and serving the Community Table Dinner at the Intersect Center in Arnolds Park on Thurs., Oct. 10. The Peace and Justice Committee is spearheading this, however, it is a parish project. Volunteers are needed to help prepare the food, serve, greet, set tables and clean up. In the food department, we are seeking the following: 9 pans of apple crisp, 12 bags of lettuce, 12 dozen dinner rolls, 13 bags of totor tots and 13 foil 9x12 pans. Please call the parish office at 338-2274 if you are able to contribute any of the items listed above.

THE Catholic Daughters meet on Tues., Sept. 24th. Mass @ 5:15 and a light supper, program and meeting to follow in Nazareth Hall. September lunch committee is: Jeanette Baack, Linda Hinshaw, Cheryl Aumer and Wynette Moore. See you there!

THE NEXT baptism class is Tues., Sept. 24, 6:30 p.m. in the overflow room. This class must be completed before a baptism can be scheduled. Please register by calling the parish office.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Sept. 21

4:30 p Special Int. (Ginny) +Tim Galm

Sunday, Sept. 22

8 a +Joel Rolfes

10 a +Maurice & +Eileen Northup

Monday, Sept. 23

7:30 a +Irene Clark

Tuesday, Sept. 24

5:15 p Liv/Dec CDA members

Wednesday, Sept. 25

7:30 a +Halbur/Johnson +Kim Bacon

Thursday, Sept. 26

7:30 a +Steve Delaney

Friday, Sept. 27

7:30 a +Mary Negus

10:30 a +Ralph Nordstrom

Saturday, Sept. 28

2 p Becker/Radunz Vows
4:30 p +Rita Wuebker
+Tom Wuebker
+Roy Wintz

Dec Mem Forkenbrock Fam.

Sunday, Sept. 29

8 a +Vivian Herbster

10 a +Bud Brooks
+Floyd Sporrer
+Patrick Aumer

OUR PARISH will offer gluten free 'consecrated' hosts at each weekend Mass, with the priest holding the container during Communion.

Please pray for these St. Joseph Parishioners:

Glatha Langel, Linda Higgins, Mary Ann Sigler, Dennis and Alma Klute, Jerry Clark, Joan Langel, Robert Rowland, Bill James, Marie Van Hofwegen, Ethel Wilson, Steve Painter, Ginny Yore, LaDonna Jansen, Dale Langel, Finley Brunsvoild, Dee Bryant, Phyllis Hintz, Terry Abbas, Susan Robinson, Leona Spieker.

Other Special Persons: Sara Springer, Betty Taylor, Mary Vogel, Diane De Vries, Marilyn Mertz, 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, Perl & Vern Hughes, 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 Stillely and Howie Holdenried. Please call to add persons.