

## 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

1305 Okoboji Ave.  
Milford, IA 51351  
OFFICE: 712-338-2274  
FAX: 712-338-2191  
stjosephmilford.org

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon.- Thurs.: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Fri.: 8 a.m. - 12 noon

#### RECONCILIATION:

3:30 pm Sat;

7:30 am & 9:30 am Sun

#### 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 p.m.

Sunday at 7, 9 and 11 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

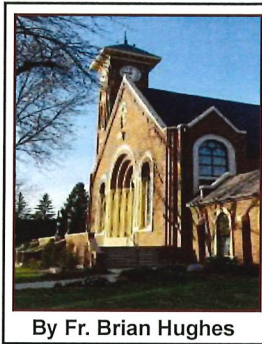
**True Value**

\*Hardware \*Housewares \*Appliances  
Milford 338-4323

MAY 30, 2021

### Welcome

We would like to welcome all of our summer visitors. We are heartened by your presence among us. Family vacations and the beauty of the Lakes will provide lasting memories that can draw your families together. Thanks for making St. Joseph a part of those family memories.



By Fr. Brian Hughes

### Mass Obligation

The Code of Canon Law guides the entire life of the Church and helps us function as a community bound to the Lord and bound to each other in faith. In Canon 1247 Church Law states: "On Sundays and other holy days of obligation, the faithful are obliged to participate in the Mass." This serious obligation helps us to be faithful to the Commandment of the Lord that enjoins us to "Keep Holy the Sabbath Day." It also helps us to bind ourselves to each other at the Eucharistic Table. Sixteen months ago, in the face of a devastating pandemic, the Bishop's of the Church set aside the obligation to participate at Mass on Sundays. Bishop Nickless has reestablished the obligation to be faithful to required obligation. This will take place on the weekend of June 5th and 6th. We welcome all of you back to church so that, together, we can all be faithful to the Lord's command to "Do this in Memory of Me." We will continue to broadcast our liturgies via our website and our Facebook and YouTube channel but we encourage members of the parish not to use this important outreach as an excuse to avoid joining us for Mass and Holy Communion at Church on Saturday nights and Sundays. May God continue to bless and protect us all, especially our elderly and infirmed parish members.

### Tower Work

We continue to work on our church tower and plaster repair. Once we had an opportunity to actually work on the areas affected, we have found considerably more problems than was first suspected. There is a good amount of rot and deterioration on the wood framing on the louvered grill-work on all four faces of the tower. We have removed the cross on the top of the tower so that it could be repaired. We hope to be able to return the cross to its prominent place as soon as restoration has been completed. Please continue to pray for the safety of the workers on the tower crew.

### Clothing Room

Just a reminder that the Clothing Room has new hours effective June 1. The room will be open for shopping Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 1 to 4 p.m. Closed Wednesday and open Friday morning from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Clothing donations may be dropped off during normal business hours on the desk to the left. Thanks to all who continue to contribute clothing items for less fortunate persons.

## SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH



Sunday, May 30

**7 p.m.:** High School Youth Ministry, Youth Room, basement

Monday, May 31

**Parish Offices** Closed for Memorial Day Holiday

**9 a.m.:** Mass at Calvary Cemetery. Refreshments to follow.

**8 p.m.:** Ala-non meets by zoom.

**8 p.m.:** AA meets in Nazareth Hall

Tuesday, June 1

**2 to 5:15 p.m.:** Eucharist Adoration.

**5:30 p.m.:** Mass

Thursday, June 3

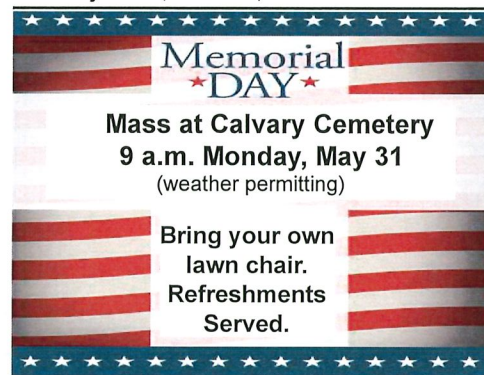
**8 a.m.:** Bible Study, Nazareth

Saturday, June 5

**8-12 noon:** Walz bridal shower, basement.

Sunday, June 6

**Fr. Hughes'** 40th Anniversary in the Priesthood. Cards can be sent to him at 1305 Okoboji Ave., Milford, IA 51351



### IN THE MAILBAG....

From time to time we receive positive (and negative) comments about our online live streaming ministry of Masses. This letter was recently received.



Fr. Brian & St. Joseph Parish I have been watching your Masses online now since last March and my day is not complete without your Mass. I get so much from your homilies Fr. Brian. Your beautiful altar takes me back to my childhood where our family attended St. Mary's Church with the same ivory, gold, spiral altar. Precious Memories! Three of us from Blue Earth, MN., attended this afternoon (May 15) so we could partake in your Mass and see in person the beautiful Church you serve. Always know how much we love and appreciate St. Joseph online Masses. In thanksgiving.

**Bev Dummer, Blue Earth, MN.**

### FAITH FORMATION

By Sharon Mayer

Happy Memorial Day weekend. The cemeteries are decked out as we remember our loved ones who have passed. Flags are flying, hopefully, depending on the weather. I always took my kids to the cemeteries or wherever the flags were flying to honor our veterans. They grew up with an appreciation for those who served and are remembered. Several times we tried to find my dad's flag in Spencer but there were so many. Decoration Day as I have called it is not necessarily a sad time but a good time to remember and be thankful. Poppies will be available as always and that has been a tradition in my family as well.

At the church we have a board that is in red, white and blue where parishioners can post pictures of their relatives currently serving in our armed forces. You may include their address so a card can be sent to them. This needs to be updated, so please bring your information for our board to me or to Susan in the office. If you would rather mail or email it that would be fine also. Always nice to honor our military.

Just a couple of weeks now before our Summer Bible School. Our theme is St. Joseph in the year of St. Joseph. This is open to all children grades K-5 or ages 5-11. If a little older that is no problem. The cost is only \$10.00 per child and it runs from Tuesday June 15-June 18 from 9 a.m. - noon. THEN on Saturday we will have the children honor their dads at the 4 pm Mass. St. Joseph is the patron Saint of fathers and of our church so that will be a part of what they learn about. Did you know he had a nickname? They will learn all about that. I am looking forward to a fun week. I will be out after Masses next weekend so you can fill out a registration form then or turn one in at that time. Sometimes we have visiting grandchildren and they are most welcome to our Bible school. Forms are available in the newsletter, online, newspaper and here at St. Joseph's.

A couple more important Feast celebrations to observe; this weekend we celebrate the Holy Trinity, one of the first things we teach our youngest students about and next week we celebrate the Body and Blood of Jesus. How wonderful that we can come to church without masks, sing and participate more fully in the Mass. A couple of things we cannot do yet, but with time they will return as well. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend.

### Centennial Souvenirs Available!

With our Centennial Celebration just weeks away, a second shipment of souvenirs has been ordered. Items may be viewed and purchased in the parish office. There are limited quantities available.

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



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

### THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Saturday, June 5 @ 4 p.m.

**EMES:** (4) Fr. Hughes, Holly and Paul Skopeck, Tony Peschong

**LECTOR:** Joseph Schmidt

**SERVERS:** Bryce Anderson, Jocelyn Heller

**USHERS:** KC's

**PC TECH:** Streit

Sunday, June 6 @ 7 a.m.

**EMES:** (4) Fr. Hughes, Donna Elser, Irene McCoy, Marlene Nelsen

**LECTOR:** Darlene Moritz

**SERVERS:** Mark and Deb Johnson

**USHERS:** Joel Naber, Bob Elser

Sunday, June 6 @ 9 a.m.

**EMES:** (4) Fr. Flanagan, Jan Pithan, Jim and Laurie Murray

**LECTOR:** Sara Laven

**SERVERS:** Jack Laven, Caleb Jones

**USHERS:** Laurie and Jim Murray

**PC TECH:** Jack and Julie Kliegl

Sunday, June 6 @ 11 a.m.

**EMES:** (4) Fr. Flanagan, Denise Cole, Chad Harms, Mick Baack

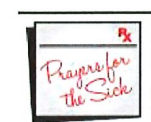
**LECTOR:** Susan Willette

**SERVERS:** John Garcia, Kailee Herman

**USHERS:** Curt Willette, Arend Swygman



**REMEMBER** that special man in your life with the Father's Day Novena of Nine Masses which begin Tues., June 22. Envelopes for this purpose are in the church lobby or on the counter across from the elevator. Deadline for bulletin inclusion is Wed., June 16.



**PRAY for these members:** Ann Stein, Sherri Jones, Alberta Nolan, Nancy Crepeau, Mary Langel, Geneva Knudtson, Rick DeMuth, Linda Higgins, Mary Ann Sigler, Dennis and Alma Klute, Jerry 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.

**PLEASE pray for these special persons:** Cheryl Kallis, Sammy Schumann, Ellie Wiemers, Mary Gerdes Smith, Mary W., Mary Bolan, Dick Vogel, Charles Graves, Zoe Lorenzen, Heather Hamann, Gidget Halbur, Glen Luchtel, Esther Morris, Harvey Baxter, Jr., Wayne Bellingham, Maxine Thompson, Lois Doran, Dale Gentry, Susan Barnes, Mike Cooper, Denny Daberkow, Louise DeWitt, Ray Langel, Kristin Meyer, Leo Trebbien, Kevin Wittrock, Charlotte Tiesler, Tailen Sturtz, Aimee Wallrich, Jan Wolf, Peggy Price, Joan Mertz, John Bruening, Ann Willette, Ashlyn Clark, Jerry Wolford, Kami Svoboda, Darrel Wedeking, Dan Mulder, Leah Brevik, Colleen Mulder, Jamie O'Neill.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 29

**4 p.:** +Rita Wuebker  
+Tom Wuebker  
+Ted Christensen

Sunday, May 30

**7 a.:** The Parish  
**9 a.:** +Ken Baschke  
**11 a.:** Special Intention

Monday, May 31

**9 a.:** Dec. Member St. Jo.

Tuesday, June 1

**5:30 p.:** +Ronald Doran  
Mother's Day

Wednesday, June 2

**7:30 a.:** Dec/Liv Halbur/Johnson

Thursday, June 3

**7:30 a.:** +Clarice Schmit

Friday, June 4

**7:30 a.:** +Earl Connors

Saturday, June 5

**4 p.:** The Parish

Sunday, June 6

**7 a.:** +Barney Reiman

**9 a.:** +Earl & +Joan Langel

**11 a.:** +Steve Jones

**SUMMER** Resident in need of house cleaner on West Lake. Weekly cleaning as needed. Call 402-651-6864 if interested.



### ST. JOSEPH WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Today's second reading reminds us that we are the adopted sons and daughters--the heirs--of God. We are good stewards of our inheritance when we share our faith and fulfill Our Lord's command to "go...and make disciples of all the nations."

Weekly Budget Needs: \$7,079.00

May 22-23, 2021

Weekly Env: \$3,894.00

Loose: \$1,013.75

Souvenirs: \$102.00

Candles: \$81.00

R/A Dues: \$20.00

Memorials: \$108.00

Peace and Justice: \$78.00

Building Fund: \$680.00

Aid to Domestic Church: \$257.00