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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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. Josep
Parish? Just fill out the coupo
below and return to the office
in the collection basket.
NAME:
Address:
: City:
State: Zip:
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ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

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Mass Obligation Reinstituted

Last week Bishop Nickless announced that he was reestablishing the obligation that rests upon all Catholics in the Diocese of Sioux City to attend Mass on Saturday night or Sunday morning. This ancient precept of the Church rests upon the Commandments of the Lord that has been at the heart of the By Fr. Brian Hughes



Judeo-Christian tradition for thousands of years. Our Sunday gatherings are not nice things that we do every once in a while, or when it is convenient. Sunday Mass is an obligation that ties us together as the living Body of Christ. In every season, in every age, in times of peace and times of trouble the faithful gather to make a memorial to the Lord until he comes again. The Sunday celebration of Mass is one of the great defining elements of our faith. Practicing Catholics go to Mass on Sunday! Period. If you have a practice of exempting yourself and your children from the obligation to attend Church you can hardly consider yourself a practicing Catholic. Parents, in particular, have an profound duty to fulfill the vows that uttered at their weddings and on the day they presented their children for Baptism to "Raise their children in the ways of the faith." Please join us with your families to celebrate the Supper of the Lord.

Our Monumental Cross

After five attempts were foiled by strong winds we were able to anchor our 12 foot cross onto of our tower. The restored and gilded cross can be seen far and wide. This week we also replaced the lights that will illuminate the cross at night. This portion of the restoration of our tower came to just under \$4,000.00. If you would like to assist us in funding to lift the Cross of Jesus high in our community, please consider a donation to this exciting project. We have already received several contributions. Many thanks to all of our generous donors.

Beautiful Quilt

Our Rosary and Altar Society are continuing to sell tickets for a raffle for the beautiful guilt. The guilt will be on display in the lower narthex so please stop by after Mass and take a look. Tickets will be on sale after the Masses until late August.

Our Beautiful Cemetery

Last week we had a nice crowd at our Memorial Day Mass at our beautiful cemetery. Calvary Cemetery is a wonderful testament to the many generations of faith that have passed before us. We are the heirs of the faith and service of so many of our beloved dead. Part of our second collections this summer will go to some restorations that we need to do at the cemetery. Some stones need to be reset and straightened and the great Calvary Cross is in desperate need of restoration. Many thanks to all who contribute to our second collection.

Gigantic Garage Sale

We are looking forward to the second of four gigantic garage sales that we are having this sum-

FAITH FORMATION



Sunday, June 13

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

Monday, June 14

8 p.m.: Ala-non meets by zoom. 8 p.m.: AA meets in Nazareth Hall

Tuesday, June 15

9 to 12 noon: Bible School 2 to 5:15 p.m.: Eucharist Adoration.

Wednesday, June 16

9 to 12 noon: Bible School 5:30 p.m.: Art's Committee, Nazareth

Thursday, June 17

8 a.m.: Bible Study, Nazareth 9 to 12 noon: Bible School

Friday, June 18

8 a.m.: Bible Study, Nazareth

Fr. Hughes

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Please check the announcements about times to drop your contributions off at our shed on the west side of the parking lot. We will have volunteers at the shed several afternoons in the next several weeks.

Many Thanks

I would like to express my sincere thanks to the many folks who sent greetings and cards on the occasion of the 40th Anniversary of my Ordination to the Priesthood. Your generous kindness is a blessing for me. My life continues to be enriched by the many wonderful Catholics who I have gotten to know. Thanks for being part of that great crowd who have encouraged me and challenged me to be a good and holy priest. Catholic homes are always the springboard for vocations; may God bless your children and grandchildren and may God help every parent and grandparent in our parish to lead their children to uncover God's will for their lives.

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 TREASURE Chest Ministry (Garage Sale) will be open this Wednesday from 1 to 3 for your drop off contributions. Our next sale is Friday and Saturday, July 3 and 4.



Welcome to the Catholic Faith to Stella Marie Kelley,

daughter of Jeremy and Jessica Kelley, who received the Sacrament of Baptism Sun., June 6.

By Sharon Mayer

Hooray for summer! We jumped right into busy. I hope it cools a little for our Summer Bible School week which begins this Tuesday morning. If you want to sign up your children or grandchildren, you still can. We are teaching to children in grades K-5 and begin in the Parish Center on Tuesday at 9 am. Parents can pick up the children from the Parish Center at noon. The mornings always go fast as the kids are busy. Looking forward to this week.

Shortly after that I will be helping a couple of my kids move to new living spaces- well I can help a little but not like I used to. By the end of July, we will be having our centennial celebration here at church as well as the town celebration of Pioneer Days. There will be something for everyone that weekend. If you get a chance to stop at the church, there will be a lot of memorabilia out to look at and that is the most fun. Many changes over the last hundred years. I have been here for more than half of it... I don't feel that old. Getting the cross redone is splendid. I remember seeing it as a child, coming up from Spencer and it was lit. It meant I was that much closer to home like a beacon on a lighthouse. The trees are taller now, but it still holds that same stately place for our

Our religious education board met for the first-time last week since COVID struck in February 2020. I had updated them through email on how classes were being handled while we were shut down and finally we could meet face to face. Fr. Hughes was present to meet the members and somewhat lay out what we need to do as we bring together St. Mary and St. Joseph under the direction of one priest. Finding what works the best will be some trial and error as it is new territory for everyone. I thank the board members for their involvement and advice.

After we get past July, my sights will be

IITH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

12th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME Saturday, June 19 @ 4 p.m.

EMES: (4) Fr. Flanagan, Jerilyn Streit,

Connie Hinrichs, Steve Eral **LECTOR:** Debra Leners

SERVERS: Will Anderson. Need one here

USHERS: Chervl and Bill Aumer

PC TECH: Streit

Sunday, June 20 @ 7 a.m.

EMES: (4) Fr. Hughes, Marlene Nelsen, Deb Faulkner,

Darlene Moritz

LECTOR: Diane Frank

SERVERS: Ron Swartz, Jay Garcia **USHERS:** Shelly and Marshall Matuska

Sunday, June 20 @ 9 a.m.

EMES: (4) Fr. Flanagan, Mark and Deb Johnson,

Laurie Murray

LECTOR: Lois Eckard

SERVERS: Asher Knudtson, Kaylee Herman

USHERS: Myrna and Paul Herbers

PC TECH: Jack and Julie Kliegl

Sunday, June 20 @ 11 a.m. EMES: (4) Fr. Hughes, Irene McCov, Kay Sewell,

Aaron Lorch

LECTOR: Beth Lorch

SERVERS: Isabel Nelson, Oliver Miller

USHERS: Molly and Mark Foss

VIANNEY Housekeeper Needed. Call the office.



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 Bellinghausen, 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, June 12

4 p: +Floyd & +Bev Sporrer

Sunday, June 13

7 a: The People

+Joe Schmitz **11 a:** Special Intention (JLW)

Monday, June 14

No Mass Today

Tuesday, June 15

5:30 p: +DeEtte Graettinger Wednesday, June 16

7:30 a: +Frances Connors

Thursday, June 17

7:30 a: +Scott Baumgard +Anne Stefferson

Friday, June 18

7:30 a: Special Intention (JLW)

Saturday, June 19

4 p: +Peggy Demke Liv/Dec O'Neill/Sullivan Fam. Liv/Dec McCabe Family Members

Sunday, June 20

+John Cain 7 a: +Richard Mulder

11 a: +Norma & +Fritz Thoma **BEGINNING** Monday, June 14, tickets to the Centennial Dinner on Sun., July 25 will be available in the office.



ST. JOSEPH WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Like the sower in today's Gospel, I scatter as seed my gifts of time, talent and resources; and I trust that, by God's grace and in God's time, these smal gifts of myself may frow and fourish and help to bring about the Kingdom of God.

Weekly Budget Needs: \$7,079.00

June 5-6, 2021

Weekly Env: \$7,728.00 Loose: \$1,759,75

Souvenirs: \$8.00 **Building:** \$316.00 R/A Dues: \$90.00

Peace and Justice: \$100.00

Quilt: \$130.00 2nd Collection: \$676.00

Endowment: \$42.00 Misc.: \$520.00 Memorial Fund: \$900.00

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it with the heat and I am sure the lakes are

on scheduling meetings for our parents of Sacrament students with Fr. Hughes. He would like to meet with them individually prior to the start of the religious education year. Please keep in mind that in order to enroll your child in a Sacrament program they must attend on site classes for at least one year prior. Mass attendance is expected of all families. This follows the promises parents make when they marry and when they have a child Baptized. We, as a parish, stand ready to help families with the religious education in the Catholic faith. If you are new to the area or have not registered with the parish, please contact Susan in the parish office. I will address this more in August.