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.: 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:

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: State: _____ Zip: ____

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

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Arnolds Park 712-332-7359 Hospitality

A big part of our parish life during the summers here at St. Joseph's is offering hospitality to our many visitors. I would like to thank all of you who help us with their kind service to provide beautiful and welcoming liturgies throughout this busy time. I want to especially thank the many folks who signed up to be ushers. Mass servers, lectors, cantors and Extra-Ordinary



By Fr. Brian Hughes

Ministers of Holy Communion. Our liturgies are communal affairs and the assistance of many is necessary for us to be able to praise God with beauty and grace. We have begun to plan training sessions for each individual who signed up to assist us in the various liturgical ministries. It will take us a few weeks to work through those training sessions but we hope to be able to be finished with those in just a few weeks. Once again, many thanks to our many volunteers. Cyber Hacking

This week several parish members contacted our offices reporting that they had received an email from Fr. Hughes asking for a special favor. This fraudulent message did not come from Fr. Hughes or the parish office. We will never contact you asking for contributions or financial assistance via email. We hope that we have headed off the cyber hacking on our computer systems.

July 7th Changes

As early July approaches we are conscious that the business of our schedules will get busier on a permanent basis. Beginning on July 7th, Fr. Brian will be the pastor of both St. Joseph in Milford and St. Mary's in Spirit Lake. The restructuring of priest's assignments have been going on for more than 10 years in the 24 counties of the Diocese of Sioux City. Here in Dickinson County, we have avoided any restructuring up until the present time. It is now our turn to take up what the rest of the Diocese has been doing for some time. Clearly the sharing of one pastor between two parishes will demand changes. We must all make some adjustments. Of course, we will have to seek clergy help for the summer months; but from September through May, we must establish a ministry program and a Mass schedule that can be handled by one priest. The important ordinary work of these two parishes can not depend on the work of our retried priests. Our Bishop has been adamant that parish pastoral plans must be managed by active priests who are assigned to our parishes. We cannot build a plan for the future that keeps our senior clergy in the work force. Our retired priests have worked tirelessly in the vineyard of the Lord and a more restful life is their right. Fr. Tom Flanagan has graciously stepped forward and volunteered to help us by celebrating Mass when he is able but we must create weekly schedules that do not require him to return to full-time parish work. All programs and events will need to be coordinated and we must consider the possibility of sharing services, programs and staff between both parishes. We are in the process of establishing a Pastoral Planning Committee with representatives from both parishes who will draw up a Strategic Pastoral Plan for the years ahead. Once completed that Pastoral Plan will be submitted to Bishop Nickless for his approval. Change is always difficult and these next months will stretch us all a bit. This is not the time for side-line criticisms and gossip or rumors. We will keep you posted as necessary decisions and adjustments are made here and we ask for your patience but especially your prayers in the months and years ahead.



Sunday, June 20

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

Monday, June 21

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

Tuesday, June 22

2 to 5:15 p.m.: Eucharist Adoration. 5:30 p.m.: Mass 6 pm.: CDA meets

Wednesday, June 23

5:15 p.m.: Finance Council meets, St. Rita

Thursday, June 24

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

6 p.m.: KC's meet

Friday, June 25

8 a.m.: Adult youth bible study, coffee shop DON'T FORGET to stop in the parish office for your free tickets to the Centennial Dinner Sunday, July 25 at 12 noon.

A FEW weeks ago we asked persons to indicate their prefence in volunteering for ministry duties. Several told us they wanted to become an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist (EME). It is mandatory that those people and any others who want to serve in this capacity attend a one hour meeting Tues., June 29, 6:15 p.m. in the church.

Type PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY Type from the St. Joseph Parish Family to:

✓ to Mary Berg on the death of her sister. +Margaret Lenz, 88, of Onawa, IA, who died Thursday, June10. Her Mass of Christian Burial was Tuesday, June 15 at St. John's Catholic Church, Onawa;

and to

✓ Denise Cole, on the death of her mother, +Constance Ryan, 85, of Churdan, IA who died Sat., June 5, 2021. Her Mass of Christian Burial was held June 8 at St. Columbkille Catholic Church, in Churdan, IA.

PHOTO books are available in the office. Free to those who had their photo taken otherwise \$10/each. Please pick up your leftover bowls and pans. Soon they will go to the garage sale.

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 avail-

FAITH FORMATION

By Sharon Mayer

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

It's Bible School Week! Although our group was a small one, they are a great group of kids. It was a fun week learning about St. Joseph. They learned that Joseph was a carpenter and a stone mason too. They learned that he was quiet, obedient to God and a loving family man for Mary and Jesus. We are not really sure what age Joseph was so we guess about that. He was a good role model for Jesus and all other persons. St. Joseph is the Patron Saint of fathers, workers, and our Catholic church. He was never boisterous or drew attention to himself. These were all good lessons for our students to hear. They had some fun games, crafts and snacks along the way. The week was topped off at the Saturday 4 p.m. Mass where the children sang a special song and were able to recognize their dads for Father's Day. I could not do these things for our children without the help of kindhearted parishioners. In this case, Loretta Halbur, Mary Beth Gehling, Deb Johnson, Jean Schmidt and Cain Junkman. The week was a treat for the adults too.

It occurs to me that we can all be an example to each other by our actions like St. Joseph. There are those who never miss Mass. They always sit in the same place and others in the parish who may not be as steadfast about Mass but notice this and see those people as examples for others in the church just by their regular presence. We may not know when we are role models for others like St. Joseph who was just doing what was right but not being showy abut it. We know we need good role models in our society not only for children but for other adults.

June has flown by. I keep telling myself that I have to get my 4th of July decorations out. I did manage to get my flags out for Flag Day. My summers look much different now that I do not have a golf course to run. I am still working on cleaning out sheds which will take some time.

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.

CALLING ALL USHERS and those who want to be an usher....an organizational meeting is set for Thursday, July 1, 6:15 p.m. in the church. We will review procedures and present some new ideas. Please try to be in attendance. Thanks in advance.

DON'T Forget to return your Rosary/Altar quilt tickets or to purchase some following the 4 p.m. or 9 a.m. Masses on the weekend.

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sat., June 26 @ 4 p.m.

EMES: (4) Fr., Donna Elser, Holly and Paul Skopec **LECTOR:** John Coffey

SERVERS: Andrew Frerichs, Bryce Anderson

USHERS: KC's PC TECH: Streit

Sun., June 27 @ 7 a.m.

EMES: (4) Fr., Ron Swartz, Rick and Cheryl House-

LECTOR: Mary Beth Gehling

SERVERS: Shelly and Marshall Matuska

USHERS: Joel and Karen Naber

Sun., June 27 @ 9 a.m.

EMES: (4) Fr., Mike and Becky Wittrock, David Loebig

LECTOR: Brad Shell

SERVERS: Jack Laven, Jerron Heller **USHERS:** Patrick and Donna Goebel

PC TECH: Jack and Julie Kliegl

Sun., June 27 @ 11 a.m. EMES: (4) Fr., Aaron and Erin Lorch, Susan Willette

LECTOR: Sara Allen

SERVERS: Dylan Jones, Brian Jones

USHERS: Mark and Molly Foss

THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

We were blessed to visit your beautiful church on May 5. We also were blessed to visit with Cain. Thank you for your help. As we continue on our pilgrimage of St. Joseph churches, we truly appreciate the kindness of having the church accessible.

Cande Streit. Michelle Moder. Andi Hansen

THE ST. Joseph Finance Council meets Wed., June 23, 5:15 p.m. in the St. Rita Conference Center.



PRAY for these members: June Reiman. 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, Ethe Wilson, Steve Painter, Ginny Yore, LaDonna Jansen, Dale Langel, Finley Brunsvold, Dee Bryant, Phyllis Hintz,

Terry Abbas.

PLEASE pray for these special persons: Claire Yaw Luann Langel, 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 19

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

For the People +Richard Mulder

+John Cain

11 a: +Norma & +Fritz Thoma Monday, June 21

No Mass Today

Tuesday, June 22

5:30 p: +Betty Newman Father's Day

Wednesday, June 23

7:30 a: Father's Day

Thursday, June 24

7:30 a: Father's Day

Friday, June 25

7:30 a: Father's Day

Saturday, June 26 +Art Berg 4 p: +Rita Wuebker

+Bea Reiter Sunday, June 27

+Tom Wuebker

+Teddy Anderson

7 a: For The People +Richard Mulder 9 a: +Ginny Rost 11 a:

ST. JOSEPH will host a LifeServe Blood Drive Fri., July 2, 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Call 712-212-5018 to make an appointment.



ST. JOSEPH WEEKLY **FINANCIAL REPORT** St. Paul reminds us in the

second reading that Christ dies "so that those who live might live no longer for themselves." What we give to and do for others, we give to and do for Jesus! Weekly Budget Needs: \$7,079.00

June 12-13, 2021

Weekly Env: \$5,957.00 Loose: \$3.217.93 Peace and Justice: \$100.00 Quilt: \$115.00 2nd Collection: \$772.11 Endowment: \$20.00 Candles: \$146.00 Parish Rental: \$500.00 Cans: \$417.80

Sunday, June 20