

*Working Together To
Build the Kingdom of God*

Mass Schedule:

St. John the Baptist, Mount Vernon

Sunday at 8:00 am

Wednesday & Friday - 8:30 am

St. Isidore the Farmer, Springville:

Saturday at 6 pm - Tuesday & Thursday 8 am

St. John's Parish Confession:

Sunday at 7:30 am or by appointment

Monday 5:30 PM; 6:30 PM

During SS. Monica & Anthony Holy Hour

St. John Office Hours

Monday to Thursday from:

8 am - 4 pm

Friday:

8 am - 2 pm

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October 19th, 2025

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Readings for the week of October 19, 2025

Sun: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-8/2 Tm 3:14-4:2/Lk 18:1-8

Mon: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-72,73-75/Lk 12:13-21

Tues: Rom 5:12,15,17-21/Ps 40:7-10,17/Lk 12:35-38

Wed: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48

Thurs: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 12:49-53

Fri: Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66,68,76,77,93,94/Lk 12:54-59

Sat: Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday:

Sir 35:12-14,16-18/Ps 34:2-3,17-19,23/2 Tm 4:6-8,16-18/Lk 18:9-14

**LISBON - MOUNT VERNON, IA
AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES**

Website: <http://www.stjohnmv.org>

Parish Theme: Pilgrims of Hope: We are Chosen, Faith Filled, Joyful!

Pastor Speaks

29th Sunday: "Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples"

Hardly do Catholics hear their popes on screen asking for their help. Yet this year, Pope Leo XIV, in a historic video message, has called on all Catholics to support his missionary effort to strengthen the Church across the world, particularly in mission territories.

The video marks a new level of papal involvement in promoting World Mission Sunday, coming from someone with firsthand experience as a missionary in the Church—thanks to modern technology.

"Help me help the missions," says the Pope. But what kind of help is the Holy Father asking for? According to him, Catholics should become missionary-minded—both praying and giving generously—to support the over 1,124 mission territories in Asia, Africa, Oceania, the Pacific Islands, and Latin America, where the Church is young, often poor, and sometimes persecuted, yet where the Gospel is alive and taking root. Indeed, the Church and faith continue to thrive in these regions.

As a priest who spent many years serving in the mission territory of Peru, the Pope shared some encouraging memories: "When I served as a missionary priest and bishop in Peru, I saw firsthand how the faith, prayer, and generosity shown on World Mission Sunday can transform entire communities."

He therefore appeals: "I urge every Catholic parish in the world to take part in World Mission Sunday." This Sunday, October 19, is World Mission Sunday, when the faithful are encouraged to give generously, as stated in Canon Law (Can. 791).

The collection gathered on Mission Sunday is sent to the Vatican and, under the auspices of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith to support the Church's efforts in these areas:

- The formation of **82,498** seminarians
- The missionary work of **258,540** religious sisters
- The training of **844,000** catechists
- The care provided by **12,000** health clinics
- The outreach of **8,750** orphanages and homes for the elderly
- The construction of 570 new churches

Your Role as a Missionary of Hope

- Pray** for missionaries and their work.
- Give** to support missionary efforts worldwide. Participate in the fall Our Call to Share collection in the Archdiocese of Dubuque by responding to the envelope you received, or give through your parish by indicating your intention.
- Invite** others to become missionary minded.
- Share** your faith and missionary messages on social media to inspire others.

Parish Faith Formation

Join us for Pilgrimage!

Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe
October 25th, 2025



Depart St. John's at 6:00 AM
Return to St. John's at 7:45 PM
Cost is \$50/Pilgrim
Bring a packed lunch

Contact Deacon Mark at Dbq137d@dbqarch.org
or Trevor at Dbq137sec@dbqarch.org to register and if you have any questions!




**Journey
in Faith**
Trust. Transform. Together.

**PARISH | ST JOHN
SESSIONS | THE
#2 and #3 | BAPTIST**

**Please join us for
both sessions.**

PARISH SESSION # 2
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26: 2 - 4 PM

PARISH SESSION # 3
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16: 2 - 4 PM

Scan for more information:
Archdiocese of Dubuque **Journey in Faith**
NOTE: The FAQs are very helpful.



Each session will contain important information, and your input and feedback are vital to the Journey in Faith process.

CEDAR RAPIDS AREA YOUTH MINISTRY

ALL SAINTS DAY CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND. 6-8PM

SIGN UP BY SAT. NOV 1ST

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH,
MARION, IA



**6TH-8TH GRADE
TREATS AND
GAMES PROVIDED!!**

BRING YOUR OWN OUTDOOR CHAIRS!





Wednesday October 22nd, 2025:

8:30 AM: Edmond Ludwig

Friday October 24th, 2025:

8:30 AM: Todd Conner

Sunday October 26th, 2025:

8:00 AM: Doris McElmeel & Dorothy Shaffer

Liturgical Ministers October 26th, 2025

Sacristan: Hugh Scieszinski

Lectors: Children's Mass

EM: Richard Povey - Heidi Ryan - Jacob Ryan

**EM (Cup): Jeanne Muellerlelie - Tom Wieseler - Nikki Sporrer
Lisa Thuerauf - Charle Vig**

Hospitality: Jamie & Annalyn Elloren

Dean & Kathy Mallie

Larry & Judy Poduska

Servers: Alaina Sellner - Andrew Dix

Fitz Doyle - Damon Phillips

Meetings and Activities of the Week

Monday October 20th -

5:30 - 7:00 PM: Ss. Monica & Anthony Holy Hour

Wednesday October 22nd -

8:30 - 9:00 AM: Mass

9:00 - 11:00 AM: St. Anne's

7:00 - 8:15 PM: 7th - 12th Grade Faith Formation

Friday October 24th -

8:30 - 9:00 AM: Mass (Fellowship to Follow)

Saturday October 25th -

6:00 AM - 7:00 PM: Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrimage

6:30 - 8:00 AM: That Man is You Men's Group

Sunday October 26th -

No Faith Formation

8:00 - 9:00 AM: Mass (Youth & Baptism)

9:00 - 10:00 AM: Trunk or Treat

2:00 - 4:00 PM: Journey in Faith Session

We are looking for a couple of more companies to advertise on the back of our bulletin. If you or someone you know own a business and would like to help support St. John's please contact the office for more information!

Go to our website stjohnmv.org to access FORMED!

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly contributions needed..... \$7115.38

Contributions Received Through October 14th, 2025

Budget, Adult	\$ 3195.00
Loose.....	\$ 549.00
ACH Donations.....	\$ 4370.00
Holiday.....	\$ 20.00
Total Collected.....	\$ 8134.00
YTD collection needed.....	\$ 113886.08
YTD collections received.....	\$ 88336.24
YTD	\$ 25549.84



TRUNK

OR

TREAT

Come and Join Us!

26th October

Starts following 8:00am Mass

St. John's Lower Parking Lot & Lower Level

News & Events

Adoration:

- After 8:30 AM Mass on First Friday of the Month
- Every Monday Night 5:30 - 7:00 PM SS. Monica & Anthony Holy Hour
- Every 1st & 3rd Wednesday 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Reconciliation:

- Confessions held 30 minutes before Sunday Mass - 7:30 AM.
- Monday 5:30 - 6:30 PM During SS. Monica & Anthony Holy Hour
- They can also be made by appointment by contacting Father Andrew either call the office at 319-895-6246 or email dbq137@dbqarch.org to schedule.

Baptism: Baptismal Catechesis is done by our Baptismal Catechesis Team. Please contact the office at 319-895-6246 or email dbq137sec@dbqarch.org with any questions and to sign up for a session

Marriage Prep: Please contact the office at 319-895-6246 or email dbq137sec@dbqarch.org with any marriage related issues or questions and to schedule an appointment to start preparation.