

Liturgies & Events This Week						
Monday Oct 23	Tuesday Oct 24	Wednesday Oct 25	Thursday Oct 26	Friday Oct 27	Saturday Oct 28	Sunday Oct 29
8:45 am REC Rosary (SH)	7:30 am Rosary (SH)	11:30 am Rosary (SH)	7:30 am Rosary (SH)	7:30 am Rosary (SH)	5:00 pm Rosary (SH)	8:00 am Rosary for Life (SM)
7:00 pm Men’s Zoom Bible Study (SH)	8:00 am Mass + <i>Mary Alice Coleman</i> (SH)	12:00 pm All School Mass + <i>Ron & Doris Meyer</i> (SH)	8:00 am Mass + <i>John Wilson</i> (SH)	8:00 am Mass + <i>Mary Alice Coleman</i> (SH)	5:30 pm Mass + <i>Ruth Ann McKim</i> (SH)	8:30 am Mass + <i>Living & Deceased Madison and Ladurini families</i> (SM)
5:00 pm McTeacher Night at McDonalds (SH)	12:00 pm The Chosen (SH)	Religious Ed at (SH/SJ)	Adoration after Mass 8:30am - 7 pm (SH)			9:30 am Rosary before Mass (SH)
	1:00 -9 pm Adoration (SM)	Religious Ed (SM)	10:00 am Mass at Eastern Star (SH)			
	5:30 pm + <i>Living & Deceased Wade and Wipperman families</i> (SM)	6:30 pm RCIA (SH)	2:30 pm Madrid Home Mass (SM)			10:00 am Mass + <i>Mary Alice Coleman</i> (SH)
	6:30 pm Altar Society Social (SH)	7:45 pm Youth Group (SH)	5:30 pm Mass + <i>Jack Wade</i> (SM)			
			6:30 pm Grief Share (SH)			
			6:30 pm Al-Anon (SH)			

Baptisms

Marriages

Born into Eternal Life

Welcome to Ascension Parish

Newcomers are asked to register by going to www.boonecountycatholics.org, printing a registration form, filling it out in its entirety, and returning it to the parish office. Please let us know of any changes in your contact information so that we can keep our records current.

*If you would like to add something to the bulletin please e-mail Deanna Pearson at parishsecretary@shboone.com.

*If you would like to use any of our Boone County Halls please call the Parish Office at 515-432-1971

Ascension Stewardship for Oct 15, 2023

Sacred Heart Adult...\$6,439.67 Loose...\$392.00 Dollar & children...\$291.47 Votives...\$45.00
World Mission.....\$34.00 **Total...\$7,202.14**

St. Malachy Adult...\$3,595.00 Loose...\$109.12 Votives...\$22.00 **Total...\$3,726.12**

SH - Sacred Heart SM - St. Malachy SJ - Saint John

Boone County Catholic Community



Sacred Heart

915 12th St
Boone, Iowa 50036
515-432-1971

St John’s

801 W. Division St
Ogden, Iowa 50212

St Malachy’s

405 Gerald St
Madrid, Iowa 50156
515-795-2731

Our School

1111 Marshall St
Boone, Iowa 50036
515-432-4124

Church Website

www.boonecountycatholics.org

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www.shboone.org

Twenty - Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time · October 22, 2023

Fr. Tim’s Tidbits

World Mission Sunday, the second to last Sunday in October, is a day for all Catholics throughout the world to reflect on their own baptismal call and recommit themselves to the missionary work activity through prayer and sacrifice, inspired by the gift of faith passed on to each of us. Pope Francis in a homily at the beginning of the year touched upon this recommitment on World Mission Sunday: “*desire to express closeness in Christ to all the men and women missionaries in the world, especially to those enduring any kind of hardship. Dear friends, the Risen Lord is always with you. He sees your generosity and the sacrifices you are making for the mission of evangelization in distant lands. Not every day of our lives is serene and unclouded, but let us never forget the words of the Lord Jesus to his friends before his Passion: “In the world you will have tribulations, but be courageous: I have conquered the world! (JN 16:33)”* Yes, there are the ‘orders’ of missionaries within the United States such as the Glenmary Home Missioners, whose ministry and outreach is within the Appalachian area of the United States. And too, Catholic Extension who support remote Catholic parishes and communities throughout the United States with financial aid, educational materials and infrastructure. Likewise, Dismas Ministry seeks to inspire the faith of prisoners within the United States by providing Catholic bibles, prayer resources and other supplies to those Catholics who minister to the imprisoned. Within Iowa, located just outside of Dubuque in the small rural town of Epworth, the Society of the Divine Word order has their preparatory seminary for the formation of those who will serve as missionaries throughout the world. Founded in the late 1800’s the Society of the Divine Word forms men to be ordained, go out and serve the needs of their fellow human beings, respecting their differences at the will of God. (I’ve had the blessing of befriending Fr. Lloyd Fiedler while serving the parish of St. Mary’s in Remsen. Fr. Lloyd, a Divine Word Missionary, serving most of his priesthood in the Philippines, came back to his hometown for extended vacation during my time in the community. He loved his mother and siblings, and his time with them, but one could tell he fully embraced God’s call as a missionary to a country thousands of miles away.)

Of course, the more pronounced missionary orders of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), Vincentian Brotherhood, Maryknoll Fathers & Brothers Foreign Mission Society, and the Redemptorists to name a few. Within our Catholic consciousness, the most recognizable missionary order is that of Mother Teresa’s: the Sisters of Charity. Their mission statement encapsulates the efforts of various orders of missionaries: “*Our community is dedicated to the service of the poorest of the poor, irrespective of social class, creed or color. We deliberately choose to show God’s concern for the poorest and the lowliest, remaining right on the ground, while offering immediate and effective service to those in need. . .*” They find inspiration and God’s call as missionaries, and supporting missionary work, here in the United States and abroad, through the grace of the Eucharist echoed in the words from Ephesians (3:20):

Together As One
Together As One (TAO) is an opportunity for all Catholics in our diocese to express unity in carrying out our mission in support of the work of Christ in our lives today. Join us today in support of TAO with a gift or pledge through the brochure that was mailed to you or by giving online at scdiocese.org/tao.

Altar Society Social
Calling all Ascension Women! Please join us in Fitzgerald Hall (Boone) on October 24th for a fun evening of fellowship. We will be making Mason Jar Luminaries to take home, no experience or supplies necessary. Fellowship will begin at 6:30 p.m. with craft following from 7 - 8 p.m.

“Now to Him who is able to accomplish far more than all we ask or imagine, by the power at work with us.”

In the last few decades, inspired by God’s grace and the renewed hope of our youth, several outreach or missionary organizations have formed, with peer outreach to young adults. One of which is FOCUS (The Fellowship of Catholic University Students), a Catholic collegiate outreach whose mission is to share the hope of the gospel with college students throughout the United States by encountering and inviting them into a personal relationship with Jesus, sharing in the Eucharist, and centering their ambitions and relationships on Christian values. Presently there are four FOCUS youth missionaries serving the Catholic population at Iowa State University. (www.focus.org) Damascus (www.damascus.net), formed for youth is an organization dedicated to to awaken and empowering Catholic faith through summer and full-time missionary programs. Outreach to the struggling, training young adults to serve on youth ministry retreats, high adventure activities, and experience communal Catholic living provide a lifelong backbone of faith for years to come. Christ in the City (<https://christinthecity.org>) opens up opportunities for young adults to partake in a culture of encounter, where each person is seen, known, and loved. Based out of Denver their ‘missionaries’ are trained and reside in the community in which they serve, forming daily habits of Catholic prayer, participation in the sacraments, and outreach/evangelization to the homeless population. Thank you to Fr. Hayes, his inspirational talks about the Real Presence in the Eucharist, the healing forgiveness within the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and his kindness extended to our community. His Mission was talks were supported by the parishioners who volunteered their efforts to be invitational to all who desired to be renewed in their faith. I leave you with the words of one of my favorite missionaries, St. Katherine Drexel, who formed an order of religious sisters reaching out to the Native Americans. “*If we wish to serve God and love our neighbor well, we must manifest our joy in the service we render to Him and them. Let us open wide our hearts. It is joy which invites us. Press forward and fear nothing.*”

God Bless, Fr. Tim

FYI: “My favorite color is October.” (Unknown)

Fall Dinner (Bazaar)
Join us in Fitzgerald Hall for our annual Fall Dinner on Sunday, Nov. 5th. We will be serving a pork loin dinner from 10:45 - 12:45 p.m. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 kids (10 and under). There will be a take-out option. Baskets will be on display for you to bid on for our silent auction.

Fall Dinner (Bazaar) Volunteers Needed
You can stop by the table in the hall to sign up to help with our Fall Dinner. If you are unable to stop, you may contact Connie Booth directly at 515-230-4354 or use the QR Code.



Mc Teacher Night
Sacred Heart Family & Friends, we invite you to join us at the Boone McDonald's on Monday, Oct. 23rd from 5 - 7 p.m. for Mc Teacher's Night. Come and eat dinner with your Sacred Heart family while supporting our school. A percentage of all sales (dine in or drive through) will support the school.

All Saints Day Masses
Our Mass times for All Saints day will be 12:00 pm with the School children, 5:30 pm at Sacred Heart and 6:45 pm at St. Malachy.

Collection for Expectant Mothers
During the month of October the Knights of Columbus at St. Malachy's will be collecting baby items to be donated to organizations that support expecting mothers as they choose life. Baby cribs will be placed at both entrances to collect the items. Diapers, blankets, and other items for newborns are needed. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. God bless!

All Saints Day Trunk-or-Treat
All kids 5th grade and younger are invited to dress up like their favorite saint and come trick or treat in the Sacred Heart School parking lot Wednesday, Nov.1st immediately following the 5:30pm Mass. Want to host a trunk? Contact Megan Ulrich to sign up. dre@shboone.com 515-432-1971

Adult Afternoon Catechist Assistant Needed at St. John in Ogden
Do you love kids? Do you love our Catholic faith? Come volunteer from 2:15-3:15pm each Wednesday and help out our K-5 Catechist. Contact Megan Ulrich dre@shboone.com 515-250-8368 for more info.

Monsignor Lafferty Tuition Foundation Tax Credits Available
By contributing to the Monsignor Lafferty Tuition Foundation (MLTF), donors can receive a tax credit certificate worth 75% of their donation. The Diocese of Sioux City has allotted credits for each of the 16 Catholic school systems. In Boone, we have already used 54% of our credits so now is the time to make your donation.

Birthday Wishes
Robert Uthe will be celebrating his 100th Halloween birthday . He sure misses not being at Ascension with our parish family very much. If you would like to send a card please send them to 1707 240th st Boone, Iowa 50036. Thank you .

Prayer Partners Needed
Prayer Partners Needed - Please contact Megan or Kelley if you would like to be matched with one of our second graders who will be receiving First Reconciliation & First Communion this year. All you have to do is pray for them! dre@shboone.com, kelley.grothus@gmail.com, or (515)432-1971.

All Saints Day Mass at St. Malachy: Religious Education on Wednesday, November 1 will be All Saints Day Mass at 6:45. Families, please attend with your children. Children are welcome to dress up as their favorite Saint for Mass and will receive a bag of goodies after Mass.

Ogden Food Pantry Needs
The following items are needed at the Community United Methodist Food Pantry. Items can be dropped off inside their main door any time. Cream of chicken soup, vegetable soup, graham crackers, canned beets, canned pineapple, paper towels, shampoo, strawberry or grape jelly.

Successful Parish Mission
We are so grateful to all of you who took time out of your schedules to attend our Parish Mission. Whether you attended one night or all three we hope you found it beneficial. Over the three-day mission, we had about 250 in attendance and over 60 people received the sacrament of reconciliation. What a blessing! If you are interested in donating to Fr. Hayes's mission you may place your donation in the collection (marked Parish Mission). Save the date for our next Mission on February 18th & 19th with Anthony Digmann (brother of Fr. Kyle Digmann, Pastor at St. Thomas Aquinas).



Last Week We Saw Some Incredible *Holy Moments!*

**I am amazed at the wonderful things our kids do for each other and the world. Our Rosary for peace and unity on Wednesday was a perfect example! Prayer Buddy groups are always a highlight of our day. We are so blessed~ Mrs. Eldridge*
Use holy-moments@shboone.com to let us know what you’re grateful for.



Offer your schoolwork (**or work!**) for someone in need.

Tips to Create This *Holy Moment*:

- Help your child with their homework this week and offer it up for someone who is going through a hard time.
- When your week begins, offer the work you’ll do as a prayer for a special intention.
- Remind your child to offer up their schoolwork as a prayer for someone they care about.

We want to hear about the amazing ways you and your family are collaborating with God! Email holy-moments@shboone.com and tell us about a special *Holy Moment* you witnessed or created. Let’s keep the *Holy Momentum* going!