THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF







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MASS OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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Sacraments

Reconciliation: 30 min. before Mass or by appointment

Baptism:St. John – Sunday, 9:00 a.m.St. Joseph – Sunday, 11:00 a.m.

Baptism Class: Contact the Director of Faith Formation

Marriage: Arrangements at least six (6) months prior to marriage. Interview with the pastor is required before date for marriage can be given.

Questions of the Week

<u>Adults:</u> How can the greatness of God's love direct my daily actions, words, and thoughts?

<u>Children:</u> How would you describe God?

JUNE 4, 2023

ST JOSEPH

Musings from a Fellow Worker



FORMED is coming to our parishes later this month!

What is FORMED? The Augustine Institute created FORMED, an online platform specifically designed to teach the Catholic faith.

Who can subscribe to FORMED? *Anyone* can subscribe to FORMED.

What tools are available on FORMED? There are over 4,000 Catholic studies, movies, cartoons, audio dramas, ebooks, and talks on FORMED. "There is something for every member of the family to help them grow closer to Christ and His Church."

Sounds great! But how much does FORMED cost? FORMED is free for every parishioner.

When will we have access to FORMED? We will have a parish-wide rollout of FORMED later this month. We will instruct you on how to register, download the app, and other practical advice. And then periodically check the bulletin or websites for Top Ten Movie recommendations, Eucharistic Revival programs, summer programs, and liturgical season programs. The possibilities are *endless* for growing closer to Christ and His Church!

Check out next week's bulletin for more information!

WEEK OF JUNE 4, 2023

Mass Schedule for St. John and St. Joseph Churches					
Day	Date	Time	Mass Intentions	<u>Parish</u>	
Monday	June 5		No Mass		
Tuesday	June 6	9:00 AM	David Menard	St. Joseph	
Wednesday	June 7	9:00 AM	Donna Davis	St. John	
Thursday	June 8	9:00 AM	Marie & Betty Huot	St. Joseph	
Friday	June 9	9:00 AM	Charles & Christieann Zobel	St. John	
Saturday	June 10	4:00 PM	Lynn Boyle	St. Joseph	
Sunday	June 11 ·	9:00 AM	John & Marjorie Zink	St. John	
		11:00 AM	Parishioners of St. Bernard, St. John and St. Joseph	St. Joseph	

GROWING IN OUR FAITH



Franciscan Common Venture provides the opportunity for Sísters of St. Francís women and men to contribute their talents, time and com-

mitment in service by standing with the poor, caring for creation and building community. It is a volunteer program for persons age 21+ sponsored by the Sisters of St. Francis of Dubuque, IA. If interested, contact Sr. Michelle Balek, OSF: 563-583-9786, balekm@osfdbq.org, or visit their website: www.osfdbq.org/commonventure

Catholic Worker House, Waterloo, IA

Week-long: July 9-15 (Cost \$100) St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Worker House is a faith-based intentional community committed to practicing the Works of Mercy as found in Jesus' teachings. Service needs include: assisting with community meals, cleaning, painting, and ministry of presence. There will be the opportunity to give service with a few other non-profit organizations in Waterloo. Team has room for 2-3 more people. Due date to apply: June 11

Mustard Seed Community Farm, Ames, IA

Pilgrimage of Service: Food Justice

Week-long: July 23 - 29 (Cost: \$100) The Mustard Seed Farm is dedicated to sustainable, simple living, love of our neighbor, and creating a community in which everyone can participate in growing and eating delicious, healthy, locally produced food. Throughout the week volunteers will learn about food justice by visiting/serving at the farm, the Catholic Worker House, Food at First and other local organizations. Due date to apply: June 26

Food Justice

Short-term: August 3-6; Cost: (\$50) Volunteers will assist with the harvest and other tasks on the farm and with the community meal at the Catholic Worker House. Due date to apply: July 6



St. Benedict Center Retreats Schuyler, NE

Fathers and Sons – Together Forever

Saturday, July 8, 8:00am to Sunday, July 9, 12:00pm

This retreat provides opportunities for open communication and mutual learning between fathers and their adolescent sons along with Mass and a traditional blessing of the sons. This fun weekend will include, weather permitting, dodgeball competition, water balloon toss, and a havrack ride.

For fathers and their sons, ages 11–16.

Cost: \$93.96 (Double) per person (Includes program fee, guest room, meals and taxes)

BLOOM: Because Loving Ourselves and Others

Matters

Saturday, July 15, 9:00am to Sunday, July 16, 12:00pm

The mother-daughter relationship is very special even as it undergoes numerous changes. This retreat for mothers and daughters, ages 11 - 15 provides opportunities for enhancing open communication between mom and daughter during the tween/teen years. By connecting faith experiences with meaningful conversations that are relevant for both mothers and daughters, the bonds are strengthened. There will be variety of activities designed to foster a healthy and loving relationship as well as an opportunity for Reconciliation and Mass.

> Cost: \$98.96 (Double) per person (Includes program fee, guest room, meal and taxes)

ST. JOHN & ST. BERNARD NEWS

St. John & St. Bernard Weekly Offering May 21, 2023 Registered Families: 185			
Envelopes and Loose Giving	\$1127.75		
E-Offering	\$743.28		
Building			
Tuckpointing			
St. Bernard	\$145.00		
Total for May 21, 2023	\$2016.03		

Jesus & Joe

We will offer coffee following daily Masses every Wednesday and Friday at St. John. For more information, please contact:



Michelle Rethman, 712-202-6641 or Colleen Maule, 712-423-1004.

Please consider joining us for fellowship, fun and

C.O.F.F.E.E. !

Christ Offers Forgiveness For Everyone Everywhere!



The parish office will be closed on June 6th and June 8th. In case of an emergency, please call Father at 712-423-2656 or call the parish office at St. Joseph and they will contact Father. Thank you, Colleen



ST. JOSEPH NEWS

St. Joseph Weekly Offering May 20-21, 2023				
Envelopes and Loose Giving	\$1924.00			
E-Offering	\$213.00			
Candles	\$29.50			
Maintenance	\$2000.00			
Emergency	\$3000.00			
Total for May 20-21, 2023	\$7166.50			

Role of Catholics in Society

Question:

We live in a country that upholds the separation of Church and state. What is the role of Catholics in society?

Answer:

The role of the Church in the world has taken different forms over time, but the theme is the same. Be disciples in it! As the lay faithful — that is, not vowed priest or religious — we are called to live and love in the circumstances of our daily lives. St. John Paul II wrote a document about the laity. In it he wrote, "In their situation in the world God manifests His plan and communicates to them their particular vocation of seeking the Kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and by ordering them according to the plan of God" (On the Lay Members of Christ's Faithful, 15).

God wants us in the hospitals, the board rooms, the law offices, the food pantries, and the little league games! We are to engage in the affairs of the world. But when we're there, we should live the plan of God. We need to respect those around us, engage in just business and legal practices, and love our children. We should care for the earth, use our

money wisely, and get to know our neighbors. We must advocate for social policies that respect human dignity and human freedom. No matter our state in life, we are invited to build the kingdom of God! ©LPi





Father Craig Collison on June 25. All are invited to the 10:30 a.m. Mass at Resurrection of Our Lord Church, followed by a lunch at Pocahontas Catholic School at 305 SW Third Street.

God Laughs

The child comes home from his first day at school.

His Mother asks, "Well, what did you learn today?"

The kid replies, "Not enough. They want me to come back tomorrow."



Distribution of Holy Communion Under Both Species

As part of the ongoing Eucharistic Revival, the Diocese of Sioux City will reinstate the option to offer Holy Communion under both species beginning on June 11, 2023 which is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). The Precious Blood may be offered to the faithful on the following occasions:

•Solemnities (including Sundays) and Holy Days of Obligation

•Special Masses such as Confirmations, Ordinations, First Communions

•Nuptial Masses for the bride and groom

• In order to maintain a sense of progressive solemnity, the Precious Blood should not be distributed at daily Mass.





On this Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we are reminded to encourage one another, to show affection and support. Can we do it? Can we do it in our daily interactions, in our families? Can we even do it on social media? ©LPi





EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

SPEND TIME WITH OUR LORD IN EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

- * **Sunday, June 4, 2023**: St. John, Onawa 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (in main church)
- * **Sunday, July 23, 2023:** St. Joseph, Salix Noon to 2 p.m. (in daily Mass chapel)
- * **Sunday, August 6, 2023:** St. John, Onawa 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (in main church)
- * **Sunday, September 3, 2023:** St. Joseph, Salix Noon to 2 p.m. (in daily Mass chapel)
- * **Sunday, October 1, 2023:** St. John, Onawa 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (in main church)
- * **Sunday, November 5, 2023:** St. Joseph, Salix Noon to 2 p.m. (in daily Mass chapel)
- * **Sunday, December 3, 2023:** St. John, Onawa 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (in main church)

