

THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF



ST BERNARD

201 MAIN ST, BLENCOE, IA



ST JOHN

1009 13TH ST, ONAWA, IA



ST JOSEPH

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 11, 2024

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St. Joseph: www.stjoesalix.com

Sacraments

Reconciliation: 30 min. before Mass or by appointment

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

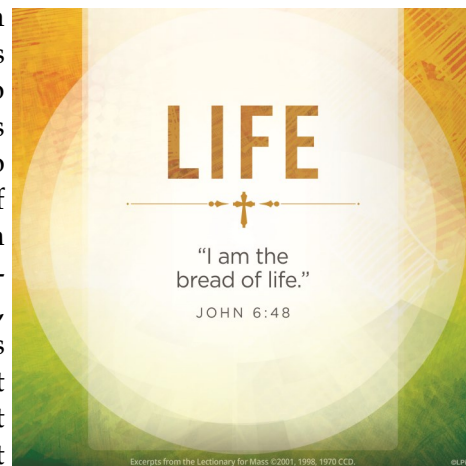
St. Joseph – Sunday, 11:00 a.m.

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.

This week we hear Jesus say, **“He that believes in me, has eternal life”** (John 6:47). These straightforward words, uttered by human lips, sound – how to put this? – insane. Who could possibly say such a thing? Jesus says things that are so high, so demanding, so beyond our capacity to fathom, we hardly know what to do with them and (if you’re like me), they usually go in one ear and out the other. So, let us ask: how can believing in him lead to eternal life?

To believe in something means not just to acknowledge its existence, but also to orient yourself entirely to it. If a football player believes in his team, it means he puts his life totally at the service of that goal. If a student believes in her



dream to become a doctor, she gives everything she has to her studies and preparation for her MCAT test. Belief means to move boldly toward something we love, and trust is possible to attain.

What is the highest possible good at which we can aim? It is God himself, the gift of eternal life without end. Jesus has made this “good” possible in and through his human nature. To believe in him means to have him as our ultimate goal. This week let’s believe the truth of these words and make practical decisions to orient ourselves toward what we see available in him: eternal life.

– Father John Muir

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WEEK OF AUGUST 11, 2024

Mass Schedule for St. John and St. Joseph Churches

Day	Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Location
Monday	August 12		No Mass	
Tuesday	August 13	9:00 AM	John & Betty Emge †	St. Joseph
Wednesday	August 14	5:30 PM	Joe Fouts †	St. John
Thursday	August 15	6:30 PM	Brian Mareau	St. Joseph
Friday	August 16	9:00 AM	In Thanksgiving	St. John
Saturday	August 17	4:00 PM	Bert & Ella Ullrich †	St. Joseph
Saturday	August 17	6:00 PM	Jim & Bette Marley †	St. Bernard
Sunday	August 18	9:00 AM	Howard, Joanne & Merle Doerneman †	St. John
		11:00 AM	Parishioners of St. Joseph, St. John, and St. Bernard	St. Joseph

GROWING IN OUR FAITH

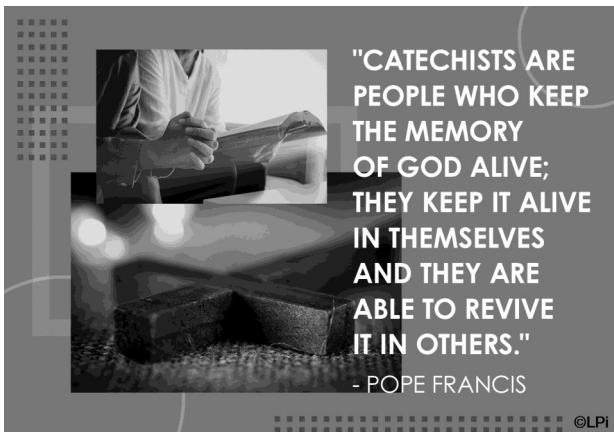
Seeds of Faith

Religious Education

Save the date! St. Joseph students, K–10, begin classes on September 4th, and St. John students, K–12, begin on September 11th!

Religious Education Catechists

Help us grow! We have spots available in both parishes for catechists and catechist aides. To inquire, please contact Michelle, 712-202-6641.



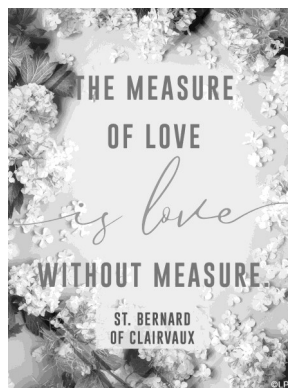
Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is for any person, 17 years of age or older, who would like to know about the Catholic faith. If you or someone you know would like to know more, please contact Michelle, 712-202-6641.



The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a holy day of obligation. Our parish will celebrate this very special feast day as follows:

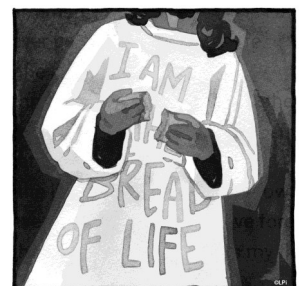
- ☞ Anticipated Mass at St. John, Onawa, on Wednesday, August 14, 5:30 PM; and
 - ☞ St. Joseph, Salix, on Thursday, August 15, 6:30 PM.
- Please note, we will not celebrate Mass at 9:00 AM on either August 14th or 15th.



Feast of St. Bernard is celebrated on August 20th. We will celebrate an additional weekend Mass on **Saturday, August 17, at 6:00 PM at St. Bernard, Blencoe.**

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus down from heaven so that we can look forward to living with you forever in heaven. Amen. ©LPi

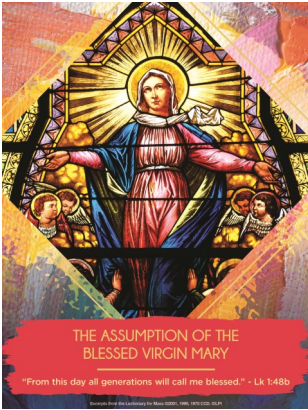


ST. JOHN & ST. BERNARD NEWS

St. John & St. Bernard Weekly Offering July 28, 2024	
Envelopes and Loose Giving	\$4436.00
E-Offering	\$134.70
Building Fund	
St. Bernard	\$70.00
Total for July 21, 2024	\$4640.70

ST. JOSEPH NEWS

St. Joseph Weekly Offering July 27-28, 2024	
Envelopes and Loose Giving	\$2144.00
E-Offering	\$0.00
Candles	\$45.00
Total for July 27-28, 2024	\$2189.00



The **Assumption of Mary** is one of the four Marian dogmas of the Catholic Church. Pope Pius XII defined it on 1 November 1950 in his apostolic constitution *Munificentissimus Deus* as follows:

We pronounce, declare, and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma: that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever-Virgin

Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.

— Pope Pius XII, *Munificentissimus Deus*, 1950



Please remember that you can support our Parish even when you are traveling. Just go to our web page at stjohnonawa.com, scroll to the bottom of the page, and click on **Donate Now**. It will take you through the steps needed, and you won't miss an opportunity to give your support.



Prayer of Generosity



Oh God, whose generosity cannot be outgiven, mold my heart to mimic Yours.

Teach me what it means to be giving, knowing that whatever I have is a gift, from Your abundance. Blessed be Your name. Amen.

Parish FUNDRAISER

New Name! New Structure! New Cash Prizes!

The committee organizing our annual dinner and fundraiser has been working hard and creatively to make this event one you won't want to miss. What is new this year? First of all the name! It will be called "St. Joseph's Famous Chicken Dinner." St. Joseph's holds a long tradition of a delicious broasted chicken dinner with a wide range of salads and desserts. We no longer host a full fledged bazaar or festival so that aspect is being dropped from the name. What is new this year is the TYPE and AMOUNT of the raffle prizes. Instead of having an assortment of prizes, it will be an ALL CASH raffle. And the NINE prizes will be BIG!!!

\$1000, \$500, \$250, \$250, \$100, \$100, \$100, \$100, \$100

Tickets will still be \$10 for a book of 10 tickets. This year we will be securing sponsors for the cash prizes and to help underwrite the cost of the dinner. What this means is that we **will not** be asking each family to donate \$10 to cover the chicken cost. We **WILL** still need your help as volunteers, to purchase raffle tickets and supply a salad or dessert.

Solicitors will be available after weekend masses. Each family is asked to:

- purchase 2 books of raffle tickets for \$20
- bring a salad or dessert to serve 15 people



The Country Store will be back and we need your help filling the shelves! Homemade goodies, canned fruits, veggies, jams, jellies, fresh veggies and crafts are all needed for our Country Store at the St. Joseph's Famous Chicken Dinner!

God Laughs

"Why was the dentist excited to pray the Glorious Mysteries of the rosary?"

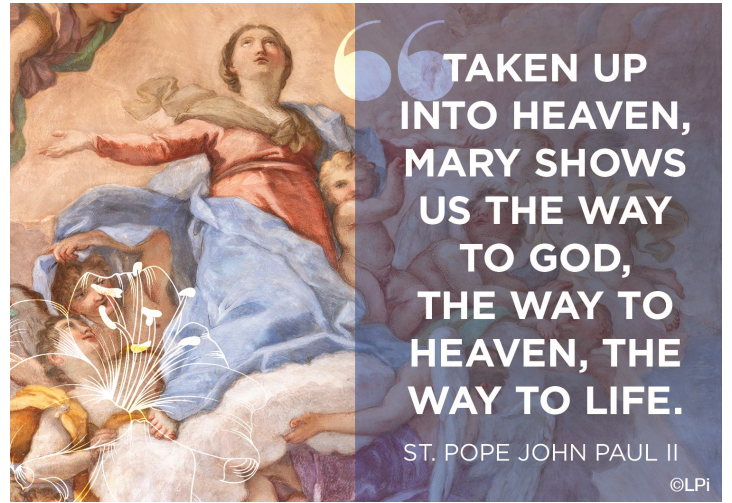


"He heard that in the final mystery Mary receives a crown."



After Mary was assumed into heaven, she was crowned Queen of Heaven. This scene was a favorite of Renaissance artists to imagine and paint.

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Thank you to **Siouxland Catholic Radio 88.1 FM** for visiting our parishes this past month. Check out their special event coming up in September!

Dinner with Johnnette & Jack

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Country Celebrations Event Center

5606 Hamilton Blvd, Sioux City, Iowa

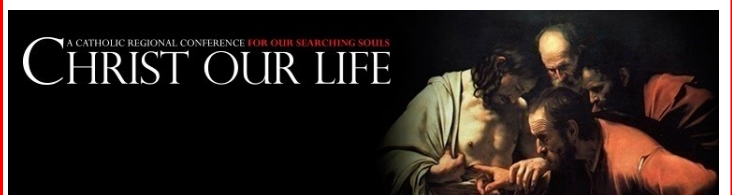
Private Reception: 4-5 p.m.

Social: 5-5:30 p.m.

Dinner at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Program

Go online for more info:

siouxlandcatholicradio.com/dinner-with-johnnette-and-jack



CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

September 28 & 29, 2024

Meet one of the Speakers: **Father Craig Vasek**

Father Craig Vasek

As one of 50 priests appointed by the United States Council of Catholic Bishops to reconnect Catholics with the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, Fr. Vasek has traveled the country to engage and inspire Catholics everywhere. He has served as a parish priest, Chaplain of Athletics and Program Director at the University of Mary and worked with the Missionaries of Charity throughout the world.



For more information on the Conference, events and speakers, please scan the QR code.