

# THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF



**ST BERNARD**

201 Main St. Blencoe, IA



**ST JOHN**

1009 13th St., Onawa, IA



**ST JOSEPH**

510 Tipton St., Salix, IA

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**AUGUST 9, 2020**

## . From Father Michael

### A TINY WHISPERING SOUND

Once a fearless prophet, Elijah is cringing from dread of the brutal Queen, Jezebel. He runs away from Israel and returns to Mount Horeb (another name for Mount Sinai) in Egypt. He is looking for guidance from God. He hides in a cave and waits for a manifestation like that shown to the Israelites under Moses. A storm with thunder and lightning shakes the mountain. God does not appear in this violence. Instead he makes his presence known in silence. He affects Elijah's conscience as a "tiny whispering sound." We need to find God in quiet meditation.

### I COULD WISH TO BE CUT OFF FROM CHRIST

Paul makes one of most amazing offers in history. He is willing to be damned if it could save others. The first converts to Christianity came from the Jewish people. Paul had been a zealous, conservative Jew. His missionary work had spread to gentiles as conversions began to fail among other Jews. He writes to the Jewish Christians of Rome to stress his links to the faith of Israel. He is bitter that he has not won over more of his people. He offers to trade his salvation if it could bring other Jews to Christianity. He would even be willing to cut off from Jesus if he wishes to trade places with any of them. He would lay down his future happiness for that of others. © 2000 by Father Richard Lonsdale



**19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. - Mt 14:28-29

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### Questions of the week:

Adults: When have I allowed fear to prevent me from speaking the truth or acting to promote goodness?

Children: What good thing is Jesus asking me to do, and if I am afraid, am I willing to ask His help?

## WEEK OF AUGUST 9, 2020

### ST. JOHN / ST. BERNARD

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#### MASS SCHEDULE :

Mon No Mass.....0:00 am  
 Tue Donna Davis .....9:00am  
 Wed Mavis Ryan.....(Blencoe).....7:30 am  
 Thurs No Mass.....0:00am  
 Fri Fred Servia.....9:00 am  
 Sat Deacon Glenn Heisterkamp .....9:00 am  
 Sun Tom Heisterkamp.....9:00am

#### Stewardship St. John 8/2

Envelopes/Loose \$ 1490.00  
 building \$ 175.00  
 Candles \$ .  
 E-offering \$ 74.70  
 Needy Fund \$  
 Holy land \$  
 Catholic Relief \$  
 Retired/Infirm \$  
**St. Bernard \$ 340.00**

**Total: \$ 2079.70**

St. John Registered Families.....185

### ST. JOSEPH

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#### MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon No Mass.....0:00am  
 Tue No Mass.....0:00am  
 Wed No Mass.....0.00pm  
 Thurs Jessica Worrell Loring.....9:00am  
 Fri No Mass.....0:00 pm  
 Sat Steven Wilt.....4:00 pm  
 Sun Parishioners of Sts.Joseph, John & Bernard.....11:00 am

#### STEWARDSHIP St. Joseph 8/1—8/2

Envelopes \$ 2610.00  
 Loose: \$ 5.00  
 Candles: \$ 16.00  
 Cemetery PC \$  
 E-offering: \$ 409.70  
 Maintenance \$ 100.00  
 Emergency \$ 510.00 .  
 Food Pantry \$  
 Mow & snow \$ 5.00  
 Memorial for  
 Jim Konz \$ 140.00  
**TOTAL: \$ 3695.70**

St. Joseph Registered Families .....209

ST. JOHN				
LECTORS	SERVERS	EMS	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS
		Elmwood		
ROSARY		Homebound	Greeters	
ST. JOSEPH —				
LECTORS	SERVERS	EMS	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS
—Rosary			14- Greeters	
Stewards ➡		Homebound ➡		Liturgy/ Word

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISHES:**

Father Patrick O'Kane, Midge Stanley, Madonna Dodd, Shirley Turner, Esther Mac Clure, Loretta Simoff, Doe Walker, Pete Mortensen, John Heisterkamp, Charlotte Zortman, Rosemary Kirby, Florence Ibsgaard, Gina Mortensen, Chris Metzger, Judson Bramow, & Sherry Wince. If you know of someone who is ill and needs our prayers, and would like to be listed, or if you no longer need to be listed, please contact Colleen @ office 423-1004



**Congratulations to our First Communion Class of 2020. Please keep these young people in your prayers as they draw closer to our Lord, Jesus Christ through the reception of His Body in the Holy Eucharist. They are:**

**Georgia Bosanek, daughter of Jim & Shannon**

**R. J. Derocher, son of Mallory**

**Ellaina Lahr, daughter of Jeremy & Debie**

**Connor McCall, son of Brent & Kellie**

**Kayin Struble, daughter of Nick & Mandy**



**Sunday, October 25th @ 1 PM, has been set as our date for Confirmation. This will include grades 8,9,10. Please start researching your Patron Saint and notify your sponsor. Due to Covid-19, this date is for St. John's only. St. Joseph will set their own date and have their own Confirmation so that each Parish can observe all social distancing guidelines.**

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**Confirmandi: please send your chosen Saint's name to Colleen as soon as possible. You can call me or text me @ 712-574-1027 . Thank you!**

\_\_\_\_\_ **What Makes Us Laugh:**\_\_\_\_\_

What did the green grape say to the purple grape? "Breathe, man! Breathe!"

What does the world's top dentist get?

A little plaque.

Remember to pray for the sick of our Parishes. Father O'Kane, Fran Mitchell, Nainna Gnat, Jeri Greiner, Mike Franken, , David Bogenrief, Linda Donnelly, Sue LaCroix, Bryson Harder, Justin Lamoureux, Sophie Helvey, Doreen Becker, O Roger Huot, Tristan Parks, Colleen Ebner ,Bailey Cleveland, Christian Case, Brady Worrell, Cal Worrell ,Connie Wagner, Kathy Clayton, Helen Martin, Glenda Ullrich, Stella Serviss, Gerrie Lamoureux. Darrell Lux, Richard Hentges ,Paula Wagner.& Carol Lux. For all who travel, grieve, those in the military, veterans their families and our nations leaders. The candles burning on the Blessed Mother's altar are for the military serving in foreign lands.

**Food Pantry is now open daily from 9:00am to 1:00 pm if you or if you know someone who needs food we are here to help. After hours call 490-1991 or 281-0107 and we can come in and help you out. We are open to the Westwood area.**

**Bazaar is coming on Sunday, September 27th from 11am to 2pm, we hope you will be helping your solicitors out by having your check ready \$10 for raffle tickets, \$10 for the Chicken and your choice of a dessert or salad that you will bring that will feed 15 people. If you do not want them to come in let them know tape it to the door, put in mailbox this all helps them do their job during these times.**

On the day of the Bazaar we will have two lines, one for carry outs, one for dining in, desserts will be in plastic containers, seating will be social distancing for 96 people and carry outs can pick out what they like and go home and eat. We will wear mask have hand sanitizers readily available and we will wash tables down between with soap and water as recommended by the CDC. Silverware and napkins salt and pepper will be wrapped securely for your safety. Hope to see you there and hope things are better yet by then, wear your mask when out social distance and we will get there.

\_\_\_\_\_ **What Makes Us Laugh:**\_\_\_\_\_

Two mechanical engineers from Minnesota were standing at the base of a flagpole, looking up. A woman walks by and asks what they were doing. "We're supposed to find the height of the flagpole," said the Minnesotan, "but we don't have a ladder." The woman took a wrench from her purse, loosened a few bolts, and laid the pole down. Then she took a tape measure from her pocket-book, took a measurement, announced, "Eighteen feet, six inches," and walked away. The other Minnesotan shook his head and laughed. "That makes no sense! We ask for the height and she gives us the length!"

**Please pray for our clergy and religious as they strive to help us navigate our new “normal” during this time of uncertainty in our lives.**

The Assumption of Mary into Heaven (often shortened to the Assumption) is, according to the beliefs of the Catholic Church, Eastern Orthodox Churches and Oriental Orthodoxy,<sup>[3]</sup> among others, the bodily taking up of Mary, the mother of Jesus, into Heaven at the end of her earthly life.

In the churches that observe it, the Assumption is a major feast day, commonly celebrated on 15 August. In many countries, the feast is also marked as a Holy Day of Obligation in the Catholic Church. The Catholic Church teaches as dogma that the Virgin Mary "having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory". This doctrine was dogmatically defined by Pope Pius XII on 1 November 1950, in the apostolic constitution *Munificentissimus Deus* by exercising papal infallibility. While the Catholic Church and Eastern Orthodox Church believe in the Dormition of the Mother of God (Dormition of the Theotokos or "the Falling Asleep of the Mother of God"), whether Mary had a physical death has not been dogmatically defined. In *Munificentissimus Deus* Pope Pius XII pointed to the Book of Genesis (3:15) as scriptural support for the dogma in terms of Mary's victory over sin and death through her intimate association with "the new Adam" (Christ) as also reflected in 1 Corinthians 15:54: "then shall come to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory". The New Testament contains no explicit narrative about the death or dormition, nor of the Assumption of Mary, but several scriptural passages have been theologically interpreted to describe the ultimate fate in this and the afterworld of the Mother of Jesus. Various apocryphal documents do contain narrations of the event.

