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

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 18, 2021

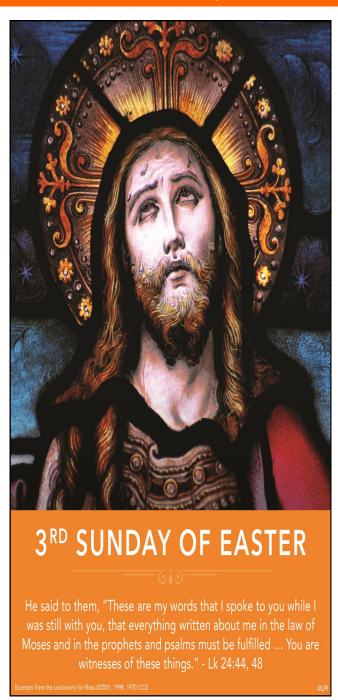
FROM FR. MICHAEL The Eucharist

The bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ at the celebration of Mass. The way in which they are produced means that the bread and wine are also symbols of the unity of the believers who partake of them. This is explained in one of the most ancient Christian texts, the Didache, or "Teaching of the Lord to the Gentiles," which dates to the end of the first century A.D.: "Even as this bread which we break was once scattered through the hills and has been gathered and molded into one, may thy Church be gathered together from the ends of the earth in thy Kingdom! For thine is the glory and the power for ever and ever." The same can be said for the multitude of grapes: pressed together, they become one single wine. Thus, the faithful who break the bread and drink the cup of salvation, who, in other words, eat the body of Christ and drink his blood, grow up into adult members of the Mystical Body of Christ, which is his Church.

Questions of the Week:

Adults: What questions about Jesus still arise?

<u>Children:</u> What question would I ask someone about Jesus appearing to the Apostles?



WEEK OF APRIL 18, 2021

ST. JOHN / ST. BERNARD

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Office hours: 7 am—12pm Monday thru Thursday

MASS SCHEDULE:

No Mass	0:00 am
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Fr. Victor Ramaeker	9:00 am
No Mass	0:00pm
Fr. Ed Tiedeman	9:00 am
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Stewardship April 11

Envelopes/loose \$ 2309.00 building \$ 200.00

Retired/infirm

E-offering \$ 360.00 Needy Fund \$ 40.00

Grain \$
Flowers \$
Holy Land \$
Easter Offering \$

St. Bernard \$ 240.00 Total: \$ 3149.00

St. John Registered Families......185

ST. JOSEPH

MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon	No Mass0:00am
Tue	James Reisch9:00am
Wed	No Mass0:00pm
Thurs	No MassFather gone9:00 am
Fri	No Mass0:00 am
Sat	Parishioners of Sts.Joseph, John & Bernard 4:00 pm
Sun	Tiny, Snowball & Stanley Johnson11:00 am

STEWARDSHIP APRIL 11

Envelopes	\$	2930.00
Loose:	\$	121.00
Candles:	\$	46.00
Cemetery PC	\$	
E-offering:	\$	464.70
Maintenance	\$	
Emergency	\$	80.00
Food Pantry	\$	25.00
Mow & snow	\$	
Easter Flowers	s \$	
Cath. Relief	\$	
Palm Sunday	\$	
Mothers Day	\$	
TOTAL:	<u>\$</u> _	3666.70

St. Joseph Registered Families209

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISHES:

Father Patrick O'Kane, Midge Stanley, Madonna Dodd, Pam Turner, Loretta Simoff, Pete Mortensen, John Heisterkamp, Charlotte Zortman, 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, contact Colleen @ office 423-1004

Knight of the Month: Colleen Maule...... for "holding down the fort" and administering to our Chaplain's, parishioners' and CCD needs during the pandemic restrictions.

<u>Family of the Month</u>: The Graduation Seniors..... Of our parishesto honor their academic efforts!

Knights of Columbus April Birthdays: Erik Martin (5th), Cory Hausman (8th), Father Michael Erpelding (9th), Ed Osius (14th), Rob Tramp (23rd), Dana Kirby (27th), Ron Paseka (27th) Happy Birthday!

A special thank you to our teachers, parents and students this year. Religious Education took on a whole new form, with parents taking the leading role in teaching their children about our faith. It was a learning experience for all of us but we were able to perservere and adapt to the new normal. As we close the books on this year, again, THANK YOU and GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU.

———Just For Laughs——HUMOR IN THE ERA OF COVID-19:

SO CAN WE EXPECT CAR INSURANCE TO GO DOWN SINCE NOBODY CAN GO ANYWHERE? JUST WONDERING... JAKE FROM STATE FARM...

POLICE OFFICERS THESE DAYS WILL BE LIKE...COME OUT WITH YOUR HANDS WASHED!

HOMESCHOOLING UPDATE: MY CHILD JUST SAID I HOPE I DON'T HAVE THE SAME TEACHER NEXT YEAR!

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, Stella Serviss, Gerrie Lamoureux. Darrell Lux, Richard Hentges, Paula Wagner. Mary Lue Schnieders, & Vincent Choquette. 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.

EASTER FLOWERS WERE DONATED IN MEMORY OF Walter & Pauline Scott, Bud & Rita Brassfield, Clyde & Dolores Johnson, Stanley Johnson, Thomas Brennan, Earl & Helen Putnam, Agnes Wickencamp, Kathryn & Roger Huot, James & Dolores O'Keefe, Huot family, O'Keefe Family, Ed & Tim Conley, Karen Kucera, Dean & Josie Prather, Charles & Florence Lucas, Eileen & Lawrence Topf, Joe Baker, Donald Domsch, Vince Topf, Bill and Bobbie Welter, Merlin & Marge Mohning, Dayle & Darlene Ellis & families & Wally & Bonnie Parker & families, Archie & Dolores Worrell, Jessica Loring, Connor Norgelas, Thomas Lambert, Jim Reisch, Amy & Jake Lander, Reisch family.

Thanks to Mary Herbst and her committee for the nice funeral luncheon for Pat Huot who was buried on Saturday from our church.

WINDOWS The windows are coming along nicely look really great give a lot more light to the church basement and will surely keep things warmer and cooler. Some windows didn't come the right size so might be a little while before we are done will let you know.

Thanks to all the good people of the parish who helped me pick up the grounds, Kenny Miller and Mary Kay Miller, Chuck & Bill Nelson & Brenda & Sandra. And Thanks to John Kluver who has every thing cleaned up in front and who also picked up sticks and branches on the lawn. Good help, great job everyone Thank You so much.

YOUTH GROUP WILL START MEETING IN THE MONTH OF APRIL THE 2ND AND 4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH. SEE YOU ALL THERE.

From the Catholic bishops of the border between the U.S. and Mexico:

"As U.S. and Mexican bishops along the border, we witness daily the dilemma that our migrant sisters and brothers face. For most, the decision to migrate is not motivated by an indifference toward their homeland or the pursuit of economic prosperity; it is a matter of life or death. The situation is all the more difficult for children."

"Challenges such as these require humanitarian solutions. Undoubtedly, nations have the right to maintain their borders. This is vital to their sovereignty and self-determination. At the same time, there is a shared responsibility of all nations to preserve human life and provide for safe, orderly, and humane immigration, including the right to asylum."

Saint George

Saint George, also George of Lydda, was a Christian who is accepted as a saint in Christianity. According to traditional rumors, he was a soldier in the Roman army. His parents were Christians of Greek origin. His father, Gerontius, was a Cappadocian serving in the Roman army. His mother, Polychronia, was a Christian from the city of Lod in Palestine. Saint George was a soldier of Cappadocian Greek origins, member of the Praetorian Guard for Roman emperor Diocletian, who was sentenced to death for refusing to recant his Christian faith. He became one of the most venerated saints and megalomartyrs in Christianity, and he has been especially venerated as a military saint since the Crusades

