

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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 25, 2021

FROM FR. MICHAEL

The Eucharist:

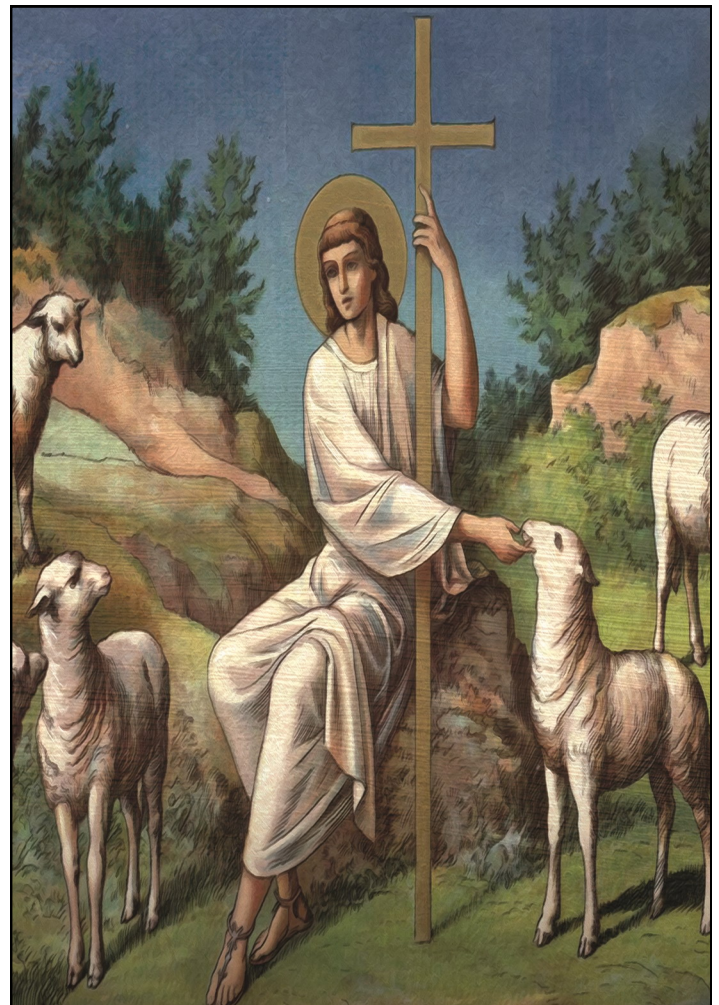
The Eucharist is central to our prayer as Catholic Christians. We gather each week to remember Jesus' life, death and resurrection. The Eucharist unites us to Christ's sacrifice for us on the cross and we sacrifice by giving praise and thanksgiving to Christ. It is a holy meal where Jesus shares his very Body and Blood with us so that we can be nourished with his grace.

We recognize the Real Presence of Christ in the Body and Blood of Jesus. The Eucharist is not a symbolic meal. The Eucharist is truly the Body and Blood of Jesus. If you take the consecrated host or a drop of consecrated wine and put it under a microscope it will look like bread and wine, but because we have celebrated the Eucharist it truly is the Body and Blood of Jesus, because Jesus instituted the Eucharist and we are called to believe that Jesus is truly with us in his Body and Blood. This will help us be nourished with his Body and Blood and with his Word, the scriptures. It will also help us see the presence of Jesus in the priest and in the congregation of believers. Christ is present in the Eucharistic elements of bread and wine that becomes his Body and Blood, the scriptures and the believers. Let us be a Eucharistic people and celebrate the presence of Jesus among us.

Questions of the Week

Adults: *Who is shepherding me? Whom have I shepherded?*

Children: *Who has been like a shepherd to me by his or her example?*



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep." - Jn 10:14-15

WEEK OF APRIL 25, 2021

ST. JOHN / ST. BERNARD

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MASS SCHEDULE :

Mon	No Mass..0:00 am
Tue	No Mass.....0:00am
Wed	Breyn Maule.....9:00 am
Thurs	No Mass0:00pm
Fri	Geralda Tramp.....9:00 am
Sat	No Mass.....0:00 am
Sun	Donna Davis.....9:00 am

Stewardship April 18

Envelopes/loose	\$	645.00
building	\$	25.00
Retired/infirm	\$	15.00
E-offering	\$	194.70
Needy Fund	\$	
Grain	\$	866.37
Flowers	\$	
Holy Land	\$	
Easter Offering	\$	
St. Bernard	\$	120.00
Total:	\$	1866.07

St. John Registered Families.....185

ST. JOSEPH

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon	No Mass.....0:00am
Tue	Eileen Topf.....9:00am
Wed	No Mass.....0:00pm
Thurs	Dorothy Hubert.....9:00 am
Fri	No Mass.....0:00 am
Sat	Ed & Evelyn McKenna.....4:00 pm
Sun	Parishioners of Sts.Joseph, John & Bernard..11:00 am	

STEWARDSHIP APRIL 18

Envelopes	\$	2680.00
Loose:	\$	132.00
Candles:	\$	56.00
Cemetery PC	\$	
E-offering:	\$	192.00
Maintenance	\$	
Emergency	\$	
Food Pantry	\$	
Mow & snow	\$	5.00
Easter Flowers	\$	
Retired/infirm	\$	100.00
Palm Sunday	\$	
Mothers Day	\$	5.00
TOTAL:	\$	3170.00

St. Joseph Registered Families209

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LECTORS	SERVERS	EMS	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS
		Elmwood		
ROSARY		Homebound	Greeters	
ST. JOSEPH —				
LECTORS	SERVERS	EMS	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS
—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

Senior Mass is next Sunday, May 2nd.

Please keep our graduating seniors in your prayers as they begin this new phase of their lives and continue their journey of faith.

Congratulations to:

**Lauren Boysen, daughter of Ryan & Stacey
Lexie Derocher, daughter of Aaron & Melodie
Garrett Heisterkamp, son of Bart & Lisa
Jaden Pekarek, son of Rob & Lori**

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.

Family of the Month: 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!

—————*Just For Laughs*—————

GALLAGHER OPENED THE MORNING NEWS-PAPER AND WAS DUMBFOUNDED TO READ IN THE OBITUARY COLUMN THAT HE HAD DIED. HE QUICKLY PHONED HIS BEST FRIEND FINNEY. "DID YOU SEE THE PAPER?" ASKED GALLAGHER. "THEY SAY I DIED!!" "YES, I SAW IT!" REPLIED FINNEY. "WHERE ARE YE CALLIN' FROM?"

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.

WINDOWS To date almost all the windows are in the basement, there are four more to put in and we are waiting for them to arrive. Total cost so far for the windows and the Labor and materials to put them in is \$18262.70 there will be more cost for Labor and windows when they are all done. It should not be too much more. Will keep you posted when we finish. Thank You to all the Parishioners that have supported us during this last year with all that is going on. Thanks to your generosity the window project will be paid for. Thanks again for taking such good care of St. Joseph's Church.

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

The next Funeral Committee is Chairladies

Mary Johnson, 251-5870, Deb Craig, 635-2881, assisted by Joni Greder, 428-4337, 258-1728, Le Ann Guntren, 253-0813, 898-7874, Lu Ann Haas, 946-5459, 301-1580, Blanche Hamilton, 269-8369, Jo Anna Hanner, 899-3223, Deb Harpenau, 946-8324, 898-9121, Jane Heisterkamp, 428-3794, 420-3031, Diana Hejhal, 943-5839, Heather Hensley, 253-6644, Beth Hickey, 943-5814, 333-9350, Brenda Hinrickson, 874-3716, 870-4077, Bev Holmes, 251-3427, Mary Holzerland, 253-8718, Melissa Hostetler, 251-7392, Megan Hunold, 389-7469, Jackie Hunter, 429-3144, Judy Janson, 943-5159, Amy Kerns, 389-5369, Bev Jochum, 251-4444, Monica Kavanaugh, 402-404-0364.

LET US CONTEMPLATE THE QUALITIES OF ST. JOSEPH

A MODEL FOR MANHOOD, FOR HUSBANDS AND FATHERS

(Qualities: Strong, silent, responsible, his action louder than words, obedient to God and faithful to wife).

A MODEL FOR WORKERS: VOCATION ABOVE CAREER

(Qualities: Sensibility in choosing to safeguard safety and sanctity of family above business and career. Patron Saint for the jobless, for workers, for professional challenges).

A MODEL FOR GUARDIANS OF FAMILIES

(Qualities: Protective instinct. Today families are threatened to be fragmented in many ways; St Joseph is a vigilant and a man of discernment and action).

ST. JOSEPH, GUARDIAN AND PATRON OF UNIVERSAL CHURCH

(The earliest "Church" was firstly Jesus, Mary and Joseph. In caring for them he is providing for and caring for the Universal Church which is us, the members of the Mystical Body of Christ).

ST. JOSEPH, MODEL OF GOOD AND HOLY LIVES

All over the world there are people who live good, sacrificial and holy lives, hidden from other people but known to God. St. Joseph is a model for such lives.

ST. JOSEPH, MODEL OF THE QUIET AND CONTEMPLATIVE LIFE

So many questions must have been pondered upon by St. Joseph, yet he did not turn away and given in to doubt and despair, but trusted in what God asked him to be and to do.

St. JOSEPH, PATRON OF A HOLY AND HAPPY DEATH

We do not know where or when Joseph died but we can be sure Joseph died in the arms of Jesus and Mary.

