

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

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 30, 2020

From Father Michael

From the Creed: How do human beings fit into the plan of God?

“Being in the image and likeness of God the human individual possesses the dignity of a person, who is not just something, but someone. He is capable of self-knowledge, of self-possession and of freely giving himself and entering into communion with other persons. And he is called by grace to a covenant with his Creator, to offer him a response of faith and love that no other creature can give in his stead” (Catechism of the Catholic Church #357).

Sometimes we think our bodies and souls are separate parts of us, yet, as Christians we are to view our bodies and souls as one. “The human person, created in the image of God, is a being at once (bodily) and spiritual. The biblical account expresses this reality in symbolic language when it affirms that ‘then the Lord God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being. Man, whole and entire, is therefore willed by God (Catechism of the Catholic Church #362).

As humans created by God we have a responsibility to care for our environment. “In God’s plan man and woman have the vocation of ‘subduing’ the earth as stewards of God. This sovereignty is not to be an arbitrary and destructive domination. God calls man and woman, made in the image of the Creator ‘who loves everything that exists,’ to share in his providence toward other creatures; hence their responsibility for the world God has entrusted to them (Catechism of the Catholic Church #373).



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.” - Mt 16:24b-25

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Questions of the Week:

Adults: *What has it meant to you to take up your cross and follow Jesus?*

Children: *When has it been hard to be a follower of Jesus?*

WEEK OF AUGUST 30, 2020

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MASS SCHEDULE :

Mon No Mass.....0:00 am
 Tue Joe Fouts.....9:00am
 Wed Mahlon Pekarek.. (Blencoe).....7:30 am
 Thurs No Mass.....0:00am
 Fri Carl Lenz Jr9:00 am
 Sat No Mass.....0:00 am
 Sun John & Marjorie Zink.....9:00am

Stewardship St. John 8/23

Envelopes/Loose building \$ 1401.00
 Candles \$.
 E-offering \$ 194.70
 Needy Fund \$
 Holy land \$
 Catholic Relief \$
 Retired/Infirm \$
St. Bernard \$ 120.00
Total: \$ 1715.70

St. John Registered Families.....185

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon No Mass.....0:00am
 Tue No Mass.....0:00am
 Wed No Mass.....0:00pm
 Thurs Mah Sao Sayavong.....9:00am
 Fri No Mass.....0:00 pm
 Sat Stanley Johnson.....4:00 pm
 Sun Parishioners of Sts.Joseph, John & Bernard....11:00 am

STEWARDSHIP St. Joseph 8/15—8/16

Envelopes \$ 3415.00
 Loose: \$ 210.00
 Candles: \$
 Cemetery PC \$ 100.00
 E-offering: \$ 168.00
 Maintenance \$
 Emergency \$
 Food Pantry \$
 Mow & snow \$ 5.00
 Assumption \$
 Ret. Religious \$
TOTAL: \$ 3583.00

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

Thank you to all who have continued to give to the support of St. Johns and St. Bernards. Your generosity and dedication to our parishes is truly appreciated.

The first Class for Religious Education has been set for October 7. Parents, please check your mail as we have sent registration forms and letters out explaining the changes , and we will continue to update you as we progress through this year. Thank you

Any family with a first grader, please contact the office so I can send you a registration form.

Sunday, October 25th @ 1 PM, has been set as our date for our Mass of Confirmation. This will include grades 8,9,10. Please notify your sponsor. Due to Covid-19, this date is for St. John's only.

What Makes Us Laugh:

A minister told his congregation, "Next week I plan to preach about the sin of lying. To help you understand my sermon, I want you all to read Mark 17."

The following Sunday, as he prepared to deliver his sermon, the minister asked for a show of hands. He wanted to know how many had read Mark 17.

Every hand went up.

The minister smiled and said, "Mark has only 16 chapters. I will now proceed with my sermon on the sin of lying."

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 La-Croix, 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.

STEAK SALE AMERICAN LEGION 901 TOPAZ DRIVE, SERGEANT BLUFF, IOWA FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH FROM 3 TO 7 PM. Come pick up some great steaks New York Strip, Rib eyes, Ribeye loin, NY Strip Loin, Taco Meat. Come support the Legion in their Fund Raiser.Thank You.....

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.

CONFIRMATION will be held on Sunday, November 8th, at Mass at 3:00pm. Be sure your Sponsors name and your Saints name are in to Kathy Jo as this has to be recorded to the Diocese. Thank you

St. Teresa of Calcutta

Mother Teresa was born on August 26, 1910, in Skopje, the current capital of the Republic of Macedonia. The following day, she was baptized as Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu. Mother Teresa's parents, Nikola and Dranfile Bojaxhiu, were of Albanian descent. The Bojaxhius were a devoutly Catholic family. In 1919, when Mother Teresa — then Agnes — was only eight years old, her father suddenly fell ill and died. In the aftermath of her father's death, Agnes became extraordinarily close to her mother, a pious and compassionate woman who instilled in her daughter a deep commitment to charity.

In 1928, an 18-year-old Agnes Bojaxhiu decided to become a nun and set off for Ireland to join the Sisters of Loreto in Dublin. It was there that she took the name Sister Mary Teresa after Saint Thérèse of Lisieux. A year later, Sister Mary Teresa traveled on to Darjeeling, India, for the novitiate period. On May 24, 1937, she took her Final Profession of Vows to a life of poverty, chastity and obedience. As was the custom for Loreto nuns, she took on the title of "Mother" upon making her final vows and thus became known as Mother Teresa.

Mother Teresa experienced her "call within a call" in 1946. Her order established a hospice; centers for the blind, aged and disabled; and a leper colony. Mother Teresa was the founder of the Order of the Missionaries of Charity, a Roman Catholic congregation of women dedicated to helping the poor. Considered one of the 20th Century's greatest humanitarians, she was canonized as Saint Teresa of Calcutta in 2016.

After several years of deteriorating health, including heart, lung and kidney problems, Mother Teresa died on September 5, 1997, at the age of 87.

Mother Teresa was canonized as a saint on September 4, 2016, a day before the 19th anniversary of her death. Pope Francis celebrated the mass to canonization the woman who had been called "the saint of the gutters" during her lifetime because of her charitable work with the poor.

