

# 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

**THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**FEBRUARY 14, 2021**

**FROM FR. MICHAEL**  
**IS THERE ANY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN**  
**A NUN AND A SISTER?**

*These terms are indeed confusing, because they are often used interchangeably even though they have technical differences. First, let's look at the difference between nuns and sisters. A nun is a woman who belongs to a religious order and takes the vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience. Their vows are publicly accepted by superiors in the name of the Church and solemn. In general, solemn vows are professed by members of religious orders after a period of temporary, simple vows. When bound by solemn vows, a woman is a nun but is commonly called "Sister" (although some orders use another formal title, like "Dame" or "Mother"); when bound by simple vows, a woman is a sister, not a nun, and thereby called "Sister." Nuns recite the Liturgy of the Hours or Divine Office in common, and engage in some work to help support themselves. Another distinguishing mark of nuns is that they live a contemplative, cloistered life in a monastery. "Cloistered" refers to living within the confines of the monastery behind the "papal enclosure." Nuns are permitted to leave the cloister only under special circumstances and with the proper permission. Moreover, visitors are not permitted to enter into the cloistered area. When visiting these monasteries, like the Carmelite Monastery in Morningside, a person may enter the public area of the chapel, but a wrought-iron screen separates it from the nun's side or "cloistered" side of the chapel. Also, when visiting one of the nuns, the visitor is physically separated by a grill or other barrier from the nun who is in the cloister. Besides the Carmelites, other strictly cloistered nuns are the Poor Clares and Benedictines.*



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He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly. - Mk 1:44-45b

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### Questions of the Week:

**Adults:** *Would you have the courage to tell others to do as you do in order to be Christian?*

**Children:** *What can you do this week to be an example to others?*

## WEEK OF FEBRUARY 14, 2021

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#### MASS SCHEDULE :

Mon No Mass.....0:00 am  
 Tue No Mass.....000am  
 Wed Connie McBride.....9:00 am  
 Thurs No Mass .....0:00pm  
 Fri Fred Servia.....9:00 am  
 Sat No Mass.....0:00 am  
 Sun Joe Fouts.....9:00 am

#### Stewardship February 7

Envelopes/Loose \$ 773.00  
 building \$ 25.00  
 Candles \$  
 E-offering \$ 60.00  
 Needy Fund \$ 50.00  
 Grain \$  
 Christmas Offering \$  
 Cath. Charities \$  
 Kirby Memorial \$  
**St. Bernard \$ 120.00**

**Total: \$ 1028.00**

St. John Registered Families.....185

### ST. JOSEPH

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#### MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon No Mass.....0:00am  
 Tue Rev. Raymond Weiling.....9:00am  
 Wed No Mass.....0.00am  
 Thurs Lawrence & Eileen Topf.....9:00 am  
 Fri No Mass.....0:00 am  
 Sat Parishioners of Sts.Joseph, John & Bernard...4:00 pm  
 Sun Jim Reisch.....11:00 am

#### STEWARDSHIP FEBRUARY 7

Envelopes \$ 2145.00  
 Loose: \$ 4.00  
 Candles: \$ 35.00  
 Cemetery PC \$  
 E-offering: \$ 370.32  
 Maintenance \$  
 Emergency \$ 1500.00  
 Food Pantry \$ 75.00  
 Mow & snow \$  
 Briar Cliff \$ 50.00  
 Aid to Churches \$ 25.00  
 Solm. Of Mary \$  
 Floor & Window \$

**TOTAL: \$ 4204.32**

St. Joseph Registered Families .....209

### . JOHN

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

**Knight of the Month**: Sheriff Jeff Pratt for his dedication to serving the citizens of Monona County and setting excellent examples of professionalism, cooperation & leadership.

**Family of the Month**: Jerry Rice & Robert Rice, father & son, for their big hearts and Christmas spirit in bringing hope & happiness to children throughout the area in their roles as “Santa Claus”...Robert now; Jerry—may he rest in peace—for prior 30 yrs.

We would like to thank all of you who have continued to support St John’s & St. Bernard’s with your We humbly ask that you continue to do what you can. Although our lives continue to change because of Covid-19, our expenses to keep our church open and available to all our parishioners have continued. Again, thank you for all that you do.

***It is not too late to give. If we do not make our goal, the diocese will bill our Parish for the remainder of the amount.*** Our goal amount is \$15,965. We are at 62% of our goal. Let’s work Together As One to help support our future. With your help, we will get there. You can give online, at [www.scdiocese.org](http://www.scdiocese.org) .

—————*Just For Laughs*—————

HUMOR DURING THE COVID-19 EXPERIENCE:

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

PEOPLE KEEP ASKING “IS CORONAVIRUS REALLY THAT SERIOUS?” LISTEN UP! CASINOS AND CHURCHES ARE CLOSED. WHEN HEAVEN AND HELL AGREE ON THE SAME THING, IT’S PROBABLY PRETTY SERIOUS!

**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, 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 & 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.

**CONGRATULATIONS, CONGRATULATIONS YOU HAVE DONE IT WE REACHED OUR TOGETHER AS ONE GOAL, AND BEYOND. THANKS TO ALL WHO GAVE YOU ARE FANTASTIC, YOU ARE THE REASON ST. JOSEPH’S IS SO GREAT. AGAIN A BIG, BIG THANK YOU TO ONE AND ALL. YOU ARE THE GREATEST PARISHIONERS IN THE WORLD!!!!!!**

**FLOOR PROJECT WILL BEGIN ON FEBRUARY 15TH, WE HAVE THE MONEY TO PAY FOR IT SO SOON WILL HAVE ANOTHER PROJECT FINISHED.**

**WINDOWS WILL GET started in 2 to 3 weeks also have the money for that project. Thanks again for all the help we get from the great Parishioners at St. Joseph’s.**

**Deepest sympathy to the family of Betty Zamora, “Grandma Betty” who was buried from our Church this past Monday, May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.**

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## St. Valentines Day

The Catholic Church recognizes at least three different saints named Valentine or Valentinus, all of whom were martyred. One legend contends that Valentine was a priest who served during the third century in Rome. When Emperor Claudius II decided that single men made better soldiers than those with wives and families, he outlawed marriage for young men. Valentine, realizing the injustice of the decree, defied Claudius and continued to perform marriages for young lovers in secret. When Valentine's actions were discovered, Claudius ordered that he be put to death. Still others insist that it was Saint Valentine of Terni, a bishop, who was the true namesake of the holiday. He, too, was beheaded by Claudius II outside Rome. Other stories suggest that Valentine may have been killed for attempting to help Christians escape harsh Roman prisons, where they were often beaten and tortured. According to one legend, an imprisoned Valentine actually sent the first "valentine" greeting himself after he fell in love with a young girl—possibly his jailor's daughter—who visited him during his confinement. Before his death, it is alleged that he wrote her a letter signed "From your Valentine," an expression that is still in use today. Although the truth behind the Valentine legends is murky, the stories all emphasize his appeal as a sympathetic, heroic and—most importantly—romantic figure. By the Middle Ages, perhaps thanks to this reputation, Valentine would become one of the most popular saints in England and France.

## Ash Wednesday February 17

The concept originated by the Roman Catholics somewhere in the 6th century. Though the exact origin of the day is not clear, the custom of marking the head with ashes on this Day is said to have originated during the papacy of Gregory the Great (590-604). and mortality; and as a sign of sorrow and repentance for sin.

## Mater Dei Men's Club Drive-up Fish Fry

Nativity Center— 4243 Natalia Way , Sioux City

ALL YOU CAN EAT, ADULTS \$10.00— KIDS \$ 5.00

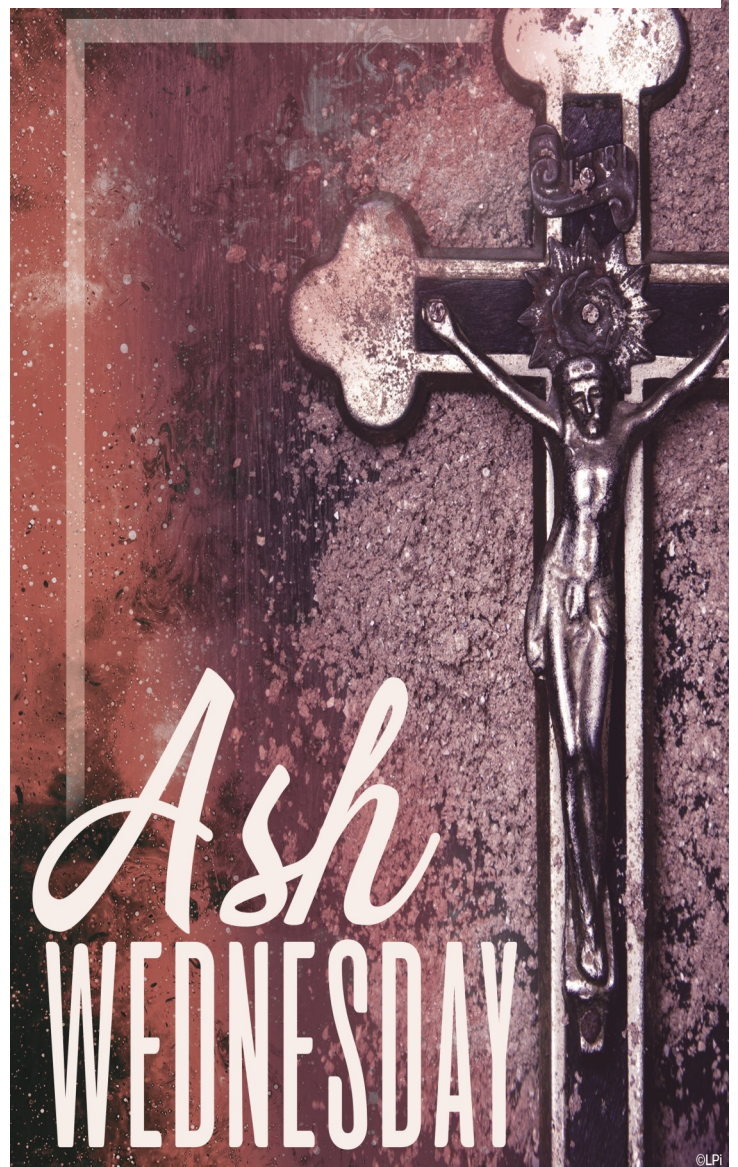
FISH, POTATOES, SALAD , DESSERT

EVERY FRIDAY, FEB. 19 THRU APRIL 2ND

HAPPY  
VALENTINE'S  
DAY



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