

# 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 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**FEBRUARY 7, 2021**

## From Father Michael

*A saint to celebrate this week is,  
St. Josephine Bakhita, February 8th.*

*Born to a wealthy Sudanese family, she was kidnapped by slave-traders at age 9, and given the name Bakhita by them. Sold and resold in the markets at El Obeid and Khartoum, finally purchased in 1883 by Callisto Legnani, Italian consul who planned to free her. She accompanied Legnani to Italy in 1885, and worked for the family of Augusto Michieli as nanny. She was treated well in Italy, and grew to love the country. An adult convert, joining the Church on January 9, 1890, she took the name of Josephine as a symbol of her new life. She entered the Institute of Canossian Daughters of Charity in Venice, Italy in 1893, taking her vows on December 8, 1896 in Verona, and serving as a Canossian Sister for the next fifty years. Her gentle presence, her warm, amiable voice, and her willingness to help with any menial task were a comfort to the poor and suffering people who came to the door of the Institute. After a biography of her was published in 1930, she became a noted and sought after speaker, raising funds to support missions. She was canonized October 1, 2000 by Pope John Paul II at Saint Peter's Basilica, Rome, Italy; thought to be the only saint originally from Sudan. St. Josephine once said, "If I were to meet the slave-traders who kidnapped me and even those who tortured me, I would kneel and kiss their hands, for if that did not happen, I would not be a Christian and Religious today.*



## 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come." - Mk 1:38

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

### Questions of the Week:

Adults: What can I do to be better prepared to proclaim the Good News with conviction?

Children: How can I share my faith and trust in Jesus with my friends?

## WEEK OF FEBRUARY 7, 2021

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#### MASS SCHEDULE :

Mon No Mass.. .....0:00 am  
 Tue No Mass,.....0:00am  
 Wed Connie McBride.....9:00 am  
 Thurs No Mass .....0:00pm  
 Fri Jerry Sievers.....9:00 am  
 Sat No Mass.....:0:00 am  
 Sun John & Marjorie Zink.....9:00 am

#### Stewardship January 31

|                    |           |                |
|--------------------|-----------|----------------|
| Envelopes/Loose    | \$        | 2009.00        |
| building           | \$        |                |
| Candles            | \$        |                |
| E-offering         | \$        | 134.70         |
| Needy Fund         | \$        |                |
| Grain              | \$        |                |
| Briar Cliff        | \$        | 50.00          |
| Cath. Charities    | \$        |                |
| Kirby Memorial     | \$        |                |
| <b>St. Bernard</b> | <b>\$</b> | <b>120.00</b>  |
| <b>Total:</b>      | <b>\$</b> | <b>2313.70</b> |

St. John Registered Families.....185

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#### MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon No Mass.....0:00am  
 Tue Errol & Lavonne Brouillette.....9:00am  
 Wed No Mass.....0.00am  
 Thurs Josie Davis.....9:00 am  
 Fri No Mass.....0:00 am  
 Sat Parishioners of Sts.Joseph, John & Bernard..4:00 pm  
 Sun Lori Rand.....11:00 am

#### STEWARDSHIP JANUARY 31

|                   |           |                |
|-------------------|-----------|----------------|
| Envelopes         | \$        | 2170.00        |
| Loose:            | \$        | 218.00         |
| Candles:          | \$        | 25.00          |
| Cemetery PC       | \$        |                |
| E-offering:       | \$        | 433.70         |
| Maintenance       | \$        |                |
| Emergency         | \$        |                |
| Food Pantry       | \$        |                |
| Mow & snow        | \$        |                |
| Briar Cliff       | \$        | 80.00          |
| St. Joseph Parish | \$        | 4500.00        |
| Solm. Of Mary     | \$        |                |
| Floor & Window    | \$        | 1300.00        |
| <b>TOTAL:</b>     | <b>\$</b> | <b>8726.70</b> |

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 |              | Liturgy/ Word |

**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

**We would like to thank all of you who have continued to support St John’s & St. Bernard’s with your contributions.**

**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*—————

A MAN TAKES HIS HAMSTER TO THE VET, AND AFTER A SHORT LOOK AT THE CREATURE THE VET PRONOUNCES IT DEAD. NOT HAPPY WITH THE VET’S DIAGNOSIS THE MAN ASKS FOR A SECOND OPINION. THE VET GIVES A WHISTLE AND IN STROLLS A LABRADOR DOG. THE DOG NUDGES THE HAMSTER AROUND WITH ITS NOSE AND SNIFFS IT A COUPLE OF TIMES BEFORE SHAKING HIS HEAD. "THERE" SAYS THE VET, "YOUR HAMSTER IS DEAD". STILL NOT HAPPY THE MAN ASKS FOR A THIRD OPINION. THE VET OPENS THE BACK DOOR AND IN BOUNDS A CAT. THE CAT JUMPS ONTO THE TABLE AND LOOKS THE HAMSTER UP AND DOWN FOR A FEW MINUTES BEFORE LOOKING UP AND SHAKING ITS HEAD. "IT’S DEFINITELY DEAD SIR", SAYS THE VET. CONVINCED, THE MAN ENQUIRES HOW MUCH HE OWES. "THAT WILL BE \$1000, PLEASE". "A \$1000 JUST TO TELL ME MY HAMSTER IS DEAD" FUMES THE MAN. "WELL", SAYS THE VET, "THERE’S MY DIAGNOSIS, THE LAB REPORT AND THE CAT SCAN".

**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.

**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.**

**WINDOW PROJECT THE WINDOWS ARE HERE AND WE ARE LOOKING AT TWO WEEKS DOWN THE ROAD THIS PROJECT IS ALSO PAID FOR.**

—————*Just For Laughs*—————

**On the way home from the Ash Wednesday service, a young boy asked his mother, “Is it true that we are made of dust?”**

**“Yes, darling.”**

**“And do we go back to dust again when we die?”**

**“Yes, dear.”**

**“Wow!” said the boy. “When I said my prayers last night and looked under the bed, I found someone who is either coming or going!”**

**St. Josephine Bakhita**  
**Feast Day: February 8**

**Our Lady of Lourdes**

Our Lady of Lourdes is a Roman Catholic title of the Blessed Virgin Mary venerated in honour of the Marian apparitions that are claimed to have occurred in 1858 in the vicinity of Lourdes in France. The first of these is the apparition of 11 February 1858, when 14-year old Bernadette Soubirous told her mother that a "lady" spoke to her in the cave of Massabielle (a kilometre and a half (1 mi) from the town) while she was gathering firewood with her sister and a friend. Similar apparitions of the "Lady" were reported on eighteen occasions that year, until the climax revelation of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception took place.

In 18 January 1862, the local Bishop of Tarbes Bertrand-Sévère Laurence endorsed the veneration of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Lourdes. On 3 July 1876, Pope Pius IX officially granted a Canonical Coronation to the image that used to be in the courtyard of what is now part of the Rosary Basilica. The image of Our Lady of Lourdes has been widely copied and reproduced in shrines and homes, often in garden landscapes. Soubirous was later canonized as a Catholic saint by Pope Pius XI in 1933.

A large devotion has since developed as ecclesiastical investigations sanctioned her visions, and a large church was built at the site that has since become a major site of Marian pilgrimage

