

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 ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 13, 2021

FROM FR. MICHAEL

Gospel from the Weekend:

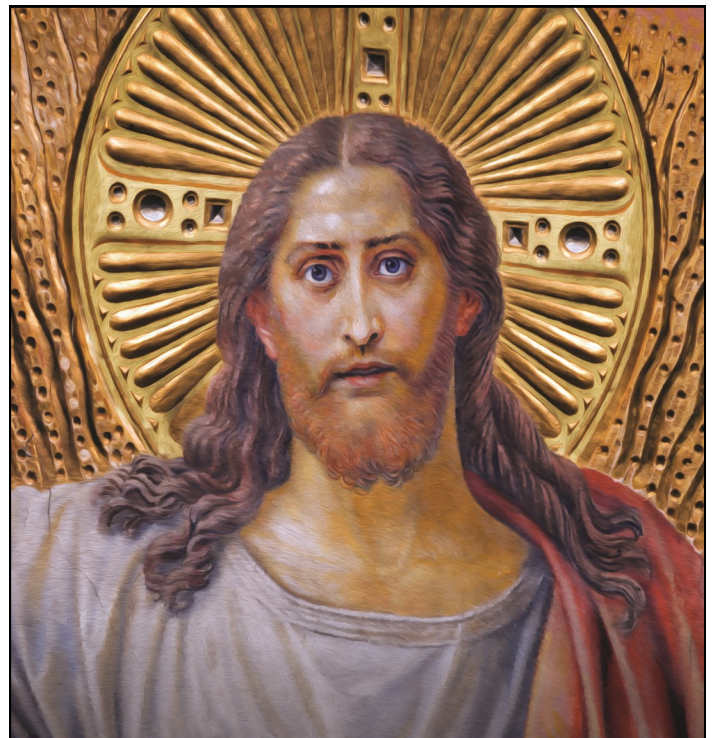
According to Mark's gospel, Jesus began teaching in parables shortly after appointing the twelve. A parable is a wise saying or short fictitious story used by Jesus to set forth His teaching. Parables may contain allegorical elements. Today we hear the parables of the growing seed and of the mustard seed.

Jesus is telling His disciples about His Church: The preaching of the gospel (the generously scattered seed) will unfailingly yield its fruit, independent of who sows or reaps – it is God who gives the growth (1 Corinthians 3:5-9).

This also refers to the action of grace in each soul: God silently works a transformation in each one of us causing us to make resolutions which shape our soul. We resolve to be faithful, surrender ourselves, respond to grace. Our callings and responses may be different as we are individuals (Ephesians 4:11-13). Even though we must make the decision to become a follower of Christ, it is the Holy Spirit who, working within us, gives a supernatural tone to our thoughts, desires and actions.

The main meaning of this parable has to do with the contrast between the great and the small. The seed of the Kingdom of God on earth is something very tiny to begin with (Luke 12:32; Acts 1:19); but it will grow to be a big tree. The seed is planted in Peter and the apostles, has set its roots in Rome, and has grown to be a big tree; one which encompasses the whole world; a great multitude which “no man can number” (Revelation 7:9).

This growth also occurs in each soul. As predicted in the responsorial psalm Psalm 92:13. “The righteous grow like a cedar in Lebanon.” To allow the mercy of God to exalt us, to make us grow, we must make ourselves small, humble.



11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants.” - Mk 4:30-32b

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Questions of the Week:

Adults: Do I allow God to be in my life or do I try to control my spiritual development without him?

Children: What problems do I need to put into God's hands?

WEEK OF JUNE 13, 2021

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MASS SCHEDULE :

Mon No Mass..... 0:00 am
 Tue No Mass.....0:00am
 Wed Joe Fouts.....9:00 am
 Thurs No Mass0:00pm
 Fri Mabel & Doe Walker.....9:00 am
 Sat No Mass.....0:00 am
 Sun Charles Zobel.....9:00 am

Stewardship	May 30	June 6
Envelopes/loose building	\$ 3213.00	1156.00
Retired/infirm	\$	70.00
E-offering	\$ 274.70	249.70
Needy Fund	\$	50.00
Grain	\$	
Flowers	\$	
Cath. Comm	\$ 5.00	10.00
Easter Offering	\$	
St. Bernard	\$ 355.00	235.00
Total:	\$ 3848.70	1770.70

St. John Registered Families.....185

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon No Mass.....0:00am
 Tue Logan Eliason.....9:00am
 Wed No Mass.....0:00pm
 Thurs Loretta Prince,.....9:00 am
 Fri No Mass.....0:00 am
 Sat Parishioners of Sts.Joseph, John & Bernard...4:00 pm
 Sun . Walter & Pauline Scott.....11:00 am

STEWARDSHIP	MAY 30	JUNE 6
Envelopes	\$ 1535.00	2878.00
Loose:	\$ 265.00	388.00
Candles:	\$ 63.00	
Cemetery PC	\$ 350.00	50.00
E-offering:	\$ 716.32	
Maintenance	\$	
Emergency	\$ 150.00	20.00
Food Pantry	\$	
Mow & snow	\$	
Hall Rental	\$ 5.00	
Aid/churches	\$	
Palm Sunday	\$	
Mothers Day	\$	
TOTAL:	\$ 3084.32	3503.00

St. Joseph Registered Families209

ST. 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

There are sign up sheets in the back of the church for Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar servers.

You can sign up ahead of time or the day of if it is not taken. Your help is always appreciated!

We need some gardeners to clean up our flower beds. If you have a little time and would like to help, just pick an area and start in. Any and all help would be appreciated.

ST. SERRA CLUB of SIOUXLAND is a lay Catholic organization dedicated to fostering and promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated religious life of the Catholic Church.

To raise awareness and continue our work for religious vocations, we are selling raffle tickets. A \$10.00 ticket puts you in a drawing to win a gourmet dinner for 8 , served by Fr. Shane De-man, our Diocesan Vocations Director, and seminarians in a provided dining room or in your backyard for a BBQ should you prefer!! All proceeds will go for the purpose of promoting vocations within the Sioux City Diocese

+Get your tickets ASAP: the drawing is June 20. For more information: Don and Mary Stevens, 712 253 8728 / 712 251 3063

—————*Just For Laughs*—————

MOSES HAD THE FIRST TABLET THAT COULD CONNECT TO THE CLOUD.

WHEN I WAS A BOY, I HAD A DISEASE THAT REQUIRED ME TO EAT DIRT THREE TIMES A DAY IN ORDER TO SURVIVE...IT'S A GOOD THING MY OLDER BROTHER TOLD ME ABOUT IT.

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, Gerrie Lamoureux. Darrell Lux, Richard Hentges, Paula Wagner. Mary Lue Schnieders, Brian Mareau, 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.

EMMAUS CAMP JULY 21ST THROUGH JULY 25TH, is a camp intended for Teenagers who are prepared to draw closer to Christ and go deeper into their Faith. The intention of Emmaus is better suited to people who have already experience a conference such as SEEK or Steubenville. Students who are finishing 10th through 12th grade are welcome to attend.

EMMAUS camp will be held at Creighton University Retreat Center, 16493 Contrail Avenue, Griswold Iowa. The cost is \$400 per student. Attendees can apply for a scholarship between June 22nd and July 2nd. If a scholarship is awarded, the applicant will be reimbursed up to a maximum of 25% of the camp cost after the applicant has attended EMMAUS Camp. The amount of money granted could be less than 25%.

Registration is open on June 22nd from 9:00am to 9:00pm. It will close after 24 students have been registered. The registration process will require one referral form by a priest, DRE or a youth minister. Parishes will be required for collecting registration forms, T-shirt Orders and payments, done online, Parish not parent must register the child.

This camp is held on beautiful 157 acres wonderful atmosphere and beautiful cabins place to relax and become closer to God. Forms are available in the office for anyone who is interested. Must be completed and returned before June 22nd. Thank You.

If you want to have a close relationship with God, it's important to thank Him for the blessings you receive. This might be as simple as remembering to thank God when you're feeling good or actively enjoying a blessing. However, you should also look for ways to be grateful to God even when times are difficult. In addition, you can show God that you appreciate His blessings by honoring him through your actions each day.

Thank God continuously throughout your day.

Offer a special prayer of thanks after major blessings

Say a quick prayer after small blessings, as well.

Give thanks for God's love even when you can't find another blessing

Live according to God's will to honor Him with your life.

Perform acts of service as a way to show your thanks to God

Try not to feel proud or entitled about your blessings.

Tell other people about God.

Sing praises to God if you're musically inclined



In the United States, Flag Day is celebrated on June 14. It commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States on June 14, 1777, by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. The Flag Resolution, passed on June 14, 1777, stated: "Resolved, That the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation."

The United States Army also celebrates the U.S. Army birthday on this date; Congress adopted "the American continental army" after reaching a consensus position in the Committee of the Whole on June 14, 1775.

