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 MASS OF THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

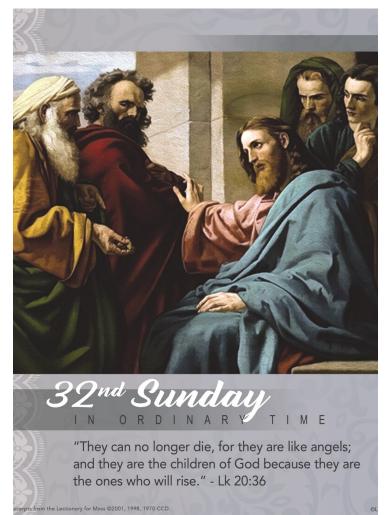
NOV. 10, 2019

From Father Michael:

Marriage of Heaven and Earth

An ancient image of the mystery of the Incarnation is that of a marriage between God and humanity. This image has roots in the writings of the prophets. Through the prophet Isaiah, for example, the Lord speaks to Israel, saying that "Asa young man marries a virgin, / your Builder shall marry you; / And as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride / so shall your God rejoice in you" (Isaiah 62:5). For the prophets, Israel was the Lord's betrothed—the one the Lord took to himself and for himself. Israel was the one to whom the Lord chose to be united—forever!

Of course, this image finds its greatest expression in the Incarnation. In this mystery God has forever united himself to his people. In the mystery of God becoming one with us-by becoming one of us, in all ways but sin-God has once again claimed us as his own. In Christ Jesus, God has married us-united to us in a bond that can't be severed. Because of this commitment, this bond, nothing can ever again separate us from the love and faithfulness of God. Not even death! This image of God's marriage to humanity is also an eschatological symbol (that is, it is a symbol of the end times). In his return in glory, Christ the bridegroom will come at the end of time to take his bride the Church. Heaven is imaged as the great, eternal wedding banquet where the unity between God and humanity, which will be whole and complete upon the return of Christ in glory, will be celebrated forever.-Written by D. Todd Williamson.



Questions of the Week:

<u>Adults:</u> When bad things happen, how do you deal with them?

<u>Children</u>: Has someone in your family or among your friends died? Do you think about that person in heaven? What do you hope to talk about with this person?

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WEEK OF NOVEMBER 10, 2019

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Office hours: 7 am—2pm Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

7am -Noon 4pm-8:30 pm Wednesday 7am-11am Friday

MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon	No Mass	0:00 am
Tue	Joan Burns	9:00am
Wed	Donna Davis	(Blencoe)7.30am
Thurs	NO Mass	0:00am
Fri	Pleasantview NH	10:00 am
Sat	No Mass	0:00 pm
Sun	Paulette Rice	9:00am

CONFESSION: SUNDAY 8:30 AM-8:45 AM

Calendar of Events Tuesday, December 3

Knights of Columbus Meeting @ 7 pm

Wednesday, December 4

Confessions open to Parishioners @ 7:30 pm

Stewardship St. John 11/3/19 St. Bernard

Envelopes/Loose \$ 759.00 \$ 65.00

building \$ 60.00

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E-offering \$ 558.99 Needy Fund \$ 274.60 **Total:** \$ **1717.59**

St. John Registered Families.....185

ST. JOSEPH

MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon	No Mass	0:00am
Tue	No Mass	0:00am
Wed	No Mass	0.00am
Thurs	Sue Lamoureux	9:00am
Fri	No Mass	0:00 pm
Sat	Parishioners of Sts.Joseph, John & B	ernard4:00 pm
Sun	Bud Brassfield	11:00 am

Confession: Sat. 3:30pm-3:45pm / Sun. 10:30 am- 10:45 am

STEWARDSHIP 11/2-11/3 -ST. JOSEPH

\$ 3032.00 Loose: \$ 546.00 Envelopes: Debt reduction Candles: \$ 30.00 \$ 250.00 E-offering: \$ 178.00 Maintenance \$ 50.00 Cemetery \$ Mow & Snow \$ 325.00 Food Pantry \$ 50.00 All Souls \$ 278.00 St. Joseph Ed \$ 35.00 All Saints \$ 243.00

TOTAL: \$ 5015.00

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ST. JOHN NOVEMBER 17						
LECTORS	SERVERS	EMS	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS		
Amy Maule	Addalyn Lahr	Fran Tramp- Elmwood	Todd & Donna Messerole	Gabe Madsen, Terry		
ROSARY	Brooklynn Pekarek	Mary Tramp- Homebound	Greeters	Madsen, Mike Beck		
Grace Fouts	Derrick Crawford	Pauline Zima	Terry & Anita Madsen	Volunteer		
ST. JOSEPH NOVEMBER 16—17						
LECTORS	SERVERS	EMS	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS		
16 -Kathy Baker	16- J.T. Dewald	16 -Kathy Baker	16-Pete & Marge Rinaldi	16- Bert Ullrich		
17 - Kathy Spohr	Jackson Dewald Joseph Dewald	Tom Becker Paula Olson	17—Ryan Willis Family	Aaron & Kelsi Skatges Landen Schuetz		
16—Rosary Kathy Baker	17-Savannah Selig	17—Judy Milos	16 - Greeters Aaron & Kelsi Skatges	17—Ron & Margaret Wood		
17-Mike & Lori Donnelly	Braden Hensley Joliegh Hensley	Joni Greder Deanna Smith	17- Eric & Victoria Eliason Family	Don & Carla Cleveland		
Stewards	Steve & Kathy Spohr	Homebound	Deanna Smith Greg Heisterkamp	<u>Liturgy/ Word</u> Margaret Wood		

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, Maryann Muller, 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 those who have already made a gift to the 2019 Together As One campaign. Your gift will make a difference in someone's life. As of 10/29/19 we have received a total of \$6140.00 in gifts and pledges. If you have not yet made a donation, it's not too late! Prayerfully consider a gift. No contribution, no act of charity is ever too small or insignificant. We are truly coming Together As One to meet our goal! Thank you in advance for your generosity and your contribution to keeping our Catholic community strong.

I have been getting al lot of requests for Father O'Kane's address. Here it is:

Father Patrick O'Kane St. John Vianney Retirement Center 7323 Shirley St Apt # 208 Omaha, Ne 68124-1739

Just For Laughs

Baseball Heaven:

Two old guys, Abe and Sol, are sitting on a park bench feeding pigeons and talking about baseball, like they do every day. Abe turns to Sol and says, "Do you think there's baseball in heaven?" Sol thinks about it for a minute and replies, "I dunno. But let's make a deal: if I die first, I'll come back and tell you if there's baseball in heaven, and if you die first, you do the same." They shake on it and sadly, a few months later, poor Abe passes on. One day soon afterward, Sol is sitting there feeding the pigeons by himself when he hears a voice whisper, "Sol... Sol..." Sol responds, "Abe! Is that you?" "Yes it is, Sol," whispers Abe's ghost. Sol, still amazed, asks, "So, is there baseball in heaven?" "Well," says Abe, "I've got good news and bad news." "Gimme the good news first," says Sol. Abe says, "Well... there is baseball in heaven." Sol says, "That's great! What news could be bad enough to ruin that!?" Abe sighs and whispers, "You're pitching on Friday."

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH-

ES: Father O'Kane, Fran Mitchell, Nainna Gnat, Jeri Greiner, Mike Franken, David Bogenrief, Linda Donnelly, Sue LaCroix, Pam Dailey, Bryson Harder, Justin Lamoureux, Sophie Helvey, Doreen Becker, Kathy Spohr, Glenda Ullrich, Roger Huot, Tristan Parks, Colleen Ebner ,Bailey Cleveland, Christian Case, Brady Worrell, Cal Worrell, Connie Wagner, Kathy Clayton, Helen Martin, Lela Reisch, Stella Serviss, Gerrie Lamoureux, Rita Brassfield, Darrell Lux, Dan Sanem. 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 .Please pray for Carter Holzerland

TOGETHER AS ONE GOAL IS \$18,737, LET'S MEET OUR GOAL THIS YEAR, TO DATE WE ARE AT \$9095.00 LET'S GET THIS ONE DONE !!!!! HIT OUR GOAL AND THE DIOCESE WILL TURN TO ST. JOSEPH'S, \$8,075 AND WE COULD USE THIS TO HELP PAY THE DEBT OFF......

CHOIR PRACTICE IS ON WEDNESDAY EVENING AT 6:45PM ALL SING-ERS WELCOME SEE YOU THERE......

YOUTH GROUP meets the 2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month, from 6:30pm to 8:00pm See you There!!!!

YOUTH GROUP is looking for scrap lumber for a craft project. Call Greg 712-444-4833 for questions/ or drop off. Thank you.

CHURCH DECORATING The decorating committee will be working on Christmas decorations and need your help. We will be putting decorations together every Sunday afternoon from 2:00 pm to 5:00pm in one of the classrooms downstairs. Starting Sunday November 10th through December 22nd, Margaret Wood (251-3834) will have projects that require many hands to prepare. This is a great opportunity to get volunteer hours for Confirmation students or if you just want to be a part of the preparation. Stop by for an hour or join us every Sunday—the help would be much appreciated. Thanks Margaret.

Big Thank You to John Kluver for getting everything ready for winter, prayer garden front of church is all cleaned up fountain covered and he had everything looking so beautiful all summer long, thanks again John from all of us at St. Joseph's.

Thanks to Kenny Miller and Mary Kay for keeping the West side of church looking good all summer and to Kenny for cleaning it all up for the winter, Thanks again to both of you

Last but not least thanks to Denny Brouillette for getting all the water's shut off for the winter and for his countless trips in helping whenever we need it Lavonne trained those five boys well. Thanks again Denny.

ALL SOULS REMEMBERED Deceased members of The Vogt family, the Leahy family, the Olson family, Roger & Kathyrn Huot, Jim & Dolores O'Keefe, Karen Kucera, Deceased members of the Huot family, O'Keefe Family, Darlene & Dayle Ellis, Bonnie Parker, Ken Washburn, Rose Rush, Our Grandparents, Earl & Helen Putnam, Agnes Wickencamp, Marlin Heggen, Connor M. Norgelas, Nick Steinhoff, Howard & JoAnn Doerneman, Merll Doerneman, Marlyn Ganzhorn, Harold Ganzhorn, James & Marcella Tracy, Kenneth Tracy, Agatha Tracy, please remember all the souls of the departed during the month of November especially the most forgotten souls in purgatory.

The weekend of November 23-24, our parishes will be hosting "Holy Land Art " products. These are olivewood carvings from the Holy Land and make great gifts for the holidays. Please plan on browsing thru their collection before/after Mass on this weekend.

Saint Margaret of Scotland, also known as Margaret of Wessex, was an English princess and a Scottish queen. Margaret was sometimes called "The Pearl of Scotland". Born in exile in the Kingdom of Hungary, she was the sister of Edgar Ætheling, the shortly reigned and uncrowned Anglo-Saxon King of England. Margaret and her family returned to the Kingdom of England in 1057, but fled to the Kingdom of Scotland following the Norman conquest of England in 1066. By the end of 1070, Margaret had married King Malcolm III of Scotland, becoming Queen of Scots. She devoted her life to helping & feeding the poor and establishing the Catholic faith in Scotland. She died at the age of 48 in 1093. She is the patron saint of large families and Scotland.+++++++++++++++++

In 1595, the Orthodox bishop of Brest-Litovsk in present-day Belarus and five other bishops representing millions of Ruthenians, sought reunion with Rome. John Kunsevich—who took the name Josaphat in religious life—was to dedicate his life, and die for the same cause. Born in what is now Ukraine, he went to work in Wilno and was influenced by clergy adhering to the 1596 Union of Brest. He became a Basilian monk, then a priest, and soon was well known as a preacher and an ascetic.

Despite warnings, he went to Vitebsk, still a hotbed of trouble. Attempts were made to foment trouble and drive him from the diocese: A priest was sent to shout insults to him from his own courtyard. When Josaphat had him removed and shut up in his house, the opposition rang the town hall bell, and a mob assembled. The priest was released, but members of the mob broke into the bishop's home. Josaphat was struck with a halberd, then shot, and his body thrown into the river. It was later recovered and is now buried in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. He was the first saint of the Eastern Church to be canonized by Rome.

