

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-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOV. 17, 2019

From Father Michael:

The Circle is Complete

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks today of the end times: "There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues from place to place" (Luke 21:11). Jesus is describing to his listeners the end of the world—the end times.

Notice that today's Gospel comes from the twenty-first chapter of Luke. Now go back to the first Sunday of Advent, almost a year ago. Look at the Gospel that was proclaimed as the new liturgical year began. See that it was the twenty-first chapter of Luke? At that time we heard Jesus say, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on earth, nations will be in dismay, perplexed by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will die of fright in anticipation of what is coming upon the world" (Luke 21:25-26). We have come full circle; the liturgical year will be almost complete. Next week we will celebrate the solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the King. After that we will begin a brand new year—a new liturgical year, a new year of grace.

Rather than seeing a frightening picture of dire predictions in today's Gospel, we who have faith realize that we have been baptized into Christ's promised return in glory. In this we see the culmination of all the ancient promises of God: that one day Christ will return to establish his great kingdom of peace and justice.

The descriptions we hear in today's Gospel are not of some terrible end to the world as we know it. Rather, they are the descriptions of the dawn of a brand new world, a brand new way of living, a brand new way of being alive—alive forever in Christ Jesus.

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33rd Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed." - Lk 21:16-18

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

Questions of the Week:

Adults: When bad things happen, how do you deal with them?

Children: Have you ever worried about something that might happen? What can help you worry less?

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 17, 2019

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

MASS SCHEDULE :

Mon No Mass..... 0:00 am
 Tue Darlene Ellis.....9:00am
 Wed Frank & Martha Heisterkamp.....Blencoe.....7.30am
 Thurs NO Mass.....0:00am
 Fri Paul Benjamin.....9:00 am
 Sat No Mass.....0:00 pm
 Sun Joan Burns –Richard Paseka.....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 11/10/19 St. Bernard

Envelopes/Loose building	\$ 1197.50	\$ 270.00
St. Joseph Ed Soc.	\$ 11.00	
E-offering	\$	
Needy Fund	\$ 40.00	
Grain	\$ 1510.98	
Total:	\$ 3029.48	

St. John Registered Families.....185

ST. JOSEPH

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon No Mass.....0:00am
 Tue No Mass.....0:00am
 Wed No Mass.....0.00am
 Thurs Sister Dolores Ullrich.....9:00am
 Fri No Mass.....0:00 pm
 Sat Parishioners of Sts.Joseph, John & Bernard..4:00 pm
 Sun Betty Bauerly.....11:00 am

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

STEWARDSHIP 11/9–11/10 —ST. JOSEPH

Envelopes:	\$ 1932.00	Loose: \$ 191.27
Debt reduction	\$ 320.00	Candles: \$ 13.00
E-offering:	\$ 295.70	Maintenance \$
Cemetery	\$	Food Pantry: \$ 20.00

TOTAL: \$ 2771.97

St. Joseph Registered Families209
 St. Joseph Debt August 2019.....\$ 72,000.00
 St. Joseph Debt April 2017.....\$324, 880.66

ST. JOHN NOVEMBER 24

LECTORS	SERVERS	EMS	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS
Janet Ryan	Ava Stangel	Glen Coble– Elmwood	Charlie & Terry Framke	Chuck Orsini, Darin
ROSARY	Kaci Miller	Jeff Pratt- Homebound	Greeters	Crawford, Daryl Reicks
Grace Fouts	Abby Wessel	Amy Maule	Gary & Linda Ellis	Jim Niewohner

ST. JOSEPH NOVEMBER 23–24

LECTORS	SERVERS	EMS	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS
23-Mike Donnelly	23-Eli Gehling	23-Doreen Becker	23-Jacob & Sheli Goodin	23-Bert Ullrich
24- Judy Milos	Kaitlyn Skatges Lawson Schuetz	Tom Becker Paula Olson	24-Ron & Margaret Wood	Tom & Doreen Becker Landen Schuetz
23-Rosary Dorothy Putnam	24-Joshua Brady	24-Linda Adkins	23 - Greeters Jacob & Sheli Goodin	24-Eric & Kyle Eliason
24-Mike & Lori Donnelly	Jaxton Johnson Kylee McDermott	Brenda Hinrickson Mary Kay Miller	24- Ryan Willis Family	John & Heather Hensley
Stewards ➡	Ken & Mary Kay Miller	Homebound ➡	Mary Kay Miller Pam Eliason	Liturgy/ Word Kathy Jo Mitchell

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 11/6/19 we have received a total of \$6825.00 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. .

Rosary Society: Will be assembling cookie trays for the nursing home and home bound parishioners on Monday, December 9th. Please have your cookies, bars, etc here by 1:30 pm on the 9th. All help is appreciated.

A Christmas Breakfast—hosted by the Knights of Columbus , December 15 after the 9 am Mass.

Father O'Kane's address.

St. John Vianney Retirement Center
7323 Shirley St Apt # 208
Omaha, Ne 68124-1739

Knight of the Month: Marv Maly—for promoting Right to Life and his unequivocal support of parish activities and K of C events.

Family of the Month: Tim & Julie Tropa— for their church support and leadership in promoting the KC annual basketball trip to Omaha.

Just For Laughs

A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, "I know what the Bible means!" His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you 'know' what the Bible means?" The son replied, "I do know!" "Okay," said his father. "What does the Bible mean?" "That's easy, Daddy..." the young boy replied excitedly, "It stands for 'Basic Information Before Leaving Earth.'"

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, 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, 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 \$10675.00 LET'S GET THIS ONE DONE !!!!! HIT OUR GOAL AND THE DIOCESE WILL RETURN 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 SINGERS 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.

VOLUNTEER HELP IS NEEDED Our Parish goes to the Nursing home in Whiting once every three months on Friday, Dorothy Putnam and Ella Belle Peterson and Lela Reisch have been going forever and furnishing cookies , Lela cannot go right now and we need some more help and new faces. Furnish two dozen cookies or go it is very rewarding to help the residents play Bingo and they are so appreciative. We have so many parishioners men and women can go can always use more money counters, ushers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers especially to the Homebound, Greeters. Communion to the Homebound can really use help and once again the people we take Communion to are so grateful if everyone would pitch in the burden would be so much lighter and once again the rewards are endless.

Project Recovery Iowa is partnering with the Iowa Concern Hotline 800-447-1985 for callers to access Project Recovery Iowa services. The hotline is answered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and can also be a place to call for free, confidential, and anonymous stress counseling. Project Recovery Iowa is here to help Assisting individuals and communities recover from the challenging effects of disaster Project Recovery Iowa is a FEMA funded crisis counseling.

**Iowa Concern Hotline
1-800-447-1985**

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November 21st is called the Presentation of Mary, because on this day Joachim and Anna, the holy parents of the Blessed Virgin, consecrated their little daughter to the divine service in the temple at Jerusalem, and Mary consecrated herself to the Almighty. It is the belief of several holy Fathers, that Joachim and Anna, being already advanced in years and having no issue, made a vow to God that if He would bless them with a child, and thus take from them the dishonor of being barren, they would consecrate their offspring to His service in the Temple. God heard their prayer and blessed them so greatly that they became the parents of the most holy of all human beings, Mary, the ever Blessed Virgin. For three years they kept this sacred treasure at home, after which time, although Mary was their only comfort, they resigned her with pious fortitude, in fulfilment of their vow. Hence they went, with their daughter, to Jerusalem, presented her to the priest in the Temple and consecrated her, through his hands, to the service of the Almighty.

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Saint Cecilia is the patroness of musicians. It is written that as the musicians played at her wedding she "sang in her heart to the Lord". Her feast day is celebrated on November 22. She is one of seven women, in addition to the Blessed Virgin, commemorated by name in the Canon of the Mass. Officials exhumed her body in 1599 and found her to be incorrupt, the first of all incorrupt saints.

