THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF







ST BERNARD 201 Main St. Blencoe, IA

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THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

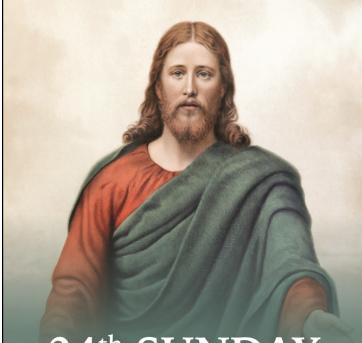
FROM FR. MICHAEL

KEEP WARM AND EAT WELL

Saint James was a strong believer in Social Justice. He illustrates this with a sort of reverse view of Jesus' sermon on the Last Judgment. Christ had taught that our salvation would depend on whether we fed the poor, gave drink to the thirsty, clothed the naked, etc. James builds on this by teaching that, if we ignore those in need, our faith is dead. For example, if someone came to us looking for food and we offered to simply pray for them, we would flunk our test. Do you just wish "good luck" to those in need, or do you make a real difference in the war against poverty?

SIMON CHANGED TO PETER

Some people doubt that Jesus had a sense of humor because there is nowhere in the Gospel that mentions him laughing. But the Lord does make jokes. Unfortunately, many of them are puns that do not translate very well. Today's Gospel is a good example. Jesus changes one of his apostles' names. The alteration is applied to Simon, who is given the name "Cephas" or "Peter". Most people realize that the name "Peter" means "rock" -- but that's not the whole story. In Hebrew the name "Simon" means "little pebble". Jesus makes a pun on this, renaming the "little pebble" to the "rock".



24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." - Mk 8:34b

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

<u>Adults</u>: Do I feel uncomfortable or envious of the gifts of others? What have I learned from these feelings?

<u>Children:</u> How might I respond in a Christian manner to others who have gifts and talents other than I have?

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

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MASS SCHEDULE :

Mon	Mo Mass	0:00 am
Tue	No Mass	0:00am
Wed	Donna Davis	9:00 am
Thurs	No Mass	0:00pm
Fri	Ev Bradshaw Sr	9:00 am
Sat	No Mass	000 pm
Sun	John & Marjorie Zink	9:00 am

Stewardship September 5 (in next week)

Envelopes/loose	\$
building	\$
Retired/infirm	\$
E-offering	\$
Needy Fund	\$
Grain	\$
Flowers	\$
Holy Land	\$
Assumption	\$
St. Bernard	\$
Total:	<u>\$</u>

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon	No Mass	0:00am
Tue	Eileen Topf	9.00am
Wed	No Mass	0:00pm
Thurs	George & Loretta Prince	9:00 am
Fri	No Mass	0:00 am
Sat	Milford Lamoureux Family	4:00 pm
Sun Parishioners of Sts.Joseph, John & Bernard11:00 am		

Stewardship September 5 (in next week)

Envelopes \$	5
Loose:	\$
Candles:	\$
Cemetery PC	\$
E-offering:	\$
Maintenance	\$
Emergency	\$
Food Pantry	\$
Mow & snow	\$
Hall Rental	\$
Retired/irel	\$
Stained / wind	\$
TOTAL:	<u>\$</u>

St. Joseph Registered Families209

Religious Education-Formation News

LEGACY-FATHER -SON RETREAT: SEPTEMBER 19

Announcing the first annual Father-Son Retreat for Middle School boys, sponsored by the Sioux City Vocations Office! Join other students, grades 6-8th, for half a day of fun activities and prayerful reflection, as we deepen our faith and our identity as Catholic Men. Boys are encouraged to attend with their father, step-father, guardian, or grandparent. The retreat will be led by Fr. Shane Deman, vocation director of the Diocese of Sioux City and other invited guest speakers. There is no cost, thanks to the Knights of Columbus. To attend, please RSVP at 712-233-7523 or MichelleS@scdiocese.org

<u>Magnificat Special Event: Retreat at the Cathedral of the Epiphany, September 25th</u> What is it that makes you pray every day? Is your prayer time a to-do list or a relationship builder? Plan to attend a retreat, sponsored by Magnificat of NW Iowa, "Growing in Christ." Our speaker is Fr. Ryan Browning, pastor at St. Thomas More in Elgin, II. This event will be held at the Cathedral of the Epiphany, Sioux City, on September 25th, 8:30-2:00 PM.. Registration fee: \$35.00, includes light breakfast, Iunch and Fr. Ryans prayer booklet. Registration is available at Magnificat-Iowa.com

Rekindle :Sunday, October 17 Carroll Kuemper Catholic High School in Carroll Iowa. REGISTRATION begins @9:45 The event ends at 7:00 pm For all students grades 7 – 12 . Mass, lunch ,supper and a snack will be provided. Keynote speaker Chris Padgett Register before October 1st at your parish If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Rethman @ 712-946-5635

ST. JOHN/ ST. BERNARD SEPTEMBER 12, 2021 ST. JOSEPH

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISHES:

Father Patrick O'Kane, Midge Stanley, Margaret Hansen, Pam Turner, Loretta Simoff, Pete Mortensen, John Heisterkamp, Charlotte Zortman, Florence Ibsgaard, Gina Mortensen, Chris Metzger, Judson Bramow, Anita Gerum & Eddie & Ann Womack. 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

The Knights of Columbus Annual Chicken Dinner is September 26th. Please mark your calendars and plan on having Staleys' chicken for lunch that day. Dine in and take out are available. Check back next week for more information on our dinner!

—Just For Laughs—

A GROUP OF CHESS ENTHUSIASTS CHECKED IN-TO A HOTEL, AND WERE STANDING IN THE LOB-BY DISCUSSING THEIR RECENT TOURNAMENT VICTORIES. AFTER ABOUT AN HOUR, THE MAN-AGER CAME OUT OF THE OFFICE, AND ASKED THEM TO DISPERSE. "BUT WHY?" THEY ASKED, AS THEY MOVED OFF.

"BECAUSE," HE SAID. "I CAN'T STAND CHESS-NUTS BOASTING IN AN OPEN FOYER."

Religious Education-Formation News

, REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WILL BE ON-GOING. PLEASE REGISTER YOUR CHILDREN FOR CLASSES.

CLASSES HAVE BEGUN AND WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING YOUR CHILD JOIN US.

WEDNESDAYS 6:30-7:30

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, Gerrie Lamoureux. Darrell Lux, Richard Hentges ,Paula Wagner. Mary Lue Schnieders, Brian Mareau, Mark Rinaldi , Kathy Stahmer & 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.

We have reached \$ 100,700 of our \$125,000 goal let's try to reach our goal by Christmas as a gift to the Baby Jesus. That would be a great day to finish it and then we can proceed with our project with money in hand.

STAINED GLASS WINDOW FUND DRIVE HAS BEGUN ENVELOPES IN YOUR PACKET OUR GOAL IS \$125,000 I WILL HAVE OUR GOAL SIGN AND WHERE WE ARE AT IN THE VESTI-BULE OF THE CHURCH SO YOU CAN ALL SEE HOW WE ARE DOING. YOUR LETTER IN THE MAIL HAS TOLD YOU ABOUT THE PRO-JECT. ANY QUESTIONS FEEL FREE TO STOP BY THE OFFICE WILL TRY TO ANSWER THEM OR GET THE ANSWER FOR YOU. THANKS AGAIN FOR YOUR SUPPORT EVERY LITTLE BIT COUNTS TOWARD THE BIG GOAL

Iowa-99 County Bible Reading Marathon Once again we are making arrangements for Monona County's participation in the Iowa-99 County Bible Reading Marathon for 2021, as designated by Governor Reynold's Proclamation. The marathon will be held on the Monona County Courthouse's lawn on Tuesday September 14 and Wednesday September 15. The reading time will be anytime between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. The bible will be read by several individuals, simultaneously as assigned, until the entire book is completed. We previously, have had very good response and anticipate the same for this year.

Scripture Studies: The Benedictine Peace Center in Yankton, SD is offering two online Scripture Studies, using the Little Rock Scripture Study created by the Catholic Diocese of Little Rock in Arkansas. Both groups begin Sept. 29, with registration deadline of Sept. 22. S. Doris Oberembt will facilitate The Book of Exodus, part 1, online, Wednesdays, 9:30-11:00 a.m. for 5 weeks. The Gospel of Luke, part 1 will meet Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m. for 6 weeks, also online. For more information and to register, go to https://yanktonbenedictines.org/ online-scripture-study-exodus/ or https://yanktonbenedictines.org/ online-study-gospel-of-luke/ or contact us at BenedictinePeaceCtr@yanktonbenedictines.org / 605-668-6292.

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