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 TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME S

SEPT. 15, 2019

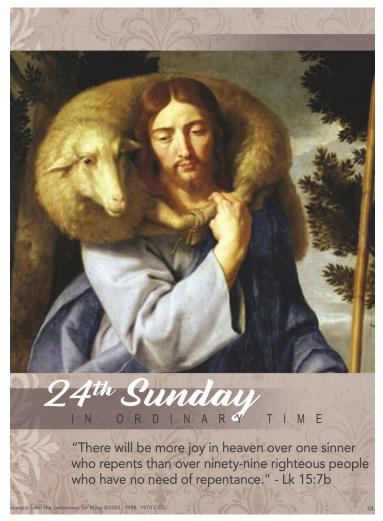
From Father Michael:

An Apostolic Church

On Friday of this week, the Church celebrates the feast of Saint Matthew, an apostle and an evangelist (that is, one of the four authors of the Gospel). Since the earliest years of the Church, we have honored and observed the apostles during the liturgical year. They were the first witnesses to Christ: they were there to hear his teachings, they witnessed his miracles, and they heard his preaching on the kingdom of God. After the Resurrection, and especially after Pentecost, they were the ones who went out into the world and preached about all that they had seen Jesus do and all that they had heard Jesus preach and teach. They were the link between Jesus Christ and the early Church. They still are that for us, in the twenty-first century.

The feast days of the apostles are special days for Catholics. All that we believe in our faith comes to us from the apostles. All that we know of Jesus comes from their experience of him, their memories of what he said and what he did. Our faith is, literally, built upon what they believed of Christ. Because of that, the Church is apostolic. What we profess on Sunday (the Creed) has its roots in the teaching and preaching of the apostles after the death, Resurrection, and Ascension of Christ. So, of course, the days upon which we honor them are observed with a special solemnity, a unique celebration. On these days we remember with reverence the first followers of Christ. We praise God for their witness and for their steadfastness in the faith.

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Questions of the Week:

<u>Adults:</u> When have you persistently sought after a member of your family who has lost his or her way?

<u>Children:</u> Have you ever felt you were not getting credit for your good works? What did you do?

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

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

MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon	No Mass		0:00 am
Tue	John & Marjorie Zink		9:00am
Wed	Joanne Heisterkamp	Blencoe)	7.30am
Thurs	NO Mass		0:00am
Fri	PleasantviewNH		10:00 am
Sat	No Mass		0:00 pm
Sun	Darlene Ellis		9:00am

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

Calendar of Events Sunday, September 15

Knights of Columbus annual Chicken Dinner 11-2

Wednesday September 18

Rosary Society Meeting @ 5 PM First day of Religious Ed Classes

Friday, October 25

Harvest Noon Luncheon

Stewardship	 9/1/19	St. John	9/8/19
Envelopes/Loose	\$ 2522.81		\$ 1371.00
building	\$ 45.00		\$ 5.00
Ret. Rel	\$ 10.00		
E-offering	\$ 466.83		
Needy Fund	\$ 10.00		\$ 40.00
St. Bernard	\$ 280.00		\$ 135.00
Total:	\$ 3334.64		\$ 1551.00

St. John Registered Families.....185

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon	No Mass	0:00am
Tue	No Mass	.0:00am
Wed	No Mass	0.00am
Thurs	NO MASS	0:00am
Fri	No Mass	.0:00 pm
Sat	Parishioners of Sts.Joseph, John & Bernard	4:00 pm
Sun	Bud & Ilene Mareau	11:00 am

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

Calendar of Events

Wednesday September 18

First day of Religious Ed Classes & registration

Sunday, October 6

Commissioning of Religious Ed Teachers

STEWARDSHI	Р	9/1/19—ST.	JOSEPH 9/8/19
Envelopes:	\$	2880.00	\$ 2420.00
Loose:	\$	249.05	\$ 451.82
Debt reduction	n \$	225.00	\$ 280.00
Candles:	\$	48.00	\$ 51.00
E-offering:	\$	120.00	\$ 178.00
Maintenance	\$	20.00	\$ 200.00
Retire.Rel	\$	190.00	\$ 40.00
Food Pantry	\$	100.00	
Mow & Snow	\$	539.00	
Assumption	\$	20.00	
TOTAL:	\$	4391.05	\$3621.82

ST. JOHN SEPTEMBER 22					
LECTORS	SERVERS	EMS	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS	
Mary Tramp	Damien Orr	Larry Derocher - Elmwood	Laura Oliver, Volunteer	Gabe Madsen, Terry	
ROSARY	Andrew Orr	Volunteer- Homebound	Greeters	Madsen,Mike Beck	
Grace Fouts	Jordan Orr	Bianca Derocher	Darin Crawford family	Matt Beaty	
ST. JOSEPH SEPTEMBER 21—22					
LECTORS	SERVERS	EMS	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS	
21-Michelle Mareau	21 -J.T. Dewald	21 -Paula Olson	21-Pete & Marge Rinaldi	21 -Bert Ullrich	
22- Pat Folsom	Jackson Dewald Joseph Dewald	Tom Becker Kathy Baker	22—Ryan Willis Family	Fred & Deb Craig Landen Schuetz	
21—Rosary Kathy Baker	22-Joshua Brady	22—Linda Adkins	21- Greeters Fred & Deb Craig	22–Eric & Kyle Eliason	
22-Mike & Lori Donnelly	Kylee McDermott Kaxton Johnson	Brenda Hinrickson Mary Kay Miller	22- Laura Lewis family	John & Heather Hensley	
Stewards		Homebound	Mary Kay Miller Pam Eliason	Liturgy/ Word	

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

It's here! Let's work <u>Together As One</u> to help support our future. Check your mailboxes this week and make a gift to strengthen our Catholic community. When our parish reaches its goal of \$ 14851.00, our parish will receive \$4235.00 for our use. Last year, over \$414,072 was given back to parishes across the Diocese.

<u>Knight of the Month-Eddie Womack</u> for his contributions to our council as Deputy Grand Knight and Membership Director.

<u>Family of the Month-Knight Fred & Deb Craig</u>— For their contributions to St. Joseph as gift bearers, greeters and their help with funeral meals; also their support of the Knights events and fundraising efforts.

THE KNIGHTS' ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER IS
TODAY, SUNDAY, 9/15 from 11 – 2pm.

EVERYONE IS ASKED TO BUY TICKETS AND COME ENJOY A DELICIOIUS MEAL SERVED BY THE KNIGHTS! Catered by Staley's.)

IF YOU WANT TO BE EVEN MORE INVOLVED, YOU CAN HELP BY
DONATING SALADS OR DESSERTS OF ANY KIND. WE ARE ALWAYS RUNNING SHORT OF THOSE ITEMS SO WHATEVER YOU
CAN CONTRIBUTE WILL BE APPRECIATED.

AT THE CHICKEN DINNER THERE IS ALSO THE COUNTRY STORE. YOU CAN HELP WITH DONATIONS HERE AS WELL. ANYTHING CANNED (JAMS, JELLIES, PICKLES), ANY PRODUCE (CORN, TOMATOES, CARROTS, ETC.), ANY CRAFT ITEMS (PAINTED, CARVED, KNITTED OR CROCHETTED). THE PROCEEDS BENEFIT FR. JOHN (FROM AFRICA) WHO HAS VISITED OUR PARISHES IN THE PAST. OUR ASSISTANCE HELPS HIM SERVE FOUR ARCH-DIOCESES AND SCORES OF SEMINARIANS. The Knights of Columbus donated \$1000.00 & \$500.00 to cover the deductible for the broken stained glass window and toward the tree trimming costs on the church grounds, respectively.

Thank you to all who worked at and /or supported the Knights' Food Booth this past weekend for Ventures. Your help and support is greatly appreciated.

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, Deb McLarty, 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 & Andrew Donnelly

RCIA will begin in September, anyone interested please contact Father or Bev Weikel, 712-428-3707 or Greg Heisterkamp, 712-251-0563. If you know of anyone who is interested In becoming a Catholic please share this information with them.

CRAFT FAIR UPDATE

Sunday, September 22....Mark the Date! Famous Chicken dinner along with a Party on the Lawn! And of course BINGO! Confirmed Vendors for the craft/vendor fair:Hubert Clan—home décor/original art work-farmhouse, the silver Sweadehandmade vintage silverware jewelry Shelia Starr—Tupperware, Annie Bradley—Color Street Nails and jewelry, Jackie Engle—Holiday wreaths and Décor, Marcy Wall—Scentsy, Sheryl Livingston, Hand Crafted Jewelry, Kim Vogt—Amazing crochet and leather earrings, Terri Christensen—Christmas Crafts, Drew Brekke/Lindsay Cole—Board Art, Loretta Prichard—All manners of sewn crafts, Cassie Lee—Pampered Chef, Holly Jorgensen—Thirty One, Mary Herbst—Aprons, Kay Van Eagen—Tastefully Simple.

PLAN TO SUPPORT THESE AWESOME VENDORS!!!! 3 More Pending......

Bazaar, We can always use Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Peppers for the Bazaar also anyone wanting to make extra dessert or salad we turn none away. Thank You.

Deepest sympathy to the family of John Malloy who was buried from our parish. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Thank you to Deb Craig and Mary Johnson and their committee for the lovely lunch for the Malloy family.

Deepest sympathy to Sandra Tracy on the death of her sister Agatha, a former member of St. Joseph's Parish who always came back every Chicken Dinner and worked a full shift and who always help me count money on Christmas afternoon. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Thanks to Bev Weikel and Mary Lynne Nelson and their committee for the nice luncheon for Agatha's funeral. THANK YOU TO THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. JOHN, ST. JOSEPH AND ST. BERNARD PARISHES WHO DO-NATED TO THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS P.I.D. COL-LECTION. YOUR GENEROSITY IS APPRECIATED.

LIFE CHAIN!

Annually, on the first Sunday in October, LIFE CHAIN invites churches in cities & towns across North America to stand in a designated place and pray for 60 minutes. We will be standing in front of the court house on lowa Ave from 2:00 to 3:00 pm on Sunday, October 6. We encourage everyone to attend and spend a hour in prayer for the unborn.

Among the early followers and apostles of Jesus, Matthew is mentioned as a publican or tax collector who, while sitting at the "receipt of custom" in Capernaum, was called to follow Jesus. He is also listed among the twelve, but without identification of his background. In passages, both Mark 2:14 and Luke 5:27 describe Jesus' calling of the tax collector Levi, the son of Alphaeus, but Mark and Luke never explicitly equate this Levi with the Matthew named as one of the twelve.

Levi was a 1st-century Galilean), the son of Alphaeus As a tax collector he would have been literate in Aramaic and Greek. His fellow Jews would have despised him for what was seen as collaborating with the Roman occupation force. After his call, Matthew invited Jesus home for a feast. On seeing this, the Scribes and the Pharisees criticized Jesus for eating with tax collectors and sinners. This prompted Jesus to answer, "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

The New Testament records that as a disciple, he followed Jesus, and was one of the witnesses of the Resurrection and the Ascension of Jesus. Afterwards, the disciples withdrew to an upper room in Jerusalem. The disciples remained in and about Jerusalem and proclaimed that Jesus was the promised Messiah.

Later Church fathers such as Irenaeus and Clement of Alexandria claim that Matthew preached the Gospel to the Jewish community in Judea, before going to other countries. The Roman Catholic Church hold the tradition that Matthew died as a martyr, his feast day is September 21st.

