

## 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 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**JULY 11, 2021**

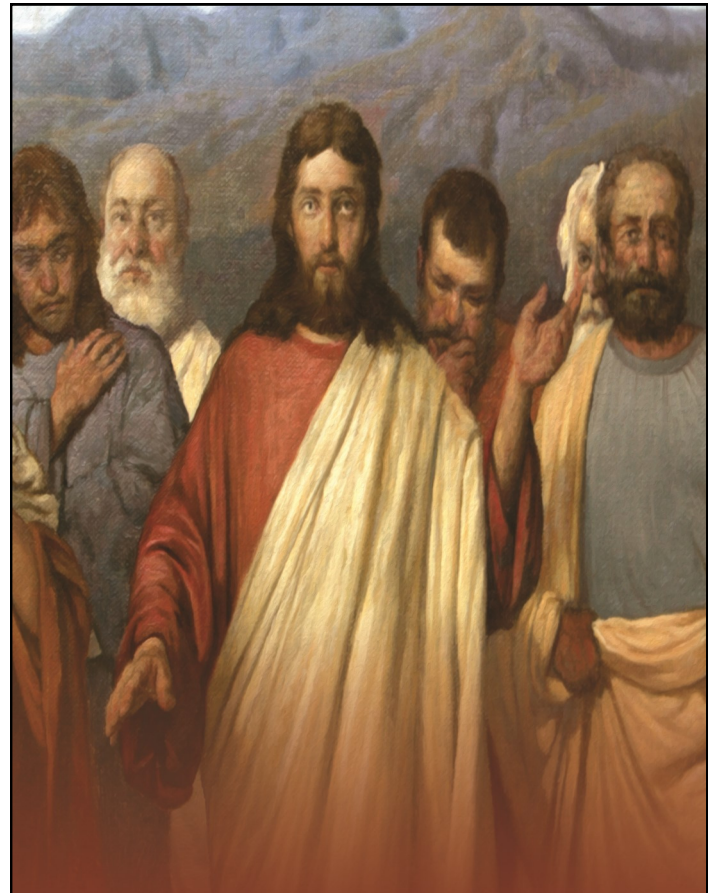
**FROM FR. MICHAEL**

*On July 14 we celebrate St. Kateri Tekakwitha (1656-1680), called the “Lily of the Mohawks,” is the first Native American to have been beatified and was recently canonized a saint. The daughter of a Mohawk chief and a Christian Algonquin, she vowed to live as a virgin. She eventually decided to convert to Christianity after a few encounters with Jesuit missionaries. Her decision to convert was not received well within her community because Christianity was seen as the religion of the oppressors. St. Kateri was a pious woman who attended daily Mass, fasted twice a week, taught children, and cared for the sick. After she died, a number of miracles and visions were attributed to her intercession. Tekakwitha was canonized in 2012.*

**Questions of the Week:**

**Adults:** *How do I see God leading me in my life today? What concrete action can I take to cooperate with God’s guidance?*

**Children:** *What good thing can I do today which will keep me on God’s path?*



## 15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. - Mk 6:7

## WEEK OF JULY 11, 2021

### ST. JOHN / ST. BERNARD

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#### MASS SCHEDULE :

Mon No Mass..... 0:00 am  
 Tue No Mass.....0:00am  
 Wed Thomas Zobel.....9:00 am  
 Thurs No Mass .....0:00pm  
 Fri Maurice Benjamin.....9:00 am  
 Sat No Mass.....0:00 am  
 Sun Thomas Zobel.....9:00 am

#### STEWARDSHIP AMOUNTS ON 18TH,DUE TO 4TH OF JULY,

Envelopes/loose \$  
 building \$  
 Retired/infirm \$  
 E-offering \$  
  
 Needy Fund \$  
 Grain \$  
 Flowers \$  
 Holy Land \$  
 Easter Offering \$  
**St. Bernard \$**  
**Total: \$**

St. John Registered Families.....185

### ST. JOSEPH

**Pastor** Father Michael Erpelding 712-946-5635  
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#### MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon No Mass.....0:00am  
 Tue Glenda Ullrich.....9:00am  
 Wed No Mass.....0:00pm  
 Thurs Cathy Sulsberger,.....9:00 am  
 Fri No Mass.....0:00 am  
 Sat Parishioners of Sts.Joseph, John & Bernard...4:00 pm  
 Sun Bud Mareau.....11:00 am

#### STEWARDSHIP AMOUNTS ON 18TH,DUE TO 4TH OF JULY,

Envelopes \$  
 Loose: \$  
 Candles: \$  
 Cemetery PC \$  
 E-offering: \$  
 Maintenance \$  
 Emergency \$  
 Food Pantry \$  
 Mow & snow \$  
 Hall Rental \$  
 Retired/infirm \$  
 Palm Sunday \$  
 Mothers Day \$  
**TOTAL: \$**

St. Joseph Registered Families .....209

### . JOHN

LECTORS	SERVERS	EMS	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS
		Elmwood		
ROSARY		Homebound	Greeters	

### ST. JOSEPH —

LECTORS	SERVERS	EMS	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS
—Rosary			14- Greeters	
Stewards		Homebound		<u>Liturgy/ Word</u>

**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

Due to foot surgery on Thursday, June 24th, the Church office will be closed for 4-6 weeks. I, (Colleen) will be working from home, so if you have any questions, please call my cell phone # 712-574-1027 and I will do my best to help you. Father will be in the office as his schedule allows. I am sorry for any inconvenience this may cause you. Thank you for your cooperation.

We are looking for a few teachers for our CCD/Religious Ed program, Please pray on this and consider volunteering. We have second grade available and High school. It will be the most rewarding hour that you will spend on a Wednesday evening. Any questions? Call Colleen at 712-574-1027

The Knights of Columbus will operate their food booth during the Monona County fair, July 14-17.

Volunteers are needed.....Family members and parishioners are welcome. Call or text 712-431-6368 to volunteer...Thank you

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*Just For Laughs*

**Way To Go, Einstein...**

When Albert Einstein was making the rounds of the speaker's circuit, he usually found himself eagerly longing to get back to his laboratory work. One night as they were driving to yet another rubber-chicken dinner, Einstein mentioned to his chauffeur (a man who somewhat resembled Einstein in looks & manner) that he was tired of speechmaking. "I have an idea, boss," his chauffeur said. "I've heard you give this speech so many times. I'll bet I could give it for you." Einstein laughed loudly and said, "Why not? Let's do it!" When they arrive at the dinner, Einstein donned the chauffeur's cap and jacket and sat in the back of the room. The chauffeur gave a beautiful rendition of Einstein's speech and even answered a few questions expertly. Then a supremely pompous professor asked an extremely esoteric question about anti-matter formation, digressing here and there to let everyone in the audience know that he was nobody's fool. Without missing a beat, the chauffeur fixed the professor with a steely stare and said: "Sir, the answer to that question is so simple that I will let my chauffeur, who is sitting in the back, answer it for me.

**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, 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.

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 VESTIBULE OF THE CHURCH SO YOU CAN ALL SEE HOW WE ARE DOING. YOUR LETTER IN THE MAIL HAS TOLD YOU ABOUT THE PROJECT. 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.

The next Funeral committee is Chairladies: Rachel Wright, 212-1978, Margaret Wood, 251-3834, assisted by Keri Sample, 204-2805, Erin Schuetz, 301-3192, 253-7633, Rachel Scott, 251-8484, Therese Shook, 253-6116, Janet Siebenaller, 223-0368, Becky Skinner, 898-5143, Janet Steinhoff, 874-3368, 420-1058, Janie Steinhoff, 898-3679, Tammy Stuhrenberg, 943-3305, 490-9583, Beth Tisher, 943-8083, 281-1378, Marilyn Topf, 259-2237, Sandra Tracy, 946-6982, Roxie Maier, 429-3875, 251-3519, Carmen Wagner, 946-5940, 281-2721, Melynda Stokes, 253-4305, Lori Wendt, 428-4308, Susan Whitney, 574-3458, Lisa Willis, 251-4427, Ashley Worrell, 251-5688, McKinzi Worrell, 870-1336, Kylie Wilmes, 402-640-7569, Janet Yanak, 946-5439, Lindsey Hansen, 253-6868, Deb Johnson, 899-0221, Jill Hanner, 402-650-3865, Jessica Johnson, 560-6646, Nila Hesse, 870-4122.

YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE "MADE FOR GREATNESS" will take place on July 31st, at St. Joseph's Church in LeMars, Iowa 605 Plymouth St. E, The day will include keynote speakers, breakout sessions---including a breakout room for board gamers, small group discussions with young adults from the same area, food trucks, happy hour with drinks from the local brewery in the evening and adoration and confession with praise and worship. All young adults in their 20's to 30's single, married Catholic, Non-Catholic. Young adults are the most under-reached demographic in the church. Our goal is to reach them, by providing a place where they can discover more about the faith, grow in holiness, find community, or answer any questions about the church. Sign up today only \$10 register on line at [scdiocese.org/madeforgreatness](http://scdiocese.org/madeforgreatness) Registration ends July 24th.



## St. Kateri Tekakwitha

**Kateri Tekakwitha** (pronounced [ˈgaderi dega ˈgwita] in Mohawk), given the name Tekakwitha, baptized as Catherine <sup>[2][3]</sup> and informally known as Lily of the Mohawks (1656 – April 17, 1680), is a Catholic saint who was an Algonquin–Mohawk laywoman. Born in the Mohawk village of Ossernenon, on the south side of the Mohawk River in present-day New York State, she contracted smallpox in an epidemic; her family died and her face was scarred. She converted to Catholicism at age nineteen, when she was baptized and given the Christian name Kateri in honor of Catherine of Siena. Refusing to marry, she left her village and moved for the remaining five years of her life to the Jesuit mission village of Kahnawake, south of Montreal on the St. Lawrence River in New France, now Canada.

Kateri Tekakwitha took a vow of perpetual virginity. Upon her death at the age of 24, witnesses said that her scars vanished minutes later, and her face appeared radiant and beautiful. Known for her virtue of chastity and mortification of the flesh, as well as being shunned by some of her tribe for her religious conversion to Catholicism, she is the fourth Native American to be venerated in the Catholic Church and the first to be canonized.

Under the pontificate of Pope John Paul II, she was beatified in 1980 and canonized by Pope Benedict XVI at Saint Peter's Basilica on 21 October 2012.<sup>[</sup>Various miracles and supernatural events are attributed to her intercession.

I am not  
my own;  
I have given  
myself to Jesus.  
He must be my  
only love.

—St. Kateri Tekakwitha



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**ST. KATERI  
TEKAKWITHA**

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JULY 14