

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 SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 17, 2021

From Father Michael

We begin “Ordinary Time” this week. The liturgical time following Epiphany and Pentecost is known as Ordinary Time. Rather than meaning “common” or “mundane,” this term comes from the word “ordinal,” which simply means counted time (First Sunday after Pentecost, etc.), which is probably a better way to think of this time of the year. Counted time after Pentecost always begins with Trinity Sunday (the first Sunday after Pentecost) and ends with Christ the King Sunday or the Reign of Christ the King (last Sunday before the beginning of Advent).

Ordinary Time, the longest portion of the church year, fills the weeks which do not celebrate a specific aspect of the mystery of Christ. It's the no-particular-reason season.

The Christmas cycle honors the birth of Christ. The Easter cycle rejoices in the resurrection. Ordinary Time is devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its aspects.

Questions of the Week:

Adults: *In the gospel today, John tells us who Jesus is for him. If someone were to ask you, how would you answer this question: Who Jesus is for you?*

Children: *If someone were to ask you, “who is Jesus?” how would you answer?*



2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, “Behold, the Lamb of God.” The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. - Jn 1:35-37

WEEK OF JANUARY 17, 2021

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MASS SCHEDULE :

Mon No Mass.....0:00 am
 Tue Connie McBride.....9:00am
 Wed Gary Harter.....(Blencoe)..7:30 am
 Thurs No Mass0:00pm
 Fri Betty Hartigan.....9:00 am
 Sat No Mass.....0:00 am
 Sun Joe Fouts.....9:00 am

Stewardship January 10

Envelopes/Loose \$ 1150.00
 building \$ 25.00
 Candles \$
 E-offering \$ 789.70
 Needy Fund \$ 50.00
 Grain \$
 Christmas Offering \$
 Cath. Charities \$
 Kirby Memorial \$
St. Bernard \$ 270.00

Total: \$ 2284.70

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 Rev. Raymond Wieling.....9:00 am
 Fri No Mass.....0:00 am
 Sat Dorothy Hubert..... 4:00 pm
 Sun Parishioners of Sts.Joseph, John & Bernard..11:00 am

STEWARDSHIP JANUARY 10

Envelopes \$ 2315.00
 Loose: \$ 104.00
 Candles: \$ 37.00
 Cemetery PC \$
 E-offering: \$ 288.02
 Maintenance \$ 100.00
 Emergency \$ 5.00
 Food Pantry \$
 Mow & snow \$
 Christmas Off \$
 Aid to Churches \$ 100.00
 Catholic Char \$ 50.00
 Floor & Window \$ 2100.00
 Solemnity of Mary \$ 75.00
TOTAL: \$ 5179.02

St. Joseph Registered Families209

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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

Knight of Month: Fr. Michael Erpelding for his dedication to serving the parishioners of St. John and St. Joseph as priest and our Diocese as a JCL.

Family of the Month: Pete & Fran Mortensen for their many contributions (e.g., ticket table at KC events; Senior Center bingo, etc.) to our council, church and community.

Please remember to return & pick up your packets for Religious Ed. Until further notice, classes for the 8-12 graders with Father have been canceled.

It is not too late to give. If we do not make our goal, the diocese will bill our Parish for the remainder of the amount. Our goal amount is \$15,965. We are at 60% of our goal. Let’s work Together As One to help support our future. With your help, we will get there. You can give online, at www.scdiocese.org .

—————*Just For Laughs*—————

A LITTLE GIRL WAS TALKING TO HER TEACHER ABOUT WHALES. THE TEACHER SAID IT WAS PHYSICALLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR A WHALE TO SWALLOW A HUMAN BECAUSE EVEN THOUGH A WHALE IS A VERY LARGE MAMMAL, ITS THROAT IS VERY SMALL. THE LITTLE GIRL STATED THAT JONAH WAS SWALLOWED BY A WHALE. THE TEACHER REITERATED THAT A WHALE COULD NOT SWALLOW A HUMAN, IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE. THE LITTLE GIRL SAID, "WHEN I GET TO HEAVEN I WILL ASK JONAH". THE TEACHER ASKED, "WHAT IF JONAH WENT TO HELL?" THE LITTLE GIRL REPLIED, "THEN YOU ASK HIM!"

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, Glenda Ullrich, Stella Serviss, Gerrie Lamoureux. Darrell Lux, Richard Hentges ,Paula Wagner.& Carol 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.

PARISHIONERS TOGETHER AS ONE IS UNDERWAY, WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT MORE NOW THAN EVER. EVERYONE NEEDS TO PITCH IN TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESS, IF YOU HAVEN’T DONE SO PLEASE CONTRIBUTE EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS. THANK YOU!!!! Our goal is a Big One \$20,142.00 but we are up to it. If we succeed we will receive \$8681 dollars back to us. We have reached \$16,815.00 a little over 75% but we need more. Let’s get this done.....Were getting closer we can do it just a little more!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Deepest sympathy to Robert Dandurand family on the loss of his wife Cherie she will be greatly missed but never forgotten for all her work with the Boys Scouts, Volleyball , fabulous teacher, and she was my go to for funerals, Richard and Eddie served faithfully through their Senior Year serving funerals during school time, summer time anytime I called their mom it was yes they’ll be there don’t think saying no was in her vocabulary. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE UPGRADES, For those of you not attending Mass on Saturday or Sunday, we are trying to do some repairs to the church, by replacing the basement windows which have deteriorated over the last 125 years and this project would help with the cooling and heating of the building. Also we would like to replace the floor in the Parish Center, it is very hard to maintain and keep looking nice and the new floor would not get scratched by the chairs or tables when moving them and would be very easy to maintain and look nice. Half the money is here, another \$20,000 would get both projects done. If everyone pitches in we can do this just send money in, drop it off at the office or put in collection box, mark your envelope for Special collection. Thank you in advance for whatever you can do. Make this your late Christmas Gift to the Baby Jesus. The Tabernacle Society has donated \$9,000 towards this project and the Jim Konz Memorial fund donated \$1,000.

TABERNACLE SOCIETY DUES are due at the First of the Year since we no longer have meetings or monthly Circles. Last year only 67 ladies paid their dues, this is not even 50 per cent of the Ladies in the Parish. For new parishioners the Dues are used for First Communion, Confirmation Funeral Dinner expenses, etc. They are only \$15 would be nice to see 100% cooperation from our ladies. Thank You in advance.

CHRISTMAS TREE IS MISSING FROM THE CHOIR LOFT A NICE 7 FOOT ARTIFICIAL TREE, IF ANYONE KNOWS ITS WHEREABOUTS CONTACT THE OFFICE. John Kluver has donated many of these trees over the past years and each year we seem to be missing one. They are huge and takes two to carry them down so please if anyone knows anything about their disappearance please let me know. Thank You.

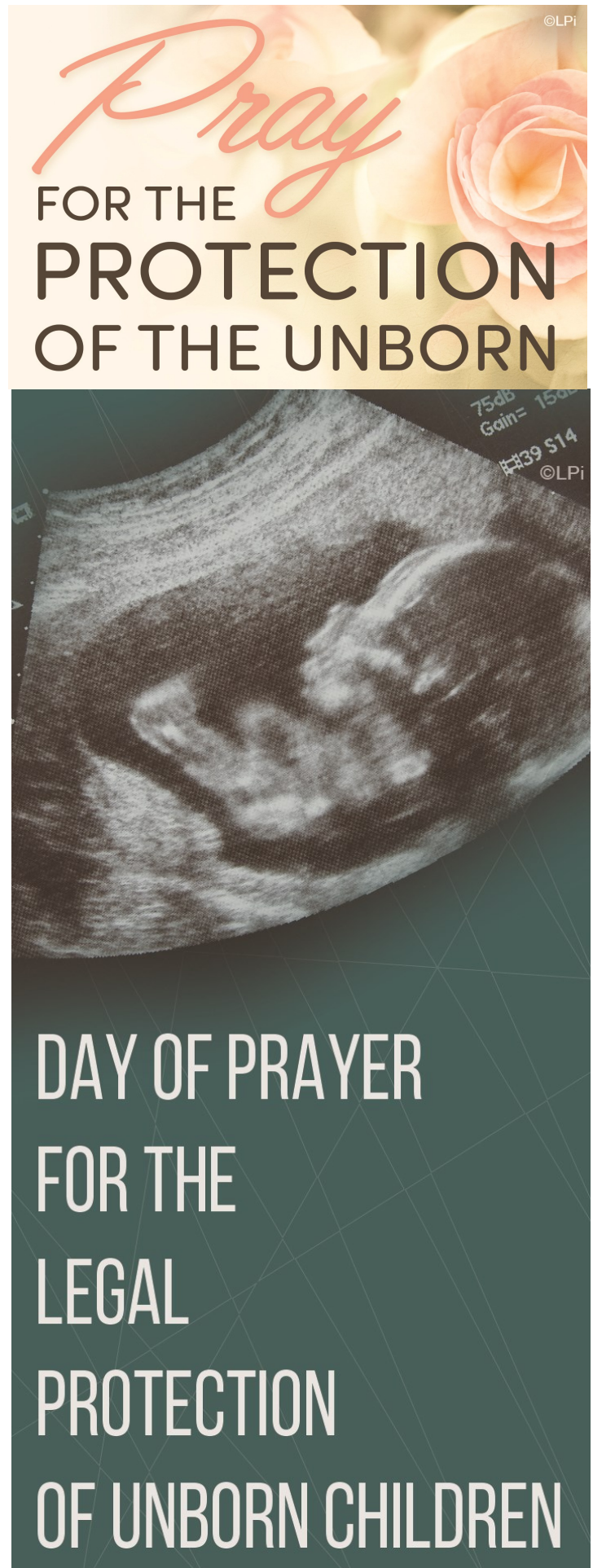
A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. Through special initiatives and in daily prayer, may an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and lover of life, from every Christian community, from every group and association, from every family and from the heart of every believer.

*Pope Saint John Paul II
Evangelium Vitae*

The over 60 million abortions since the 1973 decisions of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton reflect with heartbreaking magnitude what Pope Francis means by a “throwaway culture.” However, we have great trust in God’s providence. We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord’s help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the “Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children”: “In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.”

As individuals, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and/or giving alms. Another way to take part is through participating in special events to observe the anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Call your local diocese or parish to find out what events might be taking place in your area.



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OF THE UNBORN

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