

ALL SAINTS

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL



Love God • Serve Others • Form Disciples



**November 2 & November 3, 2024;
Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Whoever loves
me will keep my word,
says the Lord; and my
father will love him and
we will come to him.*

John 14:23

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday	8:00 am
Wednesday	8:00 am
Thursday	8:30 am
Friday	8:00 am

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart...



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Please Pray for the Following People

(*Why people want prayers isn't important, the prayers are!*)



Mark Dougherty, Kim Witte, and John Creen.

Parishioners & Family Members on Active Duty:

Matthew Reitzel



To add a name call Dan Alpers, at 363-6130, ext. 100. Names will be listed for four weeks and may be renewed. †, Recently deceased will be listed for two weeks.

Stewardship Corner



What percentage does God ask of me as a good steward? All of my heart, all of my soul, all of my mind, and all of my strength!

A Weekly Tip on Caring for Our Common Home



Buy reusable mesh bags to use for fresh produce items when you are grocery shopping. That will eliminate the need to use the grocer's plastic produce bags, which are difficult to recycle. Mesh bags, available from a number of retailers, can be laundered and kept with your reusable grocery bags for convenience.

OCIA (Previously Known as RCIA)



Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) OCIA (previously "RCIA") is a journey to explore becoming Catholic. It includes discovery, prayer, learning, questioning, and becoming part of the parish community. For individuals who choose to remain on the journey, it culminates in the reception of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist. For more information, visit our website or contact Bob Lillibridge at adultformation@allsaintscr.com or 319-363-6130 ext. 109



Everyday Metanoia



It can be challenging at times to interpret the meaning or intent behind some of what Jesus says. That is why he used parables so much - he was able to communicate ideas through the everyday situations of life that his listeners could easily understand. In Matthew 5:17 Jesus says to the disciples, "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets. I have not come to abolish them, but to fulfill them." This has been an idea that I have struggled with: to find the core of what Jesus was trying to teach. Apparently the cliché you can't teach an old dog new tricks is not true, though, because when the thought popped into my head to compare the first commandment as given to Moses in the book of Exodus to our Gospel reading from Mark today, the light bulb went on.

God delivered the commandments to Moses on the third day after arriving at the desert of Sinai. After traveling up and down Mount Sinai relaying messages back and forth between the people and God, Moses received all ten of the commandments. (Note: I am using the New American Bible personal study translation because the contrast is more apparent.) From Exodus 20:2-6: "I, the Lord, am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me. You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything in the sky above or on the earth below or in the waters beneath the earth; you shall not bow down to them or worship them. For I, the Lord, your God, am a jealous God, inflicting punishment for their fathers wickedness on the children of those who hate me, down to the third and fourth generation; but bestowing mercy down to the thousandth generation, on the children of those who love me and keep my commandments."

In the Gospel of Mark today, when Jesus is asked by the scribe to rank the commandments, he replies, "The first is this: Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

Within the Exodus version of the commandment we find a checklist. In my own life, I have found checklists to be a slippery slope. Now, I am not talking about the to-do list or the errand checklist. I am talking about the checklists that we create for ourselves in the quest to "better" our person and our lives. If we were to create an examination of conscience using the commandment as written in Exodus as the mirror, most of us could easily check the no boxes. Have I carved idols for myself in the shape of any thing in the sky above? No. Have I carved idols for myself in the shape of anything on the earth below? No. Have I carved idols for myself in the shape of anything in the waters beneath the earth? No. Examination done. On to heaven I go. But hang on; not so fast. It is easy to think that Jesus' response to the scribe is his own rendition, but in reality it is taken from the book of Deuteronomy 6:4-6: "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone! Therefore you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength. Take to heart these words which I enjoin on you today." This great Israelite confession of faith is known as the Shema and is still recited every morning and evening in devout Jewish homes. If you are like me, I am very familiar with the Exodus version of the commandments, but am not well versed in the book of Deuteronomy. The study Bible provides the following introduction for the book of Deuteronomy: "The fifth and last book of the Pentateuch is called Deuteronomy, meaning "second law." In reality, what it contains is not new law, but a partial repetition, completion and explanation of the law proclaimed on Mount Sinai." As we have witnessed many times in the Gospel, Jesus was frequently trying to get the people to understand the "heart" or the intent behind the Jewish religious law or to challenge the same because it had no heart. Mary Healy in her commentary on the Gospel of Mark notes that the Torah was full of commandments - 613 of them. "By the time of Jesus, [the Shema] was understood to mean that YHWH is not only the one God of the Jews, but the one and only God of the whole universe. In a world of polytheism, the Jews were the only people to have been granted this earth-shattering insight: there is but one God, who has created all things and who holds all things in existence by his power. His claim on us is therefore total, calling for a total response at every level of our being."

It appears that many of the Israelites, especially those in power, had chosen to focus on the much expanded Exodus checklist of commandments to control and judge others. In his response to the scribe, Jesus in fact did not abolish the law or the prophets. In his response was the reminder of the fulfillment of the law from Exodus: that we are called to love God just as much as He loves us. So when I create those checklists to examine my relationship with God using the heart of the message and not just the letter of the law, my responses are quite different. Have I carved idols for myself in the shape of anything in the sky above? Have I let travel take precedence over my time with the Lord? Have I let daydreams or stories in my head crowd out prayer time? The answer is yes. Have I carved idols for myself in the shape of anything on the earth below? Have I let earthly possessions take control of my heart? Have I used the letter of the law to judge others rather than the heart of the law? The answer is yes. Have I carved idols for myself in the shape of anything in the waters beneath the earth? Have I disrespected our natural world? Have I used resources for my own personal good rather than the good of the community? The answer is yes. This is why Jesus in his reply reminds us we are precious in the eyes of the Lord and in love, He wants to be that precious to us. To do so takes our whole heart, soul, mind and strength - a complete fulfillment of love.

See you at Mass!

Tracy Huk, Business Manager, businessallsaints@gmail.com

2024 Holiday Scrip Schedule

The holiday shopping season is upon us, and gift cards make great gifts!

To pick up your order on:	Place your online order before 8am on:	Drop off your paper order form before 8am on:
Nov 8	Nov 4	Nov 4
Nov 19	Nov 14	Nov 14
Nov 29	Nov 25	Nov 25
Dec 6	Dec 2	Dec 2
Dec 13	Dec 9	Dec 9
Dec 20	Dec 16	Dec 16
Jan 10	Jan 6	Jan 6

The All Saints Scrip Office will be closed Nov 20-24 and Dec 21-Jan 5.

Online orders will be available while the Scrip Office is closed. However, “Pay Coordinator” and “Ship to Coordinator” items will be delayed until the Scrip Office reopens.

Contact Lori at scrip@allsaintscr.com or 319.535.3570 for more details.

Thank-you for supporting All Saints!

All Saints Giving Tree Begins November 17



The All Saints Giving Tree is starting next weekend. The Giving Tree will be online and ornaments will be on the tree. The gifts you choose to purchase will help children and families in the community.



Mission of Presence: How Are We Keeping Our Mission Alive?



For more than 20 years, All Saints has supported our sister parish, Notre Dame de Lourdes, in Belle Fontaine, Haiti. The current state of Haiti is one of utter despair, with surging gang violence, kidnappings, unspeakable acts against women and slow distribution of supplies. This developed alongside the COVID-19 pandemic and has continued. Needless to say, our mission trips to Haiti have halted. The last time we traveled there was 2019.

Despite what is happening in Haiti, we continue our mission – one we have always called a “Mission of Presence.” In the past, that meant spending 10 days living alongside our brothers and sisters, learning about their way of life, praying, playing, laughing and sharing -- both our knowledge of teaching methods and funds to help with student tuition and teacher salaries.

How are we doing that now? Follow our three-week article* series, highlighting the ways we are continuing our mission.

**Full names in the bulletin are being omitted, to protect these individuals from becoming a target, as the bulletin is published online. Please be sure to check out the posters around the church to see names and faces.*

WEEK 3: Communication and Connection

Kelly Loeffelholz

The bonds we make with individuals in our sister parish begin with person-to-person conversations and experiences. So, in this time of restricted travel, we must rely on those bonds more than ever and pray they will hold us through this time. Not unlike when one of your children moves far away, or you move far away from your parents or a dear friend. It takes work and time to keep connected.

On my first trip to Haiti, I met a very special young woman named Jonique. That was 11 years ago. She was about 27 years old. She had recently graduated from a couture (fashion design/sewing) school in Port au Prince and had returned to the village to share her talents with the villagers to help them make a better life.

We reconnected each time I visited. Each time I saw her she was a little older, more mature and more compelled to succeed. She rarely asked for any help from us. However, we regularly sent fabric, sewing supplies, yarn and knitting supplies, even a treadle sewing machine on our sea crates to assist her school.

She is now 38 years old and a treasured, well-educated member of the parish and community. She is the “directress” of the elementary school run by the Sisters in the community, a member of the parish council, teaches baptism and first communion formation classes, heads up the church decorating, and teaches theater to children. All of this while still teaching sewing classes and sewing suits, choir robes, school uniforms and more. She is even building a small house of her own!

I connect with Jonique at least every couple of weeks. She regularly travels to Port au Prince to do errands for the Sisters, who are afraid to travel in the current security climate. She can freely message me while there. She also finds a mountain top that gets a cell signal to communicate while in the village. In continuing these conversations, I can regularly find out about what is happening in one of our villages. She reports on the crops, the celebrations, the bakery, the school and the Sisters that we have come to know and love there. AND SHE SENDS PICTURES!

As co-chair of the Haiti Committee, I have the privilege of being the one to communicate with our friends in Haiti. This includes our Haitian priest at least once a week as well as a few other members of the Notre Dame de Lourdes parish. We even have occasional Zoom sessions with Christopher as our interpreter. Through these communications we are able to manage the business part of the relationship as well as strengthening the friendships and spiritual connections. Continued on next page...

Mission of Presence: How Are We Keeping Our Mission Alive? (cont.)



When we started this mission we had no idea how communications/technologies would change. And we never thought we would be restricted from traveling. So, our “presence” may look different right now but how it makes us feel has not. We feel their presence in our lives, and they feel and know that we have not forgotten them. Through our prayers, we are also present for each other. Every day.

Please continue to support our sister parish with prayer and financial donations.

Donate today at allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/giving

You can also send a check to All Saints, with **HAITI EDUCATION** in the notes line.

Renmen Bondye, Sèvi Lòt Moun, Fòm Disip // Love God, Serve Others, Form Disciples.

Kelly and Jonique during one of our mission trips.



Jonique (standing, far right) and her sewing students display their latest projects.

Mercy Auxiliary Mistletoe Market



November 14, 2024. 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mercy Medical Center – Hallagan Education Center, 701 10th Street SE, Cedar Rapids. Mercy will be transforming into Mistletoe Market to get your Christmas shopping done early and support a local cause. Not only will there be over 40 local vendors booths, but also a bake sale and special holiday items available at the Mercy gift shops. This event is free and open to the public.

Bakers needed!

The Mistletoe Market sponsored by the Mercy Auxiliary is quickly approaching. We need donated baked goods for the Bake Sale portion of the Market and would appreciate your help.

A few suggestions:

- nothing that requires refrigeration
- have your items in disposable containers
- baked goods will be packaged for you--items can be dropped off at Mercy from 3-5 on Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 13, in the horseshoe drive by the 10th St. entrance. There will be people there to accept your donation.

Thank you in advance!

(not a baker--cash donations are also acceptable)

Questions – please contact Linda Kelly by email at – hawkeyelinda52@gmail.com

Service to Others

Metro Catholic Outreach



OUR MOST URGENT WEEKLY NEEDS

We are LOW on ALL supplies. Instead of long lists, we will highlight a few needed items each week.

Pantry Needs: Instant Potatoes, Macaroni and Cheese, Plastic Grocery Bags.

Personal Care: Laundry Pods, Shampoo, Dinner Napkins.

Homeless Supplies: Socks, Underwear, Cheese Crackers, Chicken/Tuna Packets.

Let's Help Green Square Meals



HELP!!! We are in desperate need of blankets, coats, sleeping bags, socks, and gloves. It has turned cold quickly and our supply has depleted just as quickly. We are also looking for jeans, sweatpants (for both men and women). Clean out those closets, people. Anything will help. GSM volunteers can pick up, if necessary. Thank you for helping us to keep the homeless community warm and safe. Donations can be dropped off at our location any Monday through Friday from 1-6 pm. Our address is: 605 2nd Ave. SE, Cedar Rapids. Text 319-601-0458 with your address and a good time to pick up if you'd like to have a GSM volunteer come to you.

Advent Wreath Candle Lighting Signup



We are looking for individuals or families to light a candle on the Advent wreath at weekend Masses beginning November 30th. If you are interested, please sign up by following the link listed below. You do not need to register an account to participate.

<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/29920390045/false#/invitation>

Drinks and Discussion



Please join us for two adult formation evenings on Wednesday, November 6 and also on Wednesday, November 13. Both evenings will begin at 6:00 PM in the Social Hall and end by 7:00 PM. Wine, beer and simple snacks will be provided as we take the opportunity to view the keynote addresses given by Bishop Barron and Chris Stefanick at the National Eucharistic Congress held this past summer in Indiana. While there were multiple speakers at the Congress, Bishop Barron and Chris Stefanick both delivered messages that were dynamic and relatable to our parish. I hope that you will take this opportunity to strengthen your relationship with the Eucharist and with your All Saints community. If you have any questions, please email me at businessmgr@allsaintscr.com - I hope to see you there!

Tracy Huk, Business Manager

What is a Sacristan?



A Sacristan is the person that makes the necessary preparations for liturgical activities and assists other liturgical ministries at the Mass.

Their responsibilities include preparing the altar, bread, wine, linens, and vessels before Mass. After Mass the wine and linens are returned to the Sacristy and the vessels are washed, dried and put away.

How much time does this ministry take?

About 15 minutes before and 15 minutes after Mass.

If you are interested in joining or learning more about this ministry, contact Deacon Mike Klappholz at deaconmike@allsaintscr.com



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Mary Pat & Bill

From Archbishop Zinkula



Archbishop Zinkula has issued a statement in advance of the election about the vital role we play as citizens. To learn how Catholic Social Teaching should help us form our consciences and guide our vote in this important election read his statement at dbqarch.org/faithful-citizenship.

What's Your "Secret" to Getting Kids to Behave at Mass?



1. Sit close to the front so kids can see what's happening.
2. Pack a "Mass bag" with beautiful Catholic books and coloring books.
3. Start a tradition of having a small treat after Mass - whether it's lighting a candle, the traditional donut pitstop, or something else your children will look forward to!

Young at Heart



Come join the All Saints' Church members for the Young at Heart Luncheon on Wednesday, November 20, 2024. The speaker for the November meeting will be Sean Ulmer, Executive Director of the Cedar Rapids Art Museum. You will learn about the present art exhibits and the many changing exhibits. Join us and bring a friend. You are bound to enjoy meeting Sean. There is no cost for the meal.

All Saints Foundation



At this time of year, we spend a little extra time remembering loved ones who have died at our annual Remembrance Services. It brings to mind our own end of life planning. Do you have a will in place? Have you communicated your wishes to loved ones? Have you considered including All Saints Parish in your will? Estate gifts benefit the present community, but also is a life-giving gift of financial support for the future generations to lead our parish. If you have any questions about this, please contact Tracy Huk, Business Manager at 319-363-6130 ext 111 or businessmgr@allsaintscr.com. More resources can be found at CFAD@OurCFAD.org.

The Apostle of the Impossible

The Arm of
ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE
is visiting the United States and is coming to
THE STATE OF IOWA

Known as the *Apostle of the Impossible*, Saint Jude is revered for his unwavering dedication and steadfast faith. Millions have experienced his intercession in times of adversity and need.



DATE: Wednesday, November 13, 2024

LOCATION: St. Jude Catholic Church

ADDRESS: 50 Edgewood Rd. NW - Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52405 (319) 390-3520

VENERATION OF THE RELIC BEGINS: 2:00 PM

MASS IN HONOR OF SAINT JUDE: 6:30 PM

VENERATION ENDS: 10:00 PM

CHECK THE WEBSITE BELOW FOR OTHER LOCATIONS



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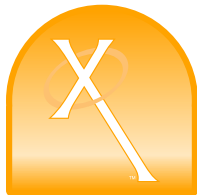


VISIT www.ApostleOfTheImpossible.com FOR COMPLETE DETAILS.



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Xavier Goings On



DISCOVER XAVIER: 8th Grade Student & Parents Invited to 'Xplore All Xavier Has to Offer on November 11th!

8th Grade students and parents are invited to join us for Discover Xavier Night on Monday, Nov. 11th at 7:00 p.m.

Discover Xavier Night is an excellent opportunity to 'xplore and learn about how Xavier positions its graduates for success in any and all post-high school endeavors while forming disciples unafraid to follow Jesus Christ. The evening will feature a presentation, tours, and activities fair. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and program will begin at 7:00 p.m. The Saints Shop will also be open during this event.

All families with students entering Grades 9-12 in the 2025-2026 school year are welcome to attend regardless of where your student currently attends school. For more information, please reach out to Cara Joens at 319-294-6635 ext. 313, cara.joens@crxcs.org or visit www.XavierSaints.org/DXN.



Join Us for Xavier Catholic Schools Fall Fest 2024 on November 15th!

All in our Catholic community are invited to join us on Friday, November 15, 2024 at the DoubleTree in downtown Cedar Rapids for Xavier Catholic Schools' Fall Fest! Fall Fest is a casual, fun-filled evening with casino games, food/dessert stations, signature drinks, silent/live auctions, and more! This event is raising funds to support technology upgrades and technology alignment in our PK-8 schools (All Saints, LaSalle Catholic, St. Joseph, St. Matthew, St. Pius X, Regis) and early learning centers.

Tickets are now on sale and sponsorship/auction donation opportunities are available for businesses! Learn more at CRXCS.org/FallFest.



Xavier Goings On (cont.)



Xavier High School Fall Musical: State Fair!

The Xavier High School Performing Arts Department invites you to experience their production of Rodgers & Hammerstein's State Fair, November 15-17 in the Regis-LaSalle Theatre at Xavier High School!

SHOWTIMES:

Friday, Nov. 15 (7:00 PM)

Saturday Nov. 16 (1:00 PM & 7:00 PM)

Sunday, Nov. 17 (2:00 PM)

TICKETS NOW ON SALE ONLINE:

All tickets are sold online and are \$12 each.

To purchase tickets, head to XavierSaints.org/Tickets.



Service of Remembrance



Please join us for the annual Service of Remembrance on Sunday, November 3 at 1:00 PM. Whether a loved one has died this year or sometime in the past, please come and share a time of prayer and music. Through the Word, music and prayers we will offer our grief to the

Lord and let His healing love come upon us. Refreshments will be served in the Narthex following the service. Please feel free to invite family, neighbors and friends.



Xavier Performing Arts Annual Greenery & Poinsettia Sale



Brighten up your home or office with some holiday cheer! The sale kicks off Friday, November 1st and will run through 9:00am on Friday, November 15th. Profits benefit the Xavier Band and Choral programs and students to be used for their performing arts fees and expenses.

Scan the QR code to order online.

*Items will be delivered before Thanksgiving.

Contact Holly Robe at hrobe@amfam.com or (319) 573-8382 with any questions. Thank you for your support.



Polling Station



The All Saints Social Hall will be transformed on Tuesday, November 5 into a polling station for our community. There will be a lot of extra traffic and people at our location. Please use extreme caution when coming to and from All Saints on this day as many of our guests will be unfamiliar with our property, buildings and parking. We ask that you be a good neighbor and not park in front of driveways. Please exercise your right to vote.



Mass Intentions

Tues. November 5 8:00 am
† Gary Polansky

Wed. November 6 8:00 am
Cunningham/Herman Families

Thurs. November 7 8:30 am
Kim Witte

Fri. November 9 8:00 am
† Don Pfeiler & Scotty Gray

Sat. November 10 4:00 pm
For the People

Sun. November 11 9:00 am
† Leone Gray

Scripture Readings

Week of November 3, 2024

Sunday:

Dt 6:2-6/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34 (152)

Monday:

Phil 2:1-4/Lk 14:12-14 (485)

Tuesday:

Phil 2:5-11/Lk 14:15-24 (486)

Wednesday:

Phil 2:12-18/Lk 14:25-33 (487)

Thursday:

Phil 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10 (488)

Friday:

Phil 3:17-4:1/Lk 16:1-8 (489)

Saturday:

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22 (671)

Sunday:

1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44 (155)

Parish Life



Do you enjoy getting people together for fellowship and having fun as well? Parish Life Committee is looking for additional members to appreciate each event. If you are interested, please contact Ellen Mouw at 712-253-5540 or eamouw@aol.com.

Un-Committee



Don't have time for committees or meetings, but still want to help? Join the "Un-Committee" where you are contacted only for special events at All Saints Church. If interested, please contact Ellen Mouw at 712-253-5540 or eamouw@aol.com.

All Saints Nights at Green Square Meals



All Saints helps prepare and serve dinner at Green Square Meals soup kitchen, 2-3 times a month. Sign up to help at the link below or contact Melissa Peckosh (847-975-1785 or missypeckosh@yahoo.com).

ALL SAINTS NIGHTS: 2nd & 5th Tuesday, 3rd Monday
All volunteers in sixth grade and up are welcome. Sign up at:
<https://signup.com/go/vJYiFPm>

Parish Office Hours



- Monday - Thursday - 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Friday - 8:00 am - 1:00 pm
- Saturday and Sunday - closed

The parish staff knows that your time is valuable. Please **call** or **email** the staff member you wish to speak with to ensure that they are available.



Bruins Beat

ECFL (Early Catholic Family Life)

Do you want to connect with like-minded parents in a welcoming and supportive environment? Are you looking for a small group opportunity where kids (ages 0-5*) can do activities related to their Faith while parents engage in conversations about raising kids and bringing Faith into the home?

*Older siblings are welcome.

Please join us for Early Catholic Family Life (ECFL) NOW starting Nov. 2! Sessions will be held on the first and third Saturdays in November, January, February and ending on March 1 st from 9-11 AM at St. Jude Catholic Church.

Bring the whole family!

No cost to register. Space is very limited. Open to families of any Catholic parish.

For more information and/or to register please contact Kayla
atearlycatholicfamilylifeCR@gmail.com.

The Living Rosary



www.allsaints-crschool.org

Ministry Schedule

November 2, 4:00 PM Saturday

Sacristan

Cynthia Gunsolly, OFS

Extraordinary Ministers

Kathi Grainger

Aaron Kelly

John Myers

Kourtne Powell

Mike Powell

Stephen Schmitz

Marvin Stallman

Altar Servers

Joseph Cataldo

Sean Kelly

Logan Kelly

Lectors

Stacy Cataldo

Riley Hoover

Hospitality Ministers

Elie AbouRaad

Daniel Greene

Dick Kettelkamp

Barb Lindstrom

Tom Takes

Mike Votroubek

November 3, 9:00 AM Sunday

Sacristan

Sherry Casey

Extraordinary Ministers

Chris Conway

Brian Conway

Maureen Dale Ernst

John Ernst

Wade Johnson

John Michael

Gregory O'Connell

Altar Servers

Emma Colby

Addison Johnson

Henry Johnson

Lectors

Mick Erdman

Tasha Tatara

Hospitality Ministers

Jeanne Amosson

Jen Colby

Chris Colby

Pete Rethwisch

Bea Rethwisch

Chris Shimon

Ministry Schedule

November 9, 4:00 PM Saturday

Sacristan

Mary Pat Wilkinson

Extraordinary Ministers

Joseph Cataldo

Riley Hoover

Sara Lang

Gavin Miller

Kourtne Powell

Mike Powell

Marvin Stallman

Altar Servers

Katrina Golobic

Ethan Meyer

Ilyzza Shea

Lectors

Stacy Cataldo

Lisa Stephenson

Hospitality Ministers

Ryan Donnelly

Daniel Greene

Dick Kettelkamp

Barb Lindstrom

Tom Takes

Mike Votroubek

November 10, 9:00 AM Sunday

Sacristan

John Michael

Extraordinary Ministers

Tom Amosson

Sherry Casey

Stephanie Guzman

Ann Hunter

Wade Johnson

Stephanie Klappholz

Dennis Mullarkey

Altar Servers

Lewis Benfield

Charlie Hamilton

Lucy Klappholz

Lectors

Larry Hunter

Gregory O'Connell

Hospitality Ministers

Maureen Dale Ernst

Maureen Ernst

John Ernst

Tony Satariano

Chris Shimon

Diane Weimer

Family Ministry

November 3, 2024 • 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time • Mark 12:28-34

To Know, Know, Know Him Is to Love, Love, Love Him

In this reading a scribe asks Jesus which is the greatest commandment. When Jesus answers the question, the scribe makes it clear he understands and agrees with what Jesus has said. Jesus' answer was so impressive that no one dared to question him after that.

In this Gospel all Ten Commandments are summed up in just two statements. First, we are to know and love God with all our heart, understanding and strength. The second is like the first; Jesus tells us we are to love our neighbors as ourselves. Jesus makes sure that those listening recognize the fact that understanding these two commandments is more important than any prayers or offerings and will lead to the kingdom of God.

The two commandments Jesus gives us can really be seen as just one. When we come to know and love God, we open ourselves to God's love. Filled with God's love we have no choice but to share that love with others. Experiencing God's love, which is unconditional and all consuming, enables us to love ourselves and everyone else. To come to know and love God is to come to know and love all others and ourselves.

The key is to be open to discovering who God is over and over again in our lifetime. Since we never outgrow our need to learn about God, we must continue to pray, study and talk to people, sharing our image of God and listening to theirs. God is and will always be a mystery, but the mystery that is God continually reaches out to us, asking us to reach back.

I remember the lines to a popular song when I was growing up, "To know, know, know him is to love, love, love him." Those words are certainly true of God. We need to grow in our understanding of God so that we can grow in our capacity to love. And as parents, our job is to help our children do the same, praying, studying and listening to them share their ideas about God and sharing our own ideas with them.

FAMILY RESPONSE

Have paper and pencils ready and ask each person to draw a picture of how they "see" God. Talk about what you have drawn.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

How does God fit into your everyday life right now? Who is God in your life today? What do you want to remember from last week? What are you looking forward to next week? What are your concerns?

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SOCIAL JUSTICE PRESENTATION ON

Land Justice: Seeking Repair and Healing with Indigenous Peoples

The St. Ludmila Social Justice Committee will be hosting a special presentation: Land Justice: Seeking Repair and Healing with Indigenous Peoples on Monday, November 11, 6:30-8 pm in the Social Hall at the St. Ludmila Community Center. Eric Anglada - Ecological Program Coordinator for the Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters, co-founder of St. Isidore Worker Farm, and co-founder of the Honor Native Land Fund - will be the presenter. This powerful presentation will explore the importance of land, Indigenous and colonial history, and building respectful relationships of solidarity as well as practical ways and models of engaging in repair and healing. There is NO COST and NO ADVANCE REGISTRATION. All are welcome to join us for this important discussion.

The Gospel at Home

This Sunday's Gospel: Mark 12:28b-34

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus gives us his New Law: Love God and love your neighbor. This Great Commandment sums up Jesus' teaching that love is what connects us to God and all other people. It sounds easy, but living the Law of Love takes great effort and prayer. With the help of the Holy Spirit, we can follow Jesus' Great Commandment.

Exploring the Gospel Message

Seeds (Preschool): Your child learned about the importance of love. He or she also learned many practical ways to show love to God. Invite your child to share some of the ways we show love for God and others. As a family, recite the prayer from the lesson titled, "My Thank-You Prayer."

Promise (Grades K-1): This week, your child looked at ways that people show love to each other. They learned about Jesus' Great Commandment of loving God and others. Have your child tell you how Mother Teresa showed love for God and others in her life. Practice the Lord's Prayer using the booklet made during class.

Good News (Grades 2-3): Your child's class explored what it means to love with all one's heart, mind, and strength. Ask your child to summarize the story of the "Birthday Box Surprise." Brainstorm ways your family shows love for God and others. Then play "The Love Game" on page 4.

Venture (Grades 4-6): Your young person looked at rules before studying Jesus' Great Commandment. Invite your youngster to tell you who the winners were in the story, "Carrying the Trophy Home." Discuss as a family how love binds you to God and to others. Ask your son or daughter about the Jewish creed that we hear echoed in the Gospel of Jesus' Great Commandment to love. Hint: Deuteronomy 6:4-5.

Visions (Grades 7-9): To learn about Jesus' Great Commandment to love God and others, your youngster heard the story of firefighter Vinny Halloran. Talk about how your family can live out the Great Commandment by living like Vinny did, especially as we just passed the 23rd anniversary of Sept. 11. Ask your young person how he or she felt about the two scenarios on page 7.

Awaken (Teens/Adults): Discover a new level of spiritual growth for parents with *Awaken*, the new adult level of the *Pflaum Gospel Weeklies*, developed to deepen your faith journey alongside your children. Scan the QR code to learn more.



Pray Together

This Sunday's Gospel is about Jesus' Great Commandment to love God and love our neighbor. In giving the Great Commandment, Jesus cites one of Israel's oldest creeds. Read the passage from Deuteronomy 6:4-5. Pray as a family by praising and thanking God. Be sure that each family member has a chance to contribute to the prayer. Keep the prayer in mind as you show God's love to others in your life this week.



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Sacrament Information

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptism preparation class is required for parents. Contact Deacon Ed Martin (DeaconEd@allsaintscr.com or 319-364-7524) to schedule a class and date for the baptism (some date restrictions may apply).

Sacrament of Matrimony: Couples are to make arrangements at least six months before the intended date of the wedding in order to fulfill the necessary requirements. Please contact Deacon Mike Klappholz (DeaconMike@allsaintscr.com) to begin the process.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA): Classes are scheduled for Monday evenings beginning in the Fall. Contact Bob Lillibridge, Director of Formation, for more information (adultformation@allsaintscr.com).

Confirmation: Classes will be led by Father Jack Flaherty after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays in the Social Hall. Start date TBD (fatherjack@allsaintscr.com).

First Reconciliation & Eucharist: Second graders combine home study and retreats to prepare for these sacraments. Contact Stacy Cataldo, Director of Catechesis, for more information (catechesis@allsaintscr.com).

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the office at 319-363-6130, ext. 100 to schedule anointings.

Miscellaneous Information

Newcomer Registration: Call the Parish Office at 363-6130, ext. 100, or register on line at <http://www.allsaintscr.com>.

Bulletin Deadline: Items must be submitted electronically to the parish office by Noon on the preceding Monday to: bulletin@allsaintscr.com.

Opportunities for Prayer

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Thursdays, 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM in the Church.

All Saints Prayer Group: Tuesdays at 3:00 PM in the church lower level.

Prayer Tree: Available to anyone who would like us to pray for their intentions. Please call Darlene Fandel at 319-560-4844.

Women's Prayer Group: Tuesday mornings after 8:00 AM Mass.

M.O.M.S Rosary: 7:30 PM 1st Monday of the month, Queen of All Saints Chapel.

Prolife Rosary: Fridays after 8:00 am Mass.

Parish Website: You may both submit and view prayer intentions any time at: <https://allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/people/forms/413117>.