Daily Readings for the Week of September 15, 2024

Sunday, 9/15: Isaiah 50:5-9/ Ps 116:1-6,8-9/ James 2:14-18/ Mark 8:27-35

Monday, 9/16: 1 Corinthians 11:17-26,33/ Ps 40:7-10,17/ Luke 7:1-10

 $Tuesday, 9/17:\ 1\ Corinthians\ 6:14\text{-}18/\ Galatians}\ 2:16,\!20\ Philippians\ 1:20\text{-}21/$

Luke 9:23-26

Wednesday, 9/18; 1 Corinthians 12:13--13:13/ Ps 33:2-5,12,22/ Luke 7:31-35

Thursday, 9/19: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11/ Ps 118:1-2,15-17,28/ Luke 7:36-1-3

Friday, 9/20: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20/ Ps 17:1,6-8,15/ Luke 8:1-3

Saturday 9/21: Ephesians 4:1-7,11-13/ Ps 19:2-5/ Matthew 9:9-13



Schedule for Sept 22, 2024

Lector: Nathan

Greeters/Gifts: Rickels Family

Servers: Grady

Money Counters: Jon/Kris

Extraordinary Ministers

of the Eucharist: Jon/Mary A M

Today's Mass Intention Delores Eganhouse

Mass Intention 9/22/2024 Josephine Behn

Priest Visit to the Homebound

If you are sick or homebound or know someone who is, and would like Fr. Andrew to visit and pray, contact the main office at 319-320-5003 or email Fr. Andrew at DBQ137@dbqarch.org.



Prayer Corner

Betty Anderson, Rich Kleineck, Bill Ihns,

Marilyn Stevenson, Julie Ahrendsen, Zoey Meyers,

Carrie Leeper, Larry Marek, Carl Koppes,

Marsha Lasack, Chris Gibbs, Wendy Larive, Fr. Andrew



SACRED HEART



September 15, 2024

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10:00am-11:00am

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Mass Schedule: 10:30am Sunday

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Pastor Speaks

Catechetical Sunday: "Lord, when did we see you hungry?"

Dear Parishioners

As part of our weekend liturgy, we celebrate Catechetical Sunday. Catechetical Sunday is an occasion for all Catholics to reflect on our baptismal vocation to be missionary disciples sent to bring Christ to others.

However, it is particularly a time to acknowledge and appreciate all those who are involved at various levels in parish catechesis and formation: youth and adult formation catechists, faith formation leaders, ministers of the Word, small group leaders, Bible study leaders, Catholic school teachers, and those who promote lifelong learning.

Youth Catechesis in the Parish

The education of the mind is indispensable for gaining knowledge, skills, abilities, and experiences that are critical for navigating a meaningful life in the world. This being so, parents and guardians ensure that their children receive basic education to propel them for life.

However, the complex world and the web of interconnecting relationships we must manage also require the formation of the heart. Unfortunately, while the current school system in most places increases the IQ capacity of our youth, it fails to form their heart to handle emotional and relationship issues in the morally right way. And for Christians, this missing piece cannot be overlooked if we are to live out our faith as we profess it. It is this missing piece that faith formation addresses for our children.

The Two Challenges from the theme:

The theme for the weekend is "Lord, when did we see you hungry?" To give some context to the theme, it is a famous line from the final Judgment of the Nations parable Jesus told in Matthew Chapter 25: 31-46.

There are two challenges the theme poses to us as Christians in the world today. The first is that we must find ourselves; the second is that we must lose ourselves. Jesus strongly indicates in the passage that we must live to find ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time.

Finding ourselves means reaching out and walking with others, including those on the margins. We do so by finding others and loving and serving them. Similarly, losing ourselves means giving up something for the sake of others. It is pouring into other's lives our gifts, talents, and resources. And we do so by adding value to others.

Here in our parish, many parishioners continue to dedicate themselves to assisting parents in the spiritual formation of our youth. We thank them for aligning their purpose with the parish and sharing their faith and gifts with others.



We have another successful kolache bake under our belt, with all proceeds going to our Sacred Heart Parish. Thank you ladies for all the hard work. Let's watch the thermometer on our wall in the hall get hotter as we work towards our goal. Totals will be posted on the bulletin boards in the hall soon.

CCD at Sacred Heart has started. Students from 3rd grade and up will attend on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesday of each month from 6:00-7:30. First CCD class was September 11th.

Preschool thru 2nd grade will attend on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month. Their first CCD class will be September 29th from 9:15-10:15.

Children's Mass will begin on October 6th and be the first Sunday of each month during the school year. We welcome them back to help with Mass. Students need to arrive at 10:10 on these days with Mass starting at 10:30.

The next meeting of the Ladies of the Sacred Heart will be Sunday, Sept. 12th following Mass. We will be discussing the "Table of Plenty", which we are planning for October 6th, and will continue the 1st Sunday of each month. The idea is to ask parishioners to bring one item to sell to other parishioners, with the proceeds going to Sacred Heart to help meet our fund-raising goal. Keep in mind, this is not a garage sale. Ideas are fresh fruit or vegetables, homemade cookies or bars, home canned goods and more. Put the price you want to sell your item for remembering your time and cost put into the item. This is a work in progress and we need your input. More details to be worked out. Please attend this meeting and share your ideas to make this a success.



Sept. 8, 2024 Collection

Envelopes \$ 390.00 Offertory 47.00

TOTAL \$ 437.00

Parish Baptism Preparation Class for Families Seeking Infant Baptism at St. John, St. Isidore, and Sacred Heart.

Preparation Class Venue:

St. John the Baptist Mt. Vernon, IA

Time: 2:00pm

Scheduled Dates for Classes:

January 28, 2024 April 28, 2024 July 28, 2024

Please have all bulletin submissions to Wendy Swan by Wednesday PM