

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ AUGUST 27, 2017**

**ST. JOHN**

**OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL**

**ST. BERNARD**

*Father Kevin Richter, Pastor ~ Father Mark Stoll, Parochial Vicar PH: 712-673-2351 after 4 p.m.*

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*Website: [ChristTheKingCatholicCommunity.org](http://ChristTheKingCatholicCommunity.org)*

Monday	August 28	8:00 a.m.-At SJ	Bud & Bernice Steinkamp+
Tuesday	August 29	8:00 a.m.-At SJ	Adam & Chance Julin+
		<b>8:00 a.m.-At SB</b>	<b>Steve Nieland+</b>
		<b>10:00 a.m.-At Regency</b>	<b>Rev. Msgr. Mervin Hood+</b>
Wednesday	August 30	8:00 a.m.-At SJ	Al Dentlinger+
		<b>8:00 a.m.-At OLMC</b>	<b>Germaine Schrad+</b>
Thursday	August 31	8:00 a.m.-At SJ	Art & Marjory Gerken+
		<b>8:00 a.m.-At SB</b>	<b>Connie Nieland+</b>
Friday	September 1	8:00 a.m.-At SJ	Rita & Bob Sundrup+
		<b>8:00 a.m.-At OLMC</b>	<b>Ray Schettler+</b>
Saturday	September 2	<b>5:30 p.m.-At SJ</b>	<b>Beanie Ricke+</b>
Sunday	September 3	<b>8:00 a.m.-At OLMC</b>	<b>Herb &amp; Mae Pudenz+</b>
		<b>10:00 a.m.-At SB</b>	<b>Doc Blum+</b>

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** *St. Bernard's* – Sunday's 9:30- 9:45am. and by appointment

*St. John's* – Saturday's 5:00-5:15 p.m. and by appointment, *Our Lady of Mt. Carmel* – Sunday's 7:30-7:45 a.m. and by appointment

**PRESIDER:** Fr. Mark Stoll

	<u>St. John</u>	<u>Our Lady of Mt. Carmel</u>	<u>St. Bernard</u>
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Ed Vogl (HB) Deacon Greg, Margaret Gruba	Brian Hoffman Marie Baumhover, Joe Lenaghan	Marri Wittry, Joanel Koster Jenny Tiefenthaler Lori Snyder (HB)
<b>Ushers/Greeters</b>	Kraig & Renee Lux	Dennis Ludwig, Norm Schettler, Wayne Tigges	Andy Koster, Chris Koster
<b>Gift Bearers:</b>		Scott & Donna Wiederin Family	Mike Koster Maryilyn Snyder & Pat Schwarzkopf (M) Dale & Arlene Mueggenberg (S) Gene & Becky Nieland (GB)
<b>Servers:</b>	Andrea & Emily Gehling Cole Collison	Collin Wiederin, Joshua Tigges Colby Pudenz	Britt & Claire Pudenz Kailee Sturm
<b>Readers:</b>	Brianna Lux (YR), Kimberly Kraus	Allan Pudenz	Myrna Snyder
<b>Rosary Leaders:</b>	Jerome & Norma Henkenius	Norm & Diane Schettler	Bob & Dorothy Heisterkamp
<b>Money Counters:</b>	Mary Jo Berning Rita Bruch	Wayne & Angie Tigges John & Beth Evans	Linda Steinkamp Mary Lou Hermsen

**Finances for Week of August 19/20**

<u>St. John</u>		<u>Our Lady of Mt. Carmel</u>		<u>St. Bernard</u>	
Church Support-Adult	\$ 2,576.00	Church Support-Adult	\$ 1,015.00	Church Support-Adult	\$ 1,045.00
Church Support-Child	\$ 7.00	Church Support-Child	\$ 7.00	Church Support-Child	\$ 21.00
Loose Offering	\$ 64.88	Loose Offering	\$ 805.00	Loose Offering	\$ 562.00
Assumption	\$ 41.00	Candle Money	\$ 10.00	Candle Money	\$ 14.00
		Cemetery	\$ 100.00	Rental	\$ 75.00
				Raffle Tickets	\$ 8,720.00
				Choir	\$ 100.00
				Nat'l Retired Religious	\$ 100.00
Budgeted Mo. Giving	\$20,040.00	Budgeted Mo. Giving	\$17,015.00	Budgeted Mo. Giving	\$28,502.00
Income this month	\$ 5,116.08	Income this month	\$10,276.45	Income this month	\$24,446.09
Expenses for the Week	\$ 196.08	Expenses for the Week	\$ 9,870.96	Expenses for the Week	\$ 3,617.38
Expenses for the Month	\$ 4,152.52	Expenses for the Month	\$13,111.23	Expenses for the Month	\$25,339.68

**FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR:** The fact that we have six permanent deacons assigned to our cluster is a great asset! They provide valuable assistance to the team of priests and service to the parishes. Our deacons are: Deacon Tim Murphy (St. Lawrence), Deacon Dave Prenger and Deacon Ed Miller (Holy Spirit), Deacon Greg Sampson (Arcadia, Breda & Mt. Carmel), Deacon Louis Meiners and Deacon Gary Schon (Glidden, Dedham & Coon Rapids). The following is an article written by Deacon Greg Sampson that describes the role of the permanent deacon.

**Fr. Kevin Richter**

In recent years, Deacons have become more and more visible in the life of the Church, especially at the parish level. Yet a lot of folks have never been told what deacons are all about. The purpose of this little article is to impart some information about the office of deacon, called the diaconate.

Deacons have been around from the very beginning of the Church. St. Stephen, the first martyr, was also among the first deacons. In biblical times and for many centuries afterwards, deacons functioned in an important role in the life of the Church. But as the centuries rolled on, the role of the deacon diminished. By the time the Second Vatican Council convened (1961), the diaconate consisted mostly as a "transitional office". Ordination to the diaconate was looked upon chiefly as the last stepping stone to ordination to the priesthood. The Council Fathers recognized that this was not the best use of the diaconate, so they proposed a restoration of the office. Instead of looking upon the diaconate only as a temporary and transitional thing, ordination to the diaconate would allow for the office to be held on a permanent basis – a return to the ancient practice of the Church. At present, there are about 40,000 so-called "Permanent Deacons" in the world, 15,000 in the United States, and about 50 in the Diocese of Sioux City.

Deacons are clergy. You may remember from your catechism that there are three levels of ordained ministry: Bishops, Priests, and Deacons -- in that order! A deacon, when ordained, swears loyalty to his Bishop and his successors. Most, but not all, deacons are assigned to a parish. But even in these cases, although he serves under the guidance of the pastor and takes directions from him, the deacon is always the "Bishop's man", and "serves at the pleasure of the Bishop".

A deacon serves "gratuitously". That is fancy talk for the fact that no deacon is paid for being a deacon. I know of no exceptions. There are deacons who are paid for having specific jobs in the church – teaching school, for example. But they are not paid for being deacons. What does a deacon do? At Mass, the deacon is always the one who proclaims the Gospel. He may preach on occasion. He is authorized to witness weddings, perform Baptisms, do Benedictions, preside at wakes, bless people and objects, etc. A deacon is often asked to take a role in adult faith formation, home and hospital visitation, and promotion of service to the poorest of the poor.

In this diocese, there is a five-year formation process to prepare a man for the diaconate. Part of it is academic training. This training has neither the rigor nor the depth of training as that for the priesthood, but it is serious graduate-level work; typically a Master's degree is awarded at the end of the studies. In addition, the typical formation program is also full of spirituality orientation, "summer practicums", and theological reflection of the path that the candidate is taking.

A married man can be ordained as a deacon, provided he is not headed for priesthood. But a deacon cannot get married. By the way, I believe that the wife of a deacon always gets a free pass into heaven. That may not be good theology, but every deacon knows it is true.

**Deacon Greg Sampson**

**FROM THE DESK OF THE Regional PAROCHIAL VICAR:** "Who do you say that I am?" That question, asked by Jesus to Simon Peter sets the stage for a key foundation of the Catholic Church. Once Simon states that Jesus is the Messiah, then Jesus blesses him, changes his name to Peter (which means rock), and says that he will build his church upon that rock, making Peter the first Prime Minister, the Pope.

If you have any questions, pastoral needs, etc., please contact me at the office in Breda. Please remember your parish in your will.....Your bequest is a testimony to your faith in our future. —Fr. Mark

**For All Parishes:**

- **CCYM Youth Bible Study and Adoration Nights are HERE!** All high-school age youth are invited to participate in Wednesday evening CCYM (Carroll Catholic Youth Ministry) Bible studies at 7-8 p.m. in Collision Hall and Eucharistic Adoration with Praise and Worship (with opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation or just talk to a priest) from 8-9 p.m., all of this at St. Lawrence Parish [1607 N. West St.] in Carroll. This is every Wednesday evening, unless announced otherwise. Check it out at [setablazeinsta](http://setablazeinsta) and [setablazesnaps](http://setablazesnaps)
- **JOIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:** Instruction for joining the Catholic Church will begin soon. Anyone who has questions about the RCIA process, is ready to sign up or who wants to learn more about the Catholic Church before joining is encouraged to contact Brenda at 712-790-0626 or any of the priests serving Carroll County. In these sessions, you will explore the teachings of the Church, understand Catholic rituals and prayer, deepen your prayer life and form a community with others on the same journey.
- **FORMED** is an online resource that provides hundreds of Catholic programs, movies, books, and other resources produced by the Augustine Institute. Last year St. Lawrence parish purchased "Formed" an online resource and over 150 people registered and watched movies, listened to talks, participated in faith program or read online books from this site. Now the Formed.org subscription is available free to every person who lives in any of the 13 parishes since Fr. Kevin Richter is assigned as pastor. Please sign up, enjoy, and learn about our faith! It is easy to register. Go to the website <http://formed.org> and from the home page select "register." Use the parish code: HN3F4J and you will be asked for your email address and to create your own password. Within Formed you will find programs (including "Symbolon," "Whom Am I to Judge?," and many others), Lighthouse media, books and movies about the saints, Mary and other Bible characters. It is ideal for family, school, gatherings of friends, CCRE, and CCYM use. If you have questions or need help registering contact Phil Phillips at 792-5610 or [hobes69@gmail.com](mailto:hobes69@gmail.com).
- **REKINDLE:** This year's diocesan youth conference will be held on Sunday, September 24 from 10:30 a.m.-8 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Spencer. This event is for middle school and high school. Register online at [scdiocese.org/rekindle](http://scdiocese.org/rekindle) by Sept. 18.
- **CRHP RETREAT WEEKENDS** helps our parish become the best version of its self and to help you become the best version of yourself. You are invited to a Christ Renews His Parish/Welcome Retreat Weekend. The women's weekend will be Sept 9-10 and the men's Sept 30th-Oct 1st.
- **YOU ARE INVITED TO THE NEXT MAGNIFICAT OF NW IA MEAL EVENT!** On Saturday, September 30 at 10 a.m. at Resurrection of Our Lord Catholic Church, 11 SW 2nd St., Pocahontas. Annette J. Wemhoff will be guest speaker. Admission is \$10.00/person and payment is due by Saturday, September 23. Please RSVP by calling Michele Leiting at 712-663-4584 and mailing your check payment to her at 19546 Aspen Ave., Westside, IA 51467.
- **BREDA COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE** is Monday August 28, 1:00-7:00 p.m. at the American Legion Hall. Schedule your appointment at [www.lifeservebloodcenter.org](http://www.lifeservebloodcenter.org) or call 800-287-4903.
- **THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS** will meet on September 7th at Holy Spirit Church. Rosary at 5:10 and Mass at 5:30, followed by Dinner and Meeting in the Greteman Center. For reservations, call Marge Hupp at 792-2583 by September 4th
- **TEMPLETON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PORK LOIN SUPPER** will be served in the Templeton Center on Sunday, September 10th. Doors open at 5 p.m. with Supper at 6 p.m. Five \$20 Drawings. Proceeds donated to Informed Choice Clinics in Iowa (A Pro-Life Organization). \$15 per ticket – advance ticket sales only. Tickets can be purchased at The Corner Station, Templeton Savings Bank, Carroll County Feed, or Gene Langel at 712-669-3648.
- **BLOOD, SWEAT & BEERS** is a non-profit organization, raising money to support Iowans with blood cancers. A 5K Run/Walk Sat. Sept. 30 starting at 11AM at Swan Lake East Side area. Registrants receive a mug, swag bag, and t-shirt. All registrants and companions will have access to food, root beer, beer, music, and games. Also a Silent Auction. Register online at [www.bloodsweatandbeersiowa.com](http://www.bloodsweatandbeersiowa.com). Early registration ends Sept 10.

**St. John: Parish Office, Julie Eich, 712-689-2595, Hours: Mon. & Fri. 7:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.**

- **CEMETERY DRIVE – CAPITAL CAMPAIGN STATUS:** St. John's Cemetery Committee wants to extend their genuine thanks to so many great people for the outstanding donations received to expand our cemetery. To date, we have a total of \$81,000.00 in cash and/or pledges for this project. Our estimated expenses for surveying, purchasing, closing/attorney fees, seeding, extending the driveway with a paved surface, planting small evergreens around the perimeter, etc. totals around \$86,520.00. We are hoping to receive the additional funding needed to complete all items mentioned so we can be proud of this addition now and in years to come. If you haven't had a chance to donate or pledge your monetary gift yet (or want to increase your current pledge/gift), please send your check or pledge sheet to Julie as soon as possible. Volunteers to help with fencing, seeding, and planting trees will be sought when the time comes. We hope to keep everyone posted as this project progresses. Again, thank you for your generosity and may God continue to bless you and keep you close to His heart!
- **THE PARISH COUNCIL** will meet on Wednesday, August 30 at **6:30 p.m.** in the Church.
- **RAFFLE ITEMS ARE NEEDED** for our upcoming Parish Breakfast on September 17. Please contact Mae Vonnahme (689-2470).
- **LOOKING FOR A VOLUNTEER** to take care of the flowers & decorating in the Church. Please contact Parish Office if interested.

**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel: Parish Office, 712-673-2582, Hours: Tues. - Fri. 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

- **CONGRATULATIONS** to Zach Curtis Collision and Julianna Christine Loneman who were joined in the bonds of Holy Matrimony on August 19.
- **WELCOME** to MYRON/SHARI SCHULTE as new registered members of the parish.
- **VOLUNTEERS** needed Wednesday September 27, 7:00 p.m. to help set up for the October 1 Vendor/Craft Fair in the parish hall.
- **VOLUNTEERS** needed to help serve food and sell baked goods at the Vendor/Craft Fair October. A sign-up sheet is in the back of church. Each parishioner is asked to donate one baked item the morning of the Fair; bring to the parish hall.
- **CHILDREN'S CHOIR** will lead the singing on Sunday September 10. Parents of children interested in being part of the choir are asked to contact Ann Haberl at 830-7748.
- **COFFEE/JUICE/ROLLS** will be offered after Mass on Sunday September 10 in the parish hall.

**St. Bernard: Parish Office, 712-673-2582, Hours: Tues. - Fri. 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

- **PARISH PICNIC RAFFLE** winners: Sheri Dirx, Leonard/Jean Grote, Haley Equipment, Chris Koster, Jared Mohr, Cliff/Jan Neumayer, Jenni Neumayer, Roland Snyder, Fr. Mark Stoll, Jordan Stork, Theresa Tiefenthaler, Mary Kay Uhlenkamp, Claire Van ErdeWyk, Tom Wessling, and Cindy Wilson. Thank you to everyone who supported raffle, sold tickets, attended the picnic, prepared the food, and/or served on the committee.
- **LENDING LIBRARY** is available at St. Bernard. The library will feature books and videos suitable for the whole family and children. DVD titles include: Heaven is for Real, Miracles from Heaven, Saints and Heroes video series including "The Day the Sun Danced-The True Story of Fatima," "Francis-The Knight of Assisi", "The Princess of Lourdes", "Patrick-Brave Shepherd of the Emerald Isle", and "Nicholas-The Boy Who Became Santa". Books and more videos will be added later. This library will be placed in the east entrance of the St. Bernard Church with a sign out book. Families are encouraged to sign out one video for one week and/or one book per two week period return it to the library and borrow another book and/ or video. If you have any videos or books you'd like to donate, contact the parish office.
- **"RUSTIC RIVER WINERY"** of Lake View is a trip planned by the Lady Foresters on Thursday, Sept. 7th. Guests are welcome. Meet at Kay's Korner at 3 p.m. for a ride. Snacks will be furnished by the Lady Forester's to go along with the wine tasting. For reservations, call Marilyn at 673-2650 or Mary Kay at 673-4695(store) or home at 673-2847.