

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ SEPTEMBER 10, 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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| Monday | September 11 | 8:00 a.m.-At SJ | Leroy Vonnahme+ |
| Tuesday | September 12 | 8:00 a.m.-At SJ | Ivan, Margaret & Herman Schrad+ |
| | | 8:00 a.m.-At SB | Bette Snyder+ |
| | | 10:00 a.m.-At Regency | Rev. Gerald Wingert+ |
| Wednesday | September 13 | 8:00 a.m.-At SJ | Living & Deceased of the Erwin & Rita Vonnahme Family |
| | | 8:00 a.m.-At OLMC | Duane Schrad+ |
| Thursday | September 14 | 8:00 a.m.-At SJ | Living & Deceased of Otmar & Elaine Bierl Family |
| | | 8:00 a.m.-At SB | Linus & Agnes Sievers+ |
| Friday | September 15 | 8:00 a.m.-At SJ | Ray Glass+ |
| | | 8:00 a.m.-At OLMC | Art & Leona Tiefenthaler+ |
| Saturday | September 16 | 5:30 p.m.-At SJ | Charlotte Schweers+ |
| Sunday | September 17 | 8:00 a.m.-At OLMC | Parishioners |
| | | 10:00 a.m.-At SB | Kenny Snyder+ |

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. Kevin Richter

| | <u>St. John</u> | <u>Our Lady of Mt. Carmel</u> | <u>St. Bernard</u> |
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| Eucharistic Ministers: | Shirley Tomka (HB) Deacon Greg, Rita Bruch | Deacon Greg Dorothy Bellinghausen, Kenny Nees | Deacon Greg, Dale Mueggenberg Dale Tiefenthaler Mary Kay Uhlenkamp (HB) |
| Ushers/Greeters | Bob & Julie Steinkamp | Marvin Huegerich, Kevin Tigges, Dave Wittry | Andy Koster, Chris Koster |
| Gift Bearers: | | Bob & Jenny Bauer Family | Mike Koster Connie & Gene Weber (M) Joanell Koster/Myrna Snyder (S) Andy & Kimberly Koster (GB) |
| Servers: | Ryan & Kyle Sundrup Caden Vonnahme | Samantha Schmitz, Grant Wiederin Owen Nepple | Jack & Jair Tiefenthaler Owen Masching |
| Readers: | Mary Jo Berning | Michelle Pudenz | Gene Nieland |
| Rosary Leaders: | Jerome & Norma Henkenius | Marvin & Betty Huegerich | Bob & Dorothy Heisterkamp |
| Money Counters: | Stephanie Hansen Pat Vogl | Gary & Ann Schmitz Michelle Pudenz | Linda Steinkamp Mary Lou Hermsen |

| | Finances for Week of September 2/3 | | |
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| | <u>St. John</u> | <u>Our Lady of Mt. Carmel</u> | <u>St. Bernard</u> |
| Church Support-Adult | \$ 542.00 | \$ 2,310.00 | \$ 6,400.00 |
| Church Support-Child | \$ 5.00 | \$ 7.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Loose Offering | \$ 283.00 | \$ 114.00 | \$ 1,092.65 |
| Nat'l Retired Religious | \$ 10.00 | | |
| Hurricane Relief | \$ 70.00 | \$ 21.00 | \$ 9.00 |
| Cemetery Projects | \$ 600.00 | | \$ 75.00 |
| Bazaar Fund I | \$ 350.00 | | \$ 225.00 |
| | | | \$ 1,752.87 |
| Budgeted Mo. Giving | \$20,040.00 | \$17,015.00 | \$28,502.00 |
| Income this month | \$ 1,780.00 | \$ 2,452.00 | \$ 9,554.52 |
| Expenses for the Week | \$ 1,731.62 | \$ 3,821.52 | \$ 4,400.33 |
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FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR: This coming week is the kickoff for the Diocesan Annual Appeal (DAA), and I am asking members of each of the parishes to prayerfully consider your own personal participation. (A mailing about the campaign is being sent directly to your home.) So often, people are quick to react negatively when it comes to "the diocese," but it has always been my personal experience that the diocesan offices and diocesan personnel are very quick to provide assistance when needed, and provide many valuable services that we simply cannot provide for ourselves at the local level. (More information about those services is available in the mailing that you will be receiving.) I acknowledge that Ministry 2025 has raised the concerns of many about "the diocese" and decisions that must be made, but I certainly do not believe blame can be placed on them for the dilemma we face with the shortage of priests and the shifting demographics of rural communities. If this is what I believe, then I must put my own money where my mouth is. To that end, I have personally donated \$100 to each one of the thirteen parishes of this cluster to kick off contributions toward their respective goals. Please help me in supporting this year's DAA campaign.

But I am not only asking for your help with DAA. I am also asking every household to prayerfully consider your overall financial stewardship to your parish site – specifically, your ordinary giving each weekend.

In the past few months, I have met with ten of the thirteen finance councils for the parishes of this cluster. In almost every case, we have reviewed financial reports that show income for each parish to be down. While the decreases are not major, they are enough for us to be somewhat concerned.

There can be various reasons for the decreases that we are seeing, including the current farm economy, generally lower income that comes in the summer months, and Ministry 2025 with the uncertainties around that process. Whatever the reason, as the current Pastor of these parishes I can only say that the decrease in income simply makes it more difficult for the parishes to continue to meet ongoing expenses, which makes the work of our current team of priests as well as the parish volunteers who serve on each of the finance councils that much more difficult. Please prayerfully consider your own financial stewardship as we enter into the final months of this calendar year. Your help and generosity will be greatly appreciated.

Fr. Kevin Richter

FROM THE DESK OF THE Regional PAROCHIAL VICAR: Diocesan Annual Appeal [DAA] begins this week. Goals for the parishes are: St. Bernard = \$8,848.00 [183 cards], St. John = \$7,064.00 [151 cards], Our Lady of Mount Carmel = \$5,709.00 [108 cards]. IF EVERYONE gave \$50 next weekend, we would hit our goal in one week! Please return your cards ASAP in the collection basket or to the parish office. Thank you for your support to help our Diocese's ministries.

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:

- **NEW PARISHIONERS** may register in the parish of their choice by visiting <http://christthekingcatholiccommunity.org/parish-registration> [under the ABOUT drop-down menu].
- **NEW MINISTERS** [Readers, Greeters, Gift Bearers, Ushers] are needed in each parish. Contact your parish office for more information and/or to volunteer.
- **CATECHISTS ARE NEEDED for CCRE** [Carroll County Religious Education] 7th grade [1]. Help pass on the faith and grow in yours. Groups are small and a book is your guide. Classes are held Wednesdays 4:00-5:00 p.m. for K-3rd grades and 7:00-8:00 p.m. for grades 4-10th. Contact Deacon Tim Murphy at 712-792-0513 to find out more.
- **SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION FOR HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF** will be taken at all Masses this weekend to assist Catholic Charities USA with the work in Texas and Louisiana. Please be as generous as possible. Above all, please pray, and keep praying in the weeks to come, for the health and safety of all those affected.
- **BAPTISM CLASS ...** if you are expecting a child or wishing to baptize a child, please contact the pastor to register for baptism class [if this is your first child or if it has been more than five years since the baptism of your previous child]. The date of Baptism is to be arranged with the pastor after completion of a Baptism Class [held quarterly]. The next Baptism Class is Wednesday September 13, 7:00 p.m. in the Family Ministry Room at St. Bernard-Breda.
- **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 and 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.
- **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 sdiocese.org/rekindle by Sept. 18.
- **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.
- **ST. JOHN'S PARISH BREAKFAST** will be held on Sunday, September 17th from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. at Arcadia Legion Hall. Serving Kiwanis pancakes, eggs, sausage & fixings. Adults: \$8; Children \$6.
- **SENIOR FUN DAY**, hosted by Regency and a dozen other organizations in Carroll, will be Wednesday September 20, 8:30 a.m.-noon at the Carroll Rec Center featuring activities, door prizes, education booths, foods, and many other scheduled events. Free.
- **ANNUAL PUMPKIN FEST, 3RD ANNUAL**, will be held Saturday September 23, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at The Barn Owl [16624 120th St] Breda with kids' games, pumpkin painting, food, and bake sale. All proceeds go to the "Delivering Miracles" Relay for Life Team.
- **VENDOR/CRAFT FAIR**, featuring over 35 vendors, will be Sunday October 1, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Hall.
- **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. Early reg. ends Sept. 10.
- **VENDOR/CRAFT FAIR**, featuring over 35 vendors, will be Sunday October 1, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at the Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Hall.
- **KHS BOOSTER CLUB** is selling Football Frenzy Raffle Tickets. The tickets are \$20/each - \$925 shared by winners weekly (17 weeks), \$15,725 in total prizes! Purchase your tickets from KHS Booster Club members, at www.kuemper.org, or call the Kuemper office 792-3313.

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

- **CONGRATULATIONS** to Walter John Edholm, son of Perry/Sara (Wolterman) Edholm, who was baptized September 2.
- **RAFFLE ITEMS ARE NEEDED** for our upcoming Parish Breakfast on September 17. Please contact Mae Vonnahme (689-2470).
- **CHURCH CARPETING** will be replaced this fall with a donation from the Al Dentlinger Memorial. This project has been discussed for the last six [6] months by the parish council and was approved at their meeting on August 30. **Work to remove the current carpet will begin on September 11 at 6 p.m. Help with this project would be appreciated.**
- **FAITH FORMATION** will be offered at St. John-Arcadia on Wednesdays, 4:00-5:00 p.m. for grades K-4 and 5:30-6:30 p.m. for 5-8 grades beginning Wednesday October 4 in the parish church hall. We are in need of catechists for grades 5-6 and need to be in compliance with the Safe Environment Program [SEP] before beginning. Cost is yet to be determined. To register and/or for more information contact Robin Lawler or Fr. Mark.

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

- **WEDDING BANNES:** Tyler John Eischeid and Mackenzie Ann Pille, 16 September 2017.
- **CHURCH CLEANING**—We are asking families to pick a month of the year to clean the church cleaning (general dusting, vacuuming, bathroom cleaning) once or twice during your appointed month. This is good service hours for youth. Please sign up for a month on the bulletin board in the back of the church.
- **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.
- **COFFEE/JUICE/ROLLS** will be offered after Mass on Sunday September 10 in the parish hall.
- **THANK YOU** to Fr. Steve Brodersen who presided today while Fr. Kevin was assisting with this weekend's CHRP event.
- **NEXT CHILDREN MINISTERED LITURGY** will be October 8. A sign-up sheet is located in the back of Church for all future Masses that the Children's Choir will sing.

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

- **WEDDING BANNES:** Matthew John Koster and Tiffany Kay Pollman, 23 September 2017.
- **PARISH DIRECTORS**, Dean Bruning and Bob Boeckman, are stepping down in September as their six [6] year term nears an end and to allow new directors to be appointed as we begin our Ministry 2025 planning. Thank you to Dean and Bob for your faithful assistance to Frs. Gary Snyder and Mark Stoll. Parish Directors serve on the Parish Corporate Board to help advise the pastor and bishop on parish matters. They are to be Catholics in good standing, in compliance with the Diocesan Safe Environment program, and are ex-official members of the Parish Finance Council. For more information please visit the parish website and or contact Fr. Mark. If interested in being appointed a Lay Director by Bishop Nickless please contact Fr. Mark.
- **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.