

## ST. JOHN'S



CATHOLIC CHURCH

## WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Are you new to our community? Or, have you been attending Mass here for awhile?

We welcome you to St. John's!

Registration packets are in the front entry or on-line at [www.stjohnsadel.org](http://www.stjohnsadel.org). Please register with our parish so we can get to know you better!

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## HOLY SACRAMENTS & PRAYER

### Mass Schedule

Tuesday: 5:30 pm

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday: 8:30 am

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am & 11:00 am

### Eucharistic Adoration

Friday: 9 am - 3 pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet/Benediction: 3 pm

Second Tuesday of the Month: 6 pm-7 pm

### Reconciliation

Friday: 9-10 am/1:30-2:30 pm

Saturday: 3:30 - 4 pm

### Rosary

30 minutes before Weekend Mass

Monday: 7:30 am

Wednesday: 8:00 am

### Liturgy of the Hours

Monday: 7:00 am

### Baptism

Call the office for class and scheduling.

### Marriage

Call the office at least 6 months in advance.



### CELEBRATE!

St. John's Catholic Church's Adult Faith Formation committee (AFF) was just awarded a \$2500 FIRE (Funding Initiative for Renewal and Evangelization) Grant from the St. Joseph Evangelical Center in our diocese. Our AFF members named this program *FIRE-UP Your Faith & Fellowship* with the focus on developing closer relationships and increasing the knowledge of our Catholic faith in our growing St. John's community. The funds will be used to provide short information (45-60 min.) and longer retreat (6-7 hrs.) programs to inspire us! We are excited to have been selected and wanted to announce and celebrate with our parish family!

Please watch for a short 5 question survey, which will be coming out in August. We want to know what topics are important to you and to select times and days that would work with your schedule. Programs will run fall 2025-spring 2026.

*"And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul..."*  
(Acts 2:42-43).

### Holy Day

Please note that Friday, Aug. 15, when we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times at St. John's are 8:30 am and 6:00 pm. Friday adoration, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, will continue as scheduled.

### ALL-PRIEST BAND PLANS TO ROCK THE VAL-AIR BALLROOM

You're invited to a Concert for Life at the Val Air Ballroom in West Des Moines on Aug. 4 from 7:30-9 p.m. featuring Father David Michael Moses (you can find him on [TikTok](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#), and [Facebook](#)), Father Max Carson (who serves at St. Albert School and St. Patrick Parish in Council Bluffs) and an [all-priest band](#). All proceeds from the Concert for Life support local pro-life organizations. This concert is open to all ages and appropriate for the whole family. Register for the Concert for Life at [dm-diocese.org/events](http://dm-diocese.org/events).



### Would you like to pray the rosary with other St. John's parishioners without leaving your home?

Every Monday morning at 7:30, as part of Liturgy of the Hours (which starts at 7:00), the rosary is said. It's easy! At 7:25, simply dial 1-605-313-5777, you'll then hear "welcome and thanks for joining, please enter your access code." You then enter the following numbers: 1547594#. (Yes you need to enter the # as well.)

You will then hear, "please announce yourself." HOWEVER, you do NOT need to say your name, simply MUTE your phone and listen to whomever is leading the rosary from St. John's Church. You can say the response back, but, as you are muted, the people at church will not be able to hear you. If you have any questions, please ask Maria or Pat Steele or Chris Oberreuter.

*(All are welcome to pray with us in person on Mondays too! 7 am Liturgy of the Hours/7:30 am Rosary)*

### Women's Evening of Recollection

Monday, August 11, 2025-6:30-8:30 p.m.  
St. Augustin Church, Des Moines. Spend a brief time away from the world to be with Our Lord. The Evening is designed to help you spend time alone with God, to look at your life from His perspective, and find practical ways to serve God amid your ordinary work and family life. There will be time for personal prayer, reflection, and confession. The evening will conclude with Benediction. Fellowship time will be held until 8:30 pm.

Women of all ages are invited, including high school and college students. The Women's Evenings of Recollection will take place on the 2nd Monday of each month.

**Questions:** Terry McFarland (630-885-0246). [terryannmcfarland@gmail.com](mailto:terryannmcfarland@gmail.com)

Father Ray McHenry, retired pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Parish in West Des Moines, will be taking his 11th annual mission trip to South Africa with Blessman International January 15-27, 2026. If you have been discerning going on a mission trip this is an opportunity. There will be another informational meeting on Wednesday July 23 at 6:30 PM at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in West Des Moines in the Serra Room.

### Calling all women

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas – one of the oldest and largest organizations of Catholic women – invites all Catholic women age 18 and older to their next gathering. They're meeting July 21 at 5:40 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi. They'll start with the rosary in the Serra Room at the parish, then Mass at 6 p.m., and enjoy a light supper afterward before beginning the meeting at 7:15 p.m. If you're interested, contact Rosie at [rohaver611@msn.com](mailto:rohaver611@msn.com)

### Let's Celebrate!

Mark your calendar and join Fathers Tim Fitzgerald and Vince Rosonke in celebrating their 50th anniversary of ordination to priesthood. Their joint celebration is Aug. 3 at St. Boniface Parish in Waukee. Come for an open house at 12:30 p.m. followed by Mass at 2 p.m. Everyone is invited.

**Catholic Charities:** Honor our late Food Pantry manager, Tom Leto, with his friends by being part of [Tommy Leto's Poker Run](#) on Wednesday, July 23. Start time is 3 p.m. Cost is \$75/individual, \$100/couple. Collect a playing card at each location between 3 p.m. – 5 p.m. Each business is operated by one of Tom's former classmates. Then head to the Catholic Pastoral Center by 5 p.m. to draw your final card and find out who holds the best poker hand. Go to [CatholicCharitiesDM.org](http://CatholicCharitiesDM.org) for details.



Pray for our 12 High School Students and two chaperones attending the Steubenville Conference at Missouri State University in Springfield, MO, this weekend. Thank you for your response to fundraising efforts which make it possible for our youth to experience transformational encounters with Christ!

*Jesus meek and humble of heart,  
touch our hearts  
and make them like your own. Amen*



# Committee Spotlight

## *The Grief Ministry*

### *Caring Hearts Bereavement Team*

The grief ministry, known as St John's Caring Hearts Bereavement Team, is a subcommittee of Works of Mercy. The focus of this ministry is to provide a variety of grief materials and opportunities to those grieving the loss of a loved one.

Special grief events with guest speakers are scheduled throughout the year. Last Fall this ministry facilitated a six-session Grief Support group that met over a three-month period. The event was open to the public and the Caring Hearts team members provided a light meal. The ministry is looking forward to hosting a Grief Support group again this Fall. The team also maintains a group of grief books in St John's parish library. In November, this ministry assists at the All Souls Day Mass with the candle ceremony. The candle ceremony remembers those who have died during the past year.

The ongoing focus of this ministry is to reach out to parishioners who have experienced a recent loss. ***Journeying through Grief*** is a four-book series that is sent out at intervals over a year by one of the Caring Hearts Bereavement team members. Each book describes the issues and feelings people tend to encounter at various times during the first year following a loss. This ministry does not meet on a regular basis. Most communication between team members is done via email.

*Is the Holy Spirit calling you to share your time and talent with this committee?*

***Please contact the parish office at (515) 993-4482.***



## **MISSIONARY COOPERATIVE APPEAL**

THE 2025 MISSIONARY COOPERATIVE APPEAL WILL BE JULY 26 AND 27TH. THE DIOCESE ORGANIZES THE APPEAL TO ENABLE PARISHES TO SUPPORT CATHOLIC MISSIONARIES AND MINISTRIES AROUND THE WORLD. A SECOND COLLECTION WILL TAKE PLACE AT ALL THE MASSES NEXT WEEKEND. THANK YOU!