



## WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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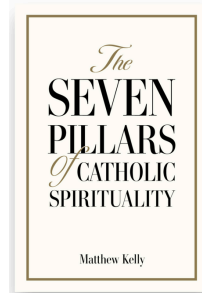
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## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

May you enjoy this book from St. John's Catholic Church. The book is being handed out after Christmas Masses as part of the Dynamic Catholic Book Program and extra books will be in the gathering space after Christmas if you won't be here.



- The Seven Pillars of Catholic Spirituality: Timeless Habits That Transform Lives by Matthew Kelly. God has been using the Seven Pillars of Catholic Spirituality to transform ordinary people into saints for a long time. Discover why the timeless genius of Catholicism is still relevant in the modern world.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### December 27, 2025 4:30

Lector: Martha Scanlan, Pat Steele

Eucharist: Julie Priestly, Lisa Wilkerson, Casey Boyle

Server: Nick Scanlan, Kendall & Kyler Boyle, Colby Crimmins

Usher: Karen & Dennis Boger, Carlos Valencia, **Not Filled**

### December 28, 2025 8:30

Lector: Kim & Anna Schreck

Eucharist: Jenny & Michael Dayton, Jean West

Server: Joshua & Caleb Rupe, Brecken Johnston, Colin Morain

Usher: Kit Hansen, Mike Yanacheak, Andy Schreck, Michael Wityk

### December 28, 2025 11:00

Lector: Laura Krejchi, Angela Oberreuter

Eucharist: Elizabeth Sweers, Teresa Schaffer, Zach Heitz

Server: Andrea & Annabelle Nunez, Yvonne Sweers, Natalie Dowil

Usher: Pat Finnegan, Ann & Eric Heitz, **Not Filled**

## AROUND THE DIOCESE

### Immediate Opening

The Diocese of Des Moines is currently recruiting for a Managing Editor, The Catholic Mirror. This position is newly created and intended to ensure the production of print and digital publications. We have a bimonthly magazine mailed to all registered Catholic households within the Diocese of Des Moines, about 30,000. We also have a digital publication we're launching in December that will be emailed to subscribers every other week. Content from the publications will be shared on digital platforms including the diocesan website and social media. This position is under the direct supervision of the Director of Communications. The ideal candidate is self-motivated, has a good understanding of Catholic Church teaching, and can complete work on deadline. For more information, scan the QR code.



### MARRIED COUPLES- WANT TO GIVE A GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING?

Register for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend - it's the best gift you'll ever give to each other and your marriage! For more information contact Denise and Greg at 563-920-9419 or visit [wwme.org](http://wwme.org). Upcoming Dates: February 13-15 in Dubuque, April 10-12 in Marshalltown, October 9-11 in Epworth, IA.



## PRAY THE ROSARY

The next Rosary Hour at **Adel Acres** is at 10 am on Saturday January 10<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to come and share prayer with the residents.

Father Michael has scheduled a 10:00 am Mass on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month at **Edencrest-Adel**. We will pray the rosary at 9:30 am. Join us for both!

Join us 30 minutes before **every Mass** to pray the Rosary.

*"One day, through the Rosary and the Scapular, Our Lady will save the world. The Rosary is the most powerful weapon to touch the Heart of Jesus, our Redeemer, who loves His Mother. If you wish to reach these hardened souls and win them over to God, preach my Rosary. My dear children, let your heart hold fast to this gift of Our Lady. By this devotion, you shall conquer the enemies of God and draw down abundant graces for the conversion of sinners." -St. Dominic*

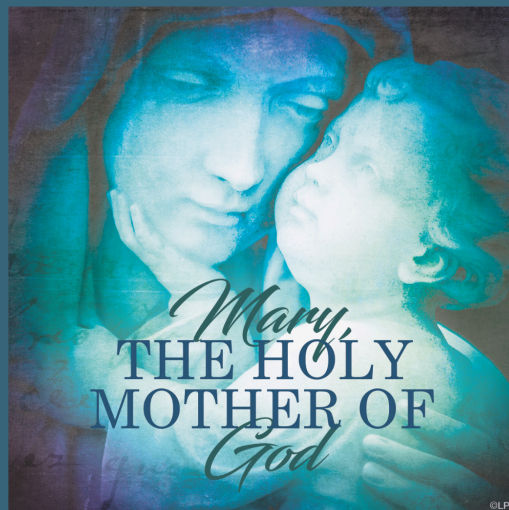
## NEWLY BAPTIZED

We welcomed Callahan Rae Cavanaugh into the faith as she received the Sacrament of Baptism on December 7<sup>th</sup>. Callahan is the daughter of Meghan & Luke Cavanaugh. May God bless her and her family!

## FRIDAY ADORATION

Come to Adoration every Friday from 9 am-3 pm. Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 pm.

*-Adoration has be cancelled on Friday Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> and Jan. 2nd-*



## HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

January 1<sup>st</sup>

8:30 am Mass and 6:00 pm Mass  
St. John's Catholic Church Adel, IA



## OCIA

Congratulations to all our OCIA Catechumens and Candidates on celebrating their first OCIA Rite with Father Michael, their OCIA Sponsors, the OCIA team, and the whole St. John's family in Christ Jesus! It was a holy and joyful experience for all.

*Thanks be to God!*

## ALTAR SERVER CHRISTMAS PARTY



Nearly 30 Altar Servers, and some of their siblings, enjoyed a fun afternoon of games, activities and food on Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Merry Christmas to all of our youth who have answered the call to serve and participate in the Holy Mass.