



WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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JESSE TREE, EXPLAINED!

The Jesse Tree is an Advent practice which recounts the history of salvation by tracing the lineage of Christ — the foretold “shoot from the stump of Jesse” who will bring peace and unity to the people of God (Isaiah 11:1).

In a way, creating a Jesse tree is the telling of one big story — the redemption of man — through the telling of many smaller stories — the fall of Adam, God’s promise to Abraham, the wandering of the Israelites, the greatness of David and the humble submission of Mary. A Jesse tree is adorned with symbols of these various people and stories, with the earliest ones hung from the topmost branches, progressing downward.

There are different versions of the Jesse Tree featuring different Old Testament figures and stories, but all begin with Adam and end with the birth of Jesus. It is an easy tradition to practice at home — all you need is a tree, paper, markers, scissors, string and a Bible. ©LPi

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

November 29, 2025 4:30

Lector: Marsha Fisher & **Not Filled**

Eucharist: Pat Steele, Casey Boyle, Mary Wojciechowski

Server: Blayne Schneider, Kendall & Kyler Boyle, **Not Filled**

Usher: Susan Waltz, Karen Boger, Carlos Valencia, **Not Filled**

November 30, 2025 8:30

Lector: Kim & Ana Schreck

Eucharist: Patty Origer, Julie Priestly, Michelle Streit

Server: Ashton Weiland, Ronan & Logan Clausen, William Schwarte

Usher: Kit Hansen, Andy Schreck, Marilyn Leinen, Michael Yanacheak

November 30, 2025 11:00

Lector: Laura Krejchi, Angela Oberreuter

Eucharist: James Finnegan, Chris Oberreuter, **Not Filled**

Server: Annabelle Nunez, Lily Irlmeier, Davis Hemphill, **Not Filled**

Usher: Pat Finnegan, Ann Heitz, Tate Jensen, Tim Pettit

THANKSGIVING PIES

Do you love to bake? Would you like to donate pies to the Thanksgiving Dinner at Meadowview Elementary on Thanksgiving Day? We would like to donate 8-12 pies from St. John's to the Community Thanksgiving Meal. Pies can be dropped off at Lincoln State Bank the day before Thanksgiving, (Wednesday, November 26) anytime between 8:30-5:00 pm. Sign up in the gathering space.

ST. NICHOLAS BREAKFAST

The Annual St. Nicholas breakfast is next Sunday following the 8:30 Mass. Join us for pancakes, sausage and fun activities for the kids. Your freewill donation will support our faith formation programs. Thank you Knights for hosting the breakfast. Oh...did I mention that St. Nicholas will be there?

MASS AT EDENCREST

Fr. Michael will have Mass once a month at EdenCrest-Adel located across the street from St. John's. It will take place on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 10 am in their Activities Room on the first floor. We have several parishioners who currently reside at EdenCrest-Adel Retirement Community. The first Mass will be on December 9th.

GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD PANTRY

The emergency food drive yielded 491.5 pounds of food. Thank you St. John's for your generous response to helping those in need.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

Envelopes are available in the church entry for anyone who would like to make an offering for Christmas flowers this year. Please return your envelope during the regular weekly offertory. Thank you!

SUPPORT CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Giving Tuesday is a global day of giving and unity that will take place this year on Tuesday, Dec. 2. This day is designed to inspire a surge of radical generosity, citizen engagement, corporate and individual philanthropy, and support for communities and nonprofits worldwide. Giving Tuesday is a way for us to be united in generosity in our own community and further support those we serve. Follow us on social media at @CCDesMoines for ways you can get involved this Giving Tuesday!

TAP INTO FAITH

Tap Into Faith is a monthly event bringing people together for an evening of faith and fellowship in a casual environment. Anyone is welcome and there is no cost and no registration needed. It's sponsored by Our Lady's Immaculate Heart Catholic Church. It takes place the fourth Sunday of the month with the social from 7-7:30 p.m. and the speaker from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at The King's Head, 1610 SW Main St. in Ankeny. The speaker for Nov. 23 is Abby Henderson on "Social Media and Faith."



Welcome to St. John's!

Thank you for choosing us to be your parish family!

Kyle Weismantel & Sydney Mousel-Adel

Ron & Carla Klosterman-Clive

Sondra & Brian Schepper-Adel

Samuel & Emily Gerst-Adel

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR SOME COOL NEW SWAG?

Newly designed Youth Group t-shirts and sweatshirts are available for anyone in the parish. Use the QR code or link for more details and to place your order.
<https://www.heartlandhandcrafted.com/boostershop/specialorder>



MEET ST. NICHOLAS AT DIVINE TREASURES!

Bring the whole family for a heartwarming holiday visit with St. Nicholas! Children can meet him, learn about him, and take home a sweet little treat.

Let's also "Give like St. Nicholas" by bringing a personal care item or cash donation to support the Catholic Charities Food Pantry — together, we can spread kindness and holiday cheer!

Saturday, December 6, 2025 from 11AM - 1PM

Divine Treasures, 5701 Hickman Road, Des Moines, IA.

JOB OPENING

St. Augustin Parish is looking for an Office Manager. The office manager serves as the receptionist and as the administrative assistant to the pastor. Office hours are 8:00 am – 4:00 pm, Monday -Thursday and 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on Fridays. Paid vacation, holidays, sick pay, insurance coverage (optional) and retirement matching. Resumes with a cover letter must be received by 4:00 p.m., Monday, December 1st. For a detailed job description, please email: info@staugustin.org.