

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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***Office hours**:*

Mon.-Thurs. 9 am - 4 pm

NEW OFFICE HOURS--CLOSED ON FRIDAY

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First Wednesday of the Month— Faith, Fellowship, and Food

The Adult Faith Formation Committee hosted a light meal on October 7th starting at 5 p.m. Families ate while sharing conversations with other parents/children. At 5:30 the children went to their classes and adults/young children stayed for a program on The Catholic Bible by Ed Anderson. Ed presented the history of the Catholic Bible as well as key elements of Catholic Tradition which surround Sacred Scripture. Ways to use the Bible in prayer as well as sharing it within our families were discussed.

Join us on Nov 4th from 5-6:30 p.m. Begin with a light meal from 5-5:30 p.m. and stay for the parent panel on incorporating prayer into our families lives. Come and share your ideas, too. Everyone is welcome!

Ministry Schedule

October 24, 2026 4:30
Greeter: Not Filled
Lector: Colleen & Paul Tauke
Eucharist: Casey Boyle, Pat Jacobs, Ryan Kenyon
Server: Kendall & Kyler Boyle, Tucker & Jasper Freestone
Usher: Susan Waltz, Pat Steele, Carlos Valencia, Not Filled
October 25, 2026 8:30
Greeter: Donna Scharlau
Lector: Kim & Ana Schreck
Eucharist: Michael & Jenny Dayton, Maggie Nugent
Server: Josh & Caleb Rupe, Mason Storm, Brecken Johnston
Usher: Andy Schreck, Michael Wityk, Jason Nugent, Bob Johnson
October 25, 2026 11:00
Greeter: Dan Garrity
Lector: Angela Oberreuter, Gina Nunez
Eucharist: Chris Oberreuter, Elizabeth Sweers, Meredith Tapken
Server: Andrea & Annabelle Nunez, Yvonne Sweers, Emmie Garrity
Usher: Tate Jensen, Pat Finnegan, Ann & Eric Heitz

Know a Knight

NAME: **William Lake**
City, State of birth: **Hannibal, MO**
Relocation year to Adel area: **2018**
Number of years at St. Johns: **7**
Family:
Wife: Terry
Children: three
Grandchildren: three
Hobbies: **Woodworking**
Most memorable St. Johns or Council 9574 experience: **Fish Fry**
Favorite non-profit organization: **St. Judes**

Weekly Bible Study

Join us every Thursday from 9-10:00 AM after 8:30 AM Mass in the parent lounge. ANY adult is welcome to join us in reading scripture. Come when you can! Please bring your Bible.

Pilgrimage to Italy- Registration Open

October 25 to November 4, 2027
Join St. John's on a parish pilgrimage to Italy, October 25 - November 4, 2027. This pilgrimage is especially meaningful as 2027 marks Father Michael's 20th anniversary of priestly ordination. Explore Assisi, Rome, Siena, and Castel Gandolfo with centrally located hotels, Daily Mass, guided tours, and special cultural experiences. Full details and registration are available here: https://cvent.me/xDe85r Thank you for your interest and enthusiasm. We look forward to sharing this journey with all who are able to participate.

Around the Diocese

Actor Jim Caviezel comes to Des Moines! Pulse Life Advocates announced that actor Jim Caviezel will be the keynote speaker at their November 21st Christmas Gala at the Iowa Events Center. Best known for his iconic portrayal as Jesus in "The Passion of the Christ" Mr. Caviezel is an outspoken pro-life advocate. The evening includes dinner, action, live music, and cash bar. Learn more at PulseForLife.org.

Catholic Athletic Club, a new program for Young Catholics of Des Moines, is launching this October with Saturday morning pickleball events and a run club. CAC is a group for young adults aged 21-35 who are passionate about building community surrounding sports and athletic competition. For more information scan the QR code and check out the Young Adult Evangelization page on the diocesan website dmdiocese.org/ministries-and-faith-formation/young-adult-ministry



Adult Faith Formation

Monthly Book Club. (Oct 20 @ 6:00-8:00 pm). Selected Book: THE BISHOP and the Abandoned Tabernacle by Victoria Schneider. Join us for fellowship, food and faith conversations. 6:00 pm - Social 6:30-8:00 PM Book Discussion. Scan the QR Code to sign up and to receive a book ($17) or sign up in the gathering space at church.

Exhibits: Man in the Shroud (Feb 20 @ 10-11:30). St. John's will host a presentation by Jim Bertrand and the exhibit about the cloth believed to be from Jesus' burial. (Note: This is a replica. The original Shroud is in Turin, Italy). The exhibit will be available to view during regular office hours Feb 20-March 8, 2027.



Vocations

Thinking of Priesthood Day
This one-day event in Ames on Saturday, Nov. 7 is for men aged 16-40 who are interested in priesthood. This is an informal discernment day and is a great way to spend time with peers who are also thinking about their vocation. Please contact Father Nick Smith for more information or to register at 515-237-5050.

Bishop's Discernment Retreat
This is a unique opportunity, Dec. 18-20, for men who are high school seniors or older thinking about priesthood. The men join Bishop Joensen and current seminarians on a retreat to learn more about discernment and life as a diocesan priest. Please contact Father Nick Smith for more information or to register at 515-237-5050.

Reconciliation Times

Fri. 9-10 AM & 1:30-2:30 PM
Sat. 3:30-4:00 PM
Beginning in October-Additional Times
Tues. 4:45-5:15 PM, Wed., Thurs., Fri. 7:45-8:15 AM



All Souls' Day



This year, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day) falls on Monday. St. John's has planned several different events to remember our deceased loved ones.

Blessing of the Graves

Following the 11:00 AM Mass on November 1st, we will go to Oakdale Cemetery in Adel and then to St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Dallas Center with Father Michael where he will do a blessing of the graves. All are welcome to pray with us and for our loved ones.

All Souls' Day Mass and Candle service

The All Souls' Day Mass is Monday, Novemeber 2nd at 6:00 PM. A Candle Service to honor loved ones who have passed since November 1st of last year will be held at 5:50 PM, before Mass begins. If you have lost a loved one since November 1, 2025 you are invited to add their name to the All Souls list by using the QR code or on the list in the gathering space. Please plan to attend Mass and arrive no later than 5:40 to carry up a candle in memory of your loved one.