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Catholic Communities of Bankston, Epworth, Farley, Peosta and Placid



**23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## HEALED

He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"—that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:33b-34

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## WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

**Question:** As we celebrate Labor Day, can you tell me about Catholic teaching regarding labor?

**Answer:** One of the most important principles of Catholic social teaching is the dignity of work and the rights of workers. Four encyclicals address this foundational social teaching: *Rerum Novarum* (1891) by Leo XIII, *Quadragesimo Anno* (1931) by Pius XI, *Laborem Exercens* (1981), and *Centesimus Annus* (1991) by John Paul II. They address both the theology and dignity of work. In Genesis, God takes the initiative in creating the world, calling forth human beings to be faithful stewards of creation. We are thus formed to share in God's continuing creative activity by partnering with God in finishing the world and helping bring it to completion and fulfillment. From this perspective, work can be spiritually understood in terms of sharing in God's ongoing activity to build, create, and transform the world. Human beings are co-creators with God. This vocation demands self-discipline.

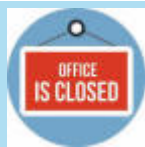
Besides an exercise in self-discipline, work is also the means by which we develop and fulfill ourselves. In work, we shape the world and our environment. Through work, we also shape ourselves. Pope John Paul II summarized this point in *Laborem Exercens* #6, "the value of work is not primarily the kind of work being done, but the fact that the one who is doing it is a person."

Labor Day offers an excellent opportunity to reflect on how we view work in light of our Catholic social teaching. ©LPi



### Please welcome our newly baptized:

Levi Michael Delaney, son of Matt and Anne Delaney became a member of the St. John the Baptist family on August 29 in the waters of Baptism.



The Pastorate office will be closed on Monday, September 6 for Labor Day. Enjoy the holiday!

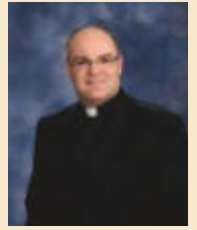


Our sympathy to the family of:

Sue Kronlage, mother of Paul Kronlage, Scott Kronlage and Jenny McDermott of Epworth and Russell Kronlage of Placid.

## FROM THE PASTOR

In the gospel reading from the gospel of Mark, the story of the healing of the deaf man is told. As Jesus entered the city, some people brought this man to Jesus and begged him to heal him. Cities in Jesus' day were very crowded, and people were often elbow to elbow as they moved about on the streets. The deaf man would have had no access to Jesus as he moved through the city, so the people who brought the man to Jesus were offering tremendous compassion to someone in need. Jesus returns the compassion by first taking the deaf man off by himself, giving privacy, and healing him. We can learn a lot here, about being an advocate for others who do not have a voice and being humble in our works of charity, not doing so for public spectacle.



Other items to note:

- Monday is Labor Day, our national holiday to celebrate the work accomplished. The church has long stood up for the rights of workers and dignity of work.
- The school year is off to a good start; pray for the continued success as the year progresses.
- The auction at St. Patrick in Epworth is next weekend. Please join us.
- Archbishop Jackels is scheduled to come for the All School Mass this Friday at St. Joseph in Farley at 10:00 AM.
- Thank you to those who reached out to me to assist with and are interested in forming a grief support group. We are working on the details and hope to start soon.
- The garden is finishing up; it was a good year. God is good.

### From Pope Francis

*In a brotherly spirit, I join in this message of hope for a brighter future. Thanks to God and to the work of many, we now have vaccines to protect us from COVID-19. They grant us the hope of ending the pandemic, but only if they are available to all and if we work together.*

*Being vaccinated with vaccines authorized by the competent authorities is an act of love. And contributing to ensure the majority of people are vaccinated is an act of love. Love for oneself, love for one's family and friends, love for all people. Love is also social and political, there is social love and political love; it is universal, always overflowing with small gestures of personal charity capable of transforming and improving societies (cf. Laudato si', no. 231, cf. Fratelli tutti, 184).*

*Vaccination is a simple but profound way of promoting the common good and caring for each other, especially the most vulnerable. I pray to God that everyone may contribute their own small grain of sand, their own small gesture of love; no matter how small, love is always great. Contribute with these small gestures for a better future.*

*God bless you, and thank you.*



The next liturgical minister scheduling period is September 27 through December 31, 2021. If you cannot serve during this time or want to make changes regarding your ministry or mass preference, please update in MSP or contact Krystal Smith, 563-876-5540 or [k.smith@dbqarch.org](mailto:k.smith@dbqarch.org) by **September 10**. With two masses at Epworth, we would also like people to update which mass time works best for them.

### WEEKLY ROSARY



#### Farley

Sept. 11 at 4:00 PM—Joan Gaul

Sept. 12 at 9:00 AM—Am & Dorothy Klostermann

#### Peosta

Sept. 12 at 9:00 AM—Joann Roberts



The Farley American Legion Red Cross blood drive is Tuesday, September 7, 1:00-6:00 PM at the Farley Memorial Hall. **All donors are required to wear a face mask.** For appointments, which are STRONGLY encouraged, contact Larry at 563-495-3848 or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and search sponsor code: Farley IA. If you have any questions concerning any health issues, call 1-866-236-3276.

The next **mission meal** is Monday, September 20 at 5:00 PM. Bankston will provide Sloppy Joe's, Epworth - American potato salad, Farley - desserts, Peosta - buns and 4 gallons of milk and Placid - coleslaw or other salads. Please drop off food at St. Patrick Church hall, Epworth by 9:00 AM on Monday. Contact the following people if you are able to help: Bankston - Ellen O'Connell 563-583-6125, Epworth - Dianne McDermott 563-543-3721, Farley - Karen Hunt 563-744-3918, Placid - Karen Conrad 563-513-9001 or Helen Koopmann 563-513-1409, Peosta - Diane Schmitt 563-590-1315 or Sherie Kuhlmann 563-556-3805.

## TIME AND TALENT

**St. Clement**—Four people gave eight hours of time practicing and providing music for Brandon Davidshofer's funeral.

**St. Patrick**—Three people gave 4.5 hours of time to hospitality for Nicholas Silich's funeral.

**St. Joseph**—Two people gave three hours of time to hospitality and setting up for Chris Hefel's funeral.

**St. John, Peosta**—Four people gave four hours of time to a Social Justice meeting.

**St. John, Placid**—Seven people gave 10.5 hours of time serving and cleaning up for Bev Holz's funeral dinner.

## FINANCE

### Stewardship Giving for August 22

St. Clement	\$ 567
St. Joseph	\$2,932
St. Patrick	\$1,346
St. John, Peosta	\$3,777
St. John, Placid	\$1,079

For August 29 includes EFT's	
St. Clement	\$ 1,856
St. Joseph	\$ 9,786
St. Patrick	\$ 7,083
St. John, Peosta	\$13,332
St. John, Placid	\$ 2,530

### Growth & Improvement for August 22 & 29

St. Patrick	\$ 24
St. Joseph	\$ 40
St. John, Peosta	\$495
St. John, Placid	\$120

### Debt to the Archdiocese as of August 31, 2021

St. Clement	\$ 57,556.40
St. Patrick	\$106,055.80

**St. Elizabeth Pastorate's Kentucky collection** will be held Monday, October 4 through Saturday, October 16 at the Faith Formation building in Epworth (next to St. Patrick's Church). Williamsburg Friendship Center director, Ashley Shelton, says items needed are: furniture, baby items (bottles, diapers, wipes, high chairs, car seats, beds, strollers, etc.), men's jeans, men's and women's steel toe shoes, any type of household appliances, towels, wash cloths, bedding, silverware, glasses, etc. We help families when their houses burn down so any household items needed to set up an empty house are appreciated. All items should be in good working condition. Placing your donations in totes makes organization of the contributions much easier on each end; however, boxes are also acceptable. Please contact Jane Bechen at 599-9012 or Dianne McDermott at 543-3721 with questions.

The next Women of Service meeting will be held on **Wednesday, September 8** at St. Patrick's Hall in Epworth at 11:00 AM. Women of Service is non-denominational, open to any woman of any age and of any town.

We will continue to meet on the second Wednesday of the odd months of the year. If a project comes up that doesn't fit into that schedule, we could hold an "emergency" meeting. Participants are encouraged to watch for projects that this group could do and to contact one of the committee members.

In order to accomplish as much as possible when we gather, we will work on our projects from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, and then anyone who wishes to order food from the Pizza Factory can stay to eat. Those who would like to continue working on projects later into the afternoon are welcome to stay. We will continue with our card collecting and note writing, as well as the plarn plastic mat weaving. Please bring cutting boards and cutting wheels, scissors and glue. There will also be information on the Samaritan Purse Christmas boxes collection (website: <https://video.samaritanpurse.org/channel/operation-christmas-child/>). Contact Dianne McDermott at 563-543-3721 with questions.

## ST. CLEMENT - BANKSTON NEWS



Thank you to all who attended and helped in any way to make our auction a great success!

## ST. PATRICK - EPWORTH NEWS

**St. Patrick's Church Auction** is Sunday, September 12. Donations of \$50 or \$50 gift cards are appreciated. Raffle tickets can be picked up at church. If you would like to help at the auction, text or call Marilyn Besler at 563-543-5703. Contact Brenda Oberfoell at 563-876-3336 to drop off auction donations in advance.

Coffee, juice, donuts, and cinnamon rolls will be served after both masses the morning of the auction.



## ST. JOHN - PLACID NEWS

**Placid Fall Fundraiser:** We will be selling raffle tickets before and after masses this weekend. Prices are 5 for \$20 or \$5 each. Raffle items include: seven frozen Placid pies, an outdoor movie projector and screen, a 4 ft. pre-lit decorated Christmas tree, a DeWalt tool set, the traveling picture of St. John Placid, and a mystery box. A sign-up sheet is in the back of church for food stand workers. For questions or to purchase raffle tickets, contact one of the committee members listed in your letter.



**Pie making day** is Saturday, September 11 starting at 8:00 AM in the church hall. We need apples and other fruit. Call Helen if you don't have time to cut up and freeze your apples. To pre-order pies, call Helen at 563-513-1409 or Jill at 563-580-5937. Pies are \$12 each: Apple, Caramel Apple, Cherry, Blueberry, Peach, Raspberry and Strawberry/Rhubarb.

**Fall Work Day** for the parish is Saturday, September 18 beginning at 9:00 AM. There are large and small jobs to be done for anyone who can help! Contact Kevin Kalb at 563.542.5341 with any questions.

**Church Cleaning**—Katie (Jack) Koopmann, Rina Luensmann, Cherie Kennedy, Bridget Lucas, Ashton Kennedy.



**Bulletin Information: Email [office@stelizabethpastorate.com](mailto:office@stelizabethpastorate.com)**  
*Submission deadline is Tuesday at noon.*

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## Readings Week

### WEEK OF SEPT. 5, 2021

**Mon:** Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9 [8]/Lk 6:6-11  
**Tues:** Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 [9]/Lk 6:12-19  
**Wed:** Mt 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c [Is 61:10]/  
 Mt 1:1-16, 18-23  
**Thurs:** Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [6]/Lk 6:27-38  
**Fri:** 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5]/  
 Lk 6:39-42  
**Sat:** 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7 [2]/  
 Lk 6:43-49  
**Sun:** Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/  
 Mk 8:27-35

# MASS SCHEDULE

**Mon., Sept. 6 Labor Day**  
 8:00 AM Peosta † Elaine Konrardy  
 RECONCILIATION at Peosta 8:30-9:00 AM  
 ADORATION at Peosta following Mass until 8:00 PM



**Tue., Sept. 7**  
 6:30 AM Peosta † Smith & McDermott Families

**Wed., Sept. 8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
 6:30 AM Peosta † Joan & Kevin Lawler & Steve Barton  
 ADORATION at Peosta following Mass until 12:00 noon for vocations  
 ADORATION with RECONCILIATION at Placid 8:30-10:00 PM

**Thu., Sept. 9 St. Peter Claver**  
 6:30 AM Placid † Gerald Steil  
 8:00 AM Epworth † Sharon Stecher (Anniversary)  
 RECONCILIATION at Epworth 8:30-9:00 AM  
 ADORATION at Epworth following Mass until 12:00 noon



**Fri., Sept. 10**  
 8:00 AM Bankston † Julie Clements  
 8:00 AM Farley † Alvera Mormann  
 10:00 AM Farley † Lois Ludwig (All School Mass)  
 ADORATION at Bankston 7:00-8:00 AM, RECONCILIATION 7:15-7:45 AM  
 ADORATION at Farley following Mass until 11:30 AM

**Sat., Sept. 11**  
 4:00 PM Farley † Marvin & Marie Stokes & Art Lynch  
 4:00 PM Peosta † Paul Munden  
 4:00 PM Placid † Leona Wegmann  
 RECONCILIATION at Farley 3:15 PM-3:45 PM

**Sun., Sept. 12 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 7:30 AM Epworth † Jim & Anita McDermott & Bill & Deanne Ostwinkle  
 9:00 AM Bankston † Henry (Hank) & Lois O'Connell  
 9:00 AM Epworth † Deceased Members of the Hosch & Kauffmann Families  
 9:00 AM Farley † Gib & Henrietta Lehman (Birthday)  
 9:00 AM Peosta † Pete Finger  
 9:00 AM Placid † Irwin & Joannel McDermott

## BECOMING CATHOLIC

If you or someone you know is considering joining the Catholic Church or inquiring about the Faith, please call the pastorate office or visit <https://stelizabethpastorate.com>.

## SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** For pre-baptismal preparation or to schedule a baptism, contact Lynne McDermott. At least one parent must be a registered and practicing member of the pastorate.

**MARRIAGE:** Contact the Pastorate office at least six months in advance of the proposed wedding date. At least one of the parties must be a registered member of the pastorate.

## PASTORATE PRAYER LINE

Direct prayer intentions to: Donna Gibbs at 563.744.2006 or email [step.prayerline@gmail.com](mailto:step.prayerline@gmail.com), Kim Koetz at 563.451.4024 or email [kkoetz@yousq.net](mailto:kkoetz@yousq.net) or Mary Rauen at 563.581-1828 or email [rickandmaryr@aol.com](mailto:rickandmaryr@aol.com).



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Contact Geri Kalb at 563.876.5540 or [setonscrip@gmail.com](mailto:setonscrip@gmail.com) with questions or to submit an order.



**Intergenerational Faith for Summer Faith Formation** families will begin in October. Details will be emailed in September.

**Fall Faith Formation** begins Sunday, September 19 from 10:15–11:30 AM in St. Joseph's Church Hall, Farley. Links to the registration forms are under Online Forms on the Pastorate website <https://stelizabethpastorate.com>. Registration forms are also available at the Pastorate

Office. Please turn forms in as soon as possible!!

**Second Grade Parents/Guardians:** First Reconciliation PARENT meetings are scheduled! You have a choice of attending 1 of 2 meetings: Sunday, September 19 at 6:30 PM at St. Joseph Church, Farley or Wednesday, September 22 at 6:30 PM at St. John the Baptist Church, Peosta. Jim will be discussing expectations, First Reconciliation, and the calendar for both First Reconciliation and First Eucharist.

**Homeschool Faith Formation Families:** There is a Start-Up PARENT Meeting scheduled for Monday, September 13 at 6:30 PM at St. Patrick Church Hall, Epworth. If you plan on homeschooling your children this year, you need to attend this meeting. Links to the registration forms are under Online Forms on the Pastorate website <https://stelizabethpastorate.com>. Registration forms are also available at the Pastorate Office. Please turn forms in as soon as possible!!

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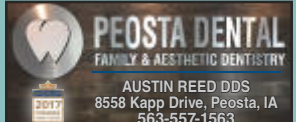


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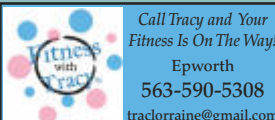
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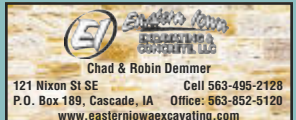
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