

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

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AUGUST 7 & 14, 2022 | ORDINARY TIME



19TH & 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“For at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come.” - Lk 12:40

PARISH OFFICE INFORMATION

Parish Contacts

Parish Office.....515-223-4577
 Parish Fax.....515-223-4768
 St. Francis School515-457-7167
 Pre-School..... 515-223-4577, Ext. 116
 Faith Formation Office.....515-440-1030

Parish Staff

Pastor Fr. Joseph Pins
 Associate Pastor.....Fr. John Brobbey
 Deacon.....Bill Richer
 Business Manager.....Tim Schulte
 Director of Liturgy & Music Emily Schmid
 Parish Receptionist.....Sue Kirkhart
 Executive Assistant..... Sheila Timmerman
 Communications Coordinator..... (vacant)
 Accountant Debbie Muse
 Bookkeeper Pam Danzer
 HR Coordinator..... Monica Lihs
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 Director of Adult Faith Formation Vivian Day
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 Youth Ministry CoordinatorDeacon Bill Richer
 Early Childhood Faith Formation Coord.(vacant)
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 St. Francis School Principal..... Diane Jones
 St. Francis School Assistant Principal.....Stephen Frederick
 St. Francis Pre-School Director..... Heather Gunson
 Kids Care Director..... (vacant)
 IT Director..... Diane Nitzel
 IT Support..... Dominic Muse

Parish Representatives

Pastoral Council.....Ray Champlin
 Finance Council Mike Brinker
 Board of EducationKatie Champlin
 Faith Formation Council Jenny Nielsen

Summer hours: 8 a.m.—2 p.m. thru August 12
 Regular hours: 8 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

LIVING OUR FAITH CALENDAR

Sunday, August 7

7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 Mass

Monday, August 8

6 a.m. Adoration/Rosary
 7 p.m. Rosary

Tuesday, August 9

Parish Adoration

6 a.m. Adoration/Rosary
 6:30 p.m. Acts Study
 6:30 p.m. KC Council Mtg.
 7 p.m. SFA Young Adults
 8 p.m. Men's Faith Sharing

Wednesday, August 10

6 a.m. Adoration/Rosary

Thursday, August 11

6 a.m. Adoration/Rosary

Friday, August 12

6 a.m. Adoration/Rosary

Saturday, August 13

8 a.m. Men's Faith Sharing
 4:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, August 14

7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 Mass
 1 p.m. Days for Girls

Monday, August 15

6 a.m. Adoration/Rosary
 7:15 a.m. Mass

7 p.m. Rosary

Tuesday, August 16

6 a.m. Adoration/Rosary
 6:30 p.m. Acts Study
 7 p.m. SFA Young Adults
 8 p.m. Men's Faith Sharing

Wednesday, August 17

6 a.m. Adoration/Rosary

Thursday, August 18

6 a.m. Adoration/Rosary
 7 p.m. Becoming Catholic

Friday, August 19

6 a.m. Adoration/Rosary

Saturday, August 20

8 a.m. Men's Faith Sharing
 4:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, August 21

7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 Mass

SACRAMENTS AT ST. FRANCIS

Baptism

Congratulations on preparing to be baptized into the community of the Church! Baptisms are scheduled on the 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Sundays of the month after the 11:30 a.m. Mass & the 4th Saturday of the month after the 4:30 p.m. Mass. For more info, please call the Parish Office. The next baptism class will be held on September 24 at 8:30 a.m.

Becoming Catholic

If you or someone you know is thinking about joining the Catholic Church or is inquiring about the faith, please contact the Faith Formation Office.

First Communion

First Communion was celebrated in April. For more information, please contact the Faith Formation Office.

Confirmation

Confirmation is celebrated once a year for our high school sophomore students. For more information, please contact the Faith Formation Office.

Marriage

Congratulations on your engagement! We look forward to helping you prepare for life together. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Homebound Ministry

If you're unable to attend Mass & would like to receive communion, please email homebound@saintfrancischurch.org.

Hospital Visits

Fr. John will be happy to make a visit or speak with you on the phone!

MASS INTENTIONS

8-07	Sun.	7:30 a.m.	† Dorothy Kennebeck
		9:30 a.m.	† Rev. Robert Hoefler
		11:30 a.m.	For the parishioners of the parish
8-08	Mon.	7:15 a.m.	† Joseph Sciorrotta
8-09	Tues.	7:15 a.m.	† Judy Arguello
		Noon	† Jason Klusaw
8-10	Wed.	7:15 a.m.	† William H. Kurth
8-11	Thur.	7:15 a.m.	† Don & Donna Hrubes
8-12	Fri.	7:15 a.m.	† Alma Lee Schramm
8-13	Sat.	4:30 p.m.	† Trini Munoz
8-14	Sun.	7:30 a.m.	† William H. Kurth
		9:30 a.m.	† Phil & Jo Karpuk
		11:30 a.m.	Howard & Donna Burch
8-15	Mon.	7:15 a.m.	† Joseph Cronley
8-16	Tues.	7:15 a.m.	† Mary Ford
		Noon	† Vavroch & Weiler deceased family members
8-17	Wed.	7:15 a.m.	† Steve Kunz
8-18	Thur.	7:15 a.m.	† Donna Johnson
8-19	Fri.	7:15 a.m.	† Jason Klusaw
8-20	Sat.	4:30 p.m.	† Marshall McManus
8-21	Sun.	7:30 a.m.	For the parishioners of the parish
		9:30 a.m.	† Rev. Robert Hoefler
		11:30 a.m.	† Dorothy Foley

FROM FR. PINS



My dear good people,

As we begin the great month of August, we start to see back to school sales. This is a reminder that no matter our age or the level of faith we have, we all need to continue to learn more about Jesus and His church. Please check out Formed.org to watch, listen or read about the Catholic faith. Please also check out the different opportunities our Faith Formation team has for you and your whole family. Our team has been working hard to give you many opportunities to strengthen and grow in your faith this fall.

Jesus tells all of us in Matthew 28, to go make disciples of all nations and baptize them and teach them all I have taught you. This is our continued faith journey and the mission Jesus gives to all of us. Please pray and discern where God is calling you to go (be sent) or to make disciples or to help with a sacramental prep course or to teach others about Jesus. The Holy Spirit may also ask you to join or start a small group to share your faith journey. Small groups can be a great way to learn together and encourage each other on our faith journey. We will be talking about all these ways to build the Father's Kingdom in the months ahead.

A big thank you to all of you in this time of transition. I wish to thank everyone who has made me feel welcome here at St. Francis. Bishop Joensen and the Holy Spirit have brought us together to build up God's Kingdom here in West Des Moines and the surrounding area.

**All Praise to Jesus Christ,
Fr. Pins**

FROM FR. RAY

To my friends at St. Francis of Assisi, I want to thank you for remembering me upon my retirement. Thank you for the gifts and well wishes and for attending the retirement celebration. I want to thank our parishioners and staff who planned and hosted the wonderful retirement celebration. I am touched and moved by your kindness. I will have many pleasant memories of my years at St. Francis of Assisi.



Thank you from the depths of my heart. May God bless you and keep you.

**Jesus Christ is risen!
Fr. Ray**

REMEMBERING OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please pray for those individuals who have passed away as well as their families.

John Bruner, father of
Jenny Nielsen and Christine Magruder
Otto Imholte, brother of Ilene Paulus
Kevin Ricke, brother of Tom, Doug, Dan and Lynn Ricke
Barb Purtle, mother of Dr. Mark Purtle

Give them eternal rest, O Lord, and let them share in your unending glory.

WELCOME TO ST. FRANCIS!

For information regarding becoming a parishioner, please contact the Parish Office at 515-223-4577. Member registration cards may be found in the Gathering Space, Parish Office or online.

For information regarding renting a room, IRA contributions, stock donations, tithing donations, etc., please contact the following staff at 515-223-4577 and they will be more than happy to assist you.

Pam Danzer...Abundant, ACH, ADA, FACTS, Ignite, Tithing Donations
Monica Lihs..... IRA Contributions, Matching Gifts, Stock Donations
Debbie MuseACH, Accounts Payable
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As always, make sure to check out our website at <https://saintfrancischurch.org> for all the various possibilities to grow in faith as an individual and family.

IGNITE! CAMPAIGN



**Ignite! Campaign
We need your help!**

Our *Ignite!* thermometer continues to rise—as of August 2nd, we are at \$2,542,554 which is 70% of our goal of \$3,655,000 and all that is left to fill is the flame.

Thank you to everyone who helped us get this far. Your gifts, outreach, and prayers are a blessing to St. Francis. The campaign will end in late August, and we need everyone's help to drive this milestone effort to success. If you are yet to participate, please prayerfully consider making a gift or pledge. You can help us light the candle!

Learn more about the campaign by visiting <https://www.dmdiocese.org/giving/ignite>, where you can also make a pledge online. Thank you!

You can also contact the Parish Office at 515-223-4577 for questions or additional details.

MEET OUR BUSINESS MANAGER



Meet Tim Schulte, the new Business Manager at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church. Tim comes to SFA as an experienced accountant and educator. Prior to his time with St. Francis of Assisi, Tim worked with Hy-Vee and Meredith Corporation. Before that, he was a

Business and Technology teacher at Dowling Catholic High School. He earned his Masters of Business Administration from Creighton University and a B.A. in Accounting and a B.A. in Business Education from the University of Northern Iowa. "I am excited to join the parish staff here at St. Francis of Assisi and I look forward to the opportunity to be a part of the next chapter in the legacy of SFA as this community continues to grow." Tim and his wife, Taylor, reside in Norwalk, IA and enjoy spending time with friends and family, whether that is on the bike trails or golf courses. He and his wife are members of St. John the Apostle Catholic Church where they both serve as Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers and Tim serves as a member of the Parish Council.



SFA EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

- **Director of Faith Formation** - Provides direction and guidance over adult, youth and children's faith formation in cooperation with pastor and advisory committees.
- **Youth Ministry Coordinator** - Provides vision and coordination for SFA's ministry to youth (6-12 grades).
- **Nursery Coordinator** - Part time position. Provides oversight for nursery needs during Masses, special events and meetings.
- **Adult Nursery Workers** - 8-10 hours monthly.

Please submit your resume and cover letter to:
Human Resources Coordinator, 7075 Ashworth Road,
West Des Moines, IA 50266 or by email to:
communications@saintfrancischurch.org

MEET OUR SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS

Meet Diane Jones, Principal at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School.

Mrs. Jones comes to us with over 35 years of experience as a classroom teacher, technology director, and principal in Storm Lake, both at the public school and, most recently, at St. Mary's School. Holding endorsements from



classroom teacher to elementary media specialist to administrator, Mrs. Jones has worked in a variety of positions in the elementary school. She has served in schools with over 650 students, as well as a smaller school. As the Principal, Mrs. Jones will work with the faculty and staff to continue the tradition of high quality faith and academic experiences for our students. Mrs. Jones and her husband have been married for over 40 years and have two grown children who live in the metro area. They look forward to being closer to their children and grandchildren. She is eager to meet and get to know the faculty and students!

Meet Stephen Frederick, Assistant Principal at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School.

Dr. Stephen Frederick is starting his first year as assistant principal of Saint Francis of Assisi School. A life-long member of St. Joseph Parish (Downingtown, PA), Stephen is new to Iowa, having recently moved to the Johnston area with his wife Anna and children Ella (7 yrs.) and Sebastian (7 yrs.).



Stephen has spent the last 14 years in public education, teaching both mathematics and business courses at the High School and Middle School levels. In addition to teaching, Stephen coaches baseball in his spare time, most recently for Downingtown East High School (Exton, PA). This past spring, Stephen completed his Doctor of Education Degree at Immaculata University (Immaculata, PA). Dr. Frederick is excited to begin the school-year in his new position. He is passionate about education and looking forward to continuing the tradition of excellence at St. Francis of Assisi School.

REMEMBERING FR. BOB HOEFLER



Our forever treasure, Fr. Bob Hoefler, our third pastor.

“Lord, I don’t know what this day will bring. I accept it as your gift to me and I ask you to help me live it as well as I can with the confidence that you will see me through all that happens—good and bad. Thank you for the

peace that faith in you can bring. Help me never to lose faith in you. Amen.”



AUGUST 15TH



Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Masses on Monday, August 15 at 7:15 a.m. & 6 p.m.

For her courageous discipleship, God blessed Mary during her difficult life, and at her death, God assumed her bodily into heaven, where she now enjoys full union with her Lord. Mary, as one of us, points to what awaits the Church and

all disciples who wait in hope for full union with God. While not in Scripture, Mary’s bodily assumption into heaven is an ancient Church belief. The solemnity not only celebrates Mary’s assumption, but, as she is the primary symbol of the Church, Mary’s assumption points to the fullness of salvation that will be given to the entire Church with the Lord’s Second Coming.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will give you the “gardening tools” you need to help your marriage grow and blossom. For information or to register, go to wwme.org. Upcoming dates are September 9-11, 2022 in Dubuque and November 18-20, 2022 in Holstein, Iowa.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE



Please bring new school supply items (paper, folders, notebooks, markers, crayons, glue, scissors, pencils, pens, etc.) to St Francis from July 30-August 14. Collection bins will be located in the Parish Hall.

Supplies will be donated to school children in the Des Moines area where there is need.

IMMERSE

Immerse is back for another year of offering great evenings of worship and encounter.

Immerse is an apostolate in the metro area providing opportunities for all to encounter God’s love through the Holy Spirit. We offer two events each month which include adoration, reconciliation, worship, prayer teams, and a brief reflection.

First Friday is held at St. Pius X in Urbandale at 7 p.m. **Third Thursday** begins at 6:30 p.m. and includes a Mass. Location for Third Thursday varies each month. Please see the schedule below. All are welcome. Follow us on Facebook @ImmerseDSM or email immerseds@gmail.com to join our mailing list and receive important reminders and event updates.

Upcoming Third Thursday Schedule and Locations:

August 18 @ St. Francis WDM

September 15 @ Sacred Heart WDM

October 20 @ Sts John and Paul in Altoona

November 17 @ St. Francis WDM

December 15 @ St. Francis WDM

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Charities has Opportunities for Everyone.

If you are looking for ways to help others in the community, Catholic Charities has put together a list with many ways you can make a difference. From small donations to full-time volunteers, there is something everyone can do on this list!

To find out more about immediate needs and collection drives, contact Emily Klisares at eklisares@catholiccharitiesdm.org or call 515-237-5027.

To donate funds, go to catholiccharitiesdm.org/contribute/donate-2/. To donate online, contact Debra Powers at dpowers@catholiccharitiesdm.org or call 515-237-5064.

Mail checks to Catholic Charities, 601 Grand Ave., Des Moines, IA 50309. To see the needs list, go to <https://www.catholiccharitiesdm.org/2022/05/2022-spring-list-of-program-needs/>

LITURGICAL CORNER

Solemnity of the Assumption

The Catholic Church believes that Mary, the mother of Jesus, was assumed body and soul into heaven at the end of her life. We believe in the resurrection of bodies that decay after death; Mary needed no resurrection of the body because hers was preserved from corruption. She was assumed into heaven.

This belief is a counter part to the Catholic belief in the Immaculate Conception. To prepare a womb for the coming of the Word Made Flesh, God preserved Mary from all sin from the moment of her conception. Mary did not experience any sin—including original sin, which leads to further sin and death. Hence, sinless (immaculate) Mary also did not experience death as other mortals do. She was assumed into heaven.

The Preface for this day was composed after the Second Vatican Council. It includes these ideas about Mary, as well as this idea about the Church: We are a pilgrim people. This image has been enshrined in the council's *Dogmatic Constitution on the Church*. The entire Church makes a pilgrimage toward heaven. Mary, who achieved this goal, is a sign of hope and comfort for everyone else along the way. She is the beginning and the image of the Church as it comes to perfection.

The Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated in the evening of August 14 and anytime during the day on August 15. When this solemnity falls on a Sunday, it replaces the prayers and readings of Ordinary Time. August 15 is a holyday of obligation in the United States of America, except in those years when it falls on a Saturday or a Monday. This allows those responsible for preparing Sunday worship to relax a bit more.

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LITURGICAL & MUSIC MINISTERS

St. Francis welcomes any and all parishioners to serve as liturgical or music ministers. There are opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to serve! Scheduling for these ministries is flexible and works around your schedule. The need for people to fill these roles is ongoing, so if you are interested in helping serve at Mass in a liturgical or musical role, please contact Emily Schmid in the parish office.

HEARING ASSISTANCE EQUIPMENT

We love being able to provide hearing assistance equipment. If you need to use them during Mass or events in the church, they are located at the Mass Coordinator Counter for check out.

If you've checked out equipment and have accidentally taken them home, please return them to the church. Thank you!

BECOMING CATHOLIC



Becoming Catholic

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These recommendations are based on the Catholic liturgical year, saints and feast days.

Program – 33 Days to Morning Glory, Week 2: St. Maximilian Kolbe

Movie – One Sister's Vocation: Daughters of Saint Paul

Audio – The Grace of Ars by Frederick Miller

Books – Edith Stein and Companions by Fr. Paul F. W. Hamans

Kid's Choice -- Truth to Inspire: St. Philomena

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SOUTH AFRICA MISSION TRIP

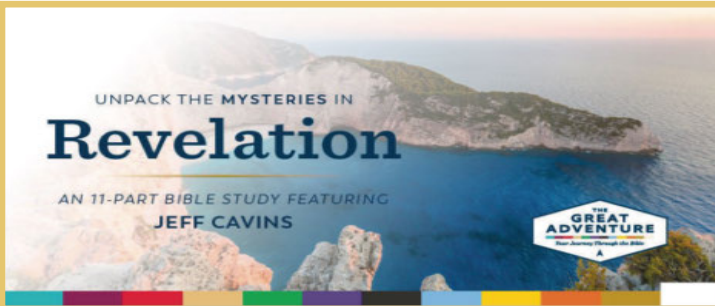
Fr. Ray is still going to Africa to serve on a mission trip with Blessman International. The trip will be January 12-24, 2023. There will be an informational meeting on **Tuesday, August 16 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Serra Room for anyone interested in being part of this team. If you have any questions, please email Fr. Ray at fraydsm@gmail.com

GARDENING ANGELS

Thank you to the Notre Dame Club who came out to the garden on July 30. They helped harvest, weed, and plant. Over 120 pounds of vegetables were donated. Also, many thanks to our regulars who have continued to help all summer. Come and join us any Sunday afternoon from 5 to 6 p.m.



JOIN US FOR ONE OF THE BELOW BIBLE STUDIES STARTING IN SEPTEMBER!



REVELATION: *The Kingdom Yet to Come* is an intriguing eleven-session study program that shows how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven.

Tuesdays, Sep 13–Dec 6 | 6:30–8:30 p.m. | St. Clare Room | Suggested donation \$30



METANOIA: *A Journey with Christ into Conversion*, a 10-week series featuring Fr. Dave Pivonka, will inspire you to seek to encounter Jesus and the new life he is constantly inviting us to.

Tuesdays, Sep 13–Nov 22 | 9–11a.m. | Serra Room



FOLLOW ME: *Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John*, an eight week study, invites you to experience the joy of a renewed friendship with Christ.

Wednesdays, Sep 14–Nov 2 | 9:45–11:45 a.m. | Serra Room | Suggested donation \$25

Scan the QR code or contact the Faith Formation office (515-440-1030) for details and registration.



2022-2023
**Youth Faith
Formation
Registration**

Is Open!

Program details &
registration links:
[www.saintfranchurch.org/
formation](http://www.saintfranchurch.org/formation)

Faith Formation programming begins in September so now is the time to register!

Learn more about each of our programs on the parish website under the Formation tab:

- * Family Formation (preschool –grade 5)
- * Preparation for First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion (typically 2nd grade)
- * Preparation for Confirmation (typically 9th grade)
- * Youth Ministry consisting of EDGE (grades 6-8) and FISH (grades 9-12)
- * Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (ages 3-12, space limited)

Many volunteers are still needed. Please contact the Faith Formation Office (515-440-1030) for ways you can share your time and talents!

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

Your gift to the Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA) makes a difference! The ADA helps us encounter Christ, shepherd the faithful, support our local communities of faith and help people in need.

Our 2022 Parish Goal is \$395,053.

To date, we have pledged or paid \$345,450 (87%).

Gifts can be made online at www.dmdiocese.org/giving/annual-diocesan-appeal. **IMPORTANT:** Be sure to select SFA as your parish.

Thank you for helping your parish reach its goal and supporting the Diocese of Des Moines!



ST. FRANCIS COMMUNICATIONS

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- On the homepage of our website, scroll down and click on "View Bulletins" (next to Upcoming Events).
- Once you click "View Bulletins", click on "Subscribe" for St. Francis' bulletins and enter your email address.

LIVESTREAMING MASS

Livestreaming at 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. (ASL interpreted.)
Go to: [Youtube.com/StFrancisofAssisiCatholicChurchWDM](https://www.youtube.com/StFrancisofAssisiCatholicChurchWDM) or [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and enter SFAWDM in the search box.

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WE WANT TO SHARE YOUR NEWS

Have something you need announced in the bulletin?
Send an email to Communications@saintfrancischurch.org.

Upcoming deadlines (by 9 a.m.) are as follows:

August 21 & 28 bulletin: August 15

September 4 & 11 bulletin: August 29

***Check out the communications page on our website** for all the ways we can share your news & how to submit info.
<https://saintfrancischurch.org/our-parish/communications/>



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We've now added additional categories, including School, Faith Formation, our Campus Project Wish List, Annual Diocesan Appeal, St. Mary's of Hamburg, the Church in Ukraine, the Church in Africa and Grief Share.

Go to our website and click on Our Parish/Tithing & Donations or go directly to:

<https://abundant.co/stfrancisofassisi/give> to see all of the ways you can support St. Francis.

BISHOP JOENSEN INVITES YOU!

In honor of Bishop Joensen's passion for education, we invite you to join us for the inaugural **Bishop's Celebration of Catholic Schools** on August 27, 2022, St. Thomas Aquinas in Indianola, Iowa | 4:30 p.m. Mass, 5:30 p.m. Social Hour, and 6:30 p.m. Dinner and Awards Ceremony. Learn more and purchase your tickets today at: dmdiocese.org/catholic-schools/support or call 515-237-5079.



SFA PRAYER CHAIN

Our prayer chain involves hundreds of parishioners praying for the needs of others.

If you would like to submit a prayer request to our prayer chain or be a prayer warrior please contact Sheila Timmerman.

Email: prayerchain@saintfrancischurch.org
Please indicate if you would like your name linked to the prayer request.

DAYS FOR GIRLS—SEWING MINISTRY

Days for Girls will be meeting August 14 from 1-4:00 p.m. in Room 5. We welcome any interested persons to join us; there are jobs for sewers and non-sewers alike, for any age. Please bring your rotary cutters and boards - don't have any, don't worry, we have a few extras you can use. Our ministry here helps support Blessman International and our SFA Mission Team in South Africa, however this international organization supports girls worldwide. If questions, please contact us at wdesmoines@daysforgirls.org.

 **PUZZLE**

Which picture name **begins** with this letter?
 Circle the picture that starts with that sound.

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 **MISSION**

I will give clothing I have outgrown that is still good to the needy.

 **COLOR**

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



 **GOSPEL**

Talk to God in prayer every day. Tell him when you are afraid. Tell him when you are happy. Tell him that you love him. Obey his commandments. Be a light to others. Show them by your shining example how to be a Christian. Feed the hungry. Give drink to the thirsty. Give clothes to the needy. Forgive yourself and others. When Jesus, the Son of Man comes to get you, you will be ready.

 **PRAYER**

Lord, help me be a shining example to others.

 **DRAW**

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