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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 6:00 pm @ St. Isidore
Sunday: 8:30 am @ St. John
Weekday Mass Schedule
As stated in the weekly bulletin
Confessions Sunday: 8 am or by appointment

Main Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:
8 am - 5 pm
Friday:
7 am - 3:30 pm

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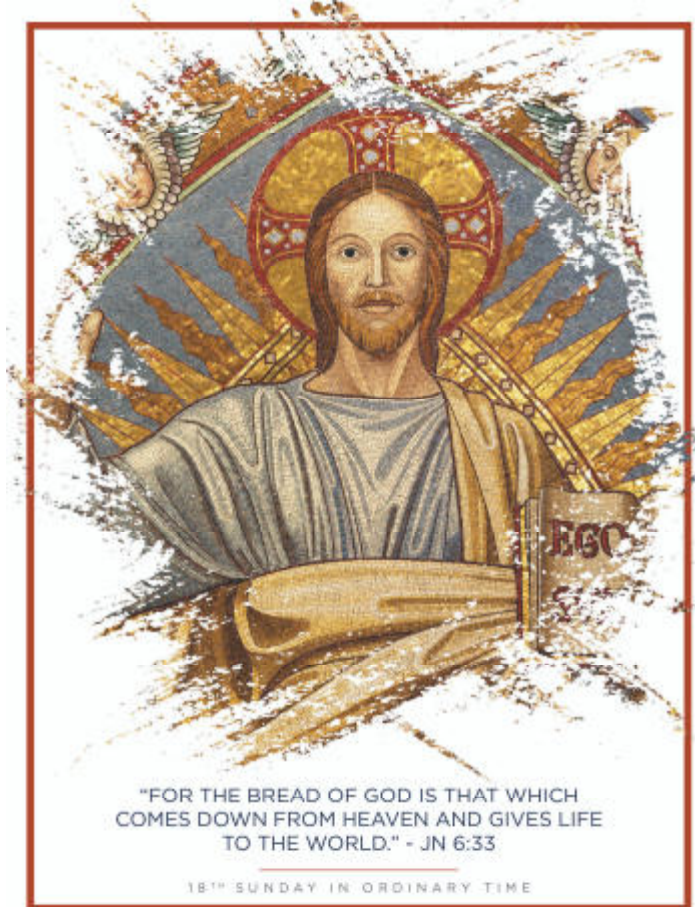
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To Our Parishioners & Friends

What is this?

Two friends who have not seen each other for some time happened to accidentally bump into each other. One of them looked rather discontent and gloomy, so the other said to him, "Hey, it's so good to see you; however, you don't seem excited!" Responding in a rather disappointing tone, he said to the friend, "You really don't understand. Four months ago, my auntie died and quite unexpectedly, she left me \$45, 000. The next month, my cousin died, and he also left me \$30,000. Then last month, an uncle of mine, whom I was not even close to, also died and left me \$25, 000." By this time, the friend was getting confused and retorted, "But if you're getting all these amounts of money, why are you not excited?" His answer was, "You don't get it. This month is almost over and so far, nothing!"

The liturgy for this weekend points to the centrality of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist and invites us to constantly fix our gaze on him and come to receive him with gratitude. The beautiful reading from Exodus illustrates how the Israelites fluctuated in their sense of gratitude to God and Moses. After 400 years of sojourning in Egypt, God used another human being, Moses, to liberate them through extraordinary acts right before their eyes.

While leading the Israelites little by little to the promised land, the father desired to satisfy them and make them joyful people. Yet, we see how their initial sense of gratitude for this liberation and victory journey to the promised land started to wither as they met bumps and roadblocks on the way. Physical exhaustion, emotional distress, hunger, and thirst triggered memories of sitting by "our fleshpots and ate our fill of bread!" To sustain them so that he can accomplish his purpose, God provided them with manna.

And when they saw the manna for the first time, Moses answered their question, "What is this?" by telling them, "This is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat." Notice how Moses clearly described the manna, "This is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat." The manna was only for nourishment. However, notice Jesus' answer to the people when they asked him for a sign so that they could believe in him: "For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." And here is the stunning part, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

As we follow Jesus and try to conform to his holy nature by letting go of bad habits, fleeting things, easy life, and others, Paul urges us in the second reading that there are moments we miss the fleshpots of such past life and cravings.

However, we remember that nothing is more fulfilling and life-giving than the Eucharist. It is the reason we should seek and receive the Eucharist, our true bread from heaven in the spirit of gratitude and thanksgiving in our hearts.

St. Isidore Parish is seeking to hire an administrative assistant/bookkeeper. Position offers flexible part time hours of about 20 hours per week. Hours can be scheduled over 2 or 3 days per week. Office hours are required. Familiarity with word processing, spread sheets, and basic bookkeeping would be helpful. Please contact Fr. Andrew @ 319-854-6141 or email @ dbq137@dbqarch.org.

Examples of Duties:

- Serves as primary initial contact for visiting public. Answers telephone calls, receives and greets visitors and provides information to or refers callers and visitors.
- Maintains calendar and coordinates and schedules liturgy ministers and meetings as needed,
- Receives and processes receipts and invoices.
- Prepares correspondences, reports, lists, and other documents.
- Picks up, processes and distributes mail.
- Copies, packages, and distributes a variety of written materials as requested .
- Gathers, assembles, updates, distributes, and/or files a variety of information, forms, records, and data.
- Requisitions supplies and materials for the church as requested. Performs book keeping and related work as required.



If you have not signed up for faith formation for the 2021-2022, please do so at your earliest opportunity so that planning may continue for class sizes and catechist needs. To register go to:

<https://www.myschoolsystems.com/ArchDBQ/DBQ137/>.

If paying Faith Formation Fees and Sacramental Fees online please do not combine the two in your payment. They each have their own category to pick from Sacramental and Faith Formation.

Thank you for using e-catholic online!



St. John's Parish oversees "Meals on Wheels" for the month of September for the home bound through SE Linn Community Center in Lisbon. If you can help deliver meals contact John Pospisil at 895-6525.

Readings for the week of August 1, 2021

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 [24b]/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35
 Monday: Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [2a]/Mt 14:13-21
 Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13 [cf. 3a]/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
 Wed: Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Mt 15:21-28
 Thursday: Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Mt 16:13-23
 Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 [1a and 9a]/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10
 Saturday: Dn 6:4-13/Ps 18: 28, 3-4. 47 and 51/Mk 17:14-20
 Next Sunday:
 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/ Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51



This is a hearing device that parishioners and visitors may use to hear Fr. Andrew and the lectors better. We are happy that you are using these devices.

We ask you to not put it in your pocket or pull on the wires as this will break them.

When we have to replace the attachment that plugs into the hearing device it costs the parish \$14 Thank you for understanding.



If you are new to the parish or been here awhile stop in and register. We would be happy to add you/family to our St. John's family. If you would like to make an appointment to register you will find the Main Office hours on the front of the bulletin.



Weekly contributions needed..... \$5,423.08

July 25, 2021	
Budget, Adult.....	\$ 1,515.00
Loose Coin/Currency.....	\$ 137.00
Air.....	\$ 170.00
Facility Up-Keep.....	\$ 100.00
School Supplies.....	\$ 50.00
Back Pack Program.....	\$ 50.00
Total Collected.....	\$ 2,022.00
YTD collection needed.....	\$ 21,692.32
YTD collections received.....	\$ 15,685.91
YTD.....	\$ 6,006.41

Liturgical Ministers August 8, 2021

Sacristan: Jim Kendall

EM: Heidi Ryan Jacob Ryan
 Hugh Scieszinski Richard Povey

Lectors: Vicky Wieseler Stephanie Brehm

Servers: Natalie Clark Jenna Woodward

Greeters: Jamie & Annalyn Elloren
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 John & Stephanie Brehm



Wednesday, August 4th

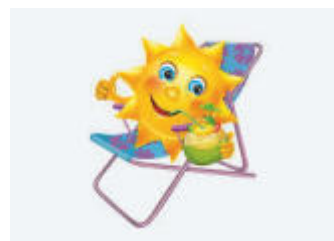
8:30 am - Al Opatz

Friday, August 6th

8:30 am - LaBrie family

Sunday, August 8th

8:30 am - Mary Talcott Pauluk



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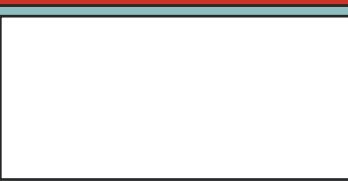
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