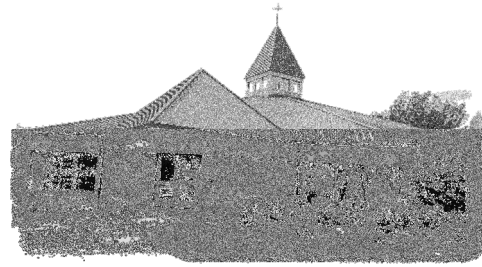


St. Andrew Parish

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November 4, 2018

Mass times are Saturday at 4:30 pm and Sunday at 9:00 am.
We celebrate the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time this weekend.

The Parish Council meets on Wed., Nov. 7th at 7:00 pm
(Meeting will be held in the Parish Center Conference Room)
All parishioners are invited.



Weekend Ministries for November 10 & 11, 2018		
	<i>4:30 PM</i>	<i>9:00 AM</i>
<i>Mass Intention</i>	Vernon Vanlaarhoven	People of St. Andrew Parish
<i>Greeters</i>	Bob Brus / Wendy Schnack	Teresa Manning Family
<i>Announcer</i>	Mary Nelson	Choir / Ray Harre
<i>Lectors</i>	Bonnie Strong / Melissa Trimble	Judy Freeman / Becky Starns
<i>Ushers</i>	John Frank / Jeannie Ferring	Hausch Family
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	Chris & Lynn Rubley	Schadel Family
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Phyllis Avesing / Shirley Schmidt	Becky Escalante / Kathy Schaefer
<i>Hospitality</i>	Shay & Kathy Elliott	Alan & Vicki Seddon
<i>Cross Bearer</i>	Jim Fries	Matt Carlson
<i>Altar Servers</i>	Charles Pelsang / Abby Ratermann	Makenna Burt / Brianna Blake
<i>Homily Recorder</i>	Chris Rubley	

For the Vision 20/20 initiative in our diocese, that our preparation will be modeled after the holy men and women of God, becoming more like Christ in all ways. Let us pray to the Lord...

From Your PLC's Corner

Love God and love your neighbor. This short and clear commandment expressed all of the law of God. Today we don't like to think of God's word as a law, so we can say simply that this short statement sums up the whole of our Christian life. It is so very simple and also so very difficult.

Loving God has always been a bit difficult because God is not present the way that another person is present. This difference also has made loving God easier because we are never quite sure what it means to love God. We do know that we must prefer God and His word, His Scriptures to all other realities.

The invitation to love God and to love our neighbor becomes very concrete in the love of neighbor. It is not just any neighbor that we must love, but the neighbor who is right in front of us. The neighbor is not the person who lives next door but any human being who happens into our life. This neighbor is especially the person that we don't want to help, the person who may have injured us, the person who seems unworthy of our help, the person who will take more of our time than we want to give.

Always in the Gospel we find this teaching of the Lord Jesus: love those who don't love you; love those who are your enemies; love those who slap you and injure you.

We can allow our hearts to be changed today or we can continue as we are, with hearts hardened by doing things our own way. Jesus calls to us: Love God and love your neighbor. Listen to Him.

Blessings, Deacon Terry



Ecumenical Prayer Service
on Tuesday, November 20th at 7:00 pm.
All the churches in Blue Grass, Walcott and Buffalo
are invited.
Refreshments following.



You know who the savior of England in World War II was, right? Know any quirks he had? Jo Beecher learned one from a biography of his that will shock you! Read any biography of Churchill and come to our next book club meeting to discuss him and find out this and other quirks. Contact Jo at (563) 381-8089, she has books. The next meeting is Friday, November 16 from 10 AM to 11 AM.

Would you like the bulletin e-mailed to you?

Just send an e-mail to Deacon Terry and let him know. BlueGrassStAndrew@diodav.org

Prayer Corner

Vision 20/20 Prayer

Send your Spirit, O God
That we might see clearly your gifts and blessings,
Past and present,
and so be filled with gratitude.

To open our eyes
That we might see clearly where we have failed to proclaim
The Good News and welcome the stranger,
and so be moved to ongoing conversion.

To open our eyes
That we might see clearly the signs of the times
And where your Christ lies hidden at the margins,
And so see where and how we are being called to serve.

To open our eyes
That we might see clearly the vision that you, O God, have for us,
the Diocese of Davenport,
and so answer your summons into a future together.

Yes, O God, send us your Spirit in a new Pentecost:
Renew our hearts
Renew our Church
Renew our world

Through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.



Please come to the
Vision 20-20 Sessions
on Sunday's from 3:00
pm until 4:30 pm.
Everyone welcome - we
especially encourage
the young adults - our
future of the Church!
**Fr. Bud will lead the
Nov. 4th Session!**

A Prayer of Joy

Heavenly Father, how we bless and thank You for the glad tidings of great joy that were given to all people.. through that angelic host so many years ago. Thank You for Jesus and the joy and peace that floods the hearts of all who have found in Him the rock of their Salvation.

Eternity is too short for us to praise and magnify Your glorious name for all Your goodness and love towards us.. and to all who are called by Your name.. for in You is the fullness of joy.

Help me to share this joy of knowing Jesus with all those who You place in my path and I pray that throughout the world there may be many sinners today.. who are saved by grace through faith in the shed blood of Christ Jesus – so that they too may experience the joy and peace that passes understanding which is freely available to all who paid heed to the glad tidings of the gospel of grace. This we ask in Jesus name, Amen.

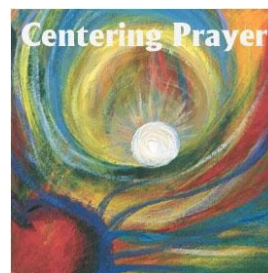


Centering Prayer

Feeling overwhelmed in the midst of our busy and chaotic lives? Centering Prayer may have an answer for you. Centering Prayer is a shift from striving and achieving to surrendering to grace and wisdom. Centering Prayer has deep roots in Christianity and allows us to fulfill our human desire that leads to oneness with God.

A Centering Prayer Group meets at St. Andrew
every Thursday from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

For more information call Joan Timmons at (563) 271-0502



Collections for the Month of September, 2018 We have 281 families registered as active members.

Envelopes	\$14,685.00
Offertory (Cash)	1,061.60
Electronic Giving from 16 Families	2,677.00
Total Collected for the month is	\$18,423.60
<i>Our monthly budget requirement for 2017/18 is</i>	<i>\$15,866.00</i>



We're not there yet! Please prayerfully consider how you can help with the Annual Diocesan Appeal. We are at **82.06%** and need another **\$5,851** to meet our commitment.



Someone you know may be in abusive relationship.
Call: 800-799 SAFE (7233)

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

To report child abuse contact: Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178 and if it involves clergy or church personnel also notify Alicia Owens, the Victim Assistance Coordinator, 563-349-5002; vac@diodav.org or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722.

This month's **Mary's Angels** meeting will be held, Monday, November 5th, at 6:00 in the church hall. All St. Andrews women are members and are welcome to attend.



The St. Andrew Knights of Columbus meetings are normally held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the parish center. If interested in joining the Knights, contact Chris Rubley at (563) 594-9851 or Jay Matlock at (563) 381-1028.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, Nov. 13 at 7:00 pm. ← Note Date Change!

Knights of Columbus are a family friendly fraternity of catholic men. We stand on four principles: charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. We are known for solidarity with our priests and defense of religious freedoms. As Knights we are called to be lay leaders, spiritual fathers, laborers for God's kingdom -- a band of brothers. Together we stand up in faith to be the difference for good in our time and place. We are in the middle of our recruiting drive, please consider joining for you, your family, your Parish and community. In your busy life there is time for the Knights of Columbus. Contact Chris or Jay (*info above*) to learn how to join without paying dues for the first year and your volunteer time will earn you a free Knights of Columbus Shirt!



Religious Education Corner

Dear Parishioners,



Last year we started the "Mug of Love" project for our veterans. We would like to do this again this year. We ask for clean coffee cups that you would like to donate and stuff them with either soup, hot chocolate, or oatmeal. We wrap them up and deliver them to the Veterans Outreach in Davenport to be distributed to the veterans. If you'd like to help out you can donate cups, oatmeal, cup a soup, or hot chocolate. The 6th,7th, and 8th graders will package these up as a community project. Thank-You for your support!

Don't forget! - No Religion Class on November 11

Please contact Phyllis Avesing, phone 381-1363, e-mail: bluegrasstandrewdre@diodav.org if you have questions.



High School Corner

Please remember to check our weekly bulletin for updates. If you plan to attend any scheduled activities please register a week in advance by emailing Bobbi Goodin at bluegrasstandrewym@diodav.org.

To also get placed on the high school email list, send an email to Bobbi Goodin for future information.





Friday, November 9th, we will be preparing and serving the **Churches United Meal** (*Formerly the Salvation Army meal.*) The meal site is now located at Zion Lutheran Church, 1216 W. 8th St. (Corner of 8th & Marquette St., in Davenport) We will be serving the meatloaf dinner; donations of ground beef and desserts are needed. Sign-up sheets in the gathering area are for food, cooks, servers, transport of the meal and clean up. Thank you for being Jesus to those in need.

Vision 20/20

Please plan to attend the next **Formation Session** in the parish center on Sunday at 3:00 pm. Our sessions will reflect on the document "The Joy of the Gospel". You need not have attended a previous session to come. We will cover chapter 4 this Sunday. But come even if you don't read any of it! **Fr. Bud will lead the discussion this week!**



 **Check your Catholic Messenger this week. Fr. Bud Grant writes about our commitment to the good.**

CARD PARTY AT SUGAR CREEK

Sun., November 11, 2018 - Please join us at 6:00PM for games, refreshments & prizes
ALL ARE WELCOME!!



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Saturday, November 10 @ 10am-4pm
<https://qcprolifewomen.eventbrite.com>

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Questions?
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"A person is a person no matter how small." - Dr. Seuss