

# Epiphany Cathedral of the Epiphany

1000 Douglas St., Sioux City, IA 51105

October 2021

### WHAT HAVE YOU HEARD AND SEEN?

Very Rev. J . David Esquiliano, JCL



The penultimate Sunday in October is known as World Mission Sunday. This year it will fall on October 24. You may not know a lot about it, but I am sure you have heard the name because each year we take a special collection on the occasion to support the missionary endeavors of the Church.

Growing up, though, World Mission Sunday was a big deal. Perhaps it was because we were still mission territory, or because our pastor was an Irish missionary, but in our parish we had a children and a couple youth groups whose main mission was to support missionaries through prayers and financial assistance. Every year, on World Mission Sunday, we would go door to door telling people about the Church's mission and to ask for donations to send to missionaries throughout the world.

Building up to that date, we would also spend time studying the Holy Father's message for the occasion. Yes, you probably did not know that, but every year the pope writes a letter to Catholics around the world with a reflection on missions. This year, the theme of his letter, and therefore the theme for the day is, "we cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard," which comes from Acts of the Apostles 4:20.

As I have said it before, people have been stopping coming to Mass for years. Excuses are many, but if people really appreciated what they are missing when they do not come to Mass, they would be here at least every Sunday, if not more often.

I do believe, my brothers and sisters, that you who faithfully come to Mass appreciate the great miracle that happens at every Mass, that is getting a glimpse of Heaven, God speaking to us through Scriptures, Our Lord feeding us His Body and His Blood; in other words we experience God's love.

In his letter for this year's World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis wrote, "Once we experience the power of God's love, and recognize his fatherly presence in our personal and community life, we cannot help but proclaim and share what we have seen and heard." He adds, "The theme of this year's World Mission Day - "We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:20), is a summons to each of us to "own" and to bring to others what we bear in our hearts."

Because we have seen and heard, because we get to witness the greatest miracle on earth every time we come to Mass we cannot but speak about it, we cannot but go and invite those who have left to come back.

Perhaps we are no longer a mission territory in the traditional sense, that is, most people do not need to hear about God for the first time, but I think we all know someone who needs to hear an invitation to come experience God's love for them.

I want to encourage each one of you to become a missionary this month. Call your friends and relatives that are no longer coming to Mass. Without judging them, tell them why you come, tell them about how you experience God's love at every Mass, and invite them to come with you. The church keeps growing throughout the world because of the work of missionaries. May we now see our parish here grow as well because of missionaries like you.

St. Thérèse of Lisieux and St. Francis Xavier, patron saints of missionaries, pray for us!



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# IDEAS FOR PARENTS TO DO AS A FAMILY



Our Religious Education program began in September, and I have enjoyed observing the students in the classrooms with their catechists praying, learning, and growing closer to Christ and His church. Our catechists work hard and dedicate much prayer, time, and effort into teaching the Religious Education classes and their ministry provides a

great service to the families and children in our parish. Their instruction in the classroom ultimately seeks to support the parents in their role as the first and principal educators of their children in the faith, and the Religious Education classes can only bear fruit to the extent that parents are striving to fulfill this role. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that each family is considered a domestic church where children are brough up in the school of faith, prayer, and virtue. Each family has a mission to reflect the love of God to the world so others might be drawn to the Gospel.

As we return to routines of daily life and also to the Religious Education classes, I would like to offer ideas and encourage all parents to strive to create a school of holiness in your homes, see below and try to accomplish the following ideas:

- Prepare for Sunday Mass by reading the Gospel as a family beforehand.
- Attend Sunday Mass as a family, if you are in Grace of God then receive Holy Communion with your children as an example. Plan opportunities to celebrate the Sacrament of Confession.
- Begin and end each day in prayer as a family. In addiction to memorized prayer of the Rosary and various Novenas, this will help children to learn the prayers.
- Learning about the Liturgy of the Hours, go to Adoration
   Chapel together with your children to do so will teach
   them to pray in silence, also this allows your family to fully
   unite your prayers to those of the universal Church.
- Become familiar with the Church's liturgical calendar so that you can observe liturgical seasons, such as Advent, Lent, and Easter, as well as memorials, feasts, and solemnities, learn about the lives of some saints.
- Frequently visit <u>www.sccathedral.org</u> for a continuing list of ideas and resources for parents and to the whole families.

# Parish Updates

### **UPDATED WEBSITE**

Have you checked out our improved website? Information is easier to find, and everything is in English and Spanish. Go to sccathedral.org and check it out!

### MASSES CANCELED FOR CONVOCATION

The first week of October all the priests in the diocese will have to attend a convocation out of town. Because of that, we will not have confessions, nor Masses from Monday, October 4 to Thursday, October 7. If you have an emergency during those days and need anointing, please still contact our office and we will do our best to contact a retired priest.

#### NEW PARKING LOT

Have you seen the new parking lot on Grandview Blvd. just West of the cathedral? That is the result of a joint project of the Diocese of Sioux City, Heelan Catholic Schools, and the Cathedral Parish. That parking lot is generally available for parishioners during our weekend Masses.

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

We have a few Masses still available for your intentions during the month of October. Remember that you may request your intentions online at sccathedral.org

# THE FINANCIAL CORNER

INCOME	August 2021
Weekly Offerings	\$ 54,981.00
Loose Offerings	\$ 19,784.09
Prog. Support	\$ 25,708.00
Other income	\$ 25,924.13
Total Parish Income	\$ 128,020.04
EXPENSE	
Salaries & Wages	\$ 36,587.26
Administrative Expenses	\$ 4,387.11
Ministry Expenses	\$ 305.67
Utility Bills & Repairs	\$ 15,052.82
Assessments	\$ 7,958.00
Other Expenses	\$ 2,106.32
Total Expenses	\$ 66,397.18
NET INCOME	\$ 61,622.86

# **KNIGTHS OF COLUMBUS**



**MEETINGS:** 2nd Thursdays of month, 6:30 pm, cathedral basement hall. Next meeting - Oct. 14th.

**PARISH BREAKFAST:** We have resumed our monthly breakfast. First Sunday of the month at 9 - 11:30 AM in the Cathedral Hall (basement). Will do a collection of

kid/baby items for Mary's Choice at each breakfast.

**CAN DRIVES**: Donate empty/ uncrushed cans & soda bottles on 4th Saturday of month. So far donated \$1400 to the Food Bank of Siouxland & \$2000 to Camp High Hopes.

**WEEKLY ROSARY:** Outside Mary's Choice/ Planned Parenthood every Wednesday at 11 am.

**TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVES**: At Bishop Heelan home games for disability assistance.

**WOOD CREATION PROJECT:** Making and selling log stands and plaques. Great gift idea.

Email: KofC743USA@gmail.com; Website: www.kofc.org; Facebook Page: "Knights of Columbus Council 743 USA"

# OCTOBER 2021 EVENTS

### **SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

2, 3- Buildings Fund

9, 10 - Together As One (Spanish only)

23, 24 - World Mission Sunday

### **BAPTISMS**

2, 16 - Spanish (11 am, Cathedral)

10, 17, 24 - Baptismal Spanish Classes (9 am, Cathedral Conference Room)

### **MEETINGS**

14 - Knights of Columbus (6:30 pm, Cathedral Hall)

1,8, 15, 22, 29 - Bible Study (6 pm, Cathedral Conference Room)

3, 17, 24, 31 - Youth Bible Study (6:45 pm, Cathedral Conference Room)

### **SOCIALS**

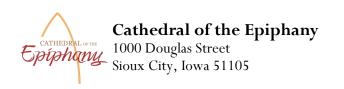
3 - KofC Breakfast (9:00-11:30 am, Cathedral Hall)

13 - Busy People Lunch (12:30 pm, Cathedral Hall)

21 - Lunch with parishioners (1 pm, SoHo's)

### **OTHER EVENTS**

16 - Deadline to submit items for November Newsletter



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### MASS SCHEDULE HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

MON.-SAT.: 12:00 pm Cathedral *English* MON.-FRI.: 5:30 pm Cathedral *Spanish* 

**SATURDAY:** 4:00 pm St. Boniface *English* 6:00 pm Cathedral *Spanish* 

SUNDAY: 8:30 am Cathedral Latin 8:30 am St. Joseph English

8:30 am St. Joseph *English*10:00 am Cathedral *English*10:30 am St. Boniface *Spanish*12:00 pm Cathedral *Spanish* 

12:30 pm St. Joseph *Vietnamese* 1:30 pm Cathedral *Spanish* 

HOLIDAYS: 9:00 am Cathedral Bilingual

ANTICIPATED / VIGIL: 5:30 pm St. Boniface *English* 5:30 pm Cathedral *Spanish* 

THE DAY OF THE SOLEMNITY:

7:00 am St. Joseph English 12:00 pm Cathedral English 5:30 pm Cathedral Spanish 7:00 pm Cathedral Latin

### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**Perpetual Adoration** 

Adoration Chapel - Epiphany Center

**SUNDAY:** 8:00 am-8:20 am Cathedral

712-255-1637

8:00 am-8:20 am St. Joseph

www.sccathedral.org

info@sccathedral.org

MON.-FRI.: 4:30 pm-5:15 pm Cathedral FRIDAY: 11:30 am-11:50 am Cathedral SATURDAY: 3:00 pm-3:45 pm St. Boniface

5:00 pm-5:45 pm Cathedral

### **OFFICE HOURS**

Website

Telephone

**CONFESSIONS** 

Email

MON., TUE., THUR.: 10:00 am-4:00 pm WEDNESDAY: 10:00 am-1:00 pm

2:00 pm-5:30 pm

FRIDAY: 10:00am-5:30 pm

SAT.-SUN.: Closed