

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2018**

**The Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 11:00 AM—Mass (Bernie Relph) with second collection for 2018 natural disasters
- 12:00 PM—Coffee & Donuts

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5**

Weekday (31);

**Tuesday, November 6**

Weekday;

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7**

Weekday;

- 9:30 AM—Morning Prayer and coffee
- 6:00 PM—Faith Formation, K-8

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9**

**The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10**

Saint Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11**

**THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

- 11:00 AM—Mass (Becky Maher)



"There is no other commandment greater than these." Mark 12:31

**SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday**

Phil 2:1-4  
Ps 131:1-3  
Lk 14:12-14

**Tuesday**

Phil 2:5-11  
Ps 22:26-32  
Lk 14:15-24

**Wednesday**

Phil 2:12-18  
Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14  
Lk 14:25-33

**Thursday**

Phil 3:3-8a  
Ps 105:2-7  
Lk 15:1-10



**Friday**

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12  
Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9  
1 Cor 3:9-11, 16-17  
Jn 2:13-22

**Saturday**

Phil 4:10-19  
Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 8-9  
Lk 16:9-15

**Sunday**

1 Kgs 17:10-16  
Ps 146:7-10  
Heb 9:24-28  
Mk 12:38-44

**Some Dates to Note**

- Nov. 3—Knight's Dinner, Basket Auction & Raffle
- Nov. 20—Social Action Committee Meeting
- Nov. 27—Liturgy Committee Meeting
- Nov. 27—Parish Council Meeting

**First-Sunday-of-the-Month Second Collection**

Our second collection this month will go to aid victims of 2018 natural disasters. The collection will be divided between CRS and Catholic Charities.

On September 24, Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, Archbishop of Galveston-Houston and President, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops wrote to his brother bishops here in the United States asking them to consider taking up a special collection for 2018 Disasters. In his letter Cardinal DiNardo writes, "We offer our prayers to families who have lost loved ones or are among those injured. As is often the case, the poor are the hardest hit by these conditions, but many will have immense unmet needs." He also notes that as monetary donations are collected, that they be made to Catholic Charities USA (CCUSA) for domestic relief and Catholic Relief Services (CRS) for international disaster response efforts.

On October 2, Bishop Zinkula gave approval for an options second collection.

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL (ADA)**

You are great parishioners! Thank you so much for responding to Bishop Zinkula and me, your pastor, in making a pledge to the ADA. We need only \$5,328.00 to meet our goal. We have pledges for \$12,318.00 of our \$17,646.00 goal or 70%. You will find fliers and envelopes in the gathering space. Please do your part so that we can all "pat ourselves on our backs" for another success.



Give and it shall be given to you, good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over... Thank you for your gifts.

- Envelopes .....\$2,534.90 (\$1,160.00) in auto tithing)
- Propagation of the Faith .....\$5.00



"Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." Mark 12:43

**"I dream of a 'missionary option', that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channeled for the evangelization of today's world rather than for her self-preservation."**

**Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium (Joy of the Gospel)**



**ATTENTION PARENTS OF K-6 GRADE STUDENTS CHRISTMAS PAGEANT NEWS**

We are planning to have a Christmas Pageant this year. We'll tell the Christmas Story and sing beloved Christmas songs. Your students should have brought home information about this and a sheet to be completed that indicates whether or not they can participate. The pageant will be held late afternoon on Sunday, Dec. 16, with a meal to follow. We'd love to see lots of our kids involved in this Christmas activity. Please complete and return the participation sheet indicating whether your child(ren) can or can not be part of the program. There are extra forms in the gathering space if you need one. These need to be returned within the next week or so. Let me know if you have any questions. Contact Peggy Dvorak at 515-674-4406 or 515-490-6886. Thanks very much.



## FROM THE DEACON'S DESK THE IOWA BISHOP'S LETTER ON FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP

As Americans, we celebrate our hard-won rights, often secured at the price of life or limb. Among these is the cherished right to vote. As a matter of principle, when there is a right to something, there is also a corresponding duty. And so, we have a duty to exercise our right to vote. The Catechism of the Catholic Church, commenting on the Fourth Commandment, teaches that the duty to vote is a moral obligation (2240). The duty to vote includes the responsibility to be informed about issues so as to vote conscientiously. For the sake of the formation of conscience, the Catholic Church has an extensive body of social teachings that translate the Gospel into daily living.

Catholic social teaching is based on the foundational principles of respect for human life and dignity, and the common good. No human person, whether a prisoner guilty of a capital offense, an infant in the womb, or a person disabled due to sickness or old age, can be stripped of or lose his or her dignity. Being created by God is the basis of human dignity. But the root of human dignity goes deeper with the belief that people are created in the image and likeness of God, that they are redeemed by the death and resurrection of Jesus, and that God takes personally whatever we do (or don't do) to any other person (see Matthew 25:30).

Human dignity is defended by the pursuit of the common good. It is the responsibility of a government, and of its individual citizens, to care for all people, especially those who need help to secure the things needed to live in dignity: productive work, fair wages, food, shelter, education, health care, and protection from harm. We might disagree about how people access these things, but not about whether all people have a right to them.

And for that reason, pursuit of the common good includes ensuring that people have the right to migrate when the things needed to live in dignity are unavailable in their homeland. But to be clear, advocating for human rights, like work, wages or immigration, doesn't make any sense if we don't defend the fundamental right to life of all people.

When it comes time to cast a vote, it may well be that no candidate lines up with both respect for human life and dignity, and the common good. So, what is a voter, with a conscience rightly informed by the teachings of Christ and his Catholic Church, to do? There will never be a perfect candidate, but that's no excuse not to vote, which would let some other force or voice fill the vacuum left by opting out. Rather, choose the candidate whom you believe will do the least harm, or who has potential to do the most good for the most people.

Our Holy Father Pope Francis, in his exhortation on holiness, "Rejoice and Be Glad," warns us against the error of separating religious practice and social engagement. He teaches that "we cannot uphold an ideal of holiness that would ignore injustice" (paragraph 101).

The right and duty to cast an informed vote is an important Catholic social teaching, and a great way for us to have an impact on all aspects of public life. Voting and other forms of political engagement are as much a duty of our religion as is daily prayer and Sunday worship. For more information on the social and moral teachings of the Church as they relate to our involvement in political activity, go to the "Faithful Citizenship" link at [www.iowacatholicconference.org](http://www.iowacatholicconference.org).

Singed by Archbishop Jackels (Dubuque), Bishop Zinkula (Davenport), Bishop Nickless (Sioux City) and Bishop Pates (Des Moines)

God's abundant blessings

Dc. Joe



### Coffee and Donuts

Thank you to Bud and Paula, Claire and Kathy for hosting donuts and coffee this morning. If you would like to host in the future, please let Dc. Joe know.



### Knights of Columbus Dinner and Meeting for November Cancelled

Because our regular meeting night, Tuesday, is election day and since we will all be together on Saturday for the big dinner, there will be no Knights meeting in November.



### Colfax-Mingo Community Christmas Adopt-a-Family. Applications are now available

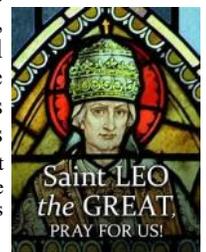
A ministry of the Communities of Colfax and Mingo is the Christmas Adopt-a-Family Program. For many years the churches, school groups and individuals have reach out to families in need, and assisted them with gifts for the children of those families during the Christmas Season. It is that time of year again. We are asking if you know of a family that is struggling and could benefit from this program, please direct them to pick up an application at one of the following locations or simply take them one. Thank you for sharing in this ministry.

Applications are available at the following locations: Colfax City Hall, First National Bank and all the area churches. They must be back to the Howard Street Christian Church, 101 N Locust, Colfax, IA 50054 by **Monday, November 12, 2018**, in order to assure adoption of the family.

### SAINT OF THE WEEK Leo the Great: c. 400-461

Feast Day—November 10

A Roman deacon who advised two popes, Leo was elected pope in 440 while on a diplomatic mission to Gaul, now France. He is one of three popes called "the Great." His title was earned for his teachings, which are found in 143 letters and nearly 100 sermons that survive, and for his administration. Under his leadership, church governance was consolidated, the primacy of Rome stressed, and liturgical, pastoral, and canonical uniformity urged. He also persuaded Attila the Hun not to sack Rome. Leo the Great was named a Doctor of the Church for his contribution to Christian doctrine. . Copyright ©2018 Catholic News Service—United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, DC. All rights reserved. Used with permission.



**November 4, 2018—11:00 AM**

**Lectors:** John Heggen & Linda Barnum  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Kathy Williams, Tom Grimm, Marcia Grimm,  
& Karen Van Dusseldorp  
**Altar Servers:** Will Owens & Meta Hill  
**Greeters:** Wood Family

**November 11, 2018—11:00 AM**

**Lectors:** Brad Hagarty & Terrie Rosonske  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Irma Bell, Susan Heggen,  
Claire Williams, & Sharon Jones  
**Altar Servers:** Dane Owens & Rita Krueger  
**Greeters:** Joann Carrothers & Karen Van  
Dusseldorp



## Pray for God's Peace and Joy

Please pray for:

Diane Wood  
Julia Jorensen, niece of Mary May  
Wes Koebrick (Father of Linda Barnum)  
Michael John Nelson, cousin of Mike Wood,  
nephew of Diane Wood  
James and Edward cousins of Janette Baldwin and  
Claire Gillan



## Winter Gear Drive

Social Action will again be collecting winter clothes for St. Mary's in Des Moines. If you have coats, hats, gloves, scarfs, etc. that are in good shape but no longer needed, you can drop them in the box in the gathering space. Social Action will see that they get delivered to St. Mary's Shelter.



## Faith Formation News

Classes will meet at the regular time on  
Wednesday, November 7—6:30 PM.

## DIOCESAN PRAYER:

### Vision 20/20 - From Pentecost to Pentecost

As you know from the article above, Bishop Zinkula has a new initiative, Vision 20/20. Prayer for the success of this initiative is so very important. Please consider praying the following prayer daily for the success of Vision 20/20

Send your Spirit, O God

To open our eyes

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.

## THE LORD'S LAUGHTER

“The One whose throne is in heaven sits laughing.” Psalm 2:4  
Psalm 2:4

- Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie.
- A hole has been found in the nudist - camp wall. The police are looking into it.
- Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.
- Atheism is a non-prophet organization.
- Two hats were hanging on a hat rack in the hallway. One hat said to the other: 'You stay here; I'll go on a head.'
- I wondered why the baseball kept getting bigger. Then it hit me.
- The midget fortune-teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.
- The soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.
- When cannibals ate a missionary, they got a taste of religion.

## Prayer for Vocations

Compassionate God, You speak your word to us through prophets of long ago and you continue to reveal your message of love today. With great expectation we look to your Spirit empowering us to serve you as Jesus did.

May we listen for your word and respond generously to your call. Renew in us the grace of our baptism. Strengthen married couples, single men and women, deacons, priests, sisters, and brothers as they seek to serve you by sharing their love and compassion.

Grant wisdom to those who are discerning their call. With gratitude we proclaim the Good News of Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. ©2006NCCV [www.nccv-vocations.org](http://www.nccv-vocations.org)

## Vision 20/20—From Pentecost to Pentecost

The time is NOW for the Diocese of Davenport to move forward and fill every life with the joy of the Gospel though a fresh encounter with Jesus Christ! Join Bishop Zinkula in opening our hearts to the Holy Spirit through “Vision 20/20: From Pentecost to Pentecost”. We have had our parish listening session and the next step is Regional Conversations, and then a two-day Convocation in the Spring of 2019. At the Convocation, we will celebrate our unity in the joy of the Gospel and identify effective ways in which to share the Good News with others. In the Fall of 2019, we will take the next steps in our parishes, schools and ministries. Finally, there will be a diocesan celebration during Pentecost of 2020 to keep the momentum going. Please prayerfully consider your participation in Vision 20/20. More information to follow.

## Wounded by Abortion?

### Project Rachel Can Help:

Project Rachel understands the emotional pain that follows an abortion. Please call the Helpline: 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](mailto:vac@diodav.org) or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004.

## 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](mailto:vac@diodav.org) or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004.