

July 19, 2020

Highway 60 Catholic Cluster



16th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

“Let them grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, ‘First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn.’” Mt 13:30

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Together we share our talents and resources to foster unity among ourselves and one another as we strive to live a life of Christian service with Christ as our example and the Holy Spirit as our guide.

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: Ashton, 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: Sheldon, 8:30 a.m. (English) and
12:30 p.m. (Español), Sibley, 10:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By appointment only

Baptism

Please contact the parish office for more information about baptismal preparation and scheduling your baptismal ceremony.

Holy Matrimony

Please contact the parish office six months prior to the anticipated wedding date.

Adoration

You will be notified when adoration resumes.

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St. Patrick, St. Mary and St. Andrew

Cluster Connection ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM AROUND THE CLUSTER

St. Patrick's School News

SCHOOL OFFICE - The St. Patrick School Office is open 10-2 Monday through Thursday during July. Scrip gift cards can be purchased during these times. Remember to pay local bills through Scrip and purchase birthday and vacation gift cards to support our Catholic School and Church!



St. Patrick School Fundraiser

The Pizza Ranch is generously offering 10% of their Buffet Sales July 20-24 to go towards St. Patrick school's technology needs! Plan to treat your family out for lunch 11 -1:30 pm or supper 5-8 pm!



On Saturday August 8th, St. Pat's will be hosting our 21st Annual 4 Person Best Ball Tournament for tuition assistance. Anyone is welcome to join in the fun.

Following the tournament, there will be a Rubber Duck Regatta. You can purchase 1 duck for \$30 or 4 for \$100. The winner will receive 30% of the pot.

For more information about either of these events or to sign up, please call the school at 324-3181 or send an email to raiseyourhat4stpats@gmail.com.



deliver a difference if you can help.

St. Andrew's is responsible for Meals on Wheels August 3rd thru 7th and 10th thru 14th. Volunteers are needed to help deliver the meals. Please contact Melanie Seivert at 605-212-5289

How to access the bulletin online:

- St. Patrick and St. Andrew post the bulletin on the websites
 - St. Patrick website—<http://sheldonstpats.org/>
 - St. Andrew/St. Mary website—<http://hwy60catholiccluster.org/>
- You can use the bulletin button on the MyParish app. Go to your app store and search for myparish app and select the one from Diocesan Publications. For our church, choose Hwy60 Catholic Cluster. Create an account with your email and birthdate.
- You can also receive the bulletin by email as soon as it is published from Ipi. On your computer go to <https://parishesonline.com/find/saint-andrew-church-saint-mary-church>. Choose the St. Andrew and St. Mary church, Sibley Iowa, create an account to receive the bulletin by email.

If you need help with any of these options, please contact your church office.

For the period of Jan. 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020 \$115,534.00 was sold in the scrip program. Rebate amount realized was \$3539.66 which is an average of 3% to be used for church and school expenses. Of this amount there were 10 school families that raised \$772.61 towards their tuition. This money raised DID NOT COST THE FAMILIES ANYTHING AS THE REBATES WERE GIVEN BY THE BUSINESS to encourage us to shop at their business. What a great way for ALL OF US TO HELP OUR CHURCH AND SCHOOL. We have approximately 40 families that use scrip regularly. Scrip could have more families using this program. Contact the school or Jane Cain or Paula Schwebach and we will be very happy to help you get started in this program. Sinclair gas gift cards are available to be ordered from our national retailer.

VOLUNTEER for Shop With a Cop ministry through Love INC - Volunteers help selected children buy back to school clothes with money raised by the Sheldon Police Force. The two shopping dates are Tuesday, July 21 and Wednesday, July 22. The evenings will begin at 5:00. If you have any questions or can volunteer, please call Jessica or Kristi at the Love INC office (324-9707).



ATLAS of Osceola is looking for area gardeners willing to donate their extra garden produce for a fundraiser. Please bring your produce to the table set up in the Sibley Super Foods parking lot from 8-9 am on Friday, July 24, July 31, August 7 and August 14. We will allow patrons to purchase the locally grown produce for a donation with all proceeds helping to support the ATLAS ministry. Together touching lives for Christ.

Enjoy locally grown produce and support the ATLAS of Osceola ministry. A table will be set up in the Sibley Super Foods Parking lot on Friday July 24 & 31 and August 7 & 14 from 9 am until noon. All items will be sold for a donation with all proceeds going to ATLAS.



WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

If God is good, why is there evil in the world?

Answer:

The problem of evil is perplexing. If God is all-powerful and all-good, why doesn't He stop bad things for happening? He must either not be all-powerful, or perhaps He's not very good after all. Human beings have faced the possibility of evil since the very beginning of our existence. In granting us free will, God gives us the ability to make free choices. God does not force us into moral perfection. We are not forced to love Him or to love our neighbor. We must make the decision ourselves. This means, of course, that we have the ability to choose against love.

One small decision of selfishness, jealousy, or pride may not seem so bad. But every decision — good or bad — is like a stone dropped into a still pond. The ripples extend much farther than the original stone. When decisions against love begin to compound, they affect families, neighborhoods, and nations. This is all the more reason for Christians to be faithful to our baptismal call to love one another as Christ has loved us!

Daily Mass has started

- Wednesday, 8 a.m., St. Mary Ashton
- Thursday, 8 a.m., St. Andrew Sibley
- Friday, 8 a.m., St. Patrick Sheldon
 - You are required to wear a mask to enter the church.
 - Social distancing guidelines will need to be followed.
 - **Cleansing and sanitizing** protocols will be followed after daily Mass.

Daily Mass will continue on the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday schedule until notified.

As always, please contact the office if you have any questions.

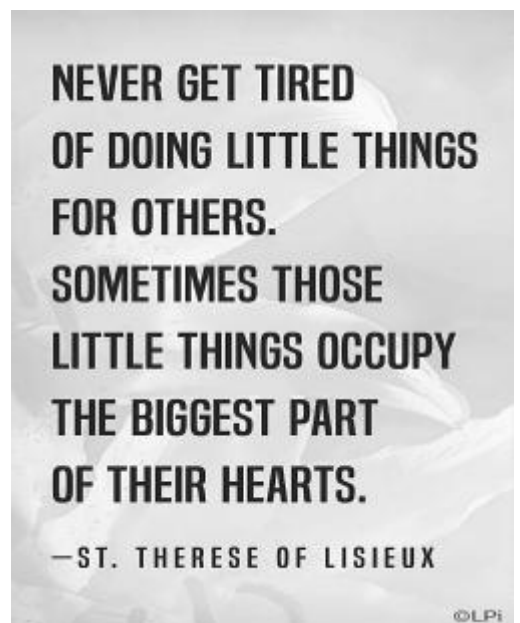
The St. Patrick's school marketing committee would like to know if you would send your child/children to St. Patrick's if transportation was available?

_____ **yes.** _____ **no**

Ages of children _____

Family Name: _____

You can send your information to the following email: raiseyourhat4stpats@gmail.com





As God's child, you are the wheat in God's field. As you love and trust God more, your faith will grow. You will see others around you who love God, too. God will be happy to see you growing up in God's love. As you grow taller and stronger, you will also notice others around you who ignore or hate God. God will get rid of those weeds. Then he will bring you into heaven.

PRAYER

God, help my love and faith to grown strong.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Help your parents, grandparents or someone that has a garden. Watch how carefully weeds need to be pulled, so you don't pull up the good plants, too.

Weekly Readings

- Sunday:** Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 [5a]/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30
- Monday:** Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 12:38-4
- Tuesday:** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 12:46-5
- Wednesday:** Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2]/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
- Thursday:** Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11 [10a]/Mt 13:10-1
- Friday:** Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Mt 13:18-2
- Saturday:** 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [5]/Mt 20:20-28
- Sunday:** 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 [97a]/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 18

4:30 p.m. Ashton Vincent & Sally Marnach

Sunday, July 19

8:30 a.m. Sheldon Ed & Eleanor Thole
10:30 a.m. Sibley For the Parishes of the Cluster
12:30 p.m. Sheldon (Español)Orville & Betty Gloden

Monday, July 20—No Mass

Tuesday, July 21

Sibley Robert Nasers

Wednesday, July 22

8 a.m. Ashton Bonnie Klosterman

Thursday, July 23

8 a.m. Sibley Darla Jacobson and For the Poor Souls in Purgatory and Special Intention

Friday, July 24

8 a.m. Sheldon Edna Finn

Saturday, July 25

4:30 p.m. Ashton David Imhoff and Donna Imhoff

Sunday, July 26

8:30 a.m. Sheldon Gerald Croatt
10:30 a.m. Sibley For the Parishes of the Cluster
12:30 p.m. Sheldon (Español)Myles Sweeny Family



LITURGICAL LIFE RESPONDING TO THE CALL

Everyday Stewardship

Recognizing God in Your Ordinary Moments
DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE

A friend recently confided in me that although he prayed frequently each day and was involved heavily in his parish, he did not sense much fruit coming from it all and was left feeling unsatisfied. I assured him he was not alone. I told him of a deceased pastor of mine who had spoken frequently about being in this type of situation. Even as a priest, he knew all too well of how we can feel like we are simply going through the motions. It is precisely at those times that continuing to pray and practicing good stewardship is most important, because it would be easier to simply take a break and risk never coming back. He liked to say, "Do the drill," meaning just do what needs to be done.

We are all called to be mature disciples who answer the call of Jesus Christ regardless of the cost. We cannot choose when and where the call will come. We cannot schedule our stewardship in a way that is always most convenient for us. Even when the fruits of our faithful efforts seem hidden from us, we hold to the promise that we are never called to give of ourselves for nothing. God is working through us and in us. No matter how dry the land may seem, seeds are being planted to yield a harvest greater than we can ever realize. Stay strong and do the drill!

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Weekly Giving

St. Patrick July 5 and 12

Adult	\$8,332.00
Spanish	\$ 455.11
Loose	\$ 53.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 5.00
TOTAL	\$8,845.11

Year to Date Income:

2020	\$138,118.75
2019	\$158,097.19
2018	\$143,591.32

St. Andrew and St. Mary July 12

Adult	\$5,925.00
Children	\$ 2.00
Sibley Loose	\$ 81.00
Ashton Loose	\$ 14.00
Religious Ed	\$ 25.00
Building	\$ 80.00

Building Fund Drive Goal \$75,000.00
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