

*August 23, 2020*

*Highway 60 Catholic Cluster*



## 21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:19

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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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DRE Paulette Karolczak  
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### *Father Siby Punnoose, Pastor*



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Adm. Secretary Christy Funk

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# St. Patrick, St. Mary and St. Andrew

## Cluster Connection ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM AROUND THE CLUSTER

### St. Patrick's School News

**NEW SCHOOL HOURS** - Starting August 3rd the school office will be open from 8:00 am-3:30 pm Monday through Friday.

**St. Patrick School Registration** - *Your children are the **FUTURE** of **OUR WORLD** and St. Patrick's School is excited to help them learn and grow during this new school year!* Begin your registration online at <https://stpatrickscatholic.onlinejmc.com>. Then stop in the school office to finalize your registration process.



**Immunizations for 2mn-18 yr olds** - O'Brien County Health want to remind parents of the importance of protecting your children's health. Please call #712-957-0105 NOW to set up an appointment for vaccine updates.



Parishioners of St. Andrew and St. Mary would like to offer their sympathy to the family of Zita Thiele. Zita was buried at St. Andrew's Cemetery on August 13.



Parishioners of St. Andrew would like to offer their sympathy to the family of Jack Kellen. Jack passed away on August 15.



An online event to support our 16 Catholic school systems!  
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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CATECHISTS NEEDED** - We are certainly hoping to have RE Classes start up as usual in September! Things will look a little different & precautions will be taken, but with a strong partnership with parents, it will hopefully be a faith-filled year ahead! **We'd love to get our Catechist team on board so that some extra planning can take place in August. We will be in need of teachers for 1st Grade, 3rd Grade, 5th Grade, 6th Grade, 7th Grade and 8th Grade. Please call or email Paulette at #324-3181 or [pka-rolczak@stpatrickssheldon.org](mailto:pka-rolczak@stpatrickssheldon.org) to volunteer!**

Are you looking for something fun and fulfilling to do in your spare time? Have you ever considered volunteering? The Village Treasure Chest has great volunteer opportunities for everyone and we need you now more than ever. All proceeds from items sold at the Treasure Chest are used to provide opportunities for adults with disabilities at Village Northwest Unlimited in Sheldon. If you're interested, apply at [www.villagenorthwest.org/volunteer](http://www.villagenorthwest.org/volunteer) if you have any questions call Brenna Haack at (712) 324-5416 or email [brennah@villagenorthwest.org](mailto:brennah@villagenorthwest.org)

St. Andrew is hosting a Rosary, the Prayer to St. Michael and the Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (found on-line) for the intention of the overturning of Roe Versus Wade and the end of abortion and infanticide on Wednesdays.  
**Join us from home, praying the Rosary.**

At present, the Fall Bazaar coffee-rolls and luncheon is on hold, **BUT**, the Fall Bazaar Raffle will proceed.

Raffle items are needed ranging from \$25 – upward. Raffle items can include, cash, gift certificates, gift baskets or other items.

Please contact the following to donate

Lois Fleming 712-363-0809

Julie Schroder 712-461-1073

Cindy Thole 712-461-0966



Tickets may be picked up in September at the St. Andrew Faith Center (school). Everyone is asked to sell one package of 20 tickets @ \$1.00 each. All tickets may be returned to the St. Andrew Faith Center (school) with your money.

Another option for tickets – you do not even need to pick up tickets, just send your ticket money to St. Andrew Church Guild, PO Box 97, Sibley, IA 51249. Your name will be placed on the tickets for the raffle.

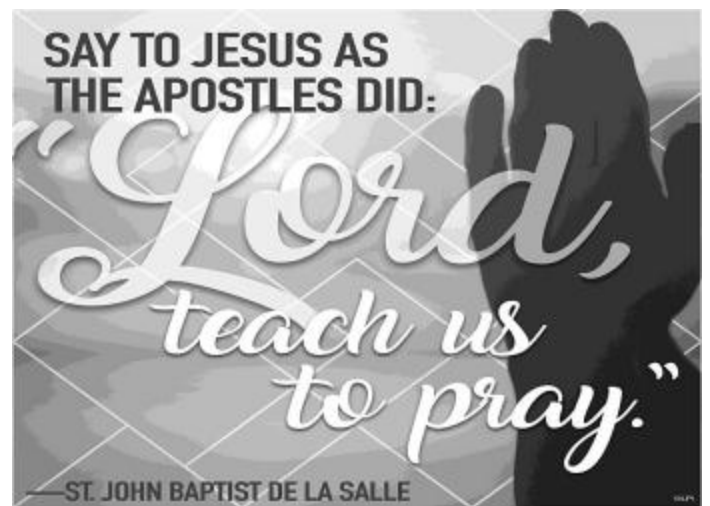
It is an unusual year and we are hoping to make more on ticket sales since we are unable to have the full Bazaar! Let's bond together and each of us do our part to give from our hearts to make 2020 Fall Bazaar a great success!

Scrip is available during school hours. By using scrip it helps the parish and the school. National orders are placed on Tuesday so if you wish to order anything from our national retailers orders need to be in the school by 10:00 am to be placed that day. They will then be here on Friday for pickup. We do have a lot of national retailers on hand. FYI - Sinclair gas cards are available from the national retailer if you wish to order them. We could use a lot more people using scrip for groceries and gas. PLEASE CONSIDER DOING SO.

The ATLAS board of directors and staff want to thank you for your support of the fresh produce fundraiser and the ATLAS ministry. Thank you to gardeners who shared the bounty from their gardens. Thank you to those of you who purchased fresh produce with your financial donations.

Together touching lives for Christ.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Sheldon will have their meeting on Tuesday, September 1, 2020 starting with a 6 p.m. rosary in the church followed by the meeting in the church basement.. This will be our baby shower so those with the last name A-M are to bring a boy gift or either and N-Z a girl gift of either. Please put the gift in a bag - don't wrap it.



Do you have a heart for God's Church and people in need? Consider joining our team! Love INC of Greater O'Brien County is looking to fill three part-time positions: Administrative Assistant, Intake/Ministry Coordinator, and Spanish Ministries Coordinator. Complete job descriptions and a printable application can be found on our website: [www.sheldon-loveinc.org](http://www.sheldon-loveinc.org). Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled.



Jesus asked his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Christ, the Messiah, the Savior. It is hard to keep a secret. When you are told a secret, the first thing you want to do is tell everyone you meet. If you were blind and Jesus made you see, it would be difficult to keep it a secret. You would probably run here and there telling everyone.

## PRAYER

Jesus, now I can tell everyone that you are Christ, our Savior.

## MISSION FOR THE WEEK

I will share my favorite Bible verse about Jesus with a friend.

## Weekly Readings

- Sunday:** Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 [8bc]/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20
- Monday:** Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51
- Tuesday:** 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Mt 23:23-26
- Wednesday:** 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5 [1]/Mt 23:27-32
- Thursday:** 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [1]/Mt 24:42-51
- Friday:** 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11 [5]/Mt 25:1-13
- Saturday:** 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17 [cf. 15ab]/Mk 6:17-29
- Sunday:** Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2b]/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, August 22

4:30 p.m. Ashton Joanne Bender

### Sunday, August 23

8:30 a.m. Sheldon Janet Wepler  
10:30 a.m. Sibley For the Parishes of the Cluster  
12:30 p.m. Sheldon (Español)Special Intention

### Monday, August 24—No Mass

### Tuesday, August 25

Sibley Fr. Tim Schott

### Wednesday, August 26

8 a.m. Ashton Norma Niichel and For the Poor Souls in Purgatory and Special Intention

### Thursday, August 27

8 a.m. Sibley Sally Marnach

### Friday, August 28

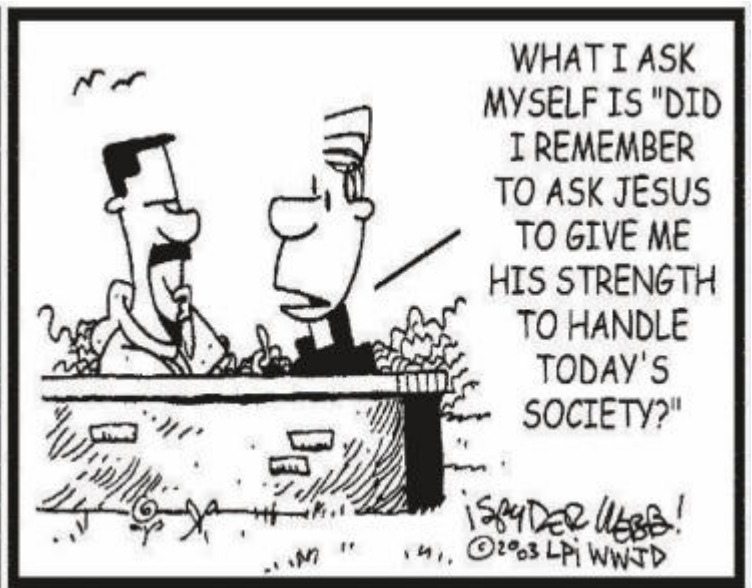
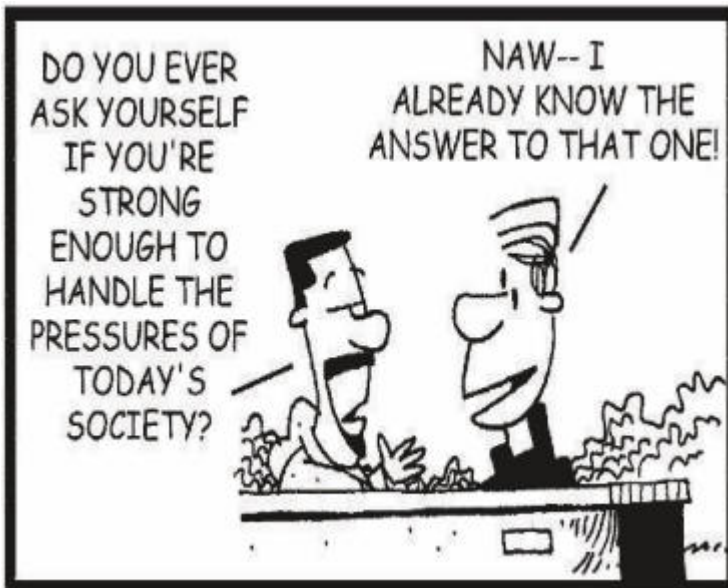
8 a.m. Sheldon Dean Seivert

### Saturday, August 29

4:30 p.m. Ashton Betty Einch

### Sunday, August 30

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)Special Intention



## LITURGICAL LIFE RESPONDING TO THE CALL

### Everyday Stewardship

Recognizing God in Your Ordinary Moments  
The Choice of Stewardship

What does it mean to be a good steward? Does it mean to be an active parishioner, or something more? Are we better stewards because we give more in terms of our money and time to our parish, or are we called to do even more than that?

The truth is that stewardship is a way of life. We are not simply called to be active parishioners, but instead be active disciples all the time. In fact, what we learn to do in our parish should serve as preparation for the mission field of the world. What have we really done if we only act like disciples of Jesus Christ while we are assembled with others who claim to be the same?

The choice before us is to give of ourselves in all aspects of our day and life. The call of Jesus will come in our everyday lives with our co-workers, family, and friends more often than it will within our parish community. First, if we can't become good stewards when we are among those who proclaim Jesus as Lord, how will we be able to do so when we are with those who are non-believers? Second, when our muscles of gratitude, generosity, and graciousness are strengthened within our parish community, we are more able to meet the challenges of this world. However, we do not become good stewards by accident. We must always choose to live this way. What will you choose?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## Weekly Giving

### St. Patrick August 16

Adult	\$2,675.00
Spanish	\$ 205.00
Loose	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,880.00</b>
Holy Day	\$ 70.00

### Year to Date Income:

2020	\$159,739.65
2019	\$181,357.34
2018	\$164,814.33

### St. Andrew and St. Mary August 16

Adult	\$3,385.00
Children	\$ 13.00
Sibley Loose	\$ 0.00
Ashton Loose	\$ 39.00
Youth Camp/ MT	\$ 50.00
Religious Ed	\$ 50.00
Retirement for Religious	\$ 125.00
Building	\$ 80.00

Building Fund Drive Goal \$75,000.00  
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