

August 30, 2020

Highway 60 Catholic Cluster



*22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday*  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

“For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father’s glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct.”  
Mt 16:27

*Saint Patrick*

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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

**St. Patrick School Mass will be this Friday at 8:45** - Please join us to thank and praise God!

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.

**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.

"St Andrew Catholic Daughters will be providing Yard Signs similar to the ones pictured in The Lumen on Page 7 of the August 20 edition or see the picture under the weekly giving. A larger banner will also be placed in front of St Andrew's Church "Pray for our Country". We will be asking for a \$20.00 donation, or whatever you are able to give, to cover the costs of the yard signs. \$20.00 allows us to make a small profit, but we want everyone to have a yard sign, & display it proudly, and most important to pray for our country. Prayer is needed now more than ever before! **Please contact Lila Hatting(712-461-1684) or Bonnie Gregg (754-4812) or Christy Funk at the Faith Formation (754-2739). We would like to have presales to know how many to order.** We invite the parishioners from St. Mary's & St. Pat's to place orders also. And, we will make them available in the community to anyone of any faith."



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**WE NEED CATECHISTS!** The Religious Education Program plans to start classes on Wednesday, September 9. Grades 1-8 will attend 5:45-6:45 and 9-10 Grade Confirmation youth will attend 7:15- 8:30 p.m.

**REGISTRATION FORMS were sent out and should be returned by August 30th.**

However we need teachers for Grades 5,6,7,& 8. Many RE parents have young children at home, work evenings or do not speak English so we are needing extra support from other parish members.

***If your Catholic faith is important to you, then you are a great candidate to be an inspiring teacher! Please call Paulette, DRE asap to volunteer at #712-324-3181.*** Safety precautions will be taken and the RE program will follow in the footsteps of the school system to designate when in-person or homeschooling is appropriate.



Congratulations to John and Shirley Huls celebrating 60 years of marriage together.

Congratulations to Irv and Judy Block celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary.



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!

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.



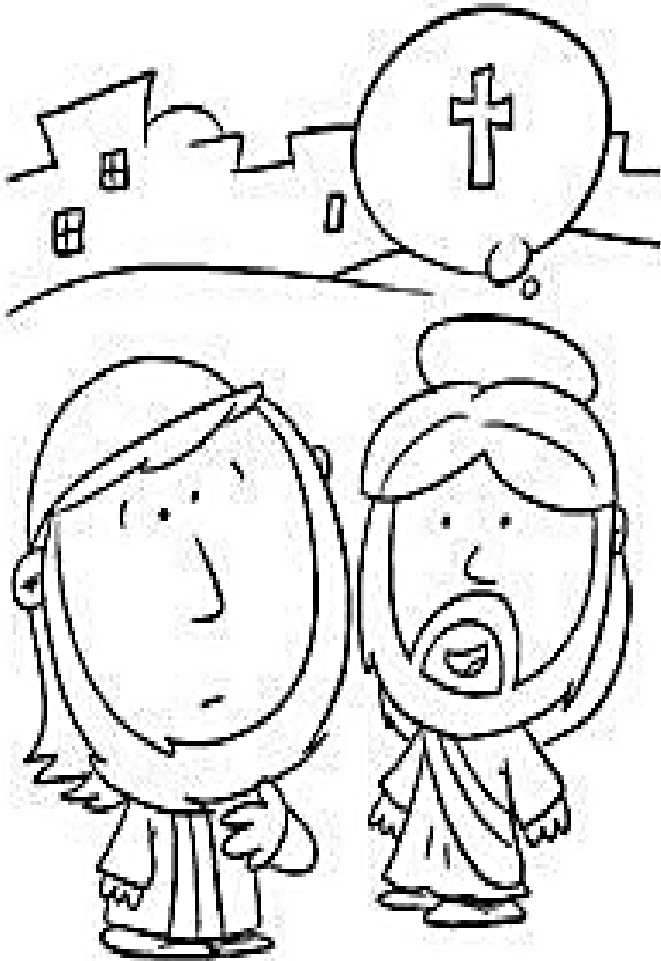
"St Andrew's Catholic Daughters will be welcoming new members at their September meeting. If you are still thinking about joining, and have not let us know, please reach out to Lila Hatting or Bonnie Gregg. Our organization is especially important during these stressful times, and being an active member will bring benefits in so many ways. We would love to have you! "

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)



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.



Sometimes it is hard to give of your time, or your toys, or even to share your friends. Sometimes you want to be selfish and keep everything for yourself. This is not what Jesus did. He kept sharing god's love all the time. He shared so much that he even gave his life for us by dying on the cross. Jesus wants us to share like he did, to give of ourselves even when we want to be selfish.

### PRAYER

Heavenly Father, give me strength to share your love.

### MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Give of your time this week to help someone who needs it.

## Weekly Readings

- Sunday:** Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2b]/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27
- Monday:** 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102 [97]/Lk 4:16-30
- Tuesday:** 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14 [17]/Lk 4:31-37
- Wednesday:** 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21 [12]/Lk 4:38-44
- Thursday:** 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [1]/Lk 5:1-11
- Friday:** 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40 [39a]/Lk 5:33-39
- Saturday:** 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21 [18]/Lk 6:1-5
- Sunday:** Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

## Mass Intentions

### 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

### Monday, August 31—No Mass

### Tuesday, September 1

Sibley Fr. Tim Schott

### Wednesday, September 2

8 a.m. Ashton Gerald & Rosella Croatt

### Thursday, September 3

8 a.m. Sibley Fr. Richard Ries & Fr. Donald Ries and For the Poor Souls in Purgatory and Special Intention

### Friday, September 4

8:45 a.m. Sheldon Angie McGillick

### Saturday, September 5

4:30 p.m. Ashton Jim Strouth

### Sunday, September 6

8:30 a.m. Sheldon Ome Klein

10:30 a.m. Sibley Jeanette Vos

12:30 p.m. Sheldon (Español)For the Parishes of the Cluster



## Gimme a Break

An atheist was spending a quiet day fishing when suddenly his boat was attacked by the Loch Ness monster. In one easy flip, the beast tossed him and his boat high into the air. Then it opened its mouth to swallow both.

As the man sailed head over heels, he cried out, "Oh, my God! Help me!"

At once, everything froze in place and, as the atheist hung in mid-air, a booming voice came down from the clouds, "I thought you didn't believe in me?"

"Come on, God, gimme a break!" the man pleaded. "Two minutes ago, I didn't believe in the Loch Ness monster either!"

## LITURGICAL LIFE RESPONDING TO THE CALL

### Everyday Stewardship

Recognizing God in Your Ordinary Moments  
The Vision of Stewardship

I love the original movie Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory. All the way through while I watch the film I still laugh and feel like a child. It is only the last line with which I have an issue. Wonka by now has chosen Charlie to succeed him as head of the chocolate factory. They board an elevator that proceeds to crash through the roof and begins to fly. Wonka then asks Charlie if he ever heard of what happened to the boy who got everything he ever wanted. After Charlie says no, Wonka explains, "He lived happily ever after." As I get older, I can say I have met several people who got all or most of all they have ever wanted, but unlike Charlie, it did not lead to endless bliss. In fact, as a Christian I know that that statement of Wonka's is a lie. The secret to living happily ever after lies in not getting all you ever wanted, but instead in giving all you ever wanted away.

A person can't have any sense of that reality until they begin to see his or her life transformed by Jesus. When we have accepted the challenge placed before us and made a choice to live a certain way daily, we can find ourselves transformed. Following Jesus is not easy, but it is the only true way to find authentic joy. When we have emptied ourselves and allowed him to fill the open spaces in us, we become different. We are transformed and, if enough of us in a parish community experience the same journey, our parish is transformed as well. Then we begin to transform the world around us. Don't be fooled: A flying elevator is cool, but it pales in comparison to what can happen when we find a new life in Jesus Christ.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## Weekly Giving

### St. Patrick August 23

Adult	\$6,255.00
Spanish	\$ 365.00
Loose	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,255.00</b>
Retired Priest	\$ 50.00
Holy Day	\$ 25.00

### Year to Date Income:

2020	\$166,359.65
2019	\$187,910.24
2018	\$169,417.96

### St. Andrew and St. Mary August 23

Adult	\$2,400.00
Children	\$ 7.00
Sibley Loose	\$ 11.00
Ashton Loose	\$ 41.00
Religious Ed	\$ 20.00
Cemetery	\$ 198.00
Building	\$ 60.00

Building Fund Drive Goal \$75,000.00  
Received \$37,937.62



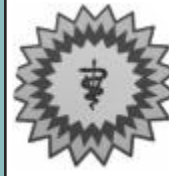
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