

**St. Nicholas Breakfast-
Sunday, December 3rd
St. John's Parish Hall**



Join us following
the 8:30 Mass
for a pancake
and sausage
breakfast hosted
by the Knights.

Free will donations will
be accepted to cover the
cost of the breakfast and
support our faith for-
mation program needs.
Thank you to the Knights
of Columbus for your
work and dedication to
building a domestic
church.



"Hail the King of the Jews." The kingship of Christ has always been different than the world expected. Many of Jesus' disciples hoped for an earthly Messiah who would overthrow the Romans. But, as Jesus says in today's Gospel, his kingdom is "not of this world." And yet it is a very real kingdom. Jesus is a very real Lord. And we are called to invite Jesus to be king of our lives. In the early 20th century, disillusionment with authority of all kinds was growing. Revolutions, atheistic thinkers, and World War I contributed to a rejection of faith. In 1925, Pope Pius XI called the Church and the world back to a sense of hope in Christ. He instituted the solemnity of Christ the King on the last Sunday before Advent. How is Jesus king of your life today?



Faith Formation Adoration- All are Welcome!!



November 29th we will have a Wednesday Night opportunity for Adoration from 6:00-8:30 pm. All are welcome! If you would like to commit to a block of time, a sign-up sheet is in the gathering space. Help us make sure the Lord is never alone!

St. John's will have a communal penance service on Sunday December 10th at 4:00. Several priests will be available to hear confessions.

*Stay awake and be ready!
For you do not know on what day
your Lord will come.
Mt. 24:42a,44*



We need your help...The Vacation Bible School Committee is looking to add a few more people to the committee. The responsibility of the committee is to help plan for and implement Vacation Bible School that is held in June.

If you have any questions or are interested, reach out to Stephanie Howard at re@stjohnsadel.org or 515.993.4590

Don't miss Iowa Catholic Radio's Dinner in December, featuring a keynote by Dr. David Anders, host of EWTN's Called To Com-



munion, Friday, December 8th at the Embassy Suites Downtown. Cocktail hour, dinner, plus an exciting announcement from Iowa Catholic Radio! Get your tickets now at IowaCatholicRadio.com.

Catholic Youth Camp \$175.00 credits available through St. John's. Each week our Children's Collection at Mass is dedicated a special fund to help our families send their children to Catholic Youth Camp at the St. Thomas More Center in Panora. CYC is an opportunity for students entering 3rd-12th grade to be immersed in the beauty of the Catholic faith and grow in faith, build friendships and create memories. IF your family is registered at our parish and would like to receive a \$175.00 credit toward your child's CYC fee, Call Angela in the office BEFORE you register. She will give you a special code to be used at the time of registration. Registration begins Saturday, November 11th at noon. You must have the code to get the credit.



ADVENT BOOKS ARE HERE! JOIN A DISCUSSION GROUP

Advent marks the beginning of a new church liturgical year and we are also in the Year of the Eucharistic Renewal. What better way to start the Advent season by reading the book, *Beautiful Eucharist*. The books were handed out this weekend after Mass and are a gift from St. John's Catholic Church and are part of the Dynamic Catholic Book Program. If you were not able to get your copy they will also be available the first weekend of Advent and extras will be in the gathering space.



Join one of the following discussion groups on:

Thursdays after 6:00 pm Benediction (6:15 - 7:15 pm on Dec. 7, 14, 21)

Fridays after 8:30 am Mass (9:15 - 10:15 am on Dec. 8, 15, 22)

*Please read the Introduction and Chapters 1-4 for the first time we meet.

Saturday retreats

Join us at Emmaus House for one of the new Saturday retreats scheduled. In December we will offer two retreats beginning with Lectio Divina with Father Dan Krettek on Saturday, Dec. 2. On Saturday, Dec. 9 April Young will facilitate a Blue Christmas Retreat, offered for anyone who has experienced loss, difficulty, major life change, or anything else that makes this Christmas "blue." Check out these and more offerings at www.TheEmmausHouse.org.



Reminder: We follow the ADM School District for closing/canceling Mass during the week due to dangerous driving conditions. Weekend Mass is rarely, if ever, canceled.

Bulletin deadlines are moved up for Nov. and Dec. Bulletin for Dec. 10 due 12/4, Dec. 17 due 12/7, Dec. 24 due 12/13, Dec. 31 due 12/20 and Jan. 7 due 12/27. Thank you!