

Pilgrim Cluster Catholic Parishes

March 31, 2019 Fourth Sunday of Lent

A trinity of people on pilgrimage to nurture, teach, serve, witness, and celebrate, so as to evangelize.

Rev. Daniel Greving – dmgreving@hotmail.com – (712) 840-1709

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Sacrament of Reconciliation: by appointment any time.



St. Mary Parish
609 10th Street, Alton, 51003
(712) 756-4224

OFFICE HOURS:

Tue & Wed - 8 AM – Noon & 1 – 3 PM

Thu & Fri - 8 AM - Noon

altonsmc@midlands.net

St. Joseph Parish
528 Elm Street, Granville, 51022
(712) 727-3551

OFFICE HOURS:

Mon – Thu 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

christec@mtcnet.net

St. Anthony Parish
500 Elm Street, PO Box 86, Hospers, 51238
712 (752-8784)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

9 AM to 1:30 PM

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WEEKLY BULLETIN ONLINE: Our web site (PilgrimCluster.org)

DIOCESE OF SIOUX CITY WEBSITE: www.scdiocese.org

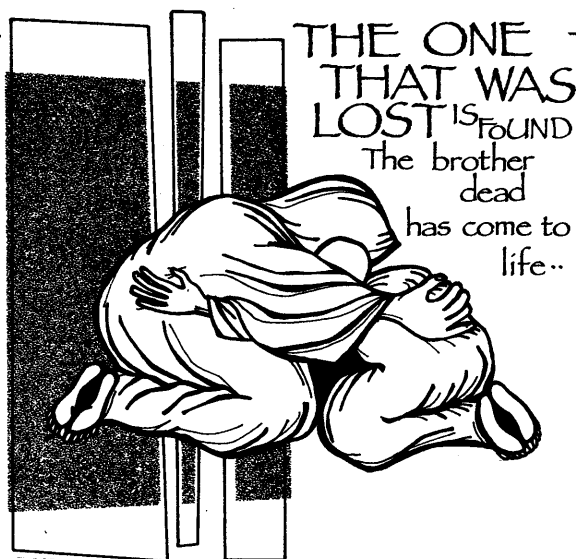
Sacrament of Baptism: Make an appointment for baptismal preparation and set a date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 30 minutes prior to weekend Masses.

Sacrament of Anointing: Call priest in the event of a serious illness or medical emergency.

Sacrament of Marriage: Contact the pastor nine (9) months in advance.

HASTEN TOWARD EASTER with JOY



MASS INTENTIONS for April 1 - 7

Mon (4/1) 10:30 am @ Prairie Ridge

Hilary Klein

Tue (4/2) 6:00 pm @ Granville

Aggie Wiederholt, Albert Joanning

Wed (4/3) 6:00 pm @ Hospers

Josh Jederberg & family

Thurs (4/4) 8:30 am @ Alton

Helen Dehner, Nic Hansen

Fri (4/5) 8:00 am @ Granville

Larry & Ruth Elliott

Sat (4/6) 5:00 pm @ Hospers

Jerome & Ramona Gloden

Sun (4/7) 8:00 am @ Alton

Dec. of Even Family

Sun (4/8) 10:00 am @ Granville

For the People

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

For the weekend of April 6/7:

Lectors

5:00 pm Jeanne Jungers

8:00 am JoAnn Vandermeye

10:00 am Julia Schroeder

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm Rita Fischer, Louise Auchstetter

8:00 am Bob Stoll, Pat Zenk

10:00 am Mary Ellen Heying, Daniel Hunt

Altar Servers

5:00 pm Ashton Budden, Olivia Budden, Chloe Otto

8:00 am Adam Vandermeye, Thomas Vandermeye, Tyler Zenk

10:00 am Andrew, Ben & Adriana Oldenkamp

Gift Bearers

5:00 pm Bernie & Marlene Jungers

8:00 am Kevin & Mary Holzman

April Ushers/Greeters

5:00 pm Mike Jungers, Steve Robinet

8:00 am Kevin Langel, Kevin & Pam Plathe, Linda Lux

10:00 am Don & Mareta Budden, Chris Hunt, Don Kreber

"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them, and their families, for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior."

PILGRIM CLUSTER

First Friday Adoration @ Granville on April 5 after Mass until 8 pm. Come and 'waste time' with the Lord.

Catholic Charities has set up a fund to assist flood victims here in our Diocese. Donations can be sent directly to Catholic Charities at 1601 Military Road, Sioux City, IA 51103 or donations can be made online at <https://www.cathchar.com/give/>

Lenten Holy Hour \ Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sunday April 7, at St Anthony, Hospers, there will be a Holy Hour and an opportunity for Sacramental Confession. Beginning at 1:30 pm, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed, followed by silent adoration. During the time of adoration, a priest will be available for individual confessions. Benediction will take place at 2:20 pm. If there are more confessions to be heard after Benediction, the priest will be available until all are heard.

Sacred Triduum schedule:

Holy Thursday 4-18

7:00 pm Mass @ Granville

Good Friday 4-19

3:00 pm @ Alton

(Passion of the Lord)

7:00 pm @ Hospers

(Passion of the Lord)

Easter Vigil 4-20

8:30 pm @ Hospers

Easter Sunday 4-21

8:00 am @ Alton

10:00 am @ Granville

A bit on St Francis of Paola....Catholics will remember St. Francis of Paola on April 2. The saint founded a religious order at a young age and sought to revive the practices of the earliest monks during a period of corruption in the Church. Francis was born in the Southern Italian region of Calabria during 1416. His parents, who maintained a strong devotion to St. Francis of Assisi, named their son after him. The boy's father and mother had little in the way of wealth, but they passed on a rich spiritual heritage to their son, with the hope that he would imitate his namesake. The young Francis showed signs of a remarkable spiritual life, following his parents' lead in accepting poverty as a path to holiness. When his father placed him in the care of a group of Franciscan friars to be educated at the age of 13, Francis made a personal decision to live strictly according to the rule of their religious order.

The Rosary will be prayed before all weekend Masses during the season of Lent.

REP/"Best Lent Ever" 04/03/2019:

- * REP First Holy Communion Class meets from 6 pm – 7:30 pm
- * REP All other classes meet from 6:30 pm–7:30 pm
- * REP families/students – turn in your sign-up sheets to work and provide desserts at the K of C Fish Fry on 04/05/2019. REP will receive a portion of the proceeds. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for their generosity!
- * **Pilgrim Cluster Youth Group is rescheduled for 04/10/2019**
- * "The Best Lent Ever" discussion group will meet at 7:45 PM

LOOKING AHEAD:

- * 04/10/2019 – Pilgrim Cluster Youth Group will attend the Holy Hour for Vocations at 6:30 pm at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Granville
- * 04/24/2019 – Family of Faith Parent Instruction Night will meet from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm. **This will be the final class for the year.**
- * 05/01/2016 – First Holy Communion Practice for the 2019 Candidates and their parents will be held at **St. Mary's Church, Alton at 6:30 pm.**
- * 05/05/2019 – First Holy Communion for the 2019 Candidates will be held at **St. Mary's Church, Alton at 10:00 a.m.**

1st Annual Little Lady/Women's Tea Party on Saturday, May 11th, at 10:00 a.m., St. Joseph Parish Center, Granville, IA. **Free Will Donation! Please RSVP** to Alina McIntyre at 712-230-4941 or Jacki Goebel at 712-737-3973 if you would like to attend. Hosted by the Little Flowers Girls' Club and Little Women Hospitality Club. **We are looking for the following:** tea sets, table cloths, round tables and card tables. Please contact Amy Koob at 712-541-7472 if you can loan or gift these items.



FORMED
THE CATHOLIC FAITH.
ON DEMAND.

Lent is halfway over. How have you been doing in your prayer, fasting and almsgiving this season? It's not too late to give yourself a spiritual boost with one of the dozens of resources available at *Formed.org*. If you haven't registered yet, our parish access code is **ZPMV49**.

Study: *Into the Desert: A Lenten Study on Prayer*

Study: *Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession*

Listen: *My Beloved Son: Meditations for Lent*

Listen: *The Passion of Christ: In Light of the Holy Shroud of Turin*

Watch: *The Shroud of Turin*

During the month of April, we will be collecting for the **Food Pantry**. Boxes are located in the back of each church. Non-perishable food, cleaning and personal hygiene items are needed. Cash donations are also welcome. Thank you for your generosity!

Would you like to pray the Stations of the Cross during Lent? Join our K-6 students who will be leading them on Friday, April 5. They will take place at 12:20 p.m. in St. Mary's Church. All are welcome!

K OF C NOTES!!!

- The local Knights of Columbus (Council # 3810) will be offering a scholarship to a graduating senior from the Pilgrim Cluster again this year. More information, including the requirements, can be found at: www.pilgrimcluster.org/schools Application due date is April 10.
- **Knights of Columbus Degree Ceremony** has been rescheduled for Sunday, April 7, at St. Anthony's in Hospers. If you would like to join the KCs or advance your membership in our council, please consider attending. First degree will begin at 11:00 and second and third will begin at 1:00. Please arrive 30 minutes early.
- **The Knights of Columbus #3810 will be hosting a fish fry to raise funds for REP as well as the Knights of Columbus.** This event will be held on the 5th Friday of Lent, **April 5 from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Parish Center** in Granville with carry outs available. The menu will include mouthwatering fish (fried and baked), potatoes, salads, mac and cheese (kids), a roll and several wonderful desserts.



Drinks of lemonade, water and coffee will be available. All of this for \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids 4-12 and FREE for kids under the age of 3. As mentioned, this is a fundraiser so any amount above these prices will be very welcome! **Spread the word!**

St. Anthony Birthdays/Anniversaries:

- April 1 Aaron Stoll
- April 4 Joe Pohlen, Dustin Schmit

St. Joseph Birthdays/Anniversaries:

- April 2 Mary Ellen Heying
- April 4 Ron & Byrlea Budden - 55th Greg & Carol Hansen - 38th
- April 5 Jacob Sells
- April 6 Dale Bunkers, Nolan Christoffel
- April 7 Jeri Plathe

St. Mary Birthdays/Anniversaries:

- April 1 Thomas Vandermyde Leslie & Barbara Hansen - 19th
- April 3 Corey Buckholtz, Gary Hansen, Tyler Rupp
- April 4 Olivia Kellen, Robert Woodard, Dennis & Cathy Langel - 32nd
- April 5 Tyrell Klein, Donna Miranda
- April 6 Janet Heilman, Braden Konz, Kevin Plathe
- April 7 Ann Ruden

Thank you to Loren Veldhuizen, Allen Willett and Father Dan for presenting at our recent Legacy Planning workshop! We had a wonderful group with some great questions. If you were not able to make it and would like a copy of the information that was handed out, please contact Deacon Dan at 756-4528.

The Alton Catholic Order of Foresters invites everyone from the Pilgrim Cluster to join them for coffee, donuts and rolls after the 8am Mass at Alton on April 14. Stop in for a good cup of coffee, pick your favorite donut and enjoy some great fellowship. It's just a great time to visit others you don't see on a regular basis. Hope to see you then.



To instill a belief in God and self
and provide excellence in learning through
Mutual support, service and Catholic leadership.

www.SpaldingCatholic.org

Our Lady of Lourdes, patron of Spalding, please pray for us! Like our Facebook page, "Spalding Catholic School, Prek-6" to see what our students are experiencing...

* In music, the 3-4 graders are learning to play their recorders. Recently, they performed Hot Cross Buns! Check out the video on our Facebook page.

* Thank you to the Knights of Columbus and all who supported their recent Fish Fry! The event raised over \$800 for Spalding!

* Do you know a family that would benefit from small class sizes, daily spiritual activities, and caring teachers? Tell them about Spalding Catholic! Refer a new family and receive \$300 if they enroll!!

* Don't forget: **April 1st is the deadline** for applying for Tuition Assistance for the 2019-20 school year! More info can be found at Spalding-Catholic.org



ROCKIN' READERS

WHO: Parents, Grandparents, Friends of Spalding

WHAT: Reading Rocks with Special Friends

WHERE: Spalding Catholic Gym - Alton

WHEN: Friday, April 5th 2:30 – 2:55 pm

WHY: Help kids get excited about reading!!

Please bring one of your favorite Spring story books to read to our Little Spartans (K-2nd grade). Books will also be available for you to read.



Please log on to www.gehlencatholic.org
for more information on upcoming events.

GEHLEN CATHOLIC EVENTS:

Monday, April 1 -- 3 pm - Students For Life

Tuesday, April 2

- 3 pm – Honor Society meeting
- Education Celebration, Iowa State Capital, Msgr. Laferty and all Iowa School Tuitions Organizations.

Wednesday, April 3 -- Reconciliation, Grades 2 - 12

Friday, April 5 -- First Friday Adoration, Chapel

Saturday, April 6

- Diocese of Sioux City's Catholic Men's Conference, All Saints Parish, Le Mars, Iowa
- Iowa HS Music Association's Instrumental & Vocal Solo & Ensemble Contest, Paullina

We invite you to "Make Tracks" to Gehlen Catholic School for these upcoming events:

- Gehlen Catholic Fine Arts Departments present the spring musical "Footloose" on Friday and Saturday, April 12th & 13th. Tickets will go on sale soon and can be purchased at the door both nights.

ST. ANTHONY PARISH

St. Anthony Stewardship March 23, 2019

Adult Envelope: \$ 1,124.00
 Adult Loose: \$ 121.00
 Youth Envelope: \$ 9.00
 Rental Income: \$ 75.00
 Total Income: \$ 1,329.00



St. Anthony Money Counters 4/1: Donna Stoll and Steve Robinet
 Please meet at the bank at 9:00am. Thank you!

Donations for Easter Flowers are gratefully accepted. Forms can be found in the lobby and returned in the collection or at the parish office. Thank you! Your financial support is appreciated!

Bills Paid: Susie Jungers, \$44.35, cleaning supplies; Fred's Plumbing, \$429.54 rectory furnace repair

The Annual General Church Cleaning took place on Monday, March 25. Thanks to all who came, helped, brought food and participated in any way. Thanks to the ladies who always loan us the mops we use on our wood flooring. Our parish is very lucky to have such a great congregation! Thank you!!!!

Usher Sign Up Sheet for 2019 is in the church lobby. May through December are in need volunteers. Please sign up for the month of your choice! Thank you.

Bible Study -- St. Anthony's bible study group will meet Wed. April 3rd at 8:30 in the St. Anthony room. We will discuss Week 5 of the Lenten Resource.

St. Anthony Updates: St. Anthony parish has available a home on the church grounds for rent. It is unfurnished but has appliances. It is a three bedroom with three baths upstairs and a half bath in the unfinished basement. Contact Mary Auchstetter at the parish office 752-8784 for further information.

The old St. Anthony school building will be coming down in early April. If you are interested in any items currently in the building, they must be removed promptly. You may contact Mary at the parish office or directors Mike Jungers or Chris Schmit for arrangements.

St. Anthony's Auction Update: Auction date has been set for Saturday, July 20, 2019. Chairman and Co-chairman are still needed. Work has begun - so please consider chairing this important job for our parish! There will be a few changes this year. Auction Work Schedule is being updated. Please contact Mary at the parish office if you would like to change your committee assignment, or no longer wish to contact businesses or parish families.

*****Ladies Guild Information*****

The next Guild event will be a Meal and Meeting, taking place on April 3, 2019. Mass is at 6pm with meal and meeting to follow. All ladies of the parish are invited. Please come and share your evening with us!
 Chair: Ruth Konz, Co-Chair: Judy Schnurr; Committee: Nancy Jungers-Thompson, Pam Falkena, Maxine Feekes, Mary Hatfield

Church Cleaning for month of April 2019:

Church Proper Chairlady: RuthAnn Schmit **Committee:** Tricia Van Den Top, Carole List, Pam Schmit

West Area and Church Basement Chairlady: Helen Dykstra **Committee:** Joan Schmit, Janet Richter, Joell Walgenbach, Laurie Jungers
 Please make sure that the cleaning gets done during the 1st and 3rd weeks of the month. List of cleaning duties and cleaning supplies are in the south basement closet. *** If you have questions, contact Mary Auchstetter or Susie Jungers. Thank you for your service!



WOUNDED FOR OUR TRANSGRESSIONS

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

St. Joseph Money Counters, St. Joseph rectory:
 Monday, April 1, 8 AM - Joe Gaul, Mike McDermott

Stewardship March 17:

Adult	\$ 962.00
Loose Collection	145.00
Donation	100.00
Young Adult	9.00
Building & Grounds	740.00
TOTAL:	\$1,956.00



We wish to thank those parishioners who have so generously continued to support our parish with the stewardship of their time, talent and treasure. May God's blessings be upon you.

St. Joseph Bills Paid: Visa (supplies), \$97.14

St. Joseph DAA Donations to date: \$9,058.56

2018 Goal: \$13,227.00

Remaining Balance: \$4,168.44

Special thanks to those who have returned their cards.

St. Joseph's Guild is in need of small disposable containers. We use them to send leftovers home with the family after a funeral. Cool whip containers and larger margarine tubs are the sizes most used. Thank you for helping to replenish our supply. You may drop off the containers on the shelves in the rectory breezeway.

If you would like to make a donation towards our Easter flowers, please place your donation in an envelope (there is an envelope in your March packet), marking it "Easter Flowers". If you wish to give an Easter lily for someone, living or deceased, please include a donation of \$15, along with the name of the person you want to remember. You may place it in the collection basket, drop at the parish office, or mail it to PO Box 127, Granville, Iowa 51022. All dedications will be published in the Easter bulletin.

Become a Cake Decorator! Does the art of cake decorating fascinate you? This hands-on class will cover the fundamentals so you will be able to decorate your own cake masterpieces! Information will also be shared with you on the types of frostings and cakes. You will learn writing techniques, how to make different types of flowers, piping borders, and how to properly frost a cake. Students will need to take to class: Wilton Decorating Tips #4, #12, #18, #104 and #352 and 10" Wilton reusable decorating bag. INSTRUCTOR: Karla Ven Huizen. 3 sessions on Monday, April 1, 8, and 15 from 7-9 pm. FEE: \$59

ST. MARY PARISH

St. Mary's Stewardship, March 24

Adult: \$3,630.00
ACH: \$1,525.00
Junior: \$3.00
Loose: \$50.00
Candle Box: \$50.00
Air Conditioning: \$5.00
Easter Lilies: \$246.00
Guild: \$505.00
Aid to Global Churches: \$25.00
Total: \$6,039.00

Bills Paid: Sioux City Diocese: \$12.00 (Online Foccus Result); Leusink Farms: \$2,080.00 (snow removal); Fred's Plumbing & Heating: \$206.95 (church bathroom)

Sponsor a lily to beautify the altar this Easter. "Easter Flower" envelopes can be found in the lobby. You may wish to dedicate this flower in the honor of someone living or in memory of someone deceased by filling out the envelope. All dedications will be published in the Easter bulletin. Envelopes may be dropped in the collection or at the parish office or mailed. Lilies are \$16.00. Orders should be in by March 26. Thank you

AREA NOTICES:

Remsen Catholic Order of Foresters is sponsoring a breakfast serving pancakes, sausage and scrambled eggs on **Sunday March 31**. Serving time is from 7:30 till 11:30. Come and enjoy a delicious breakfast.

Hope Haven, Inc. will host their Annual Benefit Auction on Friday evening, April 5 at Te Slaa Trucking (corner of Hwys 75 and 18). Help support the local and global ministries of Hope Haven through this exciting evening of fun and fellowship. The evening's schedule is: doors open at 4:30PM; food booth and buy-it-now table opens at 5PM; the live auction begins at 5:30PM. Visit our website for a list of items that will be auctioned off; www.hopehaven.org. The whole family is invited to this community event!