

Pilgrim Cluster Catholic Parishes

April 7, 2019 Fifth Sunday of Lent

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

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CREATE FOR
ME O LORD
A CLEAN HEART

Sacrament of Reconciliation: by appointment any time.

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

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

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

OFFICE HOURS:
Tue & Wed - 8 AM – Noon & 1 – 3 PM
Thu & Fri - 8 AM - Noon
altonsmc@midlands.net

OFFICE HOURS:
Mon – Thu 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
christec@mtcnet.net

OFFICE HOURS
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
9 AM to 1:30 PM
stacc@nethtc.net

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.



MASS INTENTIONS for April 9 - 14

- Tue (4/9) 8:00 am @ Granville**
Lyle & Phyllis Schroeder
- Wed (4/10) 8:00 am @ Hospers**
Steven Bird
- Thurs (4/11) 8:30 am @ Alton**
Martin & Armella Willett, Bea Dykstra
- Thurs (4/11) 2:00 pm @ Cathedral**
Chrism Mass
- Fri (4/12) 6:30 pm @ Granville**
Wayne Evans, Urban Ahlers
- Sat (4/13) 5:00 pm @ Hospers**
Francis Falkena
- Sun (4/14) 8:00 am @ Alton**
For the People
- Sun (4/14) 10:00 am @ Granville**
Walt Schuver / Kathy St Clair

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

For the weekend of April 13/14:

Lectors

5:00 pm Roleen Walgenbach
8:00 am Tim Bindner
10:00 am Steve Hunt

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm Larry Gloden, Tom & Jeanne Jungers
8:00 am Donna Dreckman, Chris Yaw, Bob Goliber
10:00 am Denny & Colane Friedmann, Jacki Goebel

Altar Servers

5:00 pm Hunter Gloden, Cody Schmit, Katelyn Willett
8:00 am Emma Bogen, Jake Bogen, Luke Bogen
10:00 am Jamie Hunt, Ellen Hunt, Derek Von Arb

Gift Bearers

5:00 pm Dan & Phyllis Jungers
8:00 am Robert & Sherry Kinney

April Ushers/Greeters

5:00 pm Mike Jungers, Steve Robinet
8:00 am Kevin Langel, Kevin & Pam Plathe, Linda Lux
10:00 am Don & Maretta 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

Chrism Mass will be 2 pm on Thursday, April 11 @ the Cathedral in Sioux City. Anyone may attend. Parish staff (or volunteers), Confirmation students and RCIA participants are encouraged to attend.



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.

Confessions one half hour before Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday weekday Masses this week.

Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 6:00 pm at St. Joseph, Granville, Friday, April 12. Mass will follow stations at 6:30 pm

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

Holy Communion: On Palm Sunday weekend, we will resume with the exchange of peace at Mass and with offering the Precious Blood from the chalice. A reminder to the EMHCs that you are to come from your pew into the sanctuary (*don't wait at base of sanctuary steps*) as priest drinks Precious Blood from the chalice.

Lectors: Lectors scheduled for Palm Sunday and the services for Holy Week, please come to the vesting sacristy at least ten minutes before Mass and talk with Deacon/Father for directives.

Lord, help us to change the darkness
of this WORLD into the JOY of Easter's
light!

Holy Thursday Servers \ Adoration: Those scheduled to serve on Holy Thursday (at Granville), please be at the church 45 minutes prior to the Mass. Note that the faithful are encouraged to remain in Adoration after the Mass of the Lord's Supper. Adoration will be until 10:00 pm. There is a sign up sheet at the entrance of the church should you wish to commit to a time for Adoration. There will also be an opportunity for Confession after Mass.

Servers: Those scheduled to serve on Good Friday and at the Easter Vigil, please be at the church at least a half hour in advance of the service for instruction.

From Holy Thursday until Easter Sunday evening no funeral Masses are permitted. It is permitted to have a Liturgy of the Word and Commendation. Why is this? These days – from Thursday evening until Sunday afternoon – are to be a time apart: “The Easter Triduum of the Passion and the Resurrection of Christ is thus the culmination of the entire liturgical year.” (General Norms of the Liturgical Year, # 18).

REP/“Best Lent Ever” 04/10/2019:

- * REP First Holy Communion Class meets from 6 pm – 7:30 pm
- * REP All other classes meet from 6:30 pm–7:30 pm
- * **Pilgrim Cluster Youth Group** will attend the Holy Hour for Vocations at **6:30 pm** at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Granville
- * **The Best Lent Ever** discussion group will meet at 7:45 pm

LOOKING AHEAD:

- * 05/01/2016 – **The Pilgrim Cluster 2019 Candidates** and their parents will have practice at St. Mary's Church Alton at 6:30 pm.
- * **05/05/2019 – The Pilgrim Cluster 2019 First Holy Communion Candidates** will celebrate the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at **St. Mary Church, Alton, at 10:00 a.m.**



Abby Johnson has been in the news recently as the protagonist of the newest pro-life film entitled *Unplanned*. *Formed.org* has several resources available about her life and conversion available for free. Take some time this week to learn about her heroic witness to the dignity of every human life.

Watch: *Unplanned: Behind the Scenes*

Watch: *An Unplanned Conversation*

Watch: *Convinced*

Listen: *Why I Left Planned Parenthood*

Read: *The Walls are Talking*

TOTUS TUUS (Totally Yours), a summer catechetical youth program, is being held at **St. Joseph's Parish Center, Granville, June 22-28, 2019**. For grade school children (grades 1-6) the program runs Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. The day includes catechetical instruction, daily Mass, songs, games and recess. For junior and senior high school youth, the program runs Sunday-Thursday 7:30 p.m.- 9:30 p.m. TOTUS TUUS combines catechesis with fun activities for the youth and great discussion and fellowship for the middle school and high school!!! Mark the date and tell your friends! Registration information will be forthcoming.

The Little Flowers Girls' Club and Little Women Hospitality Club meet again on Wednesday, April 10, from 4-6 p.m. at St. Joseph's rectory. **Little Flowers: try to wear pale yellow!**



The Little Flowers Girls' Club and Little Women Hospitality Club is **looking for volunteers** to help provide a light supper. Please contact Kay Koob 712-541-4360. Thank you!

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

Due to the Easter schedule, **Pilgrim Cluster men's group** is meeting **Saturday, April 13** at 7am at St. Anthony's, Hospers. There will be morning prayer and a brief discussion time at the church followed by fellowship and breakfast at **Boxcar's Cafe** in Hospers. All men are welcome. You do not need to have attended previously to come.

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/>

Prayers and condolences to Lucille Schumacher, and her family, on the death of her son, Bill Schumacher. God of faithfulness, release him from the bonds of sin, and welcome him into your presence, so that he may enjoy eternal light and peace and be raised up in glory with all your saints.

Baptism: Welcome to our faith, Leo Daniel, son of Jonathan and Angela (Schroeder) Schemmel, who was baptized at St. Joseph's, Granville, on April 1, 2019. May God's blessings be upon you.

Wedding congrats to Dillan Charles Smith and Maggie Lynn Schroeder who were united in Holy Matrimony on Saturday, March 30, 2019 at St. Joseph, Granville. May the Lord bless you in your future life together.

Thanks to all my family and friends for the prayers, cards, visits and food when I was in the hospital. May God bless all,
Jan (Pottebaum) Strouth

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 re-scheduled 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.

St. Anthony Birthdays/Anniversaries:

- April 8 Jim & Louise Auchstetter, 58 yrs.
- April 9 Jane Hauptert; Eric & Carrie Pohlen, 14 yrs., Joe & Lori Pohlen, 25 yrs.
- April 13 Glenn List; Larry & Brenda Gloden, 23 yrs.

St. Joseph Birthdays/Anniversaries:

- April 9 Chad & Jennifer Kreber - 20th
- April 11 Brianna Franklin, David Grady, Gwen Schuver
- April 12 Lyle & Grace List - 39th
- April 13 Dave List
- April 14 Marilyn Paulsen

St. Mary Birthdays/Anniversaries:

- April 8 Collette Pomrenke
- April 9 Lori Stoll, John & Linda Steven - 36th
- April 10 Kelli Babcock, Kylie Beltman, Emma Bogen, Nicholas Full
- April 12 Sheila Woodard, Tony & Gina Kellen - 11th, Bob & Lori Stoll - 33rd
- April 13 Leslie Hansen
- April 14 Janet Hansen, Beverly Thoene

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.

Looking for volunteers to go along to the Soup Kitchen on Tuesday, April 23. We meet at 4pm at the Spalding School in Alton. This is a great way to serve those that aren't quite as fortunate as maybe we are. If there are students that need service hours for a school or REP project, we welcome them to go along. If you are interested or have questions, please call Al Willett at 712-395-0043. Look forward to having you join us.



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...

* As part of their science lesson on animal adaptation, the Spalding first graders (along with Mrs. Langel) had the chance to hold a fox snake brought in by Sioux County Naturalist, Sarah!

* 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!!!



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

GEHLEN CATHOLIC EVENTS:

- Sunday, April 7** – National Volunteer Appreciation & Library Week
- Monday, April 8** – 6 pm – Latino Outreach Subcommittee
- Tuesday, April 9** – 3 pm – 7-12 Band Meats & Sweets pick up - cafeteria
- Wednesday, April 10** – **NO SCHOOL** – Teacher In-Service
- Friday, April 12** – 7 pm – Musical “Footloose” – Deb Campbell gym
- Saturday, April 13** --
- 7 pm – Musical “Footloose” – Deb Campbell gym
 - Spring Social during Intermission with a free will offering, Fine Arts Boosters
 - ACT Test Day

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

- **33rd annual Friends of Gehlen Catholic Ball** will take you on “A Magical Getaway,” Saturday, April 27th, Le Mars Convention Center. Dinner & spring raffle tickets are on sale now! Call Mrs. Maggie Erdmann or Mrs. Lisa Niebuhr at Gehlen Catholic School, 546-4181 x249 or x237.
- **Then Feed Just One-Tuesday, April 30th & Wednesday, May 1st.** Sign up today or adopt-a-student by contacting Mr. Richard Seivert, Mrs. Carolyn Bickford or Mrs. Lisa Niebuhr.
- **Joint St. Joseph & Gehlen Catholic, plus Le Mars Community All School Family Reunion – June 14th** at the Plymouth County Fair Grounds. Send in your registration form today or call Mrs. Lisa Niebuhr in the Development Office.

ST. ANTHONY PARISH

St. Anthony Stewardship March 23, 2019

Adult Envelope: \$ 615.00
 Adult Loose: \$ 145.00
 Youth Envelope: \$ 5.00
 Total Income: \$ 765.00



Easter Flower Deposit: \$241.00

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!

St. Anthony Money Counters 4/8: Peggy Pohlen and Nancy Stoll Please meet at the bank at 9:00am. Thank you!

Bills Paid: Diocese of Sioux City, \$553.00, Property and Liability Insurance; City of Hospers, \$29.65, utilities; MCI, \$20.08, long distance; Church Budget Envelopes, \$53.29, Feb and March giving envelopes; Fred's Plumbing, \$127.91, filter replacements;

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

Bible Study: St. Anthony's bible study group will meet Wed. April 10 at 8:30 am. We will discuss Week 6 of the Lenten Resource and say the Stations of the Cross.

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 Saturday, April 6. Optional date is April 13, based on weather.

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.

Church Cleaning for month of April 2019:

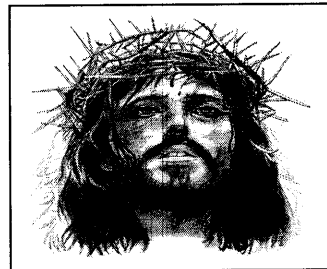
Church Proper Chairlady: RuthAnn Schmit
Committee: Tricia Van Den Top, Carole List, Pam Schmit
West Area and Church Basement Chairlady: Helen Dykstra
Committee: Joan Schmit, Janet Richter, Joell Walgenbach, Laurie Jungers
 Please make sure that the cleaning gets done during the 1st and 3rd weeks of the 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!

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

St. Joseph Money Counters, St. Joseph rectory:
 Monday, April 8, 9 AM - Faye Hunt, Mary Ellen Heying

Stewardship March 31:

Adult	\$ 635.00
Grain	1,000.59
Loose Collection	163.00
Donation	100.00
Young Adult	45.50
SEARCH	200.00
Building & Grounds	<u>120.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$2,264.09



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.

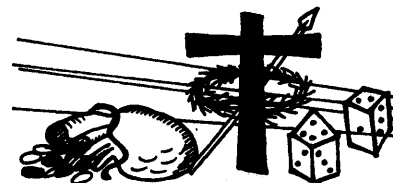
St. Joseph Bills Paid: Diocese (Workers Comp), \$150.00; Church Budget Envelopes (February mailing), \$66.01; Salaries, \$2,574.02; Maro Plathe (March), \$465.00; Premier Communications, \$265.48; Culligan Water Conditioning (April), \$20.33; Town & Country Disposal, \$57.00

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.

ST. MARY PARISH

St. Mary's Stewardship, March 31

Adult: \$3,715.00
 Loose: \$109.00
 Easter Lilies: \$48.00
 Guild: \$340.00
 Air Conditioning: \$2,506.64
 Cemetery Lot Sales: \$1,200.00
 Total: \$7,918.64



Bills Paid: Sioux City Diocese – Aid to Global Churches: \$380.00; Salaries & Taxes: \$2,581.00; Sioux City Diocese – Property & Liability Insurance: \$1,156.00; Sioux City Diocese – Workers Comp: \$420.00.

We have received an estate gift from Fr. Cecil Friedmann in the amount of \$23,088.27. Per Father's wishes, the money will go toward the upkeep of the cemetery and Catholic education. Thank you, Fr. Friedmann for remembering your home parish in your will. Rest in peace.

*****St. Mary's Church Spring Cleaning***** Tues 4/16 at 6:30. Extra ladders, dusting extensions & cleaning supplies will be needed. Many hands make light work. Thank you!!

AREA NOTICES:

AREA FISH FRYS:

- The Sheldon Knights of Columbus will have a Fish Fry on **Friday, April 12, 2019, 5:00 – 7:00pm**, St. Patrick's Catholic Church basement. Baked & Deep Fat Fried Fish, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, a roll and dessert, all for a Free Will Donation. Proceeds to Sheldon Ministerial Fund.
- The Knights of Columbus, Rock Valley, "All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry" Lenten dinner at St. Mary's Church basement on **Friday, April 12**. They will be serving from 5:30 – 7:00 pm. The menu also includes French fries, fresh greens, coleslaw and beverages. The cost is \$9.00 per plate

The United Methodist Men of Sheldon will have one **Living Last Supper at the Sheldon United Methodist church on Thursday, April 18, at 7:30 PM.** All are invited to attend.