

Pilgrim Cluster Catholic Parishes

April 14, 2019 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

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

Deacon Dan Goebel - danpgoebel@gmail.com - (712) 441-0861

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

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 15-21

- Mon (4/15) 6:30 pm @ Alton - KCs**
Tues (4/16) 8:00 am @ Granville
 JAG, End to Abortion
Wed (4/17) 8:00 am @ Hospers
 Bernard & Lucille Greving
Thurs (4/18) 7:00 pm @ Granville
 Vocations to the Priesthood
Fri (4/19) 3:00 pm @ Alton
 Passion of the Lord
Fri (4/19) 7:00 pm @ Hospers
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Sat (4/20) 8:30 pm @ Hospers
 For the People
Sun (4/21) 8:00 am @ Alton
 Kenny Konz
Sun (4/21) 10:00 am @ Granville
 Lucille Schumacher (In Gratitude)

"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."

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

For Holy Thursday:

Lectors

7:00 pm Cindy Klein

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

7:00 pm Steve Christensen, Julia Schroeder, Curt Christoffel

Altar Servers

7:00 pm Anthony Sells, Carson Tesch, Hunter Klein

For Good Friday:

Lectors

3:00 pm Dennis Schmit

7:00 pm Karen Freking

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

3:00 pm Pat Zenk

7:00 pm Georgia Becker

Altar Servers

3:00 pm Cody Hansen, Kyle Hansen

7:00 pm Samantha Sauer, Kimberly Sauer

For the Easter Vigil:

Lectors

8:30 pm Dan Pohlen, Karla Robinet

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

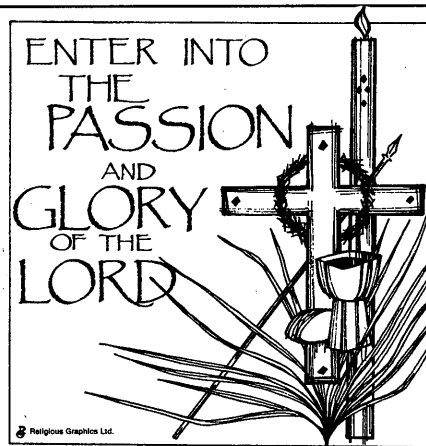
8:30 pm Ken Schmit, Karen Freking, Joe Pohlen

Altar Servers

8:30 pm Jamie, Cindy & Larissa Pohlen

Gift Bearers

8:30 pm Tim & Laurie Jungers



For the weekend of April 20/21:

Lectors

8:00 am Dawn Bogen

10:00 am Kathy Bortscheller

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

8:00 am Kevin Holzman, Mary Ann Pottebaum, Mary Ohm

10:00 am Vince Stoll, Kelvin Tesch, Grace List

Altar Servers

8:00 am Corey Buckholtz, Nathan Full, Christopher Holzman

10:00 am Danielle Tesch, Harlie Tesch, Wyatt Tesch

Gift Bearers

8:00 am Randy & Mary Klein

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

PILGRIM CLUSTER

Confessions after Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper and after Good Friday services.

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 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 to talk with Deacon \ Father for directives.

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).

Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land, in the words of Paul VI is “not only for the Holy Places but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational, and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.” The Holy Land collection is taken up in parishes on Good Friday. Learn more at: <https://myfranciscan.org/good-friday/>.

Retired & Infirm Priests Collection April 20 \ 21: There will be a second collection after Holy Communion at all the Easter Masses for this collection. Father will announce this at the time of the announcements after Holy Communion and invite ushers to pass the baskets a second time. Ushers go to back of church in advance and be ready to pass baskets when announcement is made. *They are the ones who have...* † baptized our children † witnessed our marriage and/or the marriage of our adult children † given the sacraments to us † forgiven our sins in the name of Christ † challenged us to live the Gospel † been at the bedside of the dying in the middle of the night † are at the altar every Sunday to bring us Jesus. Now it is our turn to say... *“Thank you”*. Please consider a generous gift to the Retired and Infirm Priests collection! **100% of all donations stay within the Diocese of Sioux City.** Look for the envelope in your offertory packet or give online at www.scdiocese.org/retired-and-infirm-priests-collection. Please continue to pray daily for all our priests.

Coming soon: an opportunity to begin a journey to discover the unique call God has for you, and the gifts He gives you to fulfill your mission in life! It all starts with the **Called and Gifted** workshop!! A teaching team from the Catherine of Siena Institute will offer the introductory Called and Gifted workshop, on Saturday, May 11 at St. Michael’s Parish Center in Sioux City from 8:30am-4:30pm. Everyone is invited to participate. To register visit: <https://scdiocese.org/called-and-gifted/>. To find out more, contact the Diocesan Office: Maureen Timblin at maurent@scdiocese.org or 712-233-7530.

RCIA - We welcome into the Pilgrim Cluster those who are being received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. Please join us in welcoming Pam Eastman and Lindsey Schlessler at a light reception following the Easter Vigil mass. Thank you to the Hospers Ladies Guild for your help in organizing this event!

REP 04/17/2019:

- * REP First Holy Communion Class will meet from 6 pm – 7:30 pm
- * REP All other classes will meet from 6:30 pm–7:30 pm
- * REP Registration for the 2019-2020 Year from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm. Please come to the office in the St. Joseph Parish Center
- * **Pilgrim Cluster Youth Group** meets from 7:30 – 8:30 pm

LOOKING AHEAD:

- * 04/24/2019 – REP Registration for the 2019-2020 Year.
- * 05/01/2019 – Pilgrim Cluster First Holy Communion PRACTICE will take place at St. Mary’, Alton, at 6:30pm for the 2019 First Holy Communion Candidates and their parents or guardians.
- * 05/05/2019 – The Pilgrim Cluster Sacrament of **First Holy Communion** will take place at **St. Mary Church**, Alton, at **10:00 a.m.**



Today begins the solemn celebration of Holy Week. Catholics around the world will be commemorating the Last Supper, Passion, Death, and Resurrection of our Lord and Savior. This week is the best time to learn more about these important events in the history of our Church and our world.

Study: *Lectio Eucharist*

Study: *Symbolon Living the Faith, Session 2: The Eucharist*

Study: *Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist*

Listen: *The Fourth Cup*

Listen: *Jesus the Bridegroom*

Watch: *The Shroud of Turin*

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

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 forms and program information will be sent home with your student (s) attending Spalding Catholic and REP. Those in our Cluster attending Gehlen Catholic or another program can pick up forms at the back of each church. SIGN UP EARLY so we can plan for this wonderful event!!**

* **Volunteers will be needed to implement TOTUS TUUS.**

If you can help in any way with snacks, in the classroom, or setting up, please contact Tami List (712.548.8375 or Tamara.List.1958@outlook.com).

* If you have any questions, please contact Tami List.

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.

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!

Our Pilgrim Cluster extends their prayers and sympathy to the family of James Auchstetter, whose Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Anthony Church on Monday, April 8, 2019. May God grant James eternal rest and peace.

St. Anthony Birthdays/Anniversaries:

- April 15 Doug Budden, Carrie Pohlen
- April 17 Don & Georgia Becker, 63yrs.

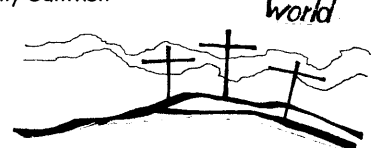
St. Joseph Birthdays/Anniversaries:

- April 16 Amy Jungers, Bryleigh Koob, Debra Schmidt
Steve & Connie Christensen - 42nd
Scott & Stacey Paulsen - 25th
- April 17 Paula Means John & Norma Krantz - 48th
- April 18 Genevieve Franklin, Isaia Lammers, Ron Plathe
- April 19 Rhonda Budden, Tom Roder
- April 20 Ruth Ricke Steve & Marilyn Paulsen - 45th
- April 21 Karl Kellen, Bridget Tesch Doug & Shelley Schuver - 40th

St. Mary Birthdays/Anniversaries:

- April 15 Charlotte Haselhoff, Molly Suntken
- April 16 Dave & Ann Ruden - 53rd
- April 17 Arlene Salazar
- April 18 Linda Plathe
- April 20 Pat Probst

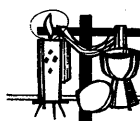
*for GOD
so loved the
world*



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 TODAY. 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.

Attention Alton St. Mary’s Catholic Order of Foresters 2019 Seniors! If you would like to be placed into a random drawing for a \$250 scholarship, please email your name, phone number and the college you will be attending to Linda Willett at lindawhome@yahoo.com before May 1. We will be giving two away.

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.



Enter into the passion and glory of the Lord



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...

- Kindergartners are busy learning about and taking care of critters! They
have a variety of aquatic creatures and bugs. Recently, they made
aquariums for their fish and designed what would go in our their tanks.
- Thank you to all who came and read to our little Spartans during April's
Rockin' Readers program!

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



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

GEHLEN CATHOLIC EVENTS:

Monday, April 15 – 11:30 am – 2:30 pm – Blood Drive

Tuesday, April 16 –

- 5:30 – 6:30 pm – ICAN College Financial Aid Night – Junior
and their parents in the Kolker Library & Media Center
- 6:45 – 7:45 pm – ICAN Career & College Planning Night – jun-
iors, sophomore and their parents in Kolker Library & Media
Center

Wednesday, April 17

- 8:45 am – Stations of the Cross, Deb Campbell gym
- One hour early dismissal

Thursday, April 18 – Holy Thursday – NO SCHOOL

Friday, April 19 – Good Friday – NO SCHOOL

Monday, April 23 – Easter Monday - NO SCHOOL

- NW ICDA 7th Grade Honor Choir

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 Commu-
nity 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 30, 2019

Adult Envelope: \$ 2,809.00

Adult Loose: \$ 170.00

Youth Envelope: \$ 12.00

Total Income: \$ 2,991.00

Easter Flower Deposit: \$ 100.00



St. Anthony Money Counters 4/15: Nancy Thompson and Karen
Freking 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 of-
fice. Thank you! Your financial support is appreciated!**

Bills Paid: Pohlen Construction, \$2,572.61, choir loft stairwell repair;
Diocese of Sioux City, \$361.00, Cathedraticum; Spalding Catholic
School, \$5,804.37; Gehlen Catholic School, \$ 2,304.43; Premier Com-
munications, \$122.07, telephone and internet;

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.



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.

Church Cleaning for month of April 2019:

Church Proper Chairlady: Ruth Ann Schmit; Committee: Tricia Van
Den Top, Carole List, Pam Schmit **West Area and Church Basement
Chairlady:** Kristin Konz; **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!*****

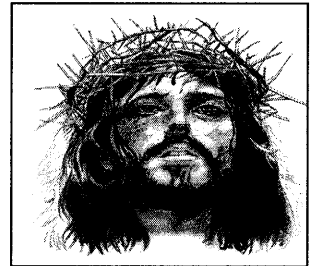
ST. JOSEPH PARISH

St. Joseph Money Counters, St. Joseph rectory:

Tuesday, April 16, 8:30 AM – Faye Hunt, Mary Ellen Heying

Stewardship April 7:

Adult	\$1,310.00
Loose Collection	156.00
Young Adult	5.26
Building & Grounds	<u>2,170.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$3,641.26



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: Gehlen Catholic (April), \$4,693.79; Wigman
Company (flush valve - PC), \$190.99; Bunkers' Feed & Supply
(PROFLEX), \$4.65; Sioux City Diocese (April Cathedraticum),
\$496.00; The Pilgrim Cluster (April), \$1,750.00; Sioux City Diocese
(property/liability - April), \$1,679.00

*If you would like to make a donation towards our Easter flowers,
(or 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 be remembered) you may place it in the collection basket
or drop at the parish office. Please do so ASAP as it will be published
in next week's bulletin.*

*A box has been placed in the back of church, and in the rectory
breezeway, for you to place any palm that you wish to dispose
of. Thanks!*

*St. Joseph is looking for someone to trim the cemetery grounds.
If interested, please call the parish office at 712.727.3551.
You must be at least 16 years of age.*

ST. MARY PARISH

St. Mary's Stewardship, April 7:

Adult: \$3,965.00
ACH: \$2,380.00
Loose: \$97.00
Easter Lilies: \$32.00
Candle Box: \$72.00
Guild: \$390.00
Air Conditioning: \$150.00
Cemetery marker: \$25.00
Total: \$7,111.00



Bills Paid: Alton Municipal Utilities: \$1,402.43; Orange City Sanitation:
\$23.13; Church Budget – February envelopes: \$64.63; USPS – postage
stamps: \$55.00; WesTel – phone/internet: \$179.62; Access Systems -
Contract on copy machine 4/1/19 to 3/31/20: \$249.24; Sioux City Dio-
cese – Cathedraticum: \$330.00.

*****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!!

SPRING FUNDRAISER – The no-event spring fundraiser was such a suc-
cess last year that we are going to do it again this year! \$25 donation
& no one has to work! Drop it in the collection basket at Mass or mail
it to the rectory. The \$20 guild dues can be included on the same
check. Thanks everyone for your support!

AREA NOTICES:

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