

The Pilgrim Cluster Bulletin July 30, 2017

Mission Statement of the Cluster Parishes - A trinity of people on pilgrimage to nurture, teach, serve, witness, and celebrate, so as to evangelize.

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

St. Mary's - 1/2 hr. before Mass; by appointment anytime.

St. Joseph's - Sat. 3:30-3:55 p.m.; 15 min. before daily Mass.

St. Anthony's - 15 min. before Mass.

August Ushers: Dan & Faye Hunt, Don Kreber, Steve & Marilyn Paulsen

Money Counters: Tuesday, August 1, 9:00 Am, St. Joseph Rectory: Germaine Konz, Nancy Penning

St. Mary Parish

Proclaiming Jesus Christ through worship, service, and witness.

Sunday, Aug. 6@ 8:00 am

Servers: Max Opdahl, Kyle & Cody Hansen

Lector: JoAnn Vandermyde

EMHC: Bob & Theresa Goliber, Cindy & Dale Hansen, Marlys Schwabach

Giftbearers: Donna Dreckman, Susie Hofman

Ushers for the month of August: Terry Oolman, Matt Peterson, Val & Pat Plagge

St. Anthony Birthdays & Anniversaries:

July 31-Tom Jungers; Mel & Mary Kruienza, 30 yrs.

Aug. 2-Mark & Pam Falkena, 37 yrs., Rich & Judy Schnurr, 48 yrs.

Aug. 5-April Konz

St. Joseph Birthdays & Anniversaries:

July 31-Kelvin Tesch

Aug. 1-Steve & Julie Hunt-30th

Aug. 3-Jake Klein

Aug. 4-Noah Fleming, Huxley Ney

Aug. 6-Jacob & Ellen Klein-46th; Tim & Mary Ann Plathe-34th

St. Mary Birthdays & Anniversaries:

July 31-Wyatt Konz, Bob & Theresa Goliber-41, Dale & Joleen Konz-35

Aug. 1-Jerry Henrich, Tom & Renee Rupp-30

Aug. 2-Tayten Bortscheller, JoAnn Vandermyde, Mark & Judy Meis-42, Terry & Dawn Streff-31

Aug. 4-Susie Hofman

Aug. 5-Tyler Zenk

Please remember in your prayers...Jeff Schlichte, Tom Freking (son of Leo & Karen), Bob Fischer, Dolores Sitzmann, Margie (Tim) Erdmann, Drew Kersten, Dolly Schlichte, Milo Miesen, Chandler Koch, Chad Johnson, Edna Hauptert, Dr. Paul Berger, Fr. Mervin Hood, Linda Block, Emma Mae Hofman, Cathy Ohm, Matt Cooper, Katie Johnson, our military and our nursing home residents-Happy Siesta (Remsen) Darrel Steffes, Caroline Horkey, Geraldine Schuver, Verna Bunkers, Florence Ahlers, Walburga "Bea" Dykstra; Bavarian Meadows (Remsen) Lorraine Kreber; Landsmeer (Orange City), Lorraine Becker, Fran Koob, Ceci Hentges, Lucille Schumacher, Lorraine Hoffman; ; Prairie Ridge Care Center (OC); Ruth Minten, Valeria Streff, Milo Miesen. **Fieldcrest** (Sheldon) Richard Paulsen, Cliff & Dolly Schlichte, Gerald & Rosella Croatt.

From our Cluster, we would like to publish the names of sons, daughters, etc. of parishioners who are serving in the military at this time or who are deployed. So, please let us know their names:Ted Wiederholt, son-in law of Terry & Leeanne McMillen; Preston Freking, nephew of Connie & Steve Christensen; Jeff Toms, brother of Summer (Adam) Ney; Brandon Harald, Jacob Harald, sons of Jim & Christy Harald, and grandsons of Gerald and Mary Ann Goebel and nephews of Dan & Jacki Goe-

PILGRIM CLUSTER MASSES THIS WEEK:

Saturday, July 29

2:00 pm St. Joseph Nuptial Mass-Kyle Heronimus & Anna Schroeder

5:00 pm St. Anthony-Marv Reuter

Sunday, July 30 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am St. Mary-Bill Schnee, Audrey Hansen, Lorraine Hatz, Jim Krogman

10:00 am St. Joseph-Mary Ellen Stoll, Dale L. Gergen, Norbert & Eva Budden, Pilgrim Cluster Families

Monday, July 31

NO MASS

Tuesday, Aug. 1

8:00 am St. Joseph-David O'Kane

Wednesday, Aug. 2

8:00 am St. Anthony-Lawrence, Margaret & Albert Klein

Thursday, Aug. 3

8:00 am St. Joseph-Luella Klein

Friday, Aug. 4 First Friday

8:00 am St. Mary-Delores Penning, Bob Alesch, Gordon & Jim Holzman

Saturday, Aug. 5

5:00 pm St. Anthony-Don Bauerly

Sunday, Aug. 6 The Transfiguration of the Lord

8:00 am St. Mary-Clarence, Phyllis & Betty Streff, Marvin & Margie Galles, L&D, Pilgrim Cluster Families

10:00 am St. Joseph-Mary Ellen Stoll, Hilary Klein, Deceased Members of the Wayne & Jeanette Delperdang Family

St. Anthony Parish

A faith filled people called to make Christ present through sharing of gifts and living his words through our action

Saturday, Aug. 5@5:00 pm

Servers: Jamie Pohlen, Cindy Pohlen, Larissa Pohlen

Lector: Jeanne Jungers

EMHC: Tom Jungers, Joe Pohlen, Joey Pohlen

Choir EMHC: Jeanne Jungers

Gift Presenters: Jeremy Sauer Family

Ushers/Greeters: Joe Pohlen, Jim Schmit

St. Joseph Parish

Experiencing Jesus Christ we commit ourselves to live, teach, and celebrate His love as we reach out to others.

Sunday, Aug. 6@ 10:00 am

Servers: Sage Goergen, Derek Von Arb, Jordan Von Arb

Lectors: Mark Klein, Cindy Klein

EMHC: Connie Christensen, Steve Christensen (H) Curtis Christoffel (C/H) Amanda Christoffel, Gina Christoffel (W)

bel, Jared Plathe, son of Randy & Jeri Plathe, Joseph Ascherl, husband of Donna, father of Caitlin, Collin, Caroline & Connor, Leah Schroeder, daughter of Alan & Laurie Schroeder, sister of Janelle, Jeffrey, Douglas, Sandra, Randy, Paris & Madison; Jesse Harpenau, nephew of Dennis & Deb Harpenau; Youssef Ben Saida, grandson of Cliff & Dolly Schlichte; Austin Reichle, grandson of Ivan & Clare Pottebaum and Inez Reichle; Devin Hunt, son of Sheryl Hunt & Darrel Hunt; Garrett Hunt, son of Sheryl Hunt & Darrel Hunt; Tom Albers, son of Bob & Sue Albers; Bryce Hinrichsen (Air Force), grandson of Jan Schneider; Technical Sergeant Zach Ascherl, son of Todd & Cathy Ascherl; nephew of Joe & Donna Ascherl; Chad Paulsen, son of Steve & Marilyn Paulsen; Cory Savage, husband of Shelly (Christensen), father of Graham Stephen & Bennett Thomas. Adam Klein, son of Jeffrey Klein, grandson of Jim Klein; Rick Pottebaum son of Janet Pottebaum Strouth; Dexter Sauer, son of Kris Hope & grandson of Janet Pottebaum Strouth; Alex Van Roekel, son of Deb & Mark Van Roekel, grandson of Jan Strouth; Jeff Hagerman, grandson of Rita Cook; Jamie Staver, and J.W. Nicholson, nephews of Gary & Mary Ohm; Josh Penning, son of Fred & Jane, grandson of Kitty; Tommy Even III, husband of Shannon (Heilman) Even, son-in law of Jim & Janet Heilman, nephew of Denice Christoffel; David Schoenenberger, brother of Mrs. Randy (Deb) Gergen, Dennie Schoenenberger, nephew of Deb (Randy) Gergen; Ryan Casey; Grandparents are Dutch & Jane Homan; Brandon Homan; Grandparents are Dutch & Jane Homan; Tony Jungers, son of Ken & Therese Jungers; Casey Gloden, son of Larry & Brenda Gloden, father of Camron

"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

RCIA- Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults: Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic faith with the aim of joining the Catholic Church? RCIA is for you! Class begins in September. Contact any of the parish offices, or Joleen Haselhoff at joleen.haselhoff@outlook.com - (319) 531-7537 for more information.

REP-Reminder for families that have not registered for REP for the 2017-2018 year or want more information about REP they can contact Tami List @712-548-8375.

Pastoral Planning Ministry 2025: The Directors of the respective parishes of Hospers (Mike Jungers, Chris Schmit), Alton (Liz Kellen, Pat Zenk), and Granville (Steve Christensen, Jeff Bunkers), along with Fr. Greving met on July 18 to begin the process of Pastoral Planning Ministry 2025 for our local level Pilgrim Cluster. After consultation with the Religious Education Board and catechists, it was decided that the site and time for Religious Education will be Granville on Wednesday evenings. Also, the following weekend Mass schedule has been established....each parish will have 4 months Saturday night Mass and 8 months Sunday Mass over the period of a given year:

September - December

Saturday 5:00 pm @ Granville

Sunday 8:00 am @ Hospers

Sunday 10:00 am @ Alton

January - April

Saturday 5:00 pm @ Hospers

Sunday 8:00 am @ Alton

Sunday 10:00 @ Granville

May - August

Saturday 5:00 pm @ Alton

Sunday 8:00 am @ Granville

Sunday 10:00 am @ Hospers

Note that the current weekend Mass times will remain in effect until the weekend of August 26 \ 27 when the Septem-

ber – December Mass times will go into effect (a week earlier than normal – because of something that had already been scheduled).

Would you rather raise HAPPY children or HOLY children?

You can do both! Please join us for a dinner and discussion on Wednesday, August 9 at 6:30pm at P's Pizza in Orange City. Come be a part of our fellowship and pick up a few practical suggestions on forming a HOLY family in your household.

Celebrate NFP Awareness Week every week! You can find Q & A and more information about Natural Family Planning on our Pilgrim Cluster website at www.PilgrimCluster.org Scroll down on the home page and click on "QUESTIONS ABOUT NFP?"

We are in need of volunteers to go along to the Soup Kitchen in Sioux City on Aug 4. We meet at Spalding Catholic School, Alton Center at 4pm and car pool from there. If you are interested in volunteering please call Al Willett at 712-395-0043 or 712-756-4083. Going to the Soup Kitchen is not only a rewarding experience but is also fun, ask anyone that gone in the pass. Thanks for your consideration.

Spalding Catholic Founder's Circle Dinner and Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 8. More details coming soon...

For the dates and times for Finance \ Pastoral meetings, the dates and times will be as follows: Tues., August 1 @ Alton, 6:45 pm finance council mtg; 7:30 pm pastoral council mtg. Wed., August 9 @ Granville, 6:15 finance council mtg; 7:00 pm pastoral council mtg. Thurs., August 17 @ Hospers, 6:45 pm finance council mtg; 7:30 pm pastoral council mtg. If there are any major conflicts that these might not be good dates to have a meeting, please let secretary of respective parish or Father know.

The Catholic Order of Foresters will sponsor Coffee & Rolls, Sunday, July 30th after Sunday morning mass. Stop in after mass and meet our quest organist, Sue Evans and possibly our future organist at St Mary's. Also meet our quest choir from St Catherine's in Oyens that will be singing at St Mary's with Sue, Sunday morning. Stop in and say hello and offer encouragement that Sue will continue playing organ here on occasion. Hope to see you there.

Wedding congrats to Zachary Kellen and Kelsey Nilles who were united in Holy Matrimony on Saturday, July 22, 2017 at St. Joseph, Granville. May the Lord bless you in your future life together.

Life is a Stewardship: Our parishes rely on the support of parishioners who generously share their time, talent and treasure to make Jesus Christ known, loved and served in our community.

Catholic Resources on Theology of the Body:

Christopher West. *Good News About Sex and Marriage: Answers to Your Honest Questions About Catholic Teaching* (Ann Arbor: Servant Publications, 2000).

Jason Evert. *If you Really Loved Me: 100 Questions on Dating, Relationships, and Sexual Purity* (Catholic Answers, 2003)

A STUDY COMMISSIONED by the Knights of Columbus revealed that 75% of Catholic young people who had seriously considered religious life felt they were never encouraged to pursue that goal. Do you know someone who would make a good priest or sister? Why not tell them so? Your encouragement may be all they need.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SWIM PARTY: Location-Hospers Swimming Pool-Date: 08/06/2017-Time: 5-6:30 pm– Picnic will follow swim party.



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



Our Lady of Lourdes, patron of Spalding, please pray for us.



Gehlen Catholic Summer Office Hours are 9:00-12:00 and 1:00-3:00, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday. Office will be closed July 3-7 for office cleaning! Regular office hours begin Tuesday, August 14th.

The new name for the Gehlen Catholic name is Marvin Langel Memorial Gym. We thank the families generosity.

ST. ANTHONY PARISH

St. Anthony Stewardship for July 22, 2017 will be available on next weeks bulletin.

Bills Paid: Our Sunday Visitor, \$60.16, Aug/Sept envelopes.

St. Anthony Parish Council: Congratulations to Roleen Walgenbach and Eric Pohlen, our newly elected Parish Council representatives. Our next meeting will be August 17th.

St. Anthony Parish: PLEASE JOIN US FOR the Hospers Community Worship Service on Sunday, July 30 at 10:00AM in the Southside Park! Free will donation dinner to follow the service. Please bring your own lawn chairs.

Auction Update: Thanks again to all who came and supported our annual auction – either through donating, bidding or buying. It was a good day! Our final auction results will be published when all bills have been turned in and paid. So get those bills turned in!

*****Church Cleaning for month of August 2017:*** Church Proper Chairlady: Kathy Pohlen Committee: Leann Grave, Lori Pohlen, Nancy Stoll, Ashley Croatt West Area and Church Basement Chairlady: Lori Budden Committee: Maxine Feekes, Joanne Pohlen, Jeanne Jungers, Joell Walgenbach ***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 stewardship

Adult\$1,205.00
 Young Adult1.00
 Grain1,500.43
 Bldg/Grounds678.00
 Loose Offerings135.00
 Donation35.00
Total: \$3,704.43

Bills paid this week: Our Sunday Visitor (Adult-August), \$79.15; Gehlen Catholic (July), \$5072.93

WE ARE IN NEED OF PORK AND BEEF for the St. Joseph Parish Picnic & Auction. We are also asking for donations for the processing of the beef and pork. If you can help out with any of this, please call Dan Hunt at 727-3489. Thank you!!!

The Lunch Stand will be SERVING FRESH TOMATOES AND ONIONS. If you can share some of yours from the garden, please bring them to the St. Joseph Parish Center cafeteria on Saturday, August 19th.

THE COUNTRY STORE IS IN NEED OF YOUR TIME AND TALENTS. Homemade items make this store a great success rather it be sewn, crocheted or knitted, canned goods, fresh produce or a homemade food item. consider one thing that you do well and donate it to the country Store. Bagged snacks and theme

Baskets go over well. Some ideas on theme baskets are: Sundae Deklight, games, Keep in Touch, Coke, Coffee time, card games, etc. Use your imagination! If you do not feel creative, feel free to make a cash donation and a basket can be made in your name. Any questions, please contact Marci Kreber (261-0402) dmkreber@gmail.com and Kathy Bortscheller (541-9136) kathyb@midlands.net

The time is now to plan for the St. Joseph Parish Auction in Granville on August.20. A variety of items is always needed to make the auction fun and successful. If you are blessed with a gift or talent, please share that gift and make something or donate a certificate to share with others. Babysitting, crafts and home-cooked items are just a few ideas of needed items for this year. If you would like to donate something, but need ideas; feel free to contact a member of the auction committee. Mark & Susan Von Arb, Tom & Sharol Roder, Mike & Denise Horkey and Chris & Christine Hunt are available to help you with questions and ideas for auction items. Cash donors are always a very valuable and appreciated part of the auction as well. Please let the committee know of items that you would like to see on the auction, or ideas you may have of items to be purchased with cash donors' funds. Our parish is blessed in many ways, please let the committee know how you are willing to help make the auction successful again this year.

Please join us for St. Joseph's parish picnic mass in Granville on August 20. Our day begins with an outdoor Mass at 10 AM and is followed by games for kids and adults, country store, car show, auction, and delicious fresh food served throughout the day! Bring your family for a day of Fun for Everyone!

WOW!! Thank you to the St. Joseph Guild members who did their part. Whether donating money, making pies, or working their shift, it all paid off. Net profit of \$2,808.91 was made Sunday morning as RAGBRAI riders enjoyed our pies and ice cream. Thank you so much for contributing and helping make it a success.

ST. MARY PARISH

St. Mary Stewardship

Adult..... \$2,980.00
 Youth..... 4.00
 Youth Loose..... 2.28
 Loose Offerings 1274.00
 Candle Box 104.00
 Unrestricted Donation 230.00
Total: \$4,594.28

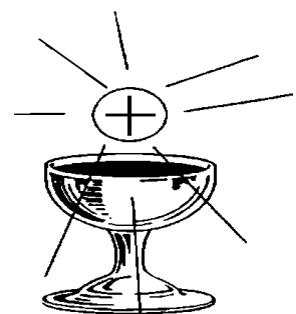
Bills paid: Sioux City Diocese (Peter's Pence) \$365.00; Sioux City Diocese (Cathedraticum) \$876.00; Gehlen Catholic (July Investment) \$4899.68.

AREA NOTICES

Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes and the Highlights of Spain. November 3-13, 2017 hosted by veteran pilgrimage leader Father John Vakulskas, Jr. Seating is limited. \$3189 (Chicago) \$3289 (Omaha) Includes R/T Air, First Class Hotels, daily tours and transfers, most meals, Daily Mass and much more. This is a leisurely trip. For a brochure and more information contact Fr. John Vakulskas Jr, PO Box 347, Okoboji IA 51355, iohnavakulskas@gmail.com, 712.490.8047

Attention Married Couples: "God reveals Himself through the Love of a couple" **Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.** Upcoming Dates; October 27-29 @Cedar Falls. November 10-12 @Iowa City For information and to register go to iowa-wwwme.org or call 563-608-3305 or email: JLJwwwme08@Gmail.com **Help us to support the Church's Initiative on marriage!** Couples who attend Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends not only re-discover the joy, intimacy & romance in their relationships but also become more active in their parish. Together, we are making marriages, families and our Church stronger & healthier.

**July
 Month of
 The Precious
 Blood**



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