

## Pilgrim Cluster Catholic Parishes

November 19, 2017 - Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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Sacrament of Reconciliation: by appointment any time. WEEKLY BULLETIN ONLINE: [PilgrimCluster.org](http://PilgrimCluster.org).

St. Mary Parish  
 609 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Alton, 51003  
 (712) 756-4224  
 OFFICE HOURS:  
 Tue - Fri - 8:00 AM - Noon  
 & Tue 1-3 PM; Wed-1-5 PM  
[altonsmc@midlands.net](mailto: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](mailto:christec@mtcnet.net)

St. Anthony Parish  
 506 Elm Street, Hospers, 51238  
 712 (752-8784)  
 OFFICE HOURS  
 Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
 9AM to 1:30 PM  
[stacc@nethtc.net](mailto:stacc@nethtc.net)

WEEKLY BULLETIN ONLINE: Our web site ([PilgrimCluster.org](http://PilgrimCluster.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.

*We give thanks  
 to the LORD*



### MASS INTENTIONS: November 14 thru November 19

Mon. (11/20)	6:30 pm @ Alton	KCs
Tues. (11/21)	8:00 am @ Granville	Rob Linden
Wed. (11/22)	8:00 am @ Alton	Fred & Florence Pottebaum
Thurs. (11/23)	9:00 am @ Hospers	Vince Klein
Sat. (11/25)	2:00 pm @ Granville	Schroeder/Schemmel Nuptial Mass
Sat. (11/25)	5:00 pm @ Granville	Hilary Klein
Sun. (11/26)	8:00 am @ Hospers	Lawrence & Josephine Muth
Sun. (11/26)	10:00 am @ Alton	For the People; Janice Schuetz family

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

For the weekend of November 25/November 26

#### Lectors

5:00 pm Leon Pottebaum  
 8:00 am Dan Pohlen  
 10:00 am Leeanne McMillen

#### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm Lorraine Fischer, Roberta Pottebaum,  
 Mary Ellen Heying, Ron Paulsen  
 8:00 am Mike Jungers, Bea Schmit, Janice Klein  
 CHOIR: Susie Jungers  
 10:00 am John Heller, Dennis Schmit, Pat Zenk, Donna Dreckman

#### Altar Servers

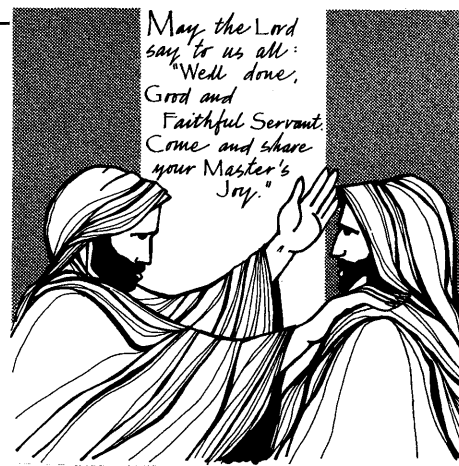
5:00 pm Sage Goergen, Claire Paulsen, Emily Kellen  
 8:00 am Thomas & Alex Pohlen, Jason Konz  
 10:00 am Tyler Zenk, Adrienne Zenk, Christopher Holzman

#### Gift Bearers

8:00 am Jerome & Rita Fischer  
 10:00 am Terry & Leeanne McMillen

#### Ushers

5:00 pm Curt Christoffel, Francis & Jan Goebel,  
 Steve & Marilyn Paulsen  
 8:00 am Dean Otto, Mike Thompson  
 10:00 am Mike & Julie Pottebaum, Rod & Cindy Pottebaum



*Thank you for your welcome to Fr. Joseph Arackal last weekend and for your generosity toward the mission appeal for the Vincentian Congregation.*

### A LITTLE LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

For all Thou hast given, Deo Gratias (Thanks be to God).

For all thou hast withheld. Deo Gratias.

For all thou hast permitted. Deo Gratias.

For all thou hast prevented. Deo Gratias.

For all thou hast forgiven me. Deo Gratias.

For all thou hast prepared for me. Deo Gratias.

For the death thou has chosen for me. Deo Gratias.

For the place thou art keeping for me in heaven.

Deo Gratias.

For having created me to love Thee for all eternity.

Deo Gratias.

**The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** (as it is known in the West), or **The Entry of the Most Holy Theotokos into the Temple** (its name in the East), is a liturgical feast celebrated on November 21 by the Catholic and Orthodox Churches. The feast is associated with an event when Mary's parents, Joachim and Anne, who had been childless, received a heavenly message that they would have a child. **In thanksgiving** for the gift of their daughter, they brought her, when still a child, to the Temple in Jerusalem to consecrate her to God.

**Incline Thine ear, O Lord**, unto our prayers, wherein we humbly pray Thee to show Thy mercy upon the soul of Thy servant, whom Thou hast commanded to pass out of this world, that Thou wouldst place him in the region of peace and light and bid him be a partaker with Thy Saints. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

"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

*Confirmation: Bishop Nickless will be with us Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 PM Mass at Granville to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation.*

*We pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the 16 young people of our parishes who will be receiving this great sacrament.*

### Congratulations to Our Pilgrim Cluster Confirmandi:

Kassandra Diehl, Nicholas Full, Christopher Holzman,  
 Jacob Koob, Isaia Lammers, Desiree Rodriguez, Samantha Sauer,  
 Alyssa Schmidt, Anthony Sells, Claire Sells, Carson Tesch,  
 Wyatt Tesch, Stephen Trejo, Jessica Valenzuela,  
 Cade Walgenbach and Issac Zavala

**Advent Booklets: Advent Magnificat Booklets and Word Among Us booklets are available for daily meditations for Advent. Pick up a copy of either one at the entrance of the church.**

**BEST ADVENT EVER: 'TIS (almost) THE SEASON:** Remember getting ready for Christmas when you were a child? From decorating the tree to baking cookies, each moment brought you excitement and joy. Preparing for Christmas can be as joyful as it was then. Don't let this be just another Advent where you get distracted and busy. Rediscover the joy in the season with Best Advent Ever, a free email program that will help you prepare for Christmas in a way that will allow you to have a Christmas as memorable and joyful as when you were a child. **You'll receive....**short inspirational videos, practical tips, real life stories of hope. Get ready for the best Christmas of your life! **SIGN UP AT [DYNAMICCATHOLIC.COM/ADVENT](http://DYNAMICCATHOLIC.COM/ADVENT)**

Next week is the collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. Over 46 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to lift themselves out of poverty. By supporting this collection, you give people a hand up, not a hand out. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at [www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection). Thank you for your support of the CCHD. There are envelopes in your packet that can be placed in the normal collection.

**Adult Bible Study:** Join us Wednesday evenings at 6:30 in the library of the Granville parish center for a Bible Study focused on the Life and Mission of Jesus Christ. No previous experience required!



The role of Mary in our faith is so crucial but so often misunderstood. On Tuesday, we celebrate the feast of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Learn more about her and her role in our salvation by watching *The Bible and the Virgin Mary* on **Formed.org**. **PARISH CODE: ZPMV49**

We will continue through the Holidays on every other Thursday evenings with our Christian Book Study, Resisting Happiness. Come if you can, you are welcome any time! Next gathering is 11/30 at 7 pm at St Joseph Rectory. We will be doing Chapters 17, 18, 19. Contact Cindy Klein 540-6962 or Tera Oldenkamp 348-3566 for questions.

**Permanent Deacon Inquiry Nights –**

Information sessions on the permanent diaconate and the five-year formation program will be held throughout the diocese during November:  
 • Mon, 11/20, 7 pm, Blessed Sacrament location of Holy Cross Parish, Sioux City, in the parish hall  
 • Tues, 11/21, 7 pm, St. Lawrence, Carroll, in the Family Room  
 Application forms will be available, or can be found on the diocesan website [scdiocese.org](http://scdiocese.org) (under "Vocations," then "Diaconate," and scroll down). Please contact Dcn. Dan Goebel (712-441-0861) or Dcn. David Lopez ([davidl@scdiocese.org](mailto:davidl@scdiocese.org) - 712-233-7512), for more information, or if you are interested but cannot attend any of these sessions.

**Cherish House Baby Bottle Campaign** in all three churches was successful. There are still about 60 bottles out. PLEASE RETURN YOUR BOTTLES TO YOUR PARISH SECRETARY ASAP, FILLED OR EMPTY by November 19th. It is costly to replace them as they are used more than once. We hope that as you put in your coins for Cherish House you also received a blessing knowing that your gift will help young moms be loved and nurtured at Cherish House. Thank you for giving generously to Cherish Center and Cherish House. In the years to come there will be precious young ladies at Cherish House who are struggling with their past decisions and waiting for a second chance...a chance to learn from the past, a chance to move forward to the future with hope and with a purpose. We will tell her often that this was made possible for her because of the generosity of some very special people. You probably will never meet her, but you will have the satisfaction of knowing that you made a positive difference in some very young lives.

**St. Joseph Parish Turkey Supper,  
 St. Joseph Parish Center  
 Sunday, November 19th,  
 Serving from, 3:30 PM – 6:30 PM.**

**COME! ENJOY GREAT FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP!**

*Happy Thanksgiving*

**St. Anthony Birthdays/Anniversaries:**

November 20 Addison Hauptert, Gary & Diane Gesink, 41 yrs.  
 November 24 Delainee Stoll

**St. Joseph Birthdays/Anniversaries:**

November 20 Duane Hansen, Darrin Recker  
 Bill & Nancy Penning - 46<sup>th</sup>  
 November 24 Jackson Schroeder, Stephanie Wagenaar  
 November 25 Wes Budden, Bonnie Ricke  
 Aaron & Amy Koob - 11<sup>th</sup>  
 Jack & Doralice Ney - 74<sup>th</sup>  
 November 26 Tanner Christoffel

**St. Mary Birthdays/Anniversaries:**

November 20 Michelle Croghan, Robert Kinney, Lori Mousel  
 November 21 Lucas Hunt, Mike Miesen, Betty Stoll,  
 Dale & Cindy Hansen-30  
 November 22 Amanda Heying, Mike & Karen Richter-42  
 November 25 Jacob Peterson  
 November 26 Brady Hansen

**Granville Hometown Christmas, Sunday, December 3, 2017, from 4:00 – 6:30 PM, at the Community Center, Granville Fire Station. There will be a Festival of Trees; Soup Supper; Kids' Christmas Shopping (gifts will be wrapped); horse/carriage rides and Santa will be here!! FREE WILL OFFERING. Proceeds go towards Granville Fire & EMS Association. The fun time is sponsored by the Granville Fire & EMS, the Dugout, and the Granville Chamber. All are invited to come and enjoy.**



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!*

Like our Facebook page, "Spalding Catholic School, Prek-6" to see what our students are experiencing...

- Students were visited by Sister Patrice and Deacon Dan during Vocations Week (last week) to learn about their specific vocation and how God called them.

- 3rd-6th grade students visited the cemetery this week to learn more about Holy Souls, Saints and to pray for their loved ones.

**Spalding Catholic students will be selling World's Finest Chocolates/World's Best Dish Cloths starting Nov. 2 through Dec. 5. Thank you for your support.**

**SAVE THE DATE --** Spalding Catholic is excited to announce our Gala theme this year will be: **Spalding Winter Olympics 2018!** The event will be held on Saturday, Feb. 3rd. Stay tuned for more details



Please log on to [www.gehlencatholic.org](http://www.gehlencatholic.org) for more information on upcoming events.

**GEHLEN CATHOLIC EVENTS:**

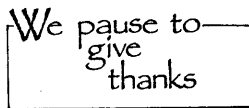
Monday, November 20  
 • JH B BB vs SOS, 4:15 PM; 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – HOME; 8<sup>th</sup> AT Primghar  
 Tuesday, November 21 – one hour early dismissal for Thanksgiving  
 • K-12 Thanksgiving Mass, 8:45 AM  
 • JH B BB, HOME, vs RSM, 4:00 PM  
 • JV/V G BB, HOME, vs Siouxland Christian, 6:00 PM  
 Wednesday, November 22 -24 – No SCHOOL—Thanksgiving Vacation

The HS Choir is selling pastry puffins now until Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>. Please contact a choir student or call the office (546-4181) if you are interested. We appreciate your support of our choir!

**All Saints Parish, Le Mars, Candy Walk -- Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 – NOON -- Richter Hall, St. Joseph site**

## ST. ANTHONY PARISH

St. Anthony Stewardship November 12, 2017  
 Adult Envelope: \$ 1,235.00  
 Grain Donation: \$ 11,905.42  
 Adult Loose: \$ 56.00  
 Youth Envelope: \$ 6.00  
 St. Joseph Education Society: \$ 25.00  
 Missionary Collection: \$316.00  
 Rental Income: \$ 40.00  
 Total Income: \$ 13,583.42



**Thank you for exceeding our budgeted weekly income!**

**Bills Paid:** Spalding Catholic School, \$8,957.74; Gehlen Catholic School, \$3,084.99; Diocese of Sioux City, \$510.00 St. Joseph Education Fund, \$316.00 Missionary, \$100.00 Disaster Relief Fund; Diocese of Sioux City, \$250.00 DAA; MidAmerican Energy, \$350.69, utilities

### DAA Status:

DAA Donations this week: \$ 250.00  
 Total number of pledges turned in to date: 50  
 Total amount of donations to date: \$ 4,320.00  
 DAA 2017 Goal: \$ 6,504.00

The Diocese will bill the parish for the balance if we do not make the goal. To date, we will owe \$2,184.00. As in years past, the Parish Council and Finance Council board members will be making phone calls to all who have not turned in their cards and donations. You should be getting a call in the very near future. Please get your pledge card and money turned in! Thank you for your participation!!

**Scripture** -- Scripture Sharing will not meet on Wednesday Nov. 22. The next meeting will be on Nov. 29.

St. Anthony's Parish Chicken Supper will be held December 3<sup>rd</sup> with carry outs starting at 5:30 and supper at 6:00pm. The tickets will be \$9.25 for adults and carry outs, and \$5.50 for ages 5-10 dine-in only, and children 4 and under are free. *Home Plate is catering this event.* A committee member will be contacting you for tickets. Stay after the supper for Santa and Bingo!

Hospers Community Thanksgiving Prayer Service will be held on Monday, Nov. 20 at 7PM at the CRC Church. There will be a light lunch following the prayer service. Please join us.

### \*\*\*\*\*Ladies Guild Information\*\*\*\*\*

Chicken Supper: Chairlady – Diane Gesink;  
 Co-Chair – Peggy Pohlen, Committee – Joan Schmit, Debbie Wanderscheid, Linda Block, Therese Jungers, Carol Jungers, Brandy Willett, Kyla Barnes, Janet Klein, Elizabeth Steven, Karla Robinet, Roleen Walgenbach

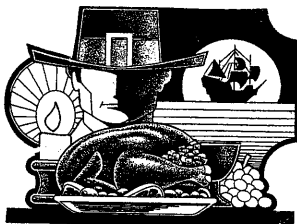
### \*\*\*Church Cleaning for month of November 2017.\*\*\*

**Church Proper Chairlady:** Joan Schmit **Committee:** Janet Richter, Helen Stoll, Joell Walgenbach, Laurie Jungers **West Area and Church Basement Chairlady:** Mary Konz **Committee:** Kris Pottebaum, Marlene Schwartz, Karen Freking **\*\*\*Please make sure that the cleaning gets done during the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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, Monday, November 20, 9:00 AM,  
 St. Joseph rectory: Germaine Konz, Nancy Penning  
 Stewardship, November 12:

Adult	\$	630.00
Grain		1,744.14
Young		1.00
Loose Collection		91.00
St. Joseph Education Fund		20.00
Missionary Co-Op		470.00
Buildings/Grounds		860.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>\$3,816.14</b>



**ST JOSEPH BILLS PAID:** Access (quarterly copier service agreement), \$135.05; MidAmerican (utilities), \$726.14; Tom Budden (October mowing/trimming), \$590.00; Confirmation Collection, \$150.00; Wigman Company (boys' urinal parts), \$26.44; Mid American (10-5 to 11/3 gas usage - parish center) \$177.16;

*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.*

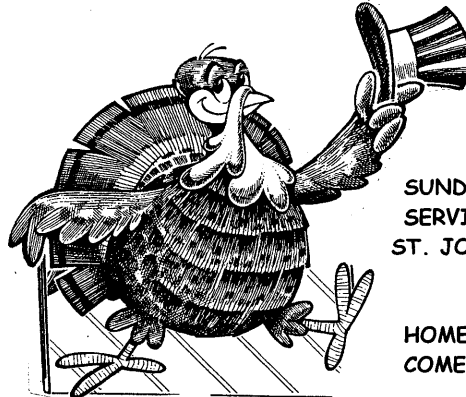
### DAA STATUS:

DAA Donations: \$7,535  
 Total Number of Pledges Turned in to Date: 70 out of 174  
 Total Amount of Donations to Date: \$7,235  
 DAA 2017 Goal: \$13,713

**SPECIAL THANKS TO THOSE WHO HAVE RETURNED YOUR DAA CARDS. IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO (WE HAVE 104 FAMILIES WHO HAVE NOT) PLEASE RETURN YOUR DAA CARD ASAP! THIS WOULD BE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.**

NOTE: Paula Steffes is being transferred to:  
 Madonna Rehabilitation Hospitals, Room 104,  
 17500 Burke Street, Omaha, NE 68118.  
 She would love to hear from you!

**St. Joseph Finance Committee and Parish Pastoral Council will meet on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>, 6:30 PM, at the parish rectory. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE!!**



**COME TO ST. JOSEPH PARISH TURKEY SUPPER, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19 SERVING 3:30-6:30 PM, ST. JOSEPH PARISH CENTER GRANVILLE CATERED BY HOME PLATE CATERING. COME AND ENJOY!!!**

We extend special thanks to Don Kreber who has volunteered to remove snow from our parish doorways this winter! Thank you for your giving spirit and most generous support to our parish. We appreciate you!!

## ST. MARY PARISH

### St. Mary Stewardship

Adult-2580.00  
 Adult Grain-4000.00  
 Youth-2.00  
 Loose Offerings-57.00  
 Mission Co-Op-798.00  
 St. Joseph Education-385.00  
 Total: \$7822.00



**Bills paid:** Root Candles (Advent Candles) \$137.03; OC Sanitation-\$23.13; Sioux City Diocese (St. Joseph Education Fund) \$740.00; Propagation to Faith (Mission Co-Op) \$798.00; Westel Systems-\$200.51

### DAA Donations: 6785.00

Total number of pledges turned in to date: 107  
 Total amount of donations to date: 6785.00  
 DAA 2017 Goal: \$9236.00

**Please return your DAA cards in ASAP! This would be very much appreciated! Thank you.**

If you are 65 years and older and would like to go on the honorary circle please let Sherry Kinney know. Sherry's number is 712-756-8938.

**St. Mary's Guild is in need of a Vice-President for the year 2018. Please contact LeAnn Kleinhesselink at 756-8946.**

The Giving Tree will be in church on **Saturday, November 25.** If you would like to give a gift to a child in need, take an ornament and record your name & info on the sign up sheet. Please bring your gifts (wrapped or in a gift bag) with the attached ornament to the church by **Sunday, December 17.** Thank you for your generosity!! Questions: Contact Theresa McCarty - #737-8902

### AREA NOTICES:

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend has something in it for every married couple. The Weekend has value for couples married one year on up to 50 years or more. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on Feb. 9-11 @ Ankeny, Mar. 9-11 @ La Crosse, Apr. 20-22 @ Dubuque. Early registration is highly recommended. For information and to register go to [iowa-wwme.org](http://iowa-wwme.org) or call 563-608-3305 or email: [JLJwwme08@Gmail.com](mailto:JLJwwme08@Gmail.com)

The Deacons of First Presbyterian in Paullina will be hosting another Food Bank of Iowa Mobile Food Pantry for people in O'Brien County on November 20, 2017. It will be located at First Presbyterian Church, Paullina, Corner of Main & Groesbeck, 4-7 PM. Please use the front door.

**The Village Treasure Chest says THANK YOU for your continued support** We sincerely appreciate the generous support we've received throughout the past year, through donations, purchases, and countless hours of volunteer service. Your donations of clothing (in good condition), home décor items, furniture, books, toys, sporting goods, etc. are always welcome & appreciated.