

# Pilgrim Cluster Catholic Parishes

April 8, 2018 - Divine Mercy Sunday

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  
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St. Joseph Parish  
 528 Elm Street, Granville. 51022  
 (712) 727-3551  
 OFFICE HOURS:  
 Mon - Thu 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
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St. Anthony Parish  
 506 Elm Street, Hospers, 51238  
 712 (752-8784)  
 OFFICE HOURS  
 Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
 9AM to 1:30 PM  
[stacc@nethctc.net](mailto:stacc@nethctc.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.

Mass Intentions for April 10 thru April 15

Tues. (4\10)	8:00 am @ Granville	Wayne Evans, Luella Klein, Hilary Klein
Wed. (4\11)	8:45 am @ Gehlen Mass	
Thurs. (4\12)	8:30 am @ Alton	Ken Ludwig/dec of Ludwig fam., Nic Hansen
Fri. (4\13)	8:00 am @ Hospers	Vincent Klein
Sat. (4\14)	5:00 pm @ Hospers	Kay (McCarthy) Reimer
Sun. (4\15)	8:00 am @ Alton	Ken Alesch
Sun. (4\15)	10:00 am @ Granville	For the People

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

For the weekend of April 14/15:

**Lectors**

5:00 pm	Jeanne Jungers
8:00 am	Gary Ohm
10:00 am	Alan Schroeder

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

5:00 pm	Tom Jungers, Louise Auchstetter, Joe Pohlen, Jeanne Jungers (c)
8:00 am	Gary & Mary Ohm, Rhonda Heller, Leeanne McMillen
10:00 am	Jan Goebel (H) Leon Pottebaum (C/H) Nancy Penning, Roberta Pottebaum (PB)

**Altar Servers**

5:00 pm	Jamie, Cindy & Larissa Pohlen
8:00 am	Kyle & Cody Hansen, McKenna Langel
10:00 am	Jamie Hunt, Ellen Hunt, Claire Paulsen

**Gift Bearers**

5:00 pm	Ken Schmit Family
8:00 am	Walt & JoAnn Schwebach

**April Ushers**

8:00 pm	Dan Pohlen, Paul Stoll
8:00 am	Dave & Mary Suntken, Frank Van Es, James Von Drak
10:00 am	Jeff & Beth Bunkers, Chris Hunt, Tim Schmidt

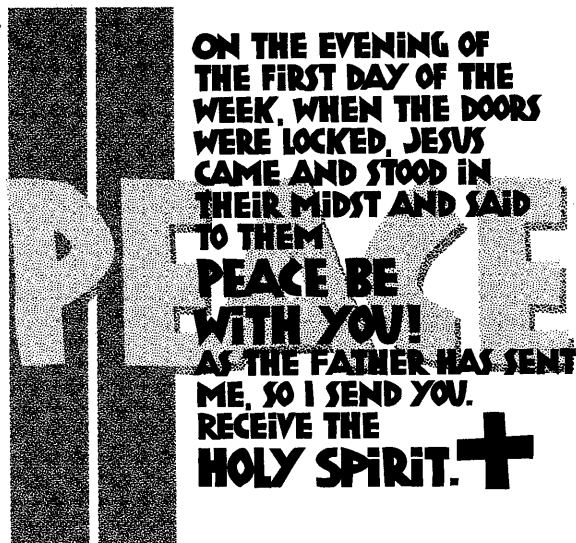
"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them, and their families, for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior."

## PILGRIM CLUSTER

Divine Mercy Sunday - April 8 (2:00-3:00 pm)  
 at St. Mary's, Alton

Adoration will begin at 2:00, with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song being prayed at 2:40. Benediction will conclude the hour at 3:00. The sacrament of Confession will also be available during this time. Come and adore He Who is Divine Mercy.

THANK YOU in your generosity toward the Retired and Infirm collection held last weekend.



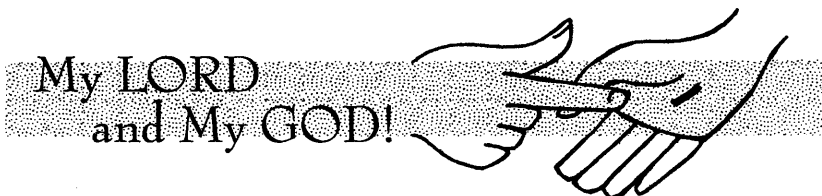
On this Divine Mercy Sunday we recall the words of St Thomas Aquinas: "Mercy consists in bringing a thing out of nonbeing into being." We see this transpire concretely in the life of the early Church. The community of believers 'was of one heart and mind' and 'they held everything in common.' 'They were filled with awe; they were witnesses of wondrous signs; they dedicated themselves to the good of the other; they were selfless and generous; they lived with the faith that conquers the world.' That is what the Apostle Thomas is looking for in the

Lord's open side. "The secret of Christ's heart is revealed to us through the clefts of his body" (St Bernard).

**I knew nothing. I was nothing. For this reason, God picked me out.** *St Catherine Labouri*

**Pilgrim Cluster Religious Education Program News:**

- The Pilgrim Cluster Religious Education Program Meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM at the St. Joseph Parish Center in Granville. If you would like more information, please contact Tami List at [Tamara.List1958@outlook.com](mailto:Tamara.List1958@outlook.com) or 712.548.8375
- Pilgrim Cluster REP Families, please refer to the Pilgrim Cluster Website for our REP newsletters, calendar, and memos pertaining to our program. Please log on to: <https://pilgrimcluster.org/> Choose "Faith Formation" on the tab. Then, choose "Religious Education Program". The documents will be listed on our REP page.
- We are planning for the 2018-2019 Pilgrim Cluster Religious Education Program year. We are looking for volunteers to teach, team teach, and substitute teach. If you are interested, please contact Tami List @ 712-548-8375 or a REP Board Member: Kelly Schmidt, Deb Harpenau, or Brenda Recker. It is a very rewarding experience.
- We will have REP Registration for the 2018-2019 year on 04/18/2018 and 04/25/2018 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. during REP. Any questions, please contact Tamara List @ [Tamara.List.1958@outlook.com](mailto:Tamara.List.1958@outlook.com) or 712-548-8375.



Please keep our Pilgrim Cluster children in prayer who are preparing to receive their First Communion: Sandra Arce, Delanie Budden, Kenzley Christoffel, Dax Erickson, Piper Erickson, Dana Hansen, John Henry Heller, Kody Kellen, Kegan Klein, Bryleigh Koob, Scarlett McIntyre, Manuel Opdahl, Lindsey Pohlen, Lucas Pohlen, Kaden Rogers, Emily Trejo

**Adult Scripture Study: Discover the Saints!** During the next few weeks of our scripture study we will be looking at the lives and writings of holy men and women throughout the last 2000 years of our Church's history. Come be inspired by their example and aspire to be the holy men and women that our society so greatly needs. Meetings are held on Wednesdays at 6:30 in the library of the St. Joseph Parish Center.



*Have mercy on us and on the whole world.* This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday where we remember the merciful redemption of us by our Divine Savior. Spend some time learning a little more about what the mercy of God means by exploring this theme on Formed.org.

**Parish Code: ZPMV49**

**Watch** Oceans of Mercy

**Study** Divine Mercy

**Listen** The Saving Power of Divine Mercy

**Listen** The Second Greatest Story Ever Told

**CHRISTIAN BOOK STUDY. KICK BACK FOR A MOVIE AND POPCORN** at the St Joseph's Rectory April 5th at 7:00. We will be watching the movie **Full of Grace** – it is a story about the life Mary and the apostles faced after Jesus's death. We will also be **STARTING A NEW BOOK** on April 19 - **7 Secrets of the Eucharist** with its **Study Guide** by Vinny Flynn meeting again **every other week**. Order from [www.mercysong.com](http://www.mercysong.com) or Amazon. Any questions call Cindy Klein 540-6962 or Bridget Tesch 360-0510.

The family of **Gwen Schuver** would like to shower her with birthday cards as she celebrates her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on April 11<sup>th</sup>. **Gwen's mailing address is 526 Garfield Street, Granville, Iowa 51022.**

Happy, Happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday, Gwen!!!

Please remember Florence (Colling) Smid (former St. Joseph Parishioner) in your prayers. Her funeral was Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, at St. Joan of Arc, Omaha. May the Good Lord grant her eternal rest and peace.

The Catholic Order of Foresters will be hosting Coffee & Rolls after 8am April 15<sup>th</sup>. Stop over at the school cafeteria after mass for a hot cup of coffee, freshly baked cinnamon roll or donut along with some great fellowship. The coffee is free but if you feel inclined you may leave a free will offering. This is a great time to visit with friends, people you don't get the opportunity to visit with very often. Also if you are new at St. Mary's we would really encourage you to come as it is a great opportunity to meet people from the parish and for the parishioners to meet you. Hope to see you there.

*Looking for volunteers to go along to the Soup Kitchen in Sioux City on the following dates, April 24 and May 15. This is a marvelous activity sharing your talents and serving God's people. We meet at 4:00pm at Spalding School in Alton and travel to Sioux City from there. If there are high school students that are in need of service hours we welcome them to go along. If you are able to join us, please contact Al Willett at 756-4083 or 396-0043. Hope you are able to join us.*

**St. Anthony Birthdays/Anniversaries:**

- April 8 Jim & Louise Auchstetter, 57 yrs.
- April 9 Jane Hauptert Eric & Carrie Pohlen, 13 yrs.  
Joe & Lori Pohlen, 24 yrs.
- April 13 Glenn List Larry & Brenda Gloden, 22 yrs.

**St. Joseph Birthdays/Anniversaries:**

- April 9 Chad & Jennifer Kreber - 19<sup>th</sup>
- April 11 Brianna Franklin, David Grady, Gwen Schuver
- April 12 Lyle & Grace List - 38<sup>th</sup>
- April 13 Dave List
- April 14 Marilyn Paulsen

**St. Mary Birthdays/Anniversaries:**

- March 25 Angela Solsma
- April 9 Lori Stoll, John & Linda Steven-35
- April 10 Kelli Babcock, Kylie Beltman, Emma Bogen, Nicholas Full
- April 12 Sheila Woodard, Tony & Gina Kellen-10, Bob & Lori Stoll-32
- April 13 Les Hansen
- April 14 Janet Hansen, Bev Thoene
- April 15 Charlotte Haselhoff, Molly Suntken



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[www.SpaldingCatholic.org](http://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...

- The K-2nd grade students performed their live Passion Play this week. It was a beautiful and powerful way for the students (and guests) to remember the suffering and death of our Savior.
- The 3rd and 4th graders are building their first simple machine through Project Lead the Way. They had to design a wheel-and-axle simple machine that would transport a tiger. The end goal was to develop a compound machine that will lift a tiger trapped in a moat.

**Parents/Grandparents:** Do you know a family that would benefit from a Christ-centered education at Spalding Catholic? Tell them how much your child/grandchild has benefited from their experience!



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

**GEHLEN CATHOLIC EVENTS:**

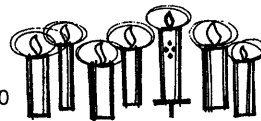
- Monday, April 9
  - Blood Drive sponsored by Gehlen Honor Society, 8-11:30 am
  - Coed High School Track Meet at Kingsley-Pierson, 4:30 pm
- Tuesday, April 10:
  - Golf: Triangular meet at Trinity Christian, 4:30 PM
  - Track Meet at MOC, 4:30 PM
- Wednesday, April 11:
  - K-12 Liturgy, 8:45 AM
- Thursday, April 12:
  - School Board meeting in the library, 7 pm
  - Golf Meet at Harris-Lake Park, 4:30 pm
- Friday, April 13:
  - JH Coed Track Meet at Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn, 4 pm
  - H.S. Girls' Track Meet at Hinton, 5 pm
- Saturday, April 14:
  - IHSMA Solo & Ensemble Contest
  - Sioux City Relays

Friends of Gehlen Catholic Ball reservations for the Friends of Gehlen Catholic Ball are due April 3rd. Our policy:

- \* All tickets must be paid for in advance.
- \* The names of all 8 individuals in the party must be confirmed.
- \* Reservations are not accepted for parties less than or greater than 8.
- \* All 8 guests must be seated & eating by 7:00 p.m. or the reservations will be lifted.

**ST. ANTHONY PARISH**

St. Anthony Stewardship March 31, 2018  
 Adult Envelope: \$ 1,262.00  
 Adult Loose: \$ 104.00  
 Youth Envelope: \$ 9.00  
 Holy Land: \$ 160.00  
 Retirement Fund for Religious: \$ 473.00  
 Bunkers Rebate: \$ 73.57  
 Total Income: \$ 2,081.57



**St. Anthony Money Counters 4/9:** Judy Schnurr and Peggy Pohlen

**Bills Paid:** Diocese of Sioux City, \$70.00, work comp billing; City of Hospers, \$29.65, MCI, \$20.02, long distance; HTC \$156.45, telephone, internet; Fred's Plumbing, \$ 5,229.56, filters, rectory bathroom updates; payroll and taxes, \$976.61

Additional Money Counters for the Monday bank deposit are needed. Please contact Mary Auchstetter at the parish office for more information. Please consider helping our parish with this monthly duty. Thank you!

**The Lord is Risen! Alleluia!**



**St. Anthony's Parish Continued:**

**Auction Update:** Save the Date- July 21<sup>st</sup> is our annual parish auction. Make sure to note it on your calendar and be thinking about your donations! We will soon be reviewing workers schedules- if anyone wants to change from their normal work area, please give Kent/Brandy Willett a call. We are also still in need of Co-chairs. Please consider donating a little extra time to the church. The lunch stand has some new chairs- a big thanks to Nancy Thompson and Lori Pohlen for volunteering to help Pam Schmit. We also have a new chair helping Paul Stoll with the auction clerking- a big thanks to Kris Konz for volunteering. Your time and talents are greatly appreciated in making for another successful auction and picnic.

St. Anthony's bible study group will meet Wed. April 11 at 8:30am. We will discuss the Sunday readings and Lesson 5 on prayer.

**Ladies Guild** -- The next Ladies Guild meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> with mass at 6pm followed by a meal and meeting. All ladies guild members are invited to attend. Please plan on joining us!

**\*\*\*Church Cleaning for month of April 2017.\*\*\***

**Church Proper Chairlady:** Tricia Van Den Top  
**Committee:** Carole List, Ruth Ann Schmit, Roleen Walgenbach, Pam Schmit  
**West Area and Church Basement Chairlady:** Sandy Sauer  
**Committee:** Kristin Konz, Brenda J. Gloden, Pam Falkena  
**\*\*\*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!\*\*\***

**PEACE**   
*be with you*

**ST. JOSEPH PARISH**

St. Joseph Money Counters, St. Joseph rectory:  
Monday, April 9, 9:00 AM - Germaine Konz, Nancy Penning.

**Stewardship this week:**

Adult	\$	3,115.00
Young		11.50
Loose Collection		454.00
Bunkers Rebate		20.00
Schnurr Farm Rental		7,587.00
Donations		160.00
Building & Grounds		<u>1,490.00</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>\$12,837.50</b>
Retired & Infirm Priests		613.00
Holy Land		165.00



**ST JOSEPH BILLS PAID:** Bunkers Feed & Supply, \$585.80

*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.*

*We would like to thank those who have given towards our Easter flowers and to those who have given in memory of...*

Mike & Ade Penning by Kitty Penning

The country Store is in need of your talents and abilities to make items for the Picnic. We are interested in handmade items whether it be food, canning, craft items, handmade things or baskets. If you feel you are not creative and would like the Committee to put something together for you, feel free to make a cash donation and an item can be made in your name.

**ST. MARY PARISH**

Stewardship for St. Mary

Adult	-\$3950.00
ACH Deposit	-\$140.00
Youth	-\$4.00
Youth Loose	-2.00
Loose Offerings	-\$152.50
Holy Land - Good Friday	-\$155.00
Retired & Infirm Priests	-439.50
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4843.00</b>



**Bills paid:** Our Sunday Visitor (April adult envelopes) \$90.29; Leusink Farms Snow Removal (March) \$750.00; Sioux City Diocese (property & liability ins.) \$1026.55.

**AREA NOTICES:**

**GRANVILLE LITTLE LEAGUE REGISTRATION**

Dates: Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup> and April 13<sup>th</sup>  
Time: 5:30 to 6:30 pm  
Place: City Hall, 740 Broad Street  
Cost: \$30 per child  
Ages: Preschool (5 yrs) to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
(the grade they're completing)

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**Springtime in Poland and Eastern Europe**

12 days, April 30-May 11, 2018. Warsaw, Krakow, Auschwitz, Budapest, Prague, Vienna hosted by veteran tour leader Father John Vakulskas. \$3749 from Omaha, \$3699 from Chicago. Price includes r/t air, First Class Hotels, most meals, daily Mass, tours, portorage and admission fees, transfers as well as all government taxes and fuel surcharges. First come first served. For more information: 712.490.8047 [johnvakulskas@gmail.com](mailto:johnvakulskas@gmail.com).

**Siouxland Habitat Home Dedication** - Please join us on Saturday, April 21, 11:00am to give thanks to God and ask for His blessing on this home and the Garcia family. The home is located at 844 8th Ave. NW in Sioux Center. Refreshments will follow a short program, and everyone is welcome!

*Jesus I trust in you!*



THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father*

who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.