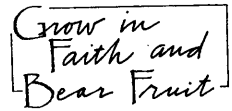


Pilgrim Cluster Catholic Parishes

April 29, 2018 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

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. WEEKLY BULLETIN ONLINE: PilgrimCluster.org.

<p>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</p>	<p>St. Joseph Parish 528 Elm Street, Granville, 51022 (712) 727-3551 OFFICE HOURS: Mon - Thu 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM christec@mtcnet.net</p>	<p>St. Anthony Parish 506 Elm Street, Hospers, 51238 712 (752-8784) OFFICE HOURS Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9 AM to 1:30 PM stacc@nethtc.net</p>
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WEEKLY BULLETIN ONLINE: Our web site (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.

PRaise THE NAME
 OF THE LORD



Mass Intentions for April 30 – May 6

Mon. (4\30)	10:30 am @ Prairie Ridge	Milo Streff
Tues. (5\01)	8:00 am @ Granville	Gerald, Angeline, Ron, & Tom H Klein Francis & Marge Murphy
Wed. (5\02)	8:00 am @ Hospers	Marvin Reuter
Thurs. (5\03)	8:30 am @ Alton	JD Hunt, Janice Schuetz family, Mitzi Hoffman
Thurs. (5\03)	10:00 am @ Cathedral	5 th Grade Mass w/ Bishop
Fri. (5\04)	8:00 am @ Alton	Bill Schnee
Sat. (5\05)	5:00 pm @ Alton	Edmund & Varena Pottebaum
Sun. (5\06)	8:00 am @ Granville	Gregg & Florence Snyder
Sun. (5\06)	10:00 am @ Hospers	For the People

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

For the weekend of May 5/6:

Lectors

5:00 pm Dale Hansen
 8:00 am Roberta Pottebaum
 10:00 am Mike Thompson

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm Cindy Hansen, Lori & Bob Stoll, Diane Alesch
 8:00 am Leon Pottebaum, Amanda Christoffel, Dan Hunt,
 Jan Goebel
 10:00 am Janice Klein, Tom Jungers, Louise Auchstetter,
 Jeanne Jungers (c)

Altar Servers

5:00 pm Jake, Emma & Luke Bogen
 8:00 am Mason Kellen, Jordan Von Arb, Noah Fleming
 10:00 am Ashton & Olivia Budden, John Jungers

Gift Bearers

5:00 pm Dave & Mary Suntken
 10:00 am Leo & Donna Stoll

May Ushers

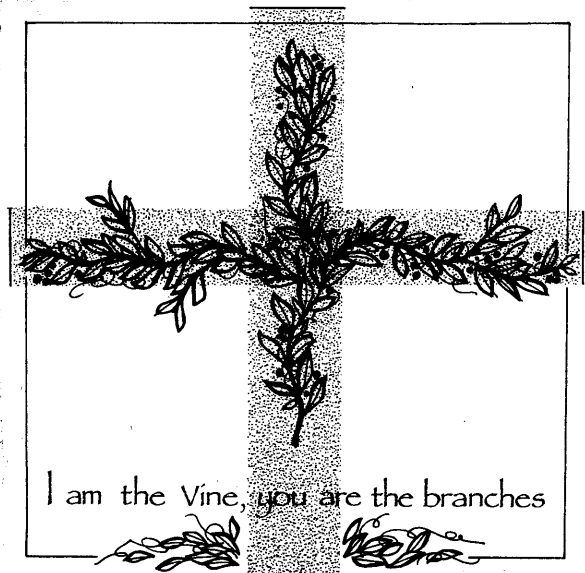
5:00 pm Dan & Kristy Beltman, Tim & Lynn Bindner
 8:00 am Francis & Jan Goebel, Joe Konz, Steve & Marilyn Paulsen
 10:00 am Austin Budden, Jim Schmit

"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

Looking ahead....Note that beginning the weekend of May 5 \ 6, we will switch to the following weekend Mass schedule: 5:00 pm @ Alton; 8:00 am @ Granville; 10:00 am @ Hospers. This schedule will remain in place through and including the weekend of August 25 \ 26, 2018.

First Friday Adoration @ Alton on May 4th after Mass until 8 pm. Come and 'waste time' with the Lord in prayer.



"Heracles is worshipped as a god by the Greeks because he fought with humans equal to himself and killed wild beasts by guile. But what was that compared to what was done by the Word, who banished sicknesses and demons and death itself from human beings?" *Athanasius of Alexandria, On the Incarnation: Feast Day, May 2*

Parish Finance \ Pastoral Council Meetings are scheduled as follows: Alton, St. Marys Thursday, May 3 @ 7 pm; Granville, St. Josephs Thursday, May 10 @ 7 pm; Hospers, St. Anthony's Thursday, May 17 @ 7 pm.

Beginning with the May 6 bulletin, Mariana Schnee will be typing the bulletin for the next six months. Please have all bulletin notes to her (or your parish secretary) no later than noon on Tuesday.

Pilgrim Cluster Religious Education Program News:

- REP Families can register for the 2018-2019 year online OR with the traditional paper forms. If you choose to register on-line to save time, be sure to complete both the REP Registration form along with the Diocese of Sioux City Field Trip Form. Remember to include "YOUR" email address on the bottom of the page to verify your submission on both forms. You will find both forms on-line at on the Pilgrim Cluster Website: <https://pilgrimcluster.org>
 * Click on the "Faith Formation" tab
 * Click on the "Religious Education" tab
 * "The REP Registration Form" is on the Religious Education Home Page "The Diocese of Sioux City Field Trip Form" is on the subsequent page - Click on that link.
- Tuition for the 2018-2019 is: \$40 for K-8, \$50 for 9th & 10th. Please pay your tuition at the St. Joseph Parish on one of the registration dates. If you have any questions, please contact Tami List, DRE at either: Tamara.List.1958@outlook.com or 712-548-8375.

Adult Scripture Study will not be meeting for the remainder of the school year. The series on the Saints through History will be rescheduled at a different time to be determined.



May is the month of Mary and St. Louis-Marie de Montfort lays out a way to consecrate ourselves to her. His feast day is April 28 and his most famous book on the subject is *True Devotion to Mary*. To learn more about this path to Christ through Mary, browse some of the following options on FORMED. **Parish Code: ZPMV49**

Study Divine Mercy, Episode 9: Mary's Knight

Study 33 Days to Morning Glory

Study Consoling the Heart of Jesus

CHRISTIAN BOOK STUDY We will continue with our new book - 7 Secrets of the Eucharist and it's Study Guide by Vinny Flynn -- starting April 19 at (6:45) 7 PM at St Joseph Rectory. We will be meeting every other week. Prepare ahead if you can but it is not necessary.

We would like to honor our graduating High School seniors at each parish mass on the weekend of May 12/13. We would ask you to walk in with your graduation robes and, after Communion, to put your caps on for marching out at the end of Mass. Please meet in the entry of each church about 15 minutes before Mass starts to line up. If there is some difficulty with this, please call your parish rectory.

May 12, Saturday, 5:00 PM Mass at St. Mary, Alton

May 13, Sunday, 8:00 AM Mass at St. Joseph, Granville

May 13, Sunday, 10:00 AM Mass at St. Anthony, Hospers

There will once again be high school ballgames played in Granville this summer. We will host

regular season games on Monday, June 11th and Monday June 18th @ 5:30 pm. We will also host our 33rd Annual Spalding Baseball Tourney at Vosburg on Fri/Sat June 22nd – June 23rd. Any alumni/parent/grandparent on Cluster member interested in volunteering to work a shift at the Gate or Concession Stand, please contact Dave Heying. The Spalding Family has the best group of dedicated volunteers and supporters to make this work. Dave's Cell Number is 348-4550 and Home is 727-3804.



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

If you are a member of the Alton St. Mary's Catholic Order of Foresters and will graduate in 2018, you are eligible to apply for 1 of 2 scholarships from your local court. To apply, please send your name and the college you will be attending next fall to Lindawhome@yahoo.com or call Linda Willett At 712-756-4389 with your information no later than May 1.

Looking for volunteers to go along to the Soup Kitchen in Sioux City on the following date, 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:

- May 3 Kaitlyn Van Den Top Dave & April Konz - 15 yrs.
- May 5 Mikayla Gloden, John Jungers
- May 6 Tricia Van Den Top

St. Joseph Birthdays/Anniversaries:

- April 30 Loren Klein
- May 1 Jaya Paulsen, Morgan Paulsen, Cliff Schlichte
- May 3 Norma Krantz Paul & Debra Schmidt -27th
Deacon Dan & Jacki Goebel - 17th
Joe & Tami Hunt - 28th
- May 4 Mark Plathe, Maro Plathe
- May 5 Avery Kellen
- May 6 Colane Friedmann



St. Mary Birthdays/Anniversaries:

- May 1 Matt & Tami Peterson-14
- May 2 Alexis Konz, Elsa Schmidt
- May 3 Carter Peterson
- May 6 Owen Croghan Scott & Colette Pomrenke-30

Sympathy: Having completed 64 years as a vowed religious, Sr. Mary Hubert McQuinn, CPPS has gone before us with the sign of faith and now rests in the peace of Christ. She passed on April 17, her funeral was on April 21, 2018. Sympathy can be sent to Sisters of the Most Precious Blood, 204 North Main, O'Fallon, MO 63366-2299



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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...

- * The first graders are doing a lot of STEM activities and Project Lead the Way activities as they learn about animals, animal homes and animal coverings.
- * The students have been enjoying the 2 new water fountains (thanks to Schmit Farms and the Knights and the Squires for the donations and Dennis Schmit for installing them).
- * The 6th graders took a trip to American State Bank to learn more about how the baking world works.

**** Exciting news for existing and any new families attending Spalding! ****

For the 2018-19 school year: No family will pay more than \$1,000 per child for tuition! Give us a try and you will see why families love it here!

Spalding Catholic School is seeking a Catholic in good standing as part-time bookkeeper. Hours are 10-12 per week negotiable. Responsible for all financial transactions and record keeping up to & including balance sheet & statement of activity and payroll. AA Degree in accounting or business administration or equivalent work experience in a related field preferred. Must have strong computer knowledge, including use of Microsoft Office. Prior experience with QuickBooks is required. Spalding Catholic offers competitive compensation, commensurate with experience. The position remains open until filled. Please contact Maureen K. Berg, Principal, at mberg@spaldingcatholic.org for further information or to forward a resume and work references. You may also call 712-756-4532 if there are any questions.



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

GEHLEN CATHOLIC EVENTS:

Monday, April 30

- H. S. Conference Track Meet AT West Sioux, 4 PM

Tuesday, May 1:

- Blood Drive at Gehlen Catholic School, 8 AM to NOON – hosted by Gehlen Catholic Honor Society
- Preschool Open House, 5:00 – 6:30 PM
- JH Coed Track Meet TBA, 4 PM
- Golf Meet AT Unity Christian, 4:30 PM

Wednesday, May 2:

- K-12 Mass at 8:45 AM
- Elementary Spring Program, 7 PM, in the Marvin Langel Memorial Gym

Thursday, May 3:

- Then Feed Just One packing event, 5:15 – 6:30 PM
- Golf Meet AT West Sioux, 4:30 PM
- JH Coed Track Meet ATY Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn, 4 PM
- H.S. Coed Track Meet AT West Sioux, 4 PM

Friday, May 4:

- Then Feed Just One packing event, 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM
- Large Group Choir Contest
- Registration deadline for June ACT exam
- First Friday Adoration in the chapel, 9 AM – 3 PM

Saturday, May 5:

- JH Coed Track Meet AT Ankeny, 9:30 AM

Gehlen & Spalding Catholic Schools THEN FEED JUST ONE will be Thursday and Friday, May 3rd and 4th. Contact Lisa Niebuhr (712.546.4181 X 237; Mary Klein (712.546.4181 X221) or Richard Seivert 712.540.3062) to volunteer and/or donate.

ST. ANTHONY PARISH

St. Anthony Stewardship April 21, 2018
 Adult Envelope: \$ 2,078.00
 Adult Loose: \$ 89.00
 Youth Envelope: \$ 5.00
 Candle Income: \$ 5.00
 Total Income: \$ 2,177.00



St. Anthony Money Counters 4/30: Susie Jungers and Bea Schmit

Bills Paid: Post office, \$100.00, stamps; MidAmerican Energy, \$569.77 gas and electric; Fitzgibbons, \$28.11, palms;

Auction Update: Save the Date- July 21st 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.

Church Cleaning for month of May 2018:

Church Proper Chairlady: Mary Konz **Committee:** Kris Pottbaum, Marlene Schwartz, Karen Freking **West Area and Church Basement Chairlady:** Joan Schmit **Committee:** Janet Richter, Helen Stoll, 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 30, 9:00 AM - Joe Gaul, Mike McDermott

Stewardship this week:

Adult	\$	920.00
Young		10.25
Grain		6,002.62
Loose Collection		300.00
Holy Land		60.00
Donations		110.00
Building & Grounds		836.80
TOTAL:		\$8,179.67



**THIS IS THE DAY
 THE LORD HAS MADE**

ST JOSEPH BILLS PAID: Office Supplies (envelopes - light bulbs), \$49.20; Maro Plathe (bolts, parish center bulbs), \$17.28

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.

If anyone would like to take an Easter lily home, please feel free to do so.

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 fell 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-2660.00
 ACH-990.00
 Loose Offerings-83.00
 Unrestricted Donation-50.00
 Retired Priest-50.00
 Total: \$3833.00

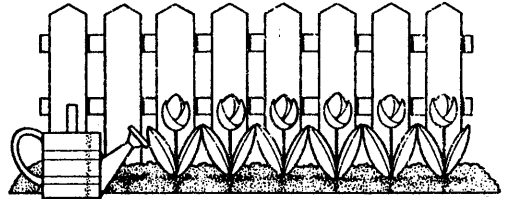
Bills paid: Iowa Division of Labor Services, \$40.00 (boiler inspection); Sioux City Diocese, \$215.00 (Holy Land), \$1,344.50 (Retired & Infirm Priests); Spalding Catholic School (April Investment), \$8,687.66; Gehlen Catholic School (April Investment), \$4,899.68

SPRING FUNDRAISER: \$1,205.00

Anyone who would like an Easter Lilly you are welcome to take one.

The Catholic Order of Foresters will be hosting Coffee & Rolls after 8am April 29th. 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.

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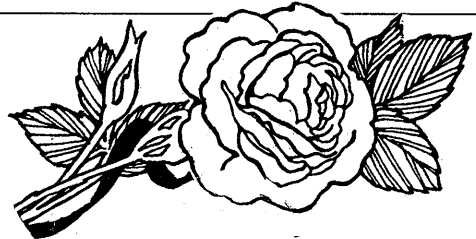


AREA NOTICES:

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend to rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day. Take time to rediscover the best friend you had when you were first married. Join the millions of couples worldwide who have learned how to keep their marriage vibrant and alive by signing up today to attend one of the upcoming Weekends on Apr. 20-22 @ Dubuque, Sep 7-9 Cedar Falls, Oct 19-21 Marathon, WI, Nov 2-4 Coralville. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: to iowa-wwwme.org or call 563-608-3305 or email: JLJwwwme08@Gmail.com

Would you like to make a difference for other adults in your community? If you are 55 or better, the Senior Companion Program would love to help you get started! Volunteer benefits are available. Senior Companion volunteers work with adults one-on-one to help them maintain their independence in their own homes through visiting and assistance. Be that friend and companion to someone who can use your support to improve their quality of life. For more information about being a volunteer or receiving Senior Companion services, please contact the nearest Senior Companion office at 712-476-2628 or 712-224-2610, or view their website www.rvrseniorvolunteerprograms.org.

The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, May 1. A video about psychosis will be shown. Individuals and family members coping with mental illness are welcome. For information call Shirley Matheis 722-4462.



Prayer of St. Francis

Lord make me an instrument of your peace

**Where there is hatred,
 let me sow love;
 where there is injury, pardon;
 where there is doubt, faith;
 where there is darkness, light
 and where there is sadness, Joy.**

**O Divine Master grant that I may
 not so much
 seek to be consoled as to console;
 to be understood, as to understand;
 to be loved as to love. For it is in
 giving that we receive, it is in
 pardoning that we are pardoned.
 And it is in dying that we are born
 to eternal life.**