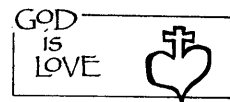


Pilgrim Cluster Catholic Parishes

May 13, 2018 – Ascension 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. 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.

Mass Intentions for May 14 - May 20

Mon (5\14)	8:00 am @ Granville	Mary Ellen Stoll, Norbert & Eva Budden
Tues. (5\15)	7:00 pm @ Gehlen	Baccalaureate Mass
Wed. (5\16)	8:00 am @ Hospers	Mary H. Allan
Thurs. (5\17)	8:30 am @ Alton	Keith Mellies, Phil Hoffman, Irma Dreckman
Fri. (5\18)	8:00 am @ Granville	Dale L. Gergen
Sat. (5\19)	5:00 pm @ Alton	For the People
Sun. (5\20)	8:00 am @ Granville	David Fisch
Sun. (5\20)	10:00 am @ Hospers	Dec. of Walsh \ Twerion families



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

For the weekend of May 19/20:

Lectors

5:00 pm Dawn Bogen
8:00 am Julia Schroeder
10:00 am Nancy Stoll

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm Bev Thoene, James Vondrak, Kevin Holzman (Deacon Dan)
8:00 am Mary Heying, Nancy Penning, (Deacon Dan), Jacki Goebel
10:00 am (Deacon Dan), Duane Stoll, Rita Fischer, Joe Pohlen (c)

Altar Servers

5:00 pm Addison Konz, McKenna Langel, Kiera Rogers
8:00 am Emily Kellen, Derek Von Arb, Hunter Klein
10:00 am Justin, Robert & Brian Schmit

Gift Bearers

5:00 pm Frank & Jeanne Van Es
10:00 am Paul Stoll Family

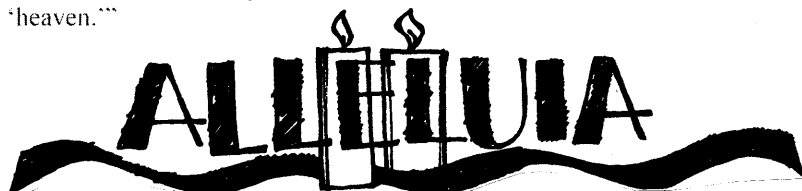
May Ushers

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

"The meaning of Christ's Ascension," wrote Pope Benedict XVI. "expresses our belief that in Christ the humanity that we all share has entered into the inner life of God in a new and hitherto unheard of way. It means that man has found an everlasting place in God." It would be a mistake to interpret the Ascension as "the temporary absence of Christ from the world." Rather, "we go to heaven to the extent that we go to Jesus Christ and enter into him." *Heaven is a person:* "Jesus himself is what we call 'heaven.'"



Parish Finance \ Pastoral Council Meeting at Hospers, St. Anthony's Thursday, May 17 @ 7 pm.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord.

Jer. 29:11. Congratulations to our graduates: St. Anthonys, Hospers: John Jungers, Sierra Thompson. St. Mary's, Alton: Izaak Hoey, Nicole VanderMyde, Tailor Georgen. St. Josephs, Granville: Kennedy Heying, Mason Kellen, Jordan Von Arb, David Grady.

Matthias (died c. 80 AD) was, according to the Acts of the Apostles, the apostle chosen by lot to replace Judas Iscariot following Judas' betrayal of Jesus and his subsequent death. His calling as an apostle is unique, in that his appointment was not made personally by Jesus, who had already ascended into heaven, and it was also made before the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the early Church. The feast day is Matthias the Apostle is 14.

Congrats to Bailey Marie Babcock, child of Josh and Kelli (Schlichte) Babcock, who was baptized May 5, 2018 @ St. Marys, Alton.

Pilgrim Cluster Religious Education Program News:

- REP Families can register for the 2018-2019 year on-line 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.

FORMED

THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND

Our Lady of Fatima - One hundred and one years ago, Our Lady appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal and delivered several shocking and amazing messages. Listen and learn about this momentous event on Formed.org. **Parish Code: ZPMV49**

Study: *Divine Mercy, Episode 6: Fatima*

Watch: *The 13th Day*

Listen: *Our Lady of Fatima and the Fall of Communism*

Listen: *Fatima: Living the Message*

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.

Girls Summer Book Study – **Saint Therese and the Roses**

by Helen Walker Homan

WHO: Catholic Girls ages 8 – 14

WHERE: St. Joseph's Rectory, Granville

WHEN: Wednesdays starting May 30th

TIME: 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM

COST: \$10 – cost of the book

We will have a total of six book studies: **May 30th, June 6th, June 20th, June 27th, July 11th, and July 18th.** Breakfast will be provided by the Women's Christian Book Study. We will learn about St. Therese and what an amazing journey she took during her short life on earth. We have some amazing crafts in store and so much more.

Please RSVP by May 16th by contacting Bridget Tesch at 712.727.3022 or 712.360.0510.



Hail, Holy Queen (Salve, Regina)

Hail, Holy Queen, mother of mercy,

Our life, our sweetness, and our hope.

To you do we cry, Poor banished children of Eve.

To you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.

Turn then, most gracious advocate,

Your eyes of mercy toward us,

And after this, our exile, Show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Pray for us, holy Mother of God,

That we may be worthy Of the promises of Christ.

Amen.

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 Dave's Cell Number is 348-4550 and Home is 727-3804.



Looking for volunteers to go along to the Soup Kitchen in Sioux City on 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 can join us.

St. Anthony Birthdays/Anniversaries:

May 14 Emily Pohlen
May 16 Linda Block, Al Schwartz
May 17 Jerome Fischer, Dean Otto, Brittany Schmit
May 20 Carol Jungers

St. Joseph Birthdays/Anniversaries:

May 14 Chad Kreber
Kathy & Rick Fjeld - 17th
May 19 Jan Budden
Mark & Cindy Klein - 45th

St. Mary Birthdays/Anniversaries:

May 15 Allison Heller
May 16 David Nilles,
Virgil & Joyce Plathe-63
May 17 Christy Harald, Scott Kiel,
Matt Konz, Tom Murphy,
Roger & Mary Ann Pottebaum-49
May 20 Debra Fischer,
Tony & Kelly Konz-23



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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...

- 5th & 6th graders participated in Outdoor Classroom at Oak Grove on Monday.

- Preschool and Kindergarten took a walking tour of Alton Monday. They were able to go inside the American State Bank vault, check out the inside of a fire truck and learn more about the Veteran's Memorial!

**** 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, May 14:

- JH Coed Track Meet AT West Sioux; 4:00 PM
- Girls' District Golf Meet TBA

Tuesday, May 15:

- Senior Breakfast, 8:30 AM
- Grades 9-12 Awards Ceremony; 9:30 – 11:00 AM
- Baccalaureate at All Saints Parish; St. Joseph Church, 7:00 PM

Wednesday, May 16:

- GARF
- 2 Hour Early Dismissal

Sunday, May 20:

Commencement in the Marvin Langel Memorial Gym, 12:30 PM

The Gehlen J-Club is hosting their first annual Alumni Softball tournament on Friday, June 15th and Saturday, June 16th. Alumni and friends are encouraged to dust of the old ball glove and bat, round up a co-ed softball team, and enjoy a fun 2 days of slow pitch softball! Entry is limited to 8 teams. The entry fee is \$225. Please contact Kyle Britton at kylebritton42@hotmail.com to sign up. Concessions will be available and the KC's will be selling refreshments. There will also be a free hog roast Friday evening.



My prayer this Mother's Day
 Said lovingly for you
 Is that Mary and
 Her Holy Child
 Will bless you
 all year through.

ST. ANTHONY PARISH

St. Anthony Stewardship May 6, 2018
 Adult Envelope: \$ 2,354.00
 Adult Loose: \$ 97.00
 Youth Envelope: \$ 17.00
 Total Income: \$ 2,354.00

St. Anthony Money Counters 5/14: Judy Schnurr / Peggy Pohlen

Bills Paid: City of Hospers, \$64.96, utilities; Freds Plumbing, \$2,902.18, bathroom remodel; MCI, \$19.90; long distance

St. Anthony Parish Council

The next St. Anthony Finance/Parish Council meeting will take place on Thursday, May 18, 2018 at 7pm. Agenda and Minutes are available in the church lobby on May 12/13. Please pick up your copy. Thank you!

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 Pottebaum, 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:
 Tuesday, May 15, 8:30 AM - Faye Hunt, Mary Ellen Heying

Stewardship this week:

Adult	\$	1,051.50
Young		7.00
Loose Collection		166.50
Retired/Infirm Priests		50.00
Cafeteria rental		40.00
Donations		35.00
Building & Grounds		1,360.00
TOTAL:		\$2,709.50



ST JOSEPH BILLS PAID: Premier Communications, \$276.68

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.

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. Joseph Church Cleaning

Thursday, May 31 at 7:00

(will be combined with the annual cleaning)

Church Cleaning Co-Chair - Dave/Faye Klein

Circle Members:

Gerry/Betty Budden, Karl/Missy Kellen, Mike McDermott, Zach/ Kelsey Kellen, David/Gina Christoffel, Randy/Denice Christoffel, Randy/Deb Gergen, Dennis/Kay Koob, Dave/Nikki Heying

If this time does not work for you, cleaning can be done at any time that week. Please check off jobs completed on the list in the cleaning supply closet. Thank you!

*** WANTED ***

Who: Volunteers with elbow grease

What: Annual Church & Parish Center Kitchen Cleaning

When: May 31 @ 7:00 p.m.

How: Please bring buckets & rags

A comprehensive list of church cleaning duties will be posted in the cleaning supply closet. Many hands will make light work~thanks for donating your time if possible!

ST. MARY PARISH

Stewardship:

Adult-\$3025.00

Adult Grain-5078.21

ACH-2500.00

Loose Offering-87.00

Candle Box-18.00

Catholic Relief-30.00

Retired Priest & Infirm-35.00

Total: \$10773.21



Bills paid: Sioux City Diocese (Retired Priest & Catholic Relief) \$65.00; Sioux City Diocese (property & liability ins.) \$974.43; Our Sunday Visitor \$129.99 (Adult envelopes-May-\$90.29; May & June envelopes-children-\$39.70); Leusin Farms Snow Removal-April-\$700.00; Alton Municipal Utilities \$768.89; OC sanitation-\$23.13; Caseys Electronics-\$164.78

If you have not paid your Guild dues, you can drop a check into the collection basket. Just mark it "Guild Dues". Thanks You!

Church Picnic & Auction Sunday June 24. For raffle tickets contact Mike & Julie Pottebaum 756-4183; Scott & Colette Pomrenke 737-2383. To donate auction items contact Dave & Mary Suntken 737-3740 and Dennis & Anne Von Arb 756-4578.

The Ascension of Our Lord

