

Liturgies & Events This Week						
Monday Feb 13	Tuesday Feb 14	Wednesday Feb 15	Thursday Feb 16	Friday Feb 17	Saturday Feb 18	Sunday Feb 19
8:45 am REC Rosary (SH) 7:00 pm Men's Zoom Bible Study (SH)	7:30 am Rosary 8:00 am Mass <i>No Mass</i> (SH) 1 pm - 9 pm Adoration (SM) 5:30 pm Mass <i>No Mass</i> (SM)	11:30 am Rosary 12:00 am Mass + <i>Connie Kowalosky & Floyd Tilley</i> (SH) Religious Education Classes	7:30 am Rosary 8:00 am Mass <i>No Mass</i> (SH) Adoration 8:30am –7pm (SH) 5:30 pm Mass <i>No Mass</i> (SM)	7:30am Rosary 8:00 am Mass <i>No Mass</i> (SH) 9:15 am Mass <i>No Mass</i> (SJ) <i>Trivia Night</i>	9:00 am Connect Coffee event 4:00 pm Mass + <i>Living & Deceased Wade & Wipperman Families</i> (SM) 5:00 pm Rosary before Mass (SH) 5:30 pm Mass <i>For the People</i> (SH)	8:30 am Mass + <i>Kris Geneser</i> (SM) <i>Mardi Gras Carnival After Mass</i> 9:30 am Rosary before Mass (SH) 10:00 am Mass + <i>Jane Baldwin Beers, Bernard Baldwin & Dorothea Scott</i> (SH) <i>Sacred Heart Amore Dinner</i> <i>4:45 pm Holy Hour</i> (SM)

<u>Baptisms</u>	<u>Marriages</u>	<u>Born into Eternal Life</u>
Baylor Biggs Cosens - SM Crew Matthew Titman - SH		

Welcome to Boone County Catholic Community

Newcomers are asked to register by going to www.boonecountycatholics.org, printing a registration form, filling it out in its entirety, and returning it to the parish office. Please let us know of any changes in your contact information so that we can keep our records current.

*If you would like to add something to the bulletin please e-mail Deanna Pearson at parishsecretary@shboone.com.

*If you are would like to use any of our Boone County Halls please call the Parish Office at 515-432-1971

Stewardship for February 5 , 2023

<u>Sacred Heart</u>				
Adult...\$11,401.00	Loose...\$193.00	Dollar & Children...\$301.00	Improvement...\$140.00	Briar Cliff...\$105.00
Ash Wednesday....\$5.00	Total....\$12,145.00			

St. Malachy

Adult...\$2,105.00	Loose...\$100.06	Votives...\$20.00	Improvement	Total....\$2,245.06
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Sacred Heart

915 12th St
Boone, Iowa 50036
515-432-1971

St John's

801 W. Division St
Ogden, Iowa 50212

St Malachy's

207 Gerald St
Madrid, Iowa 50156
515-795-2731

Our School

1111 Marshall St
Boone, Iowa 50036
515-432-4124

Church Website

www.boonecountycatholics.org

Website

www.shboone.com

Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time · February 12, 2023

Fr. Tim’s Tidbits

“Whoever says to a brother, ‘Raqa’ shall be answerable to the Sanhedrin.” Our gospel passage from Matthew uses a Hebrew/Greek word transliterated into English, meaning: “useless, empty or of no value.” Within the Jewish culture at the time of Jesus the strong connotation of “Raqa” constituted a serious offense. A brief story from the Talmud illustrates the nature of the seriousness of “raqa.” [20a] "Our Rabbis have taught: A man should always be gentle as the reed and never unyielding as the cedar. Once R. Eleazar son of R. Simeon was coming from Migdal Gedor, from the house of his teacher, and he was riding leisurely on his ass by the riverside and was feeling happy and elated because he had studied much Torah [20b]. There chanced to meet him an exceedingly ugly man who greeted him, 'Peace be upon you, Sir.' He, however, did not return his salutation but instead said to him, 'RAQA (you useless and empty thing), how ugly you are. Are all your fellow citizens as ugly as you are?' The man replied: 'I do not know, but go and tell the craftsman who made me, 'How ugly is the vessel which you have made.' When R. Eleazar realized that he had done wrong he dismounted from the donkey and prostrated himself before the man and said to him, 'I submit myself to you, forgive me.' The man replied: 'I will not forgive you until you go to the craftsman who made me and say to him, 'How ugly is the vessel which you have made'." (The Real Yeshua Blog) Blatantly used to dehumanize another, the word is offensive to the sanctity of God, as much so as the breaking of the second Commandment. Clearly, the mean-spirited use of “Raqa” not only offends the person but essentially our Creator: “all people are made in the image of the Creator.” Of course, we insinuate or outright demean another because of various reasons: political differences, cultural or ethnic differences, because of hurt or fear, resentment or hatred. As the Hebrew Talmud establishes, there can be no such slander applied to another human being under any condition because all people are made in the image of the Creator.

Holy Hour at St. Malachy

Our next Ascension Parish Holy Hour will be Sunday, February 19 from 4:45-5:45 pm at St. Malachy's in Madrid. All are welcome. Join us for praying the rosary, Evening Prayer and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Contact Deacon David La Mar for more details at 515-291-4775 or deacondavidlamar@gmail.com

St. Malachy Pray Partners

We are still in need of prayer partners for our 2nd graders preparing to receive the Sacrament of First Eucharist at St. Malachy this spring. Please contact DRE Kelley Grothus if you are willing to be a prayer partner.

Martin Luther King Jr. and Pope Francis provide a ‘two-sided’ reflection of this image we each are Created into from the moment of our conception to our natural death. “The whole concept of the “image of God ” is the idea that all men have something within them that God injected. . . . And this gives [man] a uniqueness, it gives him worth, it gives him dignity. And we must never forget this. . . there are no gradations in the image of God. Every man from a treble white to a bass black is significant on God’s keyboard., precisely because every man is made in the image of God. One day we will learn that. We will know one day that God made us to live together as brothers and sisters, and to respect the dignity and worth of every person.” . . “Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.” Following is a prayer written by Cardinal John Henry Newman and prayed by Mother Teresa in her daily devotions. Dear Jesus, help us to spread Your fragrance everywhere we go. Flood our souls with Your Spirit and Life. Penetrate and possess our whole being so utterly that our lives may only be a radiance of Yours. Shine through us and be so in us that every soul we come in contact with may feel Your presence in our souls. Let them look up, and see no longer us, but only Jesus! Stay with us and then we shall begin to shine as You shine, so to shine as to be a light to others. The light, O Jesus, will be all from You; none of it will be ours. It will be You, shining on others through us. Let us thus praise You in the way You love best, by shining on those around us. Let us preach You without preaching, not by words but by example. Amen. FYI: As the primary source of Jewish religious law, the Talmud serves as the guide for the daily life of Jews, a source of inspiration for living within the virtue of God’s commandments, and the resource influencing the ambitions of the faithful. God Bless, Fr. Tim "Whoever saves one life, saves the world entire." (The Talmud)

Eternal Rest - Lenten Study begins Feb. 23rd

We all have very real questions about death. What happens when we die? What does Scripture teach about death? How do we prepare for the life to come? Eternal Rest is a four-part film series that examines death, the afterlife, and the powerful reality around the sacrament that ushers us into eternal life. Each 30-minute episode approaches the subject from a Catholic perspective, leading viewers from the origin of death to Jesus Christ’s final victory at the Cross and Resurrection. Feb. 23rd, Mar. 2nd, Mar. 9th, Mar. 23rd at 7pm in Sacred Heart's Fitzgerald Hall. Contact Marvin Wilmes with questions. Email: mlwilmes@outlook.com Ph: (515) 298-0235

Adoration

This is a personal invitation to you from Jesus. “Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of Love.” “The church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic Adoration.” (Pope John Paul II, Dominicae Canae) Ascension Parish offers two opportunities each week for Eucharistic Adoration. Tuesdays from 1 PM to 9 PM at St. Malachy’s in Madrid and Thursdays from 8:30 am to 7 pm at Sacred Heart in Boone. You are invited to join other parishioners who have united their efforts to take turns spending time before the Most Blessed Sacrament, holy hours of adoration.

Amore Dinner at St. Malachy’s

The Amore Dinner will be Sunday, February 26, serving from 4:00-7:00 pm. This delicious meal is a fund raiser for our youth and summer programs. Youth group members will have a sign up after Masses this weekend.

Youth Camp

Plan to attend Catholic Youth Camp at Lake Panorama this summer! Contact Kelley Grothus by Wednesday, February 1 if your son or daughter is interested in attending and would like to participate in parish fund-raising activities.

Catholic Youth Camp (CYC) Summer Camp in Panora, IA Fundraising Let Megan Ulrich know by February 8th if you would like to participate in fundraising efforts to pay for summer camp for your 7th-12th grader! Don't let cost preclude your child from having a fun and faith filled week at camp. We can help! Email: dre@shboone.com *Want to donate? Make checks payable to Sacred Heart Church with "CYC Camp" in the memo line. Thank you for your generosity!*

Trivia Night this Friday, Feb. 17th!! Calling ALL Boone County Catholics! Gather a group of friends and showcase your knowledge during our Trivia Night. Come with a team or come join a team. Event will be held at the Parish Hall in Boone (Fitzgerald Hall). Social begins at 7 and trivia at 7:30 pm.

Theology on Tap Celebrates Mardi Gras! Join fellow Boone County Catholics at Boone Valley Brewing on Tuesday, Feb. 21st, as we celebrate Mardi Gras! Fr. Pat Behm will be speaking on Authentic Eucharistic Revival. We would love if guests would bring snacks to share for this Fat Tuesday celebration! Doors open at 7 pm. Talk begins at 7:30 pm.

Mardi Gras Carnival at St. Malachy

The St. Malachy Mardi Gras Carnival will be held after Mass on Sunday February 19. There will be fun and games for the whole family, breakfast burritos, and cinnamon rolls. This is a fund-raiser for our children and youth group members attending Catholic Youth Camp & other programs this summer. We hope you will join us!

Middle School Pizza & Movie Party February 19th All 5th-8th graders are invited to join us after the 10am Mass at Sacred Heart for pizza, a movie and popcorn bar! Bring a comfy chair or blanket. RSVP to Megan Ulrich dre@shboone.com

Sacred Heart Amore Dinner February 19th - Our Sacred Heart Amore dinner will be Sunday, February 19th from 4:30-7:00pm. Contact Heather Fischer to make a reservation. youth@shboone.com 515-451-3310

Register Now for the TURN Youth Conference March 25th at St. John's in Ogden

All 7th-12th graders from our parish and beyond are invited! This day will be centered around "turning" your eyes to Christ through prayer, reflection, adoration, music, inspiring talks, food and fun. After the conference we'll be "turning" our wheels at Spinning Wheels Skating Rink! The conference is limited to 100 participants. Register by March 7th on the parish website. Contact Megan Ulrich dre@shboone.com with any questions.

Women's Connect Coffee Event Here is the honest truth, ladies. The world needs you. Your faith. Your gifts. Your desire. Your love. Your hope. Where to begin? Here with the women of Walking with Purpose. Watch Outside Activities – Set The World On Fire with us, as together, we discuss and discern all that the Lord has in store for us. Bring your holy discontent, an open heart, and a burning desire to change the world! Saturday, February 18th at 9am at Sacred Heart. Contact Megan Ulrich (dre@shboone.com) or Kelly Polich (kelly.polich29@gmail.com) for more information.

Lenten Study

Has your relationship with God grown stale? Has it lost its spark? Are you just tired from the day-to-day grind of your life? These all show that God wants to give you more. And this Lent can be when God gives it to you. Join us as we read the Lenten Companion from Ascension Press. We will kick off this event with a 15-minute video following the 5:30 PM Ash Wednesday Mass in Boone. We will then meet weekly at 4 pm each Monday (during Lent) to discuss the readings from the past week. You may participate in this as a part of our group or you may order the book to read on your own at home. Books are \$8.50/each and we will place an order on Thursday, Feb. 16th, so that the books have time to arrive. Please call the church office, enter your name on this Google Form, or use the QR Code so that we know how many books to order. <https://forms.gle/hJZHP3qgggGi9y5j8>



Sacred Heart School

Sacred Heart School Preschool Registration is now open for Preschool and Preschool Plus. To register, please access our Google Form or use the QR Code. <https://forms.gle/ii1NvU6p4YvbwvNB8>



Preschool/Kindergarten Informational Open House Calling all current families and those interested in learning more about Sacred Heart School. On Monday, Feb. 27th from 5 - 6:30 PM we will be hosting an Open House for prospective preschool and kindergarten students and their families. Come and meet the teachers, learn about our half-day or full-day options for 4-year-olds, and about Heart 2 Heart (our before and after school program). If you are unable to attend and would like more information, please call Deb at 515-432-1971.