| Liturgies & Events This Week | | | | | | |
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| Monday March 6 | Tuesday March 7 | Wednesday March 8 | Thursday March 9 | Friday March 10 | Saturday March 11 | Sunday March 12 |
| 8:45 am REC Rosary (SH) 7:00 pm Men's Zoom Bible Study (SH) 5:00 pm Community Free Dinner (SH) | 7:30 am Rosary 8:00 am Mass + Living & Deceased members of the Harold Kline family (SH) 1 pm - 10 pm Adoration (SM) 5:30 pm Mass + Lawrence & Beatrice Reardon & Kenny & Nancy Seamann (SM) | 11:30 am Rosary 12:00 pm Mass Special Intention for Judith Weeg (SH) Religious Education Children's Rosary 6:15 pm (SM) Children's Rosary 6:45 pm (SH) | 7:30 am Rosary 8:00 am Mass + Audrey M Rouse (SH) 8:30am –7pm Adoration (SH) 5:30 pm Mass + Lorraine Madison (SM) 6:00 pm Stations (SM) 6:30 pm Soup Supper (SM) | 7:30am Rosary 8:00 am Mass + Rose Smith (SH) 5:00 -7pm Fish Fry (SH) | 4:00 pm Mass + Stephanie Borkowski (SM) 5:00 pm Rosary before Mass (SH) 5:30 pm Mass For the People (SH) | 8:30 am Mass + Doreen Hanlon (SM) 9:30 am Rosary before Mass (SH) 10:00 am Mass + Rosemary Moorman (SH) 1:30 pm Confirmation (SH) 5-6:00 pm Liturgy of Hours (SM) |

| <u>Baptisms</u> | <u>Marriages</u> | Born into Eternal Life |
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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.

Stewardship for February 26, 2023

Sacred Heart

Adult...\$5,647.00 Votive...\$48.70 Loose...\$361.11 Dollar & Children...\$401.00 Food Pantry....\$1.00 Ash Wednesday....\$610.00 Aid to Global Churches...\$252.00 Total....\$7,320.81

St. Malachy

Adult...\$2,477.00 Loose...\$294.36 Votives...\$9.00 Sponsor Kids...\$18.00 Ash Wednesday...\$225.00 Holy Land... \$50.00 Aid to Global Churches...\$364.00 Easter Flowers...\$50.00 Food pantry...\$70.00 Retired & Infirmed Priest... \$30.00 Total....\$3,587.36

SH - Sacred Heart SM - St. Malachy SJ - Saint John

Boone County Catholic Community



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St John's 801 W. Division St 405 Gerald St Ogden, Iowa 50212 Madrid, Iowa 50156

St Malachy's 515-795-2731

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Our School

Church Website www.boonecountycatholics.org Website www.shboone.com

Second Sunday of Lent · March 5, 2023

^{*}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

Fr. Tim's Tidbits

We welcome Fr. Pascal this weekend, missionary priest for Cross Catholic Outreach. Their mission statement serves as an invitation to partner with their outreach, especially within our Lenten efforts of faith. "Cross Catholic Outreach is a ministry that serves the poorest of the poor internationally by channeling aid through dioceses, parishes, and Catholic missionaries, cost-effectively helping the poor break the cycle of poverty while advancing Catholic evangelization. Physical change is not complete without sharing the Gospel. In order to break the cycle of poverty, we must first start with the heart. We must share the hope and good news of the Gospel alongside our social work in order to see the Holy Spirit's transformative power. Neither side of our ministry is complete without the other."

Fr. Pascal's message and his presence in our parishes this weekend is a blessing for our faith community, and an invitation into God's grace working within the lives of those we will never meet. We welcome Fr. Pascal.

As I announced last weekend, we are asked by the Diocese to follow the mandate of one Vigil Mass (Saturday evening) per priest as established by a committee and approved by Bishop Nickless. Their primary focus with this stipulation is the wellbeing of the priests who are still serving parishes in our diocese, (taking into consideration the coverage of funerals and weddings on Saturdays). I was asked to seek permission for an exemption, of which I did through a letter stipulating the various reasons why two Vigil Masses in our county would be beneficial to parishioners and visitors alike. Receiving a kind reply in return, my request was denied, but the door was left open for the possibility of three Masses on Sunday. Of course, such would mean a Sunday evening Mass as 'travel time' would preclude all three in the morning. Though two Vigil Masses would compliment our Catholic Community in Boone County, I understand the reasoning and long term efforts of the committee to safeguard the priests in our diocese. Because we have a missionary this weekend, our last scheduled Vigil Mass at St. Malachy will be March 11th. However, we will continue to be a thriving, welcoming parish community, sharing in the Eucharist, the prayers, and activities within each church. Thank you for your understanding. .

All parishioners will receive through the mail, the Parish Faith & Financial Annual Report for the calendar year 2022. Included is a general overview of our income and expenditures, alongside the Sacramental life of our Catholic Community in Boone County. As indicated on the annual report, we were separate parishes last year; and going forward are one, Ascension Parish

As evidenced by the report, many parishioners have shared generously to support our ongoing Catholic mission. Noting the root word "mission" is being "sent," Archbishop Niendstedt of the Archdiocese of St. Paul emphasized the Christian mission is to "continue the works of Jesus Christ" (preaching, teaching, healing, and acts of charity and justice). And to make his name "known and loved." With lingering effects of COVID and the ensuing restrictions, and now the changes confronting all parishes through the diocesan pastoral planning, the challenges to our faith community have created sacrifices, but through it all our parish and parishioners, (and visitors who feel welcome and desire to share in the Eucharist with us) our Catholic faith has remained resilient and hopeful. If you have any questions or concerns with the information presented in the annual report please ask. Thank you for your faith and presence shared within our churches, your generosity, your time and abilities offered within our ministries and activities—and your Christian hope carried forth into our communities and beyond.

I pulled together some Lenten thoughts contributed by college students attending a Catholic Newman Center Church. Most were anonymous including this one, selected by several of my eighth graders as thought provoking.

"Joseph, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her." (Matthew 1:16) "When reading this I am I struck by Mary's faith as she simply said yes to God, knowing that she could be divorced or even stoned to death.. She did not rush to look at her calendar or to plan things out to make sure that everything would be okay for her. She simply had faith. . . . Although I believe that God is real, I lack faith in Him and what He is willing to do for me. I am someone who can plan more than five four-year plans in minutes, trying to get the best version of what my life would look like and making sure that everything is a safezone for me to thrive. However, my plans often. . .well, don't go according to plan, no matter how hard I try to force it. This Lent I am learning to let go of my plans and to have the courage to follow God's."(Anonymous)

God Bless, Fr. Tim

FYI: "Our life is March weather, savage and serene in one hour." (Ralph Waldo Emerson)

Calling all Dads of Sacred Heart

Do you enjoy camping and the outdoors, have a desire to pass on the Catholic faith to your sons and are interested in hanging out with other dads that share those interests? Troops of St. George Troop #2 invites all interested dads and sons to an open house campout to see what we are about and whether you would be interested in joining our group. Dads and sons are invited to come for all or part of the day on Saturday, April 1st at Ledges State Park for outdoors and faith activities. Please join us for any or all activities on Saturday. Questions about the Troops of Saint George or the open house campout can be directed to Ian Schneider (icschnei@yahoo.com or 515-520-0412).

Blood Drive

The Social Justice Committee is sponsoring a blood drive on March 21st from 2:30-6:30 in Hanson Hall. If you are able to donate please sign up at this link: https://donor.lifeservebloodcenter.org/donor/schedules/drive schedule/181570 or call Kelly Polich at 515-205-8045.

Children's Rosary

Join us this Wednesday evening (3/8) for our Children's Rosary at 6:15 pm at St. Malachy and 6:45 pm at Sacred Heart.

Community Free Dinner

Join us Monday evening (March 6) at 5:30 pm as we enjoy a hot cooked meal and fellowship in Fitzgerald Hall.

Sister Rose Hacker

She would like for you all to know that she has moved and wanted to give her address out. She is now at: 8258 Montrose Dr Olive branch, MS 38654

Hygiene Drive

During the month of March, our Boone County Catholic Community will be collecting hygiene related items for our local food pantries. There will be "baskets" located at all three of our churches to receive your donations. Examples of items needed: deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, laundry detergent, socks, bath soap, feminine hygiene products, etc. Thank you for supporting this worthwhile cause.

Sacred Heart/St. John Catholic Youth Camp (CYC) Summer Camp in Panora, IA Fundraising We have 24 elementary-middle school kids looking forward to attending Catholic camp this summer! Watch for them at our Lenten meals where they will be selling baked goods (free will donation) to help them pay for camp. Want to donate? Make checks payable to Sacred Heart Church with "CYC Camp" in the memo line. Thank you for your generosity! Contact Megan Ulrich with questions dre@shboone.com

Liturgy of Hours

Come join us at St. Malachy's on three Sunday evenings during Lent and learn how to pray the Liturgy of the Hours. Eucharistic Adoration will be available at each session. We will meet between 5-6 pm on Sundays, March 12 and March 26. Copies of the book "Shorter Christian Prayer" will be provided for your use. Contact Deacon David La Mar for further information (or if you would like childcare as that can be arranged!) at 515-291-4775 or deacondavidlamar@gmail.com.

Church Cleaning

Generous volunteers clean our church every week. We are looking for a few more helpers to add to a couple of our crews. Each crew cleans about 4 times a year. It usually takes about 45 min to an hour to clean the church each week. If you would like to help out on a crew please contact Monica Pearson at 515-298-2241 or Deanna at the office. Thank you!!

St. Malachy Updates

- Saturday, March 11th will be the last vigil mass at St. Malachy's for the foreseeable future per the Bishop's directive. See Father Tim's Tidbits for more information. Mass times: 8:30 on Sunday mornings and 5:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Internet and phones have been switched to Huxley Communications and the phone number at the church is: 515-795 -2731. There is no phone at the rectory. If you need assistance or have questions, please contact the Ascension Parish Office in Boone at: 515-432-1971

Live Streaming

We currently live stream Mass every weekend. It can be either 5:30 p.m. on Saturday or 10:00 a.m. on Sunday. We need some volunteers to help out with this. It's not difficult and you would get some training. If you would like more information please contact Seth McCoy at-samccoy02@gmail.com

SHS Gala Offering Free Childcare

New this year! We are offering FREE childcare to any registered Gala attendee. Our Heart 2 Heart staff (our afterschool program) will be offering free childcare from 5 - 11 pm on Saturday, March 25th so that families may attend the Gala. Kids of all ages are welcome and there will be a minimum of three adult staff on hand. Supper and activities will be provided. Use this QR code to sign your kids up today! Registration closes on 3/22/23. Use this link to purchase Gala tickets or make an online donation https://secure.qgiv.com/event/fshsgala23/ You may also visit our Gala table near the hall.

St. Malachy's Lenten Soup Suppers:

Please join us on Thursdays for Stations of the Cross and a soup supper after the 5:30 mass. Every Thursday in March. Sign up to help: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/2023SMSoupsuppers

Amore Dinner

Thank you to all the parishioners who supported St. Malachy's Amore Dinner! We appreciate your support of our summer programs, camps, and service trips. A special thank you to the Market of Madrid, Fareway in Boone, and Barilla for their food donations.

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.

St. Malachy's Knights of Columbus Fish Fry's

March 17th & 31st. Fish dinner \$10, Combo dinner \$11, Shrimp dinner \$12. All meals come with choice of corn or green beans, potatoes, roll, homemade dessert and drink. Carryout available. **Dessert donations needed! If willing/able to help, please fill out the form in the pews at church. Leave in pew or return in collection basket.**

Rosary for Traditional Marriage

Pray the rosary for marriage at noon on Saturday, March 18, near the Sacred Heart church offices in Boone. The date of the Traditional Marriage Crusade is on the Saturday nearest the feast of St. Joseph because he is our powerful patron. And St. Joseph is the "Chaste Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary." We will be praying for our nation and in support of God's Marriage between a man and a woman. March 19 is the Feast day of St. Joseph.

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