

Liturgies & Events This Week						
Monday April 3	Tuesday April 4	Wednesday April 5	Thursday April 6	Friday April 7	Saturday April 8	Sunday April 9
8:45 am REC Rosary (SH)	7:30 am Rosary (SH) 8:00 am Mass + <i>Annagail & Bob Peters</i> (SH) 1 pm - 9 pm Adoration (SM) 5:30 pm No Mass (SM)	11:30 am Rosary (SH) 12:00 am Mass + <i>Jennifer Asinger</i> (SH) 1:30 pm Madrid Home Mass 3:30 pm Westhaven Nursing home Mass Religious Education Classes 7:00 pm Living Stations of the Cross (SJ)	Holy Thursday No Adoration 5:30 pm Mass + <i>Living & Deceased Loew & Ankerbauer families</i> (SM) 6:30 pm Shadow Stations (SM) 7:00 pm Mass + <i>Ryan Mahoney and Jeff Bruck family</i> (SH)	Good Friday Parish Office Closed 7:30 am Rosary (SH) 12:15 am Good Friday Service (SH) 5:30 pm Good Friday Service (SM) 7:00 pm Good Friday Service (SJ)	8:00 pm Easter Vigil + <i>Marion Romitti</i> (SM)	8:00 am Mass + <i>John Wilson</i> (SH) 8:30 am Mass + <i>Living & Deceased Polish& Madison families</i> (SM) 9:30 am Rosary before Mass (SH) 10:00 am Mass + <i>Curt Kline</i> (SH) 10:00 am Mass + <i>Susie Anthony</i> (SJ)

The diagram consists of three adjacent rectangular boxes with dashed borders. Each box contains a title underlined and bolded. The first box is labeled 'Baptisms', the second 'Marriages', and the third 'Born into Eternal Life'.

Welcome to Ascension Parish

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

Stewardship for March 19 , 2023

Sacred Heart

Adult...\$5,998.50	Votive...\$27.01	Loose...\$240.00	Dollar & Children...\$353.35	Food Pantry....\$130.00
Easter Flowers...\$95.00	Ash Wednesday...\$100.00	St. Joseph...\$5.00	Total....\$6,948.36	

St. Malachy

Adult...\$1,986.00	Loose...\$132.00	Votives...\$12.00	Easter Flowers...\$25.00	Food pantry...\$10.00
Total....\$2,165.00				

Boone County Catholic Community



Sacred Heart

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

St John's

801 W. Division St
Ogden, Iowa 50212

St Malachy's

405 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

Palm Sunday · April 2, 2023

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

Fr. Tim’sTidbits

Entering Holy Week, our summit as Catholic-Christians—thank you to parishioners who will offer their time and faith musically, as lectors and altar servers, ushers and greeters, Eucharistic Ministers at Mass and to the homebound, those who decorate our sanctuary and church interior reflecting the grace these special days, sacristans preparing the Altar, those who clean our church, and those who create a welcoming space to all just by their presence and faith. Thank you!

Sr. Theo Bowman grew up in Mississippi and as a young adult joined the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration (FSPA’s) out of LaCrosse, WI. She was outspoken, dynamic and always hopeful in her faith life. She shared the following about Holy Week: “Let us resolve to make this week holy by claiming Christ’s redemptive grace and by living holy lives. The Word became flesh and re-deemed us by his holy life and holy death. This week especially let us accept redemption by living grateful, faithful, prayerful, generous, just and holy lives.” With our lives in perpetual motion with work, daily chores and responsibilities, activities, and schedules, ‘Holy Week’ can easily be bypassed as just another week. Possibly and even hopefully—attentive to the ‘opportunity’ this week of holiness offers—we can personally resolve to step into the redemptive grace with gratefulness, prayerfully, and with generous hearts through these straightforward suggestions:

- *Spend a little time each day listening to music that helps you slow down—hymns, jazz, folksong, symphony pieces, instrumental, songs with meaningful words—as long as the listening helps you breathe more slowly and go to a place deeper in your spirit.
- *Prepare at least one meal with special care for the people in your home (or, if you live alone, for you and a guest or two), and make certain all of you sit down together to eat it. It doesn’t have to be fancy or expensive.
- *Choose one of the Passion narratives—from any of the four Gospels—and read it aloud to yourself over the course of the week. Don’t try to learn anything new or have a profound experience; simply read the story (as a form of a prayer).
- *On Good Friday allow yourself the opportunity to enter the solemnity of the day by turning off the television, radio or Bluetooth, the computer, and screen time on the smartphone; giving yourself the internal and external silence to receive the unconditional love Jesus offered to each of us by his crucifixion.

Holy Week Masses

Saturday, April 1st
5:30 pm, Sacred Heart, Boone
Sunday, April 2nd
8:30 am, St. Malachy, Madrid
10:00 am, Sacred Heart, Boone
Holy Thursday, April 6th
5:30 pm, St. Malachy, Madrid
7:00 pm, Sacred Heart, Boone
Good Friday April 7th
12:15 pm, Sacred Heart , Boone
5:30 pm, St. Malachy, Madrid
7:00 pm, St. John, Ogden
Saturday Vigil
8:00 pm, St. Malachy, Madrid
Easter Sunday April 9th
8:00 am & 10:00 am, Sacred Heart, Boone
8:30 am, St, Malachy, Madrid
10:00 am, St. John, Ogden

*Finally, you might find some time this week to go on a spiritual pilgrimage with Jesus, wherever you are. Regardless of the distance or time, invite Jesus to be your companion on your “spiritual walk” as you walk slowly (or saunter), quietly reflect, and graciously allow the prevailing distractions to pass. No agenda or prayers, simply a journey with the One who journeyed to the Cross and the Resurrection. (Vinita Hampton Wright: How To Do Holy Week) Within the extended moments of silence we allow ourselves this Holy Week—whether in prayer or quiet reflection, may this poem entitled Silence by American poet, Langston Hughes, give is inspiration.
I catch the pattern
Of your silence
Before you speak
I do not need

To hear a word. In your silence Every tone I seek Is heard.
God Bless, Fr. Tim
FYI: “I try to make sense of life. I try to keep myself open to people, to laughter, to love, and to have faith. Remember who you are and whose you are.” (Sr. Theo Bowman, 1937-1990)

Parish office

We will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday. We will be back in the office on Tuesday April 4th at 8:00 am. Have a happy and safe Easter.

Community Free Dinner

We will have a community free Dinner on Monday April 3rd. Dinner will be served from 5:30 - 7 pm. No cost, just enjoy the meal and the company. No reservations. Also, we are in need of 6 volunteers, of any age to help. Call the parish office. Our Monday dinner will be monthly.

2023 Gala

Thank you to everyone who supported our 2023 Friends of Sacred Heart School Gala! We raised \$75,000 for our Window Replacement Project! We are especially appreciative of those who donated, attended, or supported us in any way. We could not have done it without all of you. We would also like to express our deepest gratitude to our Gala Committee Members: Jim & Ashley Fitzgerald, Josh & Holly Jacobsen, James & Olivia Long, and Mary LaMar. The amount of work these individuals put in was so greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Living Stations of the Cross Performance at St. John Join us on Wednesday, April 5th in Ogden at 7pm to watch our Youth Group's performance of the Stations of the Cross.

Middle School Skating Party

All 5th-8th graders are invited to join us next Sunday April 2nd for a roller skating party. We'll start with pizza at St. John at 12:30 followed by skating at Spinning Wheels until 4pm. Contact Megan Ulrich or Kelley Grothus to register.

TURN Youth Conference Success!

We hosted 52 youth from our parish and beyond at last Saturday's conference. It was a huge success thanks to all of our volunteers, the altar society and everyone who was praying for this event. Thank you also to all of the parents who registered their youth. We have decided it was so good that we will host it again next year. The future of our Church is so bright!

Altar Society Thank You

A huge thank you to Deb Hasstedt, Julie McCombs and Gail Rodger's Altar Society bands for helping to prepare, serve, and clean up all of the food for our TURN Youth Conference! One of our youth even commented that it was "the best food he's ever had at a youth event!"

E.S.A. Helps Families Afford Catholic Education

Families interested in enrolling their children at Sacred Heart School will now benefit from having 100% of their tuition costs covered. Call Deb at 515-432-1971 or visit <https://educateiowa.gov/pk-12/education-savings-accounts> to learn more about this beneficial program.

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*

Adoration

Ascension Parish offers two opportunities each week for Eucharistic Adoration.
Tuesday's -1pm to 9pm at St. Malachy
Thursday's - 8:30am to 7pm at Sacred Heart

St. Malachy's Needs YOU!

We are looking for parishioners to help with upcoming masses by signing up to be Lectors*, Eucharistic Ministers*, Servers*, Ushers, Greeters, & Gift Bearers. (*Training is required, but greeting and carrying up the gifts is a great & easy way to get young families involved with the mass!) St. Malachy's will have the Holy Saturday Easter Vigil mass on Saturday, April 8th, at 8:30 PM, in addition to Palm Sunday (4/2) and Easter Sunday (4/9) masses at 8:30 AM. ***Please sign up today using one of these four ways! Online at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/smmaassministries>, on the paper in the sacristy, contact the parish office in Boone, or the SM Coordinator, Marsha at (515) 720-1429 / mwrightskinner@gmail.com. It takes A LOT of volunteers at each mass and if you can help with just one, once a month, it would be more than appreciated. Thank you in advance for your consideration and time!***

RCIA

Join us in welcoming our RCIA candidates into to the Church! Everyone is welcome to a come and go reception with refreshments in celebration of our newest members. In Hansen Hall after the 8 PM Easter Vigil Mass at St. Malachy's.

Divine Mercy Sunday Egg Hunt & Breakfast

St. Malachy will hold a breakfast and Easter egg hunt for the parish on Divine Mercy Sunday (April 16, 2023) following 8:30 am Mass, as well as a bake sale. Please come and celebrate the Easter season with the parish family. All proceeds support our youth attending Catholic youth camps this summer.

Shadow Stations of the Cross at St. Malachy

The parish is welcome to join the St. Malachy Youth Group for Shadow Stations of the Cross on April 5 at 6:30 pm in Hansen Hall. Come observe Holy Week by witnessing Christ's act of love and sacrifice through the Way of the Cross.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

St. Malachy is hosting a training for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd this summer. This program focuses on developing a relationship with Christ for 3-6 year olds through the image of Christ as the Good Shepherd who takes care of us. Parishioners are invited to join the training free of charge if they would like to serve as Catechists. Parents or other parishioners who are interested are also welcome to join at a reduced rate with further grants available. Contact DRE Kelley Grothus if you have questions or would like more information. There will be an information table set up after Masses April 1 and 2 at St. Malachy and Sacred Heart and an open house at St. Malachy after 8:30 am Mass on Sunday, April 16.

Surviving Divorce Workshop

Is anyone in your family divorced? Please give them a copy of this bulletin or invite them to the twelve-week Surviving Divorce program, which will begin on April 13th from 5:30 – 7 pm in The Fitzgerald Hall. For the cost of \$5.00 this program for participants includes the Surviving Divorce Personal Guide and all program materials. Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic Church teachings. Call Deanna at the Ascension Parish office at 515-432-1971 to register for this program.

Sacred Heart School

Registration Now Open We are now accepting registration for all grades for the '23 - 24 school year. New students are eligible to have 100% of their tuition covered through the new E.S.A. legislation that passed. Current families, please register on the school website. New families may call the school at 515-432-4124. To learn about the ESA and how it might benefit your family call Deb at 515-432-1971 or visit <https://educateiowa.gov/pk-12/education-savings-accounts>