

Liturgies & Events This Week						
Monday Oct 30	Tuesday Oct 31	Wednesday Nov 1	Thursday Nov 2	Friday Nov 3	Saturday Nov 4	Sunday Nov 5
8:45 am REC Rosary (SH) 7:00 pm Men’s Zoom Bible Study (SH)	7:30 am Rosary (SH) 8:00 am Mass + <i>Jim Wetzeler and Special Intention for Jo Kersey</i> (SH) 12:00 pm The Chosen (SH) 1:00 -9 pm Adoration (SM) 5:30 pm + <i>Jake Wade</i> (SM)	11:30 am Rosary (SH) 12:00 pm All School Mass + <i>Joyce Matt Gibbs, & Special Intention for Emily Vaughn</i> (SH) 5:30 pm Mass <i>For the People</i> (SH) Trunk or Treat after Mass (SH) 6:45 pm Mass + <i>Bert Tranel</i> (SM) Religious Ed at (SH/SJ) No Religious Ed (SM) 6:30 pm RCIA (SH) 7:45 pm Youth Group (SH)	7:30 am Rosary (SH) 8:00 am Mass + <i>Darrell Kersey</i> (SH) Adoration after Mass 8:30am - 7 pm (SH) 10:00 am Mass at Eastern Star (SH) 2:30 pm Madrid Home Mass (SM) 5:30 pm Mass + <i>Doreen Hanlon</i> (SM) 6:30 pm Grief Share (SH) 6:30 pm Al-Anon (SH)	7:30 am Rosary (SH) 8:00 am Mass + <i>Dick & Kate Jordan</i> (SH) 9:15 am Mass + <i>Brodie Mosman and Susie Anthonye</i> (SJ)	5:00 pm Rosary (SH) 5:30 pm Mass + <i>Ron & Doris Meyer and Living & Deceased Pestotnik family</i> (SH)	8:00 am Rosary for Life (SM) 8:30 am Mass + <i>Living & Deceased Madison & Polich families</i> (SM) 9:30 am Rosary before Mass (SH) 10:00 am Mass + <i>Jane Baldwin Beers</i> (SH)

Baptisms	Marriages	Born into Eternal Life
Brewer Scott Pierson - SM		Joyce Busch—SH Raymond Zmolek—SH

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

Ascension Stewardship for Oct 22, 2023

Sacred Heart Adult...\$7,951.00 Loose...\$275.00 Dollar & Children...\$259.00 Votives...\$27.00
Improvement...\$110.00 Altar Society...\$20.00 World Mission.....\$34.00 **Total...\$8,676.00**

St. Malachy Adult...\$4,247.00 Loose...\$126.00 Votives...\$32.00 **Total...\$4,405.00**

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

Boone County Catholic Community



ALL SAINTS' DAY

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
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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time • October 29, 2023

Fr. Tim’s Tidbits

In the movie “Rhythm of God” a priest is asked how many were at the early weekday Mass. He replied, “There were three old ladies, the janitor, several thousand archangels, a large number of seraphim, and several million of the triumphant saints of God.” Though often forgotten in our daily responsibilities and activities, and too when gathered at the Eucharist, such a ‘cloud of witnesses’ remind us we do not stand alone. All Saints Day, a holy day of obligation is this Wednesday, with our Eucharist celebrated at noon and 5:30pm at Sacred Heart, and 6:45pm at St. Malachy church. But, how do those thousands of saints—or just one—intercede into our earthly lives? St. Jerome gives us the following explanation: *“If the Apostles and Martyrs, while still in the body, can pray for others, at a time when they must still be anxious for themselves, how much more after their crowns, victories, and triumphs are won! One man, Moses, obtains from God pardon for six hundred thousand men in arms; and Stephen, the imitator of the Lord, and the first martyr in Christ, begs forgiveness for his persecutors; and shall their power be less after having begun to be with Christ?” Seeking the intercessions of a saint or saints is not drawing us away from an immediate prayer to God, but rather, as Catholic doctrine states, draws into the very presence of God in the midst of the ‘cloud of witnesses’, through his Son Christ Jesus who alone is our Savior and Redeemer. Of this illustrious holy day—celebrating All Saints—Corrie ten Boom and Mother Teresa remind us of the reality of sainthood and intercessory prayer in our earthly journey of faith. “We never know how God will answer our prayers, but we can expect that He will get us involved in His plan for the answer. If we are true intercessors, we must be ready to take part in God’s work on behalf of the people for whom we pray.” (Corrie ten Boom) "Keep in mind that our community is not composed of those who are already saints, but of those who are trying to become saints. Therefore let us be extremely patient with each other's faults and failures." (Mother Teresa)*

Together As One

Together as One (TAO) supports the Office of Archives. The Archives Office collects, organizes, preserves and makes available for research the historical and vital records of the Diocese of Sioux City, as well as materials which reflect the work of the Church with the Diocese, thereby promoting an understanding of the history and heritage of the Catholic Church in northwest Iowa. To date we have raised \$18,222.50 towards our goal of \$47,388.00.

Pictorial Directory Stickers

In our most recent directory, there was an error impacting two of our Sacred Heart families. To correct this, the company has issued a sticker to be placed over the images in each directory. If you would like to correct your copy, stickers can be found in a basket in the hall space at each church location. Please take only one sticker per book. Thank you.

All Saints Day Masses

Our Mass times for All Saints day will be 12:00 pm with the School children, 5:30 pm at Sacred Heart and 6:45 pm at St. Malachy.

Stepping into November the Church traditionally deems this month a time to ‘Remember’ those family members, friends, neighbors and others who have touched our earthly lives in some manner. All Souls Day on November 2nd, celebrated since the early centuries of our Church, call us to ‘remember’ those who have died; and specifically the souls that need to be cleansed of genial sins or transgressions aided by our prayers, alms-giving and the Eucharist. At St. Malachy church the Book of Remembrance is located next to the baptismal font; at Sacred Heart the Book of Remembrance is likewise near the baptismal font. At anytime before or after Mass you may write in a name(s) of the dead whom you desire to remember in presence of God. “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom,” Dismas’ plea echoes the hope we each have for ourselves, and those we have not forgotten. We are again reminded in this month of November of those saints in the great ‘cloud of witnesses’ and the remembrance of the dignity and purpose of the souls that have gone before us; and how each in their respective journey of faith desired to **“love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. And to love your neighbor as yourself;”** as our Savior reminds us in today’s gospel. We welcome John Franks hired as maintenance/janitor for Ascension parish, with responsibilities at Sacred Heart School, and our church properties. John and Missy are longtime members of Ascension Parish, Sacred Heart church. We are blessed with their faith and presence shared in the Eucharist, and parish activities. **God Bless, Fr. Tim**
FYI: *“It is no use walking anywhere to preach unless our walking is our preaching.” (St. Francis)*

Fall Dinner (Bazaar)

Join us in Fitzgerald Hall for our annual Fall Dinner on Sunday, Nov. 5th. We will be serving a pork loin dinner from 10:45 - 12:45 p.m. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 kids (10 and under). There will be a take-out option. Baskets will be on display for you to bid on for our silent auction.

Fall Dinner (Bazaar) Volunteers Needed

You can stop by the table in the hall to sign up to help with our Fall Dinner. If you are unable to stop, you may contact Connie Booth directly at 515-230-4354 or use the QR Code.



Veterans Day Mass

All Veterans and their family members are invited to join us for Mass on Wednesday, Nov. 8th, at Noon (SH). Following Mass we will serve a light lunch in Fitzgerald Hall.

Fellowship & Donuts: Please join us in Hansen Hall after the 8:30 KC Memorial Mass on November 12th, for fellowship and donuts.

Wreaths Across America

This Christmas we will be placing wreaths at the headstones of our Military Veterans buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery and at the Ogden Cemetery. Last year we placed over 300 wreaths to honor these men and women. If you would like to sponsor a wreath the cost is \$17. You will find envelopes on the table in the lower Narthex marked Wreaths Across America. Please make checks out to Ascension—Sacred Heart and in the memo line put Wreaths across America. If you would like one for Ogden Cemetery please mark Ogden on the envelope. Wreaths will be placed at the Sacred Heart Cemetery on Dec. 16th at 11am following a short program and a blessing of the wreaths. Light Lunch Served in Fitzgerald Hall after wreaths have been placed.

March for Life 2024

Final informational meeting for St. Malachy’s members interested in attending the March for Life in Washington, D.C during January 17 to 21, 2024 will be held after Mass on November 12 in Hanson Hall. Those interested should attend or contact Dean Tranel (515-795-2139).

All Saints Day Trunk-or-Treat

All kids 5th grade and younger are invited to dress up like their favorite saint and come trick or treat in the Sacred Heart School parking lot Wednesday, Nov.1st immediately following the 5:30pm Mass. Want to host a trunk? Contact Megan Ulrich to sign up. dre@shboone.com 515-432-1971

Birthday Wishes

Robert Uthe will be celebrating his 100th Halloween birthday. He sure misses not being at Ascension with our parish family very much. If you would like to send a card please send them to 1707 240th st Boone, Iowa 50036. Thank you.

Prayer Partners Needed

Prayer Partners Needed - Please contact Megan or Kelley if you would like to be matched with one of our second graders who will be receiving First Reconciliation & First Communion this year. All you have to do is pray for them! dre@shboone.com, kelley.grothus@gmail.com, or (515)432-1971.

All Saints Day Mass at St. Malachy: Religious Education on Wednesday, November 1 will be All Saints Day Mass at 6:45. Families, please attend with your children. Children are welcome to dress up as their favorite Saint for Mass and will receive a bag of goodies after Mass.

Successful Parish Mission

We are so grateful to all of you who took time out of your schedules to attend our Parish Mission. Whether you attended one night or all three we hope you found it beneficial. Over the three-day mission, we had about 250 in attendance and over 60 people received the sacrament of reconciliation. What a blessing! If you are interested in donating to Fr. Hayes's mission you may place your donation in the collection (marked Parish Mission). Save the date for our next Mission on February 18th & 19th with Anthony Digmann (brother of Fr. Kyle Digmann, Pastor at St. Thomas Aquinas).

Fall Food Drive

This November Ascension Parish will once again be holding a county-wide food collection throughout the entire month. Please bring non-perishable food items and place them in the baskets located near the church exits at all three of our church locations. The items donated at each location will stay within those communities to help those in need. We are in need of Cream of chicken soup, vegetable soup, graham crackers, canned beets, canned pineapple, paper towels, and jelly.

Thank You!

As you may, or may not know, this year we have begun Catechesis of the Good Shepherd at Sacred Heart for our kindergarten religious ed and school students. Part of this process involves creating a new space (an Atrium) for the students to learn their faith. Items in the Atrium should be of natural materials, resemble items in our church, and be an appropriate size for small children. We were blessed and owe our gratitude to the following individuals for the amazing pieces they donated. Thank you Ron Besler, Tessa Gute, Bill Richter, Betty Ann Schmitz, Mike Stecker, Joann Uthe, and a number of St. Malachy parishioners who helped with projects during our class time. We hope to have an Open House soon so that everyone can come and see this beautiful space. Thank you. Mary Clark & Deb Franzenburg



Last Week We Saw Some Incredible Holy Moments!

** Wednesdays are a little hectic for the lower grade students to have recess, eat lunch, and get to Mass on time, so we all pitch in and make it happen. Today when I was checking students in for lunch, Mrs. Eldridge offered to take over so I could finish my lunch. One of my students excitedly said, "Hey, that was a holy moment!" So cool when the students recognize holy moments!*

** I shared the Holy Moments book with the counselor who comes to school every Friday. Today she told me she had finished the book and plans to purchase copies to be able to share with her family members over Thanksgiving!*



Use holymoments@shboone.com to let us know what you’re grateful for.

Tips to Create This Holy Moment:

- Do an activity you loved to do when you were younger.
- Read your favorite childhood book.
- Get outside without a plan!

We want to hear about the amazing ways you and your family are collaborating with God! Email holymoments@shboone.com and tell us about a special Holy Moment you witnessed or created. Let’s keep the Holy Momentum going!