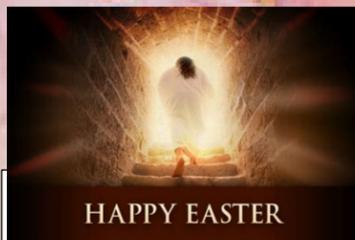


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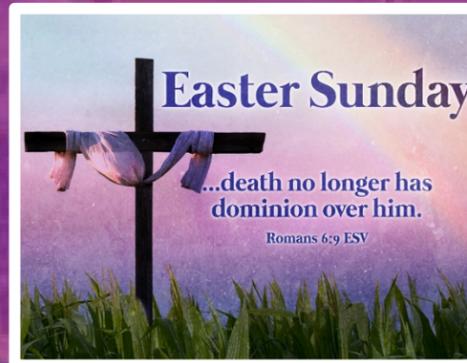
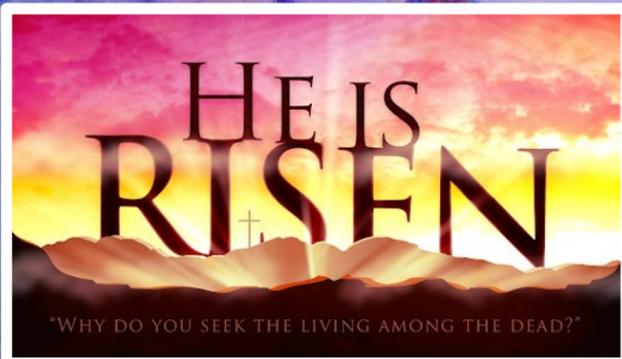
Spiritual Communion Prayer



My Jesus, I believe that you are present in The Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, Come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there. And unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Upcoming Events

- Monday, April 5th** Catholic Daughters Meeting 7:00pm Woodbine 
- Saturday, April 10th** Diocesan Council of Catholic Women "Zoom Retreat" 9:30 – 11:30am
Register at facebook.com/desmoinesdccw
- Sunday, April 11th** Feast of Divine Mercy
- Sunday, April 11th** Eucharistic Adoration  3pm at Sacred Heart
- Tuesday, April 13th** Knights of Columbus Meeting Woodbine 7:00pm 
- Thursday, April 15th** Mass at Rose Vista 2:00pm
- Tuesday, April 20th** Sacred Heart Finance Council Meeting 7:00pm
- Wednesday, April 21st**  Closing Mass for St Patrick's Religious Ed
- Tuesday, April 27th** Sacred Heart Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00pm
- Wednesday, April 28th** St Patrick Confirmation 7:00pm



April 4th 2021

St. Patrick Sacred Heart
 Dunlap Woodbine 

Eucharistic Celebrations:

- Saturday, April 3rd** Easter Vigil 8:30pm St Patrick
- Sunday, April 4th** Easter Sunday 9:00am Sacred Heart
For the Health of the Nation 10:30am St Patrick
Mark Bissen
- Tuesday, April 6th** 8:00am Sacred Heart For the People
- Wednesday, April 7th** 8:00am St. Patrick Kathleen Heller
- Thursday, April 8th** 8:00am Sacred Heart Darrell Hansen
- Friday, April 9th** 8:00am St. Patrick Kathryn Loy
- Saturday, April 10th** 4:00pm Sacred Heart John & Betty Hanigan 5:15pm St Patrick Francis Mumm
- Sunday, April 11th** 9:00am Sacred Heart Howard & Donnabelle Stephany 10:30am St Patrick Leonard Krajicek

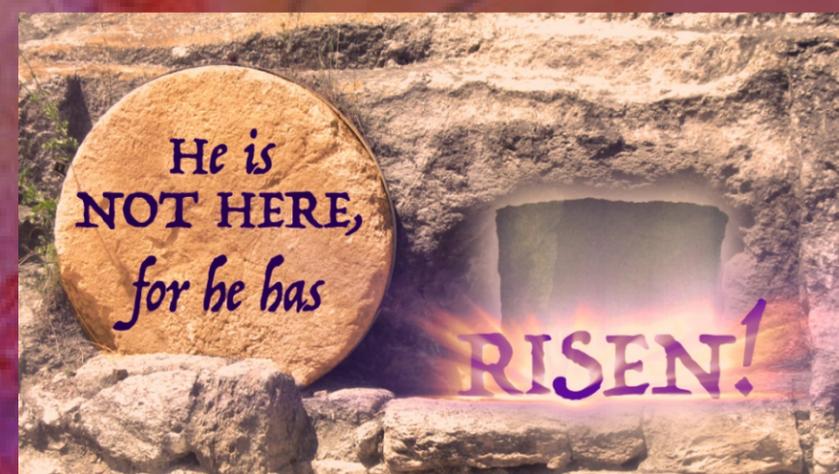
An Easter Prayer

Often we scarcely look beyond the immediate. We only consider what we can see. The rolled stone and the empty tomb, open our vision to things eternal.



At times we remain entombed within yourself, our concerns, wounds, interests, preoccupations. The message of the angel stops us in our tracks: "Why do you look for the living among the dead?"

May the Good News of eternal life that we celebrate today, influence us everyday from now on. On Easter we get a glimpse of how things really are. Let us not forget that, lest we forget the way to You. Amen.



Very early when the sun had risen, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might anoint Jesus' body. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone from the entrance to the tomb?" for it was very large. When they looked, they saw that the stone had been rolled back. On entering the tomb they saw an angel clothed in a white robe, and they were amazed. He said to them, "Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here." ~Mark 16



Resurrection Accounts

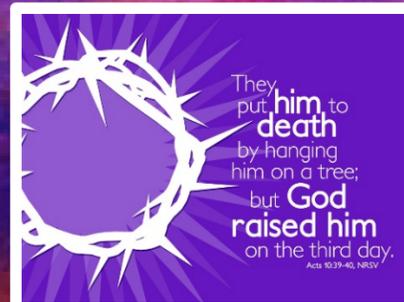
- Matthew 28
- Mark 16
- Luke 24
- John 20

Responsorial Psalm:

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."

Please pray for: Randy Melby, Dave Sullivan, Diane Klein (Sparky), Rodney Halfabeer, Doris Montang (Lynette Dunhams Mom) Adriaan Van Boord, Jane Cleary, Marvin Tremel, Robert Cogdill, Sandy Farley (Shorty's daughter-in-law), Samantha Fitchhorn, Jodi Klein, Sandy Burke, Cara Houston, Sharon Buss, Alice Ratigan, Isabel Snider (Eula Kramers sister-in-law), Grant Gorham, Russ Miller (John & Jane Miller's son), Larry Smiley (Virginia Behrendt's nephew), Georgiana Bissen, Michelle Leuschen, John Houston, & Wally Murphy
 Remember in Prayer those in the nursing homes & assisted living: Shirley Fouts, Jeanie Hoffman, Rosanna Norton, Bob Stephany, Terri Thompson, Catherine Bissen, Jean Johnson, Norma Sullivan, Evelyn Jochims, Clarice Rule & Vernon Hawn

Tuesday, April 13th Knights
of Columbus Meeting
7:00pm in Woodbine



Our condolences to:

The Bissen family on the passing of Mark; Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.



He Has Risen!

He Is Not Here

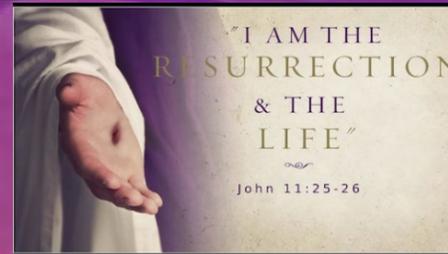
To Sacred Heart Families: Help Wanted: Caring People !!

We received the good news this week that the Sunday morning church services at Rose Vista will resume starting in April 2021.



For 17 years Bob and Marianne Sullivan have been providing a Prayer Service for the residents every 5th Sunday. And while they have thoroughly enjoyed ministering to the Rose Vista residents, as they get older they are looking for one or two couples to share in this ministry. As you know, the Sullivan's are involved in many other ministries in our parish and service projects in the community. It's not hard, they'll show you what to do, and you will receive many blessings (and who doesn't want blessings?).

If you are interested or have questions call Marianne Sullivan or Fr. Joel.



Divine Mercy Eucharistic Adoration next Sunday, April 11 at 3pm at St. Patrick, Dunlap

How long has it been since you attended Eucharistic Adoration? Have your children or grandchildren ever attended Benediction? Join us this Sunday for a service that will last about 30 minutes. You will receive many blessings!



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

DES MOINES DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

ALL Catholic women are invited to join us on April 10, 2021, for a virtual encounter to RENEW AND REFRESH in these difficult times. We are delighted to have as our featured speaker Barbara Heil. Bishop William Joensen will also join us. It will be a morning only event and it is FREE. We do ask that you register on the diocesan website and we will send you a link to join us. Come in your PJs, bring your coffee and enjoy the morning with other Catholic women around the diocese.



Sacred Heart REP will be once again organizing a summer church rummage sale around woodbine rodeo time - first week of July ALL MONIES will go toward youth conference NCYC 2021. We will start collecting your donated items at Brickstreet Station beginning sometime in May start saving your junk! SPRING CLEAN and SPARK JOY!



The joy of the gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus. Those who accept his offer of salvation are set free from sin, sorrow, inner emptiness and loneliness. With Christ joy is constantly born anew. I wish to encourage the Christian faithful to embark upon a new chapter of evangelization marked by this joy.

I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them; I ask all of you to do this unflinchingly each day. No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her, since "no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord". The Lord does not disappoint those who take this risk.

Whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that he is already there, waiting for us with open arms. Now is the time to say to Jesus: "Lord, I have let myself be deceived; in a thousand ways I have shunned your love, yet here I am once more, to renew my covenant with you. I need you. Save me once again, Lord, take me once more into your redeeming embrace".

How good it feels to come back to him whenever we are lost! Let me say this once more: God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy. Christ, who told us to forgive one another "seventy times seven" (Mt 18:22) has given us his example: he has forgiven us seven times seven. Time and time again he bears us on his shoulders. No one can strip us of the dignity bestowed upon us by this boundless and unflinching love.

With a tenderness which never disappoints, but is always capable of restoring our joy, he makes it possible for us to lift up our heads and to start anew. Let us not flee from the resurrection of Jesus, let us never give up, come what will. May nothing inspire more than his life, which impels us onwards!

Pope Francis from "The Joy of the Gospel"