

**Holy Name Church**  
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**April 23, 2023**



**Church of St. Mary**  
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**3rd Sunday of Easter**

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**Holy Name Hospitality Coordinators:** Ashley Klaassen cell: 507-220-4400, ashkla256@gmail.com and Beth Luze cell: 605-484-2649, Bethluze@gmail.com. Contact the parish office to start a prayer chain.

**St. Mary Family Faith DRE:** Deb Burwitz

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**St. Mary Hospitality Coordinators:** Virginia Scannell: 477-2113, cell: 712-363-3392, vburkard@alliancecom.net and **Co-Chair Needed - please contact the parish office if interested.**

**FORMED Website info:** [holymarycluster.formed.org](http://holymarycluster.formed.org)

**Newcomers:** Member registration forms are available in the main entrance to church, on the website, or by contacting the parish office via phone or email.

**Baptism:** Contact the pastor to schedule.

**Marriage Prep:** Contact the pastor at least 9 months prior to the date of marriage.

**Reconciliation:** half hour before these weekend Masses  
Saturday- St. Mary Sunday- Holy Name

**Adult Inquiry into Catholic Membership:** RCIA program from September to Easter. Contact pastor for more info.

**Flocknote:** Text HMC to 84576 or by going to <https://holymarycluster.flocknote.com/>

### **This Week's Mass Schedule**

Monday	4/24	No Mass	
Tuesday	4/25	No Mass	
Weds	4/26	No Mass	
Thursday	4/27	No Mass	
Friday	4/28	No Mass	
Saturday	4/29	SM 4:00 pm	+Jerry & Theresa Ripperda
Sunday	4/30	HN 8:30 am	Cluster
		SM 10:30 am	+Bonnie Grotewold



Congratulations to our First Communion students at Holy Name: Grecia Cabrera, Davi DeGroot, Callen Radtke, Alejandro Cabrera, Colin Konechne, Miles Lupkes, Jaelyn Hohn, and Temperance Gage. May God, who brought you to this special day continue to direct your life in his perfect way.

A big thank you to our catechists, Paul & Brooke Konechne, who continue to pour their hearts into our First Communion candidates.

Parents, thank you for your continued support of your child's faith. They have reached a special milestone, but it is only the beginning, the journey ahead is exciting.

**Deb will be out of the office** on Tuesday, April 25th for a Diocesan meeting. However, she will be in the office on Wednesday, April 26th.

**Fr. Sunny will be leaving for India this Monday.** Please keep him in your prayers!

**Fr. Roger Linnan will be covering weekend Masses on April 29/30 and May 6/7.**

**Msgr. Kenneth Seifried will be covering weekend Masses on May 13/14 and May 20/21.**



**CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES TO:**  
Tanner & Shayne (Mayer) Vogl  
who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage  
At Holy Name on Saturday, April 22, 2023.  
May God bless them  
with many years of happiness together!



Easter Lilies are available for the taking at St. Mary. Please feel free to grab one from the **main entry**.

**LET US PRAY FOR . . .** Catholics firmly believe in the power of prayer. Out of this belief comes the practice of offering Mass for a particular intention. Often, we pray for those who have died, but virtually any need might be a prayer intention (protection from storms, the blessing of rain, or a particular personal need). When we speak, God listens. The customary offering is \$10.00 per intention. Envelopes are available in the main entryway to church and may be placed in the collection basket.

**Please make checks payable to "Mass Fund" - not to the parish.**



Do you want more peace in your family, blessings on your undertakings, and a more perfect faith life? Jesus is standing at the door and knocking. Open the door for Him! Join our nationwide campaign to invite the Sacred Heart of Jesus into your home, classroom, or business.

Visit [www.SacredHeartRevival.com](http://www.SacredHeartRevival.com) for more information on the graces of the Sacred Heart and sign up today.

**WELCOME** to the Holy Name and St. Mary Catholic Community! How may we serve you? If you would like to have your child baptized, have your marriage blessed in the church, have a Eucharistic minister visit someone who is ill, or have general questions, please call the Holy Name or St. Mary office or contact either parish via email. We look forward to serving you!

## EASTER GIFT FROM YOUR PARISH:

### Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist

#### *Unlocking the Secrets of the Last Supper*

By focusing on the Jewish context of Jesus' teachings, all of his words not only begin to make sense; they come alive in a way that is exciting and powerful. I can testify to this from experience; the more I've studied Jesus' teachings in their Jewish environment, the more he fascinates me, and the more he challenges me to change the way I see who he was, what he was doing, and what it means for my life today.

So, whether you're Catholic or Protestant, Jewish or Gentile, believer or non-believer, if you've ever wondered, who was Jesus really? I invite you to come along with me on this journey. As we will see, it is precisely the Jewish roots of Jesus' words that will enable us to unlock the secrets of who he was and what he meant when he said to his disciples, "Take, eat, this is my body."



1st Communion at St. Mary's —April 16, 2023

# Ministry Schedule

## 4th Sunday of Easter

**April 29 (Sat-4:00 pm) @ SM**

Lector: Tony Kerkvliet

EMHC: Ethan Ageson

Servers: **Need Volunteer, Need Volunteer**

Gifts/Ushers: Tim & Susie Viereck

**April 30 - Sunday 8:30 am @ HN**

\*Lector: Damon Pedersen

EMHC: Mark Lutmer

Servers: Egan Pedersen, Will Lupkes

Gifts/Ushers: Randy Koll, Drew DeGroot

\*\*Communion to Homebound: Vera Murphy

Offertory: Dennis Haselhoff, Mark Hill

**April 30 (Sun-10:30 am) @ SM**

Lector: Maddison David, Jasmine David

EMHC: Deb Burwitz

Servers: Danica David, Evelyn Johnson, Cora Froehlich

Gifts/Ushers: Jeff & Deb Blauwet

Count Offering: Don Burwitz, Jenny Snyders

Homebound Comm: Karen Viereck, \* Inwood- Bill & Pat

## Brewery Night!

Do you have questions about the Catholic faith or wonder why we do certain things in the Catholic church? Bring your questions to the Rock River Brewery on Sunday, April 30 at TBD (time).

Enjoy the beverage of your choice and engage in Q & A conversation with other parishioners.

We hope you will join us! Reach out to Beth VanderZee with any questions about the event.



We are in the season of resurrection. As Christians we are a people of hope. God has given us great hope through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As a people of hope we seek to give hope to those who are despairing and giving up on life. One of the ways we do this is through the Food Pantry. So many have been gracious and kind by donating food products. Here are some items we are low on as we head into spring.

- Cereals
- Pop Tarts
- Peanut Butter
- Ketchup
- Mustard
- Instant potatoes
- Canned fruit
- Cream Soups
- Crackers

## Holy Name

April 23– **1st Communion (10:30 am Mass)**

April 26– Final night of CCD - 6pm  
(Pizza & games)

April 30– Catholic Conversation at the Rock River Brewery– 5 pm

May 7– Senior Sunday (12th grade Youth Mass)

\*breakfast & scholarship ceremony to follow Mass

⇒ Religious Education registration forms are available online and in the entryway of the church for the upcoming year. Early registration allows us to get curriculum ordered in a timely manner.

## St. Mary

### FFF

- *Wednesday, May 3 (6:30-8 pm) will be our last night for Family Faith Formation.*

### CCD

- *Wednesday, April 26– End of year celebration (Bowling Party)*
- *Sunday, May 7– Senior Sunday*



## Holy Name Women:

Please plan to attend the **70th annual May Day Breakfast!**

**Saturday, May 6, 2023 at 9 am**  
**Christian Church Disciples**  
110 S. Greene St., Rock Rapids, IA  
**RSVP: [ctelford@premieronline.net](mailto:ctelford@premieronline.net)**



Friends of the Larchwood Library invite you to our annual library supper on **Monday, April 24 from 5 to 7 pm** at the Larchwood City Park. Serving Barbeque, hot dogs, chili dogs, potato salad, chips, and bars. Free will donation.

Come out and help support our summer reading program.

**Meals on Wheels:** St. Catherine's is looking for volunteers to help with meals on wheels. Please contact Jennifer Pedersen (605-359-2683) if you are available or interested in assisting with this ministry.



**Knight of the Month: Travis Johnson** for being dependable help at the fish dinners.

**Family of the Month: Jim Vander Woude family** as Jim recovers from minor surgery over the next several weeks.

## Together for Life



### The Call to Change

In Return: A Guided Lent Journal for Prayer and Meditation, Fr. John Burns reflects on the events of Palm Sunday

when Christ came to Jerusalem to suffer and die for our sins out of love for us. How will you respond to the Lord's arrival in your heart this Holy Week and Easter?



### How to Change a Bad Habit Using the Habit Loop

All of us come into marriage with good and bad habits. Some habits may be less disruptive or annoying than others. But, the reality is that we can and should work on changing those bad habits that negatively impact our relationship. Check out this habit- changing technique.



### Falling in Love

In Holy Grit: A Sainly Guide to Becoming a Man of Virtue, Paul George discusses how falling in love with his wife was easy, but staying in love required commitment and sacrifice. It might not be easy, but it is worth it!

\*If you want to read the whole article go to <https://togetherforlifeonline.com> and click on articles.

## HOLY NAME

### Last Weekend's Stewardship

Adult	\$1,700
Loose	\$208
Youth	\$12
Building Fund	\$195
Haiti	\$45
Good Samaritan	\$45

## ST. MARY

### Last Weekend's Stewardship

Adult	\$10,097
Loose	\$163
Youth	\$21.25
Building Fund	\$2,870
Haiti	\$539
Good Samaritan	\$100
Marys Choice	\$200
Retired/Infirmed Priests	\$25
Catholic Charities	\$200

### 2022 Together As One Update

*Thank you to those who contributed. If you haven't made your contribution yet, there's still time to be part of a good thing !*

	Goal:	Pledged:	Paid:	
Holy Name:	\$7,028	\$5822	\$5797	28 families
St. Mary:	\$11,736	\$12,629	\$12,004	57 families



### Our Special Intention Prayer List

#### St. Mary:

Sparky Blauwet  
Yvonne Poppens  
Special Intention

Jason Snyders  
Chad DeSmet  
Vince Gacke

Ann Spaans  
Jan Koch

#### Holy Name:

Angie Grafin Garcia  
Russell Pedersen

Yvonne Barker  
Kandi Koll

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