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- **Baptism:** Baptismal preparation class by appointment.
- Please contact office for more information.

- **Weddings:** Make arrangements pastor at least six months before the wedding date. Dates and times for wedding in both parishes must be scheduled by contacting the pastor.

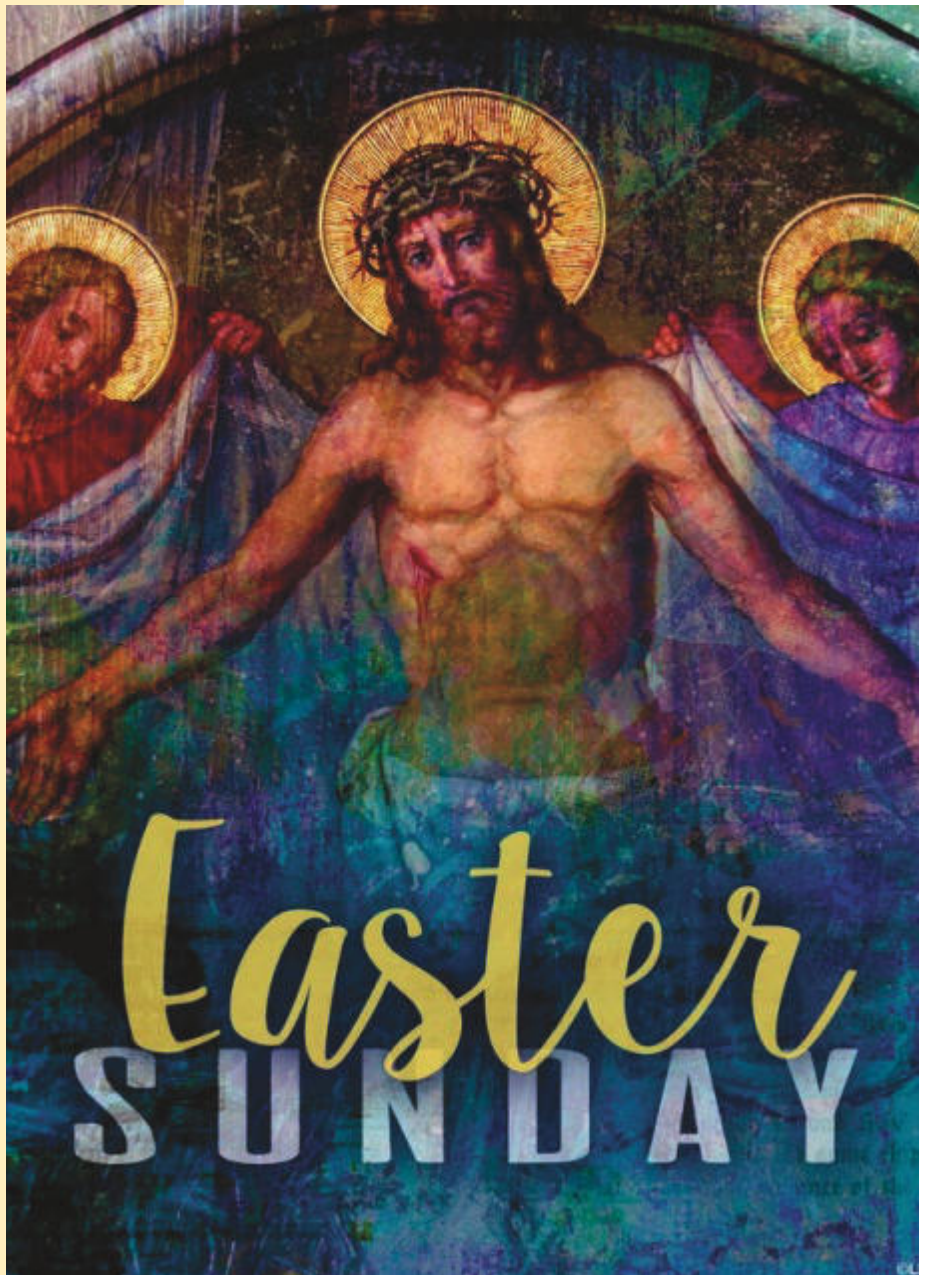
- **RCIA:** Classes begin mid-Sept for adults wishing to join the Catholic church and/or wanting to enter more fully by receiving the other sacraments. Please contact the parish office to register.

- **CHILD ABUSE REPORTING:** Call Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178 and if it involves clergy or church personnel also notify Alicia Owens, the Victim Assistance coordinator, 563-349-5002; vac@diodav.org

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

<b>Saturday</b>	4:00 PM	St. Alphonsus
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00 AM	St. Alphonsus
	10:00 AM	St. Peter @ St. Alphonsus

Confessions beginning at 3 pm on Saturdays before 4:00 PM Mass.  
Available by appointment, please call the parish office.



**APRIL 4, 2021--EASTER SUNDAY**

# GENERAL NEWS

From Father's Desk

*The Easter blessings of food owe their origin to the fact that these particular foods, namely, meat and milk products, including eggs, were forbidden in the Middle Ages during the Lenten fast and abstinence. When the feast of Easter brought the rigorous fast to an end, and these foods were again allowed at table, the people showed their joy and gratitude by asking for a special blessing:*

## Blessing of Lamb

Priest/Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord. All: Who made heaven and earth. Leader: The Lord be with you. All: May He also be with you.

Let us pray. God, who by your servant Moses commanded your people in their deliverance from Egypt to kill a lamb as a type of our Lord Jesus Christ, and prescribed that its blood be used to sign the two door-posts of their homes; may it please you to bless + and sanctify + this creature-flesh which we, your servants, desire to eat in praise of you. We ask this in virtue of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you forever and ever. All: Amen.

## Blessing of Eggs

Let us pray. Lord, let the grace of your blessing + come upon these eggs, that they be healthful food for your faithful who eat them in thanksgiving for the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you forever and ever. All: Amen.

## Blessing of Bread

Let us pray. Holy Lord and Father, almighty everlasting God, be pleased to bless + this bread, imparting to it your hallowed favor from on high. May it be for all who eat of it a healthful food for body and soul, as well as a safeguard against every disease and all assaults of the enemy. We ask this of our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, the bread of life who came down from heaven and gives life and salvation to the world; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. All: Amen.

These are all sprinkled with holy water.

Prayer Source: Roman Ritual: Volume III, The Blessings by Philip T. Weller, The Bruce Publishing Company, 1952

## HAPPY EASTER!

We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and now we rejoice because Christ is risen! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl challenges us as we begin the Easter season to share the joy of having a loving God that is alive and accompanies us always. Let's do the same by being present to our global family by caring for their material and spiritual needs. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl or donate online at [crsricebowl.org/give](https://crsricebowl.org/give)

## Holy Land Pilgrimage with Fr. Appel and Fr. Anstey October 4-15, 2021

Dear Friends,

It is a joy to invite you to join us on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Since our youth we have heard the Gospel stories about the Lord Jesus walking and teaching in Jerusalem, Capernaum, and Galilee. We will be seeing those places and much more. Our visit will give us an opportunity of walking in the footsteps of Jesus, our Blessed Mother Mary and the very first disciples. Each day we will celebrate Mass at one of the holy places and reflect on the gospel text appropriate to the place we visit. This pilgrimage will forever change the way you read and understand the Scriptures. We hope you will be able to join us on what promises to be a grace-filled journey to the land from where it all started.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Fr. Paul Appel and Fr. Kevin Anstey

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“The largest marginalized group in the world can be found in the U.S. They are the unborn.”  
*Sister Deirdre Byrne*

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:** Acts 4:32-35/ Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24/ 1Jn 5:1-6/ Jn 20:19-31

# PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

## ST. ALPHONSUS – DAVENPORT

Parishioners will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday's at 3 p.m.

### MASS INTENTIONS - APRIL 5 - 11

<b>Mon.</b>	8:00	Tom Moore†
<b>Tues.</b>	8:00	Margaret Garnas†
<b>Wed.</b>	7:15	Latin Mass - Annie Weiser†
<b>Thurs.</b>	8:00	Mary Gordon†
<b>Fri.</b>	8:00	Bill Lorenz†
<b>Sat.</b>	4:00	L/D Cyril Parker Family
<b>Sun.</b>	8:00	Randy McIntyre†

## ST. PETER – BUFFALO

### MASS INTENTION - APRIL 11

Sun. 10:00 Pro Populo

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>Today Apr. 4</b>	<b>Easter Sunday</b>	
	08:30 AM	NO Elementary Religious Ed/ St. Peter
	06:00 PM	NO Intermediate Religious Ed./ St. Peter
<b>Wed. Apr. 7</b>	06:30 PM	Religious Ed/ St. Alphonsus
<b>Sun. Apr. 11</b>	<b>Second Sunday of Easter</b>	
	08:30 AM	Religious Ed/ St. Peter

### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

#### A Happy Ending Isn't the Whole Story

*"Is there a happy ending?"*

*When my kids were young, we never made it past the first whiff of any narrative tension before I got this question. As soon as whatever princess or furry woodland animal who was the hero of the story got into any small scrape, they wanted that reassurance, "Is there a happy ending?"*

*I can't say I blame them. Don't we all feel that way sometimes? We enter into a relationship with someone or some situation, and we just want to protect ourselves. We want to know it's not going to go badly — or, if it does, that we will be able to come back from it. It's a human instinct, a reflex. Our inclination to protect ourselves makes it so that we sometimes want to press fast-forward on the bad stuff and skip straight ahead to the happily-ever-after.*

*Easter is the ultimate happy ending. It's the day of miracles. The day when all the stones roll away and all the sins are forgiven. It's the day that puts everything right.*

*But if we learned anything from this week — from the Passion and death of the Lord — it's that we can't press fast-forward on the hardships of life. That tension, that loss, that fear — it's crucial, isn't it? As Catholics, we are who we are because of Easter. But Easter doesn't happen without Good Friday.*

*So, does the story of salvation have a happy ending? We know it does. But we also remember that the ending isn't all that matters.*

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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### EASTER



We cannot give up in the face of evil. God is Love and he has defeated evil through Christ's death and resurrection.

— Pope Francis



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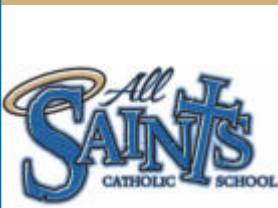
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