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PARISH SACRAMENTS

• **Baptism:** Baptismal preparation class by appointment.

• Please contact office for more information.

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

• **OCIA:** 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

ST. PETER

BUFFALO

Holy Week Schedule

Monday: Chrism Mass 10:30 AM Sacred Heart Cathedral
St. Alphonsus

Holy Thursday: 5:00 PM
6:30-9:30 PM

The Lord's Supper
Altar of Repose Vigil

Good Friday: 9:00 AM
3:00 PM

Lauds (Prayer Service)
Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday: 9:00 AM
8:30 PM

Lauds (Prayer Service)
Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday: 9:00 AM

The Resurrection of the Lord

St. Peter

Holy Thursday 7:00 PM

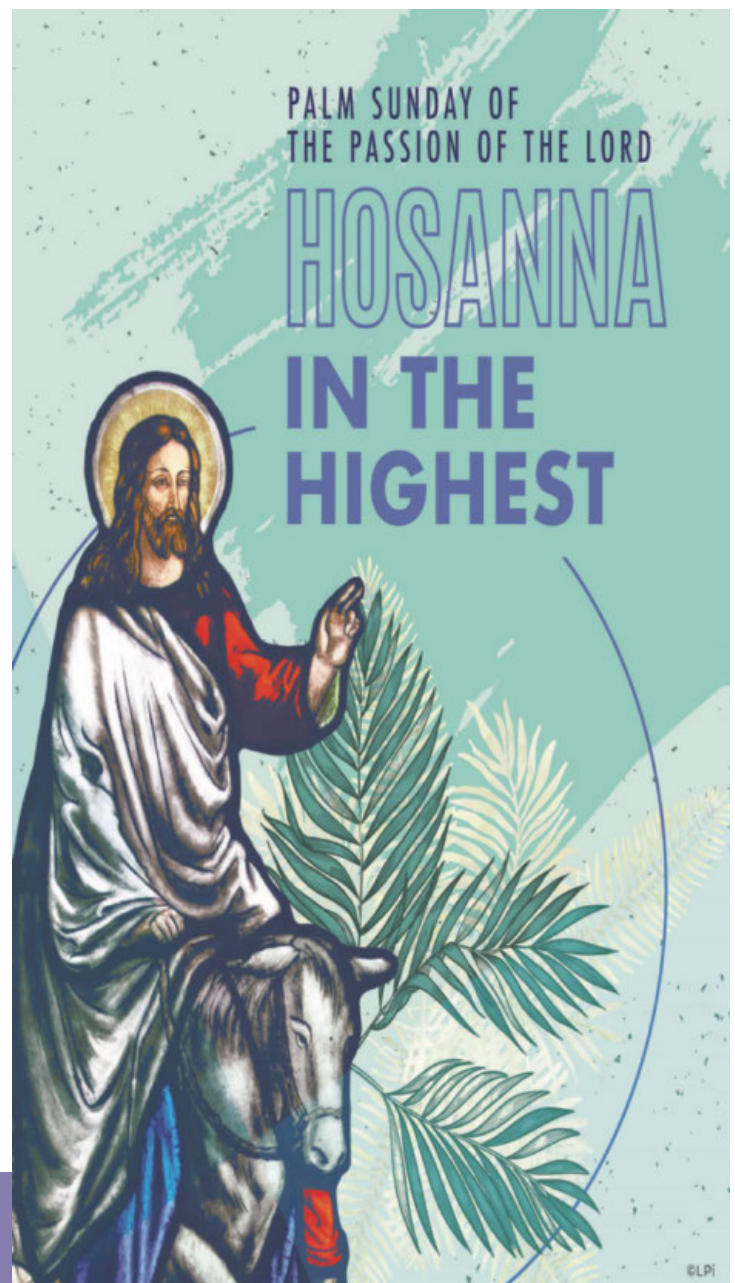
The Lords Supper

Good Friday: 7:00 PM

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Easter Sunday: 8:30 AM

The Resurrection of the Lord



**APRIL 13TH, PALM SUNDAY OF THE
PASSION OF THE LORD**

A LETTER FROM FATHER COREY/GENERAL NEWS

Dear Parishioners,

We are now entering the most sacred and holy time of the year. This is the week in which, each year, we celebrate the central mysteries of our Faith: the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Our Lord. During this most holy time, beginning with the Lord's entrance to Jerusalem until his crucifixion on the cross, He did, said, and accomplished all things necessary for our salvation. On Holy Thursday we commemorate His Last Supper, in which he instituted the Most Holy Eucharist, as well as ordaining the Apostles as Deacons, Priests, and Bishops. On Good Friday, the only day of the year it is forbidden to say Mass, we commemorate Our Lord's Passion, and walk with Him to Golgotha to weep for our sins that put Him on the cross. On Holy Saturday we wait in silence as Our Lord rests in the tomb, finally to celebrate His definitive conquest of sin and death at Easter as we find the tomb empty! I pray your preparations of Lent have served you well, and that this final, most sacred Triduum will draw you deeper into the mystery of Our Lord's love for us and His plan for salvation for all of us. We are overjoyed as a parish to welcome two new members into the Church at the Easter Vigil, please pray for them. Please check the bulletin for the schedule of the week's events, as they are very different than a normal week.

God Bless,
Fr. Corey

Fish Fry Workers Appreciation Dinner
Sunday, May 4th
1:00 PM Social
2:00 PM Dinner
Klauer Cafeteria

Food catered by Famous Dave's. Please sign up ahead of time. See Ron Patton on Fridays or call the church office.

ROSARY BEFORE MASS

Thirty minutes before Saturday Mass throughout the year we pray the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is an excellent way to prepare for Mass and to honor our Most Holy Mother. The first weekend of the month will be for the intention to increase religious vocations and for the growth in holy families. Leaders may offer rosaries for whatever intentions and can select whatever mysteries is appropriate for the season or time.

The Altar and Rosary Society would like to add the Rosary to the 10:00 AM Sunday Mass. There is a revised schedule at the back of the church. If you would like to lead the Rosary before Mass, please add your name to the schedule. In addition, please call the church office if you feel the schedule is incorrect. FIAT!

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?
Psalm 126

Devotions, Explained! Holy Thursday Pilgrimage

Holy Thursday Pilgrimage: To Seven Churches After Mass on Holy Thursday pilgrims adore Christ in seven different Altars of Repose while praying and reflecting on the passion of Christ.

The Seven Churches Visitation (or Pilgrimage) is credited as beginning in Rome with St. Philip Neri in the 1500s. Neri would lead groups of faithful to visit each of the seven basilicas of Rome on Holy Thursday night as a way of keeping watch with Christ as though at the Garden of Gethsemane before his passion.

Each visit calls on the faithful to reflect on the seven final places Jesus went from his arrest on Holy Thursday to his death on Good Friday.

You are invited to participate in this special tradition, the Seven Churches Visitation.

6:30 PM - 9:30 PM St. Alphonsus
7:00 PM - 11:00 PM St. John Vianney
8:00 PM - 12:00 AM St. Anthony
8:00 PM - 12:00 AM St. Paul the Apostle
8:00 PM - 12:00 AM Our Lady of Lourdes
8:30 PM - 12:00 AM Sacred Heart Cathedral
8:30 PM - 12:00 AM Holy Family
8:30 PM - 12:00 AM Our Lady of Victory

Start times listed are approximately when adoration at the Altar of Repose will begin.

Chrism Mass Monday, April 14, 2025, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: Sacred Heart Cathedral, Davenport Please join us as the oils are blessed and consecrated, and the priests of the diocese renew their commitment to ministry. A light reception will follow Mass.

Easter Preparation: St. Alphonsus

- ◇ Easter flower envelopes are in the pews and at the entrances of the church. If you wish to honor a family member or friend (living or deceased), please place money in the envelope, list the name(s) on the envelope, and place it in the collection basket.
- ◇ **Holy Thursday** is a day of exceptional devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. After Mass there will be an Altar of Repose Vigil in SCC from 6:30-9:30 PM. Please sign up at the back of the church to spend time with Our Lord.
- ◇ Turn the darkness to light! Please help us decorate the church for Easter on Holy Saturday morning after the 9:00 AM Prayer Service. What a wonderful family tradition!

Hippity Hop

The Altar and Rosary Society will be sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt at the Early Childhood Education Center on Monday, April 14th at 10:00 AM. Parishioners ages 12 and under are welcome to join in the fun!

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 10:34-43;
PSALM 118:1-2,6-17,22-23, COLOSSIANS 3:1-4; JOHN 20:1-9**

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

ST. ALPHONSUS – DAVENPORT

Parishioners will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Alphonsus on Saturdays at 3 PM.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR APRIL 14TH THROUGH APRIL 20TH

Mon.	8:00	Colette Ripslinger †
Tues.	8:00	Joe Yoke †
Wed.	8:00	Tale and Coral Degan †
Thurs.	5:00 PM	L/D Members of the Nienaber and Stahler Families
Sat.	8:30 PM	L/D Members of the Williams and Taylor Families
Sun.	9:00	For the People of St. Alphonsus

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR April 17th through April 20th

LECTOR

Thursday	5:00 PM	Jane Kroening
Friday	3:00 PM	Volunteer needed
Saturday	8:30 PM	Volunteer needed
Sunday	9:00 AM	Jane Kroening

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Saturday	8:30 PM	Mary Ann Hagemann
Sunday	9:00 AM	Volunteer needed

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 27, 2025

2:00-4:00 PM

Sacred Heart Cathedral

422 E. 10th Street

Adoration

Prayer

3:00 PM Chaplet of the Divine Mercy

Confessions

Beautiful Music

Everyone is welcome to celebrate God's Mercy with us in this Jubilee year!

Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the **Holy Land**, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

The pandemic had hit Christians in the **Holy Land** particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war made their situation even more dire. In the time of crisis, the PGFC is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in the land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the PGFC, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit

ST. PETER – BUFFALO

MASS INTENTION - APRIL 20TH

Sun. 8:30 Mary Fredenburg †

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR April 17th through April 20th

Holy Thursday

Volunteers needed for Greeters, Lectors, and Altar Servers.

Good Friday

Volunteers needed for Greeters, Lectors, and Altar Servers.

Easter Sunday

GREETERS..... Carol and Jerry Mosier

LECTORS..... Dave Keeney and Gary Ammeter

ALTAR SERVERS..... Koltin Clark and Austin Clark

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun. April 13	9:30 AM 6:00 PM	Religious Ed Classes/St. Peter Intermediate Religious Ed./St. Peter Confirmation/St. Peter
Mon. April 14	10:30 AM 6:30 PM	Chrism Mass/Sacred Heart Cathedral Choir Practice/St. Alphonsus
Tues. April 15	7:00 PM	Knights of Columbus/St. Alphonsus
Wed. April 16	6:00 PM 6:30 PM	Adoration & Stations/St. Peter Religious Ed/St. Alphonsus
Thurs. April 17	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	Holy Thursday Mass/St. Alphonsus Holy Thursday Mass/St. Peter
Fri. April 18	9:00 AM 3:00 PM 7:00 PM	Lauds (Prayer Service)/St. Alphonsus Good Friday Service/St. Alphonsus Good Friday Service/St. Peter
Sat. April 19	9:00 AM 9:30 AM	Lauds/St. Alphonsus Decorate Church/St. Alphonsus
Sun. April 20	8:30 AM 9:00 AM	Easter Mass/St. Peter Easter Mass/St. Alphonsus No Religious Ed./St. Peter

CRS Rice Bowl

Do you know that Catholic Relief Services (CRS) has been historically the largest recipient of USAID funds? Or that public funding has accounted for more than 80% of CRS revenues? Continued funding through the U.S. government to CRS is uncertain, which is why giving to our parish rice bowl initiative is especially vital this year to get food and medicine to people in desperate need. Please consider giving!

Rice Bowl offerings may be left in the baskets at the entrances of the church. Thank you for your generosity!

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