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Seek Him, Love Him, Follow Him

This Week

- Apr 4—Bishop Joensen presentation on the Divine Mercy Devotion 7:30 pm, Church
- Apr 5—Jesus Study, 7:00 pm, Mary's Place
- Apr 6—Ecumenical Prayer for Ukraine Church, 12 Noon
- Apr 6—Adoration/Reconciliation followed by Sorrowful Mysteries, 5:30 pm
- Apr 7—Love Study, 6:30 pm ZOOM

- Apr 8—KC Fish Fry, Social Hall 5:00-7:00 pm (Dine-in or Carry-out)
- Apr 8—Stations of the Cross 5:30 pm
- Apr 10—Doughnut Sunday, Social Hall After Mass; hosted by the Finance Council

<u>Weekly:</u>

- Daily Mass Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri—8:30 am Tues —5:30 pm
- Prayer Service—Church Wed—6:30-7:00 pm

April 2 & 3, 2022



Reconciliation—Chapel Wed—5:30-6:30 pm Fri—11:30 am-1:30 pm Sat— 4:00-4:45 pm

Stations of the Cross—Church Tues—9:00 am Fri—5:30 pm

Eucharistic Adoration—Church Wed—5:30-6:30 pm Sat—8:30-10:00 am

Check the website, <u>www.olih.org/lent-at-olih</u> for additional Lenten activities.

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PARISH INFORMATION



Welcome!

We're glad you're here! If you are interested in joining Our Lady's Immaculate Heart Catholic Church, please pick up a form in the Gathering Space, download on-line at www.olih.org_or stop in during office hours to register

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass	Mon, Tues, Wed	& Fri 8:30 am
	Tues	5:30 pm
Mary's Mass	1st Sat of month	8:30 am
Weekend Masses	Sat	5:00 pm
	Sun 8	:30 & 10:30 am

Livestreaming daily at 8:30 am & Sat at 5:00 pm Recorded rosary precedes morning Mass.

SACRAMENTS

Marriage Contact the office at least six months in advance

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 pm or by appointment; additional times during Lent.

Anointing of the Sick The sacrament is available to those seriously ill, suffering from prolonged illness or facing a major medical procedure. Call the parish office for more information.

Baptism Baptisms are not held except in extenuating circumstances during Lent. Next baptisms will be after April 17. Contact the office to schedule.

Preparation for Baptism Classes meet at 7:00 pm via Zoom: Apr 5, May 3, Jun 7, Jul 5, Aug 2, Sep 6

THINGS TO KNOW

Parish Office Hours Monday-Friday: 8:00 am-5:00 pm

Bulletin Deadline Submit items to olih@olih.org the Friday of the week before publication.

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FOLLOW HIM: LENT 2022



As I reflect on the idea of following Him I am called to consider how we follow people today. One way is through social media, where we "follow" people or groups. Whom do you follow on social media and how does that influence how you view yourself or others? Too often I have had conversations with people feeling unworthy based on what is seen while we scroll.

What we see are great acts of charity, families having great vacations, and people having it 'all together.' Yet, what we do not see is the melt down that happened right after that beautiful vacation moment, or the real life daily struggle of keeping life together, or the heartache that is felt because of the sick family member they don't mention. When we scroll through life we 'follow' an ideal of what we think life should look like and believe everyone has it-except me- when in reality most people only post snapshots of the good moments.

When we really start to follow Jesus we may begin by following what some people refer to as a "nice guy." As we read stories, like that of the adulterous woman, we may be drawn to how Jesus did not condemn her. As we continue to know Jesus, and sink into the scripture, we can be awakened to His compassion for us. Jesus meets us where we are, with His love and mercy while challenging us to be better, such as when he says to the woman "Go, and from now on do not sin any more" (John 8:11). Following Him is not easy, because following Him means being called to more. He calls us to open our hearts, see our own sinfulness or weakness, and carry daily crosses that we would prefer not to carry. What crosses did you carry this week? What weakness or sinfulness is He calling you to become more aware of and change?

News on the Elect

This weekend, the 3rd and final, RCIA Scrutiny is at the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday. The Gospel reading for the Scrutiny is the Raising of Lazarus from the dead (John 11:1-45). Take some time to reflect on your own this week: Do I, like Martha, boldly process our faith in Jesus as the resurrection and the life? If Jesus called me to come out, what are the things that bind me and keep me from running to meet Him? How do I rise in Christ - do others see Christ through me?

This week in Lent 2022: Seek Him, Love Him, Follow Him -

- Wednesday 5:30-6:30 pm Adoration; 6:30-7:00 pm • **Evening Prayer**
- Friday Fish Fry 5:00-7:00 pm Carry-out or Eat-in -• good food and fellowship!
- Check the website for the regular times for Mass, Adoration, • Reconciliation, Stations of the Cross

Patty Mayer

Director of Adult Faith Formation | RCIA Coordinator | Spiritual Director

5TH SUNDAY IN LENT

NBS 2022

Go off-road for a **Monumental** adventure through the colorful canyons and sunbaked trails of the southwest. By exploring God's awesomeness, kids form a



rock-solid faith for the road ahead. The fun runs June 13-17 from 8:50am-12:00pm. If you have any questions please contact Jackie King, jackieking83@gmail.com or 515/783-6593. Registration is now open—<u>https://</u>vbspro.events/p/events/b6f66a



Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday, April 9/10	5:00 pm, 8:30 & 10:30 am
	Procession & Passion Reading
Holy Thursday, April 14	7:00 pm Washing of the Feet;
	Adoration until 10:00 pm
	(no 8:30 am Mass)
Good Friday, April 15	7:00 pm Passion Reading &
	Veneration of Cross
	(Office closed/no 8:30 am Mass)
Easter Vigil, April 16	8:00 pm, Service of Light/Rite
	of Christian Initiation/Mass;
	Celebration Party in Mary's Place
Easter, April 17	8:30 & 10:30 am Mass;
	MPR & Church
Monday, April 18	Faith Formation classes meet
	(Office closed/no 8:30 am Mass)

BIRTHDAY WISHES

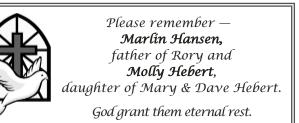
Fr Michael celebrates his birthday this Wednesday, **April 6.** Please offer up a prayer for him and the work he does.



Fr Michael addresses members of DMACC's Mortuary Science class during a Q&A on Catholic funeral rituals.

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Readings For the Week of Apr 3

- Sun: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11
 Mon: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5-6/ Jn 8:12-20
 Tues: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-
- 21/Jn 8:21-30 Wed: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53,
- Wed: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42
- Thurs: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/ Jn 8:51-59
- Fri: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42
- Sat: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sun:

Lk 19:28-40/ls 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49

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Monday, **April 4** 8:30 am Stan Junod †

Tuesday, April 5

8:30 amThomas Meehan †5:30 pmHarold & Mary Buckalew †

Wednesday, April 6

8:30 am Maureen Baker †

Friday, **April 8** 8:30 am Bill Purtzer †

Saturday, April 9 5:00 pm Michelle Williams †

Sunday, April 10

8:30 am Marco & Raymond Stefani † 10:30 am People of the Parish

AT OLIH



Final Fish 'Fry'-Day

The final Fish Fry dinner by the Knights will be in the multi-purpose room from 5:00-7:00 pm on Friday, **April 8**. A free-will offering will be taken and all money raised goes to support local charities such as Easter Seals Camp Sunnyside, On With Life, Dorothy's House, Rebuilding Together, etc.

St Luke's KC will also have their Fish Fry on April 8, 4:30-7:00 pm.

Catholic Daughters Meeting

Our next Catholic Daughters meeting will be held Tuesday, **April 5** at 6:30 pm in the Banquet Room. Our guest speaker is Officer Walter Reed, Community Outreach Officer.

We are always accepting new members to Catholic Daughters, but if you aren't sure what we are about, please come to the meeting. We would love to meet you and show you!

Knit One Purl Two

Time for a change in projects! This month our focus is on "Kitty Snuggle" blankets & cat toys for ARL. Our lunch meeting will be on Thursday, **April 14** at a local restaurant. Please join us by contacting Vicki Woodward, <u>vlwoodward00@gmail.com</u> or 515/210-3797.

LEND YOUR SUPPORT

Make Holy Thursday Come ALIVE!

Please bring new pairs of men's white work socks to the OLIH Holy Thursday service, **April 14**. The socks will be given to Des Moines Catholic Worker House for their socks exchange program.

Palm Sunday Procession for Peace

Sunday, April 10, 2022 "Who Are My Adversaries?"

2:30-2:45 pm Gather in the south parking lot at the Des Moines Intentional Eucharistic Community 3306 University Des Moines, Iowa

3:00 pm Proceed to Grace United Methodist Church 3700 Cottage Grove Des Moines, Iowa 3:30 pm Worship at Grace United Methodist Church 3700 Cottage Grove Des Moines, Iowa

We will express a vision of peace and justice and a position against racism and war, remembering the true meaning of Palm Sunday, and renew our commitment to be instruments of God's peace. Our speaker will be the Rt. Reverend Betsey Monnot, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa.

> Please bring palms from your Sunday morning service. Des Moines Faith Committee for Peace

OLIH IN ACTION

TWO APPEALS

Help Us Reach Our Goal!

Utility bills are not fun. They are not attractive or exciting, and yet, without our utilities, our quality of life would suffer.

The Annual Diocesan Appeal is kind of like a utility—it is a bill that has to be paid, every year. And although it doesn't give us the warm fuzzies we like to get with our donations, it does improve the parish's quality of life. So, thanks to the **357 families** (15% of our total) for meet-



ing this need. We are at **51% of our goal**. Let's hear from more of our families, so we can put this bill to rest, and move on to more exciting things!

Please consider making a gift online by visiting: <u>dmdiocese.org/giving/annual-diocesan-appeal</u>. Every gift helps us reach our goal of **\$280,975** (a decrease from last year).

Common Questions about the *Ignitel* **Campaign** If the parish does not reach their monetary goal, is it responsible for the difference?

Parishes will not be assessed penalties if they do not reach their fundraising goal. The expectation is that parishes put forth a good faith effort to follow the recommendations of the campaign office in conducting the campaign.



Will funds for the *lgnite*! Campaign reduce offertory support for the parish?

It is important to emphasize that all gifts to this campaign should not reduce other giving commitments to the Church. A gift to the campaign

is an extraordinarily generous gift made freely and faithfully to meet the extraordinary challenges and opportunities presented through the campaign.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN

PRAYER SERVICE

AS THE ANKENY CHURCH COMMUNITY GATHERS TO PRAY FOR

PEACE IN UKRAINE

WED, APRIL 6, 2022 AT OLIH

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Man Up: The Sacred Triduum

Sundown on Holy Thursday to sundown on Easter Sunday is considered the most solemn part of the liturgical year. Fr. McManus, the Pastor of Christ the King Parish, DSM, will enlighten us and challenge us as we prepare for "our best Triduum ever"!

Friday, April 8, Noon/St. Francis of Assisi Parish, WDM

Meatless Pizza (courtesy of the Catholic Tuition Organization) will be available for a free-will offering. **Register** for this event at

www.iowacatholicradio.com/events

Benefit Concert

Start off your Holy Week with a pro-life benefit concert on **April 9**, 7:00- 8:00 pm at Holy Trinity Church, 2926 Beaver Ave, DSM featuring excerpts from the musicals of Tom Quiner over the last 25 years. You will hear songs from **Calvary, the Resurrection Story, The Pope of the People, the JPII Musical,** and **The Fire and the Mercy, the Pentecost Musical.** Cost is \$10/free will offering.

Dowling Catholic's Bash on Buffalo is Back!

It will be **April 9** in the Dowling gym. Go to the Dowling website for more information. In the meantime, take a chance. Donate \$100 for a chance to win \$5000 by purchasing a raffle ticket! Go to <u>dowlingcatholic.org/bash-on-buffalo</u> for details.

Learning Sign Language

Are you trained in ASL? Do you wish to interpret at Mass? Join Sue Gudenkauf and Peggy Chicoine in a virtual webinar series that trains individuals with a background in ASL how to sign the Mass. Series begins **April 19**, 6:00-8:00 pm and goes through May 5. Register at <u>lifeinterpreter.com</u>

Chrism Mass

On Friday, **April 8**, Bishop William Joensen will bless and consecrate the oils that will be used in sacraments in our parish and all parishes in our Diocese for the coming year. Everyone is invited to the 5:00 pm Chrism Mass at St. Ambrose Cathedral, DSM.

Habitat Help

We need your help this spring to build and repair homes right here in Central Iowa. Our partners at Bankers Trust want to help. They've sponsored a \$50 donation for each of the first 100 volunteers to sign up for a shift between April 13 and April 22. contact <u>enews@gdmhabitat.org</u> for more info. That's a \$5,000 donation to GDM Habitat you can help unlock!

REFLECTIONS ON THE SCRIPTURES

APR 9 & 10 MINISTRIES

Saturday, April 9 At 5:00 pm

Cross Bearer: Derrick Tallman
Eucharistic Captain: Mike Jensen
Eucharistic Ministers: Angela & Dan Ossian, Maria & Rob Schweers, Mary Stoltenberg, Anita Turczynski, Amy Wall
Hospitality: Tony Farrell, Gordon Havlik, Brad Wall
Lector: Diana Fitzpatrick & Rick Hermann
Music: Mark Riewer & Mary Sankey
Livestreaming: Eric & Zac h Parsons

Sunday, April 10 AT 8:30 AM

Cross Bearer: Joe Gioffredi Eucharistic Captain: Jeremey Vortherms Eucharistic Ministers: Janet Harmeyer, Jean Larsen, Joleen Scheer, Brent & Julie Steemken, Joan Stover, Nicole Vortherms Hospitality Captain: Kurt Larsen Hospitality: Denise & Rod Cundy, Jim Harkin, Kevin Smith, Doug Wright Lector: Paul Gilbert & Jeff Robinson Music: Joe & Jackie Carey Sound: Joan Sieczkowski

Sunday, APRIL 10 AT 10:30 AM

Cross Bearer: Jeff Mau Eucharistic Captain: Mitch Arney Eucharistic Ministers: Joyce Clawson, Nick Meng, John Pieper, Melanie Richardson, LuAnn Wooley (sub requested), Volunteer needed

Hospitality Captain: Wayne Christ Hospitality: Toby & Vicki Berberich, Chip Pritchard

Lector: Misty Hade & Brian Hartman **Music:** Andrea Maher & Charlie Hart **Sound:** Bob White

Money Counters

Monday, April 4: Deb Arend, Becky & Kirk Schwiete, Cari Spear Monday, April 11: Jolee Belzung, Nancy Rude, Susan Thornton



The Knights of Columbus present Bishop Joensen speaking on the Divine Mercy Devotion Monday, April 4 7:30 pm OLJH Church April 3, 2022

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

5th Sunday in Lent

Is 43:16-21 Phil 3:8-14 | Jn 8:1-11

GROW: AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE During Lent, we hear familiar stories: the event of Jesus' transfiguration, the prodigal son, and today the woman caught in adultery. Each reveals an aspect of God's perfect love for us and a glimpse of how we can reflect that love toward others. In today's Gospel, the Pharisees once again are testing Jesus, saying the law demands that the woman caught in adultery be stoned. Jesus responds, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." What a perfect response to the Pharisees, and to each one of us when we focus on the faults of another. Jesus' words teach and challenge us to look more closely at the ways we judge others - by appearance, a social media post, political party, for example – and ask ourselves whether we are truly doing so out of love. Closer to home, we may be quick to point out our spouse or children's perceived faults, without acknowledging our own. Jesus invites us to look at others - and ourselves - with the eyes of mercy.

GO: EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT



Every time we go out to dinner, my son makes fun of me for agonizing over the menu: "You always regret what you pick!" Indeed, regret can be a powerful emotion. Fortunately, the dinner dilemma requires only that I mooch off of my son's entrée. However, deeper regrets can bog us down and prevent us from moving forward in faith. Today's readings challenge us not to wallow in past mistakes, preconceptions, or bad habits. As we hear in Isaiah, "The things of long ago consider not; see, I am doing something new!" We hear this idea again from St. Paul, who writes of "forgetting what lies behind" and straining forward toward "the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus," In the Gospel, Jesus doesn't dwell on the past sins of the adulterous woman other than to say, "Go, and from now on do not sin any more." Fortunately, our Church offers an antidote to regret and sin in the sacrament of reconciliation. Whether it's been a month or a decade, what better time than Lent to return to this sacrament and

experience God's mercy and forgiveness?

ACT: Take advantage of the additional opportunities many churches offer for the sacrament of reconciliation during Lent. Rusty? Check out this excellent guide for adults and children: thelightison.org/guide-to-confession.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED

LENTEN RECONCILIATION

Area Reconciliation Services

Date Sun, April 3

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TimeParish1:00 pmSt. Joh

St. John, Norwalk



At OLIH, additional reconciliation times are offered on: Wednesdays: 5:30-6:30 pm Fridays: 11:30 am-1:30 pm Saturdays: 4:00-4:45 pm

Additional Reconciliation TimesTuesday, April 56:00 pmTuesdays5:30 pmMon-Fri6:00 pmSat/Sun4:30 pm

St. Boniface, Waukee Sacred Heart, WDM Christ the King, DSM " "

FEED THE HUNGRY

Turn in Your Rice Bowls

How have you been doing with our Parish Lenten Project? As we approach Holy Week, you will find a basket by the baptismal font where you can drop your box or any other offering you have for *Project Rice Bowl*.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Anonymous
Steve Becker
Dennis Busby
Viola Dubay
Matthew Forgy
Ginny Glaub
Eileen Janni
Gary Jones
Gina Lawrence Sokol
Joy Nagel

Mike Schaffer Duane Spalding Nancy Stefani Roger Stefani Gary Vanderley Victims of COVID-19



Please let us know of any parishioners or family members who should still be on the prayer list. We will keep their names on the prayer list for 3 months unless you notify us otherwise.

If you would like to honor or remember a loved one, envelopes are on the back table for the Easter flowers

fund or go online to our 'Giving' page and follow directions for 'Text to Give' or 'Online Giving' . Donations received by **April 10** will be noted in the bulletin.





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