

OUR LADY'S IMMACULATE HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

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divine mercy sunday

JOIN US AT ST LUKE'S 2:00 pm Reconciliation ~ 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

April 23 & 24, 2022

APRIL 23 & 24, 2022

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 held on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month following the 10:30 am Mass. Contact the office to schedule.

Preparation for Baptism Classes meet at 7:00 pm via Zoom: 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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THANKS TO ALL

We thank everyone who helped with our Triduum and Easter liturgies-those who prepared the space, served as liturgical ministers, livestreamed the services, led us in song, and cleaned up afterwards. We are so thankful too, for all those who were able to join us both live and on-line. It is such a blessing to gather together

again!







DININE MERCY SUNDAY

Join us for the joint Divine Mercy celebration for OLIH and St Luke's. It begins with individual confessions at 2:00 pm and a recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 pm. Activities will be held at St Luke's THIS Sunday, April 24.

NEWCOMER WELCOME

Newcomer Welcome

OLIH is a big place. Let us break it down for you. Find out about your new home and tell us about yourself.

All newcomers are invited to a reception THIS Monday, April 25 at 7:00 pm in the Social Hall. We will share with you some of the wonderful things about Our Lady's - including ways to connect and get involved - whether you are ready to jump in today or need to wait until you're a little more settled in!

Tour of the Church

Everyone is invited to join us on Monday, May 9 at 7:00 pm for a 'Tour of the Church' facilitated by Fr James. Ever wonder why there's candles on the sides of our church? Or why our sanctuary is in the shape that it is? Come have your questions answered.

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

FAITH FORMATION

First Communion

Please remember in your prayers the 102 First Communicants and their families as they come to the Table of the Lord for the first time. We pray that you will always be so excited, children, to receive Jesus in the Eucharist!



Pictures

Please take a look at the pictures of our First Communicants. The pictures are on a poster in the office hallway. What precious children!

Last Week of Faith Formation Classes

This coming week is the last for our 2021-22 Faith Formation Youth classes. Be sure to look online for the 2022-23 registration opening up in May.



Appreciation Event

All our Lifelong Faith Formation Volunteers are invited to an open house in your honor! Drop in any time on Sunday, **May 1** from 1:00 to 3:00 pm to enjoy ice cream with all the toppings. Bring the whole family!

See you there- Tom, Randy, Patty. Abby, Jackie & Mary

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 8:50 am-12:00 pm. 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

FOR OUR GARDUATES

Senior Blessing

Mark on your calendars, the Blessing of Seniors will take place at each of the Masses on the weekend of May 14 & 15.

Grad Drive-Through

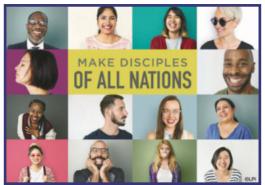
Saturday, **May 14**, 9:00-11:00 am. Graduates RSVP at <u>www.olih.org</u>. so we have a 'Senior Treat' on hand for you. Everyone is invited to drive through our parking lot and see our 'Parade of Grads'.

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Give online: :dmdiocese.org/giving/annual-diocesan-appeal.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APR 24

- Sun: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/ Jn 20:19-31
- Mon: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/ Mk 16:15-20
- Tues: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/ Jn 3:7b-15
- Wed: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21
- Thurs: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36
- Fri: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/ Jn 6:1-15
- Sat: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/ Jn 6:16-21

Next Sun:

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

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Monday, April 25 8:30 am Gladys Miner †

Tuesday, April 26 8:30 am Dave Beckmann † 5:30 pm Bud & Mary Lee Volden †

Wednesday, April 27 8:30 am David Pibal †

Friday, April 29 8:30 am Eric Emery †

Saturday, April 30 5:00 pm Norman Dobson †

Sunday, May 1

8:30 am People of the Parish † 10:30 am Mary Kelchen †

OLIH: WORKING FOR THE GOOD

Knit One Purl Two

Do you knit or crochet? Please join us in making knitted, crocheted, or sewn items for charity. All skill levels are welcome; just bring whatever you are working on for a fun afternoon of sharing and conversation THIS Wednesday, **April 27**: 1:00 - 2:30 pm in Room 11. Contact Vicki Kolbinger, <u>vickikolbinger@gmail.com</u> or 515/865-1746.

CDA May Crowning—May 3

Ladies, our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, **May 3** at 6:30 pm in the Banquet Room. Our agenda for the evening includes the May Crowning and Rosary.

We continue to collect cans for the youth group as we help them raise funds to attend the youth conference in Steubenville Ohio this summer. So far we've raised **\$1,535**—thank you to everyone that's helped so far! Any parishioner reading this notice and not a Catholic Daughter, but would like to help can make a donation at the parish office.



If you are not a member of Catholic Daughters, but think you might be interested, please join us that evening so you can meet us and we can meet you. Thank you and many blessings to all. Questions? Send an email to <u>cdaolih1945@gmail.com</u>.

BLOOD Give the Gift of Life—May 5



Did you know up to 90% of people will need blood at some point in their lives, yet fewer than 5% donate on a regular basis? Help your community by scheduling your lifesaving appointment. Go to 'Parish Events' on www.olih.org to reserve a slot. Appointments required.

PARISHIONER'S MUSICAL TALENTS

Community Chorus Offers Free Concert

About 15 of our OLIH parishioners will be performing with the 65 member Ankeny Community Chorus at their annual spring concert at Prairie Ridge Church (825 NW 36th St) Friday, **May 6**. The concert starts at 7:30 pm with refreshments after. Come and support your OLIH friends!

Spring Recital

Piano Students of Carol Schaefer will perform their Spring Recital with a variety of Gershwin, Chopin and familiar music filled with love and happy rhythms! You are cordially invited to share our Recital on Mothers' Day, **May 8**, 6:00 pm at OLIH Church.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

TWO APPEALS

The *lanite!* Campaign kicks off next week

Next weekend will mark the official start of the Ignite! Campaign at Our Lady's Immaculate Heart. This major fundraising effort will help us renovate our kitchen and bathrooms and update our indoor and electronic messaging.

Broader campaign goals include:



- Establishing a \$25 million endowment to provide the support families need to send their children to Catholic schools.
- Increasing funds for seminarian education and priest retirement.
- Funding parish renewal and vibrancy initiatives.

As we join other parishes in participating in the first wave of this milestone effort, it is with immense joy that we report the campaign has already secured gifts and pledges totaling more than \$15 million. Now it's our turn to continue the amazing work that's underway!

LEND SUPPORT

Chip in for Charity

St Vincent de Paul will host their annual golf fundraiser on Thursday, May 26 at Copper Creek Golf Club (4825 Copper Creek Dr, Pleasant Hill, IA). Registration at 8:30 am; Shotgun start at 10:00 am. Can't attend? You can still support the cause by purchasing raffle tickets. Look for members of the OLIH SVDP selling tickets after Mass on May

Help!

Catholic Charities needs help with its refugee resettlement program! They urgently need groups and individuals to help with apartment set up, move furniture, transport clients to appointments, and more. This is a way for you to help with our Afghan and Ukrainian brothers and sisters. Email volunteers@catholiccharities.org to see how you can help.

Welcome to all

An invitation is extended to embrace and welcome ALLincluding any person with sensory issues or disabilities of autism, Down's syndrome, developmental/intellectual, dementia, Alzheimer's, and other disabilities for them, and their family, to attend a Mass at 3:00 pm at St. Ambrose Cathedral on May 22. A reception is planned following the Mass.

If you're looking for resources for the disabled, go to dmdiocese.org/disabilityministry. For more information on resources or joining a support group, email Patty Origer at poriger@dmdiocese.org.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

YCDM Catholic Singles Group **Mass & Singles Mixer**

Join the Catholic singles in their 20s and 30 for daily Mass followed by a taco bar dinner with drinks at Christ the King Parish (5711 SW 9th St, DSM) on Thursday, April 28, 5:30 to 10:00 pm. Feel free to come to one, two, or all three of the offerings as your schedule allows!

- 5:30 pm–Mass in the Church
- 6:00 pm-Confession
- 6:30 pm—Taco Bar dinner & socializing



The 2022 Sparkle Run is a 5k and Kids Fun Run in honor of OLIH parishioner Erin Moomey who passed away at age 11 from complications from Leukemia. The Sparkle Run raises funds for organizations that

support children and families with cancer and other life-threatening illnesses. The 2022 Sparkle Run will take place on Saturday, April 30 at the Ankeny DMACC Campus in the Main Parking Lot at 2:00 pm. Our proceeds this year will benefit My Happy Place-Des Moines. Thank you for your continued support of The Sparkle Run!



Join us for the Race to Feed Kids in support of Mary's Meals! This isn't just your average run/walk. Every single race registration will feed one child at school in Malawi, Africa for an entire year, helping to end hunger and change their story.

APR 29 & MAY 1 MINISTRY

Saturday, APRIL 30 AT 5:00 PM

Cross Bearer: Derrick Tallman Eucharistic Captain: Mike Jensen Eucharistic Asst: Bev Whitlatch Eucharistic Ministers: Deb Goebel, Jodi Judge, Angela (*sub requested*) & Dan Ossian, Mary Sankey, Anita Turczynski, Amy Wall Hospitality: Tony Farrell, Gordon Havlik, Brad Wall Lector: Rick Hermann & Janice Throckmorton Music: Lydia Schettler & Charlie Hart (*sub requested*)

Livestreaming: Eric & Zac h Parsons

Sunday, MAY 1 AT 8:30 AM

Cross Bearer: Carter Smith **Eucharistic Captain:** Glen Swanson **Eucharistic Asst:** *Volunteer Needed*

Eucharistic Ministers: John & Jolene Baumhover, Janet Harmeyer, Jean Larsen, Jeff Robinson, Kari Smith, Kathy Swanson

Hospitality Captain: Kurt Larsen
Hospitality: Denise & Rod Cundy, Jim Harkin, Kevin Smith, Doug Wright
Lector: Eveey Lane & Michael Marlow
Music: Joan Jamison & Molly Hackman

Sound: Nick Kolacia

Sunday, MAY 1 AT 10:30 AM

Cross Bearer: Tom Doruska Eucharistic Captain: Laura Parsons Eucharistic Asst: Volunteer Needed

Eucharistic Ministers: Joyce Clawson, Misty Hade, Jill Kreutzer, Nick Meng, Melanie Richardson, LuAnn Wooley

Hospitality Captain: Bill Wood Hospitality: Sharon Conrad, Emily Gardyasz, Chris McKone, Pat White, Julie Wood

Lector: Sara Doruska & Brian Hartman Music: Andrea Maher & Owen Ferguson (swap requested)

Sound: Bob White

Money Counters

Monday, Apr 25: Pat Battani, Mary Dobson, Jim Harkin, Sheila Mattheis Monday, May 2: Deb Arend, Becky & Kirk Schwiete, Cari Spear



April 24, 2022

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

Sunday of Divine Mercy

Acts 5:12-16 Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 | Jn 20:19-31

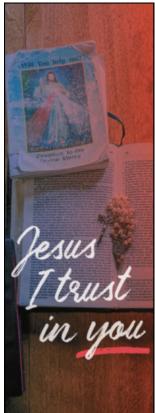
GROW: AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE In today's Gospel, Thomas gets singled out as the one who doubts that Jesus had risen from the dead. But the other Gospels reveal that the other disciples doubted too. I understand why they had trouble believing that Jesus was alive. To think that God loves us enough that he chose to become human to die for our sins is incomprehensible. To accept that he loves us this deeply is almost unbearable. It seems doubtful anyone can love us that much. It seems doubtful that we deserve to be loved that much. It is much easier to doubt than to believe. But Thomas was the first to publicly proclaim the man Jesus as also God: My Lord and my God! he says. The risen Jesus had come into the room, although the doors were locked, and called them back into belief. Through Christ, God shows the disciples - and us - the extent of his love and mercy. We are worth it, even when we doubt, even when we fail. His death and resurrection are testament to that. He will walk through whatever walls exist to tell us. No doubt about it.

GO: EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

The reading from the Acts of the Apostles today describes the reaction to the apostles' joyful and confident proclamation that Jesus was Lord and God after receiving the Holy Spirit. The crowds drew near just to have Peter's shadow fall upon those who were sick. God's mercy has no bounds. How can we be like the first disciples? In what ways do our lives reflect God's mercy on us? Where can our own "shadows fall" so that God's goodness and grace can bring healing and comfort to others? Let us begin our days by giving "thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting," and trust that the Holy Spirit will both remind us of our blessings and continued need for mercy, and guide us to encounters with others who need the same.

PRAY During this Easter season, read a passage from the Acts of the Apostles each day and immerse yourself in the history of the early Church. End your time of reflection by

praying the Apostles' Creed, the statement of beliefs of Christians in the first centuries after Jesus' death and resurrection.



IN THE NEWS

Be a part of Ankeny's Favorite preschool-a few spots still available for Fall 2022. Email or call today!



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.



Please remember -Ari Rodriguez, son of Alfredo and Rachel and brother of Knox, Rue and Sally, and Paul Riggs, parishioner.

God grant them eternal rest.



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