

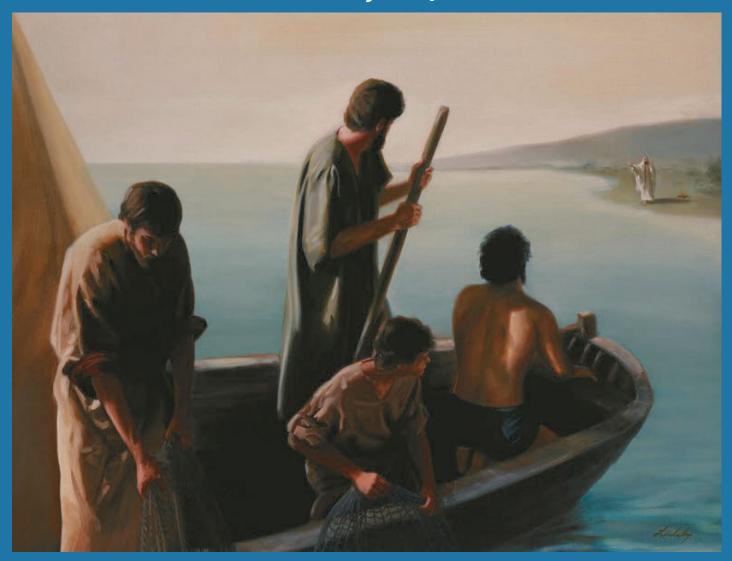
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3rd Sunday of Easter



So the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord." When Simon Peter heard that is was the Lord, he tucked in his garment, for he was lightly clad, and jumped into the sea. –John 21:7

April 29 & May 1, 2022

APRIL 30 & MAY 1, 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 weekends of the month following the 5:00 pm or 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.

Parish Address 510 East First Street, Ankeny, IA 50021

Website Www.olih.org



FR JAMES' FUTURE PLANS

This past weekend priest assignment changes were announced in parishes. Fr. James Downey-who has served our parish and St. Luke's the past 21/2 years— is being assigned to the teaching faculty of Dowling Catholic High School beginning mid-July. I am thankful for Fr. Downey's service to our parish and wish him success in his new assignment. Before he leaves we will have a reception for him sometime in late June or early July. We continue to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, religious, and deaconate.



PS-Please keep Fr Michael in your prayers as he leads a group to the Holy Land. He will return after May 12.

BEGINNING THIS SUNDAY

Ignite! Campaign Kicks Off!

This weekend marks the official start of the *Ignite!* Campaign. In the coming days, you will receive a letter from Father Michael and Bishop Joensen. The letter includes a specific amount for you to prayerfully consider. Please know the request is an invitation, not an expectation.

After receiving the letter, many of you will be contacted by a volunteer to discuss the campaign, answer any questions



you may have and secure your decision. Volunteers don't know what is being requested of anyone. They are simply encouraging participation among fellow parishioners. Please review the campaign material, pray about your response, and continue to spread the positive message about this important effort!

COME TO THE TABLE

We were blessed to have 100 children receive the Sacrament of First Communion the weekend of April 23 & 24. Thanks to Jackie King, the catechists and the parents who made this day happen.





FAITH FORMATION

Youth Faith Formation classes are over—enjoy your summer! Keep an eye out for 2022-2023 online registration opening up soon.



Appreciation Event

All our Lifelong Faith Formation Volunteers are invited to an open house on THIS 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

FOR OUR GRADUATES

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'.

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

We are offering a Special Needs Ministry Room in addition to regularly integrated VBS participation again this year! If interested in registering an individual with special needs contact Mary Sankey 515-964-3545 ex118 marys@olih.org



Gr 6-12 YM Week

And for our older students, check out our website under 'Parish Events' and see what we have each day for you. Sign up for one or all events. You can volunteer in the morning at VBS and take part in our fun later in the day.

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

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Readings For the Week of May 1

- 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
- Mon: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29 -30/Jn 6:22-29
- Tues: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14
- Wed: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/ Jn 6:35-40
- Thurs: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/ Jn 6:44-51
- Fri: cts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59
- Sat: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69

Next Sun:

Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c]/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-3 ©Liturgical Publications Inc



Monday, May 2

8:30 am Leighton Kor †

Tuesday, May 3

8:30 am Todd Johnston † 5:30 pm Andrej Kukovica †

Wednesday, May 4 8:30 am Alicia & Telesforo Paluay †

Friday, May 6 8:30 am Living & Deceased Members of the Catholic Daughters

Saturday, May 7

8:30 am Michael Hall † 5:00 pm Quentin Jameson †

Sunday, May 8

8:30 am Michelle Williams † 10:30 am People of the Parish

OLIH: WORKING FOR THE GOOD

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.

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 cdaolih1945@gmail.com.



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 <u>www.olih.org</u> to reserve a slot. Appointments required.

Family Promise: May 29-June 5

It's not only our turn again but we're back to welcoming our guests to 'our house'! OLIH is in charge of meals, overnight hosting, and shuttle duty for Family Promise **May 29-June 5**. Please check under 'Parish Events' on our website to see how you can help Mattresses are provided, bring your own linens. Contact Natalie Francis, <u>francisankeny@aol.com</u>, if you wish to help or have any questions. Must be 21 or older to be a host.

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

PROVIDE COMFORT

Pillow Drive

Help collect new pillows to support Catholic Charities programs —Emergency Family Shelter and the Refugee Resettlement Program. Drop off new pillows in the OLIH Gathering Space before Sunday, May 8. For more information, contact Emily Klisares, <u>eklisares@catholiccharitiesdm.org</u> or 515/237-5027.

Sock Collection Results

We took the socks down to Des Moines Catholic Worker House and they were delighted! We collected **959** pairs of socks this year, the largest amount we've ever collected. The OLIH Peace and Justice Committee started the annual collection on Holy Thursday in 2001. We are grateful for the generosity of those who have donated.

Thanks,

Mary Woolever for the Peace and Justice Committee

LEND SUPPORT

St. Luke's Blue Red Mass

On Thursday, **May 19**, at the regularly scheduled 5:30 pm Mass, St. Luke the Evangelist (1102 NW Weigel Drive) will celebrate a special Mass to not only remember first responders who made the ultimate sacrifice, but to thank the women and men who serve and protect us each day and to pray for their safety. There will be representatives from several area law enforcement, fire and EMS departments, and Dispatch centers present.

Refreshments will be served in the gym after Mass. Please, let's show our support and fill the church! For more information, contact Tom at <u>ankenyjudges@gmail.com</u>

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 14 & 15**.

Welcome to all

An invitation is extended to embrace and welcome ALL including 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 <u>dmdiocese.org/disabilityministry</u>. For more information on resources or joining a support group, email Patty Origer at <u>poriger@dmdiocese.org</u>.

WORKING WITH NATURE

OLIH Planting and Grounds Clean Up!

It's that time of year-finally! On Saturday, **May 7**, we need folks willing to help do some flower planting and spring cleanup of the OLIH grounds. Bring your own gloves and trowel. We will gather (socially distant) on the south plaza at 9:00 am to begin our work. Let Larry Murphy know you are coming (so in case of inclement weather he can notify you) at LMurphy498@gmail.com or 515/975-5514

How to Conserve Water Use Outdoors:

Have you ever thought of using a rain barrel to capture water coming from the roof to use later on your outdoor and indoor plants? Investment in a rain barrel saves money. Average homeowners can save as much as 1300 gallons of water during the growing season. A rain barrel helps to conserve drinking water resources. During mild droughts or water restrictions a homeowner will have a free water source. One inch of rainfall in a 24-hour period can produce more than 700 gallons of water. Why not capture as much as you can with each rainfall? Use of a rain barrel reduces pollution and run-off. Rainwater is highly oxygenated and free of salts, fluoride and inorganic ions making it a much better water source than the faucet for your plants. It is soft water. It is win-win for the homeowner and the environment.

We purchased a rain barrel years ago and it has been wonderful to have. It was a one-time investment that continuously pays dividends yearly. We use it to water all our pots during the growing season. Our neighbor connected two barrels and is able to harvest that much more water during each rain.

Rain barrels can be purchased at most home improvement stores. If you live in Ankeny check out Stormwater Best Management (BMP) Reimbursement Program I City of Ankeny (ankenyiowa.gov). The city will fund a maximum of \$75 for one rain barrel per address.

> *—Jane Alderman* Peace & Justice Committee

SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS

What is the vision of Ankeny Schools for the next five years? The Ankeny Community School District (ACSD) has released drafts of its new Strategic Plan, Profile of a Graduate, and DEI Framework. All Ankeny residents are encouraged to view these on the district website, <u>ankenyschools.org</u>. ACSD and AMOS encourage you to <u>comment on these plans</u> <u>by May 9</u>. The plans will be acted on by the ACSD Board of Education on May 16.

MAY 7 & 8 MINISTRY

Saturday, MAY 7 AT 5:00 PM

Cross Bearer: Don Ochs Eucharistic Captain: Bev Whitlatch Eucharistic Asst: Jodi Judge Eucharistic Ministers: Robin & Todd Misel, Joan & Tom Quinlin, Maria & Rob Schweers, Sr Susan Widdel

Hospitality: Frank Kerkove, Erin Larsen, Mike Myhre

Lector: Becca Hutter & Lee Przybylski Music: Ellyn Cottingham & Jackie Carey Livestreaming: Diane & Tom Primmer

Sunday, MAY 8 AT 8:30 AM

Cross Bearer: James Thurston Eucharistic Captain: Tom Friedman Eucharistic Asst: Jessica Courtney Eucharistic Ministers: JoAnn Curran, Biff & Cindy

Renner, Joleen Scheer, Fran Stefani, Joan Stover, Nicole Vortherms

Hospitality Captain: Paul Arend Hospitality: Joe Corso, Diane & Mark Hamilton, Chris Harmeyer

Lector: Paul Gilbert & Sandra Thurston Music: Joan Jamison & Dan Curran Sound: Sally Link/Joan Ski

Sunday, MAY 8 AT 10:30 AM

Cross Bearer: Ryan King Eucharistic Captain: Mitch Arney Eucharistic Asst: Laura Parsons Eucharistic Ministers: Curt Carlson, Michelle Heyer, Jill Kreutzer, John Pieper, Kari Seivert, Volunteer needed

Hospitality Captain: Wayne Christ
Hospitality: Toby & Vicki Berberich, Chip Pritchard, Dan & Vicki Wagner
Lector: Anna Bernard & Deb Goebel
Music: Mark Riewer & Erin Stoltenberg
Sound: Eric Stall

Money Counters

Monday, May 2: Deb Arend, Becky & Kirk Schwiete, Cari Spear Monday, May 9: Jolee Belzung, Nancy Rude, Susan Thornton



Start saving the 'good stuff' —plans are underway to have our annual OLIH Rummage Sale, **July 21-23**.

Want to help with displaying and pricing? Give us a call, 515/964-3038. Items can be dropped off July 17 & 18. More details to come. May 1, 2022

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

Sunday of Divine Mercy

Acts 5: 27-32, 40b-41| Rev 5:11-14 | Jn 21:1=19 or 21:1-14

GROW: AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

The accounts of Jesus' appearances to the disciples after his resurrection often puzzle me, and today's reading is no exception. There stands Jesus, within sight, yet the Apostles "did not realize that it was Jesus." Hello?! I know we're in the midst of a daylight saving time debate, but I'm fairly sure "dawn" meant the sun was up. Yet as soon as Jesus speaks and they follow his instructions, they realize he is their Lord. Simon Peter wastes no time; he dives into the sea and makes for the shore. Peter and the disciples show us that while it is important to recognize Jesus, it's what we do next that matters. As we learn in Acts, they boldly say his name despite the Sanhedrin's warning, and most will go on to be martyred for the Church. Thanks to them, we recognize Jesus - in the Eucharist, in Scripture, and in Tradition, and on the crucifixes in our homes and churches. Peter challenges us to "dive in," moving from faith to action. The specifics will differ for each of us, but we can study the lives of the Apostles and the saints to find inspiration.

GO: EVANGELIZE |

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT Is it a Catholic thing or the fact that I'm a closet introvert? I sometimes struggle with talking about Jesus. Which is why today's reading from Acts challenges me. The Sanhedrin had warned the Apostles not to even speak Jesus' name. Yet they don't cower in fear or simply go back to the relatively quiet lives they led before they met Jesus. They rejoice to be found worthy "to suffer dishonor for the sake of [Jesus'] name." Their commitment challenges us to be bold - not only with our words but with our actions as well. In the same way that teaching another person math or spelling helps us learn, witnessing to our faith by sharing it with others helps us deepen our faith and answer God's call to be his disciple, striving to build his kingdom on earth.



STUDY This week, look up the feast days and read about the saint of the day. What can we learn from their example?

IN THE NEWS

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Join us in-person or virtually for the 9th annual



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Saturday, May 7, 2022 9AM-12PM

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EVERY REGISTRATION FEEDS A CHILD

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.

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 Lisa Wood 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.

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.



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