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# ST. JOHN'S



CATHOLIC CHURCH

April 18th  
3rd Sunday of Easter

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**Bulletin items** should be emailed to the office by Tuesday at 11 am.

## Regular Mass Schedule

**Tuesday Mass:** 5:30 pm,

**Wed., Thursday, & Friday:** 8:30 am

**Saturday Mass:** 4:30 pm

**Sunday Mass:** 9:00 am

**Reconciliation** is offered on Saturday from 3:30 to 4 pm in the lower level hall.

**Eucharistic Adoration** is held on Thursdays from 9 am to 9 pm.

**Join us for the Rosary** 30 minutes prior to weekend Mass.

Please call the office if you would like to **schedule a Baptism**, a class may be required if you have not attended one in the last 3 years.

Please call at least 6 months in advance to **make Marriage arrangements**.

## Gospel Meditation

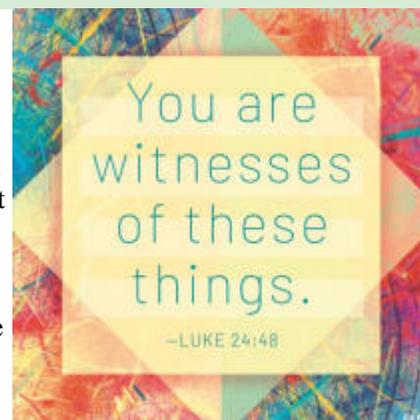
We often act out of ignorance. Armed with the best of intentions, we think we are seeing clearly and correctly, but we are not. We don't always understand the full meaning of things and only perceive part of the truth. Hence, our judgments and actions can be impaired by myopic, incomplete or erroneous perceptions. The meaning of life, understanding of human experience, and negotiating life's challenges can all become skewed without proper understanding and vision. The resurrection of Christ is the corrective to our incomplete and limited view of life. Looking at things with the eyes of faith brings a depth of clarity and understanding to how we see God, ourselves, others, and the world.

Even the disciples struggled with their limited understanding and ignorant perceptions. It was only when Jesus opened their minds to understand the Scriptures that their eyes were opened. It was their "aha" moment when everything clicked. We all want the substance of our lives to come together, make sense, and have meaning. This is easier to achieve when things are going positively and life is good. It is when suffering, disappointment, death, hardship, and injustice enter the picture that things can become unsettled and disoriented. Our faith in the goodness and love of God is tested. We tend to shift our focus on these difficult and challenging moments and do not see them within the greater picture of how God intends life to unfold. We can gain, from the passion and resurrection of Christ, the clear vision we need in order to move away from ignorance to enlightenment.

We need our "aha" moment when everything comes together and clicks. It can come in a fleeting instant when we feel totally connected with God, where we find ourselves, others and all of creation. It is a moment when all is right and good, regardless of how difficult our journey. Our "aha" moment assures us that God is here, right with us, in us and around us bringing us a gift and blessing we can receive nowhere else: peace. In those brief sacramental encounters when we are lifted up out of ourselves and centered, we can hear God say, "peace be with you," and we feel secure. It's all okay. The resurrected Christ has the power to bring this gift to us. Some people, as they are facing their deaths, remark about this peace. When looking into the window of eternity, they experience a depth of joy and are amazed at God's goodness and closeness. We are called to be witnesses to this Good News. ©LPi

## Live the Liturgy

When the greeting "Peace be with you" is sincerely offered to a person, it can resonate very deep within, bringing comfort and reassurance. When someone possesses the power to bring peace, it brings us to a place of safety and fills us with joy. The resurrected Christ has this power. God can open our minds so that we can more fully understand the meaning of Sacred Scripture and God's compassionate, loving, tender, and untiring embrace constantly present and offered to people throughout history. Without the anchor of truth that only God can provide, we can easily become startled and terrified at the sight of what life brings us. Being open to God's offer of peace, we can turn away from old habits and short-sighted vision and experience the gladness and joy of God's gift. Only then can what is wounded and broken be mended and reconciliation achieved. We are the resurrection witnesses called to proclaim the Good News. ©LPi



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Saturday, April 17th, 4:30 pm, **Mike Schnoes**  
Sunday, April 18th, 9:00 am, **Margaret Downing**  
Tuesday, April 20th, 5:30 pm, **Luella Fuhrman**  
Wednesday, April 21st, 8:30 am, **Walter & Maxine Chandlee**  
Thursday, April 22nd, 8:30 am, **Special Intentions for Rob Fisher**  
Friday, April 23rd, 8:30 am, **St. John's Parish**  
Saturday, April 24th, 4:30 pm, **Mary Meis**  
Sunday, April 25th, 9:00 am, **Pauline Maurath**

*Please contact the office to schedule Mass Intentions the suggested stipend is \$5.*



**We welcome all who come to worship with us today!**

If you are new to St. John's and would like to know more about becoming a member please contact the office or pick a welcome packet in the entry.

**Thank you to the 72 families who made a one-time gift or pledge to the Annual Diocesan Appeal.** We are \$19,000 away from meeting our parish's goal! If you have not yet made your gift, please prayerfully consider doing so. You can donate via a pledge card (they are available in the entry if you don't already have one) or you can give online via this link; <https://www.dmdiocese.org/giving/>



Our community changed lives this Lent, and CRS Rice Bowl wants to say **Thank you for your generous donations totaling \$1,563!** Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl to the box in the church entry if you haven't already done so.

#### **Listening Sessions**

The Diocese of Des Moines is inviting Black, Indigenous, Latino, Asian, and Pacific Islander Catholics to participate in an opportunity to share their thoughts, perspectives, experiences, and feelings on racial justice in the Church and society with Bishop William Joensen, leadership at the Diocese of Des Moines, and Catholic Charities. Dates for listening sessions are to be determined. If you or someone you know is interested in participating, please contact Mark Schmidt, coordinator of Racial Justice programming, at [catholicracialjustice@gmail.com](mailto:catholicracialjustice@gmail.com) or 515-259-0171.

#### **Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide**

Divorced or separated and wondering what your next step is? Join us Tuesdays starting May 11, 6p at Christ the King Parish. We'll help untangle the knots from a Catholic perspective in our 12 week program. \$35 for the materials. Call Deacon Tony Valdez at 515-979-2301 to pre-register.

**St. Theresa Parish in Des Moines seeks a full-time parish manager responsible for fiscal and facility management.** For more information, contact Sr. Jude Fitzpatrick at 515-237-5048 or at [jfitzpatrick@dmdiocese.org](mailto:jfitzpatrick@dmdiocese.org). Applications are due April 28th, please send application and cover letter to: [jfitzpatrick@dmdiocese.org](mailto:jfitzpatrick@dmdiocese.org).

Did you owe the state after filing your taxes this year? Wipe out your Iowa state tax liability with a gift to CTO. For every dollar you give, you'll receive a 65% Iowa tax credit! Learn more at [CTOIowa.org](http://CTOIowa.org).

**NOTE**

Just a note to let you know we will not be hosting a garage sale this Spring.

#### **3rd Sunday of Easter /April 18th, 2021**

##### **First Reading:**

The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses. (Acts 3:15)

**Psalm:** Lord, let your face shine on us. (Ps 4)

**Second Reading:** He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. (1 Jn 2:2)

**Gospel:** "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name." (Lk 24:46-47)

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#### **Readings for the week of April 18th, 2021**

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/  
Lk 24:35-48  
Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]/Jn 6:22-29  
Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]/Jn 6:30-35  
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/Jn 6:35-40  
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/Jn 6:44-51  
Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59  
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/Jn 6:60-69

**Attention Liturgical Ministers!** We need your help to update our records. We plan to begin using the Ministry Scheduler Pro software again in May. All liturgical ministers whether active or not will be receiving an email next week. Please use the information to access the scheduler and make any necessary changes to your personal information or liturgical roles. If you would like to sign up for a new role please contact Sarah Graf at [liturgy@stjohnsadel.org](mailto:liturgy@stjohnsadel.org) or have further questions please contact the office.

**Do you have Prayer Requests for the Prayer Chain?** They can be emailed or called in to the office during office hours Monday - Thursday 9 am to 4 pm, Friday 9 am to Noon. [office@stjohnsadel.org](mailto:office@stjohnsadel.org) or 515-993-4482. Contact Lori if you would like to join the email prayer chain.

If you would like to set up Online Giving visit our website at [www.stjohnsadel.org](http://www.stjohnsadel.org) and click Give Online!



### GRADUATING SENIORS

If you are a son or daughter of a Knights of Columbus from St. John's Council and planning on attending school next year to further your education, YOU qualify to apply for a KC Scholarship. Please contact Mike Cooper in person or at [mccoop@mchsi.com](mailto:mccoop@mchsi.com) or 993-3565 or 201-4200 to obtain a short application form to be completed by April 19th. So DO IT NOW! Application forms also available in the entry.

Knights of Columbus will be hosting Spring Clean Up at St. John's Saturday, April 24th, starting at 8 AM. Inside and out. Lots of help needed. We will also put together a team on this day to change out the lights in the new parish hall. Yes student help is appreciated. This can be used for honor cord hours.



**Ever wonder what the Knights are all about.** Sunday, April 25th after the 9 AM mass the Knights will have an Exemplification. This is the induction ceremony to join the Knights. If you are interested in joining the Knights let us know! Everyone is welcome to attend this Exemplification.

### Knight Life

April 23rd Fellowship committee is bringing in Staley's Chicken for a drive through. GO to parish web site, and share their blog to your facebook page. Be ready and on standby if they need any help.



April 24th spring cleanup. Many hands make light work, inside and out. Step ladders and shop vacs for inside if you have them. Leather gloves and rakes outside.

We go rain or shine...

April 25th - Exemplification right after mass. We have a good chance at making Star council, get your recruits to this exemplification. IF you are 1st degree, you can advance to 3rd degree by attending. Jim Haynes will be running this one, let him know if you have a recruit.

May 12th - RE end of year picnic. We will be having a cook out. If weather permits we will serve right behind the trailer down stairs. We will need grillers and servers. Masked and gloved. Serving hotdogs, cookies and chips. If poor weather we will server to go bags upstairs entry. They will grab and go as they leave. Sign up genius is open.

May 20 - 22 State track meet. Not sure if we will be running the concession stand this year or not. Watch for the emails and bulletin announcements. We write own check on this one, a lot of sign ups equals a lot of income, low sign up equals low income. Be ready!!

Catholic Youth Camp at the St. Thomas More Center at Lake Panorama is planning for the best summer ever! Head to [stmcenter.com](http://stmcenter.com) to **secure your spot for CYC 2021**. Contact St. John's office for a coupon code that will allow you to save \$150 per child, made possible by the children's collection!

**Companions on the Journey** is the name of our Inter-generational Faith Formation Program that we have been offering all year. Our April Session, From Turmoil to Mission, focuses on our new life in the Easter Season and will be available soon. To learn more and access past sessions go to the Companions page of the parish website <https://www.stjohnsadel.org/companions>

**Bishop William Joensen invites you to join him** for a Holy Hour every Monday at 5 p.m. at St. Ambrose Cathedral, or you can join him virtually at [Facebook.com/dmdiocese](https://www.facebook.com/dmdiocese). Bishop is praying for guidance from the Holy Spirit as we emerge from the pandemic.

**The Works of Mercy Committee invites you to take part in helping to fill 3 different needs.** You can choose to donate to one or all causes, any help is greatly appreciated. We've tried to offer various ways to participate - online or paper. Please pick up a tag(s) in the entry at St. John's or sign-up to donate items via Sign-up Genius. Please return all items to St. John's entry by April 25th!



Visit our website for the Sign-up Genius link under News: Works of Mercy Spring Cleaning Collection. Thank you for your participation in these worthy causes!



St. John's will offer the opportunity to pick up a **Staley's Chicken Dinner on Friday, April 23rd, from 5-7 pm.** This will be a drive through dinner modeled after the Knights Fish Fry dinner. It will include a breast, leg, mashed potatoes, gravy, and green beans. The price will be \$10 per dinner. The proceeds from this dinner will go to help our youth ministry participants with the cost of the upcoming NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference) in November. Thank you to the Fellowship Committee for scheduling this event! If you would like to sign up to help there will be a sign up sheet in the entry soon.

**Staley's has a reputation for serving great chicken! Please share with your friends!**



Communication is key! If you need to reserve a room for your group or meeting outside of our regularly scheduled meetings please contact the office. If you have a prayer request, have social news, are on a committee, or are

involved in an event here at St. John's please make sure to email or contact the parish office with important information regarding your activities so that we can put them in the bulletin or on the website. Our weekly bulletin deadline is Tuesday at noon for the coming weekend. Holiday day deadlines are moved up. We are also able to send email & phone app notifications but we want to be sure that we have used other means of communication first, if possible. Our email address is [office@stjohnsadel.org](mailto:office@stjohnsadel.org) or you can drop off information in the parish office. Thank you from the parish staff!

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