

ST. MARY PARISH

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LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week: Alleluia! Christ is risen!



About today's feast, St. Augustine writes: "And he departed from our sight that we might return to our hearts and find him there. For he left us, and behold, he is here." Christ's resurrected presence lives not only in the highest heaven but in the fragile human heart. Christ's life inspires us and moves us to see a future for every human being and discover our true purpose and meaning. Every human being has a desire to live, and this cry can be heard within. There is a longing for a connection with Someone greater than ourselves that gives an import to our existence that we cannot supply.



Lord of Easter's Promise,

I live in faith of the resurrection, but such is the nature of my faith that so much of me remains entombed. Break open the tomb. Where I've buried my compassion, break open the tomb.

Where I've buried my sense of mercy, break open the tomb.

Where I've buried my humility, break open the tomb.

Where I've buried my love for my heavenly Father, break open the tomb.

Where I've buried my sense of joy, break open the tomb.

Where I've buried my willingness to forgive, break open the tomb.

Lord, in you I've found a Savior no grave can withstand.

Help me to roll away this stone and find the miracle of new life that I may live more fully in your saving grace. Amen.

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Today, our deepest questions find answers.



BAPTISM INTO THE FAMILY OF GOD & OUR COMMUNITIES OF FAITH:

Saturday, Apr. 10 at St. Joseph, Garnavillo during Mass

Lance Patrick Brandel
Bryce Elliott Brandel

sons of Cody & Samantha (Gamm) Brandel

May you both grow in age, knowledge & wisdom in the Lord!

Public Mass Schedule: Apr 5 – Apr 11, 2021

Please use sanitizer, practice social distancing & wear a mask

Mon., Apr 5: [No Mass Scheduled]

Tues., Apr 6: 8:30 A.M. — St. Joseph, Garnavillo, Mass
Reynold & Bernice Scheffert

Wed., Apr 7: 8:30 A.M. — St. Mary, Guttenberg, 2nd Grade
Fran Troester & Sherrie Casey

Thur., Apr 8: 8:30 A.M. — Guttenberg River Living Center
Ann Olinger & Kathleen Bockenstedt

Fri., Apr 9: [No Mass Scheduled]

Sat., Apr 10: VIGIL OF FRIST SUNDAY IN EASTER
4:00 P.M. — St. Joseph, Garnavillo, Mass
Barbara Mohning – [Month Mind]
5:30 P.M. — St. Mary, Guttenberg, Mass
Lester & Marie Gorton

Sun., Apr 11: FIRST SUNDAY OF EASTER,
SMIC FIRST COMMUNION
8:30 A.M. — Immaculate Conception, N. Buena Vista
People of the Parish
10:00 A.M. — St. Mary, Guttenberg, Mass, *Live Streamed*
Vernon & Joyce Cherne

SMIC First Communion

Sunday, April 11, 2021

Please keep our communicants in your prayers.

Immaculate Conception,

N. Buena Vista, 8:30am

Riley Errthum

Ella Vonderhaar

Dason Wilwert



St. Mary, Guttenberg, 10am

Brantley Deutmeyer

Katelyn Kies

Peyton Lacy

Alexis Mescher

Ethan Rogers

Henry Schroeder

Camdyn Seeley

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever." [John 6:51](#)

Please plan accordingly as there may be more people at the Apr. 11th Mass.

Mass Readings for April 4, 2021, Easter Sunday:

Reading I, Acts 10:34a, 37-43 : Peter proceeded to speak and said: “You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Responsorial Psalm, 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23: R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, “His mercy endures forever.” **R.**

“The right hand of the LORD has struck with power; the right hand of the LORD is exalted. I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.” **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes. **R.**

Reading II, Col 3:1-4 : Brothers and sisters: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

Sequence: Christians, to the Paschal Victim Offer your thankful praises! A Lamb the sheep redeems; Christ, who only is sinless, reconciles sinners to the Father. Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous: The Prince of life, who died, reigns immortal. Speak, Mary, declaring what you saw, wayfaring. “The tomb of Christ, who is living, the glory of Jesus’ resurrection; Bright angels attesting, the shroud and napkin resting. Yes, Christ my hope is arisen; to Galilee he goes before you.” Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining. Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning! Amen. Alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia. Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; let us then feast with joy in the Lord. **R. Alleluia, alleluia.** Cf. 1 Cor 5:7b-8a

Gospel, Jn 20:1-9 : On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, “They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don’t know where they put him.” So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

Youth Ministry Events/Activities

Youth Ministry meets on Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00pm., with a meal at 6:30.

April 9: Registration and \$125 deposit due for the **National Catholic Youth Conference** which will be Nov. 18-21.

Spring Cleaning?

SMIC Spring Rummage & Bake Sale

April 22 and 23 - 1pm-6pm

April 24 - 8am-2pm (1/2 price all day)

Now accepting donations of clean saleable items. Contact Val Cromer Mon-Fri 8:30am-1pm, 252-2121, with questions or donations.

Holy Thursday: On this Holy Thursday, focus on this truth: Jesus loves you so much that he is willing to wash your feet. He cares for you so deeply that he wants to tend to your every need, even to the point of feeding you with his Bread of Life and the cup of his own Blood. How loving and generous is our Savior! *Lord, thank you for offering me a whole new life with you! Teach me how to love and serve as fully as you have done.* ”

Good Friday: As you pray the Stations of the Cross today, remember that God’s mercy is truly limitless. Never believe that the pain and suffering that Jesus endured was not enough to save you. Never think that the blood that flowed from his side was for everyone else but not for you. Never let any sin stand between you and the Lord. For by his holy cross, he has redeemed the world—and that includes you! *“Jesus, I thank you from the bottom of my heart for dying on the cross to save me.”*

Holy Saturday: *As this season of light begins anew, we pray that the risen Christ will shine in your heart brighter than ever before. “Father, illuminate your Church and illuminate me by your word.”*

Easter Sunday: Christ is risen-*for you.* He has overcome sin-*for you.* He has opened heaven-*for you.* Take hold of these gifts by taking hold of Jesus. Then watch as your heart is filled with joy. *“Lord, I don’t want to be satisfied with just hearing about you. On this day above all others, let me meet you.”*

Upcoming Events

Apr 6: CDA Mtg, Noon, Brinkmann Hall

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Apr 11: 1st Communion, SMIC Gr.2

SMIC Cash Raffle Winners:

3/3—\$100, Jeff Frink 3/10—\$50, Nathaniel White

3/17—\$100, Sarah Schirmer 3/24—\$50, Jayne/Marty Bries