

## Daily Readings

Week of April 23, 2023

Sunday, 4/23: Acts 2: 14, 22-33/Ps 16: 1-2, 5, 7-11/

1 Pt 1: 17-21/Lk 24: 13-35

Monday, 4/24: Rv 3: 7-8, 10-12/Ps 119: 137-144/

Jn 10: 11-16

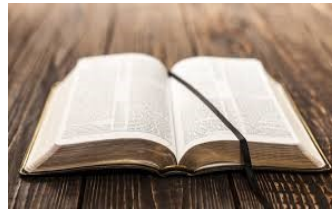
Tuesday, 4/25: 1 Pt 5: 5-14/Ps 89: 2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16: 15-20

Wednesday, 4/26: Acts 8: 1-8/Ps 66: 1-7/Jn 6: 35-40

Thursday, 4/27: Acts 8: 26-40/Ps 66: 8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6: 44-51

Friday, 4/28: Acts 9: 1-20/Ps 117: 1-2/Jn 6: 52-59

Saturday, 4/29: Acts 9: 31-42/Ps 116: 12-17/Jn 6: 60-69



# SACRED HEART

**“BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY  
OF SACRED HEART: LOVE,  
PRAYER & SERVICE”**

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Mass Schedule: 10:30am Sunday

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## April 23, 2023

## 3rd Sunday of Easter

### Sacred Heart Office Hours:

Mon., Wed., Fri.

10:00am-11:00am

Phone: 319-320-5003

### St. John the Baptist (Mt. Vernon)

#### Office Hours:

Tues.: 8:00am-5:00pm, Fri.: 7:00am-3:30pm

Phone: 319-895-6246

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Ron Nowachek

Mark Denniston

## Schedule for April 30, 2023

Lector: Eli

Greeters/Gifts: Moorman Family

Servers: Grady/Declan

Money Counters: Mark/Sharon

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Mark/Doris

**Liturgical  
Ministers**

## Today's Mass Intention:

**Deloris Eganhouse**

### **Priest Visit to the Homebound**

If you are sick or homebound or know someone who is, and would like Fr. Andrew to visit and pray, contact the main office at 319-320-5003 or email Fr. Andrew at DBQ137@dbqarch.org.

## Prayer Corner

- Betty Anderson, Rich Kleineck, Leonard Lasack,

Marilyn Stevenson, Julie Ahrendsen,

Isaiah Leeper, Larry Merrick, Rosie Stephan, Shirley Coon

- Archbishop Jackels, Fr. Andrew



## PASTOR SPEAKS

### Encounter Jesus and Others

Happy Easter Season! It is with great excitement and deep joy that I want to welcome both parishioners and friends to our weekly encounter with the Lord and with one another. We are a parish family happily striving to encounter Jesus in our Sunday celebrations and share Him with others—old and new faces!

In fact, we have just entered one of the happiest moments of the year in our parish, the *Easter Season! It's a hopeful time! It's a time we look forward to many exciting celebrations, including the sacraments of Holy Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation.*

Filled with tremendous faith, hope, and excitement, we will join some of our children and their families in the parish to celebrate their baptism on April 30. Then their First Holy Communion on Saturday, April 29. Then on May 7, Hunter and Haven will celebrate their First Reconciliation as they prepare for their First Holy Communion on June 25. Our Confirmation candidates: Grady, Lily, Nathan, and Eli will also do their reconciliation on May 7 in preparation for their Confirmation on May 21.

To the First Holy communion candidates, be prepared to Encounter Jesus. You're in for a **Treat! There is something very special about the Eucharist. It is real food, but it is also the real Body of a person; we call him Jesus. So, what you are going to receive is the Body and Blood of Jesus.**

To the Confirmation candidates, be prepared to encounter the Holy Spirit. He will anoint you with the oil of gladness. And remember, that will be the time to shine your spotlight on all the virtues, gifts, and talents and use them to serve the parish and the world. **Become missionary disciples in our parish. Share your faith, announce it, be proud of it!**

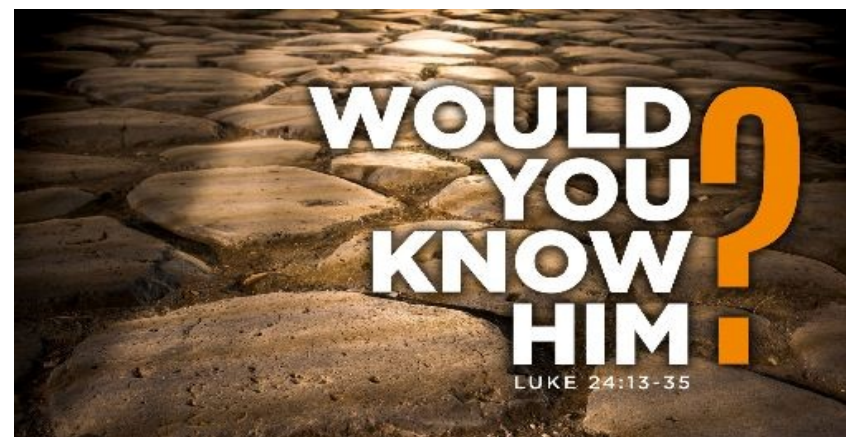
And by the way, we are hoping we can get Bishop Pates, the Apostolic Administrator to visit our parish and confirm the candidates following Archbishop Jackel's early retirement for health reasons. Let's pray that he can make it not only for the candidates but so he can visit our wonderful parish community and enjoy some kolaches with us!

All parishioners congratulate the groups of candidates and their families. We also thank their families for permitting the children to be part of this **LIFE, this ENCOUNTER, this UNDYING LOVE for Jesus in the Eucharist and for the Church.**

I welcome all families and friends of those who will be receiving the sacraments to Sacred

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- By the time you read this, many kolaches will have been made and sold on Friday and Saturday. At last count, we had over 200 dozen orders! Thank you to all of you who donated supplies or money for this project, and those of you who shared your time and talent. Thanks to Doris and Sharon for heading up this large money-making project for the church. More to come next week.
- May 7 refreshment committee after Mass is: Patty M, Amy E, Abby I and Leha J.
- Join us at St. Patrick's Church in Anamosa on May 1st and 2nd at 6:30pm each night for a two-day Catholic Mission you will never forget! Catholic speaker, best-selling author and radio host, John Leonetti will help us close the gap between the Gospel and our everyday lives. Evening one explores, "Who is God and why does that matter" and evening two journeys through "God's dream for your life." A taco bar will be provided Monday before the event in the parish hall beginning at 5pm. Bring your family and friends to this free and unforgettable experience!



April 16, 2023 Collection:

Envelopes = \$840.00  
Offertory = \$87.00  
Candles = \$10.00  
Easter = \$50.00  
Rice Bowl = \$13.86

TOTAL = \$1000.86

Please have all bulletin submissions to Colleen Coon by Wednesday PM

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