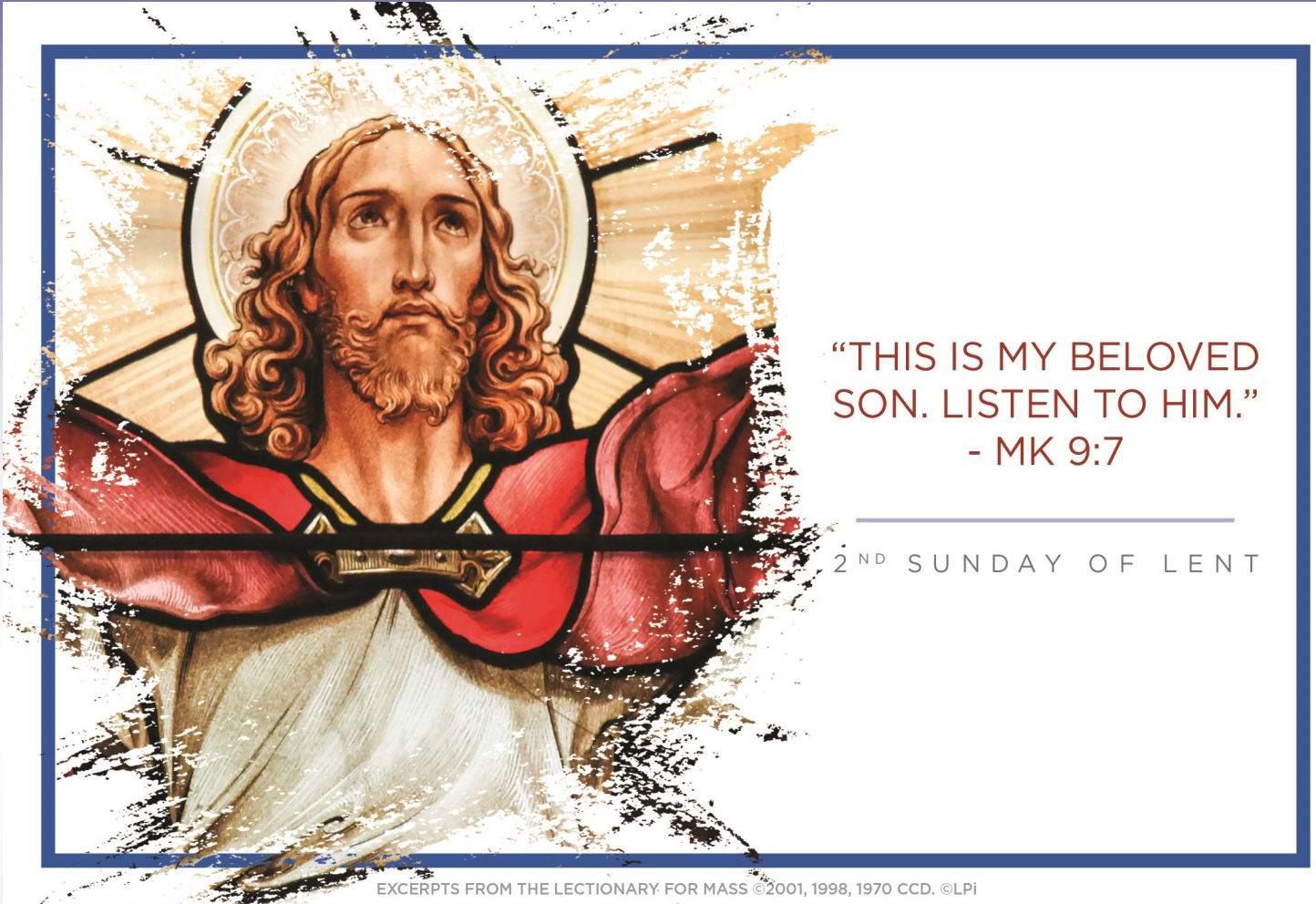


Holy Family Parish Cluster

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Cluster Office Hours

Due to the pandemic the office has limited hours. Please call or email if you need anything.

Bulletin Deadline
Tuesday 12:00 noon
(unless otherwise noted).

Mission Statement

A family of God constituted by the Holy Eucharist and strengthened by the Holy Spirit to make God known, loved and served.

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ORDER OF MASS

SECOND WEEK OF LENT

Introductory Rites

Entrance Antiphon

Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face.
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face from me.

Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Responsorial Psalm Psalms 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

I believed, even when I said,
"I am greatly afflicted."

Precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful ones.

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

O Lord, I am your servant;

I am your servant, the son of your handmaid;
you have loosed my bonds.

To you will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving,
and I will call upon the name of the Lord.

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

My vows to the Lord I will pay
in the presence of all his people,
in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in your midst, O Jerusalem.

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

Second Reading Romans 8:31b-34

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 17:5

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
This is my beloved Son, listen to him.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.

Gospel Mark 9:2-10

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Prayer after Communion

Soul of Christ, sanctify me; Body of Christ, save me; Blood of Christ, inebriate me; Water from the side of Christ, wash me; Passion of Christ, strengthen me; O good Jesus, hear me; Within your wounds hide me; Separated from you, let me never be; From the evil one protect me; At the hour of my death, call me; And close to you bid me; That with your saints, I may be, praising you forever and ever. Amen

Concluding Rites

God Has a Plan For You!

The Bible is full of stories of ordinary people who were called by God to show extraordinary courage, faith, obedience, and trust. God didn't choose them because of physical characteristics or abilities. He looked at their hearts. They were measured by their obedience and by their faithfulness to rely on Him. One of the most famous stories of someone having complete trust in God is the story of Abraham and Isaac, today's first reading.

Abraham had absolute confidence in God and His Word, but even his faith in God was far from perfect. He faltered and doubted along the way. But over time, Abraham's faith grew; he learned to trust God. Then when his faith was firmly rooted, God tested his faith by asking him to give up the thing he loved most in this world, his son. God said, "Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him up as a holocaust on a height that I will point out to you." (Genesis 22:2).

Like Abraham, our faith takes time to develop. Because God is good, he fills our lives with good things: life, health, friends, money, success, recognition, a nice home, a good job, and we're thankful for what we have received. But our lives can also be filled with problems and major disappointments, and in those tough times we might be tempted to give up on God. But it is during these times we must learn to trust God more. If we continue to trust in His faithfulness, our faith will continue to grow.

Placing our trust in God is crucial to our spiritual growth, something we may want to focus on during our Lenten journey. He is the only one we can fully trust and depend on. That is why learning to trust God is so important, so critical to our faith. He is the only one who will never disappoint us, never let us down. He will never abandon us. He is always there, faithful and true, ready to hear and respond to our desperate cries.

Sadly, none of us will probably ever be able to say "I trust God" always and completely without fail, because we're human. We're sinners. We are more likely to trust in ourselves, our families, our children, our spouses, and our friends. But the truth is these people will probably disappoint us at some point because just like each of us, they are sinners too. That's why we need to work on trusting God completely, turning everything over to Him, a process that may take a lifetime.

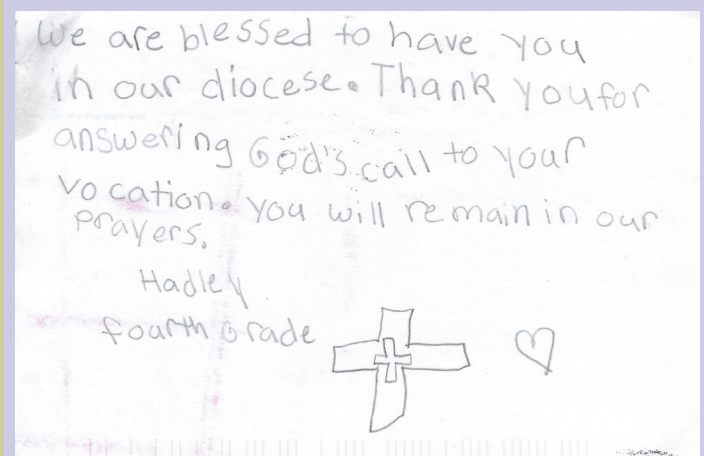
Abraham had no idea what was going to happen when he and Isaac started their journey to Moriah. But he knew God had a plan and he trusted Him. God also knows exactly what He wants for our lives, too. He has a purpose for us and has everything planned out. He knows what we are going to do tomorrow, next month, and years down the road. We must not doubt Him, because He knows all, and He has a perfect plan. We just need to trust Him.

Colleen Burke
Evangelization Team

Announcements and Reminders

1. Stations of the Cross will be said on Wednesdays in Grand Mound, Thursdays in Lost Nation and Fridays in Oxford Junction before the masses. Also, an online Stations of the Cross will be on Facebook live at 3:00 pm on Fridays.
2. Our Perpetual Adoration will be held on Thursday, March 4 at Lost Nation from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm. If you would like to sign up for an hour, please call or email the office.
3. We will have a Lenten Retreat via zoom on Sunday, March 7 at 4:00 pm. If you want to join us, email or call the office. Adoration in Grand Mound will be canceled that Sunday.
4. A face to face Communal Penance will be held at Sts. Philip and James on Sunday, March 21 at 4:00 pm.

A note to Father Francis from a student at St. Joseph School in DeWitt! We are blessed to have him with us!



FYI—In the next weeks, you will be receiving a phone call as a follow-up to the letter you received in the mail. We are reaching out to all of our Holy Family Cluster parishioners during Lent to survey the needs of the people!



WEEKLY ANTIPHONS

Entrance Antiphon

Tuesday 3/2

Give light to my eyes lest I fall asleep in death,
lest my enemy say: I have overcome him.

Wednesday 3/3

Redeem me, O Lord, and have mercy on me.
My foot stands on level ground;
I will bless the Lord in the assembly.

Thursday 3/4

Be my protector, O God,
a mighty stronghold to save me.
For you are my rock, my stronghold!
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

Friday 3/5

In you, O Lord, I put my trust, let me never be put
to shame;
release me from the snare they have hidden for
me, for you indeed are my refuge.

Weekly Recessional Antiphon

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in mercy.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures.

From Words Among Us

Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat

Website - <https://www.chmiowa.org/retreat> and click
on the Retreat Calendar on the left-hand side for more
details, or call 563-336-8414 or email olpre-treat@gmail.com. Make sure to register to receive the
zoom link.

Wed., Mar 3 – 7:00pm-8:30pm-Free Online:

Wednesday Nights with Barb Arland-Fye

Thurs., Mar 4 | 7:00pm-8:30pm-Free Online: CHM
Spirit Days – Learn more about the Congregation of
the Humility of Mary

SSPJ Lenten Baby Shower

The baby bassinet in the church is for the Lenten col-
lection of baby items. After Easter, these items will be
donated to the Crisis Pregnancy Center in Clinton.

Cluster Parish Prayer List

1. Our Shepherds:

Bishop Thomas Zinkula, Archbishop
Michael Jackels, Fr. Francis Odoom,
Deacon Mike Shiel

2. The Aged & Infirm:

- Melvin Duwa, Dorothy Hasenmiller, Gloria Kage-
mann, Grace Kinney, & Dick Nodurft
- Betty Anderson, Jerica Christensen, Rich Kleineck,
Leonard Lasack, Paul Lasack & Marilyn Steven-
son

MASS SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Place	Intention
Saturday 2/27	5:00 pm	Lost Nation	Betty Marcucci
Sunday 2/28	8:00 am	Grand Mound	Clarence Kinney
	10:00 am	Oxford Junction	Rosine Regennitter
Tuesday 3/2	8:00 am	Grand Mound	Richard Nichols Family
Wednesday 3/3	5:00 pm	Grand Mound	Dick Cawiezell
Thursday 3/4	5:00 pm	Lost Nation	Scott Benischek
Friday 3/5	6:00 pm	Oxford Junction	Glen Regennitter
Saturday 3/6	5:00 pm	Toronto	JoAnne Van Waes
Sunday 3/7	8:00 am	Grand Mound	Elmer Hasenmiller
	10:00 am	Oxford Junction	Monk & Marguerite Coon

Pope Francis Prayer Intention For March

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Let us pray that we may experience
the sacrament of reconciliation with
renewed depth, to taste the infinite
mercy of God.

DAILY READINGS

Readings for the week of February 28, 2021

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10,
15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk
9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9 11 and 13 [cf.
103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21
and 23 [23b]/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16
[17b]/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6
[40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-
17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-
46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-
10, 11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/1 Cor
1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25