

# Holy Family Parish Cluster

## March 21, 2021



## 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit."

- Jn 12:23-24

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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**

## **Introductory Rites**

### **Entrance Antiphon**

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.

From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength

### **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 Jeremiah 31:31-34**

### **Responsorial Psalm Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15**

**R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.**

Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness;  
in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my offense.

Thoroughly wash me from my guilt  
and of my sin cleanse me.

**R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.**

A clean heart create for me, O God,  
and a steadfast spirit renew within me.

Cast me not out from your presence,  
and your Holy Spirit take not from me.

**R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.**

Give me back the joy of your salvation,  
and a willing spirit sustain in me.

I will teach transgressors your ways,  
and sinners shall return to you.

**R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.**

### **Second Reading Hebrews 5:7-9**

### **Gospel Acclamation John 12:26**

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

Whoever serves me must follow me, says the Lord;  
and where I am, there also will my servant be.

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

### **Gospel John 12:20-33**

### **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**

# Ask for Forgiveness

Growing up, many of us may remember long lines waiting outside the confessional. When it was finally our turn, we'd recite the familiar phrase, "Bless me Father, for I have sinned," list our transgressions and the number of times we'd committed them, maybe endure a priestly lecture, and emerge to recite a few Hail Marys as an act of penance. And none of us would have thought of accepting the Eucharist until after we'd cleansed our souls. Confession was essential to our Catholic faith.

Now the lines are gone. Confession, or the Sacrament of Reconciliation as it's officially known, has become the one sacrament many of us feel free to skip. We'll get married in church, we'll be buried from church, and we'll take Communion at Mass, but regularly confessing our sins to God and the priest seems to no longer be an important part of our lives. Why is that? Are we no longer committing sins?

Because we are human, every one of us has sinned. It's part of our nature, but our sin keeps us from drawing closer to God. We are created for goodness and holiness. When we sin, we become less of who we were created to be. This damage needs to be repaired, and this healing only happens when sin is forgiven. Regardless of where we have been or what we have done, we can find forgiveness. As we're told in the first reading, the Lord says, "For I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more." (Jeremiah

31:34) All we have to do is seek that forgiveness with a contrite heart. The only sin God won't forgive is the one we will not ask forgiveness for.

So we can't let fear, guilt, or embarrassment keep us from receiving God's grace through this sacrament. We must humble ourselves and confess our sins before a priest because humility is the way back to God. Jesus, in his abundant love and mercy, established the Sacrament of Reconciliation, so that we as sinners can obtain forgiveness for our sins and reconcile with God. All of the Sacraments involve an actual encounter with a person who speaks and acts in the name of Jesus, a priest. Sacramentally, Jesus is present in the person of the priest. When the priest utters the words of absolution, our soul is instantly and completely healed.

This Sunday is our communal penance in Grand Mound at 4:00, and we all need to make a concerted effort to be there. If that's not possible, we can always receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before or after Mass or even contact the office to set up a meeting with Father. Remember, no matter what we've done, we can find mercy and healing in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. By expressing our sorrow for our sin, we experience forgiveness and healing, and our relationship with God is made whole again.

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. Communal Penance will be held on Sunday, March 21 at SSPJ starting at 4:00 pm. Also, you may receive the sacrament of Penance before mass at OLHR and SSPJ and following mass at SH. If these times do not work, you may contact the office to set up a meeting with Father.
3. **The Evangelization Team meeting has been moved to Monday, March 22 at 7:00pm via zoom.**

Join fellow Catholics from the diocese for a Virtual Retreat on Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-12PM. During our time together, we will be reflecting on the Way of the Cross through the Book of Psalms and our own spiritual journey. Cost is \$25/person until March 24<sup>th</sup>. For more information or to register, visit <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/adult-retreat> or contact Rosina Hendrickson (563-888-4244 or [hen-drickson@davenportdiocese.org](mailto:hen-drickson@davenportdiocese.org))

## SSPJ Lenten Baby Shower

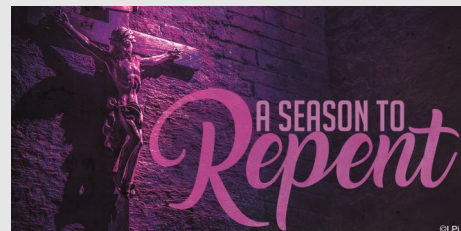
The baby bassinet in the church is for the Lenten collection of baby items. After Easter, these items will be donated to the Crisis Pregnancy Center in Clinton.

## 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.**

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Cathedral on Monday, March 29 at 1:30 p.m. Due to Covid-19 only a small number of priests will be attending and is closed to the public. Parishioners are invited and encouraged to participate by attending livestream at <https://tinyurl.com/58dc8npe>. A worship aid may be found at <https://www.davenportdiocese.org/liturgy-events>.

The Chrism Mass is an annual liturgy in which the priests renew their commitment to priestly service and the Bishop consecrates/blesses the sacred oils used in the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick and Holy Orders.



## WEEKLY ANTIPHONS

### Entrance Antiphon

#### Tuesday 3/23

Wait for the Lord; be strong;  
be stouthearted, and wait for the Lord!

#### Wednesday 3/24

My deliverer from angry nations, you set me  
above my assailants;  
you saved me from the violent man, O Lord.

#### Thursday 3/25

The Lord said, as he entered the world:  
Behold, I come to do your will, O God.

#### Friday 3/26

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in distress.  
Deliver me from the hands of my enemies and  
those who pursue me.  
O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on  
you.

### Weekly Recessional Antiphon

Have mercy on me, O God, for people assail me;  
they fight me all day long and oppress me.  
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  
[olpretreat@gmail.com](mailto:olpretreat@gmail.com). Make sure to register to  
receive the zoom link.

**Wed, Mar 24-9:00am-4:00pm Fee: \$25 Online:  
Heart of Forgiveness-Leader: Sr. Kathy Sadler**

Christian Music Fundraiser Concert: Project 15:12  
Love One Another, a Quad Cities non-profit organiza-  
tion, is hosting Christian music artist Jason Gray. The  
concert will be held Thursday, March 25, 7 PM at Bet-  
tendorf Christian Church. Tickets can be purchased  
(\$15 and \$20) through Project 15:12's web-  
site, [www.project1512.com](http://www.project1512.com) or at the door the night of  
the concert. Safety precautions and social distancing  
will be followed.

## 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, Gloria Kagemann, Grace Kinney, &  
Dick Nodurft
- Betty Anderson, Jerica Christensen, Rich Kleineck,  
Leonard Lasack, Paul Lasack & Marilyn Steven-  
son

## MASS SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Place	Intention
Saturday 3/20	5:00 pm	Toronto	Dennis Burke
Sunday 3/21	8:00 am	Grand Mound	Richard Schwien Chuck, David & Dennis Koppes
	10:00 am	Oxford Junction	
Tuesday 3/23	8:00 am	Grand Mound	Holy Name Society
Wednesday 3/24	5:00 pm	Grand Mound	Rev. Raymond Hannigan
Thursday 3/25	5:00 pm	Lost Nation	Otto Benischek Jr
Friday 3/26	6:00 pm	Oxford Junction	Rosine Regennitter
Saturday 3/27	5:00 pm	Lost Nation	Betty Marcucci
Sunday 3/28	8:00 am	Grand Mound	Marilyn Rock Chuck, David & Dennis Koppes
	10:00 am	Oxford Junction	



## DAILY READINGS

### Readings for the week of March 21, 2021

- Sunday** Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15/  
Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33
- Monday** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62/Ps  
23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11
- Tuesday** Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/  
Jn 8:21-30
- Wednesday** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53,  
54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42
- Thursday** Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10,  
11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
- Friday** Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/  
Jn 10:31-42
- Saturday** Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/  
Jn 11:45-56
- Next Sunday** Mk 11:1-10/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17  
-18, 19-20, 23-24/Phil 2:6-11/Mk  
14:1—15:47