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**Sunday,
Mar 31,
2024**

St. Patrick Church

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+Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord+

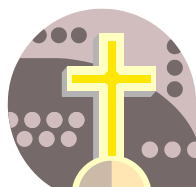
Scripture Insights Jesus has been raised from the dead. Alleluia! Alleluia!

John is the only evangelist to report Mary Magdalene as the sole visitor to the tomb of Jesus, “early in the morning,” “on the first day of the week.” John’s simplification of Mary’s visit—she neither encounters an angel nor is she invited to peer into the empty tomb—downplays Mary as a primary witness to the Lord’s resurrection. Instead, John places the emphasis on Peter “and the other disciple,” who come to see and believe because of what they see at the empty tomb.

There is great urgency in the way Peter and his companion run to the tomb. The unnamed disciple runs faster than Peter and is the first to see the burial cloths. Nevertheless, he refrains from entering the tomb. This honor belongs to Simon Peter alone. He is to be seen as the first of the apostles who witness to the resurrection of the Lord. Peter enters by himself and sees the burial cloths. Only after this does the other disciple enter. John reports that “he saw and believed.” It has long been understood that John intended this unnamed disciple to symbolize the believing Christian in general. Therefore, while Peter is the first to “see,” it is every faithful and loving Christian who is called to “believe.” Because this mysterious disciple is the “beloved disciple,” the one who stood by the cross of Christ.

Although the beloved disciple believes, John makes it clear that such is not the universal experience of all of Jesus’ followers. Mary Magdalene stands outside the tomb and weeps. However, her agony provides John the opportunity to include an angelic intervention like those found in the synoptic accounts. Interestingly enough, Mary has no reaction to seeing two angels clad in white sitting in the tomb, asking why she is weeping. In fact, she seems quite calm as she explains: “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” In response to this statement, another takes over questioning Mary, who presumes he is the gardener. “Whom are you looking for?” For John, this is the primary evangelical invitation. Mary fails to hear this invitation coming from the lips of the resurrected Lord. Instead, it takes the mention of her name to make her turn to face Jesus and to recognize him at last. With this first sighting of the resurrected Lord, Mary is sent with the mission to tell her good news to the other disciples: “I have seen the Lord.” Mary becomes the first to truly “see and believe.”

Mass Schedule: Apr 1 - Apr 7, 2024



Tues. Apr 2	8:00 am (V) No Mass
Wed. Apr 3	8:30 am (M) No Mass
Thurs. Apr 4	8:00 am (V) No Mass
Fri. Apr 5	8:30am (M) No Mass 5:00 pm (V) Adoration
Sat. Apr 6	8:00 am (V) People of the Parish
Sat. Apr 6	4:00 pm (V) Vic Damant+
Sun. Apr 7	8:00 am (M) Dan Quinlan+
Sun. Apr 7	10:00 am (V) Raymond Blomme+

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS.....

Vivian Kalambaheti
Rose Refer
Larry Bricker
Doris Kurth
Shirley Blomme
Jennifer Russell & Fam

Gale & Bev Wood
Marvin & Shirlee Lynn
Kyle McWilliams
Jim McGrory
Bonnie Barker
Lori Asberry

Joanna Green
John & Darla Doud
Collette Seda
Julian Boudonck
Chris Jahlas
Michael Green

Rev. Philip Ryan
Ruth DeMeulenaere
Janice Campbell
Verabeth Bricker
Ed & Joan Doran

St. Bridget Catholic Church

Altar Servers: The Ministers of God's Altar

4:00 PM Sat Apr 6 Jenna & Jackson Rajtora
10:00 AM Sun Apr 7 Nicole Gensley

Lectors: The Ministers of God's Word

4:00 PM Sat Apr 6 Dan Scandridge
10:00 AM Sun Apr 7 Laurie Gerard

Eucharistic Ministers: Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

We are NOT having Eucharistic Ministers at this time for any of the Masses.

Funeral Committee: Apr Julie Grier (319-685-6941), Susan Wilgenbusch (319-521-5834)
Money Counters: Apr 7 Chuck & Kathy Baetsle, Jerry Sughroue

- KC Meeting– The next KC meeting will be on Tuesday, March 9 at 7pm at the KC Hall.
First Communion will be on Sunday, April 14 at 10am
Congratulations to the First Communicants– This year we have 9 kids making their Holy Sacrament. Andi Blomme, daughter of Pat & Laura; Brylee Blood, daughter of Luke & Alyssa; Callen & Crayton Roberts, sons of Chad & Chloe; Oliver Pirkl, son of Dennis & Emily; Riiker Hoey, son of Jason & Kelli; Toby Siefkas, son of Kurt Siefkas & Carrie Dolmage; Belle Parker, daughter of Bobby & Emma; Isla Eshelman, daughter of Matthew & Cara. May they always follow God's path.
Easter Lilies– Thank you to everyone that purchased an Easter Lily in memory of a deceased loved one. The church looks and smells wonderful! Thank You!
Catholic Messenger Subscriptions– Please pay for your Catholic Messenger Subscription. It is \$30.00 for a year. The church is billed for this expense.
Fr. Corey Close address– 1029 Monroe St. Washington DC, 20017
Upon This Rock Campaign– Our Parish Pledged \$100,629.70, to date \$62,831.55 has been paid, we will get 20% of what has been paid. So, we are to receive \$12,366.00, back to the Parish. THANK YOU PARISHIONERS!! This will help pay for our new A/C unit and other repairs!

Christ our Passover
has been sacrificed,
alleluia; therefore let
us keep the feast
with the unleavened
bread of purity and
truth, alleluia,
alleluia.

Financial Overview : Our tithing and stewardship for God and Church. If you wish to receive envelopes, please contact 647-2294. Thank you to all who support our parish.

Envelopes:\$690.00

Offertory:\$127.00

Weekly Online Giving:\$230.00

Catholic Relief:\$25.00

Easter:\$20.00

Happy Birthday!

Apr 2– Alicia Brandt

Apr 5– Kathy Lynch

Apr 6– Janice Bringmann

Apr 7– Annette Hasley, Jason Hoey

Happy Anniversary!

Apr 1–Apr 7

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Ushers

8:00 AM Sun. Apr 6 Toby Bral & Chris Shine

Money Counters

8:00AM Apr 6 Ben Miller & Shirley Slaymaker

Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA) – This year at St. Patrick our goal is **\$13,790.00**. As of March 12, we have had 41 parish families donate to the ADA. Thank you to those families! There are envelopes in the entrance of the church. Please continue to turn in your ADA pledges/donations. We are still over \$1,400.00 short of reaching our goal. Please turn in your pledge as soon as possible. **We have collected: \$12,324.00**

Annual Easter Egg Hunt – Today is the egg hunt after 8am Mass (3/31). A & R will have refreshments available while the kids hunt (rain or shine) All kids are welcome, meet inside the parish center to get your bag and start hunting.

Altar & Rosary– will have a meeting on Wed. April 10 at 7pm in the hall. We look forward to seeing you then. If you have any questions, please contact Julie Alexander at 319-202-0542. The Bible Study group will be moved to 6pm on April 10th

Cleaning Group– A & R will start cleaning the church and parish center kitchen once a month starting in April. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the entrance of the church. Please sign up for the month you would like to help. Time and date will be determined in the next few weeks. If there are any questions, please call Julie Alexander at 319-202-0542

Knights of Columbus Breakfast– The Knights will be having a breakfast Sun, Apr 21 from 7-11am. They will be offering a waffle and sausage breakfast. Free will donation. Proceeds to go towards the cemetery. Mark your calendars.

The Quilting Ladies– Wednesday mornings after Mass you will find some ladies in the hall working on quilts or working on school projects for the Iowa Valley teachers (cutting, organizing and stapling). These ladies work on making quilts that they give away to those in need. The material all comes from donated monies or products. If you would like to join the ladies on Wed. mornings you might consider bringing a lunch with you. If you would like to donate money towards the quilts, just drop it in the collection and mark it, A & R Quilts.

Catholic Messenger– The Catholic Messenger subscriptions are due. The Catholic Messenger is \$30 for a yearly subscription. Our parish pays for those that have not paid their yearly subscription. Currently the parish will owe over \$1104.00. Please see that you get your subscription paid. If you are receiving the Messenger and do not wish to receive it, please write a (signed) note stating this and either put it in the collection basket or send it to: The Catholic Messenger, 780 West Central Park Ave. Davenport, IA 52801.

Financial Overview: Our tithing and stewardship for God and Church. Thank you to all who support our parish.

30 Adult Envelopes: **\$744.00**

Offertory: **\$110.00**

Online Giving: **\$ 154.50**

6 Children Envelopes: **\$14.00**

TOTAL: \$1,022.50

April Birthdays!

Elaine Behounek, Kael Miller, Ryan Becker,
Jackie Conrad, Curt Rheingans, Debra Henry,
Daryl Kriegel, Aidan Quinlan, Verabeth Bricker,
Ava Jo Miller, Carrie Rheingans, Father Lemaster

St. Patrick Dates to Remember

3/31 Annual Easter Egg Hunt
4/7 Food Pantry Sunday
4/21 K of C Breakfast 7-11am
5/5 Food Pantry Sunday

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has been
sacrificed;
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Important Information for Both Parishes:

FORMED– God’s merciful love is the Good News of the Gospel, and the reason why Christ suffered, died, and rose again. The Catechism goes so far as to say that , “The Gospel is the revelation in Jesus Christ of God’s mercy to sinners” (CCC1846). God’s mercy reached down to us in our sinful state and sent us a Savior, who took on human flesh so that we might have life with him.

Sign up for FORMED today! www.formed.org, pick “sign up as a parishioner”, enter 52361 pick St. Mary and follow the instructions.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday: 6:00pm Victor
Good Friday: 3:00pm Marengo, 6:00pm Victor
Holy Saturday: 5:00pm Victor

Domestic Violence– Silence does not help the ones we love find hope or safety. If someone you care about is being abused, call 319-351-1043 or 800-373-1043 www.dvpiowa.org

Married Couples: A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is like Springtime. It’s a weekend of fresh air, the rebirth of romance and new beginnings. If you would like to make your marriage even more special than it already is sign up now at wwme.org or call Denise and Greg at 563-920-9419. Upcoming weekends are being held April 12-14, 2024 in Epworth, and Sept 27-29, 2024 in Dubuque and November 8-10 in Holstein, IA.

Child Sexual Abuse– Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline at 800-362-2178. If abuse involves clergy or church personnel, also notify Alicia Owens, Victim Assistance Coordinator at 563-349-5002.

Website: stpatrick-stbridget.org please look at it, get up to date information and your bulletins!

Office Hours: The **St. Bridget office** will be open most afternoons. Any questions please, call Linda Gensley @ 319-647-2294 or call Father at the rectory @ 319-647-2220. **St. Patrick Office** hours vary. Any questions, please call Julie Howe at 319-361-7393 or the office at 319-642-5438 and leave a message.

Confessions: There will be confessions heard before all Masses at the parish where Mass is held.

Marriages: Please arrange with Fr. Lemaster at least six months in advance. Engaged Encounter or Pre-Cana is required.

Baptisms: There is a preparation class required in order to have your child baptized. Please contact Father Lemaster for more information 319-647-2220.

Newcomers: You may register in **St. Bridget Parish** by calling the office at 319-647-2294. To register at **St. Patrick Parish**, please pick up a registration form from the book rack at the entrance of the church and return to the office or by calling 319-642-5438.

Hall Rental: Anyone interested in renting out **St. Bridget hall** please leave a message at 647-2294. The fee is \$100. To rent **St. Patrick parish center** please call the office at 319-642-5438. The fee is \$150 for parishioners plus \$200 deposit (returned if cleaned and no damages). Non-parishioners and Commercial rates are also available. For rental of either parish hall the lessee must fill out our parish agreement and check on the availability of dates. Proof of insurance required.

Bulletin: Any news for the bulletin needs to be in by Wednesday, or you may call it in or email to us at: stbridget@netins.net or srcjuliehowe@gmail.com