

The Catholic Communities of Cherokee and Holstein

cherokeecountycatholics.org

March 29, 2020 Fifth Sunday of Lent

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FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR:

Today is the Fifth [5th] Sunday of Lent. Our worldly desires bind us up in burial cloths fashioned from our sins that block the will of God from our sight. By putting aside selfish ways and trusting in God's love and mercy, we allow Christ to call us forth from death so that we might lead a resurrected life in the Spirit.

During this time of trying to corral the COVID-19 Coronavirus with social distancing and quarantining, I have been communicating with staff and parishioners via our live streaming of Mass from a chapel at Immaculate Conception, our website, our Facebook page [Catholic Communities of Cherokee and Holstein Iowa], and through emails. If you know persons who do not have internet access, please share with them the news and updates I have been sharing and let them know that they and you are in my prayers and thoughts during this time of isolation. Together alone we will help rid our world of this illness.

Thank you to everyone who has returned your Together As One/DAA pledge card. Please keep those coming in so we may hit our 100% returned cards goal and our monetary goal.

Please remember your parish in your will.....Your bequest is a testimony to your faith in our future.

Fr. Mark

SACRAMENT & PARISH INFORMATION - Reconciliation: Before Mass and by appointment. **Baptism:** Parents must attend Baptism Class. Register with Michelle Wilson at 712-229-0299. **Marriage:** Contact the parish office 9 mos. in advance. **Communion And Anointing Of The Sick:** Please call your parish office or contact Fr. Mark. **Parish Membership:** Contact the parish office. **Bulletin Deadline:** Noon on Wednesday.

MASS MINISTERS

All public celebrations of the Mass are currently suspended until further notice.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

IC Mar. 22

Weekly Total: \$2,288.85 - Envelopes \$615, Online – General \$565, Major Repair - Envelopes \$20, Major Repair - Online \$50, Candlesticks \$1,000, CAP \$25, Votive Candles \$13.85. **DAA:** Goal \$41,803, Pledged \$30,067.50, Paid \$27,117.50, Progress to \$ goal 71.93%, Pledge cards needed 453, Cards returned 234, Progress to card goal 51.66%.

OLGC Mar. 22

Weekly Total: \$745 - Envelopes \$470, Online – General \$275. **DAA:** Goal \$9,056, Pledged \$7,517.25, Paid \$6,897.25, Progress to \$ goal 83.01%, Pledge cards needed 105, Cards returned 60, Progress to card goal 57.14%. **Capital campaign:** Goal \$350,000.00, Pledges: \$445,312.00, Amount received: \$342,560.

OF INTEREST TO BOTH PARISHES

In response to the 16 March 2020 press release from Bishop Nickless, as of this time all the following events at Immaculate Conception - Cherokee and Our Lady of Good Counsel - Holstein are CANCELLED:

1. All public celebrations of the Mass. I will live stream Mass at 8:00 a.m. Tuesday through Saturday and at 9:00 a.m. Sunday – on our parish website [cherokeecountycatholics.org].
2. The formal exposition of the Eucharist or adoration.
3. All faith formation classes, RCIA, and related activities.
4. The celebrations of First Communion.
5. Holy Week liturgies.
6. All parish meetings.

The following events are being restricted:

1. Baptisms – Baptisms will only be celebrated with immediate family and godparents. There will be no large group baptisms.
2. Weddings – Only immediate family members and witnesses are to attend weddings. Clergy are not to attend related social functions. Parishes are not to host receptions.
3. Funerals – Funerals may be celebrated only with immediate family members. Parishes may not host funeral dinners.
4. Confessions - The Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession) will be conducted by appointment only.

Online Giving is now available on our parish website. Simply click the **Online Giving** box, follow the instructions, and give one-time, weekly, or monthly to the funds provided. There are funds set up for each parish.

Regular Giving is still available by mailing your contribution to your parish's PO Box address.

Attention: Someone is at it again, pretending to be Fr. Mark and asking for assistance and gift cards. Fr. Mark does NOT send emails or texts to anyone asking for such assistance. So be assured it is not him sending the messages. Ignore, delete, do not respond to the sender.

The 2019 Diocesan Christmas Collection For Catholic Charities raised over \$130,000. This was \$20,000 more than last year. This includes \$3,932 from Immaculate Conception Cherokee and \$635 from Holstein Our Lady of Good Counsel. These funds allow Catholic Charities to provide mental health services and emergency financial assistance to those most vulnerable. Catholic Charities serves over 3,000 children, adults and families each year. Even in these unusual times this includes therapy services being offered through telehealth and, as always, they will not turn anyone away for the inability to pay. Thank you for helping others find joy, healing, restored faith and new hope. God Bless!

Marriage Nullity Workshops that were to be offered by Fr. Michael Erpelding of the Tribunal of the Diocese of Sioux City have been cancelled.

KC Fish Fry Information: Cancelled.

Sermons Ala Carte 2020: Cancelled.

You've Got 40 Days, Who Will You Become? Possibilities are everywhere! Big possibilities. Small possibilities. Amazing Possibilities. God sees them all. And the Saints are ready to help you see them, too. Join Matthew Kelly and the Dynamic Catholic Team for another incredible journey through their Best Lent Ever daily video reflections. Because Lent isn't about what you give up. It's about who you become. Make this the Best Lent of Your Life. Sign up at www.dynamiccatholic.com.

Camp CAYOCA registration is now open. CAYOCA will be held June 7th-9th for kids in grades 3rd-6th, and June 10th-12th for kids grades 7th-12th. Registration deadline May 7th. \$200.00 per camper. Contact Laurie Dreier or Joyce Galvin to register. Each parish will be responsible for getting the appropriate number of adult volunteers to be at camp for the duration of each session. The number needed is one female adult for every 1 – 5 female campers and one male adult for every 1 – 5 male campers.

IC PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

IC Parish Prayer Chain: Call Gert Selk 712-229-1756 to put prayers (illness/other) on prayer chain.

Communion CRMC for the upcoming week:
Suspended until further notice.

Please Remember Connie Schoo, the mother of Michelle Wilson, who died March 15th and whose funeral was March 19th in Eagle Grove, Iowa, in your prayers as well as her family.

Card Shower: On April 4th, Margaret Courtright will be 91 years young. Happy Birthday Margaret! Send her a card at 510 W. Cedar, Cherokee, IA 51012.

Maryhill: Due to what we are facing with COVID-19 neither the Shrine Tower nor the Shelter - Museum will be open this year and these areas will not be serviced as fully as usual. Prime care will be given to the Cemetery graves and family remembrances for Memorial Day.

The RCIA Third Scrutiny is celebrated on the Fifth Sunday of Lent with the Elect (unbaptized) in the parish. These rituals are for the purification and strengthening for baptism for the elect. The priest and the people of God pray over and for the elect that the elect may be freed from the death-dealing power of the spirit of evil and bear witness to the risen Christ. Congratulations to all Elect who are preparing to be baptized, confirmed, and first communicated.

Job Openings: Groundskeeper/Caretaker for the Maryhill Shrine beginning April 1, Custodian I for Immaculate Conception Parish beginning May 2, and Director of Religious Education for Immaculate Conception Parish beginning June 1. Job descriptions, full ad, and application form available on the parish website under About/Job Openings.

Willing to help: Jennifer Lockwood has offered to do shopping for the elderly at no charge. If interested in taking advantage of her offer, please call her at 229-1493 for details.

New Candleholders are being purchased for \$6,800.00 plus \$1,685.40 for shipping and insurance. As of this date \$6,995.00 has been raised. We will need \$1,490.40. Thank you to everyone who has already donated to this project.

Cantors needed for the weekend Masses. If you enjoy singing and are comfortable being in front of people, please call Charlotte Groves at 712-229-1879.

Congratulations to these recent KC Calendar winners:
March 23 Brandon Henke, **March 24** Jolleen Heater,
March 25 Diane Dunn, **March 26** Amy Douglas,
March 27 Diane Cargin, **March 28** Duane Henke.

Sole4Souls – IC Parish will collect shoes during Lent until April 5th. Shoes need to be in sacks or boxes. Place them outside the south entry of the church hall. Please call the parish office prior to dropping them off.

~ IC Birthdays ~

Mar. 31 Sarah Mesler

Apr. 2 Justin Harding, Bob Haselhoff, Austin Todd

Apr. 4 Norma Alexander, Margaret Courtright,
Butch Glover, Mary Rose

Apr. 5 Adam Kohn, Jeff Nelson

OLGC PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Line: If you would like to request prayers for yourself or a family member, please contact Joyce Galvin at 368-2735 or Diane Gardalen at 712-229-1486.

Please direct all mail for OLGC to PO Box 380, Holstein, IA 51025.

Community Basket donations for March: Pasta – macaroni & cheese, spaghetti and other related items.

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A Prayer for Peace

Lord, please put Your peace in my heart.

I'm worried and anxious.

My mind races and obsesses.

I can't help thinking about my problems.

And the more I think about them,

The more depressed I become.

I feel like I'm sinking down in quicksand

And can't get out.

Calm me, Lord.

Slow me down, put Your peace in my heart.

No matter what problem I have, Lord,

You are bigger.

You are more powerful than it is.

So, I bring my problem to You.

I know what I want.

I know my desires.

I do not know Yours.

I do not know how you will use this problem for my salvation.

I do not know what good You will work out from this evil.

But I trust You.

I trust in Your goodness and Your wisdom.

So, I place myself in Your hands.

Please fill my heart with peace.

~ Shared by Bishop Walker Nickless

Please Pray For Those Who Are Remembered Here...

<i>In Memory of...</i> Barbara Rupp	<i>In Memory of...</i> Ralph, Herta and Sharon Rupp	<i>In Memory of...</i> Jerry & Steven Madsen	<i>In Memory of...</i> Stacy Goth, Roger Goth, Adrian & Helen Goth and Margaret Healy
<i>In Memory of...</i> Del Ament and Jill Ament	<i>In Memory of...</i> Jim Schallau	<i>In Memory of...</i> Roger, Marilyn & Karen Immele and Sy Rodgers	<i>In Memory of...</i> Emil & Helen Mendt
<i>In Memory of...</i> Bud & Marjorie Brandt	<i>In Memory of...</i> Kay Chettinger	<i>In Memory of...</i> Dale & Ann Wright and Floyd & Mark Courtright	<i>In Memory of...</i> John Berigan
<i>In Memory of...</i> Owen & Eileen Hiniker	<i>In Memory of...</i> Dick & Darlene Hirschman	<i>In Memory of...</i> Paul & Matt George and John Storbeck	<i>In Memory of...</i> Nancy Wright, Justin & Corey Nicolaisen And Richard Wych
<i>In Memory of...</i> Tom Murphy	<i>In Memory of...</i> Romaine & Joanne Ryan	<i>In Memory of...</i> Jim Karhoff & Dan Karhoff	<i>In Memory of...</i> Lester & Mary Ann Bush, Mike Bush, Sharon Geary and Sandy Tuttle
<i>In Memory of...</i> Wayne & Rosemary Roepke	<i>In Memory of...</i> Max D. Martinsen	<i>In Memory of...</i> JoAnn Bartlett	<i>In Memory of...</i> Richard & Sally Henke
<i>In Memory of...</i> Chuck & Joyce Perrin, Dan & Mike Perrin & Mike Gates	<i>In Memory of...</i> August "Gus" Erickson	<i>In Memory of...</i> Pat Bakker, Dale Bakker Jr. and Barb Timmins	<i>In Memory of...</i> Kenneth & Elva Johnson
<i>In Memory of...</i> Bud Perrin	<i>In Memory of...</i> Lori Sokolowski and Aaron Sokolowski		

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