

# The Catholic Communities of Cherokee and Holstein

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March 7, 2021 Third Sunday of Lent

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## FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR:

Today is the Third [3<sup>rd</sup>] Sunday of Lent. The first of God's commandments – that He alone is God and we shall not have other gods or idols – reaches beyond simply “not offering sacrifices to pagan deities.” Rather, it includes avoiding anything that we “rank above” God or that prevents us from worshipping God. The importance of this commandment is seen in the way Jesus reacts against those who have made commerce – selling animals and changing money – their gods, their idols.

Thank you to parishioners who participated in our second survey regarding our pastoral planning process. The results have been shared with our Pastoral Planning Team and will help us to work our plan as are other parishes across the diocese which are in the same process to merge parishes to help us to become a stronger diocese. The Bishop's new Maintenance to Mission Task Force is preparing resources for the Diocese to help us to become more missionary in our evangelization of our parishioners, to be faithful to the teachings of Christ and His Church [including obedience to our Pope and Bishop], to work more closely together, and to focus more on our faith as being a parish is not about coming to Mass once a week. It is about being faithful members of the Church and taking seriously our baptismal call to help evangelize the world. For more information, please visit the Ministry 2025 page on the website and review many issues of The Lumen and the Bishop's pastoral letter issued in 2009.

Thank you to everyone who visits our parish website and Facebook page to stay in touch with the latest news and information and/or to utilize our weekend Mass reservation system [<https://cherokeecountycatholics.org/mass-attendance-reservations>] [under the Liturgy menu]] to reserve your spot by Saturdays 3:00 p.m., and who continue to mail in their parish contributions and/or go online to do this.

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

## SACRAMENT & PARISH INFORMATION

**RECONCILIATION:** By appointment.

**BAPTISM:** Parents must attend Baptism Class. Register with Michelle Wilson at 712-229-0299.

**MARRIAGE:** Contact the parish office 9 months in advance.

**COMMUNION and ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Please call your parish office or contact Fr. Mark.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** Contact the parish office or go to [cherokeecountycatholics.org](http://cherokeecountycatholics.org).

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Noon on Wednesday.

## STEWARDSHIP

**IC** **Feb. 28**

**Weekly Total:** \$3,915.83 – Adult Envelopes \$2,741, General – Online \$230, Major Repair - Envelopes \$342, Major Repair - Online \$70, Loose \$12.83, CAP \$70, Votives \$25, Aid to Global Churches \$225, Aid to Global Churches – Online \$100, Briar Cliff \$100. **TAO Goal:** \$41,385, Pledged \$28,392.50, Paid \$26,412.50; Cards to be returned: 464, Cards returned 207.

**OLGC** **Feb. 28**

**Weekly Total:** 2,763 - Envelopes \$2,507, General – Online \$200, Loose \$45, Votives \$8, Blessed Candles \$3. **Capital campaign:** Goal \$350,000, Pledges: \$442,562, Amount received: \$414,803.08. **TAO Goal:** \$9,735, Pledged \$6,026, Paid \$5,536; Cards to be returned: 110, Cards returned 47.

## MASS MINISTERS

**Sat., March 13 – 5 p.m.** **Cherokee**

**Ushers** – Bill Anderson, Lori Fordyce, Darla Immele

**Sun., March 14 – 8:30 a.m.** **Holstein**

**Cantor** – Joyce Galvin

**Ushers** – Tom Kofmehl, Pat Friedmann, Rich Leuschen

**Sun., March 14 – 10:30 a.m.** **Cherokee**

**Ushers** – Alan Johnson, Denise Mendt, Tony Steward

## OF INTEREST TO BOTH PARISHES

**Together As One 2020:** There is still time to donate to our annual appeal for the parish and for the Diocese. If you have not yet given and cannot locate your pledge card, no worries. Just send your donation to the IC parish office (PO Box 658) and we will make sure it gets to the Diocese with the proper paperwork. Thank you!

**Bulletin Memorials for 2021:** There are open memorial spaces on the back of the bulletin for 2021. If you would like a space, please contact the parish office.

**KC Fish Fry Information - Cherokee:** March 12 and March 26. 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. or while supplies last. Carry out only. Drive thru at the Cherokee Golf Course Clubhouse, 800 N 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Free will offering.

**Ushers needed** to assist with greeting, taking attendance, seating, and dismissing Mass attendees. Volunteers need to be in general good health and able to do this challenging task. Those over age 65 are now eligible. To volunteer, please contact Fr. Mark. Thank you to our current ushers who are doing a great job under challenging circumstances.

**It's Not What You Give Up: It's Who You Become.**

Join in A Life-Changing Lenten Experience. Embrace a deeper, more spiritually rewarding life, and lose yourself in God this Lent. Visit [BestLentEver.com](http://BestLentEver.com) to take the first step toward unlocking your God-given potential. This Lent join Matthew Kelly and the Dynamic Catholic team for BEST LENT EVER - a free series of emails and video reflections that will help you to discover or rediscover God through prayer. You won't regret it!

**Job Opening:** Clare Guest House, a faith-based home in Sioux City, for up to six women coming out of prison on parole, is seeking a new director. It is a fulltime, live-in position with a salary. Interested individuals should contact Martha Burchard, 712-203-0205, or Sr. Grace Ann Witte, current director, at 712-255-1916.

**Walk for Water:** Between March 12-22, walk 3.1 miles outside, inside, or on a treadmill. This is the distance that people in many parts of the world have to walk daily to obtain water. Consider donating to Sister Water Project, 3390 Windsor Ave, Dubuque, IA 52001 or online at <https://www.osfdbq.org/swpdonate>. From March 12-22, follow the Sisters of St. Francis on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/dubuquefranciscans/>) and Twitter (@DBQFranciscans) to see why others are walking and how villagers in Honduras and Tanzania have been helped by the Sister Water Project. Take photos of yourself walking and post on social media with #WalkForSisterWater.

**Head Start:** If you have a child between the ages of 3 and 4 years old, you could qualify for a FREE center-based program through Mid-Sioux Opportunity. Also, Early Head Start is taking applications for the FREE resource program serving pregnant women and children under the age of 3. Call 1-800-859-2025.

**Knights of Columbus:** Change a life, become a Knight today! [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus) Use code MCGIVNEY2020 for free 1<sup>st</sup> year online membership dues. \$30 savings, offer good until 6/30/2021.

## 2 of the 7 Keys to Marriage:

### 1. Marriage is a sign of Jesus and his Church.

Marriage was named in the earliest days of Christianity as a sacramental sign of the relationship between Jesus and his Church. We all know "something about the depth, the intimacy and the beauty of the gift of self" that married couples experience.

### 2. Marriage helps everybody.

The US Bishops have pointed out that marriage is not a private institution: It is the foundation of the family and is key for all of society. They devote a good deal of attention to explaining why marriage is limited to a woman and a man: "It is precisely the difference between man and woman that makes possible this unique communion of persons." Then they decry a growing trend, they say, of marriage being seen as something of a private matter, separate from child-rearing, "an individualistic project not related to the common good but oriented mostly to achieving personal satisfaction.... Thus the decision to marry is seen as one thing; the decision to bear children another. When children are viewed in this way, there can be damaging consequences not only for them but also for the marriage itself."

## IC PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**CDA News:** CDA will meet Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup> in the parish hall. Rosary at 5:30. Bring a sack lunch and drink. Meeting to follow. No committee to serve.

**Congratulations** to these recent KC Calendar winners: **March 1** Darla Werthman, **March 2** Jacob Kohn, **March 3** Allan Dessel, **March 4** Lois Chettinger, **March 5** Mike Schwarz, **March 6** Chris Cave.

**Catechists needed** for grades 1, 5, 6, 8, 9, and 10.

### ~ IC Birthdays ~

- March 8** John P. Loughlin, John McLaren,  
June Peterson, Susan Reinert  
**March 9** Eloise Wilson  
**March 11** Linda Craig, Patsy Reinert, Chris Richardson,  
Jerry Slota, Garrett Trapp  
**March 12** Kristian Mortenson  
**March 13** Jerome Day, Jolette Honsbruch,  
Jeremy Jensen, Jared Koch  
**March 14** Brady Gravenish, Jonathan Zimmer

## OLGC PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

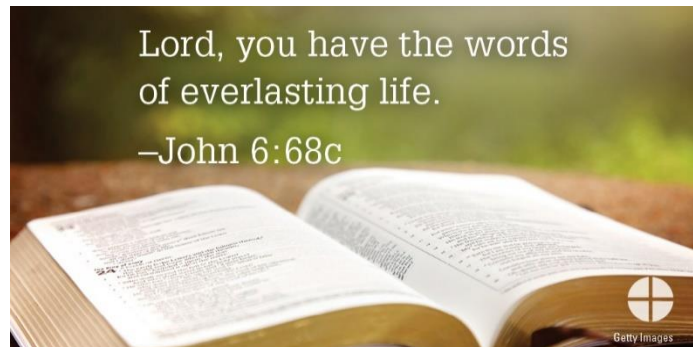
**Prayer Line:** Contact Joyce Galvin at 251-1687 or Diane Gardalen at 229-1486.

**Mailing Address:** Please use our new mailing address: PO Box 380 when sending us mail. Thank you.

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

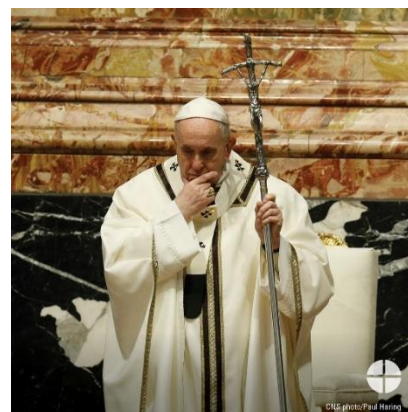
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### The Third Sunday of Lent



In today's first reading, we are reminded of the Ten Commandments. Which commandment do you struggle with the most? Aim for one small improvement this week.

### A Prayer for Pope Francis



On March 13<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate the eighth anniversary of Pope Francis' election! Say a prayer for the Holy Father.

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favorably on your servant Francis, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd; Grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

# 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> Pat Bakker, Dale Bakker Jr. and Barb Timmins
<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>	<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>
<i>In Memory of...</i> Tom Murphy	<i>In Memory of...</i>	<i>In Memory of...</i> Jim Karhoff & Dan Karhoff	<i>In Memory of...</i>
<i>In Memory of...</i> Wayne & Rosemary Roepke	<i>In Memory of...</i> Max D. Martinsen	<i>In Memory of...</i>	<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> Shannon & Stacy Goth, Roger Goth, Adrian & Helen Goth and Margaret Healy	<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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