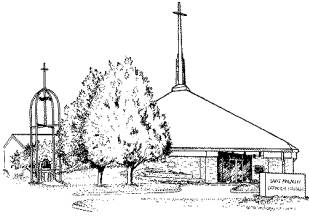


# St. Malachy-St. John Catholic Cluster



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## The Babbling Bruch

A Confirmation class has asked me to answer some questions - something like, how can we stump the priest! One especially caught my attention - a friend told me that Catholics aren't Christians. How profound! I hope that when I meet with them the Holy Spirit will guide me in my answer.

A couple of weeks ago we read from the Acts of the Apostles how the early Christian communities treated one another - perhaps a bit idealistic, but nonetheless a wonderful target to aim at. Every generation has to deal with a culture that continues to chip away at what's in and what's not, and each individual has to make a decision, hopefully based on what Jesus taught and not what the latest poll says it's okay to do. Individualism has been with the human race since the garden of Eden. I like to tell graduates "Stand up for something or you will fall for anything". Values that promote respect for others and enable people to work together to build community are getting more and more rare it seems to me.

We have just celebrated the greatest event in the history of the world - the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, and hopefully we belong to faith communities that continue to draw us to His message, and our living in such a way to make his kingdom a reality.

Do you know how to get to where you are going? Roadmaps and GPS help us to drive to coast to coast, and every faith community hopefully has that as the best roadmap to reach our destination. OR, you can go off on your own and hopefully you won't get lost.

Don't know how our faith connects to the building of the Kingdom? Shame on you! Shame on me! A wonderful prayer: I forgive and ask forgiveness for my sins and failings and ask you Lord to renew and refresh my memory, intellect and will, attitudes and values, and the grace to understand and accept the definition of love given by Jesus Christ Himself - to love is to die to self, and many times it isn't what feels good. " Prayers promised and asked for.

April 22, 2018

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

### Daily Mass Schedule

Monday, April 23  
No Mass

Tuesday, April 24

8 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart  
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Malachy's  
+Bruno & Angela Lenzini

Wednesday, April 25

8:20 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart  
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. John's  
+Fr. James McAlpin

Thursday, April 26

8 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart  
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Malachy's  
+Kelly Geneser & Gladys Geneser York

Friday, April 27

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. John's  
+Harold & Leota Eich

Saturday, April 28

4 p.m. Mass at St. Malachy's  
+Frances Cowles  
5:30 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart

Sunday, April 29

8 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart  
9 a.m. Mass at St. John's  
+John & Trude Fitzgerald  
10 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart  
11 a.m. Mass at St. Malachy's  
+Lawrence & Beatrice Reardon  
+Ken Seemann

## St. Malachy

Ministers for Weekend of April 28-29, 2018

Saturday at 4 p.m.

Sunday at 11 a.m.

**Lector:**

Saturday: Ron Mudge

Sunday: David LaMar

**Eucharist:**

Saturday: Bill Geneser

Sunday: Mary LaMar

**Precious Blood:**

Saturday: Carolyn Erwin, Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer

Sunday: Dcn. Verne Burke, Nancy Seemann, Ron

Seemann, Randy Schieltz

**Mass Servers:**

Saturday: Volunteer, Volunteer

Sunday: Travis Schieltz, Erin Schieltz

**Ushers:**

Saturday: Jerry Cowles, Brad Lester

Sunday: Matt Hau, Steve Rimathe

**Greeters:**

Saturday: Seth & Bri Polich family

Sunday: 1<sup>st</sup>. Communicants

**Gift Bearers:**

Saturday: Larry & Louise St. John

Sunday: 1<sup>st</sup> Communicants

**Sacristan:**

Saturday: Ron Mudge

Sunday: Dcn. Verne Burke

Madrid Home EMHC

April 28<sup>th</sup>

Mary Lou Spenla

Homebound

April 27<sup>th</sup>

Margaret Evans

Please pray for the following parish family members:

Chuck Ostermeier

**Collection April 15, 2018**

Adult...\$2341.00 Youth...\$15.63 Loose...\$292.50

Impr...\$170.00 Candles...\$29.00

Rice Bowl...\$208.63 Retired & Infirm Priests...\$50.00

Easter...\$10.00

**Total...\$3116.76**

Counters Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> -

Cheryl Mordini & Charla Kudej

**Religious Education:**

Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>:

PreK-Confirmation 6:30-7:45 p.m.

1<sup>st</sup> Communion Rehearsal

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Tuesdays 1-9 p.m.

**Divine Mercy Chaplets**

Tuesdays 6-6:30 p.m.

## St. John

Ministers for April 29, 2018 at 9 a.m.

**Lector:**

Sunday: Jessica Christensen

**Mass Servers:**

Sunday: Ella Keenan, CeJay Jones

**Ushers:**

Sunday: David Theoret, Steve Lawler

**Preparation of Gifts:**

Sunday: 1<sup>st</sup> Communicants

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**

Sunday: Traci Kieffer, Lori Good, Linda Keenan,

Steve Banks, Mike Moses

**Sacristans:**

Sunday: Jessica Christensen

**Collection Counting:**

Jessica Christensen, Traci Kieffer

Please pray for the following parish family members: Brandon Bougher – the grandson of Helen Fisher

**Collection April 15, 2018**

Adult...\$863.00 Loose...\$55.00

**Total...\$918.00**

**Religious Education:**

Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>:

Class 6:15-7:15 p.m. – Last Class

St. John's parishioners are kindly reminded to follow up on the brochures outlining the upcoming changes for Ministry 2025 that were distributed in January.

*So far, 14 households have returned* the portion of the brochure that indicates what ministries you are interested in becoming involved in. ***All households are asked to complete and return these, even if they currently minister!***

If you have any questions, please reach out to any of our council members!

**Your turn to serve**

Wise. Brave. Humble. Seekers of the common good above personal ambition. The world can't get enough good leaders, and the best way to acquire the leaders we need in every aspect of modern life is for all of us to strive to be leaders right where we are. On this 55th World Day of Prayer for Vocations, the church particularly seeks leaders in ordained ministry, religious life, societies of apostolic life, secular institutes of service, and for the missions. Take a chance. Ask the question. How can you best put your gifts at the disposal of God's purposes?

**Reminder: Mass time change for Sunday April 29<sup>th</sup>. St. John's mass will be at 9am and St. Malachy's will be at 11am to allow time for First Communion.**

**Ministers are needed to distribute Communion and serve Mass at St. Malachy's on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>.** Please call the parish office if you are available to serve!!

**Parish office closure:** Offices at St. Malachy's and St. John's will be closed Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at Noon and Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> all day. If you need assistance, please leave a message or send an email and I will reply when I return to the office(s). Thank you!

**St. Malachy's Religious Education Registration will be held in Hansen Hall on Wednesday, April 25 and Wednesday, May 2 during class time (6:30-7:45 PM) for the 2018-2019 session.**

All families are welcome to enroll in our program, which serves PreK-12th grade.



Parishioners of St. Malachy's and Sacred Heart are invited to prayerfully consider joining others to form both an RCIA team and become members of a Welcoming Committee. If you are interested, please contact the parish office with your contact information. A member of the parish will then contact you with more information!



*Following the instruction of Our Lady of Fatima, the Men and Women of Boone County CRHP will be leading the rosary on the First Five Saturdays of 2018 before Mass. Join us in prayer for reparation of our sins, personal intentions, and for peace in our homes, community, nation and world:*

Saturday, May 5, 2018 – 5 p.m. at Sacred Heart

**St. Malachy's Annual Garage Sale: Saturday May 5th**

**Save your Stuff:** The Social Justice committee will be organizing a garage sale which will be held during Madrid's City-Wide Garage Sales on Saturday, May 5, 2018, please bring items to Hansen Hall on Thursday, May 3 from 6-8:00 pm or Friday, May 4th from 2-7: 00 pm. We cannot accept electrical appliances but will accept furniture, toys, clean non-stained men, women's and children's clothing, house décor, craft and sewing materials, games, tools, bedding, lawn ornaments, etc.

We are also looking for volunteers to help set up Thursday and Friday and work the day of the garage sale.

Please email Kelly Polich at [kelly.polich29@gmail.com](mailto:kelly.polich29@gmail.com) or text/call at 515-205-8045 to let her know when you are available to help. Thank you!

**Marriage Nullity Workshop** will be held Monday, May 14, 2018 at Holy Spirit Church (Greteman Center) in Carroll, Iowa. To register, contact Terri at the Tribunal, 712-233-7533 or [terrin@scediocese.org](mailto:terrin@scediocese.org). The workshop is open to all, especially those who are divorced and desire to remarry in the Catholic Church. Please pre-register so enough materials are available!



**Save the date!**  
Men's CRHP Retreat  
August 4-5, 2018 at St. Malachy's  
The most effective **MESSENGER** is the one who  
**LIVES** the **MESSAGE!**



**St. Malachy's needs volunteers to serve as Ministers of the Altar on Saturday evenings.** If your child has been trained for this ministry and is willing to serve at the 4 p.m. Masses on Saturdays, please call the parish office at 795-2613.

**It's normal to grieve a pregnancy loss, including the loss of a child by abortion.** It can form a hole in one's heart, a hole so deep that sometimes it seems nothing can fill the emptiness. **You are not alone...**

**Healing the Pain of Abortion One Weekend at a Time** This step by step process provides a powerful "therapy for the soul," a safe and gentle journey to open unspeakable wounds to the grace of God.

Rachel's Vineyard of Iowa is a ministry which serves the state of Iowa in a supportive and confidential way.

For more information please call 712-943-5550 or email [rachelshelpersofiowa@gmail.com](mailto:rachelshelpersofiowa@gmail.com)

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend to rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day.** Take time to rediscover the best friend you had when you were first married. Join the millions of couples worldwide who have learned how to keep their marriage vibrant and alive by signing up today to attend one of the

upcoming Weekends on Apr. 20-22 @ Dubuque, Sep 7-9 Cedar Falls, Oct 19-21 Marathon, WI, Nov 2-4 Coralville.

Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: to [iowa-wwme.org](http://iowa-wwme.org) or call [563-608-3305](tel:563-608-3305) or email: [JLJwwmeo8@Gmail.com](mailto:JLJwwmeo8@Gmail.com)

### Daily Readings April 23-29, 2018

**Monday** – Easter Weekday; St. George; St. Adalbert

Acts 11:1-18 Jn 10:1-10

**Tuesday** – Easter Weekday; St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

Acts 11:19-26 Jn 10:22-30

**Wednesday** – St. Mark

1 Pt 5:5b-14 Mk 16:15-20

**Thursday** – Easter Weekday

Acts 13:13-25 Jn 13:16-20

**Friday** – Easter Weekday

Acts 13:26-33 Jn 14:1-6

**Saturday** – Easter Weekday; St. Peter Chanel;  
St. Louis Grignon de Montfort

Acts 13:44-52 Jn 14:7-14

**Sunday** – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31 1 Jn 3:18-24 Jn 15:1-8

### Boone County Weekend Masses

Saturday:	4:00 p.m.	St. Malachy's; Madrid
	5:30 p.m.	Sacred Heart; Boone
Sunday:	8:00 a.m.	Sacred Heart; Boone
	9:00 a.m.	St. Malachy's; Madrid
	10:00 a.m.	Sacred Heart; Boone
	11:00 a.m.	St. John's; Ogden

### Boone County Reconciliation

Saturday:	3-3:30 p.m.	St. Malachy's; Madrid
	5-5:15 p.m.	Sacred Heart; Boone
Sunday:	Appointment	St. John's; Ogden

### New Parishioner?

Please call the parish office for information and a registration.

### New Contact Information?

Please notify the parish office with updated information on phone, address and e-mail.

### Baptism Class

This class is required for 1<sup>st</sup> born child or if it's been several years since your last class. Register prior to the birth of your child, baptisms will be scheduled upon completion of the class! Please call Fr. Bruch or the parish office for more information.

### Marriage Preparation

A six-month Marriage preparation is required. Please call the parish office or Fr. Bruch prior to making any arrangements.

### Pastoral Visits/Hospital Calls

Please notify the parish office or Fr. Bruch if you or a family member are ill or in the hospital. Also, please notify the hospital that you would like a visit from your Pastor.

### Mass Times While Traveling

Check out [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) to find out the Mass times at your destination. You will need the Zip Code or Phone number of the Parish you plan to visit for this service.

