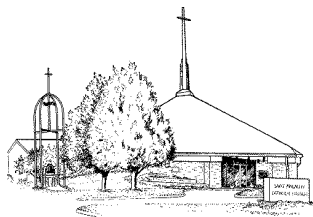


# St. Malachy-St. John Catholic Cluster



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## **The Babbling Bruch**

In reading an article this past week, I found this wonderful message that rings so true for me, and I hope all of you. "The first thing that a person finds in life and the last to which he holds out his hand, and the most precious thing that he possesses, even if he does not realize it, is family life." (Blessed Adolph Kolping)

Family: Mom and Dads and Children: The parish family - The world family. We all belong. Are you at peace with your families? What can, and will you do about it? When we grasp that, then God's Kingdom will be a reality. Come on, get on board!

Your cards and gifts are a true expression of honor for the priesthood. Thank you all most sincerely.



## **December 24, 2017 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**

### Daily Mass Schedule

- Monday, December 25**  
9 a.m. Mass at St. Malachy's Fr. Bruch  
+Rosemary Bruch  
9:30 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Nguyen
- Tuesday, December 26**  
8 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Nguyen  
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Malachy's Fr. Bruch  
+Patricia Isolini
- Wednesday, December 27**  
8 Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Nguyen  
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. John's Fr. Bruch  
+Fr. James McAlpin
- Thursday, December 28**  
8 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Nguyen  
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Malachy's Fr. Bruch  
+Fr. James Fangman
- Friday, December 29**  
8 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Nguyen  
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. John's Fr. Bruch  
+Ray Drummer +Fr. Joe Nooney
- Saturday, December 30**  
4 p.m. Mass at St. Malachy's Fr. Nguyen  
+Bruno Isolini  
5:30 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Bruch
- Sunday, December 31**  
8 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Bruch  
9 a.m. Mass at St. Malachy's Fr. Nguyen  
For the People  
10 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Bruch  
11 a.m. Mass at St. John's Fr. Nguyen  
For the People  
4 p.m. Mass at St. Malachy's Fr. Bruch  
+Bernadine Burke  
5 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Nguyen

## St. Malachy

Ministers for Weekend of December 30-31, 2017

Saturday at 4 p.m.

Sunday at 9 a.m.

**Lector:**

Saturday: Bill Geneser

Sunday: Mary LaMar

**Eucharist:**

Saturday: Ron Seemann

Sunday: Randy Schieltz

**Precious Blood:**

Saturday: Nancy Seemann, Brad Lester, Ron Mudge, Carolyn Erwin

Sunday: Dcn. Verne Burke, Margaret Evans, David LaMar, Phillip Grothus

**Mass Servers:**

Saturday: Isabel Atkinson, Harison Bickham

Sunday: Audrey Hau, Josh Hau

**Ushers:**

Saturday: Jerry Cowles, Joe Ugolini

Sunday: Matt Hau, Pat Dougherty

**Greeters:**

Saturday: Francis & Sharon Seeman

Sunday: Steve & Cherri Johnson family

**Gift Bearers:**

Saturday: Francis & Sharon Seeman

Sunday: Phillip & Kelley Grothus family

**Sacristan:**

Saturday: Ron Mudge

Sunday: David LaMar

Madrid Home EMHC

December 30<sup>th</sup>

David LaMar

Homebound

December 29<sup>th</sup>

Lois Pies

Ministers for December 31, 2017-January 1, 2018

Eve at 4 p.m.

Day at 8 a.m.

**Lector:**

Eve: Volunteer

Morning: Volunteer

**Eucharist:**

Eve: Volunteer

Morning: Volunteer

**Precious Blood:**

Eve: Volunteer

Morning: Volunteer

**Mass Servers:**

Eve: Loretta Volunteer

Morning: Volunteer

**Ushers:**

Eve: Volunteer

Morning: Volunteer

**Greeters:**

Eve: Volunteer

Morning: Volunteer

**Gift Bearers:**

Eve: Volunteer

Morning: Volunteer

**Sacristan:**

Eve: Volunteer

Morning: Volunteer

## St. John

Ministers for December 31, 2017 at 11 a.m. &  
January 1, 2018 at 10 a.m.

**Lector:**

Sunday: Steve Lawler

Monday: Volunteer

**Mass Servers:**

Sunday.: Ethan Haberer, Jack Christensen

Monday: Volunteer

**Ushers:**

Sunday: Ray & Kathy Gaul

Monday: Volunteer

**Preparation of Gifts:**

Sunday: Ray & Kathy Gaul

Monday: Volunteer

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**

Sunday: Nick Lentz, Steve Banks, Linda Keenan,  
Lori Good, Jessica Christensen

Monday: Volunteer

**Sacristans:**

Sunday: Volunteer

Monday.: Volunteer

**Collection Counting:**

Kathy Gaul, Gail Rodgers

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

**Collection December 17, 2017**

Adult...\$1040.00 Loose...\$177.00

**Total...\$1217.00**

**Religious Education:**

Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup>:

No Class

**Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) is a personal and parish spiritual renewal process.** To date, CRHP has impacted over 1,400 parishes throughout the United States. CRHP is now the primary process for both personal and parish spiritual renewal. Boone County CRHP Women's Formation team meetings: Wednesday December 13<sup>th</sup> at Sacred Heart 7 p.m.  
**Next Women's Retreat: February 24-25<sup>th</sup> at St. John's!**

*Be still and know that I am God.*

*Psalms 46:10*

## St. Malachy – cont'd

**Please pray for the following parish family members:** Deanna Seeman, Chuck Ostermeier. Patti Vignovich, the special intention of Annette Polich and several special intentions of Jerry & Tammy Loew.

### Collection December 16-17, 2017

Adult...\$3097.00 Youth...\$21.00 Loose...\$138.76 Improvement...\$55.00

Candles...\$18.00 Flowers...\$25.00 Immaculate Conception...\$10.00

**Total...\$3364.76**

Counters Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup> – Charla Kudej & Cheryl Mordini

**Religious Education:** Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup> – No class

**Eucharistic Adoration** Tuesdays 1-9 p.m. with **Divine Mercy Chaplets** 1-1:30 p.m. & 6-6:30 p.m.

## General Announcements

**Parish offices will be closed from Noon, Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> until 8 a.m. Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup> for Christmas vacation and again from Noon, Friday December 29<sup>th</sup> until 8 a.m. Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> for New Year.** If you have an emergency and need a priest, please contact Fr. Bruch directly.

**Volunteers are needed in both parishes to perform ministries for Solemnity of Mary Masses: Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup> at 4 p.m. and Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup> at 8 a.m. for St. Malachy's and Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup> at 10 a.m. for St. John's. Sign up sheets are available on the Sacristy door!!**

**2018 offering envelopes and calendars are now available in both parishes.** Please pick them up at your earliest convenience. If you did not receive envelopes and would like to, please contact the parish office.

**Reminder... "As we prepare for year end, please be mindful that donations must be received (or postmarked if mailed) by December 31 in order to be deductible in 2017. If postmarked or received after 12-31-17, the donation will be deductible in 2018. To comply with federal law, we cannot accept donations in 2018 for 2017 or in 2017 for 2018."**

**Deadline to order Memorial Bricks from St. Malachy's Knights of Columbus is December 24<sup>th</sup>.** For more information please contact Brandon Burkhart at 515-291-1190.

**Following a 21-year career of service and leadership at Madrid Home Communities President/CEO Keith Kudej will be retiring at the end of December.** Kudej said, "I made the decision to retire two years ago. The Madrid Home Communities board and I have worked hard since then to make sure the future of the organization is secure before this transition and have every confidence that Madrid Home Communities will continue to succeed." A celebration is planned on January 5 from 4-7 PM in the Pedretti Room at the Madrid Home.

Kudej and the Madrid Home Communities board have been in discussions for over a year to partner with Western Home Communities non-profit organization based in Cedar Falls, IA. With Kudej's retirement comes a new partnership for Madrid Home Communities to help in the transition of leadership and provide continued expertise in senior living.



### Community Christmas Dinner

Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup> 11:30 a.m.

Community United Methodist Church in Ogden.

All are welcome. Call 275-4015 for a reservation – carry out available.



**Attention Married Couples:** "God reveals Himself through the Love of a couple" Attend **a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**. For information and to register go 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 December 25-31, 2017

**Monday – Christmas**

Is 52:7-10 Heb 1:1-6 Jn 1:1-18

**Tuesday – St. Stephen**

Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59 Mt 10:17-22

**Wednesday – St. John**

1 Jn 1:1-4 Jn 20:1a, 2-8

**Thursday – The Holy Innocents**

1 Jn 1:5-2:2 Mt 2:13-18

**Friday – 5<sup>th</sup> Day within the Octave of Christmas;**  
*St. Thomas Becket*

1 Jn 2:3-11 Lk 2:22-35

**Saturday – 6<sup>th</sup> Day within the Octave of Christmas**

1 Jn 2:12-17 Lk 2:36-40

**Sunday – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6, 21:1-3

Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19

Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

### 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.

