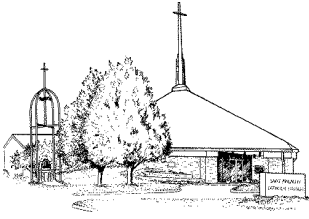


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The Babbling Bruch

Just a quick note: Monday, January 1st, while being a Holy Day (The Solemnity of Mary) is not celebrated as a Holy Day this year because it falls on a Monday. Some years ago, the Bishops of this country observed that when a Holy Day falls on a Monday, with the exception of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, the obligation to assist at Mass is not observed. The Mass schedule will stay as scheduled, but your attendance is voluntary. Would be a nice way to start the new year, Right?

The Feast of the Holy Family falls this Sunday. How is your family doing as family? How about taking one night a week for family night. Let the youngsters help plan the evening. Put a puzzle together? Play a board game? Game of cards? Put away those electronic things and see if the next generation know how to carry on a conversation.

A most blessed and joy-filled new year to all. Gratitude and affection to all from Frs. Paul and Jim.

December 31, 2017 The Holy Family

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday, January 1

8 a.m. Mass at St. Malachy's Fr. Bruch
+Louise Wade
9 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Nguyen
10 a.m. Mass at St. John's Fr. Bruch
+Susie Anthoney

Tuesday, January 2

10 a.m. Mass at the Cedars Fr. Bruch
Living & Deceased Wade & Ortmann families

Wednesday, January 3

8:20 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Bruch

Thursday, January 4

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

Friday, January 5

8 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Nguyen
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. John's Fr. Bruch
+Tom Kieffer

Saturday, January 6

4 p.m. Mass at St. Malachy's Fr. Bruch
+Lawrence & Beatrice Reardon
+ Ken Seemann
5:30 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Nguyen

Sunday, January 7

8 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Nguyen
9 a.m. Mass at St. Malachy's Fr. Bruch
For the People
10 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Fr. Nguyen
11 a.m. Mass at St. John's Fr. Bruch
+Bev Wentworth

St. Malachy

Ministers for Weekend of January 6-7, 2018

Saturday at 4 p.m.

Sunday at 9 a.m.

Lector:

Saturday: Charla Kudej

Sunday: Cherri Johnson

Eucharist:

Saturday: Bill Geneser

Sunday: Marguerite Diederich

Precious Blood:

Saturday: Tammy Loew, Jerry Loew, JoEllen Mohn, Ray Ortman

Sunday: Dcn. Verne Burke, Dwight Frideres, Judy Frideres, Ries Morrissey

Mass Servers:

Saturday: Jacob Loew, Sabrina Polich

Sunday: Isaac Buller, Jason Renze

Ushers:

Saturday: Brad Lester, Bill Mohn

Sunday: Richard Benson, Steve Rimathe

Greeters:

Saturday: Larry & Louise St. John

Sunday: Connie Skinner, Jon & Lisa Grote family

Gift Bearers:

Saturday: Larry & Louise St. John

Sunday: Steve & Doris Rimathe

Sacristan:

Saturday: Charla Kudej

Sunday: Dcn. Verne Burke

Madrid Home EMHC

January 6th

Brad Lester

Homebound

January 5th

Fr. Bruch

Please pray for the following parish family members:

Deanna Seeman, Chuck Ostermeier. Patti Vignovich, the special intentions of Bill Polich and Lois Pies, Bill Kunisch – brother in law of Lois Pies, Sue – sister in law of Donna Burkhart and the brother of Dean Tranel.

Collection December 23-24, 2017

Adult...\$3334.00 Youth...\$5.00 Loose...\$109.00
Improvement...\$65.00 Candles...\$20.00 Christmas...\$225.00
Immaculate Conception...\$20.00 Catholic Charities...\$345.00

Total...\$4123.00

Counters Tuesday, January 2nd – Karna Dougherty & Judi Wills

Collection December 24-25, 2017

Adult...\$1575.00 Youth...\$43.00 Loose...\$594.00
Improvement...\$50.00 Candles...\$3.00 Initial offering...\$3.00
Christmas...\$3756.00 Catholic Charities...\$335.00

Total...\$6359.00

Religious Education:

Wednesday, January 3rd –No class

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays 1-9 p.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplets

1-1:30 p.m. & 6-6:30 p.m.

St. John

Ministers for January 7, 2018 at 11 a.m.

Lector:

Sunday: Leanne Samuelson

Mass Servers:

Sunday.: Lauren Kennedy, Brock Crosman

Ushers:

Sunday: Dave Anthoney, Renee Irej

Preparation of Gifts:

Sunday: Dave Anthoney, Renee Irej

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Sunday: Mike Moses, Cindy Moses, Matthew Graham, Joe D. Smith, Kirsten Smith

Sacristans:

Sunday: Andrea Smith

Collection Counting:

Jessica Christensen, Traci Kieffer

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

Collection December 24, 2017

Adult...\$900.00 Loose...\$41.00

Catholic Charities...\$81.00

Total...\$1022.00

Collection December 25, 2017

Adult...\$195.00 Loose...\$21.00 Flowers...\$13.00

Christmas...\$545.00 Catholic Charities...\$20.00

Total...\$984.00

Religious Education:

Wednesday, January 3rd:

No Class

Catechist In-service

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.
Next Women's Retreat: February 24-25th at St. John's!

Be still and know that I am God.

Psalm 46:10



Parish offices will be closed from Noon, Friday December 29th until 8 a.m. Tuesday, January 2nd for New Year and again on Wednesday, January 3rd. If you have an emergency and need a priest, please contact Fr. Bruch directly.

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.”*

St. Malachy's Knights of Columbus are hosting a Waffle Breakfast from 8-11 a.m. Sunday, January 21, 2018.

All are welcome! There will also be the annual Free Throw Contest that afternoon – warm up at noon; contest 12:30 p.m.

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.

Please come join the St. Malachy's Social Justice Committee as they find out more about human trafficking in our area. Kathy Becker from Sacred Heart in Boone who is a member of the Central Iowa Community of Human Trafficking will come and speak at 7pm on January 22nd in Hansen Hall.

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, January 6, 2018 – 3:30 p.m. at St. Malachy's

Saturday, February 3, 2018 – 5 p.m. at Sacred Heart

Sunday, March 4, 2018 – 10:30 a.m. at St. John's

Saturday, April 7, 2018 – 3:30 p.m. at St. Malachy's

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



What are the Five First Saturdays?

Our Lady explained those Five First Saturdays to Sr. Lucia dos Santos, one of the Fatima visionaries, on Dec. 10, 1925, in the following way: See, my daughter, my Heart encircled by thorns with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. Do you, at least, strive to console me. Tell them that I promise to assist at the hour of death with the graces necessary for salvation all those who, in order to make reparation to me, on the First Saturday of five successive months, go to Confession, receive Holy Communion, say five decades of the Rosary, and keep me company for a quarter of an hour, meditating on the ... mysteries of the Rosary.

Why five First Saturdays in particular? Jesus explained this to Sr. Lucia on May 29-30, 1930, saying: Daughter, the motive is simple: There are five kinds of offenses and blasphemies spoken against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

First: blasphemies against the Immaculate Conception; **Second:** against her Virginitly; **Third:** against the Divine Maternity, refusing, at the same time, to receive her as the Mother of mankind; **Fourth:** those who seek publicly to implant, in the hearts of children, indifference, disrespect, and even hate for this Immaculate Mother; **Fifth:** those who revile her directly in her sacred images

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

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 or call 563-608-3305 or email: JLJwwmeo8@Gmail.com

Daily Readings January 1-7, 2018

Monday – Solemnity of Mary

Nm 6:22-27 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday – St. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

1 Jn 2:22-28 Jn 1:19-28

Wednesday – Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 2:29-3:6 Jn 1:29-34

Thursday – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

1 Jn 3:7-10 Jn 1:35-42

Friday – St. John Neumann

1 Jn 3:11-21 Jn 1:43-51

Saturday – Christmas Weekday; St. Andre Bessette

1 Jn 5:5-13 Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38

Sunday – The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

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 1st 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 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.

