

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH****Sacred Heart  
Grundy Center****Queen of Heaven  
Reinbeck****St. Mary  
Dike****St. Patrick  
Parkersburg****Rev. Dennis J. Quint - Pastor  
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PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION**Liz Nilles, Secretary  
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Mon	<b>6:00 p.m. (Parkersburg)</b>	Bob Thrasher
Tues.	7:00 a.m. (Parkersburg)	NO MASS
Wed.	8:00 a.m. ( <b>Dike Library</b> )	Maureen Becker
Thurs	<b>7:00 p.m. (Grundy Center)</b>	Ben Forker
Fri.	<b>5:00 p.m. (Parkersburg)</b>	Stations of the Cross
	<b>7:00 p.m. (Grundy Center)</b>	Good Friday Liturgy
Sat.	<b>7:45 p.m. (Parkersburg)</b>	Carlita Hosch
Sun.	8:00 a.m. (Reinbeck)	For the People
	10:00 a.m. (Grundy Center)	Robert & June McCormick

**Holy Thursday  
Good Friday**Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7 pm Grundy Center  
Morning Prayer, 9 am Grundy Center  
Stations of the Cross, 5 pm Parkersburg  
Liturgy with Veneration and Communion  
7:00 pm Grundy Center**Holy Saturday  
Easter Vigil**Morning Prayer, 9 am Parkersburg  
Mass & Celebration of Initiation for RCIA  
7:45 pm Parkersburg**Easter**8 am Mass, Reinbeck  
10 am Mass, Grundy Center***From the Pastor***

A week from hell? How about some reverse psychology? I can imagine the devil chiming in with these words. Don't come to Mass on Holy Thursday, you might be humbled as you witness the priest wash the feet of fellow parishioners, recalling the servant leadership of Christ. You may be moved to a deeper insight into the great gift of the Eucharist as you worship and spend time in adoration afterward. Stay away from the church on Good Friday. Jesus didn't suffer that much and he probably doesn't love you. No need to sacrifice that day, just eat, drink and be merry. As for that Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday night – it will last 4 hours, it's boring, and who cares if a few people are becoming Catholic. No need for worship on Easter. The Masses will be full. Preparations need to be made for dinner and travel schedules are tight. If you are silly enough to participate in these offerings, claim your seat, don't move over. Let the elderly open the door for themselves and don't offer any welcome or introduce yourself. Above all, be grumpy and never smile.

***Other items:***

- Fr. Quint will be available for **confession** on Wednesday, Mar 19 at noon at Grundy Center. Other times available by appointment.
- The **Lenten Retreat** I offered last weekend at Marion was enjoyable. Fr. Gossman had a great experience here as well.
- **Morning Prayer** will be celebrated on Good Friday (Grundy Center) and Holy Saturday (Parkersburg) at 9 am. These services last about 20 minutes and include music, prayer, scripture, and time for reflection. Please join us.
- Pray for our **candidates** for full initiation into Catholic Faith: Tanya Hook, Michael Irvin, Chris May and Beverly White.
- I strongly encourage you to worship at the **Easter Vigil** on Saturday night. Contrary to the statement above, the liturgy lasts about 1 ½ hours and holds so many beautiful symbols. St. Patrick Church has plenty of room and you'll have a more positive worship experience. If your schedule necessitates Sunday worship, come to Reinbeck. The early Mass typically has lower attendance and therefore, you'll have more room. The 10 am Mass at Grundy Center likely will be packed.

**St. Patrick's Day** Join us for Mass on Monday, Mar 17 at 6 pm in Parkersburg. Afterward we'll enjoy corned beef, cabbage, Irish Stew and more. Just bring a salad or dessert to share. All are welcome.

**Communal Penance Service** Blessed Sacrament, Waterloo: March 16, 3 pm.

**Stations & Soup Suppers** Grundy Center: Sun: Stations 5:30 pm, Soup 6:00 pm; Reinbeck, Tues: Stations 6:00 pm, Light Supper 6:30

**RCIA** will practice at the church in Parkersburg on Saturday, Mar 22 at 5 pm.

**Evening Prayer** will be offered at 5:30 pm at St. Patrick, Parkersburg this Wednesday due to the Seder Meal which starts at 6 pm.

**Chrism Mass** at which the Archbishop blesses the oils for sacramental use for the year and the priests of the archdiocese renew their promises will be celebrated at 2 pm on Tuesday, March 18 at St. Mary, Manchester – just north of the Holy City of Ryan! All are welcome.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** will take place at the end of the **Holy Thursday** Mass. Bring some materials, Bible or prayer books and plan to spend some time with the Lord. Jesus asked if the apostles could not stay awake one hour with him as he prayed at Gethsemane. Can we do better than they did? Adoration will be offered until 10 pm or until parishioners have returned home.

**Pancake Breakfast** for our parish will be held Sunday, April 6 from 8 am – 1 pm at the Memorial Building in Reinbeck. Contribution and work lists are being developed. Mark the date on your calendar today. Signup sheets in church entry at Reinbeck.

**Trucks** If you or someone you know has a truck that is able to "dump," we would be grateful for some assistance in hauling some sand for filling at St. Gabriel Church. Please contact Fr. Quint or Bart Petersen for more information.

**Decorating** If you could assist with decorating Sacred Heart Church this week for the various liturgies, contact Kathy Zeiner 824-6518.

**Flu** Please remember to abstain from receiving from the chalice if you are ill. Children may need a reminder. Those who are ill may not want to extend the sign of peace or physical greeting during Mass. Don't be offended if someone simply waves. Lastly, antibacterial liquids are available on all credence tables in case a Communion minister has need prior to distribution.

**Lenten Regulations** 1) Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. 2) Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 year of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. 3) On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals on these two days is not permitted. Liquids, including milk and fruit juice are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected the law does not apply. 4) Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from the fast and abstinence prescribed by the Church. 5) Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year.

**Good Friday Collection** Each year on Good Friday a special collection is taken-up throughout the world for the works of the Church of the Holy Land. Through this collection we assist in protecting and maintaining the shrines and holy places. Thank you for your kindness.

**Liturgical Space** subcommittee will meet Tuesday, March 18 at 6 pm in the church hall in Grundy Center.

**Rice Bowl Donations** may be turned in at any of the Triduum liturgies this week. Please place your offerings inside the envelope you received with the bowl. Mark the envelope with your *name and budget envelope number if you want credit*. Thank you for your kindness.

**Card Party** Join us for 500 on Monday, March 24 at 6:30 pm at the church hall in Parkersburg. Bring a \$1 – partners provided, snacks shared.

**Building Committee** meets on Tuesday, March 25 at 5 pm at the church hall in Grundy Center.

**Holy Family Parish Pie of the Month Silent Auction Fundraiser** 'Get your slice of the pie' by submitting a bid for a scrumptious home-made pie, baked for you each month, beginning in May. Yes, folks, that is a bid for a variety of 12 pies throughout the year! Imagine apple, French silk, cherry, pecan...yum! Place your bid on sheets found in the back of each church site. Lucky winner(s) will be announced at the conclusion of the Parish Pancake Breakfast in Reinbeck on Sunday, April 6. Proceeds to benefit the St. Gabriel building project.

**Easter Vigil Choir Practice** this Sunday March 16, after the 10am Mass in Parkersburg. Anyone who is interested in singing should come to practice or contact Kathy Hosch 347-6049 or Lyndsay Petersen 346-9778.

**Faith Formation** does not meet this week. Please make plans to attend our Holy Week services. Classes will resume on March 26.

**Middle School Youth Night** will be March 26 from 7-8:30 pm in Dike at the Dike-New Hartford High School multi-purpose room. Carpools will meet at 6:30 pm at St. Patrick, Parkersburg, Sacred Heart, Grundy Center and Queen of Heaven, Reinbeck.

**Board of Education** will meet on Tuesday, March 25 at 7 pm in Grundy Center.

**Meals on Wheels** St. Patrick, Parkersburg is responsible for delivery for the month of April. Please sign your name and phone number on the Meals-on-Wheels calendar in the narthex. Delivery starts around 11:30, picking up about 7 meals from the City Hall.

**"Faith in College" Scholarship** Holy Family Parish recognizes the importance of young adults in the Church and the need for young adults to continue their commitment to their faith while attending college. HFP will consider granting scholarships up to \$500 per student based on involvement in Church life either on campus or in the local parish while attending college. Email, call or stop by the HFP office for an application.

**Welcoming Activities** Are you creative? We are assembling a group to develop activities to bring people to our new church next year. The parish council already came up with 20 ideas to encourage parishioners and non-parishioners to visit our church and foster relationships. Next meeting is 5 pm on Sunday, March 30 at Grundy Center. Please join us.

	<b>March 21 7 pm @ SH Good Friday Liturgy</b>	<b>March 22 7:45 pm SP Easter Vigil</b>	<b>March 23 8 am @ QH</b>	<b>March 23 10 am @ SH</b>
Music	Rita Forker	Parish Choir	Jean Stephan	Jerry Zeiner
Cantor	Patrick Taylor	Parish Choir	Choir	Don Osterhaus
Extraordinary	Luann Schreck	Gene Brandt	Bobbi Peterson	Gary Mauer
Ministers	_____	Martha Andersen	Ron Hayek	Kathy Mauer
of	_____	Karen Benson	Kathy Etringer	Rick Nilles
Holy	_____	Julie Dunn	Diane Stephan	Rich Riesberg
Communion	_____	Becky Lievens	Brenda Davis	Kathy Zeiner
Greet	_____	Jeff & Ann Badger	Mike Rickert Family	Roger & Sally Dostal
Gifts	_____	RCIA Candidates	Mike Rickert Family	Roger & Sally Dostal
Lector 1	Kathy Mauer	Linda Livermore	Joe Davis	Kathy Zeiner
Lector 2	Leon Christensen	DeWayne Purdy	_____	Don Davidson
Lector (Voice)	Mike Brannon	Greg Lievens	_____	_____
Lector (Narrator)	Mary Linder	Katie Lievens	_____	_____
Lector (Petitions)	_____	Amy Dall	_____	_____
Server	Nick Mauer	Lita McDaniel Jacyn Wangler	Zach McCarthy	Rachel Riesberg
Server	Katie Delagardelle	Baillie Schipper	Kayla Holbach	Zoe Johanns
Usher	Max Girres	Marty & Kate Petersen	_____	_____
Usher	Gary Mauer	Mike & Linda Williams	Jeff Etringer	Dean Eslinger
Usher	_____	Jim & Darlis Hawkins	Dale Greiner	Jim Lynch
Sacristan	Kathy Zeiner	Martha Andersen	Video: Pam Heithoff	Kathy Zeiner