

St. Therese of Lisieux Parish Family

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The Weekend of April 4 and 5, 2026

Mass Intentions

April 6th - 12th

Red denotes Fr. McCarthy presiding

Blue denotes Fr. Ball presiding

Green denotes Msgr. Seifried presiding

Tues., Apr. 7	7:30 a.m.	Ida Grove	Trisha McCormick
	8:00 a.m.	Danbury	Ray Dirksen
Wed., Apr. 8	5:30 p.m.	Mapleton	Special Intention - Health
	7:30 a.m.	Mapleton	Colette and Linus Brenner
Thurs. Apr. 9	7:30 a.m.	Ida Grove	Marcie Schuldt
	8:00 a.m.	Danbury	Marcie Schuldt
Fri., Apr. 10	7:30 a.m.	Mapleton	Arlis Powell
	7:30 a.m.	Ida Grove	Susan and Matthew John Kluver
	8:30 a.m.	Danbury	Special Intention Leila and Bernard Lansink For the Priests of the Diocese of Sioux City Bob Uhl
Sat., Apr. 11	5:00 p.m.	Danbury	Kathy Fitzpatrick
Sun., Apr. 12	8:30 a.m.	Mapleton	Agnes and Leo Treiber
	10:30 a.m.	Ida Grove	Arlene Reimer Helen and Phil Meier St. Therese of Lisieux Parish families

Ignited by the Spirit



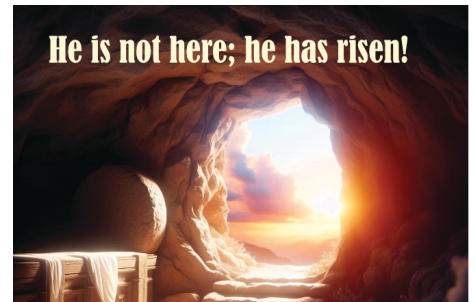
St. Therese` longed to be a saint, yet she was very aware of her own shortcomings. In dealing with her struggles, she wrote, "I must put up with myself as I am, full of imperfections, but I will find a little way to Heaven, a very short and direct, an entirely new way." This "little way" is remarkably simple, yet profound. In every action, every duty, no matter how insignificant, there is an opportunity to grow in holiness. The key is the resolve to do the task at hand for love of God. With that thought in mind, the drudgery of housework,

your most boring assignment on the job, anything at all can become a way to draw closer to Almighty God.

Our Lenten journey has come to an end. Our task now is to celebrate the love of God and draw close to God the Father through His Beloved Son Jesus.

Thanks to all who do those little things to keep our parish and school functioning. Without you, it just doesn't get done.

Easter Blessings.
Fr. McCarthy



He is not here; he has risen!

Offertory

Danbury - March 28th

Adults	\$440.00
Kids	\$2.00
Loose	\$137.00
Votives	\$84.16

Ida Grove - March 29th

Adults	\$3,421.00
Children	\$77.00
Loose Offerings	\$777.00
Easter Offering	\$100.00
Candles	\$14.00
Improvement Fund	\$200.00
Retired and Infirm Priests	\$55.00
Cemetery Fund	\$1,000.00

Mapleton - March 29th

Adults	\$753.00
Children	\$59.50
Loose	\$357.20
Easter Flowers	\$50.00
Candles	\$29.00

Together As One

Parish Goal	\$27,959.00
Received to Date	\$22,136.00
Short of Goal	\$5,823.00
% of Goal Achieved	79%

Mass Attendance

March 28th and 29th

Danbury	110
Mapleton	209
Ida Grove	305

Parish Family Events

Apr. 5 - Sweet Sunday

Please enjoy a doughnut on your way out of Mass at St. Mary's in Danbury this Sunday. Get your spiritual fill and then fill your tummy.

Apr. 12 - Coffee Social

Please join Sacred Heart for coffee and rolls after Mass on April 12th. Get your spiritual fill and then fill your tummy with coffee and rolls and your soul with socialization.

Shop Heavenly

The Heavenly Gift Shop will be open the second Sunday each month after mass at Sacred Heart. We accept cash and checks made out to St. Therese of Lisieux.

To shop by appointment, call Lisa Jacobsen at 712-371-3297.

Help Wanted: Part Time Music Teacher

Danbury Catholic is looking for a music teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. The position would be for two partial days per week. Please contact Molly Petersen, principal, if you are interested. mpetersen@danburycatholic.org or 712-883-2244.

Apr. 11 - Sweet Saturday

Please help St. Mary's Danbury celebrate their First Communion and their Confirmation students with a sweet treat after Mass. Get your spiritual fill and then fill your tummy.

Apr. 14 - Time is Running Out to Order Plants!

It's time to order your plants with the 8th annual Danbury Catholic plant sales! Order your high-quality annuals, perennials, vegetables, herbs, hanging baskets and mixed potted planters from any Danbury Catholic School student or online at janetsjungle.com. Catalogs and order forms are also available in the back of all three churches.

Orders are due on Tuesday, April 14th. Delivery is in time for Mother's Day. Hanging baskets and patio planters make beautiful Mother's Day gifts!

A second delivery location in Ida Grove at the Sacred Heart Parish Center! Pick up your orders May 7th in Ida Grove, or May 8th @ Danbury Catholic School. *When you order, please specify where you would like to pick up your order.*

Questions? Need help ordering? Contact Janelle Clausen at 712.883.2406/712.420.1502 or Molly Petersen at 712.420.0954.

Events Outside Our Parish Cluster

Apr. 12 - It's Pancake Time!

Join the Ida County 4-H Foundation for their annual pancake breakfast from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on April 12th at the Cobblestone Inn in Holstein. For \$10, enjoy all you can eat pancakes, and ages 5 and under eat free.

2026 marks the 22nd year of the Ida County 4-H Foundation supporting Ida County youth and 4-H programs! We hope to see you there!

Apr. 12 - It's Omelet Time!

The Arthur Emergency Medical Responders and Arthur Fire Department will be holding their annual omelet breakfast on Sunday, April 12th from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM at the Arthur Community Center. Enjoy omelets made to order with all the fixings (ham, bacon, mushrooms, onions, green peppers, cheese), along with cinnamon or caramel rolls and beverages.

The meal costs \$8 for people age 13 and up, \$5 for kids age 5-12, and preschoolers are free.

Proceeds will go towards equipment and training. Please consider joining them.

Local Catholic News

In our weekly edition of LumeNotes, Bishop Keehner's bilingual Easter letter, chrim Mass coverage, project groundbreaking at Gehlen Catholic School, Catholic Charities on children and social media use and the Illuminating Catholics podcast on the Divine Mercy. Subscribe for FREE at news@sdiocese.org or text Notes to 84576. Try text delivery!

Illuminating Catholics Shines a Light on Divine Mercy

Father Matthew Solyntjes, pastor of Divine Mercy Parish in Kossuth County and West Bend explains all things Divine Mercy including St. Faustina's diary, Divine Mercy devotions, naming Divine Mercy Parish and their April 12 Divine Mercy Sunday activities. Listen wherever you get your podcasts, on the Diocese of Sioux City YouTube channel or at <https://www.lumenmedia.org/illuminating-catholics-podcast>.

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early	Mary	angels	gardener
first	Magdalene	white	teacher
day	tomb	Lord	Father
week	stone	woman	brothers
dark	moved	crying	disciples



Liturgical Ministers - April 11th and 12th

Danbury

(Saturday 5:00 p.m.)

Servers: Lauren Dirksen, Bailey Allen
Lectors: Kate Dirksen, Evelyn Schug,
Camryn Bruning, Cam Flanigan,
River Seuntjens
Eucharistic Ministers: Sean Shea,
Nicole Shea, Molly Petersen
Ushers: David Mesillas, Grady Allen,
Lillian Brown, Cam Flanigan, River
Seuntjens, Camryn Bruning
Gifts: David Mesillas, Grady Allen,
Evelyn Schug, Lillian Brown

Mapleton

(Sunday 8:30 a.m.)

Servers: Liam Uhl, Quinlan Koenigs
Lector: Tammy Flanigan
Eucharistic Ministers: Brenda Wimmer,
Michelle Kane, JoAnn Nielsen
Ushers: Joe Kane, Clayton Uhl
Gifts: Dana and Brian Brouillette family
Rosary Leader: Crista Else
Sacristan: Jay Ingram
Counters:
Mary Jo Hanson, Jackie Gosch

Ida Grove

(Sunday 10:30 a.m.)

Servers: Toby Hoefling, Lily Drey
Lector: Gretchen Hoefling
Eucharistic Ministers: Paige Whitney,
Jean Burns, Lauri Hummelgard, Ray
Drey, Mark O'Tool
Ushers: Mark Brenner family
Comm. Route 1: Lydia Peterson
Comm. Route 2: Linda Warnke
Comm. Route 3: Peter Goldsmith
Counters: David Forbes, Mike
Schmidt, Peter Goldsmith

Sacred Heart Ida Grove Info:

Apr. 6 - Women of Faith Meeting

The Sacred Heart Women's group will have their quarterly meeting on Monday, April 6 at 6 p.m. in the hall.

St. Mary's Danbury Info:

Apr. 6 - Rosary Society Meeting

Danbury Ladies Rosary Society will be meeting on Monday, April 6th at 6:30 p.m. at the rectory. Please plan to attend.

St. Mary's Mapleton Info:

Help Fill the Food Pantry

Want to help the financially challenged but not sure how? Baskets can be found at the church entrances for non-perishable items. These will be given to the Mapleton Food Pantry to help those in need of a little boost with their groceries and paper products.

Readings for the Week

5 SUN EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, Solemnity

Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1
Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 (42) or Mt
28:1-10 (41)

or, at an afternoon or evening Mass,
Lk 24:13-35 (46) Pss Prop

6 Mon Monday within the Octave of Easter

Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15 (261)

7 Tue Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18 (262) Pss
Prop

8 Wed Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35 (263) Pss
Prop

9 Thu Thursday within the Octave of Easter

Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48 (264) Pss
Prop

10 Fri Friday within the Octave of Easter

Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14 (265) Pss
Prop

11 Sat Saturday within the Octave of Easter

Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15 (266) Pss
Prop

12 SUN SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

(OR SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)
Acts 2:42-47/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31
(43) Pss Prop

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Bulletin Submissions

Bulletin submissions due by 5:00 on
Tuesdays. Please send to
danigmapbulletin@gmail.com, call
Lynn at 712-893-2160, or contact
your parish coordinator.

Mass Intentions

All Parishes, please contact Janelle
Clausen at 712-883-2406 or dan-
buryparishcoordinator@gmail.com.

Knights of Columbus:

Danbury - Holy Rosary Council #2839
Michael P. Gaspers, GK 712-490-
2809
Ida Grove - Fr. Harry E. Dailey Council
#10864
Pat Friedman, GK 712-660-1667

Ladies' Groups

Danbury - Rosary Society
Carol Weber, President -
712-880-5000
Ida Grove - Sacred Heart Women of
Faith Group SHoWing up For God!
Lisa Jacobsen - 712-371-3297

Prayer Tree

To have a name added to this unpub-
lished list/tree, please contact the fol-
lowing:
Danbury -
Pat Brouillette - 880-0519
Ida Grove -
Sherry Hittle - 371-2070
Mapleton -
Pat Sullivan - 881-2420
Marilyn Seuntjens - 712-253-0603

