



## WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## WHY SHOULD I GO TO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION?

### What do you say in Eucharistic Adoration?

You can pray psalms, the Rosary, the Jesus Prayer, or simply speak to Him with your heart. You can also give thanks, ask for forgiveness, or intercede for others. But the most important thing is to know that you don't always have to speak: sometimes, you just need to be there and listen. It is a time to be, listen, and grow in relationship with Jesus.

### Upcoming Opportunities:

*Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>: 2-3 pm*

*Encounter Night Tuesday April 14<sup>th</sup>: 6-7 pm*

*Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>: 9 am - 3 pm*

*Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>: 9-10 am (please note time change for this week)*

*Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>: 9-10 am (please note time change for this week)*

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## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### April 18, 2026 4:30

Greeter: Christine Gage

Lector: Martha Scanlan, Not Filled

Eucharist: Lisa Wilkerson, Pat Jacobs, Pat Steele

Server: Autry & Matthew Gage, Davis Hemphill, Caleb Rupe

Usher: Jenny Armstrong, Carlos Valencia, Susan Waltz, Jim Hanes

### April 19, 2026 8:30

Greeter: Donna Scharlau

Lector: Claire Burgess, Karen Moon

Eucharist: Jean West, Michelle Streit, Michael Wityk

Server: Brecken Johnston, Ashton Weiland, Not Filled, Not Filled

Usher: Kit Hansen, Jason Nugent, Mike Yanacheak, Andy Schreck

### April 19, 2026 11:00

Greeter: Luke Cavanaugh

Lector: Anita Vasto, Liz Sweers

Eucharist: Josie Jensen, Eric Heitz, Not Filled

Server: Annabelle and Andrea Nunez, Yvonne Sweers, Emmie Garrity

Usher: Ann Heitz, Not Filled, Not Filled, Not Filled

## KNIGHT NEWS

The **April Knights of Columbus meeting** will be on Thursday, April 16th. Rosary at 6:15, meal at 6:30 and meeting at 7:00. If you are interested in becoming a Knight or have questions please contact Jesse Storck at [kofc@stjohnsadel.org](mailto:kofc@stjohnsadel.org)

### Announcement

- The Knights are selling 10# of frozen pollock for \$30. If interested please contact Jesse Storck at [kofc@saintjohnsadel.org](mailto:kofc@saintjohnsadel.org)

## SATURDAY FELLOWSHIP

**Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>** Join us after the 4:30 Mass for wine, cheese and other refreshments sponsored by St. John's Fellowship Committee.

## FIRST COMMUNION

**First Holy Communion is a family and a community celebration.** This year, we will be celebrating First Communion with the second grade students and their families at all three weekend Masses on April 18 and 19. There will be 14 students and families at the 4:30 pm Mass on April 18, one student and family at the 8:30 am Mass, and 10 students and families at the 11 am Mass on April 19. Please pray for our 25 First Communicants and their families. We want this to be a parish-wide welcoming celebration (Sacrament of Initiation), but we do anticipate a potentially large crowd for the 4:30 pm and 11 am Masses, in case you would like to plan accordingly.

## TAP INTO FAITH WITH BO BONNER

### "20 Years of Friday Fish: From Protestant Ports to Catholic Casting"

**Date:** Sunday, April 26

7-7:30 Social

7:30-8:30 Speaker

**Location:** King's Head- 1610 SW Main St., Ankeny

**All adults welcome!** Food and drinks available for purchase.

Sponsored by Our Lady's Immaculate Heart Church.

*Bo Bonner was born and raised in Oklahoma and has lived in Iowa for nearly a decade. He grew up Southern Baptist, entered into Methodist Seminary, but was eventually 'reeled' into the Catholic Church. After converting to Catholicism, he has been 'casting nets' in Catholic mission. Bo has both taught and led within educational institutions for the majority of his career. He is married to Robyn, and has 5 children, and is the host of the Catholic Morning Show, and co-host of the UnCommon Good on Iowa Catholic Radio. Join us to hear Bo's unique story that led him to be a 'fisher of men'!*

## BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

St. John's will host a baptismal preparation class on Sunday April 19th from 4-5:30 PM. If you are planning a baptism and have not attended the class, please contact the parish office to register. 515.993.4482 or [office@st.johns.org](mailto:office@st.johns.org)

## CHRIST OUR LIFE

**You Are Invited September 26 & 27 2026!**

Please join us for a weekend of faith sharing, faith building and praise as we listen and learn from world-class speakers, renowned Catholic exhibitors and most importantly, share the sacraments.

### Conference Background

Christ Our Life Catholic Conference is a non-profit conference being held at Casey's Center, (formerly Wells Fargo Arena). It is a grassroots effort of faith springing up out of the heart of Iowa and blessed since its founding by Bishop Richard E. Pates and currently by Bishop William Joensen of the Catholic Diocese of Des Moines.

### How Did it Come About?

Christ Our Life Catholic Conference was conceived in 2008 and was inspired by the Holy Spirit pulling on the hearts of two women in central Iowa. They prayed, gathered a dedicated and spiritually motivated group of volunteers, and secured world-renowned speakers. The result was a first-of-its kind Catholic conference. In 2026, we will offer our ninth biennial conference, focused on bringing Catholics together, inspiring, celebrating and exploring their faith and bringing souls to Christ.

## FEATURED SPEAKER-CHRIS STEFANICK



*Known internationally as an acclaimed speaker, author, TV host, radio personality and Founder of Real Life Catholic, Chris inspires love and respect for the family. We welcome Chris back to Des Moines and to Christ our Life. You do not want to miss his contagious joy!*



Learn more about the Conference!  
[www.ChristOurLifeIowa.com](http://www.ChristOurLifeIowa.com)

## COFFEE AND DONUTS

**Interest in Fellowship After 11 AM Mass?** Are you interested in attending and/or hosting fellowship after our 11 AM Mass? Donuts, fruit, meat/cheese and crackers? The church provides the refreshments and you provide the hospitality. If you can say yes to either question, please scan the QR code to let us know. A regular schedule will begin on April 19<sup>th</sup>.



## FIRE-UP YOUR FAITH AND FELLOWSHIP

- April 23 @11:30 am meal, followed by 12-1 pm Sharing Faith Visit to Holy Land (speaker: Lynn Bose)
- May 2 @ 9:00 am Mass, 9:30-10 am meal, 10-11 am presentation-Marian Apparitions. (speaker: Joshua Burks from Lincoln, NE).
- May 13 @ 5 pm meal; 5:30-6:30 pm Presentation-Mary and the Saints (presenter: Ed Anderson)

*The Fire-up your Faith & Fellowship Nights are sponsored through the FIRE-UP Grant ---received by the St. John's Adult Faith Formation Committee.*