

Diocese of Peoria  
**St. Malachy Church and School**

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The Eighth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
March 2, 2025



**Weekend Mass Schedule:**

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:15 am and 10:30 am

**Reconciliation:**

Monday & Tuesday 8:45 am; Thursday 5:00 pm

Saturdays 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Lenten Reconciliation: Monday - Thursday 12:00 pm

For activities in the Quad Cities, go to:

<http://catholicquadcities.com>

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**Bereavement:**.....Dcn. Art Ries

**Prayer Chain:**.....Parish Office

**Divorced Ministry:**.....Shannon Carroll

**OCIA:**.....Dcn. Mike Sigwalt

We warmly welcome new parishioners and invite them to register at the Parish Office. Individuals interested in becoming Catholic may contact Fr. Daniel Gifford or call the Parish Office.

## Mass Intentions

### MONDAY, March 3

8:00 am Alana B. Wachtel +

**St. Katharine Drexel**

### TUESDAY, March 4

8:00 am Teresa Pirnay +

**St. Casimir**

### WEDNESDAY, March 5

8:00 am JoAnn Emmendorf +

**Ash Wednesday**

9:15 am Craig Air +

7:00 pm Rose Ann Barajas +

### THURSDAY, March 6

5:45 pm David Paxton +

**After Ash Wednesday**

### FRIDAY, March 7

8:00 am Nathan Francque +

**Sts. Perpetua and Felicity**

### SATURDAY, March 8

4:00 pm John McCartney +

**Vigil of the 1st Sunday of Lent**

### SUNDAY, March 9

8:15 am Stoney & Gerry Vanderbeke +

**The First Sunday of Lent**

10:30 am People of the Parish

**Please Note:** Saturday, March 8 - Due to the Car Party, Reconciliation will be 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm and Mass will be at 4:00 pm.

### Altar Servers: March 3-9

**M-T-W:** Gus Osborn, Anna Vorac

**Saturday: 5:00 pm:** Aidan Daly, Blake Vandersnick

**Sunday: 8:15 am:** Garren Boelens, Charlee Cherry

**Sunday: 10:30 am:** Gus Osborn, Liam Osborn

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

**March:**

8:15 am - 16, 23, 30 Angie Maertens

10:30 am -



### Area Church Weekend Mass Schedules:

**St. Anthony/Atkinson**

4:00 pm Saturday

9:30 am Sunday

**Sacred Heart/Annawan**

8:00 am Sunday

### OFFICE HOURS:

**Monday - Wednesday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm,**  
**Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, Fridays 8:00 am - 1:00 pm**

*Bulletin articles **MUST** be submitted no later than*  
**Noon** on Tuesdays.

### Readings for Sunday, March 9, 2025

#### The First Sunday of Lent

#### 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

*The confession of faith of the chosen people.*

#### Responsorial: Psalm 91

*R./: "Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble."*

#### 2nd Reading: Romans 10:18-13

*The confession of faith of all believers in Christ.*

#### Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

*Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert and was tempted..*



## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Monday, March 3

Mass 8:00 am  
Reconciliation 8:45 am  
Adoration 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm Parish Chapel  
Evening Circle Meeting 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm YR

### Tuesday, March 4

Mass 8:00 am  
Reconciliation 8:45 am  
Chair Soul Core 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm CR  
Circle 14 - 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm YR  
Social Justice 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm YR  
Women's Support Group 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Rm C  
Youth Ministry Fat Tuesday Party 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm PH  
YM Intercessory Prayer Team Rosary 5:45 pm - 6:30 pm PC  
OCIA 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm CR  
Gospel of Luke Challenge Invocation 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm  
ADORE 7:00 pm (Please note: Day change due to Ash Wednesday)

### Wednesday, March 5

Mass 8:00 am  
School Mass 9:15 am (Please note time change.)  
K-5 CCD 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm  
Ash Distribution 4:00 pm  
Living Stations of the Cross meeting 6:15 pm - 6:45 pm YR  
Mass 7:00 pm

### Thursday, March 6

Lenten Confessions 12:00 pm  
Adoration 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm  
Reconciliation 5:00 pm  
Mass 5:45 pm

### Friday, March 7

First Friday Mass & Devotions 8:00 am  
Stations of the Cross 12:00 pm Church  
Bottomless Soup Bowl Café 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm YR  
Chair Soul Core 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm CR  
Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm Church

### Saturday, March 8 (Please note: Reconciliation & Mass 1 hour earlier)

Men's Lenten Breakfast 7:00 am (At First Lutheran Church)  
Reconciliation 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm  
Mass 4:00 pm  
Car Party - Doors open 5:00 pm, Dinner 5:30 pm Parish Hall

### Sunday, March 9

Mass 8:15 am  
6th Grade CCD 9:30 am - 10:20 am  
Confirmation Prep 9:30 am - 10:20 am  
Children's Mass 10:30 am  
Living Stations Practice 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Church & YR

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.*

*Elisabeth "Lisa" Johnson of our parish*




*Come, let us Adore Him*  
*Eucharistic Adoration*  
**Monday 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm**  
**Adore - Every 1st Wednesday 7:00 pm**  
**Thursday 4:30 pm**  
**(1st Fridays, & 1st Saturdays at 8:30 am)**

## Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

**Next Session:** Tuesday, March 4, 2025

6:00 pm in the Conference Room

**Topic:** Prayer & Lent

If you or someone you know is interested,  
please contact Dcn. Mike Sigwalt  
[msigwalt23@gmail.com](mailto:msigwalt23@gmail.com) 309-502-9243

**Parish Council** convened their February meeting. The council was able to discuss and approve January's meeting minutes and make a decision on filling a councilmember vacancy. The council also discussed the plan to build a selection committee for future councilmember selections and the timeline for filling this year's planned vacancies. Additional notes can be found in the minutes.

## Gospel Challenge Invocation Night

**The Gospel Challenge Invocation Night**

will be on **Tuesday, March 4** at 6:30 pm  
preceding the March Adore.

**March ADORE**

**March Adore** will be on **Tuesday, March 4** at 7:00 pm  
instead of the regular first Wednesday as March 5 is  
Ash Wednesday.

## Bottomless Soup Bowl Cafe



**March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11, 2025**

after the Friday - Noon Stations of the Cross

The Altar & Rosary Society will be sponsoring meatless,  
bottomless bowls of soup in the Youth Room.

For a donation you can enjoy the soup until it is gone as well  
as the fellowship of others.

We look forward to seeing you there!

## A Letter from the Pastor



Dear St. Malachy Parishioners,

*"No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher."* (Luke 6). With these words, the Lord reminds us this weekend that He wants to make us like Himself. This is why He invites us

to join Him in the desert, especially by our prayer, fasting and almsgiving in the desert season of Lent, beginning later this week. The annual call to fasting and almsgiving reminds us that we are called to be willing to make sacrifices and to look for opportunities to serve those in need. Meanwhile, the Gospel of Luke Challenge gives us a great opportunity to answer the Lord's call to deeper prayer. Last week, I began offering guidance about how to pray with Scripture. We will continue that guidance in the coming weeks.

**MEDITATION WITH SCRIPTURE:** Last week, I spoke of reading as simply the first step in the process of *Lectio Divina* (divine reading), which is simply prayerfully reading Scripture. Traditionally, we describe this process in five steps: Reading, Meditation, Prayer, Contemplation and Resolution. Since I already addressed "reading" pretty heavily last week, we will discuss step two this week and continue with one step each week, until we have completed the process. The Catechism has much to teach us about meditation. "Meditation is above all a quest. The mind seeks to understand the why and how of the Christian life, in order to adhere and respond to what the Lord is asking. The required attentiveness is difficult to sustain... To meditate on what we read helps us to make it our own by confronting it with ourselves. Here, another book is opened: the book of life. We pass from thoughts to reality. To the extent that we are humble and faithful, we discover in meditation the move-ments that stir the heart and we are able to discern them. It is a question of acting truthfully in order to come into the light: "Lord, what do you want me to do?" There are as many and varied methods of meditation as there are spiritual masters. Christians owe it to themselves to develop the desire to meditate regularly, lest they come to resemble the three first kinds of soil in the parable of the sower. But a method is only a guide; the important thing is to advance, with the Holy Spirit, along the one way of prayer: Christ Jesus. Meditation engages thought, imagination, emotion, and desire. This mobilization of faculties

is necessary in order to deepen our convictions of faith, prompt the conversion of our heart, and strengthen our will to follow Christ. Christian prayer tries above all to meditate on the mysteries of Christ, as in *lectio divina* or the rosary. This form of prayerful reflection is of great value, but **Christian prayer should go further: to the knowledge of the love of the Lord Jesus, to union with him**" (Expressions of Prayer, CCC 2705-2708). These final words remind us what sets Christian meditation apart from other approaches to meditation, practiced by non-Christian religions. Christian meditation is always aimed at seeking union with God in Jesus Christ. It is not simply about the emptying of ourselves or the quieting of our minds. Any Christians who have engaged in approaches of meditation not focused on the Lord should turn away from this practice and turn toward true Christian meditation. The quieting or centering involved in Christian meditation is always simply a means to the end of seeking union with God. For this reason, allowing the Scriptures to become the object of our meditation is an excellent approach. One method proposed by Saint Ignatius relies heavily on the use of the imagination to place oneself in the scene and truly meet Christ there. This was the sort of approach to which I alluded in my homily last weekend.

**LENTEN CONFESSIONS:** The Sacrament of Reconciliation is an important part of Lent, especially as the Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that the second precept of the Catholic Church (basic minimum requirements for practicing Catholics) tells us that we "shall confess (our) sins at least once a year," and the third precept implies that our preparation for Easter is a great time to do that (CCC 2042). We will again add weekly Lenten Confession times to the regular schedule, at **12-12:30 on Monday - Thursday**. Occasional cancellations will be necessary and will be indicated in the bulletin and other parish communications. Finally, we also offer a special time for Lenten Confessions at **ADORE at 7 PM on Wednesday, April 2**.

In Christ through Mary,

Fr. Daniel P. Gifford  
St. Malachy, Pray for us



## Evening Circle Meeting

Monday, March 3 at 6:30pm in the youth room.  
Please join us if you would like more information on being a member or would like to join the Evening Circle.  
Any questions please contact Margaret Chavez at 309-714-714-4412. Hope to see you there!

### Youth groups will not meet on Wednesday, March 5th

to allow our students to attend the  
Living Stations Informational Meeting (6:15 pm) and  
Ash Wednesday Mass with their families.  
Join us for our Fat Tuesday Party on March 4th.

## Fat Tuesday Party

**Join us on Tuesday, March 4th for the  
Feast before the Fast!**

**Middle and Highschoolers** will compete to be crowned the king or queen of Mardi Gras with pancake flipping races, trivia, and a pinata packed with surprises. Enjoy a pancake bar loaded with toppings or make your own ice-cream sundae. After the party, prepare your heart for Lent with a beautiful evening of Praise, Worship, Adoration, and the opportunity to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation. Event begins at 5:30pm in the gym/parish hall: Adore at 7:00 pm, Reconciliation offered 7:30 pm - 8:00 pm.

## Youth Ministry Intercessory Prayer Team

As we enter the sacred season of Lent, we want to encourage our parish community to continue lifting our youth in prayer.

Due to Ash Wednesday, the Youth Ministry Intercessory Prayer Team will lead a Rosary in the Day Chapel on **Tuesday, March 4th at 5:45 pm**. We will gather to pray the Rosary before the Gospel of Luke Challenge Invocation and Adore.

This is a wonderful opportunity to support our young people as they grow in faith. Whether you join us in person or pray from your home, we invite you to keep our youth in your prayers, asking the Blessed Mother to guide them closer to Christ.

May this Lenten season be a time of renewal and grace for all.  
May God bless you with a heart open to His mercy, strength for the journey, and a deepened faith in His love.

### Children's Mass:

2nd Sunday of the Month 10:30 am

### Children's Liturgy of the Word:

During both Masses on all other Sundays,  
depending on availability of volunteers.



## Unleashed: Women of Scripture

### A 6-week Lenten Small Group for Highschool Girls.

Would you love to join a supportive group of girls and grow deeper in your faith together? Step out and try something new this Lent! Led by our director of youth ministry Sara Osborn, this group offers a safe and welcoming space to explore the captivating stories of women in the Bible. From the courage of Esther to the unwavering faith of Mary, we'll delve into their lives, their challenges, and their triumphs. This group is for young women who want to be challenged with thought provoking discussions, reflections, and fun activities (like making sugar scrub). Together we will discover how these inspiring biblical women connect with our own life and faith journey. Starts March 9th and meets every Sunday of Lent from 9:30 am - 10:20 am (between the Masses).

Contact Sara at [sosborn@stmalgeneseo.org](mailto:sosborn@stmalgeneseo.org) for more information or to sign up.

## LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS



### We are seeking teens ages eighth grade and up to participate in the Living Stations of the Cross.

Teens will grow closer to Christ as they help to present a moving portrayal of his final hours. We are in need of: actors, readers, musicians and vocalists. Practices will be held on Sunday afternoons, with performance on Palm Sunday night. An informational meeting will be held on Ash Wednesday from 6:15 pm - 6:45 pm in the Youth Room.



# STEWARDSHIP

*Managing God's Gifts To Us*

**Parish Sacrificial Giving:**  
1% donated to:  
**Catholic Care Packs**

Week 34 - February 23, 2025							ADA 2024 (As of January 31st)		Month of January 2025	
	Weekly Goal	Weekly Actual	Variance	YTD Goal	YTD Actual	Variance	GOAL	\$ 102,404	Total Income	126,494
General Collection	\$ 14,731	\$ 9,767	(4,964)	\$ 500,854	\$ 482,667	(18,187)	PLEDGED	\$ 74,993	Total Expenses	117,342
School Endowment	\$ 577	\$ 198	(379)	\$ 19,618	\$ 15,179	(4,439)	VARIANCE	\$ (27,411)	NET	9,152
Paraclete Fund	\$ 577	\$ 304	(273)	\$ 19,618	\$ 15,535	(4,083)	COLLECTED	\$ 73,073	<b>July 2024 - January 2025</b>	
Capital Improvement	\$ 577	\$ 303	(274)	\$ 19,618	\$ 18,124	(1,494)	VARIANCE	\$ (29,331)	Total Income	881,282
							# of FAMILIES	157	Total Expenses	837,468
									NET	43,814



## Upcoming Cursillo Weekends

Women's: March 13-16, 2025  
Men's: October 16-19 2025

For more information visit:: <https://nwcursillo.com>



## Upcoming TEC Weekends

April 5-7, 2025 (Boys)  
June 14-16, 2025 (Girls)  
August 9-11, 2025 (Boys)  
October 4-6, 2025 (Girls)

For information visit  
[www.northwest-tec.com](http://www.northwest-tec.com)



## DAILY PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

**Please Pray for these Seminarians**

*Blake Miller  
Brady DePoorter  
Gerard Remmes*

*Luke Olson  
Nate Devlin  
Angel Garcia*

Are you feeling called to serve as a priest or other religious?

If so, contact Fr. Chase Hilgenbrinck:

309-671-1550 or email him: [fr\\_hilgenbrinck@cdop.org](mailto:fr_hilgenbrinck@cdop.org)

*He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body."*

## Fr. Pakula Memorial Food Pantry Collection

In Memory of Father Pakula, St. Malachy Parish will have a monthly theme to collect items for the Geneseo-Atkinson Food Pantry.

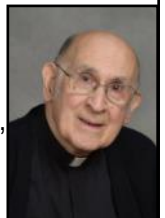
The theme for **March** is:

**"Breakfast Items"**

**Donations needed:** Cereal, Cereal Bars, Oatmeal, Instant Hot Cereal, Cream of Wheat...

Items can be placed on the shelves inside the front doors before entering the Narthex.

The current Food Pantry Newsletter can be found on the St. Malachy website, under the heading Parish Life then Social Justice.



## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

### Mowing Coordinator

#### Duties include:

- Recruiting, training, & directing volunteers to trim and mow the parish grounds.
- Coordinating mowing times with the church & school.
- Buying gasoline for the mowers.
- Coordinating the maintenance and repairs of the mowers with B&B Equipment
- \* Training will be provided.

For more information  
please contact:  
Jeanne Ryan Hartsock  
at 309-944-5393



*Women at the Well*

*Save the Date*



Thursday, April 10, 2025

## TOTUS TUUS RETURNS

**"THE LOVE OF GOD HAS BEEN  
POURED OUT INTO OUR HEARTS THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT WHO HAS BEEN  
GIVEN TO US."**



**- ROMANS 5**

**JULY 6-11, 2025**

## Did you Know?

Your child can attend a Catholic School  
Financial Assistance Available

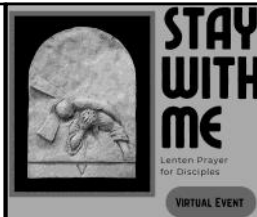


Tuition assistance scholarship grants from the endowment fund established as a result of the Diocese of Peoria ROOTED IN FAITH Campaign and named in honor of Archbishop Spalding, the first Bishop of Peoria, will be available for the 2025-2026 school year for students enrolled in or intending to enroll in grades Kindergarten through 12 in any Catholic school located in the Diocese of Peoria whose families are active members of a Catholic parish in the diocese. All grants will be based on financial need objectively assessed.

Information about the grants and application materials may be obtained from any Catholic elementary or secondary school in the Diocese of Peoria or on the Diocesan website [www.cdop.org](http://www.cdop.org) under **Catholic Schools** and then under **John Lancaster Spalding Scholarship**. Consult the detailed protocols and procedures and checklist at the bottom of the webpage for all requirements necessary to be eligible for an award.

Parents must apply online at: [online.factsmgmt.com/aid](http://online.factsmgmt.com/aid). Families of students currently receiving grants are reminded that all grants are for one year only, and anyone seeking to renew a grant for the 2025-2026 school year must reapply.

**Deadline date** for the completed application is **April 25, 2025**. Notification of grant awards will be made in June of 2025.



Registration open  
**Stay with Me:**  
**Lenten Prayer for Disciples**  
All are welcome for this virtual  
prayer for the six Wednesdays  
of Lent  
**This is a free event.**

Springfield, Ill.—Women and men everywhere are invited to join the Dominican Sisters of Springfield for *Stay with Me: Lenten Prayer for Disciples*. The virtual sessions, scheduled for 7:00 pm Central Time on the Wednesdays of Lent starting March 5, will allow space for participants to attune their hearts and minds to the struggles of those Jesus most often accompanied during his life on Earth: widows, orphans, and persons cast out. The title draws on Jesus' request in Matthew's gospel that the disciples accompany him to Gethsemane while he prays, just before his arrest.

Hosted by the Dominican Sisters' Vocation Office, participants can expect to

- hear reflections on the theme from Dominican sisters,
- periods of silence and sharing, and build a community of prayer & mutual support for their Lenten practice.

*Stay with Me: Lenten Prayer for Disciples* runs weekly March 5 -April 9. Participants are welcome to join all six sessions, or choose a few according to their own schedule and needs.

Register once for participation in any or all of the sessions at [springfieldop.org/events](http://springfieldop.org/events).

## MEN'S LENTEN BREAKFASTS

### Saturday, March

First Lutheran Church  
114 E Main St

### Saturday, March 15

St. Malachy Church  
595 E Ogden Ave

### 8 Saturday, March 22

Grace United Methodist Church  
318 N Center St

### Saturday, March 29

Geneseo First Methodist Church  
302 N State St

### Saturday, April 5

Loraine Church  
28782 E 2000th St  
Prophetstown, IL



All men in the community are invited to come enjoy a delicious breakfast at 7:00 am on the Saturday mornings listed above.

A free-will donation will be collected at each breakfast.



**READ LUKE, CHOOSE THE LOOK  
CHALLENGE**



**ARE YOU IN?**

**STARTING MARCH 1ST**

Join us for an exciting 24-day challenge exploring the Gospel of Luke. If we reach 200 participants, we will vote on Father Gifford's new facial hair style.

**The Challenge: Do your best to read one chapter of the Gospel per day.  
Enhance your experience by:**

- Attending the Gospel Challenge Invocation Night at 6:30pm on Tuesday March 4th
- Read the Daily Emails.
- Watch weekly videos of "Three Friends and a Bible"

Scan the QR Code for more info and to sign up, or e-mail Katrina Jensen at [kjensen@stmalgeneseo.org](mailto:kjensen@stmalgeneseo.org)



**Rachel's VINEYARD**

Healing the pain of abortion - one weekend at a time

**Rachel's Vineyard Retreat:**

The wound of abortion is real. So is healing. Rachel's Vineyard Retreat offers healing for those who struggle with the emotional and spiritual pain of a past abortion.

This retreat is for those single or married; mothers, fathers, grandparents, siblings, or anyone who has been impacted by an abortion experience. If you are searching for peace and inner healing from a past abortion, this retreat is for you.

Register for the **March 14-16, 2025** retreat by calling 309-264-1489 or e-mailing [rvrpeoria@gmail.com](mailto:rvrpeoria@gmail.com).

All communications are strictly confidential.

**For more information:**

[www.cdop.org/rachels-vineyard](http://www.cdop.org/rachels-vineyard)  
[www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)

In the Footsteps of Saint Patrick:  
Pilgrimage to

# IRELAND

& Northern Ireland  
with Fr. Daniel Gifford & Fr. Tom Gardner



**New Date: July 23 - 31, 2025**

**\$5,578 per person**  
From Moline (MLI)

\*All pricing based on double occupancy.  
Pricing available from any airport  
[www.206tours.com/airport](http://www.206tours.com/airport)

**Book Now:**  
[www.206tours.com/frgifford](http://www.206tours.com/frgifford)  
Booking Code: DG072125

**Your pilgrimage Includes:**

- Round-trip airfare
- Airport taxes & fuel surcharges
- 7 nights accommodation at centrally located first class hotels as follows: (or similar)
  - \* 2 nights: Jul 24-26: Voco Belfast, Belfast
  - \* 1 night: Jul 26-27: Armagh City Hotel, Armagh
  - \* 1 night: July 27-28: Castlecourt Hotel, Knock
  - \* 1 night: July 28-29: Clayton hotel Galway, Galway
  - \* 2 nights: July 29-31: The Morgan Hotel, Dublin
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Wine with dinners
- Transfers as per itinerary
- Transportation by air-conditioned motor coach
- Wireless headsets where needed
- Assistance of a professional local Catholic Guide
- Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary
- Mass daily & Spiritual activities
- Luggage handling (1 piece per person)
- Flight bag & Digital PDF confirmation of all travel documents

**Itinerary subject to change.**  
**Copies of the full itinerary will be in the Narthex.**

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# 150th Anniversary

**Diocese of Peoria**  
*Proclaiming Christ:  
Yesterday, Today, Forever*

## PILGRIMAGE SITES

### **CATHEDRAL OF ST. MARY**

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### **ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC NEWMAN CENTER CHAPEL**

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For visiting hours at each location and additional information:

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## Geneseo High School DM4

**MARCH 8, 2025**

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Hi, my name is Katy Wilson and I have been in the parish all my life. I'm a junior at GHS and I am a captain for Dance Marathon or DM4. This is a service project and fundraiser that supports families in our local Geneseo community who have kids receiving medical treatment at the University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital.

This service project is especially important to me because in 8th grade I suffered a severe mental health crisis and was hospitalized. The doctors and nurses in Iowa City are the reason I am still here today. On February 2, I just celebrated the 3 year anniversary of God saving my life through the care I received there.

Scan the QR code above to support our service project if you would like to help out.

## Farewell Party

*Kimberly Souba*

**Saturday, March 29, 2025 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
In the Parish Hall**

As she embarks on a new journey (career and graduation in May 2025 from FCSU with a Bachelor's degree in Communications). Let's gather to celebrate the wonderful memories and wish her all the best in her future endeavors In Fargo, ND.





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