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## the Journey TOGETHER Taking



8:30 AM AND 10:30 AM MASSES

Let the children come to me; do not prevent them for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Mark 10:2-16

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Serving twenty-three counties in Southwest Iowa



September 22, 2021

OFFICE of the BISHOP

Dear Friends in Christ,

On Sept. 13, a temporary injunction was handed down on HR 847, the state law that banned accredited schools from instituting mask mandates. Since then, I have received many communications regarding our COVID-19 mitigation efforts. While HR 847 includes accredited non-public schools, the temporary injunction that allowed for local control only addressed public school districts, and therefore did not provide Catholic schools relief from the original law. Our decision to continue to comply with state law has been celebrated by some and opposed by others. Many messages express a frustration that I have experienced myself. At this point in the pandemic we all can feel frustrated and discouraged for a myriad of reasons:

- an apparent lack of concern for the most vulnerable,
- disagreements about mitigation strategies, and
- exasperation that the pandemic persists.

In every moment, our faith calls on us to rise above individual dispositions to make sacrifices for the common good. We do this to serve the most vulnerable among us and to witness to the intrinsic value of every human life. Our policies have been prayerfully developed considering medical, legal, and most importantly, pastoral factors. We remain committed to helping slow the spread of COVID-19, to transparency in our policies and reporting of cases, and to providing high quality spiritual and academic formation in a safe and nurturing environment.

We also believe that when addressing people of good will who may disagree with our policies, persuasion will be more fruitful than coercion. By the grace of God may all of our works be marked by the fruit of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23) and not the dissensions and factions which St. Paul calls the fruit of the world (see Galatians 5:20). Navigating this pandemic has been painful and difficult for us all, but within these challenges is an opportunity to witness to our charity, unity and solicitude for our neighbor.

Faithfully in Christ,

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Most Rev William M. Joensen, Ph.D. Bishop of Des Moines

## FROM THE CHURCH OCT 3 2021



"The same grace that worked wonders in the saints is at work, like a seed waiting to grow and flourish in every baptized soul—including yours." JOHN BARTUNEK A Quiet Place

USHERS NEEDED! As we are now required to maintain our holy obligation for Sunday masses, we need you!

Dynamic Catholic

#### Here is what an usher will do:

- Arrive 15-20 before mass starts
- · Escort those attending mass to open seats
- Seek and ask a family to bring up the gifts and help with Collection during the presentation of gifts

This ministry is open to all individuals and families. We do ask that children be with an adult. Please **contact Andy Negrete** 255-3162 ext. 129 or andyn@holytrinitydm.org

## The Schola HOLY TRINITY MUSIC

MUSIC MINISTRY Part time paid position for Adult Choir Director, to direct the choir for our 10:30 mass/holidays. This person must have these qualifications: Education In Music; Knowledge of liturgical music; Experience in teaching music, Proficient in piano (and other instruments also a plus). Contact Andy Negrete in the Holy Trinity Parish Office 255-3162 ext.129

## YOU ARE INVITED...Holy Trinity prayer chain members would like you to be part of their Parish prayer group. Where: The comfort of your home.

When: Any free moment. How: There are no rules.

All we ask is you share your email with us and we will send you the names and prayer requests from our Parish families and friends. All we ask is that you pray for their intentions when you have a moment. Yes, it is that easy. Is it worthwhile? *Luke 11: 9-10 ""And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened."* All we ask is for you to ask Him in prayer with us! If you would like to be a part of our Parish Prayer Group, please contact Dan at <u>danm@holytrinitydm.org</u> or 255-3162 ext. 124 Thank you!



ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED We can have 3! Eligible servers are students <u>already</u> trained with Parental Permission. <u>Parents—</u>email student's name and Mass time availability to <u>carolynr@holytrinitydm.org</u>.

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PLEASE REMEMBER THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED... Marv Pommer Longtime parishioner of Holy Trinity



### FINANCIAL BLESSINGS ENDING WEEK OF SEP 26 2021

Budget - July 2021 - June 2022 YTD Actual Tithing through Sep 26 YTD Budget through Sep 26 \$1,000,000 \$227,801 \$238,607

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## IT'S SPIRIT WEEK!



Monday Oct 4 Pajama Day!



Tuesday Oct 5 Career Day!



Wednesday Oct 6 Mismatch Day! (hair, socks, shoes)



Thursday Oct 7 **Decade Day!** 



## Friday Oct 8 Walkathon Tee Shirt Day!

KIDS CONNECTION TEAM ASSOCIATE NEEDED Holy Trinity Kids Connection is looking for an optimistic, energetic, and responsible leader to fill an immediate Team Associate position. Kids Connection is a DHS Licensed Child Care Program with an inviting, positive, and gratifying atmosphere in a before and after school childcare program. Kids Connection serves children aged Preschool-8th grade. Hours could amount up to 15 per week. Job requirements are the following: must be at least 16 years of age, ability to lift 15+ pounds, able to provide first aid/CPR, obtain a health physical, pass the required background and fingerprint checks, and the completion and maintenance of additional mandatory DHS training (up to 10 hours) as required. If interested in this fun & flexible part time position with a competitive wage, please reach out to Jenith Burry (jburry@htschool.org) today!

## **ARE YOU READY TO ENROLL YOUR CHILDREN AT HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL?**



Contact us at 515 255 3162 ext 115 or please visit us at https://holvtrinitvdm.org/school

Holy Trinity Catholic School is a community of teachers and parents who labor in love to care for, and raise, the stewards of our future.

We recognize and respond to the spirit and dignity of each child as they grow and achieve excellence in life and learning.

We believe all things are possible with God, and so will your child.



**Dowling Catholic High School is hosting** its annual Open House for Prospective Students on Sunday, November 7th from 11 AM- 2 PM. Families will tour the school, meet the teachers, moderators, and coaches and learn about tuition assistance. There are prizes to win and games to play! It's a fun day for the whole family! If you have any questions, please call 515-222-1025



Want more information? Call the School Office 515 255 3162 X116 M-F 8AM-4PM Fax 515 255 1381



# EXTEND, EXPAND, and ADAPT our LEARNING HOLY TRINITY WALKATHON 2021 OCTOBER 9,

**(following 4:30 Mass)** Holy Trinity students AND families are invited to our traditional neighborhood walk and meet-and-greet event!

**DID YOU KNOW?** Walkathon is our school's largest fundraiser next to the Gala. As in prior years, your dollars go directly to tangible items that advance our kiddos learning and enhance their educational environment. 2021 "extend, expand, and adapt" donations will support outdoor classrooms, curriculum, and technology. Despite many challenges, we met our 2020 donation goal of \$20,000. Our goal for 2021 is to reach \$25,000. To get there, we need 100% Family Participation!

Join us as we come together through renewed strength and Holy Trinity community to support our students, teachers and school. Beginning in September, we will host fun virtual events and challenges. We will cap off the Walkathon giving period with SPIRIT WEEK! Students may donate \$1 per day Oct. 4-8 to dress up and enjoy the fun!

## WAYS TO DONATE

We are tracking donations! Please identify the student(s) in all forms of payment. Donations from families with multiple children will be divided evenly unless otherwise specified. *Make your pledge online or send in your donation.* 

**PAYPAL LINK:** IMPORTANT–You have the option to "write a note". PLEASE identify the intended student(s).

Please donate here!



**CHECK:** Please identify the student(s) in the memo line. **CASH:** Please include a note identifying the student(s). **DONATE BY MAIL** 

Click <u>HERE</u> to download a paper form and send it to Holy Trinity with your check at: Holy Trinity Walkathon 2926 Beaver Avenue Des Moines, IA 50310

**DID YOU KNOW?** We encourage donations from family, friends, and businesses! Please ask gracious donors to identify the student(s) in all forms of payment. Many companies match charitable school donations! This is an excellent way to boost your donation. Please email Ashley at <a href="mailto:zwiecks@gmail.com">zwiecks@gmail.com</a> to provide matching donor information so we may associate the donation with you! *Click <u>HERE</u> to download the donation letter.* 

Thank you for your continued support!

Questions? Please email <a href="mailto:pto.htschool@gmail.com">pto.htschool@gmail.com</a>.





## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

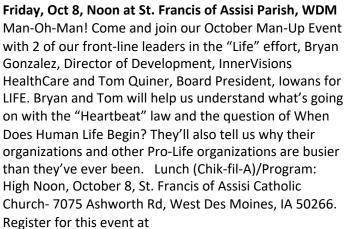
JOIN THE DIOCESE OF DES MOINES AS WE CELEBRATE THE GIFT OF THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE! Bishop Joensen will be celebrating three anniversary Masses this fall to pray with, bless and honor couples celebrating milestone anniversaries. Certificates of blessing and reserved seating is available for couples celebrating 1, 10, 25 and 50+ years of marriage. A light reception will follow the Mass.

#### **Times and Locations:**

- Saturday, October 30, 4 PM at St. Ambrose Cathedral, Des Moines, IA
- Sunday, November 7, 11:30 AM at St. Anne Catholic Church, Logan, IA
- Saturday, November 13, 5 PM at St. Mary Catholic Church, Red Oak, IA

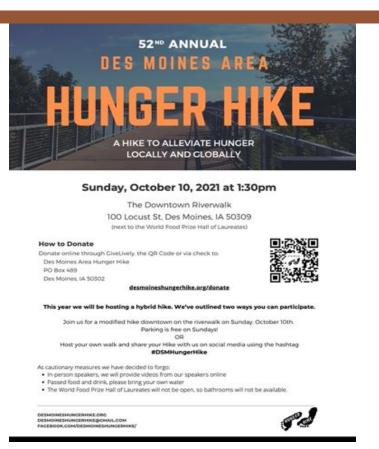
To register call Catholic Gearhart at 515-237-5004 or email her at cgearhart@dmdiocese.org

#### MAN-UP WEST, OCTOBER 2021: WHY WE'RE PRO-LIFE!



https://www.iowacatholicradio.com/events

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS After the last year plus of pandemic life many of us are looking for a fresh start. Consider attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience. Upcoming dates and locations are October 22nd - 24th in Coralville, IA and November 19th-21st in Holstein, IA. Register at lowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305 with any questions.



The Diocese of Des Moines is launching a \$45 million fundraising campaign to meet the growing needs of schools, parishes and diocesan ministries into the future.

Bishop William Joensen, in consultation with pastors and other diocesan leaders, approved the campaign last January after a diocesan-wide feasibility study showed 72 percent of 1,200 Catholic participants were willing to support a fundraising effort.

The campaign theme, "Ignite! A Life. A Church. A Community." aims to enhance the capacity of the diocesan familypriests, women religious, deacons, mothers, fathers, teachers, catechists, and, especially, our children -to bear and communicate the message of Jesus within and beyond A LIFE. A CHURCH. A COMMUNITY. the Church to the *Campaign for the* larger society. Catholic Diocese of Des Moines

Want more information? Go to dmdiocese.org



Umeri, the Drake University alumni choir, conducted by Aimee Beckmann-Collier, will present

Music of Compassion and Consolation

## Sunday, October 3, 3 PM, at St. Ambrose Cathedral

Sixth Avenue and High Street, in downtown Des Moines.

The concert will include the Durufle *Requiem*, featuring members of the Des Moines Symphony in collaboration with the choir, as well as three short pieces by young American composers. There is no admission charge; a freewill offering will be taken. For further information, contact the conductor

aimee.beckmann-collier@drake.edu.



### SPIRITUALITY OF THE READING

#### Accepting Disappointment in Love

In many of her novels, <u>Anita Brookner</u>, almost as a signature to her work, will make the following comment: the first task of a couple in marriage is to console each other for the fact that they cannot not disappoint each other. That's an important insight. Why?

When we are young and hear sadness in love songs, we think that the sadness and disappointment are a prelude to the experience of love. Later we come to realize that the sadness and disappointment don't ultimately originate from the fact that love has not taken place, but from the finite, limited character of human love itself. Brookner has it right: the first task in any love is for us to console each other for the limits of our love, for the fact that we cannot not disappoint each other.

Why? Why can't two persons ever be enough for each other? Why is disappointment part of the experience of every relationship, friendship, and marriage?

Because the very way that we are made precludes ever having, in this life, a oneness of mind, heart, and body that fulfills us in such a way that there is no disappointment. Our longing is simply too wide. We long for the infinite and are built for it and so we wake to life and consciousness with longings as deep as a Grand Canyon without a bottom.

In this life then, outside of rare and very transitory mystical experiences, there is no consummation (sexual, emotional, psychological, or even spiritual) with another person that is so deep and all-embracing that it excludes all distance, shadow, and emptiness.

No matter how deep a friendship or a marriage and no matter how good, rich in personality, and deep the other person may be, we always find ourselves somewhat disappointed. In this life, there is no union that fills every emptiness inside of us. Somewhere, we always sleep alone.

In essence, there is no union which fulfills perfectly the Genesis prescription that "two become one flesh." No matter how close a marriage or a friendship, two can never ultimately become one. No matter how deep a union, we always remain separate, two persons who cannot really ever, in this life, make just one heart, one mind, and one body.



No love or friendship ever fully takes away our separateness. Sometimes sexual electricity or emotional or spiritual affinity can promise such a oneness. But, in the end, it cannot fully deliver it. No matter how deep and powerful a union, ultimately, we remain, and need to remain, captains of our own hearts, minds, and bodies. This needs to be recognized, not just to help us deal with the disappointment, but especially so that we do not violate each other.

#### What's implied here?

In this life we are always, to some degree, in exile from each other. We stand alone in some way. Where we feel this most deeply is not in our sexual isolation, but in our moral separateness. What we crave even more deeply than sexual unity is moral affinity, to be truly one heart with another. More than we desire a lover, we desire a kindred spirit, a soul mate. If this is true, then the deepest violations of each other are also not sexual but moral.

It's when we try to be captain of somebody else's soul (even more than of his or her body) that we rape someone. And it is our failure to accept that we will always be somehow separate from each other that creates the pressure inside of us to unhealthily try to be captain of someone else's soul. We violate another's separateness precisely because we cannot accept the disappointment of love.

Finally, beyond even this, we cannot not be disappointed in love because, in the end, we are all, in some way, limited, inadequate, blemished, dull, and boring. None of us is God. No matter how rich our personalities or attractive our bodies, none of us can indefinitely excite and generate novelty, sexual electricity, and emotional pleasure, within a relationship. A relationship is like a long trip and, as <u>Dan Berrigan</u> puts it, "there's bound to be some long dull stretches. Don't travel with someone who expects you to be exciting all the time!"

What's the lesson in this? Stoicism and cynicism about love and romance? To the contrary: the recognition that, in love, we cannot not disappoint each other is what makes it possible for us to remain inside of marriage, friendship, celibacy, and respect.

It's when we demand not to be disappointed that we grow angry, make unrealistic demands, and put pressure on each other's moral and sexual integrity. Conversely, when we recognize the limits of love, when we accept an inevitable separateness, moral loneliness, and disappointment, we can begin to console each other in our friendships and our marriages. In that consolation, since it touches so deeply the core of our souls, we can, in fact, begin to find the threads that can bind us into a unity of heart beyond disappointment.

**Ron Rolheiser** 

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READING I Genesis 2:18-24

PSALM 128:1-6

READING II Hebrews 2:9-11

GOSPEL Mark 10:2-16

**Question for Children:** When you make a promise, why is it important to keep it?

**Question for Youth:** What has your family taught you about God and living a faithful life? How do you show your family what they mean to you?

**Question for Adults:** How is God's fidelity reflected in human marriage? To whom are you committed like this?

#### SAINT OF THE WEEK

### Marie Rose Durocher, Religious

Eulalie Durocher was born in St. Antoine, Quebec, on October 6, 1811, the tenth of eleven children. When she was sixteen, Eulalie felt a calling to a religious life, but her frail health caused her to be turned away by religious orders. While working in a parish, she became very concerned about the quality of religious education being offered there. Knowing Eulalie's concern for the education of children, her confessor, Fr. Pierre Telmon, with the concurrence of Bishop Bourget, urged her to start such a teaching order. Although reluctant due to her poor health, Eulalie agreed and, together with two companions, founded the Sisters of the Holy Name of Jesus and Mary.

Eulalie and her companions took their vows as religious in December 1844. Eulalie took the name Marie Rose at that time as she became the superior of the order. This small congregation with three sisters grew quite rapidly as other women, recognizing the need, joined them. Today this teaching order has spread across Canada, into the United States and to South America and Africa.

Marie Rose's message today: Frailty and ill health did not stop this saint from answering God's call, first to recognize a need and then to establish an order of nuns to meet that need. Indeed, God gives us all of the strength that we need to answer his call.

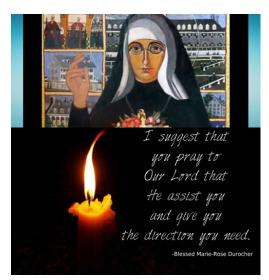
Are you hesitant to answer a calling because you feel incapable of performing adequately? Ask Blessed Marie Rose to help you.



## BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Use these activities as a way to further reflect on the Sunday readings:

- Jesus embraced and blessed the children in today's Gospel story. Begin a practice of blessing your children. Search your parish or diocesan library for books of Catholic blessings and prayers that are suitable for families.
- Jesus speaks of marriage as a union joined by God. Think about a married couple that you admire. What are signs of their love for one another? Do they help one another to grow? What do they teach others about the love of God?



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## FROM THE CHURCH OCT 3 2021

Holy Trinity Members are invited to the Healing Mass Friday October 15 at 10 AM

If you or a family member desire God's healing grace, come to the **Healing Mass Friday October 15 at 10 AM**. Father Mark, Father Greg Leach and Father Ken Gross will offer the Sacrament of the Sick during this liturgy.

Anyone experiencing pain or distress whether mental, physical, or spiritual, is a candidate for the Sacrament of the Sick.

We are requesting that parishioners make a reservation with Dan Maxcy, Pastoral Care Minister. Please call the Parish office at 255-3162 ext 124 and let us know how many will be attending in your family.

We want to allow for the safety of all individuals attending this Mass. Physical distancing will be provided and the Diocese of Des Moines recommends you wear a mask.



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## PARISH CALENDAR WEEK OF OCT 3 2021

	SUNDAY 10/3	MONDAY 10/4	TUESDAY 10/5	WEDNESDAY 10/6	THURSDAY 10/7	FRIDAY 10/8	SATURDAY 10/9
HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL			PTO Mtg 6PM		BOE Mtg 6PM		WALKATHON Starts After 4:30PM Mass
FAITH FORMATION	Children's Liturgy begins again on Oct 3!		RCIA Meeting 6:30PM CH	Faith Formation 6:30PM Youth Group 6:30PM			
ADULT FAITH FORMATION	Mass 8:30AM 10:30AM	No Communion Service	Communion Service <b>8:30AM</b>	Communion Service <b>8:30AM</b>	Communion Service 8AM Adoration 2-9PM Rosary 4:15PM	School Mass <b>8:30AM</b> Hosted by Student Council	Reconciliation 3-3:45PM Sunday Vigil Mass 4:30PM Sunday Reading Grp MEN'S 7:30AM SR WOMEN'S 8:30AM CH
AND MORE							Boy Scout Can Drive <b>10AM to Noon</b>

CH: Church 101-106: Classrooms DC: Day Chapel K: Kitchen MC: Media Center PO: Parish Office SR: Social Room

MASS / LITURGY SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

DAILY MASS READINGS @ https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/100421.cfm

Marcie Coleman

NO Communion Service

**Communion Service** 

**Communion Service** 

**Communion Service** 

Adoration

Don Hilbert

Reconciliation

For the Parish

Ruth & Jim Wright

Karolyne Randazzo

Rosary

For the Parish

#### Sunday Oct 3

8:30 AM Mass 10:30 AM Mass

Monday Oct 4

**Tuesday Oct 5** 8:30 AM

Wednesday Oct 6 8:30 AM

Thursday Oct 7 8 AM 2-9 PM 4:15 PM

Friday Oct 8 8:30 AM School Mass

Saturday Oct 9 3-3:45 PM 4:30 PM Mass

Sunday Oct 10 8:30 AM Mass 10:30 AM Mass NEXT WEEK LITURGICAL MINISTERS / ALTAR SERVERS Saturday Oct 9 4:30 PM Sunday Vigil WALKATHON

Altar Servers Walkathon Volunteers Lectors Walkathon Volunteers EMHC Walkathon Volunteers Musical Coordinator Tom Quiner

#### Sunday Oct 10 8:30 AM

Altar Servers	McAndrews Family
Lectors	Wayne Johnson & Steve Stimmel
EMHC	Team 2
Children's Liturgy	Children's Liturgy Janelle Kerr
Musical Coordinator	Tom Quiner

#### Sunday Oct 10 10:30 AM

Altar Servers	Catie Wilwerding & Siobhan Bigelow
Lectors	Margaret Toomey & Mark Amadeo
EMHC	Team 1
Children's Liturgy	Children's Liturgy Paul Bush
Musical Coordinator	ТВА

WEEKEND MASSES Sat 4:30 PM / Sun 8:30 & 10:30 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES Tue, Wed & Fri 8:30 AM / Thurs 8AM

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