

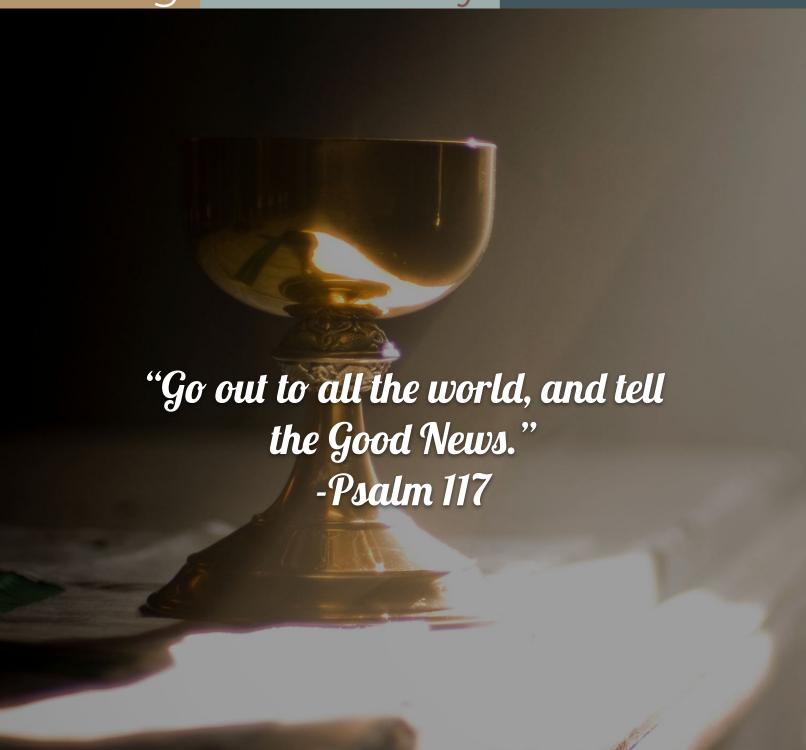
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Third Sunday of
Ordinary Time

January 26th, 2025

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Taking the Journey TOGETHER



Holy Trinity Book Club

Starting January 2025

- Purchase our club's book from Beaverdale Books, Divine Treasures, or Amazon.
- Read three chapters a month.
- Join a discussion time that works for you.

Thursdays - 8 P.M.

Dates: 1/30, 2/27, 3/27

Location: 4208 Adams Ave.

Host: Kathleen Meradith-Eyers

k.meraditheyers@gmail.com

Fridays - 9 A.M.

Dates: 1/31, 2/28, 3/28

Location: 3015 40th PL

Host: Sophie Klaus

srfursa@gmail.com

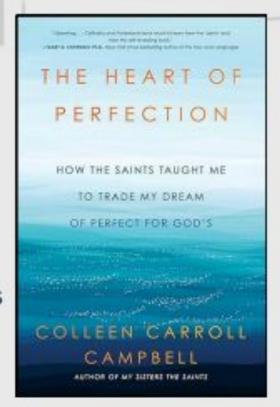
Saturdays - 11 A.M.

Dates: 1/25, 2/22, 3/29

Location: 2629 38th St.

Host: Meghan Thorne

meghanmc515@gmail.com



Join our email list here!

From the Church | January 26th, 2025

Parish Business Directory. Want to share information about your business with parishioners at Holy Trinity?

<u>Fill out this Directory form</u> and be added to our new business directory housed on our secure portal. Reach out to Jan Swinton with any questions.

Still Here. Sharing Sacred Scripture with Loved Ones in Memory Care. Are you grieving and missing a family member who has been placed in Memory or Alzheimer's Care? They are still here and we would love to minister to them.

We can make brief, peaceful viPlease contact Sarah with questions and pray the sacred scriptures or Liturgy of the Hours for them. Our loved ones can still hear the still, small voice of the Lord!

To ask us to visit your loved one please call Deacon Troy Thompson (515-447-5707) or Jan Swinton, Parish Secretary (515-255-3162).

Rosary. Rosary: please join our HT school and parish community in praying the rosary. We'll meet at the Bigelows house (403 42nd Street) at 8 pm on the first Monday of each month for intentions, rosary and fellowship.

If you're not familiar with the rosary, come learn. The next dates are:

- March 3
- April 7

Please contact Sarah with questions:

ssullivanbigelow@gmail.com

Please keep Tim Simmons and his family in your prayers.

Tim is suffering with terminal brain cancer. Tim is the
husband of Mary Simmons.

Coffee and Donuts. It's a new year! And we are looking for new volunteers. We are looking for volunteers to help serve coffee and donuts on Sundays after 8:30a and 10:30a masses. This is an important ministry that allows us to gather each week after mass! This is also a great opportunity to volunteer with a group and share more about your organization or group here at Holy Trinity.

If you are interested in signing up for coffee and donuts, please <u>sign up HERE</u>, or contact Gigi Wilwerding at gigiw@holytrinitydm.org.



Chili Sold by the Knights of Columbus. The Knights will again be selling chili after masses on Feb 8 and 9.

The prices are Quarts \$12.00 and Half-gallons \$20.00.

Breakfast Served by the Knights of Columbus. The HT Knights of Columbus will be serving breakfast after both Masses on Sunday January 26th. All proceeds will go to the School for Catholic Schools week.

The menu consists of: Eggs, Sausages, Biscuits and Gravy, Fresh Fruit, Breakfast pastries, Coffee, Milk, and Orange Juice.

Financial Blessings Ending Week of 1/17/25				
Budget July 2025 through June 2026	\$958,558	YTD Surplus (Deficit)	\$15,248	
YTD Actual Tithing	\$531,848	Tithing for the Week	\$11,698	
YTD Budget	\$516,600	Number of Donations Received	61	





Knights of Columbus Updates-

We wanted to update the parish on what the Holy Trinity Knights of Columbus accomplished in 2024. Thanks to your generous support of our Lenten Fish Dinners, Breakfasts, Super Bowl Chili sales, and other events, we were able to support the following Holy Trinity groups and our local community. We donated over \$15,000 in 2024. Here are some of the great causes we supported in 2024.

Donation

\$4,973.35 Tootsie Rolls Ruby Van Meter PTO

\$1,981.33 CFUM Monthly Meals

\$1,235.09 Tootsie Rolls Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities (CPID)

\$1,100.00 NCYC Travel Expense

\$1,000.00 PATCH Apartment

\$750.00 HT Youth Group

\$494.76 Coats for Kids

\$450.00 Walk A Thon

\$400.00 Gala

\$371.34 Misc. Charitable Donations

\$321.00 Mother's Day Flowers

\$290.84 Mary's Meals

\$200.00 Ancient Order of Hibernians

\$200.00 Boy Scout Eagle Projects

\$200.00 Seminarian Gifts

\$153.04 Pennies from Heaven

Are you an adult male over 18 interested in becoming a member of the Holy Trinity Knights of Columbus? Scan the QR code below or contact our Grand Knight, Wendell Eck, at 515–564–9274 or eckbuiltelive.com

Upcoming events

Super Bowl Chili sales after masses

Feb 8 and 9

Become a Knight Here!





From the School | January 26th, 2025

Enrollment. Parishioner Enrollment started December 1st at the Diocese of Des Moines Catholic Schools, our students experience nurturing and innovative environments where smaller class sizes foster big dreams.

Plus, with Education Savings Accounts, an education at our schools might be more affordable than you think! All K- 12 Iowa students qualify for an ESA for the 2025-2026 school year.

Parishioner enrollment begins December 1.

- Parishioner priority enrollment December 1
 –January 24.
- General Enrollment opens up January 25.

Schedule your visit today with Mercedies Steinkamp, email her at mercedies@htschool.org

Shop the Holy Trinity Spirit Store!

Shop online today at shopholytrinitydm.com!

<u>Questions?</u> Email megan.mortier@gmail.com and sarahmseverson21@gmail.com

Uniform Donations. We are accepting uniform donations. Please make sure uniform items are in good condition when donating. We are currently in high need of pants.

Request for Donations. During CSW, HT will be collecting items for Des Moines Refugee Support. Needed items are coats, socks, soccer gear (cleats size 5 and up, sweatshirts, tshirts, shorts, sweatpants). These can be new or gently used. Thank you for your support and generosity.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

After we kick off the week with our Open House we have a full week of fun for Catholic Schools Week!

See the whole week schedule here!



Upcoming Dates.

- CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK: January 26th-31st
- NOON DISMISSAL: January 29th
- NO SCHOOL: February 3rd (Professional Development)

Daddy Daughter Dance is HERE! Guys- Grab your favorite gal(s) and let's do a little dancing. <u>RSVP here!</u>

At this event you can expect:

- To dance the night away to your favorite DJ tunes
- A flower for every girl
- A dessert bar
- A snack bar
- Lemonade and Water
- Multiple Craft Tables
- DIY Bracelet Making Table

Tickets are \$25/couple. Please add \$5 for each additional guests. Payment can be made to this link... https://www.venmo.com/u/holytrinitydm

We sure hope you can make it to this special night. We look forward to pampering your special little lady.

Submit a Nomination for 2025 Teacher, Administrator or School Volunteer of the Year: Nominate a teacher, administrator and/or school volunteer to be recognized at the 2025 Bishop's Celebration of Catholic Schools.

Nominations are due February 16, 2025, and the winners will be announced the first week of March. You may nominate one individual in each of the three categories, but only one form may be submitted per nomination. Submit your nominations >





From the Diocese & Community | January 26th, 2025



Blood Donation. As we focus on heart health in February, consider a different way to give back to the heart of your community. Blood donation plays a vital role in heart surgeries, emergency treatments, and other medical needs that impact lives. Donating blood is a loving gesture that supports those who rely on the generosity of others. Share your heart by donating blood this month!

Join the Mission This Heart Month: Save lives, support heart health, and share your love by donating blood. To schedule your lifesaving appointment, by clicking the link below, visit lifeservebloodcenter.org, or call 800.287.4903.

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

02/15/2025 (08:00 am - 11:30 am) 2926 Beaver Avenue Holy Trinity Catholic Church - Gym Des Moines, IA 50310

If you have already scheduled a donation, THANK YOU! Can you help to spread our mission by inviting a friend, family member, or co-worker along to donate with you?

Save the Date: Men's Conference is coming FORGE, a new Des Moines apostolate, will host its first conference on Saturday, March 1 at the Embassy Suites in Des Moines. FORGE aims to empower 1,200 Catholic men to fight for the Church's view of the family. Featured speakers include Matt Birk, Father Boniface Hicks, Pete Burak, Dr. Leonard Sax, and John Bishop, Ph.D. (and more). Get more information at www.myforge.com/conference

Women's Evening of Recollection Monday, February 10, 2025 | 6:30-8:30 p.m.

St. Augustin Church 545 42nd Street, Des Moines

Spend a brief time away from the world to be with Our Lord. The Evening is designed to help you spend time alone with God, to look at your life from His perspective, and find practical ways to serve God amid your ordinary work and family life. A priest will present two meditations based upon the spirituality of St. Josemaria Escrivá, the founder of Opus Dei. There will be time for personal prayer, reflection, and confession. The evening will conclude with Benediction. Women of all ages are invited, including high school and college students.

6:30 Confession
6:40 Practical Talk
7:00 First meditation. Confession. Meditation.
8:00 Benediction

The Women's Evenings of Recollection will take place on the 2nd Monday of each month. No Women's Evening of Recollection in July and December.

Questions: Terry McFarland (630-885-0246). terryannmcfarland@gmail.com

Silent Ignatian Preached Retreat with Fr. Larry Gillick, S.J., March 13-16, 2025. This retreat invites you into a deepening of relationship with God as you enter the Lenten journey. These three days of prayer and reflection will center on God's meeting Abram and three of His Apostles as they are. We'll journey with them as they are invited to a deepening of their relationship with God. No pointing of Divine Fingers but more the invitation to experience God's fidelity to our human fears and questions. Time will be spent in being who we are in God's loving gaze rather than preparing or changing our behavior to do what we should.

Cost: \$425 per person, including room and meals.

Location: Creighton University Retreat Center located one hour east of Omaha.

Register here





<u>Program</u>

- Praise & Worship
- Daily Mass
- Daily Rosary, including an international Rosary
- Faith talks from National Catholic speakers
- Adoration offered all weekend long
- Opportunities for Christian fellowship
- Meals included with registration



YOUTH 2000 leads young people to a personal encounter with Jesus Christ in the Eucharist; to live and proclaim the Gospel message with joy and enthusiasm; and to become evangelizers of the New Evangelization.

YOUTH 2000 RETREAT SCHEDULE

St. Francis of Assisi, West Des Moines, IA

Friday, February 21 6:30 PM to 10:30 PM Saturday, February 22 9:00 AM to 10:00 PM Sunday, February 23 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The registration fee is \$60 per person. This registration fee includes Saturday lunch and dinner. All participants must complete a Liability Release Form. If the participant is under 18, a parent or legal guardian must sign.



Scan the QR code to learn more and register or visit www.dmdiocese.org/youth2000

Notes on the Mass | January 26th, 2025

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time: For a large part of the liturgical year, we devote ourselves to listening to the mystery of Christ in all its aspects unfolded as we seek God's truth and understanding.

Reading I: Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

The Word of God speaks to all who hear it.

- In today's reading, Ezra presents the Torah to the people as the Word of God.
- The Torah consists of the first five books of the Bible.
- After the people listened to Ezra, they rejoiced with a great celebration for God's gift of the Word.

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30

We are the body of Christ and each is a different part.

- The reading from 1 Corinthians presents Paul's image of the Christian community as one body alive in one Spirit.
- In a healthy body all parts serve for the welfare of the whole.
- One of the gifts held by the Christian community is the gift of the Word of God.

Gospel: Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Jesus is the fulfillment of the Scriptures.

- In the introduction to this Gospel, Luke suggests that he knows of other Gospel accounts.
- The story of the beginning of Jesus' ministry follows Luke's introduction.
- Today's passage highlights compassion and liberation as the theme of Jesus' ministry and concern for the weakest members of society the mark of his identity as Messiah.



Bring Home the Gospel | January 26th, 2025

Reading I Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 | Psalm | Reading II 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 | Gospel Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Question For The Children Jesus is present to each of us in a different way. Tell about a time that you knew Jesus was with you.

Question For The Youth Name a moment or situation in your life where Jesus was present. What are some situations or places where you wish that Jesus was more visible?

Question For The Adults Jesus came to bring glad tidings to the poor and set free the enslaved. How has this mission of Christ in the world affected you personally?

Activity Of The Week Gather the family together and light a candle. Allow time for each family member to reflect on a time when he or she felt Jesus' presence in a special way. Have each person tell about the experience.

Saint of the Week: Titus, Bishop, First Century

Titus was a Greek and a close friend of St. Paul who apparently converted him to Christianity. In Titus 1:4, St. Paul called Titus "my true child in our common faith." Our knowledge of him comes from the letters of Paul to Titus and to the Corinthians. Titus accompanied St. Paul on his third missionary journey and acted as Paul's secretary at the council in Jerusalem.

Titus served as a mediator for Paul on several missions. Paul sent Titus to Corinth to correct errors and smooth out dissension which had arisen there. He was received by the Corinthians with great respect, and interceded with Paul on their behalf. Titus returned to Corinth a second time at Paul's direction to collect alms for the poor.

After preaching in Crete, Paul moved on, consecrating Titus and leaving him to serve as the first bishop. Paul's letter to Titus, similar to his first letter to Timothy, gives Titus advice on how to conduct his mission. In it, Paul summarizes the major qualities which a bishop should have. A bishop, he tells Titus, is God's steward and, as such, must be blameless and have a firm grasp of the Word so that he can preach with sound doctrine and refute those who dispute that doctrine. But in this letter, Paul also tells Titus that he is sending a substitute and wants Titus to visit him in Nicopolis. Titus visited Paul and then returned to Crete where he probably died at an advanced age.

We celebrate the Memorial to St. Titus, together with that of St. Timothy, another disciple of St. Paul.

Titus' message today: In his letter to Titus, Paul mentioned many qualities which a bishop should possess. All good Christians should also possess many of these qualities: hospitality, a love of goodness, and prudence, among other things.

• Are you an active part of your church community? Have you welcomed others into that community?



Parish Calendar			January 26th, 2025				
	Sunday [1/26]	Monday [1/27]	Tuesday [1/28]	Wednesday [1/29]	Thursday [1/30]	Friday [1/31]	Saturday [2/1]
School	Catholic Schools Week Open House 11:45AM- 1:00PM	CSW - Dress in animal print, flannel or any pattern	CSW - Dress as your favorite decade	School Mass hosted by Student Council 8:30AM CSW - Dress Up for Jesus Noon Dismissal	CSW - Dress in your favorite color	Talent Show 2:00-3:00PM (GYM) CSW - Dress in Comfy Clothes	
Faith Formation			OCIA (CH) 6:30PM	Faith Formation & Edge Class 6:30PM			Sunday Reading Groups Men (MC) 7:30AM Women (CH) 8:30AM
Adult Faith Formation	Mass 8:30AM & 10:30AM	No Communion Service	Mass 8:30AM Morning Prayer following Mass	Mass 8:30AM	Mass 8:30AM Adoration 2-9PM Rosary 4:05PM	Mass 8:30AM Morning Prayer following Mass	Reconciliation 3-3:45PM Mass 4:30PM
More	Knights of Columbus serving breakfast following 8:30 & 10:30 Mass			9th Grade Confirmation 6:30PM (Rms 101 & 102)	CSW Family Game Night 6-7:30PM (GYM & SR)		

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

Upcoming Mass Schedule, Liturgy Schedule, and Intentions				
[1/26]	8:30AM	Mass	Pat McGoldrick	
	10:30AM	Mass	Greg Gaul	
[1/28]	8:30AM	Mass	Kathy Coleman	
[1/29]	8:30AM	Mass	Colleen O'Meara Lewton & Don & Pat O'Meara	
[1/30]	8:30AM	Mass	Diane Hicks	
	2-9PM	Adoration		
	4:05PM	Rosary		
[1/31]	8:30AM	Mass	Tim Simmons with his battle with brain cancer	
[2/1]	3-3:45PM	Reconciliation	Reconciliation	
	4:30PM	Mass	Duane Chamberlain	
[2/2]	8:30AM	Mass	Mary Ellen McGough	
	10:30AM	Mass	For the Parish	

Saturday	Altar Servers	Lola & Penelope Carroll and Jude & Hugh Kajewski
[2/1]	Lectors	Vonnie Salem & Gary Thull
4:30PM	ЕМНС	Team 2
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday	Altar Servers	Elizabeth Bungert, Jamison Lynch, Jack Ernst and Cameron Goode
[2/2]	Lectors	Jean Severson & John Goode
8:30AM	ЕМНС	Team 2/MC: Mark McAndrews
	Children's Liturgy	Team B: Katy Polich
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday	Altar Servers	Noah Dragoo, Ruth George, Jack Mundy & Kellan Murphy
[2/2]	Lectors	Provided by Youth Ministry
10:30AM	ЕМНС	Provided by Youth Ministry
	Children's Liturgy	Team 5: Jean Smith & Alaina Hoover
	Music Coordinator	Eric Sharp

Upcoming Liturgical Ministers and Altar Servers





View the Parish Calendar online at holytrinitydm.org/home/calendar



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