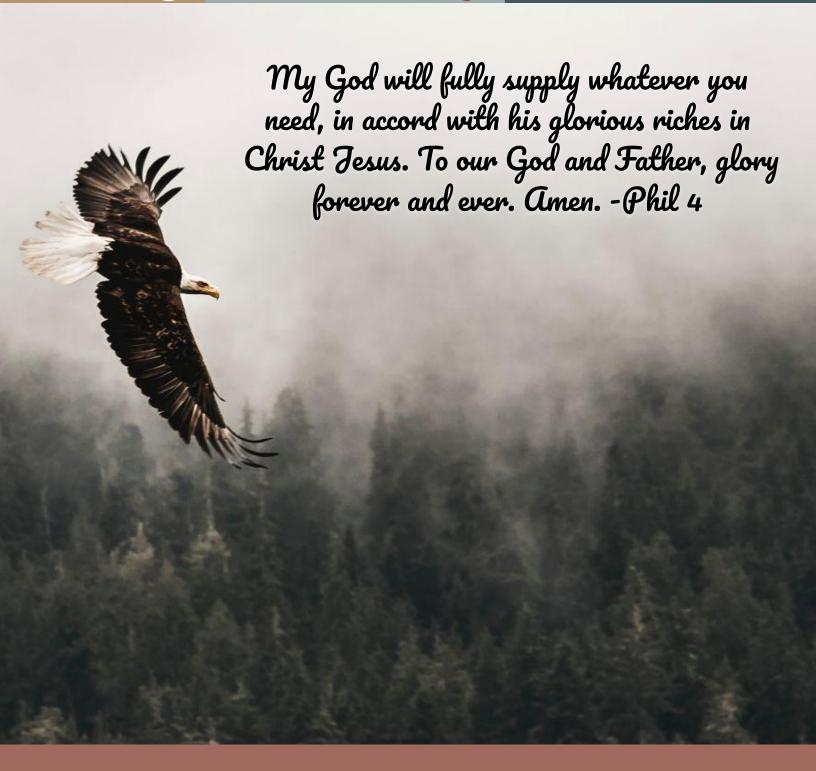


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October 15, 2023
Twenty-eighth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Taking the Journey TOGETHER



From Father Mark | October 15, 2023

Greetings.

I wanted to share with you how our annual Walkathon went. For the last two years we have been raising funds to replace our playground equipment. Our goal this year was \$48,000, and at present we are at \$66,000 with more to be counted. A big thank you to all who made it such a success! Especially our very generous donors! Also, thank you to our students for planning our Mass before the Walkathon and the Knights of Columbus for once again preparing and serving the meal...it was excellent.

Thanks to all of our volunteers without whom these projects would not be possible. A very special thank you to our Gold Sponsors, who donated \$1,000 or more:

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Their donations made a huge impact on our fundraising efforts. All levels of support of the Walkathon are greatly appreciated. All efforts have added up for a record breaking year.

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Have a good week

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Fr. Mark Neal



From the Church | October 15, 2023





Empower Women and Save Babies. Support InnerVisions HealthCare, a local unplanned pregnancy and STD medical clinic, during the Baby Bottle Campaign. This weekend, October 14 and 15, take a baby bottle from the church entrance and fill it with coins, cash, or checks. Then, return the bottle on October 21 and 22!

Please contact Bryan Gonzalez at 515.280.4706 for details. Learn more about this life-affirming mission at ivhcare.org. We are grateful for Caldwell Parrish Funeral Home for underwriting the InnerVisions baby bottle campaign!



Knights of Columbus will have Tootsie Rolls next weekend! Grab yourself a treat after Masses on Saturday, October 21, and Sunday, October 22. See you then!

Parish Apartment Available. The two bedroom, one bathroom, upstairs apartment at 4201 Urbandale Ave., Des Moines, IA 50310 is available for rent. Rent is \$800 per month with \$500 a security deposit. The renter pays for gas and electric, but water if paid for by the parish. Contact Mary Gisler at maryg@holytrinitydm.org for details.



Provide Lunch for the Homeless. HT joins Connection Cafe to provide and serve lunch on the last Thursday of every month. Help us provide shredded BBQ chicken sandwiches, fruit, chips, and cookies for 150 people on Thursday, October 26.

Lunch is served at St. John's Lutheran Church. Please sign up for one of the 21 remaining volunteer opportunities. Visit signup.com/go/Qbkvymy to register. Thank you for supporting of The Connection Cafe!



Trunk or Treat! The HT School Family Organization invites you to dress up, decorate your vehicle, and bring TONS of candy to pass out in the parking lot on Sunday, October 29.

Trunk or Treat is from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Set-up starts at 4 p.m. Students will sell pizza by the slice to fundraise for their trip to the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis.

Register at https://bit.ly/3rOvMHd, and contact Emily Naylor for details at emily-naylor@outlook.com.



Financial Blessings Ending October 6, 2023				
Budget July 2023 through June 2024	\$958,558	YTD Surplus (Deficit)	(\$2,901)	
YTD Actual Tithing	\$227,275	Tithing for the Week	\$28,007	
YTD Budget	\$230,176	Number of Donations Received	201	



Fight the ful

Holy Trinity hosts two clinics this month for Flu, COVID, and RSV shots.

Sunday, October 15

For Parishioners.

9 to 10:30 a.m. in the school gym.

Thursday, October 19

For Students, Families, and Staff. 3 to 6 p.m. in the school gym.

Wear loose-fitting clothing and bring insurance cards to the clinic. Register online at https://bit.ly/46iHKav or scan the code. Contact Mindy Aronow at maronow@htschool.org for details.



JOIN US FOR THE MOTHER SON DODGE "BALL"!

Moms and sons are invited to the Holy Trinity Gym and Social Room on Saturday, October 28th, from 5-8 p.m.

Cost: \$30 per mother/son couple (\$5 for each extra son)
Mark your calendars and register by October 22nd

Play dodge ball and lawn games!

Eat pizza and treats!

Do the griddy with the DJ!

Wear Halloween costumes.. There will be a contest!







From the Diocese & Community | October 15, 2023



Halloween Party. Join the Young Catholic Singles group for pizza, snacks, and drinks on Friday, October 20. The party is from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Pius in the Martha and Mary Room. Enter the costume contest to join in on the Halloween fun!

Interested? Email ycdmcatholicsingles@gmail.com or visit https://bit.ly/3ZvwzsS for details.

Seven Mysteries of the Faith Unlocked by the Eucharist.

Catholic Answers Staff Apologist Joe Heschmeyer says the Eucharist is the key to understanding the New Covenant, Old Covenant, Mass, Early Christianity, Church, lives of the Saints, and spiritual life.

Visit St. Joseph Catholic Church in Winterset on Thursday, October 19, at 6:30 p.m. Register for the free discussion and light reception at https://bit.ly/48EXBIO.

Big Band Affair. St. John the Apostle in Norwalk hosts the *High Society Big Band* for your listening and dancing pleasure. They will play the songs of Duke Ellington, Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller, and more.

The affair is on Saturday, November 11, from 6:15 to 9:15 p.m. Doors open at 6. Enjoy pulled pork sandwiches, chips, and non-alcoholic beverages for a freewill offering. Bring snacks, appetizers, beer, and wine for your table (BYOB)!

Don't miss this fabulous evening! Presale tickets are \$90 for reserved eight-person tables or \$12 for single tickets. Tickets are \$15 at the door. Call 515-981-4855 or visit the parish office at 720 Orchard Hills Drive, Norwalk for tickets.

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Healing Service at St. Ambrose Cathedral. All are welcome to attend a healing service at St. Ambrose Cathedral on Wednesday, October 18, at 5:30 p.m. "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

Diocese of Des Moines Employment. The Diocese is hiring an Accountant! This is an opportunity to work in a flexible environment and serve the parishes and schools of southwest Iowa. Analyze financial information, prepare reports, assist during annual financial audits and budgeting process, and support parishes and schools.

Please visit https://bit.ly/3KtKlHg for more information.

Theology of the Body Workshops

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SAT. OCT. 28 SS JOHN & PAUL, UNDERSTANDING & SHARING HIS MESSAGE OF HOPE AND LOVE

Theology of the Body. International speaker, author, and TOBET Team President Monica Ashour is coming to the Des Moines Diocese to present several Workshops.

• Wednesday, October 25

Monica presents to parents in Council Bluffs in partnership with Corpus Christi Parish. This event is bilingual!

Friday, October 27

Monica presents to parents in Des Moines, in partnership with St. Augustin Parish.

Saturday, October 28

Monica hosts a full day seminar, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Ss. John and Paul Parish in Altoona.

The cost is \$25 and scholarships are available. Contact Adam Storey at astorey@dmdiocese.org, or 515-237-5056 for details, or register at https://bit.ly/3PWbqFb.

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Notes on the Mass | October 15, 2023

Twenty-eighth Sunday in 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: Isaiah 25:6-10a | The Lord will provide for his people.

- Chapters 24-27 of the Book of Isaiah turn to the end times of God's great victory, when all enemies would be defeated and God's people would rejoice.
- A favorite image for the last day was the image of a banquet which God will provide on Zion, the holy mountain.
- All peoples will be invited, except, of course, God's enemies who have already been defeated. Sin and death are the final enemies.

Reading II : Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20 | In Christ, I am strong.

- Paul had just received a gift from the Philippians and wrote to express his gratitude.
- He praised them for their concern, but he also wanted to make clear to them that it was God who sustained him.
- Ultimately, Paul trusted in God's great banquet at the end of time.

Gospel : Matthew 22:1-14 | All are invited to the feast.

- Jesus tells the parable of the wedding banquet to describe the Kingdom of God.
- Those invited to God's Kingdom must respond to the invitation with repentance and good works.
- Because many of the Jews in Jerusalem refused the invitation, the Gentiles were invited to the banquet.



Bring Home the Gospel | October 15, 2023

Reading I Isaiah 25:6-10a | Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 | Reading II Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20 | Gospel Matthew 22:1-14

Question For The Children Why is it important for you to do what Jesus asks of you?

Question For The Youth Each week we are invited to participate in Mass. When you are at Mass, how well do you really participate? How could you be more present in heart, mind, and spirit?

Question For The Adults Using Jesus' parable as your starting point, describe in your own words who will be welcome and why they will be welcome, at the eternal banquet of God.

Activity Of The Week Together with your family, discuss the phrase "Many are invited but few are chosen." This week do one thing as a family to help others, making this world a better place for someone else.



Saint Of The Week Margaret Mary Alacoque

Born the fifth of seven children to the family of an official in France, Margaret was a good child, but she was not particularly smart or clever. When she was old enough, she entered a convent of the Visitation nuns. At the time, this order had two classes of nuns. The choir nuns were the cultivated, educated nuns who did the teaching and sang in the choir, while the lay nuns were the unschooled women who did the menial chores in the convent. Margaret Mary was a part of this second group. Hers was not an easy life, and she suffered the scorn and ridicule of some of the learned nuns because of her piety. Strongly devoted to Christ, Margaret Mary accepted her suffering in the name of Jesus. The Lord made himself know to her several times throughout the years, and based on this, she promoted devotion to the Sacred Heart which we still have in the Church today.

Margaret Mary Alacoque's message today:

Many of the saints were scorned because of their lives of devotion and prayer; Margaret Mary was one of these, although her sanctity was eventually recognized by those in her community. Likewise, we may experience the same reaction when we try to live out our Christian beliefs. Jesus encourages us to persevere, however, as he did in his visions to Margaret Mary.



Parish Calendar October 15, 2023							
	Sunday [10/15]	Monday [10/16]	Tuesday [10/17]	Wednesday [10/18]	Thursday [10/19]	Friday [10/20]	Saturday [10/21]
School		No School	SFO Meeting 6PM	School Mass hosted by 7th Grade 8:30AM		\$1 Jeans Day	
Faith Formation				10th Grade FF 6PM FF & 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 RCIA (CH) 6:30PM	Mass 8:30AM	Mass 8AM Adoration 2-9PM Rosary 4:05PM	Mass 8:30AM	Reconciliation 3-3:45PM Mass 4:30PM
More	Flu Shot Clinic 9-10:30AM Art Group (SR) 1-3:30PM				Flu Shot Clinic 3-6PM		First Reconciliation Learning Centers 9AM & 1PM

Upcoming Mass Schedule, Liturgy Schedule, and Intentions				
[10/15]	8:30AM	Mass	For the Parish	
	10:30AM	Mass	Ruth & Jim Wright	
[10/17]	8:30AM	Mass	Virgil & Kay Hefner	
[10/18]	8:30AM	Mass	Deacon David Lovell	
[10/19]	8AM	Mass Georgette Droessler		
	2-9PM	Adoration		
	4:05PM	Rosary		
[10/20]	8:30AM	Mass Fred Hunter		
[10/21]	3-3:45PM	Reconciliation		
	4:30PM	Mass	Mary Ann Nielsen	
[10/22]	8:30AM	Mass	For the Parish	
	10:30AM	Mass	Elizabeth Green	

Upcoming Liturgical Ministers and Altar Servers				
Saturday	Altar Servers	P. & Maren Wolfe, Margaret Fiddelke		
[10/21]	Lectors	Marsha Szymczuk, Lorraine Riseley		
4:30PM	ЕМНС	Team 2		
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner		
Sunday	Altar Servers	Cameron Goode, Jack Ernst		
[10/22]	Lectors	Steve Stimmel, Ben Klaus		
8:30AM	ЕМНС	Team 3		
	Children's Liturgy	Alicia & Luke Lynch		
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner		
Sunday	Altar Servers	V.Skeffington, R.George, B.& L.Caswell		
[10/22]	Lectors	Tammy Altman, Tom Green		
10:30AM	ЕМНС	Team 2		
	Children's Liturgy	Chris Coleman		
	Music Coordinator	Frances Paterik		







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