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Catholic Church and School

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November 19, 2023

Thirty-third Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Taking the Journey TOGETHER

*For you yourselves know very well
that the day of the Lord will come
like a thief at night. -1 Thes 5*





Find The Strength And Serenity You Need. *Nourish* gathers once a month to support the practical, emotional, and spiritual needs of family caregivers. *Nourish* gives you tools and resources to connect with your faith, encounter Christ, and see the grace and blessings in your caregiving journey.

Focus on pertinent issues like entering into caregiving roles, managing family dynamics, advocating for loved ones, how stress and faith coexist, staying engaged, and end of life.

You are invited! Attend the meeting on Wednesday, November 29, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the Media Center.

Contact Deacon Dan Maxcy at danm@holytrinitydm.org or Deacon Jim Houston at pastoralcare@saintpiuschurch.org for details.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Rom 15:13



SVdP Christmas Project. Help our Parish St. Vincent de Paul Conference support families in need this Christmas. If you know a family that needs help with food and gifts this year, or if your own family could use help, contact the parish office!

All assistance provided by SVdP is confidential. Contact Mercedes at mercediess@holytrinitydm.org or 515-255-3162 ext. 128 to add a family to the list.

The next SVdP meeting is Tuesday, November 28, at 4 p.m. to learn more about this group and assist their mission!



Please Pray! 15 members from HT get to share and grow in faith in Indianapolis this weekend at the National Catholic Youth Conference! Thanks to everyone who supported this pilgrimage, and please pray for safe travels.

Erik Altman, Jolene Bigelow, Emily and Andrew Dall-Winther, Aubrey Grimm, Alaina Hoover, Nellie Johnson, Ian Kerr, Janelle Kerr, Ella Kiernan, Sara Pearson, Gabe Polich, Nathan Wenham, and Catherine and Gigi Wilwerding!



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United in Faith and Community

Discover Catholic Schools. In the spirit of thanksgiving, we thank you for supporting Holy Trinity Catholic School. As an active member of our parish community, you not only make our school possible, but successful.

Tell us your story! We invite you to share your Catholic school experience at <https://bit.ly/40ILroH>.

Enjoy Taizé During Advent. Experience serenity and silence at Taizé this Advent season. Give yourself over to simple prayer and song in a period of joyful expectation.

- Sunday, December 3, from 5 to 5:45 p.m.
- Sunday, December 10, from 6 to 6:45 p.m.
- Sunday, December 17, from 5 to 5:45 p.m.

Contact Julie at redflutejc@gmail.com for details!

Financial Blessings Ending November 10, 2023

Budget July 2023 through June 2024	\$958,558	YTD Surplus (Deficit)	(\$4,387)
YTD Actual Tithing	\$323,083	Tithing for the Week	\$48,608
YTD Budget	\$327,470	Number of Donations Received	295



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Happy Friendsgiving! Join the Young Catholic Singles group for a potluck on Thursday, November 30, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Sacred Heart. Bring something to share and support the service project for *Innervisions*!

Visit <https://bit.ly/3ub5Vdy> to sign up and email ycdmccatholicsingles@gmail.com for details.

Our World Needs Prayer. Join fellow Iowans to pray the Rosary for our country. Meet at the west steps of the Iowa State Capitol on the third Sunday of every month. Come rain or shine!

The next two gatherings are Sunday, November 19, at 1:30 p.m. and Sunday, December 17, at 1:30 p.m. Contact Jeff Pierick at 515-778-6087 or Diana Balmaceda at 515-974-7691 for details. Don't miss it!

Advent Taizé Service. Join St. Catherine of Siena Parish for Taizé on Wednesday, December 6, at 7 p.m. Taizé is a quiet reflection on the season featuring the melodic voices of the St. Catherine of Siena Choir, seasonal readings, and quiet reflection in a peaceful, candlelight atmosphere.



Dinner in December. Don't miss this Iowa Catholic Radio event featuring keynote speaker Dr. David Anders, host of EWTN's *Called To Communion*. Enjoy a cocktail hour, dinner, and expect an exciting announcement!

Dinner in December is Friday, December 8, at the Embassy Suites. Cocktail hour at 6 p.m., and Dr. Anders takes the stage at 8 p.m. Get your tickets at IowaCatholicRadio.com.



Creighton UNIVERSITY

Receive Blessings in the Quiet! You are called by the Holy Spirit to find quiet and hear God speak. Attend a silent, directed retreat at Creighton University Retreat Center in Griswold, IA and become more aware of God's love and how it manifests in your life!

Choose from these available dates:

- Thursday to Sunday, January 18 through 21, 2024
- Thursday to Sunday, March 21 through 24, 2024
- Thursday to Sunday, May 2 through 5, 2024
- Sunday to Wednesday, July 14 through 17, 2024

Retreats begin with supper at 6 p.m. on the first day and end at 3 p.m. on the last day. The cost is \$375. Contact Kathy Kemler for details at KathyKemler@creighton.edu or 712-778-2466. Scan the code or visit <https://bit.ly/47hTVFu> to register.



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Thirty-third 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 : Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 | The wise woman receives her reward.

- The poem of the first reading is the conclusion of the Book of Proverbs.
- It is very likely that the poem is about both a good wife and Wisdom herself.
- The poem highlights the point that whoever finds Wisdom does indeed find life.

Reading II : 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 | You are children of the light.

- The Thessalonians were caught between worry over the imminent return of Christ and the complacency in their faith.
- Paul instructed them to be diligent in preparing, but not to worry.
- Christians are children of light.

Gospel : Matthew 25:14-30 | We must use the gifts we have been given!

- The Gospel reading deals with the end of the world and the coming of God's Kingdom.
- The paradox of today's parable is that the one who played it safe lost while, in the end, the risk-takers gained.
- Faithfulness implies not only keeping the tradition but also the willingness to risk everything in order to increase God's Kingdom.



Bring Home the Gospel | November 19, 2023

Reading I Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 | Psalm 128:1-5 | Reading II 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 | Gospel Matthew 25:14-30

Question For The Children Name one talent or gift that God has given you and tell how you have used it.

Question For The Youth Name three talents that you have. How can you use these talents in the next week to make someone's life better?

Question For The Adults Using Jesus' parable as your starting point, describe in your own words how you are using your own gifts to enrich the reign of God.

Activity Of The Week Explore the service opportunities available in your community. Discuss with your family ways that you can use your gifts to make life better for someone less fortunate.

Saint Of The Week Cecilia



Saint Cecilia - TheCatholicKid.com

Much of the knowledge about Cecilia is based on Tradition. Cecilia was born in Rome, the daughter of patrician parents, and was raised as a Christian. When of a suitable age, she was married against her will to Valerian. After their marriage, she converted Valerian and his brother, Tiburtius, to Christianity. Valerian and Tiburtius devoted themselves to good works until they were arrested by the Roman prefect, Almachius. They were martyred, together with Maximus, a Roman official, who had been so impressed by their witness to Christ that he too became a Christian. These three martyrs are also saints. Cecilia buried the three and was, in turn, arrested and called upon to renounce her faith. Instead she converted her persecutors. She was ultimately martyred for her faith and we honor her for that today.

Cecilia's message today:

Only a very strong faith could withstand the pressures and threats that faced Cecilia and the martyrs of her time. Instead of caving in to those pressures, Cecilia, her husband, and brother-in-law brought more converts into the Church. By word and by example, we too can both strengthen our faith and bring others to Christ. Are you living your life to draw others to Jesus?



Parish Calendar | DATE

	Sunday [11/19]	Monday [11/20]	Tuesday [11/21]	Wednesday [11/22]	Thursday [11/23]	Friday [11/24]	Saturday [11/25]
School				No School Thanksgiving Break	No School Thanksgiving Break	No School Thanksgiving Break	Reminder: No School Monday 11/27
Faith Formation							Sunday Reading Groups Men (MC) 7:30AM Women (CH) 8:30AM
Adult Faith Formation	Mass 8:30AM & 10:30AM RCIA (CH) 6:30PM	No Communion Service	Mass 8:30AM	Mass 8:30AM	Thanksgiving Mass 9AM	NO MASS	Reconciliation 3-3:45PM Mass 4:30PM
More					Parish Office Closed for Thanksgiving	Parish Office Closed for Thanksgiving	

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

[11/19]	8:30AM	Mass	For the Parish
	10:30AM	Mass	Elizabeth Green
[11/21]	8:30AM	Mass	Marcie Coleman
[11/22]	8:30AM	Mass	Tim Sheaff
[11/23]	9AM	Mass	Jack & Rosemary Marshall
[11/25]	3PM	Reconciliation	
	4:30PM	Mass	For the Parish
[11/26]	8:30AM	Mass	Frank & Janice Radosevich
	10:30AM	Mass	Alvin Read

Upcoming Liturgical Ministers and Altar Servers

Saturday	Altar Servers	P. & L. Carroll, J. & H. Kajewski, T. Leo
[11/25]	Lectors	Tod Treese, Mark Judge
4:30PM	EMHC	Team 1
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday	Altar Servers	McAndrews Fam., A. Castro, C. Bryant
[11/26]	Lectors	Mark Amadeo, Bridgett Bott
8:30AM	EMHC	Team 1
	Children's Liturgy	None - Happy Thanksgiving!
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday	Altar Servers	Clare Zwier, Perry Family
[11/26]	Lectors	Ben Klaus, Steve Stimmel
10:30AM	EMHC	Team 2
	Children's Liturgy	None - Happy Thanksgiving!
	Music Coordinator	Frances Paterik

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


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