



Holy Trinity

Catholic Church and School

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March 5, 2023

Second Sunday
of Lent

Taking the Journey TOGETHER

*Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we
place our trust in you. -Ps 33*



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FROM FATHER MARK | MARCH 5, 2023

Greetings.

Well, it's that time of year again; Annual Diocesan Appeal time. Our parish assessment this year is \$112,882. This is about a \$2000 increase from last year. I am asking all parishioners to review your gift from last year and if possible to increase it as you are able. I will be increasing my gift to the ADA this year. Moreover, if you were not able to make a gift last year, I ask that you do your best to make a gift this year as every gift, no matter the amount, does help.

Take this opportunity to participate in the work of our Diocese and Church. Last year, we had 348 parish households participate. That is 30 percent of our official registered parish families. Let us do our best as a parish to bring this number up. (NOTE: This appeal is different from the Ignite Campaign. The ADA is an annual appeal. We appreciated all the Ignite contributions!)

Please remember that the ADA supports many programs and ministries that one parish alone cannot sustain. For example, the ADA provides support from health insurance for our active and retired priests to marriage preparation, from support for our parish's faith formation programs and our school, to catholic charities as well as so many other ministries and programs.

I want to thank you in advance for what I am confident will be another generous effort by Holy Trinity Parish!

Have a good week



Fr. Mark Neal



Want more info? Call Rev. Mark Neal at 515.255.3162 ext. 126

Lent at Holy Trinity Parish

Adoration

Thursdays from 2 to 9 p.m.

Holy Rosary

Thursdays at 4:05 p.m.

Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 5 p.m.

Friday Fish Dinner

March 31 from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Holy Trinity Gym | Adults: \$12 | Age 5 to 11: \$6

Reconciliation

Saturdays from 3 to 3:45 p.m.

Holy Thursday

April 6 at 7 p.m. | Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday

April 7 at 2 p.m. | Stations of the Cross

April 7 at 7 p.m. | Proclamation of the Lord's
Passion and Veneration of the Cross

Holy Saturday

April 8 at 8 p.m. | Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday

April 9 at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

Area Reconciliation Services

Mar. 7 at 6 p.m. | St. Boniface

Mar. 7 at 7 p.m. | St. Pius X

Mar. 18 at 10 a.m. | St. Anthony

Mar. 19 at 3 p.m. | St. Mary of Nazareth

Mar. 19 at 4 p.m. | St. John, Adel

Mar. 22 at 7 p.m. | Sacred Heart

Mar. 22 at 7 p.m. | St. Theresa

Mar. 28 at 6 p.m. | St. Elizabeth Seton, Carlisle

Mar. 29 at 6:30 p.m. | Assumption, Granger

Mar. 30 at 7 p.m. | Ss. John and Paul, Altoona

Individual Reconciliation Times

Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m., Fridays at 12 p.m., and Saturdays at 4 p.m. | Our Lady's Immaculate Heart

Saturdays at 3 p.m. | All Saints

April 2 at 1 p.m. | St. Pius X

April 3 at 6 p.m. | St. Pius X

Weekdays at 4 p.m., and Weekends one hour before Mass | Our Lady of the Americas



ITEM DONATIONS NEEDED The 2023 Gala Auction Committee is looking for additional item donations to be auctioned off at our Masquerade!

Do you own a business, or do you know someone who does? Do you have a skill, a passion, or a talent to share? Are you interested in donating an item yourself? See the list of best sellers below. We are looking for any and all donations.

Family Outings and Activities, Date Night (Gift Cards, tickets, etc.), Gift Baskets, Hotels and Vacation Rentals, Home and Beauty Baskets, Hosted Dinner Parties, Tool, Home, or Outdoor Items, and Children's Party Sign-Ups.

All donations are tax deductible! Email Andy Negrete with questions at andyn@holytrinitydm.org.

CAREGIVERS NEED CARE TOO Find strength and serenity. *Nourish* is a monthly ministry to support the practical, emotional, and spiritual needs of caregivers. Find tools and resources to connect with your faith, encounter Christ, and see the grace and blessings in your caregiving journey.

Nourish for Caregivers focuses on issues pertinent to anyone caregiving, whether you care for a parent, spouse, or child. Topics include entering caregiving roles, managing family dynamics, how stress and faith co-exist, staying engaged, end of life issues, advocating for a loved one.

All caregivers are invited to attend on Wednesday, March 29, in the Social Room. Contact Deacon Dan Maxcy at danm@holytrinitydm.org or Deacon Jim Houston pastoralcare@saintpiuschurch.org.



VBS TAKES PLACE JULY 10 TO 14. This year's Vacation Bible School theme is *Stellar: Shine Jesus' Light*. Applications are be available April 1. VBS welcomes participants entering Kindergarten/TK through Fifth Grade in the fall of 2023.

We need plenty of help leading VBS this summer. We invite all middle school, high school, and returning college students of the parish to be part of our leadership team. We also can use plenty of help from adults of the parish.

VBS is an awesome summer tradition at Holy Trinity. Make plans to join the fun! If you have questions, contact Director of Faith Formation John Mertes at johnm@holytrinitydm.org or 515.255.3162 ext. 224. We look forward to seeing you!



SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR HEALING MASS Experience the Sacrament of the Sick on Friday, March 10, at 10 a.m. All parishioners are welcome to attend and offer support to those in need of healing. For more information, contact Deacon Dan Maxcy at 515.255.3162 ext. 124.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FAITHFULLY DEPARTED...

Richard Wacht - Husband of Jeanie Wacht and Father of Lori (Mike) Willcox



FINANCIAL BLESSINGS ENDING WEEK OF FEBRUARY 26, 2023

Budget July 2022 through June 2023	\$988,204	YTD Surplus (Deficit)	(\$25,497)
YTD Actual Tithing	\$606,441	Tithing for the Week	\$29,260
YTD Budget	\$631,938	Number of Donations Received	78



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Generations of Faith

What Does the Cross Mean for Us?

Sunday, March 5, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

The Paschal Mystery is the center of the Good News for Christianity. It refers to the Passion, Death Resurrection, and Ascension of Jesus. We will look at the story of how God transformed the death of one man into hope and new life for each one of us! All members of Holy Trinity are welcome.

John Gaffney will lead the large group discussion for adults, and Justin White will lead discussion for middle school high school students. Please contact John Mertes, Director of Faith Formation at johnm@holytrinitydm.org for details.



John Gaffney



Justin White

Sign up to attend Generations of Faith at <http://bit.ly/3SgS90V>.



Holy Trinity Spring Garage Sale 2023

March 16, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. | March 17, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. | March 18, 9 a.m. to Noon

We Need Volunteers!

Consider assisting with set-up, collection, and tear down. Contact Teresa at parmentert13@gmail.com or call the parish office at 515-255-3162 ext. 128.

Donation Drop-Off

Sunday, March 12, after 10:30 a.m. Mass

Monday and Tuesday from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

NO DONATIONS after 5 p.m. on Tuesday

What Sells!?

Sewing and Craft Materials | NEW Items of All Kinds | Dishes and China
New Small Carpet | Samples Jewelry | Toys and Books | Pots and Pans
Furniture in Good Condition | School Uniforms | Lamps and Lampshades
Baskets | Glassware and Mirrors | Garden Tools | Stereos
Drapery and Curtains | Silk Flowers and Plants | Sporting Goods
CDs and DVDs | Small Appliances | Bedding and Linens | Clean Clothing

***NO** computers, monitors, fax machines, printers, keyboards, TVs, VCRs, cassettes, magazines, textbooks, underwear, baby cribs or car seats, mattresses, exercise equipment, or light fixtures



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Fr. Francis Ostdiek Council #14029

Holy Trinity Catholic Parish

2022 Lenten Fish Dinners

Friday 5:30-7:00 pm Holy Trinity gym

Dates: Feb 24, March 3 and 31

Menu: Baked Tilapia and Baked Beer Battered Cod,
Mac n' Cheese, Cheesy Potatoes, Vegetable, Cole-
slaw, Dinner roll/butter

**Proceeds benefit charitable causes of the
HT Knights of Columbus**

Adults - \$12

Age 5-11 -\$6

Desserts provided by Holy Trinity Youth Group.

Free Will Offering to support Youth Group Activities.

DIOCESE AND COMMUNITY | FEBRUARY 19, 2023

GRAESON DALL JOINS MAN-UP WEST Evangelist Graeson Dall is co-director of Prairie Fire Ministries, providing opportunities to encounter the living God through healing services, anointed preaching, intentional formation, and other life-giving programs.

Meet Graeson and learn about Prairie Fire at Noon on Friday, March 10, at St. Francis of Assisi Parish. Pizza lunch is provided with provisions for Lent. Due to space limitations, register for this event at www.iowacatholicradio.com.

ACCOUNTING OPENING The Diocese of Des Moines is looking for an accounting clerk to process accounts payable and cash receipts, and maintain accurate records for donations including the annual diocesan appeal and other various appeals. Visit <http://bit.ly/3KtKIHg> for details.

SCHOOL OFFICE MANAGER OPENING St. Pius X Catholic School is seeking a school office manager to support their staff and stakeholders on a daily basis. Details are available at <http://bit.ly/3KMgmdy>. Candidates should contact Principal Alex Baranosky at abaranosky@stpiusxschool.org with application materials or questions before March 15.

CELTIC MUSIC CONCERT The Celtic Music Association of Iowa is celebrating their 30th anniversary with Aoife Scott on Saturday, March 18, at the Franklin Junior High Event Center.

Doors open at 7 p.m., and the concert start at 8 p.m. General admission tickets are \$30, available at Cooney's, Up Tempo, Cindy's Boutique, at thecma.org, and at the door.

CELEBRATING TRADITIONS, CHANGING THE WORLD Catholic Sisters Week is March 8 through 14! During this week, we celebrate the commitment, compassion, and influence of religious women. Through their ministry of prayer and service, they respond to the needs of the Church and the world. Please pray for our Catholic Sisters!

Serra International fosters and affirms vocations to the priesthood and vowed religious life. You are invited to join in creating a culture of vocations for our common Catholic faith. Email dm@serrainternational.org or visit dmserra.com.

ST. JOSEPH SERVICE PROJECT The Italian-American Cultural Center of Iowa is collecting non-perishable food items and financial donations on Saturday, March 11.

Volunteers will collect donations in the north parking lot of 2633 Fleur Drive from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All items and proceeds will be donated to the St. Joseph Family Shelter, Catholic Worker House, and the Bidwell Center.

ST. MICHAEL'S SPRING RETREAT Third Grade through Eighth Grade boys are invited to St. Augustin's school on Saturday, March 25, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Enjoy activities, games, discussion, and a special appearance from Bishop Joensen! This retreat is led by high school boys and local priests, and it focuses on the Eucharist and St. Joseph.

Cost is \$50, with an optional overnight for an additional \$35. The overnight event is for Sixth Grade and older to enjoy a paintball outing. Overnight participant pick-up is at 9 a.m. on Sunday. Scholarships are available to cover costs.

Register by March 20. Contact kmpierick@gmail.com or 515.778.6087 for details and registration.

 **2023 ANNUAL
DIOCESAN APPEAL**

The Annual Diocesan Appeal impacts
4 FIELDS OF MINISTRY

- Preparing Disciples for the Domestic Church
- Inviting and Welcoming People into Communion
- Drawing Young People into Deeper Communion
- Cultivating a Culture of Servant Leadership

 A gift to this year's ADA, no matter the size, makes a difference!
Visit dmdiocese.org/giving for more information on the ADA and charitable giving.



Want more information? Go to dmdiocese.org

Second Sunday of Lent

Lent

Forty days before the Triduum, the Lenten season disposes Catechumens and the faithful to celebrate the paschal mystery through prayer and penitential practices.

Reading I : Genesis 12:1-4a

I will make of you a great nation.

- In the first reading, Abraham is obedient to God's call.
- Abraham is blessed by God. Ultimately, blessing is a sharing in the life of God, a sharing in God's power to bring life and to sustain it.
- Because of Abraham's obedience, the inexorable progress of sin and separation is reversed and God's blessing begins to fill the world.

Reading II : 2 Timothy 1:8b-10

God has called us to a holy life.

- In 2 Timothy the point is made that through obedience, followers of Jesus will share in the sufferings of Jesus and then come to share forever in his glory.
- Through his death on the cross, Jesus has conquered death.
- The final goal of God's blessing is new life.

Gospel : Matthew 17:1-9

Get up! Do not be afraid!

- In the Gospel story Jesus leads Peter, James, and John up a high mountain, a favorite place in the Gospel of Matthew for revelation.
- There, the presence of God shines through Jesus and he is transformed.
- Moses and Elijah, representatives of the Law and the prophets, appear with Jesus.



BRING HOME THE GOSPEL | MARCH 5, 2023

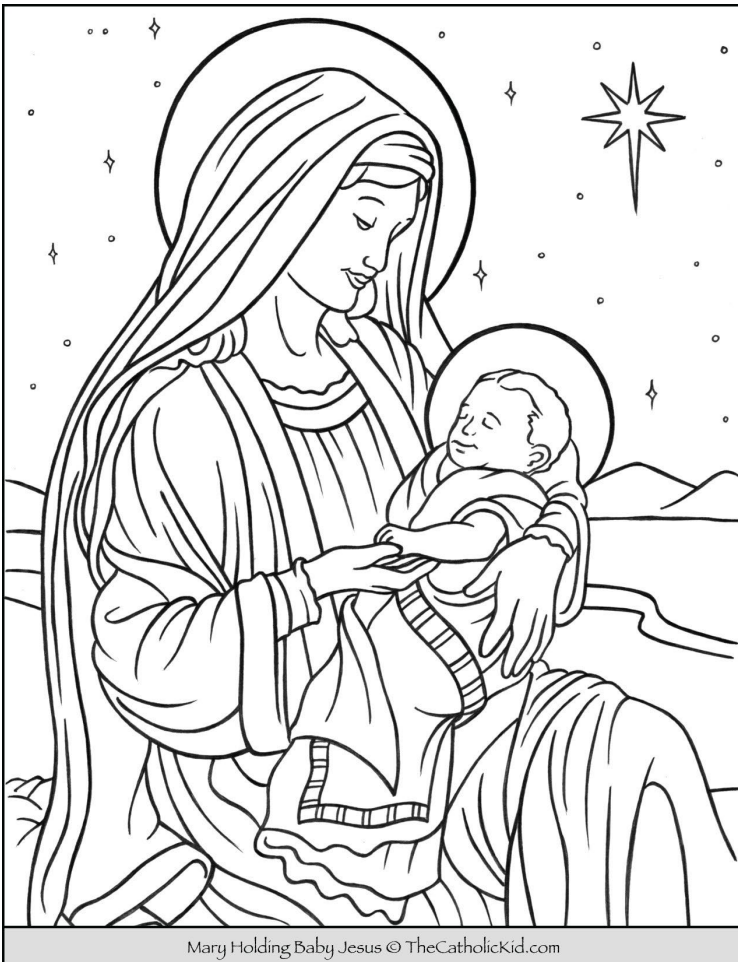
Reading I Genesis 12:1-4a | **Psalm** 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 | **Reading II** 2 Timothy 1:8b-10 | **Gospel** Matthew 17:1-9

Question For The Children Share about a time when you felt especially close to God or Jesus.

Question For The Youth Have you ever had a “mountain top” experience where you felt exceptionally close to God? How was your life changed by that experience?

Question For The Adults Perhaps this reading calls us not to cling to the familiar, but to leave the comforts of the parish and reach out to the world around us. In your community, who is waiting to hear the Good News?

Activity Of The Week The Season of Lent is a time for honest reflection. What changes could you make to improve your relationship with Jesus?



Saint Of The Week Mary, Mother of Jesus

As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Annunciation this week on March 25, it is appropriate that we choose Mary, the greatest and first among all of our saints, as our Saint of the Week. We know that Mary loved Jesus very much, and that she was called “the favored one” by the angel Gabriel at the Annunciation. Even though she did not fully understand, she believed. And when she realized what she was being called to do, she said, “...I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.” [Lk 1:38].

Our greatest saint, Mary, did one simple thing. She listened to God’s will—that she was to be the mother of Jesus—and she accepted God’s will.

Mary’s message today:

Our greatest saint, Mary did one simple thing. She listened to God’s will—that she was to be the mother of Jesus—and she accepted God’s will.

Have you accepted God’s will in your life? Pray for an understanding of what God is calling you to do?



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PARISH CALENDAR | MARCH 5, 2023

	Sunday [3/5]	Monday [3/6]	Tuesday [3/7]	Wednesday [3/8]	Thursday [3/9]	Friday [3/10]	Saturday [3/11]
School			Chess Club (MC) 7:15AM	School Mass hosted by 3rd Grade 8:30AM		No School Teacher PD	Reminder: Spring Break Mar. 13-17
Faith Formation				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 RCIA (CH) 6:30PM	Mass 8:30AM & 6:30PM	Mass 8AM Adoration 2-9PM Rosary 4:05PM	Mass 8:30AM Stations of the Cross 5PM	Reconciliation 3-3:45PM Mass 4:30PM
More	Generations of Faith (SR) 4:30PM		Speech & Debate Comp. (DCHS) 3:30- 7:15PM			Healing Mass & Reception 10AM	
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			
[3/5]	8:30AM	Mass	For the Parish
	10:30AM	Mass	Mildred McClavy
[3/7]	8:30AM	Mass	Eugene & Martha Kraber
[3/8]	8:30AM	Mass	JoAnn & Gordon Roorda
[3/9]	8AM	Mass	Joe Ortli
	2PM-9PM	Adoration	
	4:05PM	Rosary	
[3/10]	8:30AM	Mass	Robert Wacht
[3/11]	3PM-3:45PM	Reconciliation	
	4:30PM	Mass	For the Parish
[3/12]	8:30AM	Mass	Brant McCurnin
	10:30AM	Mass	Jim Kleinschmidt

Upcoming Liturgical Ministers and Altar Servers		
Saturday [3/11]	Altar Servers	Joan Niday, Burke Smith
4:30PM	Lectors	Vonnie Salem, Gary Thull
	EMHC	Team 1
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday [3/12]	Altar Servers	McAndrews Family, C. Goode
8:30AM	Lectors	Scott Flood, Linda Wilems
	EMHC	Team 2
	Children's Liturgy	None (Spring Break)
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday [3/12]	Altar Servers	S. Bigelow, G. Kahler, A. Koester
10:30AM	Lectors	Tom Green, M. Toomey
	EMHC	Team 1
	Children's Liturgy	None (Spring Break)
	Music Coordinator	Frances Paterik

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