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March 31st, 2024

*Easter Sunday
of the Resurrection of
the Lord*

Taking the Journey TOGETHER

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He is
Risen

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From Father Mark | March 31st, 2024

Greetings....Happy Easter!

In the Gospel today we hear of Mary Magdalene arriving at the tomb of Jesus and finding it empty. We hear her say, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." She is confused, what has happened to Jesus, where has he been taken? When Peter and the other apostle arrive, we hear one believes, we don't know about the other. More confusion?

Aren't we sometimes confused in our own lives and unsure of how to proceed as we try to move forward? Don't we sometimes doubt ourselves and the decisions we have made in life. On Good Friday, we heard Jesus cry out "My God, my God why have you forsaken me?" But moments later, we hear him say with his dying breath, "Into your hands, I commend my spirit." The scriptures tell that Jesus was like us in all things except sin. Maybe in his humanity, Jesus had that moment of confusion, but he quickly places his life in the hands of His Father; God.

What of ourselves? We all have those moments of human weakness; those times of doubt and confusion. When the apostles are told Jesus has risen; that he has defeated death, they have a difficult time believing, even though they have been told all along that this is what would happen. In seeing the risen Jesus, they finally come to believe. As we celebrate Easter, are we able to see God at work in our own lives; do we recognize Him even amidst those times of confusion and doubt?

As we celebrate Easter, as we spend time with family, friends, and loved ones, let's all take some time to give thanks for the gift of our faith and for our God who assures us that if we persevere in the faith, we will not be defeated, not even by death itself; that if we are looking for God and are willing to see him; we will see His presence and his work all around us.



From Father Mark | March 31st, 2024

I also want to send a big thank you to all of our volunteers; our servers, lectors, MCs, choir, musicians and especially Tom Quiner and Fran Paterik who coordinate our liturgical music, our cantors, ushers, greeters , our Holy Thursday foot washing volunteers, and all who make our liturgies possible here and who helped make our Holy Week and Easter liturgies especially meaningful. Thanks also to our own deacons Jim Obradovich and Doug Renze for their help. They make my job much easier.

Special thanks to Lori Marso and her team for once again coordinating our Easter Vigil reception; it was great! Big thanks also to Brad Rea and his team for always making our church look so beautiful for our liturgies and liturgical seasons. I regularly hear how much people appreciate these efforts and want to pass along my thanks as well.

Finally, welcome to all those who were baptized and came into full Communion in our Church.....congratulations!

Have a Happy Easter!

FR. Mark



Now Hiring We are now hiring for a Pastoral Care Minister at Holy Trinity Church. We are looking for someone who is responsible for the integrated care of spiritual, physical, and emotional health for Holy Trinity Catholic Church members and families within the church.

Submit a resume, cover letter, and references to maryg@holytrinitydm.org.

See full job description here: [HT Pastoral Care Minister](#)



Baptism Class. If you want to baptize your child at Holy Trinity, please attend Baptism Class! The next class is on April 8th at 5:30 p.m. in the media center. Contact Jan Swinton at jans@holytrinitydm.org to register.

Congregation of the Missionaries of Divine Mercy Fathers and Brothers will be at Holy Trinity April 6. Their efforts to serve the local and universal Church by preparing men to serve as priests and brothers and their mission to serve the poor depend on their partners who believe in their charitable mission of bringing the Divine Mercy to others.

They invite you to visit their website to learn more about their community and ministries. Donations of cash, stock or grain will aid them in bringing Christ's mercy to those in need.

More about the Missionary [here](#).

Catholic Charities Family Shelter. Would you be willing to make and deliver dinner for the residents of the Catholic Charities Family Shelter? The fourth Saturday of each month is reserved for HT parishioners to do so. You are welcome to work together with a group of families or your organization for this purpose.

Please prayerfully consider participating; you can sign up at tinyurl.com/htstjoe or contact Nick Bigelow for more details at bigelow.nick@gmail.com.



A big "Thank You" to everyone who gave a gift this past weekend to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Our parish goal is 100% participation. Each and every person's gift brings us closer to that goal.

Remember, when we reach our parish monetary goal, any additional gifts stay right here for our own use. For those who have not made their gift, please join us in supporting the vital programs and services throughout the Diocese that no single individual or parish can offer.

Gifts can be made online dmdiocese.org/giving, scan the QR codes in the pews, or fill out a pledge card in the Church. Thank you for your generosity and your support of the Annual Diocesan Appeal.



Use the QR code to donate today:

<https://www.dmdiocese.org/giving/annual-diocesan-appeal-giving>

Financial Blessings Ending Week of DDAATTEE			
Budget July 2023 through June 2024	\$958,558	YTD Surplus (Deficit)	(\$18,157)
YTD Actual Tithing	\$722,275	Tithing for the Week	\$30,595
YTD Budget	\$704,118	Number of Donations Received	308



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The logo features the word "Totally!" in a pink, slanted, sans-serif font at the top. Below it, the number "80s" is written in a large, bold, yellow font with a blue outline. At the bottom, the word "Gala" is written in a pink, slanted, sans-serif font. The text is set against a dark blue circular background with a yellow triangle. The words "HOLY TRINITY" are written in a light blue, sans-serif font at the bottom left of the circle. The entire logo is surrounded by a white border and a colorful, abstract background of yellow, pink, and blue shapes.

Totally!
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Gala
HOLY TRINITY

April 13, 2024

HolyTrinityDM.org/Gala-Auction





GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY.

April 13th, 2024, 5:30-10:30 pm

Join us for a totally rad evening raising funds for Holy Trinity Catholic School! This year's Gala Auction will feature dinner, drinks, exciting games, music, and both silent and live auctions.

Visit

<https://holytrinitydm.org/gala-auction/>

Get your tickets today! Ticket prices increase on April 7th.

Totally 80s Gala Auction Volunteers Needed

Whether you're a valley girl, a punk rocker, or just someone with a passion for lending a hand, we're on the lookout for some totally rad volunteers to help make our event a rockin' success! If you want to be part of something totally tubular, we're looking for volunteers to help set up for the event, help the night of the event, and tear down the day after the event. So if you're game to be a part of the most righteous team in town, hit us up pronto! Plus, all you rock stars will receive a discount code for \$10 off one ticket to the event!

[Sign up here!](#)

Looking for additional ways to support the gala?

The acquisitions committee is putting together some great auction items for the gala. They could use your help by donating an item from this:

[WISH LIST](#)

Drop-off at the parish office is appreciated. Contact Emily Naylor with questions at emily-naylor@outlook.com or 515-778-3042.

We are Hiring! We are looking to add to our team for the 2024-25 School Years.

Guidance Counselor

Middle School Science

Physical Education Teacher

Find more information [here!](#)

Applicants can submit their letters of interest, resumes, three letters of recommendation, and copies of teaching licenses to Monica Morrison at mmorrison@htschool.org.



Skateland. Tie up those skates and join us as Holy Trinity and St. Pius X will co host a parish and school community skating party on Friday April 12th from 1-4pm at Skateland. *There is no school that day due to staff professional development.*

Friday, April 12th from 1-4pm

Skateland 5621 Meredith Dr, Des Moines, IA 50310

Admission is \$12, skate rental is \$5

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Tuition Assistance is Available. The application period to apply for tuition assistance for any of our Catholic schools in the Diocese of Des Moines from the Catholic Tuition Organization starts Feb. 1 and ends April 15. Go to www.fairapp.com to apply. Use school code: 450 and password: 450ddm. For more information, contact Mark Reed at 515-237-5010

Catholic Tuition Organization (CTO) and Diocesan Tuition Assistance (DTA)

- Both programs use the FAIR application
- \$31 fee to apply – All qualifying families will receive an award
- Eligibility based on maximum income – Line 9 of 2023 federal income tax form
- Receiving tuition assistance will not affect ESA eligibility
- **Only one deadline this year: All applications must be received by April 15**
- Apply at www.fairapp.com

Education Savings Account (ESA) - Iowa Department of Education

- Application opens April 16 - Due June 30, 2024
- Eligibility based on 2023 Iowa 1040 tax form
- Learn more at educate.iowa.gov/pk-12/educational-choice/education-savings-account
- Families who received an ESA last year must apply again this year
- **All families will be eligible in 2025-2026 regardless of income**

Household Size	Maximum Income	Maximum Income
2	\$81,760	\$102,200
3	\$103,280	\$129,100
4	\$124,800	\$156,000
5	\$146,320	\$182,900
6	\$167,840	\$209,800
7	\$189,360	\$236,700
8	\$210,880	\$263,600
	CTO & ESA	DTA



From the Diocese & Community | March 31st, 2024

Drake University Alumni Choir. Umeri, the Drake University alumni choir, conducted by Aimee Beckmann-Collier, will present *Earth and Sky*, a musical examination and celebration of our complicated relationship with the natural world, on Saturday, April 6, 7:30 pm, in Sheslow Auditorium. There is no admission charge. This 50-minute concert will feature works by Jake Runestad, Johannes Brahms, Giselle Wyers, and Eriks Esenvalds. Come hear!

Christ Our Life Catholic Conference. This is an exciting opportunity for youth and families! FREE tickets, for youth 23 and under. This is made possible by generous donors, to interact and hear amazing world-class speakers in your own private breakout session. Families are encouraged to attend and enjoy the conference together.

Adult tickets are \$30, To get your free youth ticket, register online at: ChristOurLifeIowa.com
A ticket is required for admittance for all.

September 28th & 29th, 2024 at Wells Fargo Arena

Theology on Tap. Theology on Tap returns on April 19 at 6pm at Confluence. Join us for dinner, drinks, and discussion about the topic "What does it mean to be human?" Our guest speaker is Adam Storey, Director of Marriage and Family Life for the Diocese of Des Moines. [See here](#) for more details!

Check out our website [here](#) or our Facebook page [here](#) for more information about Young Catholics in the Diocese of Des Moines.

Divine Mercy Sunday April 7, 2024 at Christ the King

Confessions 1:00 pm-3:00 pm
Chaplet 3:00 pm
Mass 3:30 pm

Reception in Parish Hall following the Mass.

Marriage is a journey!! A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can help you enrich your marriage and add some pizzazz to your journey. Whether you've been married 1 year or 50, a Marriage Encounter Weekend may be just the thing you need to put a breath of fresh air into your relationship. For more information call contact Denise and Greg – 563-920-9419 or to register go to wwme.org.

Upcoming dates:

April 12-14, 2024 in Epworth

September 27-29 in Dubuque

November 8-10 in Holstein

PRO-LIFE MUSICAL EVENT. Don't miss the WOMEN OF WORTH musical event: Sunday, April 14th, 3PM, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in W. Des Moines.

It features the premier of "[The Story of Joan, the epic saga of Joan of Arc.](#)" and music about other great women from the Bible. This event supports Pulse Life Advocates and Mary's Helping Hands.

Advanced reservations encouraged. \$10/person or \$25 per family. The event is followed by a wine/cheese/cookie reception. Reserve your seat online today: PulseForLife.org.



WOMEN OF WORTH THE EPIC STORY OF JOAN OF ARC

Sunday, April 14th, 3PM
www.pulseforlife.com

Guatemala Service Trip - Trivia Night

Where: St. Theresa's Parish Hall 1230 Merle Hay Rd, Des Moines, IA 50311

When: Saturday, April 27th.

Doors open at 6PM and questions begin at 6:30

Cost is \$150 per table

To Sign Up: Contact esmith@dowlingcatholic.org



Easter Sunday

Easter- The sound of Alleluias fills the 50 days of Easter Sunday to Pentecost as we give thanks for the gift of our salvation. The Easter Triduum recalls the passion and resurrection of Christ in the sacred journey from Holy Thursday to Easter Vigil. "Dying he destroyed our death. Rising he restored our life."

Reading I : [Acts 10:34, 37-43](#)

After Jesus was raised from the dead, we ate and drank with Him.

- In the first reading, Peter's speech is a typical recital of the essential preaching about Christ.
- Peter and all the disciples are commissioned to bear witness to the good news.
- Those who received their commission from the Risen Lord were eyewitnesses of his glory.

Reading II : [Colossians 3:1-4](#)

You have died!

- Paul uses the image of yeast to remind the Corinthian community that one person's evil influence can harm the whole community.
- The image of unleavened bread is used to expose our need to purify ourselves.
- In the context of the Easter celebration, we are reminded to renew our Baptism.

Gospel : [John 20:1-9](#)

Mary Magdalene came to the tomb.

- In the Gospel of John, Mary runs to tell Peter and John about the empty tomb.
- John is the first to arrive at the tomb which shows his special position as the beloved disciple.
- Upon entering the empty tomb, John makes his profession of faith, "he saw and believed."



Bring Home the Gospel | March 31st, 2024

Reading I Acts 10:34, 37-43 | Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23. | Reading II Colossians 3:1-4 | Gospel John 20:1-9

Question For The Children What sacrifices do you make for those whom you love?

Question For The Youth Even the disciples had a hard time understanding Jesus' Resurrection – it is that surprising. What does Resurrection mean to you? What does Easter mean to you?

Question For The Adults In what ways has God called you to die in Christ? How is this expressed in your own life?

Activity Of The Week Make an Easter card to send to those who were baptized at the Easter Vigil or to those baptized Christians who became full members of the Catholic Church.



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t Of The Week Bernadette, Virgin, 1844-1879 The oldest child of a family living in extreme poverty in Lourdes, France, Bernadette was born in January, 1844. Never healthy in her lifetime, she suffered asthma and other maladies during her childhood that stunted her growth and kept her from attending school. The result, and Bernadette's inability to read, meant that she could not receive her First Communion until she was about fourteen. It was at about this time that Bernadette experienced her visions of the Blessed Virgin Mary. These visions continued for some time, and in the end, many people believed because of her. The city of Lourdes remains a holy place and a pilgrimage destination for many today.

All of us have been given gifts by God, even those who are suffering. We are meant to use these gifts for the benefit of those around us.


Saint's message today: All of us have been given gifts by God, even those who are suffering. We are meant to use these gifts for the benefit of those around us.

How are you using those gifts that you have been given by God?



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Parish Calendar | March 31st, 2024

	Sunday [3/31]	Monday [4/1]	Tuesday [4/2]	Wednesday [4/3]	Thursday [4/4]	Friday [4/5]	Saturday [4/6]
School		No School- Easter Monday		School Mass hosted by 6th Grade 8:30AM		\$1 Jeans Day	
Faith Formation				Faith Formation & Edge Class 6:00PM Confirmation 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	Mass 8:30AM	Mass 8AM Adoration 2-9PM Rosary 4:05PM	Mass 8:30AM	Reconciliation 3-3:45PM Mass 4:30PM
More							

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			
[3/31]	8:30AM	Mass	For the Parish
	10:30AM	Mass	John McClavy
[4/2]	8:30AM	Mass	Gene & Marian McCoy
[4/3]	8:30AM	Mass	
[4/4]	8AM	Mass	Martin McGrane
	2-9PM	Adoration	
	4:05PM	Rosary	
[4/5]	8:30AM	Mass	Elinor Severson
[4/6]	3-3:45PM	Reconciliation	For the Parish
	4:30PM	Mass	
[4/7]	8:30AM	Mass	Michael Timmons
	10:30AM	Mass	Lyle Severson

Upcoming Liturgical Ministers and Altar Servers		
Saturday	Altar Servers	Marcus & John Larsen, Penelope & Lola Carroll, Riley Lehr and Deacon Lehr
[4/6]	Lectors	Vonnie Salem & Gary Thull
4:30PM	EMHC	Team 1
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday	Altar Servers	Jamison Lynch, Bennett Steinkamp, and Jed & Jack Meylor
[4/7]	Lectors	Brenda Heggen & Jeff Nielsen
8:30AM	EMHC	Team 1: Karen Quiner
	Children's Liturgy	Team D: Breanna Castro
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday	Altar Servers	Gemma Kahler & Lydia Caswell
[4/7]	Lectors	Youth Ministry
10:30AM	EMHC	Team 1: Paul Bush
	Children's Liturgy	Team 3: Margaret Toomey & Erik Altman
	Music Coordinator	Frances Paterik

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