

May 26th, 2024
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### Taking the Journey TOGETHER



#### From Father Mark | May 26th, 2024

#### Greetings.

As we bless our new Trinity Sculpture this weekend on Trinity Sunday, I would like to take the opportunity to share my own thoughts about it. Art is of course very subjective and personal, so we all see different things in the same work. In the Scriptures we come to know the Trinity; Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in that order. The Trinity is of course present throughout...but we are specifically introduced to God the Father, who gives His only begotten Son, Jesus. As Jesus prepares to Ascend to heaven he speaks of the coming of the Holy Spirit. In our profession of faith we state: "I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages... consubstantial with the father.... I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son "I think this is nicely reflected in our sculpture as the three persons are all connected.

This is the order the three persons appear in our sculpture as we see the giving hands of the Father giving us His only Son; we see the welcoming Jesus, we see the procession of the Holy Spirit from the Father and the Son...all moving forward through time. We also decided to use a more contemporary representation of Jesus; "the welcoming Jesus." I think it is a nice complement to our crucified Jesus with arms spread as he sacrifices himself for all people as well as the statue of Jesus in front of the church, also with hands outstretched showing the nail marks. It also goes well with the representation of Jesus welcoming the children of the world that is displayed in our main entrance. In the welcoming Jesus, he also has arms spread, welcoming all who come. I am frequently told by newcomers and visitors to our parish that they find HT to be such a welcoming place and welcoming community. It is the community (Communion) of the Trinity that welcomes all people to come to God. I hope you will enjoy our new Holy Trinity sculpture and that it can become a part of your own prayer and reflection whenever you are in our Holy Trinity Church.

Have a good week

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Fr. Mark



# FOUNDER'S DAY 2NDJULE 2024



Enjoy an outdoor picnic with a special kid's menu, old fashioned games for the young at heart, and inflatables. Don't miss out on this parish event!

Don't miss this wonderful parish event!

#### On the menu...

Burgers, brats, and hotdogs. Chips, potato salad, baked beans, watermelon, and icecream sandwiches.

Lemonade, iced tea and water are provided.





After 10:30 Mass



We will spend our week having fun, and learning about God's awesome love for each one of us!

This year's theme is SCUBA: Diving into friendship with God.

Vacation Bible School is open to any student entering Kindergarten through 5th grade in the fall of 2024.

Cost is \$50 per child with a \$130 family maximum.

Your fee covers all programming for the week, snacks, crafts, a t-shirt, and some VBS swag at the end of the week.

We also need help from our middle school students, high school students, college kids, moms & dads, grandmas & grandpas, and any adult of the parish that wants to help out with an awesome adventure!

Applications can be found in the entryways of the church, as well as on our parish website. Vacation Bible School is a popular event at HT, so don't miss out!

## Vacation Bible School July 8th - 12th, 2024

If you have questions, please contact John Mertes, Director of Faith Formation at (515) 255-3162, extension 224, or via email at johnm@holytrinitydm.org.

# Save the Date: A Night with Steve Angrisano

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

HOLY TRINITY WILL
HOST A SUMMER
CONCERT TO
BENEFIT MARY'S
MEALS WITH
NATIONAL MUSICIAN,
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5:45 PM - Dinner hosted by our Knights of Columbus 6:30 PM - Inspiring concert by Steve Angrisano





#### From the Church | May 26th, 2024

**Baptism Class.** If you want to baptize your child at Holy Trinity, please attend Baptism Class! The next class is on June 10th 6pm-8pm in the media center. Contact Jan Swinton at jans@holytrinitydm.org to register.



Help Provide Lunch for the Homeless- Thursday 5/30 Holy Trinity Parish has committed to help provide and serve lunch the last Thursday of each month at the Connection Cafe.

We'll be providing shredded BBQ chicken or sloppy joe sandwiches, fruit, chips, and cookies for about 180 people on Thursday, May 30. Lunch will be served at St. John's Lutheran Church (600 6th Ave Des Moines). Please sign up to help using this <u>link</u>.

Thank you so much for your support of The Connection Cafe!

**Interested in getting more involved?** We are looking to further enrich the lives of our parishioners and families at Holy Trinity!

Whether you enjoy time using your creative side with a craft, a good book club, a bible study, or meeting parents out for a social hour, we want to help provide you with opportunities to grow our community and build lasting relationships here at Holy Trinity.

Take the survey and tell us how **here!** 

**St Ambrose Cathedral Hosts Monthly Healing Service.** On June 9th, all are invited to attend a Healing Service at St. Ambrose Cathedral beginning with Mass at 4:00 PM followed by the Healing Service at 5:30 PM. "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

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.

Can Collection. Boy Scout Troop 77 collects cans the 2nd Saturday of each month from 10am-12pm by the Preschool. Thank you for your generous donations! The cans help us fund Summer Camp and go on High Adventures. Troop 77 welcomes interested youth ages 11 - 17 to join our Troop. We meet weekly at Holy Trinity School. Please contact us at Troop77tres@gmail.com for more information.

**Interested in hosting Coffee and Donuts?** Reach out to <a href="mailto:gigiw@holytrinitydm.org">gigiw@holytrinitydm.org</a> for more information and how to host with your organization.

Bulletin Requests. Requests to put information in the Holy Trinity Bulletin, or the HT Minute, needs to be submitted by Monday at Noon before the publish date. These submissions will need to be sent to Jan Swinton in the Parish Office, her email is <a href="mailto:jans@holytrinitydm.org">jans@holytrinitydm.org</a>.

Financial Blessings Ending Week of 05/17/2024				
Budget July 2023 through June 2024	\$958,558	YTD Surplus (Deficit)	\$20,069	
YTD Actual Tithing	\$873,148	Tithing for the Week	\$6,770	
YTD Budget	\$853,079	Number of Donations Received	67	



#### From the School | May 26th, 2024

#### Congrats to the Class of 2024!

Tyler Leo

Eli Bebout

**Demarcus Lewis** 

Benjamin Burdick

Macin Ling

Tess Carmichael

Austin K. Macharia

**Grace Carroll** 

Lucy Meredith

Malaya Connolly

Benjamin Morrison

Noelia Kamila Cortez-Amaya

Conor Murphy

Layla Malia Cruz

Lyla Nagle

Jett Davidson

Kaiden Nguyen

Abigail Day

Sung Par

Will Gallagher

Jacob Perry

Ruth George

Lincoln Ramaeker

Sydney Hoover

Jack Ryther

Gwen Hulten

Finley Schmitz-Lewis

Frances Kielty

Paige Skyles

Jonathan Lam

Emileah Velasco

Bless Lathaw

Payton Mae Wolfe

Joe Le

Makayla Sue Young

Lilliana Moncada-Lee

Claire Zwier

May the Lord bless you, and keep you!

**Uniform Exchange.** Drop off your uniform polos, pants, shorts, or other uniform items to the school office. Dowling uniform shirts and sweatshirts are welcome as well. Anyone is welcome to these items, and they will be put back out starting in August.

**ESA APPLICATION IS OPEN.** The application for ESA is now available for the 2024-25 school year. **Annual ESA** applications are required for ALL prospective ESA participants. Closes June 30th, 2024.

 Learn more at <u>educate.iowa.gov/pk-12/educational-choice/education-savi</u> <u>ngs-account</u>

- Families who received an ESA last year *must apply* again this year
- All families will be eligible in 2025-2026 regardless of income

#### **Apply here!**

We encourage ALL families to apply.

Reach out to <u>janellek@holytrinitydm.org</u> with questions on ESA.

**Pizza in the Park.** Join us June 20th at Ashby Park for Pizza at the Park.

When: 5:00pm-7:00pm

Who: All Holy Trinity New and Current School Families!

Holy Trinity Youth Ministry will be leading games for children to play while the parents participate in fellowship!

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

Lunchroom Associate

Hours | 9:30 - 1:30

Only work when school is in session

Applicants can submit their letters of interest, resumes, to

Mary Treese, mtreese@htschool.org



#### From the Diocese & Community | May 26th, 2024

#### June 2024 - School is out, but LSI continues to serve

School may be out for the summer, but LSI continues to serve lowans year-round. Our Early Childhood team continues their in-home visits, ensuring young families are supported and connected to their community as they raise the next generation of lowans. Our therapists are talking and, most importantly, listening to individuals struggling with mental health challenges, difficult situations at home, and seemingly simple everyday problems. Children in our Foster Care and Adoption services are bonding with their foster parents as they grow and learn in their community.

Immigrant and refugee learners gather at LSI offices in Des Moines, Sioux City, and Waterloo to attend class as they prepare for their citizenship test, learn how to become financially stable, practice their English skills, and more. Global Greens farmers are busy at the farm or selling their produce at the Global Greens Farmers Market in Des Moines.

Summer is a great time to get involved with LSI! Volunteer with our Immigrant and Refugee Community Services, check our social media pages to see what donations our services need most, or give a financial gift to support numerous services benefiting children and families across the state. Visit our website (LSIowa.org) to learn more about getting involved this summer.

Contact <u>Joyce.WIlliams@lsiowa.org</u> with additional questions!

Come Celebrate. Msgr. Robert Chamberlain will be

**Come Celebrate.** Msgr. Robert Chamberlain will be celebrating sixty years of ordination on June 2, 2024 at St. Theresa Church, 1230 Merle Hay Road, Des Moines.

Following this 10:30 AM Mass of thanksgiving, there will be a reception in the parish hall from noon until 2 PM.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Mass and/or the reception.



It's Tea Time! It's time for the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Ave Maria #302 Annual Charity Tea! This year's tea will be held on Sunday June 9th at 2pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church Social Hall, 7075 Ashworth Rd., WDM.

Doors will open at 1pm. Enjoy delicious tea, beautiful table settings, sweet/savory refreshments and musical entertainment provided by local singer Gina Gedler. There will also be a silent auction. Tickets are \$25 in advance/\$30 at the door/\$10 ages 16 and under. For more information or to purchase tickets contact <a href="mailto:oxana.bedore@gmail.com">oxana.bedore@gmail.com</a>.

Women's Evening of Recollection. 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.

Monday, June 10, 2024 6:30-8:30 p.m.

St. Augustin Church (enter the north door on the east side of the Church)

545 42nd Street, Des Moines

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
- Confession available starting at 6:30, as well as between meditations
- First meditation starts at 7:00
- Get together and fellowship after
- 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.



#### Notes on the Mass | May 26th, 2024

#### The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

**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:** Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

The Lord is God and there is no other.

- In the reading from Deuteronomy we can see that the God of Israel is not removed from human history but enters into history with great power to protect and save the chosen people.
- Through a speech by Moses, the people are encouraged to be aware of the many ways in which God has sustained them.
- The Creator God desires to bless the people and make them prosper.

Reading II: Romans 8:14-17

You have received the Spirit.

- In Romans, Paul describes God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- The Spirit is the shared life and love between Father and Son.
- With Christ we become children of God.

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Go!

- The Gospel passage from Matthew is Jesus' final instruction to the disciples after the resurrection.
- Jesus proclaims full authority over all creation.
- With that authority, Christ commissions the disciples to continue his work in the world, and he promises to remain with them until the end of the world.



#### Bring Home the Gospel | May 26th, 2024

Reading I Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40 | Psalm Romans 8:14-17 | Reading II Romans 8:14-17 | Gospel Matthew 28:16-20

Question For The Children Why do you think Catholics make "The Sign of the Cross" when we pray?

Question For The Youth How often do you think about God as Trinity? How do you relate to each member of the Trinity?

**Question For The Adults** As each of us is called and sent by Christ, how have you incorporated this into your own life, whether married, single, in religious life, or ordained?

**Activity Of The Week** Pray the Sign of the Cross with your family. Use the prayer to bless your children at bedtime. As you pray the Sign of the Cross, trace a small cross on your child's forehead with your thumb.

**Saint Of The Week** Justin, Martyr, c. 100-165 Justin, a layman, was the first great apologist of Christianity and a number of his lengthy writings remain with us today. Born of Greco-Roman parents, Justin received the best liberal education available in his day. He studied rhetoric, history, poetry, and was especially interested in philosophy. But none of the philosophers whom he studied seemed to have exactly what he was looking for.

One day, as Justin was walking near the seashore pondering one of Plato's maxims, he found himself being followed by a venerable looking old man. This stranger aroused Justin's interest by telling him of a philosophy more virtuous and satisfying than any he had studied to that time. It was one, the man told him, revealed by God to the Israelite prophets of ancient times which had reached its culmination in Jesus Christ. Inspired by the man's words, Justin began a study of Scripture and undertook to learn more about Christianity. Justin was baptized when he was about thirty.

Up to this time, Christianity's beliefs and practices were largely unknown to those outside of the faith. Justin, however, felt that many people would accept Christianity if it were presented to them properly. He began teaching and writing about the Christian faith and also about what took place at their secret meetings (the celebration of the Eucharist).

Traveling to various lands, Justin debated with pagan philosophers, heretics, and Jews. Eventually, he came to Rome where he argued in public with a Cynic named Crescens. Having bested Crescens in the debate, Justin earned his hatred. Crescens denounced Justin as a Christian and Justin, together with six other Christians, was brought before the Roman prefect, Rusticus, for trial. After admitting his Christianity and refusing to sacrifice to the Roman gods, Justin and the others were condemned to torture and death.

St. Justin is a patron of philosophers. We honor this martyr by a memorial on June 1.

**Justin's message today:** Justin searched for a time before finding God. Once he had found God, he kept the faith even to death. Although martyrdom may not be the fate of any of us, we should be prepared to defend our faith at any given moment.

• All of us face temptations daily that would lead us away from God. Ask God to help you to grow in faith and you will be able to stand up to the temptations.



Parish Calendar   May 29th, 2024							
	<b>Sunday</b> [5/26]	Monday [5/27]	<b>Tuesday</b> [5/28]	Wednesday [5/29]	Thursday [5/30]	<b>Friday</b> [5/31]	Saturday [6/1]
School		NO SCHOOL	Field Day	School Mass hosted by 7th Grade 8:30AM  Last Day of School (Noon Dismissal)			
Faith Formation				Faith Formation & Edge Class 6:30PM			Sunday Reading Group 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	NO COFFEE & DONUTS						
	CH: Church   101-	106: Classrooms   DC	:: Day Chapel   K: K	: (itchen   MC: Media (	Center   PO: Parish C	Office   SR: Social	Room

Upcoming Mass Schedule, Liturgy Schedule, and Intentions				
[5/26]	8:30AM	Mass	Robert & Julie Wacht	
	10:30AM	Mass	Carl & Elizabeth Neal	
[5/28]	8:30AM	Mass	Bill McGough	
[5/29]	8:30AM	Mass	James, Dennis, Tom & Theresa Neal	
[5/30]	8AM	Mass	Dennis Hurley	
	2-9PM	Adoration		
	4:05PM	Rosary		
[5/31]	8:30AM	Mass	Albert "Skip" Braak	
[6/01]	3-3:45PM	Reconciliation		
	4:30PM	Mass	Frank Radosevich	
[6/02]	8:30AM	Mass	For the Parish	
	10:30AM	Mass	Carl & Elizabeth Neal	

Upcoming Liturgical Ministers and Altar Servers				
Saturday	Altar Servers	Frank & Louie Brett and Penelope & Lola Carroll		
[6/01]	Lectors	Lorraine Riseley & Kathie Obradovich		
4:30PM	ЕМНС	Team 3		
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner		
Sunday	Altar Servers	Jamison Lynch, Bennett Steinkamp, Cartier Bryant and Evelyn Hunt		
[6/02]	Lectors	Wayne Johnson & Karen Quiner		
8:30AM	ЕМНС	Team 3/MC: Katy Polich		
	Children's Liturgy	SUMMER RECESS		
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner		
Sunday	Altar Servers	Bridget & Lydia Caswell, Molly Blade and Everett Bott		
[6/02]	Lectors	Chris Coleman & Mark Amadeo		
10:30AM	ЕМНС	Team 1/MC: Paul Bush		
	Children's Liturgy	SUMMER RECESS		
	Music Coordinator	Frances Paterik		







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