

Holy Trinity Catholic School School

May 4th, 2025
Third Sunday of
Easter

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Congratulations 2025 First Communicants!

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From the Church | May 4th, 2025

Annual Diocesan Appeal. Thank you to everyone who has given to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Our parish goal is 100% participation. Each and every person's gift brings us closer to that goal.

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

Simply fill out a contribution card and drop it in the offertory basket or mail. Contribution cards and envelopes are located in the church pews. Gifts can also be made online by clicking the link below or scan the QR on the back of the pews. www.DMDlocese.org/giving to make an online gift today!

Baptism. Do you want to celebrate your child's baptism at Holy Trinity? Attend the next Baptism Class on Monday, May 5th at 6:00 pm. Contact Jan Swinton in the Parish Office at 515-255-3162 ext. 128 to register.





VBS. Parents are invited to join us from 11:00-11:30 am everyday to get a recap of the day's highlights. Participants need to be entering K-5 grade in the fall of 2025. Cost for participants is \$60 per child with a \$150 family maximum. Registration Deadline is Monday, July 7th. Crew Leaders must be entering Grades 6-12 in the fall of the year. Returning College students, parents, and grandparents are also welcome and needed to volunteer. Volunteer Registration fee is \$10 (to help cover t-shirt

costs). Decorating for VBS will take place on Saturday, July 19 starting at 9:00 am in the gymnasium. There will be a Leader Training on Sunday, July 20 from 4:00-6:00 pm in the Gymnasium.

Founder's Day Picnic. We will be celebrating Sunday, June 8

after the 10:30 am mass. There will be games, Inflatables, & face painting. Don't miss this wonderful parish event!

Prayers. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis. *Eternal Rest Grant Unto Him, O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon him. May his soul and souls of all the Faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, Rest in peace. Amen.*

Coffee and Donuts. We are looking for volunteers to help serve coffee and donuts this summer on Sundays after 8:30am and 10:30am Masses. If you are interested in signing up for coffee and donuts, please Sign up here! or contact Gigi Wilwerding at gigiw@holytrinitydm.org or Jan Swinton at jans@holytrinitydm.org.

Financial Blessings Ending Week of 4/25/25				
Budget July 2024 through June 2025	\$958,558	YTD Surplus (Deficit)	\$60,349	
YTD Actual Tithing	\$851,221	Tithing for the Week	\$27,937	
YTD Budget	\$790,872	Number of Donations Received	292	





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Available ADVERTISING SPACE

Kjirsten Finnegan from LPi, our parish communication partner, will be working with us securing new ads for our bulletin during the next week. Please consider purchasing an ad for a business, sponsoring a charity, or in Memory of a Loved One. Your participation makes our bulletin successful, and you attract customers!

BENEFITS OF ADVERTISING

- Local, targeted community advertising for one full year, at one low price.
- A FREE ad listing on parishesonline.com.
- FREE, professional ad design, and 4 free ad changes per year.

Kjirsten Finnegan 402-312-9955 kfinnegan@4LPi.com



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Food Drive. Student Council is hosting a food drive for St. Vincent de Paul April 28- May 9. Please bring in nonperishable items such as pasta, cereal, canned goods, toiletries, etc. The winning grade will earn their choice of reward. Thank you for your support and generosity.

New Family Information and Middle School Orientation. Mark your calendar for May 14th! Learn more about information for the 2025-26 school year.

Early Childhood

4:45pm-5:15pm

TK-8th Grade

5:30pm-6:00pm

Middle School Orientation

6:30 pm

May Crowning, May 7th, school-wide again this year at Holy Trinity before Mass. What a great way to express our faith and continue our walk with God. Please send one flower (can be hand-picked or store-bought) with your student on May 6th. These flowers will be placed before the altar to honor the holy family of Mary, Joseph, and Jesus.

Thank you for your generosity in making this a special event.

Upcoming Dates.

NO SCHOOL: May 5th

• SHREK JR. THE MUSICAL: May 8th & 9th

NEW FAMILY INFORMATION NIGHT: May 14th

MIDDLE SCHOOL ORIENTATION: May 14th



DES MOINES REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

ESA. Applications are now OPEN! Iowa's Students First Education Savings Account (ESA) application for the 2025-26 school year will close on Monday, June 30, 2025 at 11:59 pm.

The Department's <u>ESA</u> web page has been updated for the 2025-26 school year.

The Des Moines Region Catholic School Tuition

Management Team is fully equipped to handle this process
from beginning to end for all of the Region schools.

Please direct parents to the team's new phone number and group email address for assistance. **515-333-4860**

tuitionmgmt@dsmrcs.org

Family Skate Night. Thanks to the HUGE turnout during our Catholic Schools week skating party, Holy Trinity parishioners, student, and families have earned a free admission at Skateland on Wednesday, May 14th from 5-9pm.

Admission is free. Skate rental is \$5 and concessions will be available. Skateland is located at 5621 Meredith Drive.





From the Diocese & Community | May 4th, 2025

All Saints is currently accepting applications for a

Bookkeeper. This position requires scheduled office hours from 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM (days to be determined). Responsibilities include the development and maintenance of the parish financial bookkeeping system and banking accounts; maintaining accurate and current accounts payable and receivable ledgers; preparing and submitting financial statements; and assuring the maintenance and accuracy of the parish payroll system.

Skills required are PC and Website literate with working knowledge of Microsoft Excel, ParishSoft Accounting and Family Suites systems, and Paylocity system. Experience is desired. Pay is based on education and basic accounting knowledge. Please submit resumes to Mary Treanor via email at businessmanager@dmallsaints.org by May 10, 2025.

Mary's Meals. Mary's Meals is hosting a family event as a race to feed kids. On Saturday, May 10 there will be a 5K Walk/Run at the Women's Achievement Bridge in Downtown Des Moines. Merchandise & Kids Activities start at 8am and the 5K starts at 9am.

Mary's Meals feeds over 2 million children in poor countries while they are getting an education. There is a dire need at the present time. Southern Africa is experiencing the worst drought in a century. If you cannot attend the event and want to help, you can donate at marymealsusa.org.

Camino de San Lorenzo, 'The Way of St. Lawrence'

A 3-Day Spiritual Pilgrimage from May 30 to June 1st, 2025. Walk around 13 miles daily on the recreational trails. Join us for a Spiritual Journey! Register for the 3-Day Camino or choose one day to join us.

For more information and to register, please contact: Deacon Tom for details tbradley@dmdiocese.org

Women's Evening of Recollection

Monday, May 12, 2025 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

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.

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
- 6:30 Confession.
- 6:40 Practical Talk.
- 7:00 First meditation. Confession. Meditation.
- 8:00 Benediction
- The Women's Evenings of Recollection will take place on the 2nd Monday of each month.

Questions: Terry McFarland (630-885-0246). terryannmcfarland@gmail.com

Director of Youth Ministry. St. Mary of Nazareth Catholic Church in Des Moines is hiring a full time Director of Youth Ministry for Middle School and High School. This includes sacramental preparation, family and youth activities, and forming catechists. For more information contact Father John Frost at 515-276-4042. To apply for the position, send a resume with references to frjfrost@stmarysdsm.org by May 9th.



Notes on the Mass | May 4th, 2025

Third Sunday of Easter

Third Sunday of 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 5:27-32, 40b-41

We are all witnesses to all this.

- The trial of the disciples described in Acts was their second trial before the Sanhedrin (the highest court of justice in Jerusalem).
- The disciples were arrested for disobeying the order to never speak in Jesus' name again.
- In today's passage, the order not to speak of Jesus is repeated by the Sanhedrin.

Reading II: Revelation 5:11-14

The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, wealth, glory, and blessing.

- The vision from Revelation presents the heavenly witness to the Risen Christ.
- The hymn of praise begins with the voice of angels, all living creatures, and the elders.
- The response comes from every creature in heaven and on earth, everything in the universe.

Gospel: John 21:1-19

Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

- After the resurrection, the disciples returned to their homes in Galilee and to their former occupation of fishing.
- Suddenly, the appearance of the Risen Christ transforms all aspects of the disciples' lives.
- In the final chapter of today's Gospel, Peter's three denials of Jesus are matched by Jesus' threefold commission to take care of his flock.



Bring Home the Gospel | May 4th, 2025

Reading I Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 | Psalm | Reading II Revelation 5:11-14 | Gospel John 21:1-19

Question For The Children Jesus asks Peter three times if Peter loves Jesus. What one thing can you do this week to show Jesus your love?

Question For The Youth Jesus asked Peter three times to "feed my sheep." Who are you being called to help in your life right now?

Question For The Adults Christ continues to feed us as his disciples, even after his death and resurrection. How does the Eucharist feed your faith?

Activity Of The Week This week find ways to show Jesus that you love him. Pray for one another and give thanks to God for the gift of Jesus.

Saint Of The Week Elizabeth Ann Seton, Mother and Religious, 1774-1821

Our saint this week experienced the kindness and sympathy of others in her time of grief. In turn, she spent much of the remainder of her life caring for others.

Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton was born in New York City on August 28, 1774, just two years before the Declaration of Independence was signed. She was married to William Seton and they had five children. After he died, she observed Catholicism in action through a compassionate couple with whom she was staying. She became convinced that the Catholic Church led back to the Apostles and to Christ. After her return to the United States in 1805, she became a Catholic and later a nun, co-founding the Sisters of Charity.

Elizabeth Ann Seton became the first American-born saint when she was canonized by Pope Paul VI in 1975. She is honored by a Memorial on January 4th.

Elizabeth's message today: Accepting our faith sometimes leads to rejection by those we love. Remembering that God loves both us and those who have forsaken us can help to ease the pain of rejection. We must learn to pray not just for those who love us and accept us, but also for those who have turned their backs on us.

Have you prayed for those who have rejected you? Have you forgiven them?



Parish Calendar May 4th, 2025							
	Sunday [5/4]	Monday [5/5]	Tuesday [5/6]	Wednesday [5/7]	Thursday [5/8]	Friday [5/9]	Saturday [5/10]
School	High School Senior Sunday	No School	MS Speech & Debate Competition at Dowling 3:30PM	School Mass hosted by 8th Grade 8:30AM	MS Musical (GYM) 6:30PM	MS Musical (GYM) 7:00PM	
Faith Formation		Baptism Class (MC) 6:00PM		Faith Formation & Edge Class 6:30PM Rooms (103 & 104)			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 Morning Prayer following Mass OCIA (CH) 6:30PM	Mass 8:30AM (May Crowning during Mass)	Mass 8:30AM Adoration 2-9PM Rosary 4:05PM	Mass 8:30AM Morning Prayer following Mass	Reconciliation 3-3:45PM Mass 4:30PM
More	Coffee & Donuts following 8:30 and 10:30 Mass	Rosary at the Bigelow's Home 8:00PM		Schola (CH) 6:30PM			Baptism

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				
[5/4]	8:30AM	Mass	Nancy Timmons Delperdang	
	10:30AM	Mass	For the Parish	
[5/6]	8:30AM	Mass	Gerry & Kathy Engelbert	
[5/7]	8:30AM	Mass	Marcie Coleman	
[5/8]	8:30AM	Mass	Marty Olsen	
	2-9PM	Adoration		
	4:05PM	Rosary		
[5/9]	8:30AM	Mass	Greg Gaul	
[5/10]	3-3:45PM	Reconciliation	Reconciliation	
	4:30PM	Mass	For the Parish	
[5/11]	8:30AM	Mass	Denny McGough	
	10:30AM	Mass	Duane Chamberlain	

Upcoming Liturgical Ministers and Altar Servers				
Saturday	Altar Servers	Burke & Vinnie Smith and Tyler Leo		
[5/10]	Lectors	Dave Bunkers & Lorraine Riseley		
4:30PM	ЕМНС	Team 1		
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner		
Sunday	Altar Servers	Cartier Bryant, Cameron Goode, Jackson Hoodjer & Jamison Lynch		
[5/11]	Lectors	Steve Stimmel & Linda Willems		
8:30AM	ЕМНС	Team 1/MC: Karen Quiner		
	Children's Liturgy	Team A: Janelle & Ian Kerr		
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner		
Sunday	Altar Servers	Bridget & Lydia Caswell and Mia & Madelyn Daskalakes		
[5/11]	Lectors	Margaret Toomey & Billy Howe		
10:30AM	ЕМНС	Team 2/MC: Mary Ellen Winston		
	Children's Liturgy	Team 1: Paul Bush & Catie Wilwerding		
	Music Coordinator	Eric Sharp		







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