



Holy Trinity

Catholic Church and School

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May 5th, 2024

Sixth Sunday of
Easter

Taking the Journey TOGETHER

*“The Lord has revealed to
the nations his saving power.”*

From the Church | May 5th, 2024

Are you ready for a FREE ADVENTURE? A Spiritual Health Adventure awaits! Join Deacon Randy Kiel at St. Mary's, Parish Mission in the church on **Tuesday, May 7th** from **6:30-8 PM** as he explores **"What's the Matter With Mass?"**

Deacon Randy will tackle some tough questions such as "Why do some people leave the Church and others stay?", "What do I do with the ache in my heart for my family not attending Mass?" and "How can I help people come back?". CHILD CARE IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. A social will immediately follow at St. Mary's. To request child care or for questions, contact Deacon Greg Lievens at (319) 240-0840 or deacongreg@stmarysdsm.org
See full flier [here!](#)

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.

Holy Trinity-Knights of Columbus Breakfast. Join us on May 19th after the 8:30 and 10:30 masses as the Knights of Columbus host a breakfast for parishioners!

Menu

Eggs | Biscuits with Sausage Gravy | Sausage Links | Hash Browns | Fruit | Coffee | Milk | OJ

There will be a free will offering. Proceeds will go to the HT PATCH program.

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 jans@holytrinitydm.org.

High School Celebration. Holy Trinity Youth Ministry wants to celebrate your students' graduation from High school! We would like to celebrate with you at 10:30 mass on Sunday May 12th. We will have a special blessing for them during the mass. We will then continue the celebration with coffee donuts and light refreshments! We hope you all will take some time to help us celebrate with your family. We are aware this is Mother's Day and we will be sure you get to celebrate them and then head out to celebrate all the Moms of the grads!!! Enjoy all the lasts' of senior year!!

Do you enjoy working outdoors? Do you love maintaining a beautiful yard? We need your help!

We are asking for volunteers to help with two areas:

1. Long time volunteer Jan Bunkers has retired from managing our walkway planters. We need someone to create beautiful seasonal plant arrangements 3-4 times a year. The HT staff will make sure they get watered.
2. The parish is interested in volunteers to help maintain our grounds. We are hoping to bring this work back "inside" the Parish, rather than outsourcing. Our volunteer team would be responsible for mowing, trimming, flower bed planting and weeding for the church, school, rectory and rental property, as needed. All equipment and tools would be provided.

Please contact Patrick at patrickb@holytrinitydm.org, or call the Parish Office to help out.

We Need Your Help. Holy Trinity School is in need of help in removing a piece of playground equipment. It will require a backhoe or something that could pull the post out of the ground.

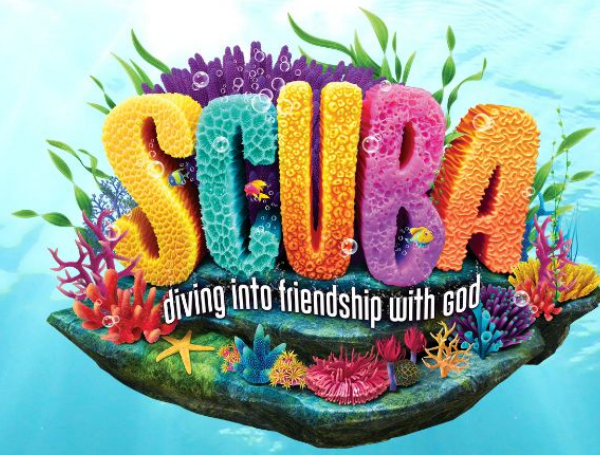
Please contact Patrick at 515-205-3173 or patrickb@holytrinitydm.org

Financial Blessings Ending Week of 04/26/2024

Budget July 2023 through June 2024	\$958,558	YTD Surplus (Deficit)	\$18,128
YTD Actual Tithing	\$820,942	Tithing for the Week	\$42,783
YTD Budget	\$802,814	Number of Donations Received	300



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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,
STEVE ANGRISANO.**



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THIS WONDERFUL
EVENING OF SONG, FOOD & FELLOWSHIP!

5:45 PM - Dinner hosted by our Knights of Columbus

6:30 PM - Inspiring concert by Steve Angrisano

From the School | May 5th, 2024

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

Middle School Science

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.

2024-25 ESA Information. Iowa's Students First Education Savings Account (ESA) application for the 2024-25 school year will open at 8:00 am on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 and close on Sunday, June 30, 2024 at 11:59 pm. Iowa's Students First Education Savings Account (ESA) application for the 2024-25 school year opens tomorrow at 8:00 am. Annual ESA applications are required for ALL prospective ESA participants.

Link to: [ESA Application](#)

Additional information regarding the ESA program is available on the [Students First ESA web page](#), including tips for returning applicants.

Applying for the first time: Parents/Guardians will first be directed to sign up for an account through Odyssey with an email and password. Then, parents/guardians will receive a message from Odyssey asking them to confirm their email address. After the email is confirmed, the parent/guardian can sign in to the Odyssey portal to begin their application.

Returning applicants: Parents/Guardians with an existing Odyssey portal account will log in to the existing account to begin the application for the 2024-25 school year.

Applications are REQUIRED to be completed ANNUALLY to verify student eligibility through confirmation of Iowa residency.

Applications are available in English and Spanish and will be accepted until Sunday, June 30, at 11:59 pm.

Technical support will be available from Odyssey representatives by phone at 515-368-9564 or email at help.ia@withodyssey.com.



Annual ESA applications are required for ALL prospective ESA participants.

[ESA Application here](#)

Additional information regarding the ESA program is available on the Students First ESA web page, including tips for returning applicants.

Education Savings Account applications are Open.

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



Call the School Office at 515.255.3162 ext. 115 for more information!

From the Diocese & Community | May 5th, 2024

Young Catholic Singles (YCS). Bump, set, spike! Join YCS for volleyball at Valley View Park on Saturday, May 11 from 10AM-NOON. Water bottles will be provided.

Address: Valley View Park
225 88th Street
West Des Moines, IA

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

The Des Moines Area Religious Council (DMARC) Food Pantry Network. Continues to serve a growing number of people each year. This past year has seen the number of individuals assisted to be the highest on record with as many as 1 in 3 of those utilizing DMARC for the first time. Those individuals and families often have jobs and homes but didn't earn enough to pay other expenses and buy food weekly. Many turn to DMARC for support. DMARC welcomes food and non-food items like diapers (large sizes), formulas, baby food, baby wipes, personal products, etc. Items may be placed in one of the collection tubs in the collection location at the side entrance of the church. DMARC also welcomes cash donations as they are able to buy items at discounted prices. Cash donations may be made by using the QR code system now in place through the Church Office or by email, holytrinitydm.org/donate

St Ambrose Cathedral Hosts Monthly Healing Service. On May 11th, 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."

Mental Health Ministry Retreat. All are invited to join us for a day of prayer and fellowship which will offer a deeper understanding and appreciation for topics related to mental health from a Catholic perspective. Join our very own, Matt Connolly, as he advocates the many ways for defeating the stigma of mental illness and raises awareness. See more information [here](#), and check out the [schedule](#) for the day!

Christ Our Life Catholic Conference. Please mark your calendars for September 28 and 29 for the Christ Our Life Conference at Wells Fargo Arena in downtown Des Moines. World Class Catholic Speakers, uplifting music, and Mass are just some of the highlights.

More details will be passed out after Masses on May 4 and 5.

The ManUp West Power Lunch. May 10th at St. Francis of Assisi in West Des Moines. Dr. Bud Marr, co-host of the Uncommon Good, will speak about Vatican II and its influence on the New Evangelization. The program starts at noon and lunch is provided by Chick-fil-A. Register at IowaCatholicRadio.com.

Job Opening. St. Augustin Parish in Des Moines, Iowa is seeking a Full-time Maintenance Technician to assist in the maintenance of the physical plant needs of multiple parish buildings and property. The ideal candidate will have documented education and/or skills in one or more of the following: HVAC, plumbing (boiler systems), electrical and construction techniques. Experience managing multiple projects at a time while meeting project deadlines is a plus. Minimum requirements include a high school diploma and demonstrated experience working with utilities and mechanical systems, able to lift up to 50lbs., possess a valid Iowa driver's license and be able to provide own transportation.

St. Augustin offers a 40-hr. work week, M-F, 8am to 5pm and offers a competitive compensation package that includes a full suite of benefits and a starting wage between \$21.00 to \$23.00 per hour, depending on qualifications. For the full job description and to apply, go to www.staugustin.org/jobopenings.



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Go to dmdiocese.org for more information!

Notes on the Mass | May 5th, 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

A person from any nation is called to follow Christ.

- In the first reading, it is evident that the early Church found it hard to accept that God's plan for salvation was not limited to the Jews.
- The vision in Peter's dream prepares him for his meeting with Cornelius, a Gentile.
- Peter baptizes Cornelius and his household, and he declares that God is not partial but loves all people.

Reading II : 1 John 4:7-10

Let us love one another.

- The reading from 1 John is part of a series of statements that end with the crucial reminder that love comes from God.
- The author wants to point out how much God loves us.
- God demonstrated the extent of his love by sending his Son to give his life for us.

Gospel : John 15:9-17

So I have loved you.

- Today's Gospel continues the theme of love with the message that God has loved us, so therefore, we must love one another.
- Love demands all we are, to the point of giving up life for the sake of another.
- God is the source and object of our love.



Bring Home the Gospel | May 5th, 2024

Reading I Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 | **Reading II** 1 John 4:7-10 | **Gospel** John 15:9-17

Question For The Children In what ways do you experience God's love, offered to you through family, friends, and teachers?

Question For The Youth Jesus commanded us to love one another. Who is most in need of your love and kindness right now? How can you be more loving to those most in need this week?

Question For The Adults Concretely, how do you show love to others?

Activity Of The Week Make a list of newcomers to your community. Choose one family and think of a way you can welcome them.

Saint Of The Week Matthias, Apostle and Martyr, First Century

Our only certain knowledge of Matthias comes from the Acts of the Apostles. After the Ascension, Peter stated that they should pick a successor to Judas Iscariot to fulfill the Scripture. Peter said, "Therefore it is necessary that one of the men who accompanied us the whole time the Lord Jesus came and went among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day he was taken up from us, become with us a witness to his resurrection." [Acts 2:21-22] The apostles selected Joseph Barsabbus and Matthias as candidates and prayed for guidance before drawing lots. Matthias was selected.

Tradition handed down by the great historians of the early Church, Clement of Alexandria, Eusebius, and St. Jerome, tell us that Matthias first preached in Judea then moved on to Cappadocia and to the shores of the Caspian Sea where he planted the faith. He is said to have suffered great persecutions and was martyred in Colchis.

St. Matthias is the patron of carpenters and tailors. A Feast honors this apostle on May 14.

Saint's message today: Although he was a disciple of Jesus throughout most of his ministry, Matthias had no idea that he might be selected as one of the twelve after Jesus ascended into heaven. We, too, have no idea what God may have in store for us, so we must live our lives anticipating that we may be called at any time.



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Parish Calendar | May 5th, 2024

	Sunday [5/5]	Monday [5/6]	Tuesday [5/7]	Wednesday [5/8]	Thursday [5/9]	Friday [5/10]	Saturday [5/11]
School				School Mass hosted by 4th Grade 8:30AM		No School- Professional Development Day	
Faith Formation	Altar Server Training (CH) 11:30AM			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	Mass 8AM Adoration 2-9PM Rosary 4:05PM	Mass 8:30AM	Reconciliation 3-3:45PM Mass 4:30PM
More	Coffee & Donuts Hosted by Youth Ministry (SR) Following 8:30 & 10:30 Mass						
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			
[5/5]	8:30AM	Mass	Michael Timmons
	10:30AM	Mass	For the Parish
[5/7]	8:30AM	Mass	Georgette Droessler
[5/8]	8:30AM	Mass	Father Francis B. Ostdiek
[5/9]	8AM	Mass	Marty Olsen
	2-9PM	Adoration	
	4:05PM	Rosary	
[5/10]	8:30AM	Mass	Martin McGrane
[5/11]	3-3:45PM	Reconciliation	Denny McGough
	4:30PM	Mass	
[5/12]	8:30AM	Mass	For the Parish
	10:30AM	Mass	Mary & Elizabeth Green

Upcoming Liturgical Ministers and Altar Servers		
Saturday	Altar Servers	Margaret Fiddelke, Payton & Maren Wolfe and Joan & Nora Niday
[5/11] 4:30PM	Lectors	Lorraine Riseley & Kathie Obradovich
	EMHC	Team 3
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday	Altar Servers	Cameron Goode, Jack Ernst, Jackson Hoodjer and Mia & Madelyn Darkalakes
[5/12] 8:30AM	Lectors	Linda Wilems & Jeff Nielsen
	EMHC	Team 3/MC: Katy Polich
	Children's Liturgy	Team D: Breanna Castro
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday	Altar Servers	Vivian Skeffington, Ruth George and Bridget & Lydia Caswell
[5/12] 10:30AM	Lectors	Rob Hoover & Tom Green
	EMHC	Team 2/MC: Mary Ellen Winston
	Children's Liturgy	Margaret Toomey & Erik Altman
	Music Coordinator	Frances Paterik

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