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Sept. 24, 2023

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Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Taking the Journey TOGETHER

"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard..." Mt 20



From the Church | September 24, 2023



Provide Lunch for the Homeless HT joins Connection Cafe to provide and serve lunch on the last Thursday of every month. Help us provide sloppy joes, fruit, chips, and cookies for 180 people on Thursday, September 28.

Lunch is served at St. John's Lutheran Church. Please sign up for one of the 16 remaining volunteer opportunities. Visit signup.com/go/Qbkvymy to register. Thank you for supporting of The Connection Cafe!

Taking the Journey TOGETHER

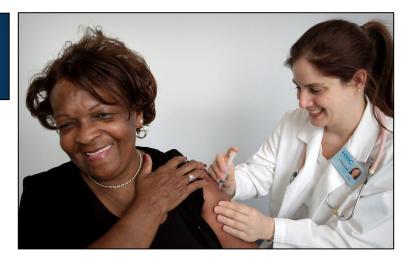
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Join the Team! Kids Connection needs a Team Associate who is optimistic, energetic, and responsible this year.

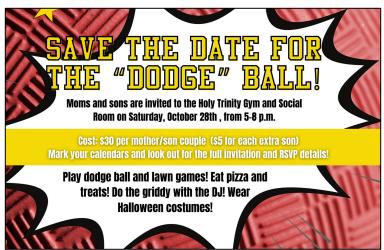
KC program hours are Monday through Friday from 6:20 to 8:20 a.m. and 3 to 5:45 p.m. We are hiring for all shifts, and opportunities for extra hours are available.

This is a flexible position with a competitive wage that would be a great resume builder for education majors. For more information on this job posting, please contact Jenith Burry at 515.255.3162 ext. 127 or job ipurry@htschool.org.



Get Your Flu Shot! HT will host two flu shot clinics this October. The clinics are on Sunday, October 15, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the school gym for parishioners and Thursday, October 19, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the school gym for students, their families, and staff.

Flu, Covid, and RSV (with your physician's approval) shots are available. *Bring your insurance cards and wear loose-fitting clothing!* Complete the *Vaccine Informed Consent* form on the next page and bring it to the clinic. Register online at https://bit.ly/46iHKav or contact Mindy Aronow at maronow@htschool.org.



Financial Blessings Ending Week of September 15, 2023				
Budget July 2023 through June 2024 \$958,55		YTD Surplus (Deficit)	(\$16,342)	
YTD Actual Tithing	\$168,450	Tithing for the Week	\$4,485	
YTD Budget \$184,792		Number of Donations Received	54	



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VACCINE INFORMED CONSENT FORM

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Saturday, September 30, at 6 p.m.

Attend trivia night at Holy Trinity for a chance to raise money for NCYC and win a Steak Bundle from SJS Cattle Company!

Dinner and child care are provided for free-will donations! Contact Gigi at gigiw@holytrinitydm.org for details.







Nourish gathers once a month to support the practical, emotional, and spiritual needs of family caregivers. Nourish gives you the tools and resources to help you connect with your faith and encounter Christ, so you can see the grace and blessings in your caregiving journey.

Nourish for Caregivers is Wednesday, September 27, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity Parish (school entrance) 2926 Beaver Avenue, Des Moines.

Contact Deacon Dan Maxcy at danm@holytrinitydm.org or Deacon Jim Houston at pastoralcare@saintpiuschurch.org.



You are invited to the annual neighborhood walk, carnival, and meet-and-greet celebration!

Pep Rally | Friday, September 29

Last year we threw pies at our favorite faculty and staff members. Will history repeat itself?

Spirit Week | Monday, October 2, through Friday, October 6

Students and staff dress up for Pajama Day (Monday), Career Day (Tuesday), Mismatch Day (Wednesday), Color Day (Thursday), and Spirit Day (Friday) to prepare for the main event!

Cash & Coin Collection Challenge: Last year the early education classes were the top coin challenge contributors, bringing in an additional \$4,500!

Walkathon 2023 – Imagination at Play | Saturday, October 7

Attend 4:30 p.m. Mass, then gather in the Holy Trinity parking lot for a mile-long walk through the community, ending with dinner and cash games like cake walk, raffles for prizes, and dunk tank! Bring your friends, family, and neighbors to participate in the fun!

Donate Now! Students are collecting pledges from friends and family members and competing for class prizes. Scan the code or visit https://app.99pledges.com/fund/2023HTwalkathon!



From the Diocese & Community | September 24, 2023



Give Your Spouse the Best Gift! Attend the FREE marriage enrichment program, *The Third Option*, from 7 to 9 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. The new session begins Monday, October 9, at Mercy College (928 6th Ave, Des Moines, IA 50309).

Couples will walk through 14 skills-based workshops, listen to a couple who has overcome comparable frustrations, and provide support group discussions on suggested tools.

This program is for all couples whether they are facing obstacles in their marriage or just trying to make a good thing better! Contact Julie Burdt at 515.201.4766 or julie.burdt@gmail.com for details and registration, or contact Adam Storey at astorey@dmdiocese.org.



Apostle of the Impossible A relic of St. Jude Thaddeus, an Apostle of Jesus, is coming to West Des Moines. This is the largest relic of an Apostle outside of Europe! It will be available for one day of veneration at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church.

Faithful followers of Jesus can pray before the relic on Tuesday, September 26, from 1 to 7 p.m., followed by Mass in the saint's honor. Veneration continues after Mass until 10 p.m. Learn more about St. Jude and his relic at apostleoftheimpossible.com/tour-schedule.

Divorced? The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide can bring hope and healing to divorced and separated Catholics. Begin the 12-week journey on October 9 at St. Francis of Assisi from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$30 per person. Email Bill and Ann Moore for details at moorefamilydsm@gmail.com.





Heart of Gratitude Retreat Steep yourself in gratitude, receive God's gracious gifts, cultivate grateful hearts, and share generous blessings in the beauty of God's creation.

This day of gratitude is led by Brenda Stalbaum Martin and Kathy Kemler on Saturday October 21, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Creighton Retreat Center in Griswold, IA.

Email <u>CURC@Creighton.edu</u>, call 712.778.2466, scan the code, or visit <u>https://bit.ly/3ZmSRNs</u> to register.

BLOOM BOOK LAUNCH!

CALLING ALL MOMS AND DAUGHTERS 8-12 YEARS OLD

Calling All Mothers and Daughters Girls ages eight to 12 and their mothers are invited to visit Divine Treasures Bookstore on Saturday, September 30, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Help local author Stacy Halbach launch her new book, *Bloom: Unfolding the Beauty of Femininity in light of the Son.* Discuss beauty, femininity, and puberty in light of Catholic teachings at this free event!

Mothers and daughters will enjoy quality time, sweet treats, warm beverages, flower crafts, and discussions! Plus, Stacy is available to answer questions and sign books!

Contact Stacy at JumpInCatholic@gmail.com to register.

Pray for the Unborn Join *Life Chain* on Sunday, October 1, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at 35th & University Avenue.

Grab a sign a couple blocks away at Des Moines Fellowship Church, 950 35th Street, then join fellow pro-lifers throughout the city to pray for the most vulnerable members of our society: the unborn.





Dear Families,

I hope the school year is off to a great start. Though we are now just a few weeks into a new school year, I am writing with an important update regarding the enrollment process for the 2024-25 school year.

As you may be aware, in January of 2022 the twelve Catholic schools in Des Moines formed a new entity - Des Moines Regional Catholic Schools. The regional model allows us to centralize business functions, leverage collective resources and implement best business practices which will sustain the future of our schools. Some of the changes you will notice this year include a revised enrollment process which gives current families priority.

Enrollment for the 2024-25 school year will open October 2, 2023, for current families. The process must be completed by November 15, 2023, to receive priority. As a current family, you will receive priority admission for your student(s) now attending Holy Trinity as well as any children who will be enrolling for the first time in Early Childhood through 8th grade. Please note that enrollment for your new student will be determined by availability and our admission consideration process. After November 15, we will open enrollment to families in our parish. From there, we will open enrollment to new families in the broader community.

The enrollment fee will be \$100 per student and will be paid through a new system - Blackbaud Tuition Management. Blackbaud will replace FACTS for all fees and tuition management services beginning with the 2024-25 school year.

We are in the midst of the budget process to determine the tuition for the 2024-25 school year which will be shared no later than February. Affordability remains a top priority as the region works to increase teacher compensation to match public school pay within five years. Increases in tuition assistance through Catholic Tuition Organization (CTO), Diocesan Tuition Assistance (DTA) and other sources will help offset any tuition increases for families with demonstrated need. Many will also benefit now from Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) and all families will qualify for the 2025-26 school year. We can assure you that the financial impact for all families will be taken into account when establishing tuition. Please do not let cost deter you from registering your child at this time. We encourage all families to take advantage of these resources which will help fund a Catholic education for your child for years to come. To determine when your family will qualify for an ESA, please visit https://educateiowa.gov/pk-12/students-first-education-savings-accounts.

A communication will follow on October 2, 2023, which will provide instructions on steps for priority enrollment. We recognize that the revised enrollment process is taking place earlier than what you are accustomed to. We appreciate your assistance as we implement this new process. If you have guestions or concerns after receiving the October communication, please contact Joni Swedenhjelm at the Des Moines Regional Catholic Schools office - iswedenhielm@dowlingcatholic.org or 515-222-1051.

Sincerely,

Dr. Dan Ryan President

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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: Isaiah 55:6-9 | Seek the Lord while he may be found.

- In the reading from Isaiah, God's justice is measured by the demands of mercy.
- The prophet tells God's people in exile that a return to their land is possible.
- Only in faith would the people be able to seek the Lord and turn from their evil ways.

Reading II : Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a | To me, life means Christ.

- The Letter to the Philippians was written when Paul was imprisoned.
- In today's passage, Paul asks the Philippians to imitate Christ.
- Even in prison Paul was willing to continue working in the vineyard, knowing that his reward would be far greater than he could imagine.

Gospel : Matthew 20:1-16a | The parable of the vineyard.

- Throughout the Gospel of Matthew, the author gives new interpretations to Jewish laws.
- Today's parable shows the power and generosity of God, along with the need for human willingness.
- Jesus' parable teaches that God is merciful to all.

Question For The Children How do you experience God being generous to you: through your family, friends, school, or parish?

Question For The Youth This Gospel reminds us that God is always seeking us out and welcoming us into his generous love. Through whom has God reached out to you? Who is always encouraging you to say "yes" to God?

Question For The Adults Using Jesus' parable as your starting point, describe in your own words how God will treat those who come to be part of the church, even those who come late.

Activity Of The Week To help your family celebrate the Generosity of God, before grace at meals, join hands and thank God for the ways in which God has entered and become part of your life. Thank God for the individual blessings each one has received and for the family blessings.



Saint Of The Week - Matthew Matthew, probably the best educated of the Apostles, builds a logical case for Jesus as the Messiah to the Jewish people. In writing this Gospel, he shows a broad knowledge of what we today call the Old Testament. We all need to develop a familiarity with the Scripture if we are to understand the basics of our faith.

Matthew's Message Do you read Scripture on a daily basis? Have you considered joining a Bible study group?



	Sunday [9/24]	Monday [9/25]	Tuesday [9/26]	Wednesday [9/27]	Thursday [9/28]	Friday [9/29]	Saturday [9/30]
School		No School	Picture Day	VIP Breakfast (SR) 7:15AM School Mass 8:30AM		Walkathon Spirit Assembly	Reminder Spirit Week
Faith : Formation :			2B First Rec. Meeting (SR) 6:30PM	2R First Rec. Meeting (SR) 6:30PM FF & Edge Class (103 & 104) 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				10th Grade FF (101 & 102) 6PM Nourish (MC) 6PM			

Upcoming Mass Schedule, Liturgy Schedule, and Intentions					
[9/24]	8:30AM	Mass	Jim Kleinschmidt		
	10:30AM	Mass	For The Parish		
[9/26]	8:30AM	Mass	Marcie Coleman		
[9/27]	8:30AM	Mass	Marcy Steinke		
[9/28]	8AM	Mass	Georgette Droessler		
	2-9PM	Adoration			
	4:05PM	Rosary			
[9/29]	8:30AM	Mass	Deceased Members of St. Vincent DePaul		
[9/30]	3-3:45PM	Reconciliation			
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Upcoming Liturgical Ministers and Altar Servers			
Saturday	Altar Servers	J. & N. Niday, Burke Smith, Tyler Leo	
[9/30]	Lectors	Todd Treese, Mark Judge	
4:30PM	ЕМНС	Team 2	
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner	
Sunday	Altar Servers	McAndrews Family & Andreo Castro	
[10/1]	Lectors	Doug Gross, John Goode	
8:30AM	ЕМНС	Team 3	
	Children's Liturgy	Katy Polich	
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner	
Sunday	Altar Servers	Siobhan Bigelow & Gemma Kahler & Addie Koester	
[10/1]	Lectors	Bridget Bott, Teresa Baustian	
10:30AM	ЕМНС	Team 2	
	Children's Liturgy	Paul Bush, Catie Wilwerding	
	Music Coordinator	Frances Paterik	





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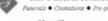
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