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21st Sunday of **Ordinary Time**

August 21, 2022

Taking

the Journey

TOGETHER





FROM THE CHURCH | AUGUST 21, 2022

UNIQUE SERVICE OPPORTUNITY We have one essential, yet mostly unknown, opportunity to serve Holy Trinity Parish. Altar Linens Caretakers are parish volunteers that wash, iron, and care for the altar linens.

Usually, a different parishioner volunteers to do this job at their home every month. We have enough linens to allow caretakers to wash just two times per month, making this opportunity flexible for any schedule. Training is provided.

If this interests you, please contact the Parish Office at 515.255.3162 ext. 128 or parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org.

WANT TO JOIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH? YOU ARE INVITED! If you have been attending Mass, but you are not Catholic, we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic faith. Is someone you know interested in becoming Catholic, or coming back to the Catholic Church?

Our Parish will soon begin a series of sessions to learn more about the truths of the Catholic faith and our Church family. We invite you to learn what Catholics believe in an open and welcoming environment. These sessions are an opportunity to ask confusing and difficult questions you may have about the Church.

We will begin our journey on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. The first session will be on September 6. If you have questions, contact the Parish office or Deacon Doug Renze at 515.710.4168 or dougr@holytrinitydm.org.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FAITHFULLY DEPARTED...

Marlene Stacy - Mother of Tim (Sandy) Stacy of Holy Trinity Parish

Connie Hellman - Sister of Peggy Erickson and Jane (Jack) Kinney of Holy Trinity Parish



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING All students entering Grades 4 through 7 are invited to serve during Mass. To become a server, please attend our Altar Server Training after 10:30 a.m. Mass this Sunday, September 18. RSVP by emailing parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org. Donuts will be served for our new servers. Thank you for your help with this ministry!

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING The formal title for a layperson who distributes the Eucharist is "Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion," also known as Eucharistic Minister, EMHC, or EM. It is a beautiful honor to serve and assist the priest and deacons in the distribution of the Body of Christ during Mass. Ministers of Communion show the greatest reverence for the Most Holy Eucharist through manner and demeanor when handling the Eucharist.

You are invited to be a Eucharistic Minister! Please attend EM training on Sunday, September 11 after 10:30 a.m. Mass.

If you feel called to serve in this way, please contact the Parish Office at parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org or call 515.255.3162 ext. 128. We especially need help at 4:30 p.m. Mass. Thank you!

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS ENDING WEEK OF AUGUST 12, 2022			
Budget July 2022 through June 2023	\$988,204	YTD Surplus (Deficit)	(\$ 15,206)
YTD Actual Tithing	\$96,376	Tithing for the Week	\$3,366
YTD Budget	\$111,582	Number of Donations Received	42



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FROM THE SCHOOL | AUGUST 21, 2022



WELCOME BACK NIGHT IS MONDAY, AUGUST 22 AT 5 P.M.

Teachers are back in the building and preparing for a fantastic school year. Our staff is serious about education, but they still know how to have fun. Educators can be seen here playing a friendly game of Handbook Trivia to refresh their memories after summer vacation. Look at these smiling faces!

Remember to attend Welcome Back Night on Monday! All are welcome to bring school supplies, visit classrooms and teachers, and attend one of two informational sessions presented by Principal Morrison to communicate important details about the school year, school safety, and information from our new Leadership Council.













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Christ Our Life tickets will be available after Mass on August 27 and 28. Cost is \$25 for adults and \$15 for students and youth. Pay by check or charge using your phone and QR code. Worship, adore, be informed in this two-day conference right here in Des Moines!



CHRIS STEFANICK Chris inspires millions of viewers and listeners who follow his reality television program, videos, writings, Catholic initiatives and speaking engagements. His energy and devotion to Jesus led to his founding and presidency of Real Life Catholic, a non-profit that encourages us to fully live the life we

were made for. Join Chris and seven other world class speakers at the Christ Our Life Catholic Conference on September 24 and 25 at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines in person or livestream.



TWO MINUTE TUESDAY Frame Your Mind with Faith Chris Stefanick of Real Life Catholic

Video: https://bit.ly/3A61TSO



TIM JAMESON In demand throughout the United States, Tim teaches us how to discern the Father's voice and employ the Holy Spirit to bring greater understanding of faith into our lives and the lives of others. His captivating energy motivates us to engage more fully in exercising

the unique gifts God has given each of us. Hear Tim and seven other world class speakers at the Christ Our Life Catholic Conference on September 24 and 25 at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines in person or livestream.

Purchase Tickets at ChristOurLifeIowa.com!

THE THIRD OPTION A FREE marriage enrichment for couples starts on September 12 in a new location. This program is for all couples, whether they are facing obstacles in their

all couples, whether they are facing obstacles in their marriage or just trying to make a good thing better!

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

The Third Option will meet the second and fourth Monday of every month at Mercy College, 928 6th Ave, Des Moines. Please park in the north parking lot and enter the Northeast doors. The workshop is held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Participants are welcome to join anytime.

If you have questions, or would like to register contact Julie Burdt at 515.201.4766 or <u>Julie.burdt@gmail.com</u>. You can also contact Adam Storey at <u>astorey@dmdiocese.org</u>.



LITURGICAL MUSIC DIRECTOR JOB OPENING All Saints Catholic Church in Des Moines is seeking a part-time Liturgical Music Director to work an average of 20 hors per week. This role is responsible for developing, leading, and directing music for weekend liturgies, holy days, and other parish celebrations.

Candidates should possess a four-year degree in music, experience in choral conducting, and the ability to supervise direct reports and volunteers. Compensation is based on the candidate's experience and educational background. Resumes can be sent to Fr. Robert Harris, Pastor at the parish no later than November 1.



21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Heaven's Gate

Maybe you remember the parable which Jesus told two weeks ago. There was a man knocking on a friend's door at midnight, wanting to borrow some bread. The friend yelled back, do not bother me; the door has already been locked and my children and I are already in bed. I cannot get up to give you anything.

Jesus responds:

I tell you, if he does not get up to give him the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence. I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.

Doesn't it feel good knowing that constant prayer will get the door opened?

Well, hold that feeling back for a while and look at this Sunday's Gospel. Here again someone is knocking on the door late at night. But they receive nothing. The master of the house says,

I do not know where you are from. The one(s) knocking replies: "but we ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets."

Look carefully at those words: clearly, the askers have to be mere casual acquaintances, if that. Something like this: we liked what you did, and now we want more!

The master says, I do not know where you are from. Depart from me, all you evildoers!

Ouch. What about "ask and you shall receive"? As if to rub it in, Jesus says,

There will be wailing and grinding of teeth when you see the saved ones—
Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets—
looking down from heaven while you are being cast out!*

What is going on here? Is Jesus just in a bad mood? We know that he is "making his way to Jerusalem" as he tells this parable, walking straight into the crucifixion, so maybe he is just anxious.

Yet notice that, in last week's parable, even though the owner opens the door just to get the noise stopped, the interruption was being caused by a friend—albeit a rude one—who would not stop asking for what he needed. That parable told us to keep asking God, our friend, for what we need, even though he may be a bit grumpy.

But, in the parable for this Sunday, the people outside are obviously not friends and in fact they have no relationship at all to the master of the house. This parable states that they knew about him only from parties and from the streets. They heard him preaching but they did nothing. They did not come to his house at a reasonable hour and begin a friendship.

No amount of midnight knocking will make up for it.

What is our lesson? That God keeps the door open long beyond what anyone would expect, all the way to the end. But if we are too busy partying and dancing, then finally there is nothing he can do. He has to accept our decision to stay outside.

The message? Get to know God now. Do not delay till you find yourself at the end of your life at heaven's gates and have nothing to show for yourself.

John Foley, SJ



BRING HOME THE GOSPEL | AUGUST 21, 2022

Reading I Isaiah 66: 18-21 | Psalm 117: 1-2 | Reading II Hebrews 12: 5-7, 11-13 | Gospel Luke 13:22-30

Question For The Children How do you show that you are a follower of Jesus?

Question For The Youth Jesus tells us that being His disciple will be very hard. Of all the things that Jesus tells us about the way that we are to live our lives, what is the hardest thing for you to do? Why?

Question For The Adults As you wrestle with today's Gospel, what signs do you see in your own life that you are "with God."

Activity Of The Week Discuss with your family the need for discipline in your home. Review the family rules in light of the Christian call to live as children of God. Ask if any rules should be added. List any new family rules on a sheet of paper and place them on the refrigerator.



Saint Of The Week Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

Maximilian was born in 1894 in Poland and became a Franciscan. He was dedicated to Mary, and worked to help others live their faith. In 1936 he returned to Germany from his work in Japan because of ill health. After the Nazi invasion in 1939, he was imprisoned and released for a time. But in 1941 he was arrested again and sent to the concentration camp at Auschwitz. On July 31, 1941, in reprisal for one prisoner's escape, ten men were chosen to die. Father Kolbe offered himself in place of a young husband and father. And he was the last to die, enduring two weeks of starvation, thirst, and neglect.

Maximilian's message today:

Maximilian Kolbe was a 20th century martyr who gave up his life for another. In many ways, we all suffer as martyrs in some form. Think of those with AIDS or cancer, or those who have undergone a traumatic change in their lives, such as a death or divorce. It is how we approach this suffering, this martyrdom, which counts.

The next time some seemingly intolerable event takes place in your life, try a prayer accepting this as God's will and offering this to God.



PARISH CALENDAR | AUGUST 21, 2022

	Sunday 8/21	Monday 8/22	Tuesday 8/23	Wednesday 8/24	Thursday 8/25	Friday 8/26	Saturday 8/27
Holy Trinity School	ENROLL NOW! holytrinitydm.o rg/school	Welcome Back Night 5-7PM		First Day of School			
Faith Formation							
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
And More		Kids Connection Closed	Kids Connection Closed	Tears & Cheers for PS, TK, & K Families (MC) 7:55AM			

CH: Church | 101-106: Classrooms | DC: Day Chapel | K: Kitchen | MC: Media Center | PO: Parish Office | SR: Social Room

Mass Schedule, Liturgy Schedule, and Intentions			
Sunday, August 21	8:30AM Mass	Jim Harken	
	10:30AM Mass	For the Parish	
Tuesday, August 23	8:30AM Mass	Marcie Coleman	
Wed., August 24	8:30AM Mass	Mike Smith	
Thursday, August 25	8AM Mass	Dorothy Lacona	
	2PM-9PM	Adoration	
	4:05PM	Rosary	
Friday, August 26	8:30AM Mass	Stephanie Beccerra	
Saturday, August 27	3PM-3:45PM	Reconciliation	
	4:30PM Mass	Jack Wineinger	
Sunday, August 28	8:30AM Mass	For the Parish	
	10:30AM Mass	John B. McClavy	

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Next Week's Liturgical Ministers and Altar Servers			
Sat., August 27	Altar Servers	Tyler Leo & Elijah Dushane	
4:30 p.m.	Lectors	K. Obradovich & M. Szymczuk	
	ЕМНС	Team 1	
	Musical Coordinator	Tom Quiner	
Sun., August 28	Altar Servers	McAndrews Family	
8:30 a.m.	Lectors	L. Willems & Wayne Johnson	
	ЕМНС	Team 2	
	Children's Liturgy	Volunteer for Fall CL!	
	Musical Coordinator	Tom Quiner	
Sun., August 28	Altar Servers	S. Bigelow and V. Skeffington	
10:30 a.m.	Lectors	M. E. Winston & B. Howe	
	ЕМНС	Team 1	
	Children's Liturgy	Volunteer for Fall CL!	
	Musical Coordinator	Frances Paterik	





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