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22nd Sunday of **Ordinary Time** 

August 28, 2022

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# FROM THE CHURCH | AUGUST 28, 2022



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 <a href="mailto:parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org">parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org</a>. Donuts will be served for our new servers. Thank you for your help with this ministry!

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SIGN UP FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT FAITH FORMATION NOW Holy Trinity's Faith Formation Program supports and enriches the faith development of public school students in Grades 1 through 8. The Holy Trinity Faith Formation Program meets Wednesday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. in the Holy Trinity School Building from. Classes begin September 14.

We are honored to walk with your child on their faith journey. Contact Director of Faith Formation John Mertes at 515.255.3162 ext. 224 or <a href="mailto:johnm@holytrinitydm.org">johnm@holytrinitydm.org</a> if you have any questions.

Registration forms can be found on the next page! Submit your form to the Parish Office or put it in the collection baskets during Mass.

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 <a href="mailto:parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org">parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org</a> or call 515.255.3162 ext. 128. We especially need help at 4:30 p.m. Mass. Thank you!

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 <a href="mailto:parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org">parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org</a>.

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WANT TO JOIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH? YOU ARE INVITED! Learn what Catholics believe in an open and welcoming environment. These sessions are an opportunity to ask confusing and difficult questions about the Church.

We begin our journey together on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. The first session is on September 6. If you have questions, contact the Parish office or Deacon Doug Renze at 515.710.4168 or <a href="mailto:dougr@holytrinitydm.org">dougr@holytrinitydm.org</a>.

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS ENDING WEEK OF AUGUST 19, 2022				
Budget July 2022 through June 2023	\$988,204	YTD Surplus (Deficit)	(\$25,532)	
YTD Actual Tithing	\$102,519	Tithing for the Week	\$6,143	
YTD Budget	\$128,051	Number of Donations Received	70	

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# Faith Formation Registration 2022-2023

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FAMILY NAME						
Parent/Guardian Name			ent/Guardi	ian Name		
Address		City		State _	Zip	
Primary Email			Primary	Phone		
Parishioner? ☐ Yes ☐ No If no, what is ye	our parisl	n?				
STUDENT(S)	Gend	ler Grade	Sessi	ion Enr	olled in	School Code
(First and Last Names)	M or		Day &	Time Do		(see back of last page)
Faith Formation Grades 1-5 · Wednesday 6:30 p.m.  Edge (Grades 6-8) · Wednesday 6:30 p.m.  Life Teen (Grades 9-12) · Wednesday 6:30 p.m.  Confirmation (Entering Grade 9) · Wednesday 6:30 p.m.						
SACRAMENT PREPARATION NEEDE	D Please	use space below if	your child w	vill celebrate one o	f these sacraments	this year.
STUDENT(S) (First and Last Names)	Gender M or F	Grade (if applicable)	Baptism	First Eucharist (2nd Grade +)	Reconciliation (2nd Grade +)	Confirmation (entering 9th Grade)
	-+					
SPECIAL INFORMATION: Hearing, sight, speech, allergies, behavioral, or other special circumstances we should know about your child						

UNLESS you notify the parish in writing
Holy Trinity assumes permission to use your child's photograph (without name identification) for print and
Electronic communications and publicity

PLEASE TURN PAGE OVER to complete the registration process.

## **ENROLLMENT AND FEES\*** \*Fees provide for only a percentage of the actual costs of our Faith Formation ministry. The balance of the costs are paid for through the annual giving of all Holy Trinity parishioners. We ask families who are not parishioners to pay a supplemental fee for Faith Formation for this reason. \*\*The maximum amount of Faith Formation program fees charged per family per year is \$300 (retreat & material fees are additional). NON-PARISHIONER FEE: AMOUNT DUF ADD \$25.00 PER CHILD **ENROLLED ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION (GRADES 1-5)** One Child (\$125)/Two Children (\$200)/Three + (\$300) **EDGE (GRADES 6-8)** One Child (\$125)/Two Children (\$200)/Three + (\$300) LIFETEEN (GRADES 9-12) One Child (\$125)/Two Children (\$200)/Three + (\$300) The maximum amount of Faith Formation fees charged per family for a program year is \$300 SUB-TOTAL: (retreat and material fees are additional) REQUIRED RETREATS (ADDITIONAL FEES) Confirmation Retreat (Grade 9): \$40 per child Blessing Cup-First Eucharist \$25 per child First Eucharist and First Reconciliation Materials Fee: \$25 per child TOTAL: FOR OFFICE USE ONLY Please make checks payable to **TOTAL AMOUNT PAID** Holy Trinity Catholic Church **CASH** For office DATE: CHECK # use only BALANCE DUE: INITIALS: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUEST Holy Trinity offers faith formation for all ages and does not turn any family away for financial reasons. We do expect participating families to help support our Faith Formation Ministry through payment of fees for their enrolled children or in-kind service to the parish if financial assistance is needed. Financial assistance in the forms of payment plans and in-kind service opportunities are available for families who are not able to pay the total fee at the time of registration due to family financial limitations or difficulties. In-kind service is valued at \$10 per hour of service to Faith Formation Ministry and will be overseen by one of the Faith Formation Pastoral Associates at Holy Trinity. Assistance must be approved by faith formation staff member. Please indicate how you will pay for your child(ren)'s participation in Faith Formation if you need financial assistance: Monthly payment plan of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month, beginning October 1, 2022; total paid in full May 1, 2023. Quarterly payment plan of \$ on August/November 1, 2022 and February 1/May 1 2023. Deposit of \$ paid at time of registration; balance paid in hours of in-kind service to be completed by May 1, 2023. Total amount of \$ paid through hours of in-kind service completed by May 1, 2023. Other (please describe how you will pay): Staff approval:

SIGNED: DATE:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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HOW DO I LIVESTREAM THE CHRIST OUR LIFE CONFERENCE? Go to <a href="ChristOurLifelowa.com">ChristOurLifelowa.com</a> and follow these simple steps.

- Click TICKETS , then click Get Tickets Here!
- Scroll down to select a Digital Ticket. Cost is \$25 for adults and \$15 for students and youth for the entire weekend.
- Submit your email address to receive an electronic ticket with the GiveButter livestream link enclosed.
- Make sure your device is connected to the internet with a strong signal.
- On Saturday, September 24, and Sunday, September 25, click your livestream link to login and enjoy the conference!



Watch the promotional video here: <a href="https://bit.ly/3dS4ato">https://bit.ly/3dS4ato</a>.

Speakers include Bishop William Joensen, Father John Riccardo, Chris Stefanick, Matt Fradd, Patricia Sandoval, Keith Nester, Tim Jameson, Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow, Steve Angrisano, and more.

Tickets are available after Masses this weekend. Pay by check or charge using your phone and QR code.

WISH YOU HAD A BETTER MARRIAGE? Do you and your spouse fight a lot? Or hardly speak? Fear you are growing apart? Feel misunderstood, angry, used? Come learn new ways to handle old problems. Come hear couples who have overcome their problems.

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.

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.

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>.



JOB OPENING AT ST. THOMAS MORE CENTER: HOME OF CYC The Executive Director of the St. Thomas More Center is responsible for maintaining, implementing and developing resident camping and retreat programs that are responsive to the spiritual needs of youth and young adults primarily within the Diocese of Des Moines.

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Please see our website www.dmdiocese.org for more info.

Qualified candidates should send their cover letters and resumes to <a href="mailto:hr@dmdiocese.org">hr@dmdiocese.org</a>.



# 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### **Let Love Live**

It is said that we are made in the image and likeness of God. Sometimes this doesn't seem very likely.

Look at the "images and likenesses" that can settle into our hearts. Think about marriage, that institution which cradles the future of—not just of its delicate offspring—but also of the whole society, and which has become just a temporary arrangement, "just for the time being," followed by divorce.

And wouldn't you agree that sexual mores in the Western world are in the process of firmly and finally divorcing themselves from consideration of commitment, responsibility and care?

Aren't we tempted to addict ourselves to convenience, entertainment, internet, drinks, drugs, pleasures, pornography, and so on?

And how about the increasing number of very well known people—even priests and even bishops—who have wrecked the lives of children, some well-knowns still reaping pleasure from youths while still professing to be dedicated to the one who said "there is no greater love than to give up your life for your friend"?

I know, I know, the good has to be factored in as well. But with so much powerful evil stirred into the mix, what can be left of the image of God in human beings?

The poet E. E. Cummings wrote a particularly strong poem that includes the following lines:

King Christ, this world is all a-leak, and life preservers there are none, and waves that only he can walk who dares to call himself a man.

By "man," Cummings means "human being," of course, and the one he refers to in this poem did in fact become a man, one named Jesus. He let his "boat" be rocked and wrecked and finally sunk. Then he arose and walked and continues to walk the waves of our rough, drowning world.

He is a man in the image and likeness of God.

Within himself, in the place where it matters most, Jesus has complete openness to love. He lets it come in and he lets it go out to others.

Do you and I dare to unite with the image of such a human being? Deep within our own selves, in imitation of Jesus, are we capable of making room for such love? Can love-incarnate come to life in us if we gradually allow it to? Yes.

Love-incarnate wants to unite with us in the deep image and likeness of God. You and I have been created in it. This is the "image and likeness" we are made for.

If we addict ourselves instead, if we "exalt" ourselves, as Jesus puts it in the Gospel, we will wrap our souls in layer after layer of fraud. We will try to become our possessions, we will try to become what other people think of us, what culture manipulates us to be.

But our tiny boats of life actually are ship-worthy after all. If only we do not think they are ocean liners, able to grab whatever we want, we will "conduct our affairs with humility" (First Reading); we will allow God to love us and live in us.

And then we will be able to make a difference in the world. We will become the image and likeness of God's tolerance shining forth.

John Foley, SJ



# BRING HOME THE GOSPEL | AUGUST 28, 2022

**Reading I** Sirach 3: 17-18, 20, 28-29 | **Psalm** 68: 4-7, 10-11 | **Reading II** Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24a | **Gospel** Luke 14: 1, 7-14

**Question For The Children** Jesus tells us that we should treat everyone as a guest. Who do you tend to shun or not be nice to?

**Question For The Youth** God asks us to do for others without hope of repayment. This past week, what did you do for someone else for which you won't be repaid? Who are the people most in need of your generosity?

**Question For The Adults** Who are the people living near you that you would find it most difficult to invite to a meal in your home? Or to invite to be part of your life?

Activity Of The Week Invite family members to create placemats and name cards for the dinner table using colored paper and markers. Have family members place their name cards on the table. Go around the table and write on the name cards the gifts and talents that each person has to give. Then discuss the virtue of humility. When we are humble, we recognize our special gifts and the gifts of others. Let each person read his or her name card before the family meal.



### Saint Of The Week Teresa of Avila, Doctor

Teresa lived at a time of tremendous social change—the discovery of America and the Protestant Reformation. But she pointed the way to inner peace, even in the midst of turmoil. Throughout her young life, she struggled to pray and to keep God central in her life. Nonetheless, she did remain strong in her desire for God and eventually became an example for us all. She once said, "...prayer in my opinion is nothing else than an intimate sharing between friends; it means taking time frequently to be alone with [God] who we know loves us. The important thing is not to think much but to love much and so do that which best stirs you to love. Love is not great delight but desire to please God in everything."

#### Teresa's message today:

What a magnificent combination of characteristics this saint possessed: charm, wit, humility, courtesy, all combined with sanctity. Too often, we picture cloistered nuns as rather grim, but Teresa shows us that this does not have to be. We too should maintain a cheerful demeanor even as we practice penance and sacrifice.



# PARISH CALENDAR | AUGUST 28, 2022

	Sunday <b>8/28</b>	Monday <b>8/29</b>	Tuesday <b>8/30</b>	Wednesday <b>8/31</b>	Thursday <b>9/1</b>	Friday <b>9/2</b>	Saturday <b>9/3</b>
Holy Trinity School	ENROLL NOW! holytrinitydm.o rg/school			School Mass Hosted by 8th Grade <b>8:30AM</b>	First Day of School for PS3 and PK4		
Faith Formation				New Catechist Training (MC) <b>6:30PM</b>			
Adult Faith Formation	Mass 8:30AM & 10:30AM	No Communion Service	Mass <b>8:30AM</b>	Mass <b>8:30AM</b>	Mass <b>8AM</b> Adoration <b>2-9PM</b> Rosary <b>4:05PM</b>	Mass <b>8:30AM</b>	Reconciliation 3-3:45PM Mass 4:30PM
And More					Tears & Cheers for PS, TK, & K Families (MC) <b>7:45AM</b>		

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 28	8:30AM Mass	For the Parish		
	10:30AM Mass	John B. McClavy		
Tuesday, August 30	8:30AM Mass	For the Souls in Purgatory		
Wed., August 31	8:30AM Mass	Harold McCarville		
Thurs., September 1	8AM Mass	Jim Durbala		
	2PM-9PM	Adoration		
	4:05PM	Rosary		
Friday, September 2	8:30AM Mass	David Michael Spooner		
Sat., September 3	3PM-3:45PM	Reconciliation		
	4:30PM Mass	Ruth & Jim Wright		
Sun., September 4	8:30AM Mass	For the Parish		
	10:30AM Mass	Dee Ross		

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Next Week's Liturgical Ministers and Altar Servers				
Sat., Sept. 3	Altar Servers	Ella Kiernan & Volunteer		
4:30 p.m.	Lectors	Mary Sanders & Mark Judge		
	ЕМНС	Team 2		
	Musical Coordinator	Tom Quiner		
Sun., Sept. 4	Altar Servers	Gabe Polich & Logan Godinez		
8:30 a.m.	Lectors	Ann Benetti & Karen Quiner		
	ЕМНС	Team 3		
	Children's Liturgy	Volunteer for Fall CL!		
	Musical Coordinator	Tom Quiner		
Sun., Sept. 4	Altar Servers	Everett Bott & Ian Alonzo		
10:30 a.m.	Lectors	B. Bott & Margaret Toomey		
	ЕМНС	Team 2		
	Children's Liturgy	Volunteer for Fall CL!		
	Musical Coordinator	Frances Paterik		





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