### October 30, 2022

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Taking the Journey TOGETHER

Holy Trinit Catholic Church and School

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"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life." – In 3:16



Join us in-person or worship online at https://bit.ly/37n4LAu

Greetings.

It is that time of year again...we are beginning the budgeting process for the next fiscal year. With the added responsibility of working to regionalize our local catholic schools, we need to have this done even earlier than in previous years. Hopefully, you have already received your annual tithing commitment letter. The packet contains a letter from me and a tithing commitment card. (Please contact the Parish Office if you did not receive the packet.)

I ask all of our parishioners to consider three areas of support: time, talents, and treasure. I invite all to prayerfully discern how you might share your time and talents; perhaps as a lector, Eucharistic minister, altar server, Mass coordinator, faith formation catechist or assistant, member of our pastoral care volunteer team. There are so many ways that you can use your time and God given talents to reach out here in our Parish. We do also ask that you consider how you might share your treasure; that is, your financial gifts. It is a very expensive endeavor to administer services to a parish of Holy Trinity's size and the many ministries we offer.

As with your own household expenses, our expenses here at the Parish continue to increase. Unfortunately, over the past several years, our tithing income has decreased. I am inviting all parish households to review their current tithing support. However first, I want to thank you for your generous support of our Parish. Even over these past couple of very difficult years, you have continued to support our parish home. Thank you!

If you are currently tithing, we so appreciate you! I invite you to review your current tithing support and prayerfully discern whether you are able to increase this amount for the upcoming year. Moreover, if you are not currently providing consistent tithing support, I invite you to enter into prayerful discernment as to what you will be able to provide as regular support of our Parish. Whatever you can afford is most welcomed.

Finally, as we know, another election cycle is upon us. I want to encourage all who are eligible to vote. I also encourage us all to cast an informed vote, to research the issues and candidates and vote according to a well-formed conscience. There is, of course, no such thing as the perfect candidate, and this is why it is so important that we take the time to inform ourselves before voting. There is information in our bulletin and more can be found at <u>www.iowacatholicconference.org</u>.

Have a good week

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Fr. Mark Neal

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Want more info? Call Rev. Mark Neal at 515.255.3162 ext. 126

### FROM THE CHURCH | OCTOBER 30, 2022

#### ALL SAINTS DAY AND ALL SOULS DAY | NOVEMBER 1 AND 2

All Saints Day is Tuesday November 1, and it is a Holy Day of Obligation this year. We will celebrate the feast of All Saints Day with two Masses. Morning Mass is at 8:30 a.m. with the school, and evening Mass is at 6:30 p.m.

All Souls is Wednesday, November 2. Mass is at 6:30 p.m. We will celebrate the lives of our departed brothers and sisters during the liturgy, and we will acknowledge and pray for the members of our Holy Trinity Parish that have died in the last 12 months. A reception will follow after Mass. There is no morning Mass on Wednesday.

If you would like to serve as a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, or Altar Server at the evening All Saints Day Mass or the All Souls Day Mass, please contact the Parish Office at 515.255.3162 ext. 128 or parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org. EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING The formal title for a layperson who distributes the Eucharist is "Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion," or EMHC. It is an 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.

### EMCH training is Sunday, November 20 after 10:30 a.m.

**Mass.** We need extra ministers as we reinstate cup distribution. If you feel called or have questions, contact the Parish Office. Call 515.255.3162 ext. 128 or email parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org. Thank you!

MENTAL HEALTH 101 Want to know more about mental illness? This informative session discusses the basics, warning signs and symptoms, signs of trauma, and public resources. Join us Sunday, November 13 after both Masses for donuts in the Media Center.



BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN STARTS THIS WEEKEND The HT Respect Life Committee campaign to benefit InnerVisions HealthCare, a local unplanned pregnancy and STD medical clinic, is happening now! InnerVisions HealthCare's mission is to empower women in vulnerable situations to choose parenting or adoption.

This weekend there are baby bottles in the gathering space. Take a bottle home, fill it with coins, cash, or checks, and return it next weekend. We are grateful to Caldwell Parrish Funeral Home for underwriting the baby bottle campaign!

To learn more, contact Bryan Gonzalez at 515.280.4706. Visit <u>www.ivhcare.org</u> to learn about InnerVisions.

EUCHARISTIC MIRACLE BANNERS We have five Eucharistic Miracle Banners on display in the church until November 10. The banners were developed by a teenager from Italy named Carlo Acutis. He created a website which led to an international exhibition, the *Eucharistic Miracles of the World*. The banners are on loan from Iowa Catholic Radio.

All of them are online at <u>therealpresence.org</u>. Please take a few minutes to view the banners and increase your faith in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FAITHFULLY DEPARTED...

JoAnn Roorda - Longtime Parishioner of Holy Trinity



Terry Hogan - Parishioner of Holy Trinity

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS ENDING WEEK OF OCTOBER 23, 2022					
Budget July 2022 through June 2023	\$988,204	YTD Surplus (Deficit)	(\$13,391)		
YTD Actual Tithing	\$263,280	Tithing for the Week	\$27,601		
YTD Budget	\$276,671	Number of Donations Received	292		





# FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2022, 5:30 P.M. TO 8:30 P.M. **& SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2022, 9 A.M. TO 2 P.M.** HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL | 2926 BEAVER AVENUE, DES MOINES, IA 50310



**Curbin Cuisine** serves a gourmet, fall-themed dinner on Friday and lunch on Saturday. Don't miss it!

Thai Chicken Crunch Wrap	\$8.60
Greek Gyro	\$8.60
Iowa Bowl	. \$9.60
Chicken Noodle Soup	\$4.30
Pasta Salad	\$3.75
Apple Crisp	\$4.80
Brownie	\$3.75



## DIOCESE AND COMMUNITY | OCTOBER 30, 2022



DOWLING CATHOLIC IS RIGHT FOR YOU Families and students of all ages are invited to Dowling Catholic's Annual Open House on Sunday, November 6 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Learn about Dowling Catholic's academic program, student life and activities, faith formation, school culture, athletics, and tuition assistance. Join us for student-led tours, a parent panel discussion, and meet faculty and staff.



### NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Sacred Heart Catholic Church in West Des Moines welcomes Fr. Craig Vasek to the 2022 Parish Mission on Sunday, November 13 at 6:30 p.m., and Monday, November 14 at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome to for this special two-night event! Fr. Vasek is

one of only 50 priests in the nation chosen to travel the country and speak about the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Fr. Vasek will also be presiding at Sacred Heart Masses the weekend of Saturday, November 12 and Sunday, November 13. All are welcome!



To learn more about the Eucharistic Revival program and Fr. Craig Vasek, please check out these resources:

Sacred Heart - sacredheartwdm.org/parish-mission-2022

National Eucharistic Revival - eucharisticrevival.org



ONLINE MARRIAGE SEMINAR It takes three types of intimacy for a marriage to thrive. Happily, these are also the basis for our three Christian marriage vows. In down to earth and humorous ways, Dr. Jim Healy will help couples discover again what it takes to live out these vows fully and joyfully.

Join us Saturday, November 12 online. Couples in all ages and stages of marriage are welcome. For more information, go to <u>https://bit.ly/3TX2RsR</u>.



#### DEACON DAN MAXCY FEATURED IN THE CATHOLIC MIRROR



HT's Pastoral Care Minister, Dan Maxcy, was featured in the October issue of *The Catholic Mirror* in two articles for his efforts around the Des Moines Metro. The first is tells of the new support program, Nourish for Caregivers, hosted here at HT on Wednesday this week. The second tells of diocesan efforts to coordinate care for all

independent and assisted living centers in the Des Moines Metro. Thanks for all you do, Deacon Dan!

You can read the October issue of The Catholic Mirror here: <u>https://bit.ly/3U0Io7A</u>. Look for "Support offered for caregivers" and "Strategic approach taken to pastoral care for those in nursing homes, care centers" on page nine.

Want more information? Go to <u>dmdiocese.org</u>

# Pulse Life Advocates Presents

# HE STARS ARE BRIGHTU SHINNG A Pro-life Christmas Gala

SATURDAY 191H NOVEMBER

THE MEADOWS BALLROOM Altoona, Iowa The Party Starts at 5:30pm Tickets \$75 \$700 for a table of 10



#### FALL 2022 MIDTERMS

# **Faithful Citizenship**

www.iowacatholicconference.org



Archbishop Michael Jackels of Dubuque, Bishop Thomas Zinkula of Davenport, Bishop William Joensen of Des Moines, and Bishop R. Walker Nickless of Sioux City.

### A better kind of politics

The Catholic bishops of Iowa address public policy issues of concern through the Iowa Catholic Conference. With your help, we can seek "a better kind of politics, one truly at the service of the common good" (*Fratelli Tutti*, No. 154). We encourage Catholics to inform their conscience in light of Scripture and Church teaching and participate in the political process.





**Dignity of the Human Person** We act on the principle that every person is created in the image of God.



**Common Good** We work that all can access the necessities of a dignified life.



**Solidarity** We are called to welcome the stranger among us.

## What should Catholics be asking candidates for state office?

Catholics have a serious responsibility to form their consciences, in light of the teaching of Jesus Christ, to judge how to take action on behalf of the unborn, the poor and the vulnerable.

To find out contact information for the candidates in your area, go to <u>sos.iowa.gov</u>.

### Ask your candidates if they support:

- protecting human life in all stages from conception until natural death
- enhancing support for new mothers and children
- additional state financial support for students to attend a nonpublic school
- giving the needs of the poor and vulnerable people special consideration
- measures to protect and improve the quality of water, air and land in Iowa
- recognizing the right of those who practice their faith in worship and their entire lives to serve society in a manner consistent with their beliefs
- maintaining Iowa's status as a "no death penalty" state



# How to vote on Nov. 8

Visit <u>voterready.iowa.gov</u> to:

- Make sure you are registered to vote
- Request an absentee ballot
- Find your polling place

Additional information and the U.S. bishops' complete "Faithful Citizenship" document can be found at <u>www.faithfulcitizenship.org</u>.

This material is intended to serve an educational purpose and is not intended to endorse or oppose any candidate or political party.

### **CONSTITUTIONAL PROPOSAL ON BALLOT NOV. 8TH**

"The right to bear arms as found in our Constitution must be balanced against the safety and wellbeing of the populace as a whole," the Iowa bishops say. The ICC has opposed an amendment to Iowa's Constitution that would add a "strict scrutiny" standard to regulating the right to keep and bear arms. If enacted, the amendment would restrict the ability of the legislature to establish even modest safety policies related to weapons.

# 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

### **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 : Wisdom 11:22-12:2

To God, the universe is a drop of morning dew.

- Wisdom literature in the Bible is a rich source of spirituality.
- In this passage, we are assure that God will have mercy on us always.
- We are reminded that God created all that is, and loves all that he created!

### Reading II : 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

We pray for you always.

- Paul prays that the community in Thessalonica may be faithful to the message preached about Jesus Christ.
- He addresses the rumor in the community that Christ would be returning soon, a common belief in the early years of the Faith.
- He urges them not to be agitated by this rumor, but to go on living their lives faithfully.

Gospel : Luke 19:1-10

Zacchaeus wanted to see Jesus.

- Here we see Jesus' compassion and sense of justice reach a peak.
- He demonstrates his love of the sinner by eating with them, something that would have been seen by his detractors as very out-of-place for a rabbi such as Jesus.
- But as usual, he persists and teaches a valuable lesson: take in the outcast and sinner first and they will later be healed.



Reading I Wisdom 11:22-12:2 | Psalm 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14 | Reading II 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2 | Gospel Luke 19:1-10

**Question For The Children** Jesus showed that he loved Zacchaeus by having supper with him. How does Jesus show his love for you?

**Question For The Youth** Jesus saw Zacchaeus as he was – mistakes and all. What masks, if any, do you hide behind so others won't see who you really are? Who do you trust to see your true self?

**Question For The Adults** Why do you suppose Jesus was so kind to Zacchaeus? What lesson do you draw from this reading regarding those who are considered "public sinners" today?

**Activity Of The Week** Invite family members to make special "welcome" placements for a simple supper you make. Invite people whom you know but haven't seen in a while to come to supper and share with them.



### Saint Of The Week Charles Borromeo

Charles was the second of two sons in a family of six. He was born into an aristocratic family in Italy. His mother, Margaret, was a Medici, and her younger brother became Pope Pius IV. Charles, who became a cardinal, worked hard to correct the mistakes that had contributed to divisions within Christianity. Because of his efforts to reform the training of priests, Saint Charles Borromeo is the patron saint of seminarians. His feast day is November 4.

#### Charles Borromeo's message today:

This saint provides another example of a wealthy and powerful person who gained salvation by the proper use of his talents. Unlike the rich young man noted in Mark's Gospel (Mk 10) who could not give up his worldly possessions to follow Jesus, Charles used his talent and possessions to look after his people.

Have you become too attached to your worldly possessions? To your position of power?



	PAR	ISH CAL	ENDAR		BER 30,	2022	
	<b>Sunday</b> [10/30]	<b>Monday</b> [10/31]	<b>Tuesday</b> [11/1]	Wednesday [11/2]	Thursday [11/3]	<b>Friday</b> [11/4]	Saturday [11/5]
School	Trunk or Treat 1-3PM		All Saints Mass hosted by 3rd Grade 8:30AM			\$1 Jeans Day hosted by 8th Grade	
Faith Formation				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	All Saints Mass 8:30AM RCIA (MC) 6:30PM Evening Mass 6:30PM	No Morning Mass All Souls Mass 6:30PM	Mass 8AM Adoration 2-9PM Rosary 4:05PM	Mass 8:30AM	Reconciliation 3-3:45PM Mass 4:30PM
More				10th Grade Confirmation Retreat 6PM	Knights of Columbus 7:00 PM		
CH: Church   101-106: Classrooms   DC: Day Chapel   K: Kitchen   MC: Media Center   PO: Parish Office   SR: Social Room							

Up	coming Mass Sch	edule, Liturgy Sch	edule, and Intentions	Upco	Upcoming Liturgical Ministe
0/30]	8:30AM	Mass	Marcie Coleman	Saturday [11/5]	Saturday [11/5] Altar Servers
	10:30AM	Mass	For the Parish	4:30PM	4:30PM Lectors
[11/1]	8:30AM	Mass	Delpha McCormick		EMHC
	6:30PM	Mass	Mary Bleimehl		Music Coordinator
[11/2]	8:30AM		No Morning Mass	Sunday [11/6]	Sunday [11/6] Altar Servers
	6:30PM	Mass	Deceased Members of HT	8:30AM	8:30AM Lectors
[11/3]	8AM	Mass	Frank & Janice Radosevich		EMHC
	2PM-9PM	Adoration			Children's Liturgy
	4:05PM	Rosary			Music Coordinator
[11/4]	8:30AM	Mass	Richard Meyer	Sunday [11/6]	Sunday [11/6] Altar Servers
[11/5]	3PM-3:45PM	Reconciliation		10:30AM	10:30AM Lectors
	4:30PM	Mass	Jim & Ruth Wright		EMHC
[11/6]	8:30AM	Mass	For the Parish		Children's Liturgy
	10:30AM	Mass	Thomas Megel		Music Coordinator



