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February 12, 2023

Sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Taking the Journey TOGETHER

*But whoever obeys and teaches these
commandments will be called greatest
in the kingdom of heaven. - Mt 5*



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FROM FATHER MARK | FEBRUARY 12, 2023

Greetings.

As I mentioned a couple of weeks ago, our Operations Manager, Andy Negrete has decided to move on to another opportunity. Andy will still be an active member of our parish. Please thank him for his service here these past 12 1/2 years when you see him.

Over the past couple of weeks, we have conducted a number of interviews. We have hired Seth Austin to be our next Operations Manager. Seth comes to us with a fine depth of facilities management experience and I believe he will be a good fit for our Holy Trinity team. Please welcome Seth to HT when you see him.

As you know, Lent is almost upon us. Stay tuned and keep an eye on the bulletin for Lent opportunities to deepen your faith.

Have a good week



Fr. Mark Neal

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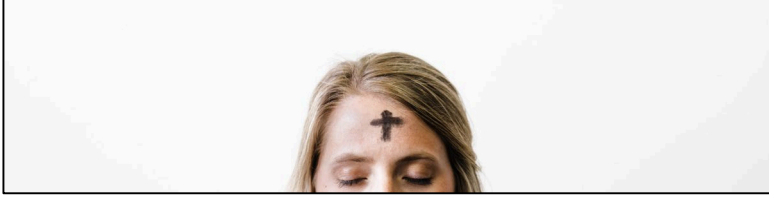
Lenten Fish Dinners
Feb. 24, Mar. 3, and Mar. 31 | 5:30 to 7 p.m.
Holy Trinity Gym | Adults: \$12 | Age 5-11: \$6

Baked Tilapia, Beer Battered Cod, Mac n' Cheese,
Cheesy Potatoes, Vegetables, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll,
and Desserts provided by Holy Trinity Youth Group.



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

FROM THE CHURCH | FEBRUARY 12, 2023



LENT...IT'S CLOSER THAN YOU THINK! In six short weeks, Lent takes us into the desert of prayer and fasting, along the way of the cross, and ultimately ends with the glorious empty tomb at Easter.

Ash Wednesday is February 22. We will celebrate with services at 8:30 a.m. with the school children and 6:30 p.m. in the evening. Begin the Lenten journey with us on Wednesday, February 22.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting for Catholics age 18 to 59. A person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. ALL Fridays are days of abstinence (no meat) for all Catholics age 14 and older.



BRING OLD PALMS TO CHURCH We are collecting palms to be burned and used for Ash Wednesday services. Bring your palms to church and place them in the baskets by the doors by Tuesday, February 14. Ash Wednesday is February 22.

VOLUNTEER AS A SPONSOR COUPLE We have a volunteer opportunity for couples that have been married for 10 years or more. Journey with engaged couples as they prepare for the lifelong commitment of marriage!

Attend training before being a part of this ministry. For more information, contact Fr. Mark or Carolyn in the Parish Office.

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR HEALING MASS Experience God's healing grace on Friday, March 10, at 10 a.m. The Sacrament of the Sick will be offered to anyone experiencing mental, physical, or spiritual pain and distress.

All parishioners are welcome to attend and offer support to those in need of healing. For more information, contact Dan Maxcy at 515.255.3162 ext. 124.

BAPTISM CLASS If you are baptizing your child at HT, please register for a Baptism Class! Our next class is Tuesday, February 21, at 6 p.m. Call the Parish Office at 515.255.3162 ext. 128. We look forward to celebrating with your family!

GIRL SCOUT COOKIES Troop #10149 hosts their first cookie booth of the year after both Masses on Sunday, February 12, during coffee and donuts. They have all of your favorites for \$5 per box. Enjoy a delicious donut, catch up with your neighbor, and purchase some yummy cookies!

CALLING ALL ARTISTS AND CREATIVE SOULS You are invited to the first ever gathering of the Holy Trinity Arts Group! All skill and experience levels are welcome! Contact Hannah Zimmerman at hmzimmerman@gmail.com with questions.

Parishioners over the age of 14 can enjoy open studio time and fellowship with other artists on Sunday, February 12, in the Holy Trinity School Social Room. Stay from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. the whole time or come and go as you please.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FAITHFULLY DEPARTED...

Eileen Bigelow – Mother of
Nick (Sarah) Bigelow of our Parish



FINANCIAL BLESSINGS ENDING WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5, 2023

Budget July 2022 through June 2023	\$988,204	YTD Surplus (Deficit)	(\$30,093)
YTD Actual Tithing	\$538,068	Tithing for the Week	\$9,665
YTD Budget	\$568,161	Number of Donations Received	45



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We Need Volunteers!

Consider assisting with set-up, collection, and tear down. Contact Teresa at parmentert13@gmail.com or call the parish office at 515-255-3162 ext. 128.

Donation Drop-Off

Sunday, March 12, after 10:30 a.m. Mass

Monday and Tuesday from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

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YOUNG Catholic SINGLES

EAT, DRINK, AND BE MERRY Young Catholics of the Diocese of Des Moines is hosting a Mardi Gras potluck before Lent starts! All single Catholics in their 20s and 30s are welcome.

Come to the Martha and Mary Room at St. Pius X Parish on Thursday, February 16, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. For details, visit <http://bit.ly/3RKyx4P> or join the mailing list by contacting YCDMCatholicSingles@gmail.com.



ASKING FOR HELP IS NOT EASY In the chaotic hustle of balancing work and home life, we sometimes forget to ask for help. Do you ever put your head down and tell yourself to “try harder”? Do you handle everything alone, take on too many burdens, or expect others to read your mind? There is help and hope available.

Nourish is for anyone juggling the challenges of life, health, and career while caring for children, parents, grandparents, or spouses. Nourish provides caregivers with practical and emotional support, shared experiences, and useful tools, all with a Christ-centered view.

Attend the next meeting on Thursday, February 23, to discuss the **Spirituality of Asking for and Receiving Help**. This meeting is at St. Pius X Church in the Archangels Meeting Room at 6 p.m.

CELTIC MUSIC CONCERTS The Celtic Music Association of Iowa celebrates their 30th anniversary with three concerts.

- **The Drowsy Lads** – Saturday, February 18.
- **Aoife Scott** – Saturday, March 18.

Concerts are at the Franklin Junior High Event Center. Doors open at 7 p.m. and concerts start at 8 p.m.

Get your general admission tickets for \$30 at the door, or at Cooney's, Up Tempo, and Cindy's Boutique. You can also get tickets online at thecma.org through Eventbrite.



IOWA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNT BILL SIGNED BY GOVERNOR
The “Students First” Education Savings Account (ESA) bill was signed into law on January 24. It will provide scholarships for students to attend an accredited nonpublic school.

The ESA amount will be about \$7,600, the same average amount the state provides to a public school for each student. Roughly \$1,205 per student with an ESA will go to the public school district that the student lives in.

ESAs will be available based on the following eligibility:

School Year 2023-24 All entering kindergarten students, all students enrolled in a public school, and students enrolled in a private school with a household income at or below 300% of the 2023 Federal Poverty Guidelines.

School Year 2024-25 All entering kindergarten students, all students enrolled in a public school, and a student enrolled in a private school with a household income at or below 400% of the 2024 Federal Poverty Guidelines.

School Year 2025-26 All K through 12 students in Iowa regardless of income.

Rules for the program will be set up in the coming weeks. For current details, visit <http://bit.ly/3Yd4jJR>.



Sixth 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 : Sirach 15:15-20

Human beings have free will. The Law is a gift from God.

- Sirach was written very late in Old Testament times.
- The author of Sirach lived in a cosmopolitan, pagan community that did not support his religious values.
- He asserts that we are responsible for keeping God's law regardless of the prevailing culture.

Reading II : 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Happy are they that follow the Law of the Lord.

- God's law is contrasted to prevailing culture.
- Following Christ in radical obedience was the true wisdom of the Christian.
- The reward of radical obedience was beyond all human imagination.

Gospel : Matthew 5:17-37 or Matthew 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

The Law is God's gift of life. The holiness of Jesus' followers is a choice of life.

- Jesus gave six examples of how to follow the Law. Four of them are read in this Sunday's Gospel.
- He declared that the sin really begins with the decision, before the action is taken.
- The Law is God's gift of life. The wholeness of Jesus' followers is a choice of life.



BRING HOME THE GOSPEL | FEBRUARY 12, 2023

Reading I Sirach 15:15-20 | **Psalm** 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 | **Reading II** 1 Corinthians 2:6-10 | **Gospel** Matthew 5:17-37

Question For The Children Which rules cause you the most difficulty? Why?

Question For The Youth In your own words, describe what the spirit of God's law is.

Question For The Adults Have you considered that laws are made with love? Do you accept God's love in laws?

Activity Of The Week Sirach lived in a culture that did not support his religious values. Do your family members feel supported in religious values by today's culture? How or how not? What is the solution? How can values be upheld when the culture opposes them? How does the domestic Church, or family, support its members? Make a plan for supporting each other in times of opposition to the culture.

Saint Of The Week Cyril and Methodius

Cyril and Methodius were brothers who were born in Greece. They wanted to live quiet lives in a monastery, but were sent as missionaries instead, to parts of Europe not yet converted to Christ. They were very clever in their work and are considered the fathers of Slavic literature. They translated spiritual works into the Slavonic language, and allowed the local people to pray and celebrate liturgy in their own languages. This made some church leaders angry and the brothers spent their lives defending themselves and their work.

These brothers recognized the needs of the people among whom they were working. Over a thousand years ago, Cyril and Methodius translated Scripture into their language and used the vernacular in their worship. Ministering to their people in this manner brought condemnation from others, but Cyril and Methodius persevered despite obstacles.

Cyril and Methodius' message today:

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PARISH CALENDAR | FEBRAURY 12, 2023

	Sunday [2/12]	Monday [2/13]	Tuesday [2/14]	Wednesday [2/15]	Thursday [2/16]	Friday [2/17]	Saturday [2/18]
School		Conferences 3:30-7:30PM	Conferences 3:30-7:30PM	School Mass hosted by 8th Grade 8:30AM	No School Conferences 8-11AM	No School End of Second Trimester	
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 Coffee & Donuts hosted by Girl Scouts	No Communion Service	Mass 8:30AM RCIA (CH) 6:30PM	Mass 8:30AM Confirmation Class (SR) 6:30PM	Mass 8AM Adoration 2-9PM Rosary 4:05PM	Mass 8:30AM	Reconciliation 3-3:45PM Mass 4:30PM
More	Art Group (SR) 1-3PM			Burning of the Palms after 8:30AM 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			
[2/12]	8:30AM	Mass	Brant McCurnin
	10:30AM	Mass	For the Parish
[2/14]	8:30AM	Mass	Mary Ann Nielsen
[2/15]	8:30AM	Mass	Janice & Bob Weast
[2/16]	8AM	Mass	Lisa Schwarte
	2PM-9PM	Adoration	
	4:05PM	Rosary	
[2/17]	8:30AM	Mass	Matthew Hull
[2/18]	3PM-3:45PM	Reconciliation	
	4:30PM	Mass	For the Parish
[2/19]	8:30AM	Mass	Maury Rahm Jr.
	10:30AM	Mass	Jim Kleinschmidt

Upcoming Liturgical Ministers and Altar Servers		
Saturday [2/18]	Altar Servers	Marcus & John Larsen
4:30PM	Lectors	Katie Obradovich, M. Kiernan
	EMHC	Team 1
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday [2/19]	Altar Servers	Cameron Goode, J. Heikes
8:30AM	Lectors	Doug Gross, Ann Benetti
	EMHC	Team 2
	Children's Liturgy	Janelle & Ian Kerr
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday [2/19]	Altar Servers	E. Bott, I. Alonzo, J. Mundy
10:30AM	Lectors	Jim Wilwerding, T. Baustian
	EMHC	Team 1
	Children's Liturgy	Paul Bush
	Music Coordinator	Frances Paterik

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