



Holy Trinity

Catholic Church and School

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May 14, 2023

Sixth Sunday
of Easter

Taking the Journey TOGETHER

Happy Mother's Day!



"Jesus said to his disciples: If you love me, you will keep my commandments." Jn 14



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

FROM THE SCHOOL | MAY 14, 2023



Congratulations to our 2023 Margo Award Winners!



Margo Awards for Academic Excellence and Christ-like Virtue are given to school leaders completing the seventh grade. Honorees have attended Holy Trinity Catholic School a minimum of three years. This living memorial is entrusted to the Holy Trinity School Endowment.

Award for Academic Excellence: **Claire Zwier**

Claire is an exceptional student. She was chosen by her teachers as the top class scholar based on her ethics and her performance.

Claire is rewarded with a personal plaque and scholarship. A contribution in Claire's name will be given to our Academic Excellence Program for resources promoting achievement.

Award for Christ-like Virtue: **Eli Bebout**

Eli is an exemplary student. He was chosen by his classmates as the person who most lives the Prayer of Peace.

Eli is rewarded with a personal plaque and scholarship. A contribution in Eli's name will be given to our school library for collecting resources that share Christian spirit.

FROM THE CHURCH | MAY 14, 2023

FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADE MASS Save the date for Mass hosted by fourth and fifth graders on Sunday, May 21, at 10:30 a.m. See you there!



ALTAR SERVER CELEBRATION Altar servers play an important role in the Mass, but their contributions are sometimes overlooked. Help us celebrate the valuable service provided by our altar servers!

The Serra Club and HT Parish will serve coffee and donuts in the Social Room after 10:30 a.m. Mass on May 21. Enjoy a donut, consider becoming an altar server, and thank an altar server for their service to our parish!

IMPORTANT SERVICE OPPORTUNITY Every month, a new parishioner volunteers to wash, iron, and care for the altar linens. Please consider becoming an altar linen caretaker!

It's easy! The altar linens can be washed at home, making the schedule flexible, and we have enough linens that you only have to wash them twice. Plus, training is provided!

If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office at 515.255.3162 ext. 128 or parishoffice@holyltrinitydm.org.

SIGN-UP FOR BAPTISM CLASS If you want your child to be baptized at Holy Trinity, you must attend Baptism Class!

We look forward to celebrating with your family! The next class is Tuesday, June 6. Contact the Parish Office at 515.255.3162 ext. 128 or parishoffice@holyltrinitydm.org to register for class.

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL IS HIRING

Join HT as a Part-Time School Nurse, working with 400 preschool, elementary, and middle school students.

The school nurse will...

- work with staff, parents, students, and community health providers to promote optimal health and safety practices in the school.
- design and implement student health plans.
- train and supervise support staff, serves as a resource to teachers, and collaborate with families to determine health-related issues that allow students to participate in school activities fully.
- comply with health-related laws and standards, and collaborate with school administration to ensure all functions of school nursing are met with high standards and other duties as assigned.
- maintain current BSN or ARNP (preferred) or RN with the Iowa Board of Nursing, and current CPR certification.
- work Monday through Friday when school is in session, 25 hours per week.

To discuss this position and apply, please contact Principal Monica Morrison at mmorrison@htschool.org.

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FINANCIAL BLESSINGS ENDING WEEK OF MAY 7, 2023

Budget July 2022 through June 2023	\$988,204	YTD Surplus (Deficit)	(\$45,452)
YTD Actual Tithing	\$801,199	Tithing for the Week	\$28,067
YTD Budget	\$846,651	Number of Donations Received	263



Make a donation to Holy Trinity by scanning the QR Code or visiting holyltrinitydm.org/donate

Holy Trinity Vacation Bible School Participant Registration

July 10th -14th, 2023 9:00-11:30 AM

Accepting children entering **DK/K through 5th grade**. Older students and adults are encouraged to volunteer (please see volunteer form for more information).
Current Background Check & Virtus training is required for all volunteers 18 & older



Space is limited. **Registration ends June 26th**. Registration fee is \$45 per child (up to \$120 family maximum). Payment must accompany form. *T-shirt sizes will not be guaranteed after June 12th.

Child's Name	Age	Date of Birth	Grade (Fall 2023)	Gender	*T-shirt Size (Youth S/M/L/XL)	Allergies/Concerns

Parent/Guardian Name:

Telephone:

Email (please print clearly as this is our primary form of communication):

Emergency Contact Name/Relationship/Phone:

Registration Fee (checks payable to Holy Trinity)

\$45 per child ____ I would like to talk to someone about financial assistance

Music CD (\$8) ____ I would like to order a CD ____ No CD

Registration forms due June 26th, 2023

Please return to the Parish Office or mail to Holy Trinity (2926 Beaver Ave. Des Moines, IA 50310).

VBS Questions can be directed to John Mertes, Director of Faith Formation: johnm@holytrinitydm.org, or via telephone at (515) 255-3162 extension 224.

Photo Release: In order to celebrate and share our efforts at VBS with the rest of the Holy Trinity Parish, we may use photos of the week on our website, in our bulletin, or in some other fashion. Please indicate below whether you give permission for you child's photo to be used in such a way.

__ I consent to having photos of my child(ren) used in this manner.

__ I do not consent to having photos of my child(ren) used in this manner.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Holy Trinity Vacation Bible School Volunteer Registration

July 10th – 14th, 2023

9:00 – 11:30 AM

All adults and children entering 6th grade or older are encouraged to volunteer. There are lots of opportunities to get involved, have fun, celebrate God, and make a difference to a child.

Volunteer Fee: \$10
(To Help Cover T-Shirt Costs)



Leader Daily Time:
8:30 am – NOON

***Registration Deadline is June 26th. T-Shirt sizes not guaranteed after June 12th.**

Current Background Check & Virtus training is required for all volunteers 18 and older.

Volunteer Name:

_____ Adult _____ Student Grade (Fall 2023): _____

Telephone:

Email (please print clearly as this is our primary form of communication):

T-shirt Size: Adult S M L XL XXL

Will you need childcare? *Childcare will be provided for adult volunteers who commit to all 5 days of VBS.*
Names and Ages of Children:

Have you completed a Background Check & VIRTUS training? This is required for all volunteers over 18.

_____ YES _____ NO, please contact John Mertes, Director of Faith Formation: johnm@holtyrinitydm.org

Volunteer Positions Available: Please select any that are you are interested in. (Daily time commitment 8:30-NOON)

- _____ crew leaders: adult (responsible for leading a group of kids through stations)
- _____ junior crew leaders (students in 6th-12th grades who assist the adult crew leader)
- _____ games (will be held outdoors weather permitting)
- _____ crafts (demonstrate project techniques and assist participants)
- _____ kitchen crew (preparing snacks for each day)
- _____ childcare (watch volunteers' children under age 4 in preschool room)
- _____ no preference. I will help wherever is needed.

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FOUNDER'S DAY PICNIC

SUNDAY, JUNE 4
AFTER 10:30 A.M. MASS

Celebrate more than 100 years of Holy Trinity Parish with our Knights of Columbus during the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity!

Enjoy an outdoor picnic with a special kid's menu,
old-fashioned games for the young of heart,
plus **INFLATABLES ARE BACK!**



Don't miss this wonderful parish event!



On the Menu... Burgers, Brats, and Hot Dogs
Chips, Potato Salad, and Baked Beans
Watermelon and Ice Cream Sandwiches
Lemonade, Iced Tea, and Water



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.





Caregivers need care, too! Join *Nourish* to find the strength and serenity you need. All caregivers are invited to attend.

May Nourish for Caregivers

Wednesday, May 31, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

At St. Pius X Catholic Church in the Archangels Meeting Room

Please use the East Entrance!

Nourish is a monthly ministry to support the practical, emotional, and spiritual needs of family caregivers. Receive the tools and resources to connect with your faith, encounter Christ, and see the grace and blessings in your caregiving journey.

Discussion topics include entering into caregiving roles, managing family dynamics, advocating for loved ones, how stress and faith co-exist, staying engaged, and end of life.

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





GOLF FUNDRAISER TO FIGHT FOOD INSECURITY St. Vincent de Paul was able to provide over \$1.5 million of charitable services to more than 35,000 clients in 2022. This would not have been possible without the support of people like you!

Attend *Chip in for Charity* on Thursday, May 25, at Copper Creek Golf Club. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with a Shotgun start at 10 a.m. Register at <https://bit.ly/3ppSwLW>.

HEALING SERVICE AT ST. AMBROSE CATHEDRAL St. Ambrose hosts a service the third Wednesday of each month. All are invited to attend the next service on May 17 at 5:30 p.m.



BUMP, SET, SPIKE! Join the Young Catholic Singles Group for volleyball at Valley View Park on Saturday, May 20. From 10 a.m. to Noon, young Catholics in their 20s and 30s can bring a volleyball, football, or soccer ball if you would like. Granola bars and water bottles will be provided.

Learn more at facebook.com/YCDesMoines.

BISHOP DRUMM GUILD GARAGE SALE Donations are needed Thursday mornings from May 4 through September 28. Visit Bishop Drumm's campus located at 5837 Winwood Dr., Johnston from 8:30 to 12:30 pm to donate. Call Helen Thull at 515.669.4621 for details!

No computers, baby cribs, car seats, old electronics, or TVs. Proceeds benefit Bishop Drumm Retirement Center.

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL A full-time business and facilities manager position is open! This position is responsible for financial matters and routine maintenance of parish facilities. Must have a Bachelor's degree in business administration, facility management, or a similar field with five years of experience is preferred.

Send resume by June 1 to David Ortega at dortega@stjosephcatholicdsm.org or call 515.402.4734 for more information.

ST. MARY OF NAZARETH CATHOLIC CHURCH A coordinator of adult faith formation and evangelization position is open! This position trains and recruits volunteers, collaborates with parish staff, attends meetings, and is a member of adult faith formation committees. Must have experience in adult faith programs with some college courses in Theology, Religious Studies, Pastoral Studies or related educational area.

If you are interested, contact Father John Frost at 515.276.4042 or frifrost@stmarysdsdm.org. Apply by May 26.




CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
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AFFORDABLE EDUCATION Are you interested in enrolling your child in a Diocese of Des Moines Catholic School for the upcoming school year?

Qualified families who apply before the June 30 deadline will receive an ESA in the amount of **\$7,635 for EACH eligible child** to use at the Catholic school of their choosing during the 2023-2024 school year.

Contact the Catholic Schools Office at 515.237.5040 to learn more, or visit <https://bit.ly/3Yd4jJR>.


91%
attend Catholic
high school


100%
graduate high school


96%
attend college



Sixth Sunday of Easter

The sound of Alleluias fills the 50 days of Easter Sunday to Pentecost as we give thanks for the gift of our salvation. The Easter Triduum recalls the passion and resurrection of Christ in the sacred journey from Holy Thursday to Easter Vigil. "Dying he destroyed our death. Rising he restored our life."

Reading I : Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

They prayed to receive the Holy Spirit.

- In today's first reading, we discover how people come to hear and believe in Jesus.
- The people in Samaria believed in Jesus and were baptized.
- Peter and John came from Jerusalem to pray over the Samaritans and lay their hands on them; a prayerful gesture of intercession and blessing that is still part of the Church's sacramental rituals.

Reading II : 1 Peter 3:15-18

Christ died for sins once for all.

- Today's second reading, from the First Letter of Peter, speaks of how Christians are to live.
- The passage ends with a reference to the Resurrection.
- The risen Christ lives a new and glorious life that we who have been baptized in his name and sealed with the gift of the Spirit will also receive.

Gospel : John 14:15-21

If you love me, obey my commandments.

- Today's Gospel is taken from Jesus' farewell address to his disciples.
- The author of today's Gospel emphasizes the union of Jesus with the Father and with believers.
- In Jesus, believers also stand in relationship with the Father. This relationship is made possible and real through the gift of the Holy Spirit.



BRING HOME THE GOSPEL | MAY 14, 2023

Reading I Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 | Psalm 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 | Reading II 1 Peter 3:15-18 | Gospel John 14:15-21

Question For The Children Jesus promises to be our friend forever. How do friends treat each other?

Question For The Youth Jesus promised us that the Holy Spirit (the Advocate) would remain with us always. When have you experienced the Spirit?

Question For The Adults Which one of the promises in today's Gospel gives you the most hope?

Activity Of The Week Take out any symbols or pictures of your Confirmation or the Confirmation of other members of the family. Talk about what you remember about the day. Discuss how the Holy Spirit was present that day and how you continue to experience the presence of the Holy Spirit in your life today.



Saint Of The Week Justin

Justin, a layman, lived in the very early years of the Church. He was a great teacher and his writings remain with us today. He was an historian who wrote about the Christian faith. He explained the Eucharist and other celebrations, to help many people come to the faith. He often debated pagan scholars of the day, and was eventually tortured and killed because of that. We honor him today for this great contribution to the Church.

Justin's message today:

Justin searched for a time before finding God. Once he had found God, he kept the faith even to death. Although martyrdom may not be the fate of any of us, we should be prepared to defend our faith at any given moment.

All of us face temptations daily which would lead us away from God. Ask God to help you to grow in faith and you will be able to stand up to the temptations.



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PARISH CALENDAR | MAY 14, 2023

	Sunday [5/14]	Monday [5/15]	Tuesday [5/16]	Wednesday [5/17]	Thursday [5/18]	Friday [5/19]	Saturday [5/20]
School			Chess Club (MC) 7:15AM	May Crowning & Mass hosted by 8th Grade 8:30AM			
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	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	Happy Mother's Day! New Altar Server Training after 10:30AM Mass			Middle School Orientation 6:30PM	Leadership Council (RM101) 6-7PM		
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			
[5/14]	8:30AM	Mass	For the Parish
	10:30AM	Mass	Marcie Coleman
[5/16]	8:30AM	Mass	Ron Kasel
[5/17]	8:30AM	Mass	Elizabeth Green
[5/18]	8AM	Mass	Kevin Davis
	2-9PM	Adoration	
	4:05PM	Rosary	
[5/19]	8:30AM	Mass	Julie Ann Lensing
[5/20]	3-3:45PM	Reconciliation	
	4:30PM	Mass	Willis J. Dore
[5/21]	8:30AM	Mass	For the Parish
	10:30AM	Mass	Petra Cavazof

Upcoming Liturgical Ministers and Altar Servers		
Saturday [5/20]	Altar Servers	Joan Niday, Burke Smith
4:30PM	Lectors	V. Salem, Kathie Obradovich
	EMHC	Team 1
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday [5/21]	Altar Servers	Abram Witt, Jacob Heikes
8:30AM	Lectors	M. McAndrews, Ann Benetti
	EMHC	Team 2
	Children's Liturgy	Brenda & Meredith Heggen
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday [5/21]	Altar Servers	E. Bott, I. Alonzo, J. Mundy
10:30AM	Lectors	Fourth/Fifth Grade Students
	EMHC	Team 1
	Children's Liturgy	Kate McInroy, Jane Kinney
	Music Coordinator	Frances Paterik

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