Holy Trinity
Catholic Church and School

NOVEMBER 8TH | THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Taking the Journey TOGETHER



MASS SCHEDULE

MON: No Mass/Communion Service
TUE: 8:30 AM Mass
WED: 8:30 AM Mass
THU: 8:30 AM Mass & 2:00-9:00 PM Adoration
FRI: 8:30 AM Mass
SAT: 3:00-3:45 PM Reconciliation & 4:30 PM Mass
SUN: 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM Mass

**Mass Times often change for Holy Days of Obligation*

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Beaverdale
HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE
HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL
EST. 1977





Save the Dates!

- **Shop more than 70 unique artisans and vendors** throughout Holy Trinity
- **Connect with friends** and the Beaverdale community
- **Enjoy food and drinks** at the Cafe and grab baked goods from Mrs. Kringle's bakery
- **Saturday activities:** face painting, photo with Santa & Mrs. Claus and more!

Friday, Nov. 13
5:30-8:30 PM
Saturday, Nov. 14
9 AM-2 PM

$5 cash admission or $6 e-payment; children 12 and under are free!

All proceeds benefit Holy Trinity Catholic School!

We Need You!

We're looking for YOUR help! There are several fun volunteer opportunities available including:

- Ticket Sales & Cafe Cashier– Help greet guests, manage ticket sales & cafe items
- Decorating and Clean-Up Crew – Assist with event setup and clean-up
- Baking – Each grade has been assigned a category of treats to donate. Have a special treat in mind? Donate that instead!
  - PS-2: Quick Breads & Pies (Breads: pumpkin, banana, apple cinnamon; Pies: pumpkin, pecan, fall/holiday themed)
  - 3-5: Bars/Cookies
  - 6-8: Sugar Cookies/Pies (Pies: pumpkin, pecan, fall/holiday themed)

Please sign up using the volunteer QR code below with the **baked item** you will be bringing. Also, select a **shift to volunteer** - *a great chance to meet new parents and get free admission!*

OR Click this link!

Thank you!

Follow Us!

Scan the QR code to follow us on social media! Stay connected while helping us get the word out on your socials! OR Click this link!

- **Follow** our "Beaverdale Holiday Boutique" Facebook & Instagram accounts.
- Next, find the event for "The 49th Beaverdale Holiday Boutique," and choose **"going" or "interested."**
- One more option, **share** the event on your Facebook page, and encourage friends and family to attend!

QUESTIONS? Ask our BHB committee: Jenna Bauer, Mallory Bennett, Geri Boesen, Anna Coleman, Katie Dall-Winther, Traci Dragoo, Megan Hall, Janelle Kerr, Amber Knapp and Sarah Swenson
OR email beaverdaleholidayboutique@gmail.com

MY JESUS



FRIENDS AT HIS TABLE

8TH GRADE RETREAT

NOV 7-8 **JAN 17-18**





A one-night retreat filled with dynamic reflections, music, sacraments, Adoration, small group dialogue, and prayer

FEE $100* | REGISTER NOW | STMCENTER.COM

515-309-1936 | tecdm@stmcenter.com

*Financial assistance is available. Call or email for more information.

SCHEDULES

UPCOMING MASS SCHEDULE

Nov. 8th	8:30AM 10:30AM	J.P. Golinvaux Delos Swanson
Nov. 10th	8:30AM	Judy McGough
Nov. 11th	8:30AM	Ben Zenti
Nov. 12th	8:30AM	Jim Bergman
Nov. 13th	8:30AM	Marcie Coleman
Nov. 14th	3:00-3:45PM 4:30PM	*Reconciliation* Bob Pratt & Anita Dragoo
Nov. 15th	8:30AM 10:30AM	For the Parish Dennis Hurley

UPCOMING LITURGICAL MINISTERS & ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, Nov. 14th: 4:30pm
Altar Servers | Anna & Paul Heilman and Jude & Hugh Kajewski
Lectors | Vonnie Salem & Mary Sanders
EMHC | Team 2
Music Coordinator | Tom Quiner

Sunday, Nov. 15th: 8:30am
Altar Servers I Cartier Bryant, Jacob Heikes, Evelyn Hunt and Riley Jenks
Lectors | Jennifer Blaser & Jacob Meradith-Eyers
EMHC | Team 2 /MC: Katy Polich
Children's Liturgy I Team B: Katy Polich
Music Coordinator | Tom Quiner

Sunday, Nov. 15th: 10:30am
Altar Servers | E.J. & Peter Flynn and Bridget & Lydia Caswell
Lectors I Peggy Jones & Lisa Rea
EMHC | Team 3/MC: Paul Bush
Children's Liturgy Team 2: Chris Coleman & Joan Niday
Music Coordinator | Eric Sharp

CALENDAR | NOVEMBER 8TH, 2026

	Sunday Nov. 8th	Monday Nov. 9th	Tuesday Nov. 10th	Wednesday Nov. 11th	Thursday Nov. 12th	Friday Nov. 13th	Saturday Nov. 14th
School			SFO Meeting 6:00PM (MC)	All School All Saints Mass Hosted by 4th Grade		No School	
Faith Formation	Children's Choir 10:30 Mass		Morning Prayer following 8:30 Mass (CH)	Elementary FF 6:30PM (103, 104) 10th Grade Confirmation Class 6:30PM (101, 102)		Morning Prayer following 8:30 Mass (CH)	Sunday Reading Groups Mens (Terry's Patio) 7:30AM Womens (CH) 8:30AM
Adult Faith Formation				Centering Prayer 6:30PM (The Duplex)			Nourish for Parents (Sacred Heart 1627 Grand Ave. W. Des Moines) 10:00-11:30AM
More		Nourish for Caregivers 6:00PM (MC)	OCIA 6:30PM (CH)	Schola 6:30PM (CH)		HT Beaverdale Holiday Boutique 5:30-8:30PM	HT Beaverdale Holiday Boutique 9:00AM-2:00PM

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

PARISH NEWS

JOIN US ON NOVEMBER 7

Wine & Cheese Night

Father Ray McHenry has been filling in for Father Mark while he's been on sabbatical. Please join us in the social room Saturday, November 7 following 4:30 Mass for wine, cheese & fellowship as we thank Father Ray for his service with Holy Trinity during Father Mark's absence.

Father Ray's final Mass will be November 22.

ANNUAL REPORT

2025-26 Report

Check out the latest Annual Report from Holy Trinity Catholic Church and School. You can find the Annual Report here.

Any additional questions on finances, reach out to Mary Gisler at maryg@holytrinitydm.org

PARISH INFORMATION

Ministries at Holy Trinity

Coffee and Donuts: We appreciate everyone who has volunteered to assist with serving coffee and donuts. If you would like to participate this fall, please **sign up here**! You may also get in touch with Jan Swinton at jans@holytrinitydm.org in the parish office.

Baptism: Do you want to celebrate your child's baptism at Holy Trinity? The next Baptism Class is Monday, November 16th. Contact Jan Swinton in the Parish Office at jans@holytrinitydm.org with questions.

Pastoral Care. Nourish for Caregivers is for anyone juggling the challenges of life, health and career while caring for an aging parent, grandparent, or spouse, either in your home, in town or at a distance. Nourish provides family caregivers practical and emotional supports, shared experiences and useful tools, all with a Christ-centered view. Check out future bulletins for upcoming dates!

Letter From Father Ray

The midterm elections are over. We thought they would never get here. The results are what some were hoping for and what others were dreading. The Catholic bishops of America encouraged us to vote, it was our sacred duty. Now is the time we come together as citizens for the sake of our nation. Several news sources reported that Pope Leo voted in the midterm election by filing an absentee ballot. According to the Will County clerk's office, "Robert Francis Prevost is on the list of individuals who requested a vote by mail ballot for the election." The American bishops have reminded us of our duty to participate in the democratic process by voting. It looks like the Holy Father took that to heart by voting.

Later this month, November 13 and 14 will be the annual Beaverdale Holiday Boutique. There will be over 70 artisans and vendors and delectable holiday food. The proceeds benefit the school. Please stop by and enjoy the festivities.

The Gospel from the 25th chapter of Matthew's Gospel for the 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time is the familiar story of the wise and foolish virgins. The virgins, which meant young women in that society, were probably the young cousins of the bride and groom. The Gospel is a call to us to be vigilant and prepared for the Lord is coming. "Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Fr. Ray

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PARISH NEWS

Beaverdale Holiday Boutique

shop

BRING YOUR FRIENDS TO SHOP THE...

BEAVERDALE HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

NOVEMBER 13 & 14



Charlie & Celestino Ramirez, The Sweatshop Pepper Farm



Mary Ellen Winston, Made by MEE just 4 You



Katy Polich Wellness

Hosted by Holy Trinity Catholic School, the Beaverdale Holiday Boutique features over 70 artisans and vendors selling a variety of items at this family-friendly event. Throughout the school, seek out your favorite artists and vendors. Check off those holiday shopping lists by supporting your neighbors!

While shopping, enjoy homemade food at the Cafe, and take home baked goods from Mrs. Kringle's Bakery.

Follow us on FB and Insta for a complete list of exhibiting vendors soon! @beaverdaleholidayboutique

$5 cash, $6 e-payment
Children 12 and under are free!

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CCHD)

Collection Weekend: November 14–15, 2026

On the weekend of November 14–15, 2026, our diocese will take up the annual collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. This year's theme, "Working on the Margins," invites us to support and accompany our most vulnerable neighbors.

While 75% of your gift supports national anti-poverty efforts, 25% stays right here in our diocese to fund local grants. Most recently, these local funds helped Our Lady's Immaculate Heart (Ankeny) and Saints John & Paul (Altoona) expand their disability ministries by providing sensory-friendly Masses, ASL interpreters, and inclusive youth activities. Past local grants have also supported low-income communities in Council Bluffs and provided free legal services to those in need.

Please consider giving generously to help transform communities and draw those on the margins into the heart of our Church. Thank you for your prayers and support.

— Most Rev. William M. Joensen, Ph.D., Bishop of Des Moines

See the full letter here!

BOOK CLUB

Join us as we read in faith!

Are you interested in meeting people in the parish community who like to read? Are you interested in seeing fiction through our Catholic Faith? Consider joining our book club this fall. We'll be meeting at the Franklin Library in a small conference room from 6:30-8:00 PM. If you have questions, email Sarah Suillivan Bigelow at ssullivanbigelow@gmail.com. The next scheduled Book Clubs are: November 24, 2026 | Illuminations by Mary Sharratt

SCHOOL/PARISH NEWS

UPCOMING DATES

Mark your calendar!

November 11th | All School Mass Hosted by the 4th Grade

November 13th | No School- Professional Development

IOWA ESA HALF-YEAR APPLICATION DEADLINE

November 15th, 2026

Iowa's Students First Education Savings Account (ESA) half-year application window is open October 15–November 15, 2026. Families who were not approved for a full-year ESA may apply by Sunday, November 15, at 11:59 p.m.

Approved students must attend an accredited Iowa nonpublic school and have tuition and fees paid through the ESA portal by January 14, 2027, at 11:59 p.m., to receive and retain half-year ESA funds.

For application and payment questions, contact Odyssey Support at 515-368-9564 or **help.ia@withodyssey.com**.

WHY ARE EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNTS GOOD FOR IOWA?

Parent Choice

Parental Choice: Parents hold primary responsibility for their children's education. ESAs empower families to choose the best educational environment regardless of financial standing.

Strengthening Communities: Catholic schools contribute significantly to the common good. Nonpublic education serves as an effective anti-poverty tool by combining high academic standards with moral foundation and character development.

Academic Improvement: Robust school choice improves overall academic performance across both public and nonpublic sectors.

Do you want to learn more about ESAS?

See more information here!

ESA FAQ PDF



PARISH/DIOCESAN NEWS



SURVIVING DIVORCE:

Hope and Healing for the Catholic Family Support Group

Beginning Monday, November 16, 2026
6:00pm-7:30pm

12 weekly sessions
You can join during the first 3 sessions

St. Theresa Catholic Church
St. Theresa Parish Office
1230 Merle Hay Rd
Des Moines, IA 50311

Fee: $30 includes a booklet
Scholarships are available

Questions? Please contact Bill or Ann Moore.
Email: moorefamilydsm@gmail.com or call
Bill 515-480-3314 or Ann 641-425-0109

COME HEAR JIM CAVIEZEL SPEAK AT A PRO-LIFE EVENT!

Pulse Life Gala on November 21st

How can you support the pro-life cause? One way is to attend Pulse Life Advocate's fun Christmas Gala on November 21st at the Iowa Events Center. Hollywood legend, Jim Caviezel, keynotes the event. Sponsorships are available and tables of ten go for $1500 or get an individual ticket for $150 each. Dinner and entertainment included. Reserve your seat today: PulseForLife.org

WOMEN'S EVENING OF RECOLLECTION

Monday, November 9, 2026

6:30-8:30 p.m.

St. Augustin Church (enter the north door on the east side of the Church)

545 42nd Street, Des Moines

Spend a brief time away from the world to be with Our Lord. The Evening is designed to help you spend time alone with God, to look at your life from His perspective, and find practical ways to serve God amid your ordinary work and family life.

A priest will present two meditations based upon the spirituality of St. Josemaria Escrivá, the founder of Opus Dei. There will be time for personal prayer, reflection, and confession. The evening will conclude with Benediction.

Women of all ages are invited, including high school and college students

6:30 Confession.

6:40 Practical Talk.

7:00 First meditation. Confession. Meditation.

8:00 Benediction

8:00-8:30 Social Time

The Women's Evenings of Recollection will take place on the 2nd Monday of each month. Questions: Terry McFarland (630-885-0246). terryannmcfarland@gmail.com

OUR FAITH EXPLAINED



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Margaret of Scotland, Queen and Mother, 1045-1093

Margaret was born in Hungary, the daughter of royal parents. Margaret and her husband, King Malcolm, had six sons and two daughters. Contrary to the general practice of royalty in that time, Margaret took charge of raising and educating her children. King Malcolm was good-hearted, but rough and uncultured. Because of his love for Margaret, she was able to soften his temper and she became his advisor in state matters. It was said that the main goals of Malcolm and Margaret were to maintain justice, to establish religion, and to keep their subjects happy. Margaret encouraged arts and education in her adopted country and instigated religious reform. With her husband, she founded several churches. They cared for the poor and homeless, and allowed their faith to rule their lives. A heavy responsibility falls on those who have been given exalted positions. Margaret and her husband recognized the need to provide for those who were less fortunate than themselves. We too must do the same.

Saint Margaret is the patroness of Scotland. She is honored by an optional memorial on November 16.

Margaret's message today: A heavy responsibility falls on those who have been given exalted positions. Margaret and her husband recognized the need to provide for those who were less fortunate than themselves. We too must do the same.

- Have you accepted the responsibility of caring for those who need your assistance?

MAGNANIMITY

Virtues, Explained!

Magnanimity, writes St. Thomas Aquinas, describes “the stretching forth of the mind to great things.” (Sum. II-II, 129, Art. 1) This virtue protects souls from the temptation to do honorable things for intentions that fall short of honorability.

Magnanimity shares much with the virtue of humility, but unlike humility, it specifically seeks what is great — but never the distinction of being called great. A magnanimous person’s focus is solely on accomplishing as much good as possible, as effectively as possible.

When Joseph learned that Mary, his betrothed, was with child through the Holy Spirit, he had a chance to distinguish himself as a virtuous man. In calling for Mary’s punishment, he could have condemned immorality loudly and publicly, while distancing himself from what appeared to be sin.

Instead, he did the opposite. He did what he knew to be right. He exhibited magnanimity, and the world was never the same.

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PRAYER & READINGS



READINGS

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Reading I : Wisdom 6:12-16
Wisdom seeks those who seek her.

Reading II : 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 or 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14
The dead will participate in Jesus' return.

Gospel : Matthew 25:1-13
Readiness is essential for the end time.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Question for Children: If Jesus came to your house today, what would you do to get ready for him?

Question for Youth: Even though you are still young, what strategy do you have to make sure you are "ready" for the inevitable moment when you will die?

Question for Adults: How are you preparing to be ready for that moment that no one escapes, the moment when you come to the end of your life as you know it now?

CHURCH FINANCES

Financial Blessings Ending week of 10/23/2026

Budget July '26 thru June '27	$1,000,000
YTD Actual Tithing	$268,446
YTD Budget	$269,648
YTD Surplus/(deficit)	($1,202)
Tithing for the Week	$28,633
Number of Donations Received	289

Financial Blessings Ending week of 10/30/2026

Budget July '26 thru June '27	$1,000,000
YTD Actual Tithing	$275,137
YTD Budget	$285,100
YTD Surplus/(deficit)	($9,582)
Tithing for the Week	$6,691
Number of Donations Received	48

For pledging & payment:
https://holytrinitydm.org/donate/
or scan the QR Code --->

FINANCE COUNCIL

Check out the minutes from the lastest Finance Council Meeting Below!

Meeting minutes from June 18th, 2026

Reach out to Mary Gisler, maryg@holytrinitydm.org with any questions.

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INTENTIONS

Loving Creator, we come before you with hearts filled with both grief and hope. We entrust all of our departed loved ones, and all who have left this world, into your loving and merciful hands. Thank you for the gift of their lives, the love they shared, and the legacies they left behind. Grant them eternal rest, and let perpetual light shine upon them. ***Amen.***


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GAMES | FOOD | BYOB | 21+ ONLY