November 1

All Saints

Taking the Journey TOGETHER

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> "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

> > Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.

> Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me.

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.

Matthew 5:1-12a

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GREETINGS

As you know, we are well into the current election cycle and are now deciding how we will cast our votes. The right to vote is a great gift that we have in our nation and we are called to exercise this right responsibly. As you know, there is no perfect candidate. Thus, we are called to do our best in casting our votes. We are called to cast our votes in accord with our well-formed conscience.

Millions have already voted and many more will vote in the coming days and on election day itself, November 3. I want to encourage all to vote in whatever format you are most comfortable with; in person, early, absentee.... As citizens of our nation, we have not only a right, but also a civic responsibility, to do all in our power to see that our voices are heard.

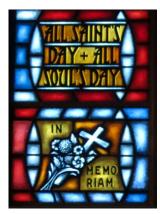
Our Church, while it does not tell us who to vote for, does provide some guidance as we seek to find the best candidates to support. Our diocese has provided some guidance for Catholics. This document can be found at: <u>https://www.dmdiocese.org/ministries-and-faith-formation/adult-faith-formation</u>. This link also includes a guide developed by the four bishops of Iowa.

A note about weekend Masses. As our numbers continue to slowly increase, it will become more important that people are seated as efficiently as possible. As you know, we have the rows laid out with areas that are closed as well as number cards indicating how many people can sit in a particular section of an open row. When you arrive, please fill in from the front of the church first, especially if you have 1,2 or 3 people as the shorter rows are at the front of the church. This will allow us to accommodate more people. I have observed that most of the time the front row of each section is left empty. I know this is different for many, but your help and cooperation with this is greatly appreciated.

Finally, once again, we are now at the time of year when we are looking to next year's budget and our fiscal needs. We want to continue providing the services and ministries that you find helpful. To be able to do that in a high-quality way we do need your financial support in tithing. You should have received a letter from me with your tithing card. I ask that you give this your most prayerful consideration as you consider what you will be able to do in the coming year in support of our parish. Thank you again for your continued generosity to Holy Trinity.

May God continue to bless us all, and may God bless Holy Trinity.

Fr Mark Neal



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JOIN US FOR MASS or worship online on Facebook LIVE at <u>https://www.facebook.com/htschooldm</u>. Look for the "LIVE" red link to worship at Mass times. If you want to watch the Mass later, click on "videos" and you will be able to select one



Q & A WITH FATHER MARK <u>EVERY OTHER</u> WED AT 7PM— Father Mark Q&A LIVE on Facebook is now a pre-recorded video where he will be available to answer you in the comment section. Please look for that night's topic on Facebook and email your questions before the event to <u>fmneal@holytrinitydm.org</u> or <u>parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org</u>

WE STILL NEED HELP!! Ushers and cleaners needed for after the 8:30 and 10:30 Sunday Masses. **Call Andy Negrete** 255-3162 ext. 129 or email him at andyn@holytrinitydm.org

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS PROJECT-WE NEED YOU TO SIGN UP EARLY! If your family needs help with food or toys this Christmas, or if you know of a local family who needs that help, please contact the Parish Office at 255-3162. Families can sign up now for assistance with Saint Vincent de Paul's Operation Santa Claus. We provide a bountiful food basket and toys for the weekend before Christmas, but to do that we need lots of advance planning. Please let the Parish Office know now and be ready to provide contact info so we can get in touch.



SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS! **To advertise, contact Andy Negrete 255-3162 ext. 129 or** andyn@holytrinitydm.org FAITH FORMATION Faith Formation programs for families with children in grades 1-8 will be starting back up. Registration materials and schedules can be found on our parish website. We have been working hard to make sure that we are not only providing an environment where kids can go deeper in their Catholic Faith, but also one that is also safe and clean. If you have questions, please contact John Mertes. Director of Faith Formation at johnm@holytrinitydm.org, or via telephone at (515) 255-3162, extension 224.

COVID ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED We have received permission to have 1 Altar Server at Weekend Masses. Servers are eligible if the students are <u>already</u> trained as an HT Altar Server and have Parental Permission. <u>Parents</u> please email <u>carolynr@holytrinitydm.org</u> with student's name and Mass time availability. Monthly Server Schedule will be sent soon. We appreciate our servers and look forward to seeing them in action!

PLEASE PRAY National Vocation Awareness Week will be celebrated in our country November 1-7, 2020. Please ask Our Lord for more vocations of dedicated holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of a vocation.

NEXT BAPTISM CLASS – NOVEMBER 16TH! If you are planning on baptizing your child at Holy Trinity, a Baptism Class is required. Our next class is Monday, November 16. Please sign up for class by responding calling the Parish Office at 255-3162 ext. 128 by Friday, Nov 13.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED... Betty Regan, mother of Pat (Cheryl) Regan



FINANCIAL BLESSINGS ENDING WEEK OF OCT 25 2020

Budget - July 2020 - June 2021 YTD Actual Tithing through Oct 25 YTD Budget through Oct 25 \$1,008,000 \$309,644 \$315,914 YTD Overage (Deficit) Tithing for the week ending Oct 25 Number of Donations Received \$(6,270) \$31,901 280

Want more information? Call the Parish Office 515 255 3162 X128 M-F 8AM-4PM

NOTES FROM THE SCHOOL NOV 1 2020



Faith was our focus for the first trimester, but we shift to SERVICE for the second trimester, right when we turn our hearts and minds to THANKS and GIVING this November. Please make sure to read our new blog posted on the website at <u>https://holytrinitydm.org/blog</u> and to talk to your children about an "attitude of gratitude" at home and in school.



!!THERE IS SUCH A THING AS A FREE LUNCH!!

Holy Trinity students will be getting **FREE hot lunches starting Nov 2!** The USDA just extended their SFSP (Summer Food Service Program) and we were approved for funding for the 20-21 school year. This means your child will get to eat lunch FREE every day (until the USDA shuts down the funds). Milk and Ala Carte items for 6-8th grade will still be available for purchase. Thank you Mary Treese for working so hard to make this happen for our Holy Trinity families! We do ask that if you have a negative balance to please take care of it to participate.



PLEASE JOIN US IN THE PARKING LOT!

Want more information? Call the School Office 515 255 3162 X116 M-F 8AM-4PM Fax 515 255 1381





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BEAVERDALE HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE IS OPEN

Please visit our vendors FIRST as you do your holiday shopping!

You will find a wide variety of unique, handcrafted home décor to fun and funky clothing. Local artisans from Beaverdale to designers from NY are participating this year. Start shopping on our dedicated website at <u>Beaverdale Holiday Boutique</u> and through our <u>Facebook Beaverdale Holiday Boutique</u> page.



In celebration of Holy Trinity's Centennial year, we've created a commemorative Christmas tree ornament. A limited number are available.



Your goodies may be brought home in a Holy Trinity grocery tote. Get yours while supplies last!



Santa Claus is hosting private, virtual sessions on Friday, Nov 13 from 6-8PM SIGN UP NOW Santa will also be LIVE on the L- Drive on Saturday, Nov 14 from 10AM – 12PM

The Beaverdale Holiday Boutique just wouldn't be the same without a savory lunch/dinner from Santa's Sleigh Café topped with a sweet treat from Mrs. Kringle's Bakery! This year, we will be offering select bakery items along with Knights of Columbus Famous Chili. All items can be pre-ordered with payment on our dedicated <u>Beaverdale Holiday Boutique website</u>.

Curbside pickup for customer purchases, baked goods and chili will be Nov 13 from 4PM to 8PM and Nov 14 from 8AM to 2PM.

Please email <u>beaverdaleholidayboutique@gmail.com</u> with any questions.

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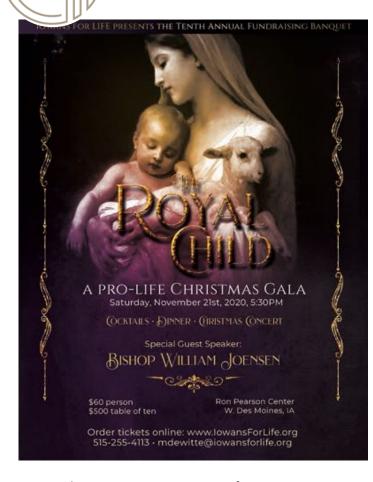
New Donors will DOUBLE their gift from now until December 15!

Thanks to matching funds generously provided by the Reichardt Family Foundation.

Give today at CTOIowa.org! Or, call Jeanne at 515.237.5010.

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NOTES FROM THE COMMUNITY NOV 1 2020

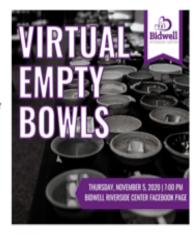


At the Hy-Vee Ron Pearson Conference Center in West Des Moines featuring top musical talent, including Gina Gedler and Tony Valdez, backed by a 20 voice choir and orchestra. In addition, you will experience a fabulous meal and hear a great pro-life talk by Bishop William Joensen. The expansiveness of the Ron Pearson Center allows IFL to easily accommodate social-distancing protocols.





Starting on Monday, November 2, Bidwell Riverside Center will be auctioning off handmade artisan bowls to shed light on the food insecurity faced by our neighbors in central lowa and raise funds to support Bidwell Riverside Center's mission to increase stability and self-sufficiency in our community. Then, on Thursday, November 5th at 7:00 PM we will gather virtually for a 30 minute video on our Facebook page and YouTube account. We'll miss seeing you all in person, but we can't wait to connect virtually with you and share all of the great work Bidwell Riverside Center has done in the past year!



Our Empty Bowls event seeks to shed light on the food insecurity faced by our neighbors and raise funds to support Bidwell Riverside Center's mission to increase stability and self-sufficiency in our community. 1 in 4 Polk County residents are food insecure, and Bidwell is working to change that.

Our Food & Clothing Pantry, the largest-serving food pantry in Iowa, served over **16,500** members of the community in 2019, and has remained open throughout the entire COVID-19 pandemic, serving over 8,500 individuals. Our Child Development Center has also remained fully operational throughout the pandemic, providing childcare to essential workers and their families. We were able to remain open and fully operational thanks to countless volunteers, donors, community leaders, friends, and organizations. These generous people have sustained our programs for more than a century through contributions of time, talent, and treasure.

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Bishop Joensen Wants Your Feedback!

The Diocese of Des Moines is conducting a comprehensive planning study now through the end of October. This study follows an extensive analysis of our Catholic schools and parishes, completed by a Blue Ribbon Task Force that includes clergy, staff and lay leaders. Now, Bishop Joensen would like to hear from you!

You are asked to share your thoughts regarding our needs, which include support for Catholic education, vocations, faith formation and individual parish projects. We are considering a major fundraising effort in our diocese. Your feedback will enable us to determine potential backing for these needs. If we, as a faith community, choose to move forward, the planning study will also provide us with information to identify prospective campaign leaders and to establish a realistic campaign goal.

The Steier Group, a national Catholic development firm, is conducting the study on our behalf. The findings of the study, including the viability of a campaign, will be presented to us later this year. At that time, we will make an informed decision regarding how to move forward.

Parishioners have access to a fact sheet which details the proposed needs and will be asked to respond in a variety of ways. Some will be personally interviewed, while others will have the option to mail in a survey, go online to answer questions and/or attend a virtual listening session.

This process is extremely important. Each and every family in the diocese is encouraged to participate. Your input is welcomed and valuable as we plan for the future of the Diocese of Des Moines.

Last Chance to Respond For the weekend of October 31-November 1

This week will be your last chance to participate in the diocese's planning study survey! You can read about the diocese's proposed plans at dmdiocese.org/planning, where you can also complete the survey. The survey password is study2020. The survey closes on Friday, November 6.

Stay tuned for updates in the coming weeks.

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SPIRITUALITYOF THE READING

"After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue." (<u>Rev 7:9</u>)

The Communion of Saints

On these first days of November, we celebrate two feasts—All Saints and All Souls—which draw us into one of the most consoling doctrines of the Roman Catholic faith, the communion of saints. Our tradition has learned to speak of three "states of the church": pilgrimage, purification, and glory. We (roughly two billion) baptized Christians currently alive on planet Earth trek on in the state of pilgrimage. Those who have died in the grace of God are either in the state of glory (united fully with God in heaven) or are moving through a process of purification (continuing their pilgrimage, in a sense) toward the state of glory.

The teaching on the communion of saints provides the context for these feasts, for it is that doctrine that acknowledges the union, enabled by baptism and Eucharist, that exists between the living and the dead. The doctrine rests in part on the conviction that any good done by one part of the community that is the body of Christ impacts on the rest of that body. This entails especially prayer of petition and reparation, and it transcends the apparent barrier of death moving both ways, from the living to the (biologically) deceased and from them to us. That is true all year long, of course, but the Church chooses these two days to wake us up to our communal connection with those who have gone before us.

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We can enjoy what the media and the marketplace do with the fun and fantasy of Halloween and *el dia de los muertos*, but the Scripture readings remind us of the realities behind the folklore. The apocalyptic imagery of Revelation presents first the stylized picture of 144,000 from every tribe of Israel. But, lest we think this is a literal census of those who have achieved the state of glory (precisely 144,000 places and no waiting list), the passage goes on to describe those in heaven in another image, "a great multitude which no one could count from every nation, race, people, and tongue." (Attention to this passage alone should be enough to cure anyone of biblical fundamentalism.)

If we think we have a clear idea of what the blessed enjoy, the <u>Second Reading</u> reminds us "we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed." But documented testimony, authenticated miracles, and the scrutiny of devil's advocates have assured us that many of our faith community have indeed arrived at the state of glory. And the Beatitudes of the <u>Gospel</u> remind us that the state of the blessed is an invitation to all of us to recognize our need for God and act upon it

Dennis Hamm, SJ



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READING I: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

PSALM: 24:1-6

READING II: John 3:1-3

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

Question for Children:

When have you become a peacemaker? Among your friends? In your family? At school? Other times? Question for Youth:

All Saints Day gives us a chance to remember the saints of our Church and of our lives. Who are the people who have been saints in your life?

Question for Adults:

When you heard the Beatitudes today, which one did you hear most clearly as a summons for your own life?

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Simon, Apostle and Martyr

Perhaps the least known of the Apostles, Simon is only mentioned in the lists contained in the Gospels. Matthew, Mark and Luke all refer to this saint as "Simon the Zealot." Since he received no mention in the Acts of the Apostles which largely concentrated on the activities of the Apostles around Jerusalem and the eastern Mediterranean, Simon may have begun his missionary work among the Jews of Egypt. He may then have worked his way westward through Libya and into present-day Tunisia. There is some evidence that Simon then took the Word to Britain where Christianity seems to have been introduced before the Romans established the island as a colony in the year 43.

Tradition tells us that Simon joined Jude Thaddeus in Persia around the year 66. Together, these two saints converted thousands to Christianity over the next several years, but they also made powerful enemies. The pagan leaders in that region finally mustered a mob to stone the two Apostles to death. It is told that when the mob approached the two old men, Jude turned to Simon and said, "The Lord is calling us."

Simon's message today: Whatever the origin of Simon's nickname, we can believe that he was ardent in his preaching the Word of God. This passion carried him from almost one end of the known world to the other. While we are not asked to travel to the ends of the earth preaching the Word of God, we can set an example of Christian living for all of those with whom we come in contact.

Would your co-workers know you were Christian by the way you conduct yourself? By the language you use?

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FAITH FORMATION							
ADULT FAITH FORMATION	Mass 8:30AM Mass 10:30AM Celebrating ALL SAINT & ALL SOI		School Mass 8:30AM Hosted by 2B Grades K-2 RCIA 6:30PM CH	School Mass 8:30AM Hosted by 3E Grades 3-5	Mass 8 AM Adoration 2-9PM Rosary at 4:15PM Knights Meeting SR 7PM	School Mass 8:30AM Hosted by 6TH Grades 6-8	Sunday Reading Group MEN'S 7:30AM SR WOMEN'S 8:30AM CH Mass 4:30PM
AND MORE	Online Holiday Boutique is OPEN! Find you favorites and new selections for the Holidays	Shop throu	ıgh Nov 11 a	t the <u>Beaver</u>	dale Holiday	<u>Boutique</u> we	bsite
CH: Church 101-106: Classrooms DC: Day Chapel K: Kitchen MC: Media Center PO: Parish Office SR: Social Room							
MASS / LITURGY SCHEDULE AN Sunday Nov 1 8:30 AM Mass 10:30 AM Mass		D INTENTIONS All Saints Day Bonnie Fitzgerald For the Parish				NISTERS / ALTAR SERVERS Fyler Leo Karen Quiner	
Monday Nov 2 (livestreamed) 6:30 PM		All Souls Day For all the HT deceased				am 1 n Quiner	
Tuesday Nov 3 8:30 AM Mass Wednesday Nov 4		Ron Dittmer		Sunday, Nov 8 Altar Server Lectors	Gab Mar	Gabe Polich Mark McAndrews & Marla Gowdey	
8:30 AM Mass Thursday Nov 5		Vicki Scholer		EMHC Children's Litur		Team 3 No Children's Liturgy	

Thursday Nov 5 2-9 PM Rosary at 4:15PM 8 AM Mass

Friday Nov 6 8:30 AM Mass

Saturday Nov 7 3-4 PM 4:30 PM Mass

Sunday Nov 8 8:30 AM Mass 10:30 AM Mass Adoration Bernard Volz

Ruth & Jim Wright

NO Reconciliation Richard TeKippe

For the Parish Delos Swanson Sunday, Nov 8 10:30 AM

Musical Coordinator

Altar ServerJosh SperLectorsBilly HowEMHCTeam 1Children's LiturgyNo ChildrenMusical CoordinatorDr. Kevin

Josh Spenceri Billy Howe & Rob Hoover Team 1 No Children's Liturgy Dr. Kevin Allemagne

WEEKEND MASSES Sat 4:30 PM / Sun 8:30 & 10:30 AM

Tom Quiner

WEEKDAY MASSES Tue, Wed & Fri 8:30 AM / Thurs 8AM

