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July 5

14th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Taking the Journey TOGETHER

*"His dominion shall be
from sea to sea, and
from river to the
ends of the earth."*

Zechariah 9:9-10



ALL MASSES HAVE RESUMED – JOIN US OR WATCH MASS ONLINE [HERE](#)



FROM FATHER MARK JULY 5 2020

GREETINGS.

I have brief update for the parish this week.

Our weekday Mass schedule will be changing slightly. Beginning the week after the July 4th holiday our weekday Masses will be Tuesday and Wednesday at 8 AM, Thursday at 6 pm, and Friday at 8 AM. We will maintain the once a week evening Mass for the time being. Our weekend schedule will be the normal schedule for now of 4:30 on Saturday and 8:30 and 10:30 on Sunday morning.

Our first weekend back to public Masses went well. Our numbers were as follows: Saturday 4:30, 53 people, Sunday 8:30 am, 53 people, and Sunday 10:30 am, 76 people. There is ample room for more people with very good social distancing in effect. Thank you for your cooperation with new procedures. It was great to see people in the church again and the music was excellent ! We look forward to seeing you.

On June 30th, we were able to have our 8th Grade graduation Mass. It was a bit later than originally planned, but so nice to see the kids again and be able to celebrate with them this step in their journey. We wish them all the best in high school!

An update on the annual appeal: We currently have 286 pledges for a total of \$99,375. This is out of 1250 parish households. Our assessment this year is \$108,155. Again, thank you so much to all those who have made such generous pledges thus far. If you've not yet had a chance to make a pledge or gift, please give this your most prayerful consideration. We need everyone's help in order to make our assessment. If we don't make our assessment, the difference will have to be made up out of our operating funds. If we go over our assessment, the difference stays here at Holy Trinity for our use.

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

Fr. Mark

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NOTES FROM THE CHURCH JULY 5 2020

MASSES ARE BACK! You can still worship along with us on Facebook LIVE. Our Facebook page is public -- so you do not need an account to view our videos. Go to <https://www.facebook.com/htschooldm> at the times listed and look for the "LIVE" red link. Click there to view. If you want to watch the Masses at a later time, click on "videos" and you will be able to select the one to watch.



Q & A WITH FATHER MARK ON WEDNESDAYS 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 fmneal@holymtrinitydm.org or parishoffice@holymtrinitydm.org

2020 VIRTUAL VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL We are proud to announce that we will doing a Virtual Vacation Bible School this summer. It will run the week of July 20 – 24, and our theme for this year is **"Rocky Railway, Jesus Pulls us Through!"** Applications can be found on our parish website at www.holytrinitydm.org. and here in the bulletin. Cost for Participants will be \$40. Leader cost for this year will be \$10 to help cover T-shirt costs. On the last day of VBS, Friday, July 24, we will be hosting a picnic on the back lawn here at HT so we can gather as a community to celebrate our week together. Applications can be sent in via email or dropped off in the parish office. **Application deadline will be Monday, July 6th.** If you have any questions or concerns please feel to contact John Mertes, Director of Faith Formation at johnm@holymtrinitydm.org, or via telephone at (515) 255-3162, extension 224.



HELP FOR HT PARISHIONERS

We are so appreciative to all those volunteers who helped their fellow parishioners during this COVID-19 Pandemic. **DO YOU NEED ASSISTANCE? Please call the Parish Office at 255-3162 x124 or email parishoffice@holymtrinitydm.org if you are an individual that could use assistance** or go to our website <https://holymtrinitydm.org/coronavirus-updates> for more info. Again, thank you volunteers!

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Monday-Friday 8AM – 2PM**

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Anna Harrington Daughter of
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FINANCIAL BLESSINGS ENDING WEEK OF JUNE 21 2020

Budget - July 2019 - June 2020	\$1,008,000	YTD Overage (Deficit)	\$21,218
YTD Budget through June 21	\$977,487	Tithing for the week ending June 21	\$33,061
YTD Actual Tithing through June 21	\$998,705	Number of Donations Received	283

Want more information? Call the Parish Office 515 255 3162 X128 M-F 8AM-4:30PM



Holy Trinity Virtual Vacation Bible School

Participant Registration

July 20-24, 2020



Accepting children entering **DK/K through 5th grade in the fall of 2020**. 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.

Registration ends Monday, July 6th.
 Registration fee is \$40 per child (up to \$100 family maximum).
 Payment must accompany form. *T-shirt sizes will not be Guaranteed after July 6th!

Child's Name	Age	Date of Birth	Grade (Fall 2020)	Gender	*T-shirt Size (Youth S - XXL)	Allergies/Concerns

Parent/Guardian Name:

Telephone: (please indicate home or mobile)

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

Emergency Contact Name/Relationship/Phone:

Registration Fee (cash or checks made payable to Holy Trinity) - (\$100 Family Maximum)

\$40 per child _____ I would like to talk to someone about financial assistance

Music CD's will be included this year in each Participant's VBS kit.

Registration forms due by Monday, July 6th, 2020

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 your 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: _____



NOTES FROM THE SCHOOL JULY 5 2020

Tuition Assistance

The application for CTO tuition assistance for 2020-21 just got easier! Submit your application along with your 2018 Tax Returns plus your 2019 W-2s (or 1099s, if self-employed)! Round 2 applications are due July 31; apply today and you'll know your tuition assistance before school starts this fall!



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CTO DEADLINE JULY 31 FOR ROUND 2

The Catholic Tuition Organization wants to help you invest in your child's future. Applications for Round 2 are now being accepted. They pay around 20%-50% of tuition to Holy Trinity based on need. Please start by going to <https://ctodsmdiocese.org> to see if you qualify. You can apply at fairapp.com before the deadline to find out how much you have been approved for the 2020-21 school year. The school code is 450 and the password is CTO450.

TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN

Do you know anyone worried their student is not quite ready for Kindergarten this fall? Please let them know Holy Trinity School offers the option of Transitional Kindergarten for those who may need a little more time. They can [check out more about the class here](#) and [start the enrollment process at this link](#). Thank you for sharing!



School Office Closed Until July 15

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Please consider helping support this vital tuition assistance fund
<https://www.dmdiocese.org/giving/bishops-catholic-schools-tuition-assistance-fund>

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



NOTES FROM THE SCHOOL JULY 5 2020

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[HOLYTRINITYDM.ORG/
ENROLL/TUITION-INFORMATION](https://holytrinitydm.org/enroll/tuition-information)

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each student that enrolls**



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BRING THE GOSPEL HOME JULY 5 2020

READING I: Zechariah 9:9-10

PSALM: 145: 1-14

READING II: Romans 8:9-13

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:25-30



Question for Children: When you are generous, honest, and loving, how do you know it is Jesus who helps you do that

Question for Youth: Jesus invites us to bring him our burdens and promises us that he will give us rest. How do you rely on Jesus during times of trouble? When has Jesus helped you?

Question for Adults: As you go about your daily life, dying in love for others, how do you experience Christ giving you consolation and peace?

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Elizabeth of Portugal, Wife, Mother and Religious

Elizabeth from was a royal family and was destined for a throne from birth, but her early upbringing taught her humility and a strong sense of charity. At the age of twelve, Elizabeth was married to Denis, King of Portugal. Elizabeth earned the title of “Peacemaker” because she frequently intervened between quarreling members of her family. In the royal milieu of the time, family quarrels often turned into wars. On two occasions, Elizabeth came between the forces of her husband and of her son. Two other times, she either averted war or intervened in disputes between rulers of Spanish kingdoms.

In our times, maintaining peace in one’s family does not usually involve averting a war. But peace among family members is no less important—or no less difficult to achieve—than it was in Elizabeth’s time.

Elizabeth's message today: In our times, maintaining peace in one’s family does not usually involve averting a war. But peace among family members is no less important—or no less difficult to achieve—than it was in Elizabeth’s time.

Where do you stand in your family? Are you a peacemaker? The contentious one? What can you do to bring peace where there is dissension?

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NOTES ON THE MASS JULY 5 2020

SPIRITUALITY OF THE READINGS

Go Gentle

In the [Gospel](#) this week, how beautiful Jesus words are, and yet so hard to trust.

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”

What a great comfort these promises are. There is a place to go to when death or loss or suffering descend upon us.

Another very honest viewpoint is given by [Dylan Thomas](#), the poet, who was in no way wiser than Jesus, but nevertheless deserves to be heard. He wrote this to his dying father:

*“Do not go gentle into that good night,
Old age should burn and rave at close of day;
Rage, rage against the dying of the light.*”*

Rage is quite different from the ease that Jesus promises. And in his great poem, “Fern Hill,” the same poet says,

*“Oh as I was young and easy
in the mercy of his means,
Time held me green and dying
Though I sang in my chains like the sea.”*

Dylan Thomas was a raggedy man, who, if rumor is true, drank himself to the death he dreaded. He loved his youth and sang glad song to it, but death always stood waiting, and it did not offer relief to the chains it wrapped around him.

What about Jesus? He said that his yoke was easy yet he went through torture and death. How can this be?

Here is an approach. Maybe labor and burdens are not meant to be erased from our lives, not erased or thrown away, but instead are meant to be pathways to a solid ground far underneath our troubles, into a quiet grounding that is real stillness and rest. What rich earth would that be?

Jesus says it is meekness and humility of heart.

In the desert he had already told the devil that the only food he needed was “every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.” Maybe the only real goods in life are those rooted in the love that is God and in the meekness and humility that are Jesus’ life.

“Watch me,” Jesus says. “I am meek, and riding on an ass, on a colt, the foal of an ass ([First Reading](#)). Or in other words,

“Watch me on the sad height of Calvary and see. I have let it all go—belongings, beloveds, reputation, everything. One thing remains. In it I find my rest. Make it your life, whatever your sorrow, whatever act of living and dying and being burdened you have, and it will not be heavy. Make it the center of your life and your burden will be light too.”

Love.

Love of God and neighbor.

If you can begin to let go into the arms of the Great Love, if you can give your life away instead of raging, you will know rest from your burdens. You will see how death is the ultimate act of giving yourself away, as Jesus did in the midst of his burdens. Meek and humble of heart, he is, not proud and above it all.

Take your troubles and hand them gratefully to the One who can give you rest.

John Foley, SJ



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PARISH CALENDAR WEEK OF JULY 5 2020

	SUNDAY 7/5	MONDAY 7/6	TUESDAY 7/7	WEDNESDAY 7/8	THURSDAY 7/9	FRIDAY 7/10	SATURDAY 7/11
HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL		School Office Closed through July 15					
FAITH FORMATION		Vacation Bible School Sign Up Ends					
ADULT FAITH FORMATION	Mass 8:30AM Mass 10:30AM		Mass 8AM	Mass 8AM	Mass 6PM	Mass 8AM	Mass 4:30PM
AND MORE		Parish Office Summer Hours 8AM to 2PM					

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

MASS / LITURGY SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Sunday July 5

8:30 AM Mass

Tim McDonald

10:30 AM Mass

For the Parish

Monday July 6

NO Mass or
Comm Srvc

Tuesday July 7

8 AM Mass

Chris Crawford

Wednesday July 8

8 AM Mass

Virgil Hefner

Thursday July 9

6 PM Mass

NO Adoration
Kathy Evans & Family

Friday July 10

8 AM Mass

Ruth & Jim Wright

Saturday July 11

4:30 PM Mass

NO Reconciliation
Lucas Bergman & Family

Sunday July 12

8:30 AM Mass

For the Parish

10:30 AM Mass

Vicki Smith

NEXT WEEK LITURGICAL MINISTERS / ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, July 11 4:30PM

Altar Server

No Servers at This Time

Lectors

Rob Hoover

EMHC

Team 2

Musical Coordinator

Tom Quiner

Sunday, July 12 8:30 AM

Altar Server

No Servers at This Time

Lectors

Scott Flood & Mark McAndrews

EMHC

Team 1

Children's Liturgy

No Children's Liturgy

Musical Coordinator

Tom Quiner

Sunday, July 12 10:30 AM

Altar Server

No Servers at This Time

Lectors

Hazel Helm & Tammy Altman

EMHC

Team 4

Children's Liturgy

No Children's Liturgy

Musical Coordinator

Dr. Kevin Allemagne

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