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Sept 29 2019 26th Sunday Ordinary Time

Faith Service Respect



GREETINGS

This past week we began our annual parish tithing drive. You should have received a letter from me, and a tithing intention card. I ask that you give this your most prayerful attention. For the past couple years our tithing has declined. I know finances are tight for many and there are many responsibilities and obligations when it comes to our financial resources. It is the same here at the parish. Our expenses continue to increase each year. The coming week is designated as commitment week. I am asking that all parishioners do their best to let us know your tithing intention for the coming year. You can mail your intention card in or bring it to Mass the weekend of October 5-6. This information helps us to develop a realistic budget and better know what we will be able to offer in the coming year. Please know that our entire staff does our best to be good stewards of your generous support of Holy Trinity and that all pledges and gifts are greatly appreciated.

Have a good week

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NOTES FROM THE CHURCH SEPT 29 2019

ARE YOU ABLE TO JOIN HOLY TRINITY TO HELP FAMILIES IN NEED?

Holy Trinity continues its long tradition of service to provide outreach to homeless families through the Family Promise of Greater Des Moines organization, a local faith-based shelter that provides outreach to families transitioning from homelessness. We will would like to invite Holy Trinity members to this opportunity to serve others.

When? Sunday, Sept 29 thru Saturday, Oct 5 Where? Westminster Presbyterian Church (Beaver & Franklin)

What is involved in hosting families?

Holy Trinity will offer shelter/hospitality to families in the Family Promise program that week, generally 2—3 families ranging from 5—12 family members.

Evening Meal and Hospitality 5:00 – 8:30PM

Two volunteers (individuals or families) are needed to prepare and serve a meal at Westminster Presbyterian Church on their assigned day.

Overnight Hosting 8:30PM - 7:00AM

Overnight hosts are needed (1 volunteer per night) to spend the nights Sunday, September 29—Saturday, October 5. Volunteers spend the night from 8:30PM – 7:00AM the next morning. Overnight hosts sleep at Westminster Presbyterian Church where a bed is provided. Volunteers reserve their spot by going to (https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/290636 6/false#/invitation) If you have questions, contact Tom Green, 515-229-6072 or Mary Frances McAndrews, 515-720-2226.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

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FAITH FORMATION CATECHISTS NEEDED

Our Faith Formation department is still in need of faith-filled Adults from the parish who would interested in volunteering to serve as a catechist for the 2019-2020 school year. We could use help (Grades Grades 1-5, EDGE 6-8) with Confirmation. If you're interested in signing up for this rewarding volunteer opportunity, please email John, Director of Faith Formation at johnm@holytrinitydm.org, or call 255-3162, ext. 224 for more details and catechist training information. The Faith Formation schedules can be found online www.htschool.org. A background check and VIRTUS training required for all adults who work children, youth and vulnerable adults.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

For boys and girls entering 4th - 7th grade (HT student or public school) who are interested in serving their Parish as an Altar Server at the weekend liturgies, there will be a training on Sunday, September 29th. The training will begin after 10:30 am Mass in the Church. The students will meet by the choir loft. Please call the Parish Office at 255-3162 ext. 128 or email parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org to sign up.

HEALING MASS FRIDAY OCTOBER 18 10AM



If you want to experience God's healing grace, come to the Healing Mass on Friday October 18 at 10AM. Father Mark along with two additional priests will offer the Sacrament of the Sick during this liturgy. Anyone experiencing pain or distress whether mental, physical or spiritual is a candidate for this. ALL Parishioners are welcome to attend and offer community support. Refreshments will follow Mass in the Social Room.

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS ENDING WEEK OF SEPT 15 2019

 Budget - July 2019 - June 2020
 \$1,008,000
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 YTD Budget through Sept 15, 2019
 \$222,462
 Tithing for the week ending Sept 15
 \$5,872

 YTD Actual tithing through Sept 15, 2019
 \$200,434
 # of Donations Received
 87



NOTES FROM THE SCHOOL SEPT 29 2019

SOCKTOBER: CLOTHE THE NAKED

Holy Trinity Student Council is hosting Socktober! Students are invited to bring a new pair of socks or new or gently used gloves (socks for your hands) during the month of October. For each day a student donates a pair of socks or gloves, the student can wear crazy socks to school that same day. If you bring a pair of socks or gloves each day, then you could wear crazy socks for the whole month of Socktober. Each homeroom will have a donation bin in their classroom There will also be a donation bin outside of the school office for the rest of community who would like to contribute. Adult sizes are in the highest need, but all sizes are accepted. Check out the display case outside the library during Socktober to track our progress. All socks and gloves are donated to local shelters.

HOMEROOM PARENTS STILL NEEDED

Volunteering as a homeroom parent is a fun way to do it! We are still looking for volunteers for the following classrooms and our first event is quickly approaching: PS3 M/W/F, PS4 PM, DK, 2 Bethel, 2 Kuhlers, 3 Debondt, 4 Carroll, 5 TeKippe, 7 Sherzan, and 7 Riordan. Homeroom parents help to plan the school parties, end of the year picnic, and a few other activities throughout the year. Each classroom has multiple volunteers so it's a great way to meet other parents. If you are interested in volunteering please email Toye Cody at: toye.cody@meredith.com.

WALKATHON 2019 SHOW US YOUR FLEX



Saturday, October 12—Join us for the annual Holy Trinity Walk-A-Thon beginning with 4:30PM Saturday Mass, followed by a short walk and dinner. Our goal is to raise \$21,000 for flexible seating. This is Holy Trinity School's primary fundraising event so please plan to participate and attend! For more information about this event, or to make a donation to the walk-a-thon, visit the Holy Trinity website Walk-A-Thon page or contact Lynndi Koester Lynndi.koester@gmail.com.

PLANNING FOR A BIGGER FUTURE

The best way to keep moving something forward is to have the ability to look beyond what is happening today. As parents, you may have some questions about Holy Trinity School's plan for the future. To help answer these, I've answered a few of the key ones most recently brought to my attention. As always, you can meet with me at school, please just call the number below to set up a time.

FAQS

WHY IS ENROLLMENT DOWN? Compared to the nationwide 9% decrease, ours is only 4.7%, putting us above the national norm. Holy Trinity School's long term goal is to get more students to keep tuition cost down but not so many that classes sizes go too far up.

WHY DO WE WANT SMALL CLASS SIZES? More time for each of your children from our teachers. The reality is that many classrooms have supersized themselves in the public sector to the point that teaching has become more difficult than before. Holy Trinity School's goal is to always be right-sized in order to allows us to give your child a personalized education. At Holy Trinity, your child isn't just a number.

WHAT'S THE OVERALL GOAL? We are assessing our current marketing efforts, working on a 5-year plan and leveraging the rebranding work that has come out of the Visioning work. You'll see a lot of these efforts being activated over the next 12 months, and we will start tracking our efforts to continually optimize.

CAN I DO ANYTHING TO HELP? YES! Our parents and students are the very best ambassadors for our school! Please follow/like us on Social Media. We're on Facebook; Instagram and Twitter. Provide reviews on Niche.com, Greatschools.com and Google.com. Share our content and new website, holytrinitydm.org with your friends, family and any asking about the school.

Remember: We're all *Taking the Journey Together* to help your children grow in faith, service and respect. Thank you, and God bless!--*Dr. Anne Franklin, Principal*



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NPM MASS AND MUSICIANS' BLESSING

Sunday, Nov 24, 2019, 2:00PM at St. Ambrose Cathedral, 607 High Street, Des Moines, IA, 50309 will be a mass and blessing of pastoral musicians. Reception will follow at the Pastoral Center. Hosted by the Des Moines Diocese Chapter of the Natl. Association of Pastoral Musicians.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE BEAVERDALE HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE



Holy Trinity Catholic Church is hosting its 42nd annual Beaverdale Holiday Boutique on Nov 8 and 9, 2019. We have a few openings for vendors selling unique, hand crafted items. Connect with us at beaverdaleholidayboutique@gmail.com for more information. Links to the application and additional information can be found on the Holy Trinity website http://www.htschool.org/school/beaverdale-boutique/ or on Facebook at Beaverdaleboutique.

STILL NEED A CHOIR DIRECTOR

Those attending the 10:30 mass may have noticed a new face in the Schola. Elise Kerr has agreed to be our interim Schola director through Christmas. We're very happy to have her with us! Which means we are still looking for a permanent part time Schola choir director to begin January 2020. For more details or questions, please contact Andy Negrete in the Parish Office.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS NEEDED

St. Francis of Assisi in West Des Moines, IA seeks a fulltime Director of Operations. Reporting to the Pastor, this position will provide overall planning, coordination and management of financial affairs, facilities and human resources for the parish, to be conducted either directly or through the management/ supervision of staff, contractors and volunteers. A bachelor's degree in Business Administration, Accounting, Human Resources, or other business-related major with relevant experience is required; a MBA is desired. The ideal candidate should have 5 to 10 years of progressive leadership and management experience and must be a practicing Catholic in good standing. Please submit your resume, cover letter and completed job application by mail to 7075 Ashworth Road, West Des Moines, IA 50266 or online (found on our website) to Fr. Ray McHenry at rmchenry@saintfrancischurch.org by October 15.

MEET THE NEW YOUTH MINISTER



Hi, my name is Gigi Wilwerding. I was baptized at Holy Trinity and attended St. Augustine's grade school. I'm a graduate of Creighton and Grandview University where I received two masters degrees in Nursing. In my 20's I was a part time pediatric nurse and a part time youth minister at Sacred Heart in West Des Moines.

In 2001 I married my husband Jim, and in 2002 we moved to Beaverdale and became members at Holy Trinity. We are the proud parents of two children. Our son Joseph is a freshman at Dowling, and our daughter Catie is in 6th grade here at Holy Trinity.

I love kids of all ages and prefer cheerful, funny kids to grouchy adults. I'm beyond thrilled and blessed to be joining the staff here. I will be ministering to the high school youth of our parish, leading the Confirmation process, the NCYC trip to the in November along with teaching high school faith formation.

I believe it takes a parish to raise a child! I look forward to being a part of the lives of our teens as they grow in their faith and encounter Christ.

Want more information? Go to www.holytrinitydm.org or call 515 255 3162



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JUSTFAITH

The Center for Social Ministry offers poverty awareness and social justice education that transforms and empowers to drive change. We serve as a key resource to help individuals connect to programs, volunteer opportunities, and advocacy efforts. is designed for people who want to live more simply, love more compassionately, and make a difference by responding to the needs of the world. This small group program will help you explore today's issues through the lens of your faith and formulate a personal/group response. Through engaging reading, thought-provoking prayer, dialogue and relationship building, you'll share a journey of faith that invites you to consider how you can "be the change" in our world. JustFaith is made up of three stand-alone, eight-week sessions that can be taken individually or together. Visit our website www.centerforsocialministry.org or csm.cour sestorm.com to register. Please call 515-782-3054 or email centerforsocialministry@gmail.com for info.

LOOKING FOR A DENTIST? PLUMBER?
NEW PLACE TO SHOP? BACK ADJUSTMENT?

Did you know the back of every bulletin is full of people who are supporting Holy Trinity? Their ads actually pay for the printing so there are no costs incurred. In return, they hope to get your business. So when you need new floors put in, carpets cleaned, a realignment on you or your car, or just a sweet little chocolate treat, look to the back of the bulletin for your needs. And if you happen to see one these business owners, thank them for supporting Holy Trinity! Let's support our supporters!

SUPPORT OUR GENEROUS ADVERTISERS!

To advertise your business, please contact Andy Negrete in the Parish Office 255-3162 ext. 129 or andyn@holytrinitydm.org

CHRISTMAS GALA TICKETS GO ON SALE OCTOBER 3RD

Do you love Christmas music? Then you'll love the Holy Trinity Respect Life Group's 7th annual Christmas gala: THE WONDERS OF HIS LOVE. Details: Saturday, December 14th, 5:30PM, \$280 per table; or \$35 per person. Includes a lovely sit-down dinner. Sunday matinee: December 15th, 2PM, \$15 per person or \$50 per family. Includes dessert bar only. The show stars Gina Gedler backed by the 20 voice Fire and Mercy choir and an 18 piece orchestra! Seating is limited. Online tickets go on sale October 3 www.HolyTrinityRespectLife.com. Questions? Call Tom or Karen Quiner: 515-276-9266.

JOIN US AT THE LIFE CHAIN ON SUNDAY, OCT 6TH

ATTN Holy Trinity Social Justice Warriors: You are invited to join us in respectful prayer on behalf of our unborn brothers and sisters on Sunday, Oct 6, from 2-3:30PM. We'll meet at St. Theresa Catholic Church parking lot (1230 Merle Hay Rd.) Signs and prayers provided as together we stand up for life at the corners of Merle Hay & University. YOU <u>are</u> needed!



THE JOY OF GIVING... THERE IS NO GREATER FEELING

Giving gives you the greatest reward—think of how you feel at the holidays! Tithing covers more than half of our school's tuition annually, keeps the doors of our facilities open for future generations and propels our fellowship forward. We know there is only so much any one can do, but because we are all *Taking the Journey Together*, as a Parish we can lift each other up by simply giving just a little more this year. Thank you all, for all you do, and thank you for giving all you can.



	SUNDAY 9/29	MONDAY 9/30	TUESDAY 10/1	WEDNESDAY 10/2	THURSDAY 10/3	FRIDAY 10/4	SATURDAY 10/5
HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL	Mock Trial 5PM	SCRIP Jeans Day	Mock Trial 5PM	Early Dismissal 1PM		\$1 Jeans Day Mass hosted by 4 th Grade 8:30AM	
FAITH FORMATION			NO AM MASS	NO AM MASS Faith Formation & Edge Class 6:30PM 9th Grade Confirmation Session 6:30PM	NO AM MASS Adoration 2-10PM		
ADULT FAITH FORMATION		Men's Bible Study RM 105 8:30PM	RCIA at the Day Chapel 6:30PM	Faith & Friendship Group RM 105/106 7:30PM			
MISC	Alter Server Training 11:30- 12:30PM			Lifeteen RM 102 6:30PM Schola Practice Church 7:30PM			Celtic Music Concert 8-11:30PM

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Sunday, Sept 29

8:30 AM Mass Margaret Gannon 10:30 AM Mass Special Intentions

Monday, Sept 30

8:00 AM Communion Service

Tuesday, Oct 1

8:00 NO AM MASS TODAY

Wednesday, Oct 2

8:00 NO AM MASS TODAY

Thursday, Oct 3

8:00 NO AM MASS TODAY

Friday, Oct 4

8:30 AM Mass Margaret & Don Hawkins

Saturday, Oct 5

4:30 PM Mass Larry & Margaret Gannon

Sunday, Oct 6

8:30 AM Mass Roger Dial
10:30 AM Mass Victoria Christian

NEXT WEEK LITURGICAL MINISTERS / ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, Sept October 5 St Catherine

Lectors Knights of Columbus EMHC Knights of Columbus

Musical Coordinator Tom Quiner

Sunday, October 6 8:30 AM

Altar Server St Theresa

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Children's Liturgy Team F Musical Coordinator Tom Quiner

Sunday, October 6 10:30 AM

Altar Server St Margaret

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Children's Liturgy Team 4

Musical Coordinator Mary Keck

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

WEEKDAY COMMUNION SERVICE Mon 8:00AM

WEEKDAY MASSES Tue-Thurs 8:00AM / Fri 8:30AM w/School



BRING THE GOSPEL HOME SEPT 29 2019

READING 1 Amos 6:1a.4-7

PSALM 146:7,8-9,9-10

READING 2 1 Timothy 6:11-16

GOSPEL Luke 16:19-31



QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

Question for Children: Jesus teaches us to share what we have with others. What do you have that you are able to share?

Question for Youth: The Gospel story tells us that we are judged by what we do or don't do for the poor and needy. How are you currently reaching out to those in need? What more could you do?

Question for Adults: What choices can you or have you made to balance your own life with those who are homeless, poor and in need of assistance for daily living? How does this Gospel reading inform you about that?

Wenceslaus, King and Martyr, c. 907-935

Wenceslaus was born into the royal family of Bohemia (Czech Republic), and in 925, he assumed the throne shortly after the death of his father. Wenceslaus announced that he would support God's law and endeavor to rule with justice and mercy. Wenceslaus' message today: Being a just and merciful ruler has never been an easy task—nevertheless, being just and merciful is exactly what our Christian beliefs call on us to do.

If you are a leader or a manager, how do you treat your employees? With justice? With mercy?



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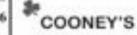


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