

Stay awake and be ready! For you do not know on what day your Lord will come. (Matthew 24:42, 44)

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Gospel today tells us the parable of the ten virgins. The moral for us is to always be prepared to meet the Lord when he comes for us. The wise ones prepare and are ready. The foolish ones are unprepared and not ready to meet the Lord's sudden appearance. Into which category do we fall?

Congratulations to J.D. Kirkpatrick, who was the winner of our 50/50 Raffle. The winner's take was \$2,115.00.

We are still at about 50% per cent of our ADA goal for 2017. There is about \$60,000.00 yet to be paid. Please help us with this obligation. If you have not yet pledged or made a contribution I ask that you do so as soon as possible. Please also keep our elevator project in mind as we strive to get this expenditure behind us.

Next weekend there will be a second national collection for The Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Many less fortunate people are helped through the efforts of the Church. Please do what you can to help the less fortunate.

We have surely entered a change of seasons. We are also quickly approaching the holy season of Advent. May the Lord, with his grace, also change our hearts, that we may be ever more dedicated to him and to our faith!

May God's grace always grow in your hearts!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Pastor *Aguilar M. Nishish*

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL: \$66,026.41 has been paid on our 2017 assessment of \$132,297. We still owe \$66,270.59 or 50%.

ELEVATOR FUND

Current Donations.....\$ 668,403.90
Goal.....\$ 800,000.00

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 11 TO NOVEMBER 19

TIMES FOR EUCHARIST AND INTENTIONS

SAT 11 4:00PM Intentions of Dan & Marilyn Bradley
6:00PM Spanish Mass

SUN 12 8:30AM +Kathryn Mauro
10:30AM Parish & Benefactors

MON 13 12:00PM Intentions of Leo & Rob and
+Marilyn Schiltz

TUE 14 12:00PM +Darrell Gass

WED 15 12:00PM +All the Saints of the Nguyen Family

THU 16 12:00PM +Lucille Molloy

FRI 17 12:00PM +Lynn Ann O'Leary

SAT 18 9:00AM Deceased Relatives of the
Dorsett & Dal Corso Families

(Vigil Mass)

4:00PM +W. E. Lowery

SUN 19 8:30AM Intentions of Maria Nguyen Family
10:30AM Parish & Benefactors

THE BASILICA OF ST. JOHN STREAMING ONLINE:

www.YouTube.com/BasilicaStJohn

<http://basilica.churchcastonline.com> (live from your computer)

PRAYER CHAIN: Do you know someone who is in need of prayer? The Basilica Prayer Chain can help. To request prayers email Deacon Luke Tieskoetter at tieskoetterluke3@gmail.com or Terri at 321-2743 or sinc2@aol.com.

CATECHISM CORNER:

Question: Who is the Head of this body?

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church.
(Look for the answer in next weeks bulletin.)

SAVE THE DATE: Altar & Rosary's annual Christmas bazaar is December 2 & 3. For over 30 years this holiday parish fundraiser has been organized and run by the Altar & Rosary Society ... but we rely on parishioners to make it successful. Please plan to bring rummage items (no clothes or shoes) for the second hand or nearly new sale...and bring baked items for the bake sale. On Saturday afternoon from 3-6 pm, there will be beef vegetable soup, chicken noodle soup, tamales and maidrite sandwiches to eat in or take out. We also will be selling cinnamon rolls on Sunday and have the food line until 1:30 pm. There will be a quilt raffle and craft tables as well. Invite your family and friends to join us. All proceeds go back to the parish. Questions? Call Chris Killough 279-6774.

★ The Required Confirmation Retreat for second year Confirmation Students will be the weekend of February 23-25 2018. We will be having a fundraising bake sale during the Christmas Bazaar to help cover the cost of the trip. All second year students must participate. We are asking the students and families to donate and prepare baked goods for the sale from 4:30pm- 8:00pm on November 30, in the church kitchen. The students will also need to run the table at the Bazaar on Saturday, December 2, from 3pm-6pm and Sunday after Masses until 1:30pm.





The Basilica of St. John
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 12, 2017

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Life



YOUR PARISH THIS WEEK		
NOVEMBER 13 THRU NOVEMBER 19		
MON 13	9:00AM 7:00PM	Adoration Begins@ RCIA**
TUE 14	10:00AM 1:00PM 4:30PM	Boy's Youth Choir+++ Youth Choir Practice+++ Columbus Academy Class**
WED 15	9:00AM 9:30AM 6:15PM	Adoration Begins@ Bible Study+ Religious Ed. **
THU 16	8:00AM 6:00PM 7:00PM	Organ Practice Choir Room in use+++ Choir Practice+++
FRI 17	9:00AM 9:00AM	Adoration Begins@ Columbus Academy Class**
SAT 18	8:30AM 9:00AM 10:00AM 10:00AM	Chaplet of Divine Mercy## Hall in use until 3pm Secular Franciscan Meeting** Carmelite Meeting**
SUN 19	8:00AM 12:00PM	Vietnamese Prayer Group+ Pastoral Council Meeting+
Diocesan 2nd Collection— Catholic Campaign for Human Development		
SIGN INDICATORS +++ = Choir Loft; ** = School; @ = Chapel; * = Rectory + = Church Hall; ## = Church; % = Conference Room; (N) = (North Hall); (S) = (South Hall)		
Daily Scripture Readings for the week of November 13, 2017:		
Monday:	Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6	
Tuesday:	Wis 2:23-3:9; Lk 17:7-10	
Wednesday:	Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19	
Thursday:	Wis 7:22b-8:1; Lk 17:20-25	
Friday:	Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37	
Saturday:	Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8	
Sunday:	Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30	

The Family of Rachel Hanian would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards and thoughtfulness at the time of her passing and her funeral.

If anyone would like to lead the Rosary on Sunday mornings, before the 10:30 am Mass, please call the parish office at 244-3101, ext. 0.



HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL: It's time for Holy Family's annual wreath and garland sale! Make sure to order your wreath, garland, and swag from any Holy Family student after Mass today. Orders for these items are due November 17. Or call the school at 262-8025 to place your order.

Contemporary Sainthood By Mark Hart: In this inspiring double feature, Mark Hart boldly challenges and encourages you to be the saint God created you to be. Fuel your spiritual life with invaluable insights into unleashing the power of the Holy Spirit and the dangers of putting human expectations on our supreme God. *Listen on formed.org*

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Attention Married Couples: "God reveals Himself through the Love of a couple". **Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.** For information and to register go to iowa-wwme.org or call [563-608-3305](tel:563-608-3305) or email: JLJwwme08@Gmail.com

Childhood Faith Formation Coordinator Needed! The St. Francis of Assisi Faith Formation Office will have an opening come January, 2018. This 18 hour-a-week position coordinates the parish's faith formation efforts for children from birth to 4 years of age. This includes Sunday Youth Faith Formation (Sunday School and support for CGS catechists), Children's Liturgy of the Word, and special events for children of this age and their parents. We also hope to grow this ministry to include faith formation for toddlers. Hours can be flexible but does include work on Sundays during the school year. Applicants should have teaching experience, either in religious education or schools and the ability to work with adult volunteers. Interested individuals should contact Christen Cota, Youth Faith Formation Director, 515-440-1030, ext. 156.

Dowling Catholic High School Performing Arts Department Presents: Gooney Bird Greene & Her True Life Adventures on December 1st and 2nd, 2017, 7:30pm located in the Dowling Catholic Auditorium (enter thru the chapel). Tickets: \$5 (adult) -- \$3(child/SAT pass). *Show time: approximately 1 hour.*

Drake University's Cavalcade of Choirs Concert on Sunday, November 19, 3:00 p.m., will feature all four Drake choruses (showcasing more than 250 singers). The ensembles will perform music in a wide variety of musical styles. The concert will take place in Sheslow Auditorium on the Drake University campus. There is no admission charge, although donations will be accepted.

LIFELINES: Dr. Kathi Aultman, OB-GYN and former abortionist, during U.S. House testimony on abortion: "I love to meet adults who I delivered... but I am reminded of all the people I will **never** meet because **I aborted them...** It also reminds me that **I AM A MASS MURDERER.**"

