

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord; and my Father will love him and we will come to him. (John 14:23)

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

Financial Update

A financial update is placed here in my column the first Sunday of every month so that everyone is aware of the financial breakdown of our financial obligations and situation.

Elevator Debt: We still owe \$240,000.00 before this project will be entirely paid off. We continue to make slow, but steady progress towards this goal.

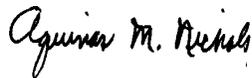
ADA: We also still need you all to make a pledge towards our ADA. Envelopes are in the pews, or simply mark your check for the ADA. We still need pledges to raise \$57,100.00 for the 2018 ADA. Please make your pledge if you have not already done so. It is extremely important for us to make this assessment so that the extra income we may receive through the Christmas appeal stays within the parish for our own needs. If every registered family and individuals would pledge just a dollar a day for the year we would come close to making our assessment. **Please!?!**

Foundation Debt: We presently owe our Foundation \$55,000.00, mostly for Holy Family School, which is paid up through December 31st. Please do what you can to help us! We must attend to these budget items. I ask you to prayerfully consider doing whatever you can to help the parish in the above debts.

Please keep an eye on the summary in the bulletin each week regarding financial needs and what is received. According to the latest calculations we are running quite a bit behind. May the Lord reward you for your continued generosity to our parish family. Please watch the income each week in the bulletin to see how we stand regarding the budget versus income. It is important for us to increase our weekly income to stay current with expenses.

The Lord bless you for your goodness.

Devotedly in the Lord,



Pastor

Basilica of St. John WEEKLY INCOME from: 10/28/18

Total - \$10,500.32
Need - \$21,198.08

Year to Date (YTD) – Fiscal Year July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019

YTD Total - \$271,794.97
YTD Need - \$381,565.44

REMAINING ELEVATOR DEBT: \$236,000.00

THANK YOU: Our family would like to thank everyone for praying for our newborn baby, Henry Selgrade. He is home with us now. We deeply appreciate all your prayers and ask that you continue to pray for him to continue to improve in his growth and development. Thank you.....Thomas & Kelly Selgrade and Family

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE
NOVEMBER 3 TO NOVEMBER 11
TIMES FOR EUCHARIST AND INTENTIONS**

SAT 03	4:00PM	+For all Souls-Nguyen
	6:00PM	Spanish Mass
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SUN 04	8:30AM	+Mary Sang Dinh
	10:30AM	Parish & Benefactors
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MON 05	12:00PM	+Mary Jean Gouger
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TUE 06	12:00PM	Intentions of Robert & Julia Strause
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WED 07	12:00PM	+Mary Ann Stastny
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THU 08	12:00PM	+Joseph Dien Nguyen
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FRI 09	12:00PM	+Jim Reihsen
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SAT 10	9:00AM	Living/Deceased Members of Altar/Rosary & Basilica Seminarians
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	(Vigil Mass)	
	4:00PM	+Renney Perry
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SUN 11	8:30AM	Parish & Benefactors
	10:30AM	+Bill Tegeler

THE BASILICA OF ST. JOHN STREAMING ONLINE:
www.BasilicaofStJohn.org and click on the link...
..... "LIVE TELECAST" tab

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: What is the mission of the Pope?

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



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 16. Or call the school at 262-8025 to place your order. The Holy Family school board will meet Thursday, November 8 at 6:00 p.m. at the school.





The Basilica of St. John
Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 4, 2018

Respect
Life



YOUR PARISH THIS WEEK
NOVEMBER 5 THRU NOVEMBER 11

MON 05	9:00AM 4:00PM 6:30PM 6:30PM	Adoration Begins@ Organ Practice RCIA** KC Council Meeting+
TUE 06	8:45AM 10:00AM 5:00PM 5:00PM 6:30PM	Organ Practice+ Youth Choir+++ H.S. Humanities Class** Organ Practice+++ Faith Formation Class**
WED 07	8:00AM 9:00AM 10:00 AM 6:15PM 7:30PM	Catholic School House Classes** Adoration Begins@ Bible Study+ Religious Ed. **+ St. Jude's R.E. **+
THU 08	8:00AM 10:00AM 10:30AM 5:45PM 7:00PM	Organ Practice+++ Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Class Organ Practice+++ Choir Room in use+++ Choir Rehearsal+++
FRI 09	9:00AM 9:00AM	Adoration Begins@ H.S. Humanities Class**
SAT 10	8:30AM 9:45AM	Chaplet of Divine Mercy## Altar & Rosary Meeting**
SUN 11	8:00AM 12:00PM	Vietnamese Prayer Group+ Pro Life Meeting+

Daily Scripture Readings for the week of November 5, 2018:

Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11; Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Lk 15:1-10
Friday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Saturday: Phil 4:10-19; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44

LIFELINES: In the Preamble to the Declaration of Independence, Thomas Jefferson made it very clear that all human beings "are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights". Chief and first among those he enumerated was the Right to Life. Jefferson and our founding fathers knew that without the right to life, no other rights are possible. How can one have the right to vote or the right to free speech, for example, if one does not firstly have the right to exist? The rights mentioned in the Declaration are no less valid than those articulated in our Constitution. This applies especially to the right to life, which is clearly protected under the 14th Amendment by due process of law. We need to impress upon our children the importance of these two documents and how they guarantee every American, born or unborn, weak or strong, the blessings of Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness.

(pro-lifearticle.org)



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH: Joe & Dianne Raftis, Juliana Valadez & Family.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Congratulations to Frederick Doyle and Ezra Quick and their families on the recent celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism.

CONGRATULATIONS: To Gianna Kluesner, the winner of this year's "March for Life" Essay Contest sponsored by the Pro-Life Committee at the Basilica. Gianna and her chaperone will travel with Iowans for Life to Washington DC for the annual "March" in January. Registration is still available for anyone interested in attending the "March". Cost & information is found at the Iowans for Life website: iowansforlife.org/march-for-life/.



ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY'S November meeting will be Saturday, November 10 following the 9 a.m. Mass. Sue Jansen's Band #2 will host and will serve coffee and donuts on Sunday. (Trading with Band #1.) We will discuss our December bake sale. Membership books and quilt raffle tickets will be distributed. Attendees are asked to bring Thanksgiving recipes to share along with a favorite Thanksgiving story!

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Dowling Catholic High School: Is hosting its annual Open House for Prospective Students on Sunday, November 4th from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Families will take a tour of the school, meet the teachers, moderators, and coaches and learn about tuition assistance. There are prizes to win and games to play! It's a fun day for the whole family!

Iowa Catholic Radio: Invites all ladies to the next **Ladies' MOSAIC Luncheon** on Thursday, November 8 from 12:00-1:00PM, at St. Theresa's Church. The featured speaker is Sarah Hanson and she is the Director of U.S. Development for Blessman International, a local organization that brings South African Children and their families God's love and eternal hope through faith formation and locally sustainable programs. Lunch is free but seating is limited, so please sign up early. For more information and to register, go to iowacatholicradio.com or call 515-223-1150.

Take24 Young Adult Advent Retreat: All young adults throughout the diocese are invited to Take24 hours away from the hectic nature of their lives to prepare for Advent with a weekend of prayer and discernment at the St. Thomas More Center. Taking place from noon to noon on December 1st and 2nd, the retreat costs \$100. Go to: dmidioese.org/ministries-and-faith-formation/youth-and-young-adults/young-adult-ministry/take24-retreats-resources

Save The Date: Catholic Charities annual "No Room at the Inn" holiday reception is December 7. Join us at the Catholic Pastoral Center, 601 Grand Ave., in support of the emergency family shelter. Go to CatholicCharitiesDM.org for details.

Emmaus House Spirituality Center: Has a new co-director, Kevin O'Donnell, who is offering retreats, days of private prayer and spiritual direction. Meet him while stopping by Emmaus House, 1521 Center St. in Des Moines, for noon Mass on Tuesdays and Fridays.