

*Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord,  
and my Father will love him and we will come to him.*

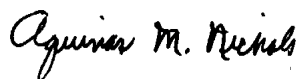
(John 14:23)

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I am away for some days for a little rest after the hectic Easter Season. Please welcome the good priests who will be covering for us during my absence.

Be sure to stop down in the parish hall after today's Sunday Masses for the KC Pancake breakfast!

Sincerely in Christ,



Pastor

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL:** We now have \$41,751.00, or 32%, of the ADA assessment paid. That represents 32% of the total bill of \$132,297 which has been paid by roughly 20% of registered parishioners. If every family contributes, we **WILL** pay this bill without incurring debt!

**ELEVATOR FUND**

Current Donations.....\$ 616,464.23  
Goal.....\$ 800,000.00



**PRAYERS PLEASE:** For the repose of the soul of *Jose' Rocha* who recently passed away. Please also pray for his family & friends in their time of need.



**HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL:** Our yearly Awards Assembly will be held in the school gym on Tuesday, May 23, 1:15 – 2:30p.m. All students that have participated in extracurricular school activities this year will be awarded at this time. Family and friends are welcome to attend.

**ATTENTION 2017 CONFIRMATION STUDENTS:** Please pick up your free 8x10 Confirmation Class photo in the parish office, M-F, 8am-4pm. This photo was taken by Ann Blasco-Orsinger and printed as a gift from **M.R. Lydic Media and Promotions** to each of the Confirmation recipients. You may send a "Thank You" to them at **M.R. Lydic Media and Promotions, 306 13th Street SW, Altoona, IA 50009** or via email at **CustomerService@MRLYDIC.com**

**FIRST COMMUNION CLASS PICTURES:** Are available in the parish office. Cost is \$5.00 per picture. If you would like to purchase one, please stop by during office hours, 8am-4pm, Monday-Friday.

*A cell phone was turned into the parish office on Friday, 5/5. It was found in the school. If you lost one & think it may be yours please call the parish office with a description of it. (244-3101, ext. 0)*

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE  
MAY 20 TO MAY 28**

**TIMES FOR EUCHARIST AND INTENTIONS**

**SAT 20** 4:00PM +Charles Frey  
6:00PM Spanish Mass

**SUN 21** 8:30AM +Louis Quang Le  
10:30AM Parish & Benefactors

**MON 22** 12:00PM +Gary Kiernan

**TUE 23** 12:00PM +John Randolph Rude Jr.

**WED 24** 12:00PM +Ron Weindel, Zach Walz, David Rachuy,  
Andrew & Dorothy Wieberg

**THU 25** 12:00PM +Friends/Benefactors of Franciscan Sisters, FEHJ

**FRI 26** 12:00PM For those who have no one to pray for them

**SAT 27** 9:00AM +James & JoAn Mary Lindor

**(Vigil Mass)**  
4:00PM +Whipple & Gabriel Families

**SUN 28** 8:30AM +Peter Nguyen  
10:30AM Parish & Benefactors

**THE BASILICA OF ST. JOHN STREAMING ONLINE:**  
[www.YouTube.com/BasilicaStJohn](http://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](mailto:tieskoetterluke3@gmail.com) or Terri at 321-2743 or [sinc2@aol.com](mailto:sinc2@aol.com).

**CATECHISM CORNER:**

**What is the relationship between  
the Spirit and Christ Jesus in his earthly mission?**

**ANSWER:** Beginning with his Incarnation, the Son of God was consecrated in his humanity as the Messiah by means of the anointing of the Spirit. He revealed the Spirit in his teaching, fulfilled the promises made to the Fathers, and bestowed him upon the Church at its birth when he breathed on the Apostles after the Resurrection.





*The Basilica of St. John*  
*Sixth Sunday of Easter*  
*May 21, 2017*

**Respect  
Life**



**YOUR PARISH THIS WEEK**  
**MAY 22 THRU MAY 28**

MON 22	9:00AM 6:00PM	Adoration Begins@ Organ Practice
TUE 23	9:00AM 6:00PM 6:00PM	Organ Practice Organ Practice Diocesan Marriage Prep Class+
WED 24	9:00AM	Adoration Begins@
THU 25	6:00PM 7:00PM 7:00PM	Bell Choir+++ Choir+++ Adult Faith Book Study**
FRI 26	9:00AM 6:00PM	Adoration Begins@ Wedding Rehearsal
SAT 27	8:30AM 1:00PM	Chaplet of Divine Mercy Tatz/Digiantonio Wedding
SUN 28	8:00AM 12:00PM 1:00PM	Vietnamese Prayer Group+ Divine Mercy Meeting+ Organ Practice

**Daily Scripture Readings for the week of May 22, 2017:**

**Monday:** Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26-16:4a  
**Tuesday:** Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11  
**Wednesday:** Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15  
**Thursday:** Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20  
**Friday:** Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23  
**Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28  
**Sunday:** Acts 1:12-14; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a

**LIFELINES: Pro-life Feminism:** Susan B. Anthony (1889), abolitionist and early leader of the women's suffrage movement, opposed abortion, saying: "Sweeter even than to have had the joy of caring for children of my own has it been to me to help bring about a better state of things for mothers generally, so their unborn little ones could not be killed away from them." (Priests for Life, Sixth Sunday of Easter 2017)

**TEN WAYS TO LOVE**

- LISTEN** without interrupting. (Proverbs 18)
- SPEAK** without accusing. (James 1:19)
- GIVE** without sparing. (Proverbs 21:26)
- PRAY** without ceasing. (Colossians 1:9)
- ANSWER** without arguing. (Proverbs 17:1)
- SHARE** without pretending. (Ephesians 4:15)
- ENJOY** without complaint. (Philippians 2:14)
- TRUST** without wavering. (Corinthians 13:7)
- FORGIVE** without punishing. (Colossians 3:13)
- PROMISE** without forgetting. (Proverbs 13:12)

**AROUND THE DIOCESE**

**Annual Memorial Day Mass:** Bishop Richard Pates will celebrate the annual Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 29 at Glendale Cemetery in Des Moines at 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome. In case of rain, Mass will be celebrated at 10:15 a.m. at St. Theresa Church, 1230 Merle Hay Road in Des Moines. Memorial Day is a federal holiday when we remember the men and women who died in military service to the United States.

**Marriage Encounter Weekend:** "God reveals Himself through the Love of a couple". **Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.** Upcoming Dates: October 27-29 in Cedar Falls, November 10-12 in Iowa City. For more information and to register go to [iowa-wwme.org](http://iowa-wwme.org) or call 563-608-3305 or email: [JLJwwme08@Gmail.com](mailto:JLJwwme08@Gmail.com).

**Emergency Family Shelter:** Are you looking for a way to help the hungry in our community? Call Ashley Raske, Shelter Coordinator, at 515-282-1235 to schedule a night to provide a meal for our Emergency Family Shelter. We have a high need during the spring and summer months.

**One Bread, One Cup Conference:** Calling all youth who are looking for a powerful experience of faith this summer. Join other youth from around the country as they discover the Church's treasures of Word, sacrament and mission through prayer, work and recreation. The diocese is funding partial scholarships for three young people who want to be a part of this opportunity. Contact your youth minister and John Gaffney at [jgaffney@dmdiocese.org](mailto:jgaffney@dmdiocese.org) for details.

**Divorced Survival Guide begins:** Divorced? The Catholic's DIVORCE SURVIVAL group began May 15. This 12-week session runs Mondays at St. Augustin Church in Des Moines. Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic teachings. Contact Deacon Tony Valdez for details, 515-979-2301 or [t.valdez@me.com](mailto:t.valdez@me.com) for details.

**Job Openings:** The diocese has job openings: an administrative assistant for the Vocations office and executive director for the St. Thomas More Center. Get details at [dmdiocese.org/employment](http://dmdiocese.org/employment).

**Ask a Priest:** Our diocesan newspaper, The Catholic Mirror, has brought back the Q&A that so many readers missed. Send your questions for the "Ask a Priest" column to [mirror@dmdiocese.org](mailto:mirror@dmdiocese.org) or mail to "Ask a Priest," Diocese of Des Moines, 601 Grand Ave., Des Moines, IA 50309.

**The Second Annual Summer at The Well:** Women's gathering will be Saturday, June 24 at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Indianola. It's a day full of faith, fellowship, and fun with inspirational talks, individual prayer in our Adoration chapel and worship at Saturday evening Vigil Mass. A box lunch, afternoon snack break, and buffet dinner are all included with registration. Early bird registration rate is \$60 through May 22; \$65 after. Scholarships are available for those in need. Attendees must pre-register prior to June 9. For info. and to buy tickets, visit [thewelldesmoines.com](http://thewelldesmoines.com).

**Bishop Drumm Garage Sale:** Continues each Thursday through September. Hours are 9:30am-1:30pm. The sale is located in the garage next to the Bishop Drumm Care Center. Donations may be dropped off at the garage at those times or by calling Sue at 279-1843. No beds, old tvs or computers.

**End-of-life Health Care:** The Iowa bishops' "Supportive Care Iowa" project is available to help people seeking guidance on making decisions about end-of-life health care that is aligned with Catholic values. There are now trained volunteers, called Catholic Advanced Care Planning Consultants, who can help individuals with the completion of documents that designate another person with power of attorney for health care in the event of incapacity. It is our parish's goal to help Catholics have these faith-filled discussions with friends and family in advance of a crisis and to provide guidance in completing advance directive forms in alignment with Catholic moral principles. This service is available without charge. Please contact our parish office if you are interested in this service.