

*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)*

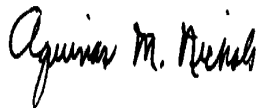
My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I am away for a period of rest since I haven't had a day off since January. Please be kind to the good priests who are covering for me during these days.

**There will be a second collection next weekend, June 1/2 for the Catholic Communications Campaign.**

May the Lord continue to bless you all!

Devotedly in the Lord,



Pastor

**WEEKLY INCOME – 5/19/19**

**Total - \$14,435.53**

**Need - \$21,198.08**

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

**YTD Total - \$929,026.03**

**YTD Need - \$996,309.76**

**REMAINING ELEVATOR DEBT: \$143,500.00**

**DEBT TO FOUNDATION: \$35,000.00**

**REMAINING ADA DEBT for 2019: \$69,961.00**



**WELCOME TO OUR PARISH:** Hussen Wilondja & Kashindi Lulungu and Family.



**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Congratulations to Callum Ward, Samuel Manley & Amira Ulrich and their families on the recent celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism.



**CONGRATULATIONS:** To Margaret O'Hagan & Stephen Snyder on the recent celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage.




**ADORERS ARE NEEDED:** We are in urgent need of additional adorers to spend one hour praying before the Blessed Sacrament: Monday or Wednesday, anytime from 9am-3:30pm or Friday, anytime 9am-2:30pm. Please call Jenifer at 244-3101 ext. 204 if you are able to help. Please prayerfully consider helping with this very important ministry. The graces you receive for one hour of prayer are extraordinary!

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

**MAY 25 TO JUNE 2**

**TIMES FOR EUCHARIST AND INTENTIONS**

<b>SAT</b>	4:00PM	+Carolyn Brunk
<b>25</b>	6:00PM	Spanish Mass
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<b>SUN</b>	8:30AM	+Maria Tu Tran
<b>26</b>	10:30AM	Parish & Benefactors
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<b>MON</b>	<b>Memorial Day</b>	
<b>27</b>	<u>9:00AM</u>	Prayers for the Tran Family 
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<b>TUE</b>	12:00PM	+Tom Gouger, brother of Mary McManus
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<b>WED</b>	12:00PM	+Barbara Fath
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<b>THU</b>	12:00PM	+Theresa Mai Vy
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<b>FRI</b>	12:00PM	Intentions of Theresa Welch
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<b>SAT</b>	9:00AM	+Mark Morris
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	<b>(Vigil Mass)</b>	
	4:00PM	+Lisa Behnami
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<b>SUN</b>	8:30AM	+Paul Conradt, Parish & Benefactors
<b>02</b>	10:30AM	+Derry & Robson Families

**THE BASILICA OF ST. JOHN STREAMING ONLINE:**

**[www.BasilicaofStJohn.org](http://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](mailto:tieskoetterluke3@gmail.com) or Terri at 321-2743 or [sinc2@aol.com](mailto:sinc2@aol.com).

**CATECHISM CORNER:**

Last week's question: **\* In what sense is the Blessed Virgin Mary the Mother of the Church?\***

**ANSWER:** The Blessed Virgin Mary is the Mother of the Church in the order of grace because she gave birth to Jesus, the Son of God, the Head of the body which is the Church. When he was dying on the cross Jesus gave his mother to his disciple with the words, "Behold, your mother" (John 19:27).

*"A humble soul does not trust itself, but places all its confidence in God." —St. Faustina*




*The Basilica of St. John*  
*Sixth Sunday of Easter*  
*May 26, 2019*

Respect  
Life



**YOUR PARISH THIS WEEK**  
**MAY 27 THRU JUNE 2**

MON 27	<b>Memorial Day—Parish Office Closed</b>	
	9:00AM NO Adoration	
TUE 28	8:00AM Organ Practice+++ 5:00PM Organ Practice+++	
WED 29	9:00AM Adoration Begins@	
THU 30	8:00AM Organ Practice+++ 10:30AM Organ Practice+++ 5:45PM Choir Room in use+++ 7:00PM Choir Practice+++	
FRI 31	9:00AM Adoration Begins@ 6:00PM Wedding Rehearsal	
SAT 01	8:30AM Chaplet of Divine Mercy## 11:00AM Damascene Wedding	
SUN 02	8:00AM Vietnamese Prayer Group+ 12:00PM Pastoral Council Meeting%	

**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 May 27, 2019:**

**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 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20  
**Friday:** Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Lk 1:39-56  
**Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28  
**Sunday:** Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28, 10:19-23;  
 Lk 24:46-53

**LIFELINES:** Planned Parenthood coined the familiar slogan, "Every child a wanted child". Since when does anyone's right to live depend upon someone else wanting them? How can anyone possibly insist that the value of an unborn baby is to be determined by whether a mother wants him or her at any given time? To use being wanted by someone as a measure of whether a human life is allowed to live is a truly frightening concept. Its converse logically awaits us --- that the unwanted can be eliminated. Don't forget that Hitler's Germany was ideal for wanted Aryans. To make sense, the slogan: "Every child a wanted child" has to be completed "and if not wanted, aborted." To complete the sentence removes the mask from this misleading slogan and reveals it for the evil that it is! (pro-lifearticle.org)



**THANK YOU:** To the 12 people that came forward and were trained in CPR and the use of our AED device here at the Basilica of St. John on May 15. May God bless you for your help and caring attitude.



**HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL:** Please keep our 8th grade students in your prayers as they graduate. Their graduation Mass will be held at Our Lady of the Americas on Wednesday, May 29, 6:30pm. There will be a reception following the ceremony. The last day of school is Friday, June 14, with a 1:00pm dismissal. Have a fun and safe summer! Remember, the first day of school at Holy Family is Wednesday, July 31!

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION UPDATE:** The Church's catechetical mission aims to help the faithful of all ages to grow in both human and Christian maturity, enriching the whole of life with the leaven of the Gospel. Faith formation seeks to help each adult believer become "more willing and able to be a *Christian disciple in the world.*" As salt of the earth and light for the world (cf. Mt 5:13-16), adult disciples give witness to God's love and caring will so that, in the power of the Spirit, they renew the face of the earth. *Anyone wishing to begin a class, study group or program to be held at the Basilica parish and put on the church calendar please contact our Adult Faith Formation Coordinator, Jenifer at 244-3101, ext. 204 or jeniferp@basilicaofstjohn.org.*

**AROUND THE DIOCESE**

**Memorial Day Mass:** Bishop Richard Pates will celebrate Mass on Memorial Day, May 27, at Glendale Cemetery in Des Moines at 10 a.m. If it rains, Mass will be moved to St. Theresa Church on Merle Hay Road in Des Moines.

**Retirement:** You are invited to celebrate Father Tom DeCarlo as we honor his 50th year as a priest and his retirement from Bishop Drumm Retirement Center on Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, Pentecost Sunday, 3:00 to 6:00 pm, Toast at 4:00pm, McAuley Terrace Dining Room, 5921 Winwood Drive, Johnston. Parking available in front of and behind the building. Your presence is your present, no gifts or cards please.

**Iowa Catholic Radio Golf Classic:** When: Friday, June 14, 7 am, Where: A.H. Blank Golf Course, Des Moines. Join us for a morning of fellowship and a round of golf. The format will be four person best shot, as well as a raffle, lunch, and a few extra surprises. Visit IowaCatholicRadio.com/events to register.

**Ordination Celebration:** Join us on Saturday, July 27th at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in West Des Moines for the celebration of Fr. Chris Hartshorn's 25th Anniversary of Ordination. Mass will be at 4:00pm, followed by food, beverages, music and fun.

**Ignatian Retreat Day:** Father Dan Krettek's brother, Jesuit Father Tom Krettek, will lead a retreat at St Mary of Nazareth Church on Saturday, July 20. Make plans to attend, go to theemmaushouse.org, click Upcoming Events to register.

**CYC Registration Open:** It's time to register the kids for Catholic Youth Camp. More than 1,400 young people went to CYC last summer to pray, learn about the Catholic faith and have fun in the outdoors. For more information about this weeklong summer camp, go to stmcenter.com.