

Glory to the Father, the son, and the Holy Spirit; to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

(Revelations 1:8)

My Dear Brothers and Sisters

This great Solemnity of the Holy Trinity reminds us of God's creative, redemptive and sanctifying work for the human race and all that exists. God the Father created all that exists. God the Son redeemed the crown of creation, humankind. The Holy Spirit continues to sanctify us as he comes upon us and makes all things holy. We should be most grateful for these gifts of God and strive always to live in a manner pleasing to him.

Financial summary: Please continue to help us with our elevator debt. We owe \$275,199.07 to the Knights of Columbus on this loan, and the payments are \$9,000.00 a month. We also still need to raise \$88,000.00 for the 2018 ADA. Please make your pledge if you have not already done so. It is extremely important that we all do our share in this regard. We also owe our Foundation \$45,000.00 since we borrowed from it this month to get current with the schools. Please do what you can to help us! We are presently caught up with everything else at the moment. But we must also face these major debts that we must bring down. Our weekly tithing is not meeting all of our needs. I ask you to prayerfully consider doing whatever you can to help the parish in this regard. Beginning in July we will publish in the bulletin each week what is needed each week and what the income for the week is as we begin with a new budget for the fiscal year. This budget has been meticulously worked out by the Finance Council.

We have started the very much needed renovations of the school bathrooms. We can pay for that from the Building Fund. Although the bathrooms are torn up there is a small bathroom for use in the same area while the renovation is taking place.

I thank you for all you do for the parish. Let us continue to face these financial challenges together so that all may be kept in good order.

I assure all of you of my prayers on a daily basis.

Devotedly in the Lord,

Pastor 

ELEVATOR FUND

Current Donations.....\$ 736,800.93
Goal.....\$ 1,030,000.00

Annual Diocesan Appeal-Current balance due: **\$88,171.64.**

How important is a will? Does it bless your family and The Basilica of Saint John?

SECURE ONLINE GIVING allows you to make contributions to our church without writing checks or worrying about cash donations. Our site lets you set up automatic contributions and change the timing or the amount of your gift at any time. You can make pledges, manage your contributions or even make one-time donations. Go to basilicaofstjohn.org and click on the donate button. Please call the business office for more help and information if needed. (515) 244-3101, ext. 205.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

MAY 26 TO JUNE 3

TIMES FOR EUCHARIST AND INTENTIONS

SAT 26 4:00PM + Joseph Dien Nguyen
6:00PM Spanish Mass

SUN 27 8:30AM +Anna Bui Thi Suot
10:30AM Parish & Benefactors

MON 28 9:00AM **Memorial Day!**
+Beverly Nichols



TUE 29 12:00PM +John Israel

WED 30 12:00PM +Paul Tong Duoc

THU 31 12:00PM +Sheila Gallop

FRI 01 12:00PM +Alice Parker Wade

SAT 02 9:00AM +Paul Conrard

(Vigil Mass)

4:00PM +Fred Nichols

SUN 03 8:30AM Parish & Benefactors
10:30AM +Cody Henritzky

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 meaning of the affirmation
"Outside the Church there is no salvation"?*

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





The Basilica of St. John
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
May 27, 2018

Respect
Life



YOUR PARISH THIS WEEK
MAY 28 THRU JUNE 3

MON 28 **Happy Memorial Day!/Parish Office Closed**
 9:00AM NO Adoration

TUE 29 8:00AM Organ Practice+
 4:30PM Columbus Academy Class**

WED 30 9:00AM Adoration Begins@

THU 31 8:00AM Organ Practice+++
 5:45PM Choir Room in use+++
 7:00PM Choir Practice+

FRI 01 9:00AM Adoration Begins@
 9:00AM Columbus Academy Class**
 6:00PM Quincenara Rehearsal ##

SAT 02 8:30AM Chaplet of Divine Mercy##
 12:00PM Quincenara##

SUN 03 8:00AM Vietnamese Prayer Group+

SIGN INDICATORS

+++ = Choir Loft; ** = School; @ = Chapel; * = Rectory
 + = Church Hall; ## = Church; %=Conference Room;

Daily Scripture Readings for the week of May 28, 2018:

Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9; Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16; Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25; Mk 10:32-45
Thursday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Lk 1:39-56
Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13; Mk 11:11-26
Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25; Mk 11:27-33
Sunday: Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

LIFELINES: Forgiveness after an Abortion: All mothers of conscience will suffer feelings of guilt and remorse. There is only one permanent solution for a grieving mother: a solution based on reality, not on denial or pretense. This solution is FORGIVENESS. Our merciful God loves us and wants to forgive us and help us find peace. However, forgiveness is a gift that must be received to take effect. Just like any other gift, we do not receive forgiveness until we choose to receive it. God does not want anyone going through life punishing themselves for having an abortion or being part of an abortion. Women who have had an abortion can accept God's gift of forgiveness and if more help is needed, seek professional help. Attending a retreat like Rachel's Vineyard and Project Rachel (which are very active in our nation) can be very helpful. (pro-lifearticle.org)

ASSISTANCE NEEDED: Assistance is needed for a volunteer to mow the yard of a parishioner who is not physically able. If you can help, call Christina at 515-250-4240, leave a message.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are looking for volunteers to help with running the video equipment for 10:30am Sunday morning Mass. This ministry is a wonderful way to broadcast our Basilica of Saint John Mass to those who can't be at our wonderful liturgies. Please call the Business Manager's office (515-244-3101, ext. 205) for more information.



FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION PICTURES: If you would like to purchase a group picture of your child's First Communion or Confirmation they are in the parish office. It is a 5x7 photo, for \$5.00 each.



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 Americas on Wednesday, May 30, 6:30 p.m. There will be a reception following the ceremony. The last day of school is Friday, June 8, with a 12:00 pm dismissal. Have a fun and safe summer! Remember, the first day of school at Holy Family is Wednesday, August 1.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Memorial Day Mass: On Monday, May 28 Bishop Pates will celebrate Mass at Glendale Cemetery (4909 University Ave.) in Des Moines at 10 a.m. with alternate site St. Theresa Parish at 10:15 a.m. in case of rain. All are invited to join in prayerful remembrance of those who have died serving our country.

Corpus Christi Procession: Come adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament at St. Augustin Catholic Church, 42nd & Grand Ave. on Sunday, June 3 at 3pm. Dinner to follow. All are welcome!

Come Celebrate the Catholic Pastoral Center's Restoration: Bishop Pates invites everyone to come join in celebration of the renovation of the Catholic Pastoral Center. We're having an open house on Sunday, June 3 from 2-5 p.m. at our building at 601 Grand Ave. in downtown Des Moines. Come for fun children's activities, tours of the newly renovated space and learn more about the thousands of people we serve. We are blessed to work from an internationally admired building designed by famed architect Ludwig Mies van der Rohe. The Catholic Pastoral Center is an architectural gem in the heart of the city. Come see the renovations done to preserve this historic building for the next 50 years.

Please Join InnerVisions Health Care for our annual gala on Thursday, June 7th, 2018 at the Holiday Inn in Des Moines, featuring Cal Thomas as the keynote speaker! For more information or to purchase tickets please visit www.ivhcare.org/2018gala.

The Bishop Drumm Garage Sale: Is every Thursday from 9:30-1:30 thru September. 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 contact Sue (279-1843) or Joyce (987-1199). No beds, old TVs or computers. To volunteer, please call the above phone numbers.

All Saints Parish Des Moines - Annual Parish Fest Fundraiser: Save the date! **June 2, 2018 - 5p.m. to 11p.m.** Live music all evening. Performance by the Allionce Lion Dance Team, grilled items, salads, chips and desserts available for purchase, square dancing and line dancing, kid's activities, silent auction. Great event for the entire family! Rain or shine, save the date and join us for a fun evening! All Saints Catholic Church, 650 NE 52nd Ave, Des Moines, IA 50313, www.dmallssaints.org