

I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever.

(John 6:51)

My Dear Brothers and Sisters

This great Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, or “Corpus Christi,” commemorates the Lord present in the most Blessed Sacrament. What a great gift that Christ has left His Church! Let us always cultivate a spirit of awe in the reality of the Lord’s presence among us, and receive this Sacrament worthily and with reverence.

As the hot weather has begun, please keep in mind the need for modest attire in the church. No short shorts, halter tops or other immodest clothing is proper in the church for attending Holy Mass, or at any time. Also, **please do not leave Mass until it is finished. It is improper to walk out of Mass immediately after receiving Holy Communion!**

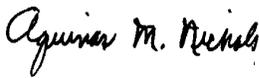
Financial summary: Please continue to help us with our elevator debt. We owe \$275,199.07 to the Knights of Columbus on this loan, and the payments are \$9,000.00 a month. We also still need to raise \$86,556.64 for the 2018 ADA. Please make your pledge if you have not already done so. It is extremely important that we all do our share in this regard. We also owe our Foundation \$44,000.00 since we borrowed from it 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 for the 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 this project 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 of 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.....\$ 754,800.93
Goal.....\$ 1,030,000.00

Annual Diocesan Appeal-Current balance due: \$86,556.64



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.



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

JUNE 2 TO JUNE 10

TIMES FOR EUCHARIST AND INTENTIONS

SAT 02	4:00PM + Fred Nichols 6:00PM Spanish Mass
SUN 03	8:30AM Parish & Benefactors 10:30AM +Cody Henritz
MON 04	9:00AM +Joseph Dien Nguyen
TUE 05	12:00PM +Mary Jean Gouger
WED 06	12:00PM +Rachel Hanian
THU 07	12:00PM +Fr. Dominic Khai Dinh
FRI 08	12:00PM +Jim Kolner
SAT 09	9:00AM +Living/Deceased Members of Altar & Rosary, Basilica Seminarians

(Vigil Mass) 4:00PM +Father Bernardine, O.S.B.	
SUN 10	8:30AM +Kathryn Mauro 10:30AM Parish & Benefactors

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:

Last week’s question: **** What is the meaning of the affirmation “Outside the Church there is no salvation”? ****

ANSWER: This means that all salvation comes from Christ, the Head, through the Church which is his body. Hence they cannot be saved who, knowing the Church as founded by Christ and necessary for salvation, would refuse to enter her or remain in her. At the same time, thanks to Christ and to his Church, those who through no fault of their own do not know the Gospel of Christ and his Church but sincerely seek God and, moved by grace, try to do his will as it is known through the dictates of conscience can attain eternal salvation.



The Basilica of St. John
Solemnity of the Body & Blood of Christ
June 3, 2018

Respect
Life



YOUR PARISH THIS WEEK
JUNE 4 THRU JUNE 10

MON 04	9:00AM 6:30PM	Adoration Begins@ KC Council Meeting+
TUE 05	8:00AM	Organ Practice+
WED 06	9:00AM	Adoration Begins@
THU 07	8:00AM	Organ Practice+++
FRI 08	9:00AM	Adoration Begins@
SAT 09	8:30AM 9:45AM 10:00AM 1:00PM	Chaplet of Divine Mercy## Altar & Rosary Meeting+ Carmelite Meeting** RCIA Room in use**
SUN 10	8:00AM 12:00PM 2:00PM	Vietnamese Prayer Group+ Pro Life Meeting% Columbus Academy Graduation Mass and Reception##+

SIGN INDICATORS

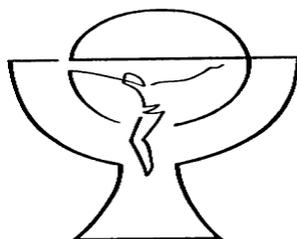
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Daily Scripture Readings for the week of June 4, 2018:

Monday: 2 Pt 1:2-7; Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Mk 12:28-34
Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37
Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8; Lk 2:41-51
Sunday: Gn 3:9-15; 2 Cor 4:13-5:1; Mk 3:20-35

LIFELINES: "There is no cause more important for preserving freedom than affirming the transcendent right to life of all human beings, the right without which no other rights have any meaning. "Pres. Ronald Reagan, Abortion and the Conscience of the Nation." (pro-lifearticle.org)

Who will write your will? The State of Iowa will (unless you do). And the state won't include a bequest for the Basilica of Saint John.



ALTAR & ROSARY JUNE MEETING: Will be Saturday, June 9, after the 9:00am Mass. New officers will be installed. President-Lisa Chicchelly; Vice President-Melody Taninies; Secretary-Mary Fleming; Treasurer-Jeanne Kelley. Band #1 will host. Please join us.



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH: Adriana & Gerardo Arriaga & Family; Joseline & Cesar Medina & Family; Silvia & Samuel Mandragon, Maria & David Juarez & Family, Yanet & Marbel Moreno.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Congratulations to Alissa Vu, Sofia De La Cruz, Gloria Peterson and their families on the recent celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism.



CONGRATULATIONS: To Samantha Gibbons, who recently made her First Holy Communion here at the Basilica!

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.



HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL: 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

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.

Clothing Needed: Catholic Charities Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Program, serving hospitals in nine counties in southwest Iowa, needs casual clothes and personal items to give to survivors of domestic violence and/or sexual assault as they leave the hospital. Sweatpants, sweat shirts or t-shirts, underwear, all from sizes small to extra-large are needed. If you'd like to help, contact Martha at 712-256-2059 ext. 103.

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@dmdioocese.org or mail to "Ask a Priest," Diocese of Des Moines, 601 Grand Ave., Des Moines, IA 50309.

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.