

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

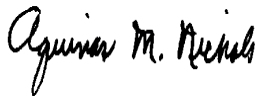
Today we celebrate the great Solemnity of Pentecost. This solemnity recounts the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Church, the great gift from on high, to guide us and to enlighten our minds. Let us always rejoice in his abiding presence and follow him as he leads us to the fullness of truth. With this great Solemnity the Easter Season comes to a close and we return to Ordinary Time once again.

We will have our annual parish picnic on Sunday 30 June at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Wadle once again. Please note the date and time on the bulletin insert and plan on coming and enjoying some good food and fellowship. Please call the parish office to let us know if you will be going so we can get an approximate number for the main course provided by the Knights of Columbus.

As we settle into the more relaxed summer schedule, please do not put the Lord second. Attend Mass and keep your minds focused on the things that belong to God. Remember that our bills still need to be paid during this time, especially the huge electrical bills to cool the Basilica. Also, remember to dress properly for Mass throughout the summer.

May the Lord continue to bless you all!

Devotedly in the Lord,



Pastor

WEEKLY INCOME – 6/2/19

Total - \$45,362.10

Need - \$21,198.08

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

YTD Total - \$983,270.24

YTD Need - \$1,038,705.92

REMAINING ELEVATOR DEBT: \$141,500.00

DEBT TO FOUNDATION: \$16,000.00

REMAINING ADA DEBT for 2019: \$69,684.00



CONGRATULATIONS: To Sperance Bakundukize and Bigirimana Damascene who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on June 1, 2019.



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

JUNE 8 TO JUNE 16

TIMES FOR EUCHARIST AND INTENTIONS

SAT 08 4:00PM +Zita Storey
6:00PM Spanish Mass

SUN 09 **Pentecost**
8:30AM +Kathryn Mauro
10:30AM Parish & Benefactors

MON 10 12:00AM +Carolyn Brunk

TUE 11 12:00PM In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony

WED 12 12:00PM +Bjorn Odegard

THU 13 12:00PM Friends/Benefactors of Franciscan Sisters, FEHJ

FRI 14 12:00PM Intentions of Jose Vitteri Sr.

SAT 15 9:00AM +Erik Johanssen

(Vigil Mass)
4:00PM +Everet Asjes III

SUN 16 8:30AM +Lucille Molloy
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: * **How does the Virgin Mary help the Church?***

ANSWER: After the Ascension of her Son, the Virgin Mary aided the beginnings of the Church with her prayers. Even after her Assumption into heaven, she continues to intercede for her children, to be a model of faith and charity for all, and to exercise over them a salutary influence deriving from the superabundant merits of Christ. The faithful see in Mary an image and an anticipation of the resurrection that awaits them and they invoke her as advocate, helper, benefactress and mediatrix.



The Basilica of St. John

Pentecost Sunday

June 9, 2019

Respect
Life



YOUR PARISH THIS WEEK JUNE 10 THRU JUNE 16

MON	9:00AM	Adoration Begins@
10	4:00PM	Organ Practice+++
	7:00PM	4th Degree KC Council Meeting+
	7:00PM	Hispanic Choir Practice**

TUE	8:00AM	Organ Practice+++
11	5:00PM	Organ Practice+++

WED	9:00AM	Adoration Begins@
12	7:00PM	Youth Group Meeting+

THU	8:00AM	Organ Practice+++
13	7:00PM	Hispanic Choir Practice**

FRI	9:00AM	Adoration Begins@
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SAT	8:30AM	Chaplet of Divine Mercy##
15	8:30AM	Diocesan Marriage Prep Class+
	10:00AM	Secular Franciscan Meeting+

SUN	Happy Father's Day	
16	8:00AM	Vietnamese Prayer Group+

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 June 10, 2019:

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday: Acts 11:21b-26, 13:1-3; Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15-4:1, 3-6; Mt 5:20-26
Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 5:27-32
Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Mt 5:33-37
Sunday: Prv 8:22-31; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

LIFELINES: Pro-Life Answers to False Pro-Choice Arguments (Part IX) -- "Women cannot be free unless they have the right to control their own reproductive lives". There are still many pro-choice advocates who believe that a woman's right to abortion is part of an ongoing feminist struggle for equality and freedom and any restriction on abortion is threatening to women. This sad and regressive mindset is epitomized by Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. When the Supreme Court recently upheld the ban on the gruesome partial birth abortion procedure, Justice Ginsburg wrote quite an astonishing dissenting opinion. According to Ginsburg, the right to life of the unborn baby is completely ignored and subordinated to the interest of women having complete autonomy over their "reproductive decisions". In her view, if women do not have this autonomy, they are relegated to "when women were regarded as the center of home and family life with attendant special responsibilities that precluded full and independent legal status under the Constitution." In other words, a woman's right to abort her baby in the womb is central to her life and essential to her being a complete woman. (pro-lifearticle.org)

ALTAR AND ROSARY SOCIETY: SAVE THE DATE: The Altar & Rosary Society is sponsoring an all-parish rummage sale the week of July 8. Exact days and times to be announced, but you can start bringing your donations to the back of the stage now. No clothes please!



ADORERS ARE NEEDED: We are in great need of additional adorers to spend one hour praying before the Blessed Sacrament. **We especially need people to help on Wednesdays from 11:00am–12:00pm and from 12:30pm to 1:30pm.** Other times and days are: 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!



HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL: 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!



11TH ANNUAL BASILICA TOUR ACROSS IOWA: Make your reservation now for our annual Basilica bus tour. It will be on Thursday, September 19, 2019. Check in is at 7:00 am in the parking lot, coffee and donuts will be available too. The bus leaves promptly at 7:30am. Cost is \$65/person. Some of our stops this year includes the Newton Speedway, Maytag Dairy Farm, Pella, Ia and Tassel Ridge Winery. It would be most helpful if you could pay early and guarantee your seat, as we will only have room for 50 people. Call or stop by the parish office to make your reservation, 244-3101, ext. 0.

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Hospital Eucharistic Ministers Needed: We need communion ministers at Des Moines hospitals. There will be a training at the Pastoral Center (601 Grand Avenue, Des Moines 50309) 10 AM Saturday June 15 for Iowa Methodist Hospital, Iowa Lutheran Hospital, Blank Children's Hospital, Methodist West Hospital, and Broadlawns County Hospital. Bishop Pates will present awards to recently retired ministers and send forth new ministers at noon. PLEASE JOIN US!!! If you cannot make it, please text to michael.mclaughlin1746@gmail.com or call 515-681-1746. Please pray for us no matter what.

"Living With Alzheimer's" Program: Communication is more than just talking and listening—it's also about sending and receiving messages through attitude, tone of voice, and body language. As the disease progresses, individuals living with Alzheimer's or other dementias lose the ability to use words, but families can find new ways to connect. Join us to explore how communication changes when someone is living with Alzheimer's, learn how to interpret the verbal and behavioral communication, and identify strategies to help you connect and communicate at each stage of the disease. The program will be held at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in the St. Clare Room from 4:30-6 p.m. on Tuesday, July 23rd. Call Diane Carlson at 515-371-3370 to learn more or to RSVP. Walk-ins welcome.

