

Our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life to light through the Gospel. (2 Timothy 1:10)

My dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

Jesus came with his healing power, manifested in his cure of the woman in today's Holy Gospel, and the raising of the child from the dead. He continues to come to us to heal us, perhaps not so dramatically seen, but still very really. He comes to us in the Holy Eucharist. As we are reminded in **Lumen Gentium**, from the Second Vatican Council:

“Taking part in the Eucharistic Sacrifice, which is the fount and apex of the whole Christian life, they offer the Divine Victim to God, and offer themselves along with it. Thus, by both the reason of the offering and through Holy Communion all take part in this liturgical service, not indeed, all in the same way, but each in that way which is proper to himself. Strengthened in Holy Communion by the Body of Christ, they then manifest in a concrete way that unity of the people of God which is suitably signified and wondrously brought about by this most august Sacrament.” (No. 11)

Financial Update: Elevator Debt: We owe \$275,199.07 to the Knights of Columbus on this loan, payments are \$9,000.00 a month.

We also still need you all to make a pledge towards our ADA. We still need pledges to raise \$80,595.14 for the 2018 ADA. Please make your pledge if you have not already done so. It is extremely important for us to make this assessment so that the extra income we may receive through the Christmas appeal stays within the parish for our own needs. If every registered family and individuals would pledge just a dollar a day for the year we would come close to making our assessment. **Please!?!!**

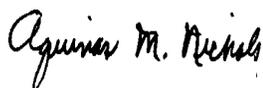
Foundation Debt: We presently owe our Foundation \$40,000.00 since we borrowed from it to get current with the schools. Please do what you can to help us! We are presently caught up with everything else at the moment. But we must also face these budget items. I ask you to prayerfully consider doing whatever you can to help the parish in this regard. Beginning in July we will publish in the bulletin each week what is needed to meet all of our obligations, and what the actual income is, as we begin with a new budget for the fiscal year. The Finance Council has worked very hard with our Business Manager to come up with a workable budget. My thanks to all of the members of the Council and our financial staff.

Please!!! Dress modestly for the Holy Mass. No short shorts and no immodest tops. Remember where you are and who it is that you are addressing: Almighty God! It is not asking too much to dress appropriately.

Also, please do not leave Holy Mass. There is no place you must be that is more important than the Mass. Unless you get sick or have some other urgent reason, it is not a valid practice to leave after receiving Holy Communion, or before the final hymn is finished to “beat the crowd out”.

I thank you for all you do for the parish. This beautiful parish has much to offer the diocese both liturgically and spiritually. But above all, let us remember to **pray** for the Lord's continued help and blessings upon us.

Devotedly in the Lord,



Pastor

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

JUNE 30 TO JULY 8

TIMES FOR EUCHARIST AND INTENTIONS

SAT 30 4:00PM Intentions of the Whipple Family, +Art Whipple
 6:00PM Spanish Mass

SUN 01 8:30AM Parish & Benefactors
 10:30AM +Jon Farrington

MON 02 12:00PM +Joseph Dien Nguyen

TUE 03 12:00PM +Richard Wagner

WED 04 **HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!!**
 9:00AM +Rachel Hanian



THU 05 12:00PM +Alice & Fred Fath

FRI 06 12:00PM +Sheila Gallop

SAT 07 9:00AM +Corrine Graziano

(Vigil Mass)
 4:00PM Intentions of Dino, Desiree & Deborah Whipple

SUN 08 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: **** In what sense is the Church missionary? ****
ANSWER: The Church, guided by the Holy Spirit, continues the mission of Christ himself in the course of history. Christians must, therefore, proclaim to everyone the Good News borne by Christ, and following his path, they must be ready for self-sacrifice, even unto martyrdom.

ELEVATOR FUND
 Current Donations.....\$ 754,800.93
 Goal.....\$ 1,030,000.00

Annual Diocesan Appeal-Current balance due: \$80,595.14



The Basilica of St. John
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 1st, 2018

Respect
Life



YOUR PARISH THIS WEEK
JULY 2 THRU JULY 8

MON 9:00AM Adoration Begins@
02

TUE 8:00AM Organ Practice+
03

WED *Happy 4th of July!! Parish Office Closed*
04 9:00AM NO Adoration
9:30AM NO Book Study+



THU 8:00AM Organ Practice+++
05

FRI 9:00AM Adoration Begins@
06

SAT 8:30AM Chaplet of Divine Mercy##
07

SUN 8:00AM Vietnamese Prayer Group+
08

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 July 2, 2018:

Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Mt 8:18-22
Tuesday: Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29
Wednesday: Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Mt 8:28-34
Thursday: Am 7:10-17; Mt 9:1-8
Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12, Mt 9:9-13
Saturday: Am 9:11-15; Mt 9:14-17
Sunday: Ez 2:2-5; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6a

LIFELINES: Planned Parenthood receives a large portion of its funding from the U.S. government. There are at least 18 federal statutes and hundreds of state and local programs that authorize tax dollars to be spent for "family planning" programs and procedures. Under the Hyde Amendment, however, tax dollars are not supposed to pay specifically for abortions. But PP capitalizes on the fact that when federal funds for family planning are administered by state agencies, county health departments, and local school districts, compliance with the law is nearly impossible to enforce. (June 2017, pro-lifearticle.org)

Most people need wills, and when you make yours, remember the Basilica of Saint John.

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.

MEMORIAL MASS: For Art Whipple will be Saturday, July 14 at 10am. A luncheon will follow in the parish hall, after Mass.

 **WELCOME TO OUR PARISH:** Brooke & Dane Miller & Family.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Congratulations to Grace Heideman, Louis & Simon McDonald, Louis Gonzalez, Diana Vu, Nadia Eischeid, Ezra Hillaker, Adrian, Aaron, & Gerardo Arriaga, Bella, Natha, & Rayanna Perez and their families on the recent celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism.



BASILICA GARAGE SALE: August 10 and 11th. As you declutter your homes this summer, please consider donating items: kitchenware, linens, books, furniture, knickknacks and other suitable items. No clothing, old computers or mattresses. Contact Sue Jansen at 279-1843.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Commemorative Mass: Please join the Rally Sunday Commemorative Mass for Father Jim Kiernan. Sunday, July 29th at 9:00 am, St. Joseph Chapel, Dowling Catholic High School. Please drive your antique/collectible car to display after Mass. Contact Peter Kiernan with questions: peter.k@q.com

History Buffs Need This Book: Looking for some summer reading? Get Father Steven Avella's new book *The Catholic Church of Southwest Iowa*, the detailed and fascinating history of the early years of the Diocese of Des Moines from Bishop Dowling to Bishop Dingman. *Please stop by Divine Treasures on July 10 from 5:30 - 7pm to meet Fr. Steven and purchase a book. Receive 20% discount off retail price on the night of the book signing (A savings of \$4.99 per book) Wine and Cheese will be served. Join us!*

St. Theresa Catholic School: Is in need of a middle school (6th - 8th grades) math teacher beginning with the upcoming school year. This teacher must be licensed in the state of Iowa, collaborative, flexible and willing to do what students need to be successful. For more information please contact Ellen Stemler at 515-707-7892 ext. 207 or estemler@sainttheresaiowa.org. Join our amazing team of faith-filled outstanding educators!

Part-time Accounting: St. Francis of Assisi parish in West Des Moines is in need of a part-time accountant. Parish needs are three days per week (Monday, Tuesday and Thursday) for approximately 5 hours each day. Skills in accounts receivable, accounts payable and payroll set-up (we have a third party vending process). Our cash-based accounting system is somewhat proprietary - we will train. Please contact Chris Aldinger or Monica Lihs at the parish office at 515-223-4577, mlihs@saintfrancischurch.org or caldinger@saintfrancischurch.org with cover letter and experience history.

Receptionist Needed: As we begin to restructure our church offices and reassign duties, we want our front entrance to the parish offices to become a reception environment versus a work station area. The position requires the role to be that of "Ambassador" for our parish, giving assistance and direction to all who enter. Monday - Friday, 8:00-4:30 - welcoming phone and customer service presence, basic computer skills and light lifting are involved.

