





*The Basilica of St. John*  
*Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*September 17, 2017*

Respect  
Life



**YOUR PARISH THIS WEEK**  
**SEPTEMBER 18 THRU SEPTEMBER 24**

MON 18	9:00AM 7:00PM	Adoration Begins@ RCIA**
TUE 19	9:00AM 4:30PM 6:30PM	Organ Practice+++ Columbus Academy Class** "Mystery of the Bible" Study Series+
WED 20	9:00AM 6:15PM	Adoration Begins@ Religious Ed. **
THU 21	8:00AM 6:00PM 7:00PM	Organ Practice Choir Room in use+++ Choir Practice+++ <i>Basilica Bus Trip—Bus leaves at 7:30am</i>
FRI 22	9:00AM 9:00AM 6:30PM	Adoration Begins@ Columbus Academy Class** Hispanic Baptism Class**
SAT 23	8:30AM 10:00AM	Chaplet of Divine Mercy## Carmelite Meeting+
SUN 24	8:00AM 12:00PM	Vietnamese Prayer Group+ Divine Mercy 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 September 18, 2017:**

**Monday:** 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10  
**Tuesday:** 1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17  
**Wednesday:** 1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35  
**Thursday:** Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13  
**Friday:** 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3  
**Saturday:** 1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15  
**Sunday:** Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

**LIFELINES:** Undercover videos have caught Planned Parenthood officials gloating over the atrocities committed in their clinics on a daily basis. These are heinous crimes against humanity. Yet Planned Parenthood still received \$554 million in public funds last year. That's almost \$1,700 per dead child! There's no reason why tax-payers should be coerced into sending even one dollar to this killing machine. Congress needs to stop subsidizing Planned Parenthood and it needs to do it now! Which is exactly what you and **Priests for Life** are working hard to do! And we won't stop until we've brought an end to all federal, state and local taxpayer funding of Planned Parenthood. (*pro-life articles.com, Priests for Life PFL-171-BS*)



**ADORERS ARE NEEDED:** We are in need of additional adorers to spend one hour praying before the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays from 11am to 12pm. Please call Jenifer at 244-3101 ext. 204 if you are able to help.

**UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE:** This 8-week study begins this Tuesday, September 19. There is still time to sign up if you wish to join us. Please contact Jenifer Parsons at 244-3101 ext. 204.

**FOUNDATION NOTES:** An evening at a restaurant could easily cost \$20.00 per person. Why not join fellow parishioners for an evening of light food, wine & cheese from around the world, and fellowship this Sunday evening (September 17) for the annual Basilica Fall Wine & Cheese Event. Tickets can be purchased at the rectory door for \$25.00.



**BASILICA BUS TRIP:** This coming Thursday, September 21 is our annual bus trip. **If you are not able to make the trip please let the parish office know as soon as possible (244-3101, ext. 0).** We have people on the waiting list who would really like to go! For those who have reserved their seats—please be at the church parking lot at 7am for coffee & donuts and to make your payments of \$65/person, if you haven't done so yet. The bus will leave promptly at 7:30am and return to the Basilica parking lot at approximately 7pm.

**SUPPORTIVE CARE IOWA:** The Iowa bishops' "Supportive Care Iowa" project is available to help people seeking guidance on making decisions about end-of-life health care that is aligned with Catholic values. Often we cannot foresee situations that will arise in regard to our health. Therefore it may be important, in advance, to choose a person who knows us and can speak on our behalf if we are not capable of doing so. There are now trained volunteers, called "Catholic Advanced Care Planning Consultants," that can help individuals with the completion of documents that designate another person with power of attorney for health care in the event of incapacity. It is our parish's goal to help Catholics have these faith-filled discussions with friends and family in advance of a crisis and to provide guidance in completing advance directive forms in alignment with Catholic moral principles. This service is available without charge. Please contact the parish office (515-244-3101, ext 0) if you are interested in this service.

**AROUND THE DIOCESE**

**Strengthen Your Marriage "Essential Elements for a Strong Catholic Marriage":** Is a workshop to be presented October 14 for couples interested in improving communication, experiencing healing and forgiveness, exploring the role of service and prayer and cherishing the marriage intended by God. Contact Adam Storey at 515-237-5056 for details.

**Survey Open for Youth & Young Adults:** The bishops are planning to meet in October 2018 for the 15th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops. In preparation for this major synod on youth, Pope Francis wants to gather input from youth and young adults whether they are practicing the faith or not. The diocese has made available a survey questionnaire. All are invited and encouraged to participate by going here: <http://www.dmdiocese.org/survey-youth-and-young-adult-vocationaldiscernment.cfm>.

**Bishop Drumm Garage Sale:** All items are now **half price and the garage sale continues each Thursday through September.** Hours are 9:30am–1:30pm. The sale is located in the garage next to the Bishop Drumm Care Center. Come see all the bargains. All proceeds go back to the residents of Bishop Drumm.