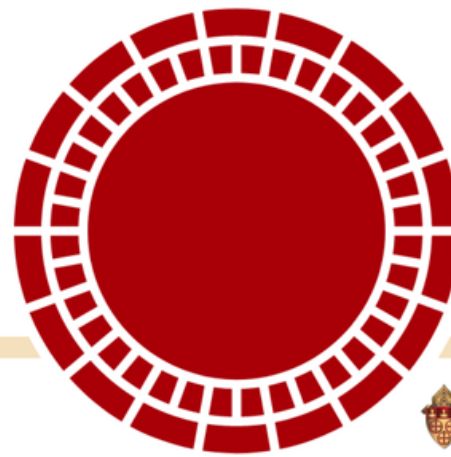


CIRCLE NEWS

Newsletter for members of the Bishop's Circle



Ordinations, spring, summer events

There's much to celebrate in the Diocese of Sioux City. Bishop John E. Keehner ordained two transitional deacons and one priest, attended Circle events and several other major events. Here's a glimpse from the last few weeks:

Bishop Keehner kisses the hands of newly ordained Father Thomas Kollasch.



Bishop released his first pastoral letter on May 31.



Ordination to the transitional diaconate of Garrett Hugeback and Jimmy Fitzsimmons.



Accepts Zach Steffens as an official candidate for priesthood.



Bishop's Circle gathering in Onawa.



Blesses and dedicates new chapel at the Shrine of Trinity Heights.

Welcome new Circle members:

Edward & Tina Begnoche - Le Mars
Rev. Jay & Jennifer Denne - Sioux City
Ronald & Dianne Hammen - Rockwell City
Peter & Colleen Hart - Emmetsburg
Michael & Amy Johnson - Fort Dodge
Nick & Socorra Roth -
North Sioux City, SD
Msgr. Kenneth Seifried - Holstein
Pete & Michelle Steinbach - Sioux City
Mary Swanson - Carroll

Help us grow the Circle

Invite your friends, family and fellow parishioners who love the church and wish to support Bishop John E. Keehner in his ministry.

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Bishop's Circle Annual Gathering

August 22

Shrine of Trinity Heights
Queen of Peace,
Sioux City





Circle news continued



BISHOP: *Many blessings for the diocese*

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

We have had a blessed summer so far. I had the honor and privilege of ordaining two transitional deacons – Deacon James Fitzsimmons and Deacon Garrett Hugeback a month ago. On June 27, I ordained deacon Thomas Kollasch to the priesthood. In August, we look forward to ordaining four holy men to the permanent diaconate.

I released my first pastoral letter May 31, *Sic Deus Dilexit Mundum*, God So Loved the World, on the meaning of the Sacred Heart of Jesus for our world today. I hope you will read it and pray with it.

As we completed another fiscal year, I am happy to announce that we reached our \$275,000 goal for the Bishop's Circle. We are most grateful of your generosity to the circle, which helps fund the services and programming through our Faith Formation Office. Their work is centered around assisting your parish with formation. You have my sincere thanks.

I also thank you for your prayers and concern as I continue to recover from major foot surgery. I am happy to announce that I am healing well and, while I am finally wearing a shoe and a brace, I no longer have to wear a boot.

Lastly, I look forward to celebrating Mass with you at the beautiful, newly dedicated Trinity Heights Queen of Peace Shrine chapel on Aug. 22, followed by our social time and refreshments.

Please be assured of my gratitude and my ongoing prayers for you and for the members of your families.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John E. Keehner
Bishop of Sioux City

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pastoral letter.



What's happening around the diocese?



Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate of Kevin Holzman, Jeff Schoep, Will Swanson and Jeff Zyzda will be held at 10 a.m. on Aug. 1 at the Cathedral of the Epiphany in Sioux City.

Marriage Celebration Mass for milestone anniversaries will be held Aug. 30 at 10 a.m. at Cathedral of the Epiphany in Sioux City.

Bishop's Dinner for Catholic Schools on Oct. 11 at Marriott Hotel on the Riverfront in South Sioux City, Nebraska.

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