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ST. PATRICK'S / HOLY TRINITY MISSION STATEMENT

To share the good news of Jesus in word and deed; to gather in prayer, worship, and the celebration of the Eucharist; to facilitate life-long faith formation; to serve the larger community especially the poor and marginalized; and to sustain parish ministry through the stewardship of time, talent, and treasure.

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION

ST. PATRICK'S:
4:30 PM SATURDAYS
HOLY TRINITY:
8:00-8:15 AM

2ND & 4TH SUNDAYS
ALSO BY APPOINTMENT

ANOIDNTING OF THE SICK

CALL THE OFFICE IF POSSIBLE
WHEN HOSPITALIZED.

BAPTISM

CALL THE OFFICE DURING
PREGNANCY FOR PREPARA-
TION CLASS.

MARRIAGE

CALL THE OFFICE AT LEAST
NINE MONTHS TO ONE YEAR
AHEAD TO PLAN MARRIAGE
PREPARATION. WEDDING
DATE SHOULD NOT BE SET
UNTIL PREPARATIONS HAVE
BEGUN.

ANNULMENT/

MARRIAGE VALIDATION

CALL THE OFFICE TO LEARN
MORE ABOUT THIS PROCESS
WITH DIOCESAN TRIBUNAL IF
YOU ARE DIVORCED AND RE-
MARRIED OR NEVER MARRIED
IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

RCIA

CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU ARE
INTERESTED IN LEARNING
MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC
CHURCH OR THE RCIA PRO-
CESS.

MEMBERSHIP/ REGISTRATION

IF YOU ARE NEW, WELCOME
TO OUR PARISH. PLEASE
REGISTER BY CALLING THE
OFFICE. IF YOU ARE MOVING
AWAY, PLEASE CONTACT THE
OFFICE TO NOTIFY US BEFORE
MOVING.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:
WEDNESDAY NOON

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 20, 2025

Hospitality to travelers was of paramount importance in ancient times. Road-side diners and gas stations or charging stations did not exist, let alone air-conditioned cars. So Abraham immediately provides water, food, and cool shade to these three strangers. To have failed to do so would have meant that these folks could have become ill or even died before they reached their destination. However, for Abraham and Sarah, treating these traveling strangers as guests to be served is also an act of faith in God's presence in others. They discover that God is manifested when one reaches out in kindness, in mercy, in hospitality to strangers in need. We may not discover God's presence in such a clear-cut way, but we may find God manifested in subtle ways when we welcome the stranger.

Mary has every right to be overwhelmed when her sister welcomes Jesus into their home. Here is the Messiah himself, sitting at their table. She is transfixed by his every word, probably not even noticing that Martha is doing all the work. Poor Martha! She is the conscientious one, doing all the serving and cleaning up and anything else that needed to be done for their guest. Tired and overworked, she can't help but complain and now Jesus seems to be siding with her lazy sister. But Jesus is aware of Mary's need right there right now to give him her undivided attention, not unlike his closest disciples. Long after all the dishes are washed and put away, and long after all of Mary's worries and anxieties are past, Mary's experience of sitting at the Lord's feet and glorying in his presence will stay with her. Truly she has chosen the better part, for she has chosen with her heart.

But don't give up on Martha! The next time we encounter Mary and Martha, when their beloved brother Lazarus had just died, it is Martha who makes one of the most powerful proclamations in the entire Gospels when Jesus asks her if she believes that he is the resurrection: "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world" (John 11:27). Somehow in between all her cooking and serving and cleaning, Martha absorbed what Jesus said and who he is and is able to confess her faith at one of the traumatic points of her life. Sometimes we don't realize the faith we've internalized until much later.

Question of the Week:

How am I hospitable to others in need of food or rest, or just some companionship? How can I see the Lord in such hospitality?

DAILY READINGS:

Monday

July 21
Ex 14:5-18
Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday

July 22
St. Mary Magdalene
2 Cor 5:14-17
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Wednesday

July 23
Ex 16:1-5, 9-15
Mt 13:1-9
Thursday
July 24
Ex 19:1-2, 9-11,
16-20b
Mt 13:10-17

Friday

July 25
St. James
2 Cor 4:7-15
Mt 20:20-28

Saturday

July 26
St. Joachim and
Anne, parents of
Blessed Virgin Mary
Ex 24:3-8
Mt 13:24-30

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 27
Gn 18:20-32
Col 2:12-14
Lk 11:1-13

Mass Schedule

Monday, July 21:

9:00 a.m.—Cup of Grace

7:30 p.m.—Knights of Columbus Meeting

Tuesday, July 22:

7:30 a.m.—Mass at SP [Marjorie Schultes]

Wednesday, July 23:

7:30 a.m.—Mass at SP [Jill Leonard]

8:30 a.m.—Mass at HT [_____]

Thursday, July 24:

7:30 a.m.—Mass at SP [Joan Bauer]

Friday, July 25:

7:30 a.m.—Mass at SP [Lucille Wittrock]

8:30 a.m.— Mass at HT [_____]

Saturday, July 26:

4:30 p.m.—Reconciliation

5:00 p.m.— Mass at SP

[Ed, Donna and Francis Madsen]

Sunday July 27:

8:30 a.m.— Mass at HT [For The People]

10:30 a.m.—Mass at SP [Mark Madsen]



Holy Trinity does not have any Mass Intentions for general assignment, only those reserved for specific dates.



Happy Birthday

20th - Jan Greving

23rd - Anna Matthews-Nowatzke

24th - Adam Meyer

25th - April Brand

Maria Huerta

Megan Nielsen

26th - Cole Brabham

Kathy Kerkhoff

Matt Brinkman

2025 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL



St. Pat's Goal:	\$32,292.00	Donor	Yet to
Pledges & Gifts:	\$23,728.75	Households	Donate
Payments Rec'd:	\$21,503.75	41	92
Needed:	\$8,563.25		

Holy Trinity's Goal:	\$9,138.00	Donor	Yet to
Pledges & Gifts:	\$6,274.69	Households	Donate
Payments Rec'd:	\$6,274.69	12	27
Needed:	\$2,863.31		

Liturgy Schedule

ST. PATRICK'S:

Saturday, July 26— 5:00 P.M.:

Ushers:

Reader: Judy Wagner

Eucharist Ministers: Jon & Alice Lauridsen, April Brand

Music: Gary Keller, Rosemary Williamson

Servers: Emma, Mason & Grace Brand

Sacristan: Darrell Wittrock

Sunday, July 27 —10:30 A.M.:

Ushers:

Reader: Lora Anthofer

Eucharist Ministers: Virginia Mennenoh, Volunteers

Music: Tom Mennenoh

Servers: Karleigh & Wyatt Henkle, Claire Kerkhoff

Sacristan: Maxine Klein

HOLY TRINITY:

Sunday, July 27 —8:30 A.M.:

Ushers: Ben & Alex Hansen

Reader: Gary Smouse

Eucharist Minister: Paul Christensen

E.C.C.: Julie Christensen

Music: Judy Bintner

Servers: Brooklyn Brabham, Jack Hansen



Happy Anniversary

Al & Nan Dreher

37 Yrs. ~ July 23, 1988



Cup of Grace Ladies' fellowship, coffee and rosary every Monday at 9:00 a.m.
Children always welcome!

July 13 Giving

	St. Patrick's	Holy Trinity
Tithes	\$866.00	\$460.00
Plate	\$192.00	\$106.00
Building Fund	\$5,050.00	
Peter's Pence	338.00	
Total	\$6,446.00	\$566.00



Holy Trinity's goal \$40,000.00

Pledges & Gifts	\$30,936.00	Donor	Yet to
Payments Rec'd	\$26,435.98	Households	Donate
		19	20
Needed	\$9,064.00		

BECOMING THE BEST DISCIPLE

The quote for this week that also appears on the whiteboard in the front of the church is:

"What would you do today if you knew Christ was coming tomorrow?"

Take time this week to sit quietly, or perhaps as you drive to your destination, to reflect on this message.

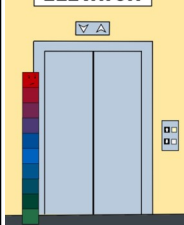
REMEMBER TO LISTEN FOR GOD'S RESPONSE.



The Lions Club has a project to collect shoes for third world countries. It is called SOLES FOR SOULS. They can be new, or slightly used, any type, any size. They will also accept high heels, sneakers, etc. Also, if you have only one shoe, that is ok too.

There is a box in the basement northwest entrance for collection.

ELEVATOR



St. Patrick's Elevator UPdate!

3D renderings are ALMOST ready for parish presentation!! They are also working on construction drawings for architectural, structural and MEP aspects of the project.

When donating, please be sure to note on your donation that it is for "Building Fund" or "Elevator Project". On the front of the yellow pew prayer cards, there is a QR code for super easy donations.



✠All those involved in serving our country in any capacity. Special prayers to those on our prayer chain: Caleb Deist, Kellen Hemmingsen, LeAnn Hoffman, Ivan Blocker, Bill Ryan, Tina Madsen, Ellie Bennett,

Kenny Hess, Rosemary Hess, Joe Schulte, Lauren Bock, Larry Petersen, Jared Schliecher, Dawson Truitt, Lilly Hankemeier, Eleanor, Emilin & Enastatia Clark, Robbi Wittrock, Jenny Brabham, Oliver Turnbull, Vern Wagner, Ava Weitzl, Fred Miller, Dash Burr, Randy Clausen, Connie (Fox) Hawthorne, Sheri Jo Porsch, Don Heller, Leonard Baumhover, Larry O'Tool, Bill Fankell, Mary Sextro Schneider, Joey Wanninger, Fred Muhr, Nick Swanson, Linda Kerkhoff, Leon Ditto and all those who are facing very difficult situations and suffer in silence.

All those who are suffering and their families remain in our thoughts and prayers. Please contact the office if your loved one's status changes.

Mark Your Calendars!

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION

in Audubon,

Saturday, August 16th.

Mass at 9:00 AM



The Diocese has asked us to host this special event. Much planning is being made by the diocesan committee along with the Corpus Christi Council. It is suggested that you park at Albert the Bull or the football parking lot and shuttle to the

church before mass. Plans are being made for assistance for those who are unable to walk the whole distance but still want to be a part of the procession. We will keep information available as the plans get finalized.

Tentative Event Schedule

Mass at St. Patrick's

Eucharistic Procession to Albert the Bull

Benediction

Reception and fellowship

St. Patrick's Finance Council :

Annette Bruch	Charlotte Fett
Michelle Griffith	Marty Hanson
Alice Lauridsen	Don Mosinski
Kevin Wittrock	

Holy Trinity Finance Council:

Judy Bintner
Paul Christensen
Jean Madsen
Mark Richards
Hugh Rossell

Corpus Christi Pastoral Council:

Bob Blomme	Lynda Best
Aaron Kerkhoff	Ben Hansen
Brooke Klocke	Jennifer Brabham

A little more info on Paul's writing to the Colossians:

This passage from Colossians occurs shortly after last Sunday's passage and focuses on the way Paul continues the self-sacrificial work inaugurated by Christ. For Paul, expanding and strengthening the church, which is Christ's body, meant accepting and even rejoicing in suffering. As a minister, Paul recognizes that what he has received from God in Christ Jesus is a gift, which renders Paul a grateful steward. Specifically, Paul recognizes that he has become the steward of a mystery previously hidden from Gentiles.

Paul's "mystery" language makes the most common sense in the context of first-century mystery religions. In these religions, "mysteries" were associated with rituals and deeper truths that were to be kept secret by ministers and initiates. Yet, Paul celebrates making God's word known. Paul readily shares the hoped-for glory that Christians share through their participation in Christ. His approach to Christian "mysteries" runs counter to expectations associated with other mystery religions. Paul keeps no secret when it comes to sharing Christ.

In Paul's exuberant sharing we can detect a resonance with the first reading. Paul shares Christ freely and wantonly—to the point of suffering. This matches Abraham and Sarah's superabundant hospitality. At the heart of both passages lies a joyous giving of oneself. For Paul, Abraham, and Sarah, ministry to others, even when it reaches a point of sacrificial suffering, is worth the cost because the outcome is a greater share in God's grace and mercy.

Did you know the IRA Charitable Rollover is actually a "qualified charitable distribution that can be made directly to our parish?"

IF...

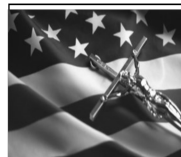
- **You are at least 70 1/2 years old on the date you make your gift**
- **Your IRA is a traditional or Roth**
- **You don't exceed your personal maximum of \$100,000 per year in qualified charitable distributions.**



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PRAY FOR THEIR SERVICE:

Several of our members and relatives of members are currently serving in the military. Please pray for them and their families. We pray for their safety and when on a mission, their quick return home to

family and friends.

Chance McLaughlin
Hayden McLaughlin
Cole & Mary Turnbull
Taylor Kerkhoff
Mason Hjuler
Mark Otte

Daniel Buser
Rusty Dixon
Sara Kerkhoff
Robert Hjuler
Zachary Kirkpatrick
Madeline Bintner

*Please contact the office with any other names.



We at the St. Patrick's and Holy Trinity family of churches value parishioner feedback. In an effort to better hear the needs of the Church, a dedicated

email has been established for parishioner comments, concerns, and general feedback. If you have feedback to submit, send an email to: spht_feedback@outlook.com or you can leave comments in the wooden box located in the church entrance on the bulletin table. Thank you!

The Diocese of Des Moines has a big event for the Jubilee Year 2025--Pilgrims of Hope.

Praise in the Park

4100 Mills Civic Pkwy, West Des Moines

July 19, 2025

12PM-6PM

Live Music from ARRAY of HOPE

Array of Hope Music is the music division of Array of Hope, led by Brianne Nealon and Jack Garno, AOH music has performed at various large events such as the One Life LA event in Los Angeles, Abbey Fest in Pennsylvania, the DFMC Conference in Denver, and the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis.

Speakers:

Alanis Vega: Alanis is a content writer for Array of Hope. Alanis started with The Culture Project as a missionary and currently is the face and voice of all of its social media platforms. She can be seen daily praying the "Divine Mercy Chaplet" live on Instagram on its thousands of followers. In addition, Alanis appears on many of the Array of Hope films and the popular Saint videos.

Joshua Rose: Joshua is a co-founder of Agnus Dei Ministry, published author, Catholic speaker, and passionate follower of Jesus Christ. Joshua has been blessed to travel around the country as a dynamic speaker sharing the Gospel and love of Jesus to youth, young adults, and adults alike, most notably at the recent National Eucharistic Congress.

Other events: Eucharistic Adoration 6 PM Mass

Food Trucks, games and great family fun!

Please join us!!