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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 N

712-563-3300

#### RECONCILIATION

ST. PATRICK'S: 4:30 PM SATURDAYS HOLY TRINITY: 8:00-8:15 AM 2ND & 4TH SUNDAYS ALSO BY APPOINTMENT

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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 REMARRIED 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 PROCESS.

#### 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

# Exaltation of the Holy Cross September 14, 2025

When those sinners who had been bitten by the venomous snakes looked upon the bronze serpent that Moses lifted up high, they lived. Compare this with what Jesus tells Nicodemus, that those sinners who look upon the Son of Man, who would be lifted up, will have eternal life. Through the cross, like a venomous snake, an instrument of death, our immortal souls are saved. As God gave new life to the sinful people in the desert, Christ offers new life to us in the desert of sin. Jesus' self-sacrificing love for us brings us healing and life.

Nicodemus is a fascinating character. He comes to Jesus at night, suggesting that he was afraid of being seen. He was likely a member of the Sanhedrin and feared for his reputation. Later, when he defends Jesus before his peers, he is identified as one of the chief priests. After Jesus' death, he anoints his body, then with Joseph of Arimathea—another secret disciple—carries his body to a tomb, perhaps also after nightfall. Through all this time, the people Nicodemus worked with, worshiped with, and even lived with may not have known the journey of faith he was making. In the same vein, we may not know the inner lives of those we think we know.

By accepting his death and sacrificing his life, Jesus transforms the cross from an instrument of execution to one of triumph. When we were baptized and the sign of the cross was made over us, we were given a share in this triumph. We affirm this each time we trace the cross on ourselves. We are not given an exemption from the cross. But our crosses are not just instruments of suffering and hardship. Our crosses have been sanctified for they are shared by Christ, who carried his cross to the end. Our crosses too can transform death into life.

<u>Question of the Week:</u> How can I imitate Christ by helping someone else carry their cross, as he helps me carry mine?

#### **DAILY READINGS:**

#### <u>Monday</u>

September 15
Our Lady of
Sorrows

1 Tm 2:1-8 Jn 19:25-27

# Tuesday September 16 St. Cornelius & Cyprian

1 Tm 3:1-13 Lk 7:11-17

#### **Wednesday**

September 17 1 Tm 3:14-16 Lk 7:31-35

#### Thursday

September 18 1 Tm 4:12-16 Lk 7:36-50

#### **Friday**

September 19 1 Tm 6:2c-12 Lk 8:1-3

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September 20

#### St. Tae-gon & Chong Ha-sang, & Champions

1 Tm 6:13-16 Lk 8:4-15

#### 25th Sunday Of Ordinary Time

September 21 Am 8:4-7 1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 16:1-13

#### Mass Schedule

#### Monday, September 15:

9:00 a.m.-Cup of Grace

7:30 p.m.-Knights of Columbus

#### Tuesday, September 16:

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

#### Wednesday, September 17:

7:30 a.m.—Mass at SP [Bob & Rickey Briggs]

8:30 a.m.—Mass at HT [For The People]

#### Thursday, September 18:

7:30 a.m.—Mass at SP [Joan Bauer]

#### Friday, September 19:

7:30 a.m.—Mass at SP [Verna Mayer]

8:30 a.m.— Mass at HT

[Living: Tessa McCuen & family]

#### Saturday, September 20:

4:30 p.m.—Reconciliation

5:00 p.m.—Mass at SP [Tigges Family]

Sunday, September 21: Catechetical Sunday

10:30 a.m.-Mass in the Grass

[Brenda Sorenson]

11:30 a.m.—Potluck and fellowship

#### **Upcoming Events:**

St. Pat's Goal:

Sept. 14—2nd Collection: Seminarian Special Collection

Sept. 21—Mass in the Grass at Albert The Bull Park

Catechetical Sunday

Sept. 24—Religious Education begins!

Sept. 28-2nd Collection: Gaza Relief

#### 2025 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL



Donor

Yet to

Pledges & Gifts:	\$29,413.75	Households	Donate
Payments Rec'd:	\$28,338.50	54	79
Needed:	\$2,878.25		
Holy Trinity's Goal:	\$9,138.00	Donor	Yet to
Pledges & Gifts:	\$7,682.25	Households	Donate
Payments Rec'd:	\$7,682.25	18	21
Needed:	\$1,455,75		

\$32,292.00

	Holy Trinity's goal	\$40,000.00		
ALIFE A CHURCH A COMMUNITY.  Campaign for the  Catholic Discase of Dea Moines			Donor	Yet to
	Pledges & Gifts	\$30,936.00	Households	Donate
	Payments Rec'd	\$26,435.98	19	20
	Needed	\$9,064.00		

### Liturgy Schedule

#### ST. PATRICK'S:

Saturday, September 20-5:00 P.M.:

Ushers: Reader:

Eucharist Ministers: Virginia Mennenoh, Matt Wilder,

Volunteer

Music: Gary Keller, Tom Mennenoh

Servers: McKenna & Avery Wilder, Huxley Gross

Sacristan: Andy Griffith

Sunday, September 21-10:30 A.M.:

Ushers:

Reader: Ann Carter

Eucharist Ministers: , Lora Anthofer,

Don & Jennifer Mosinski

Music:

Servers: Autumn & Kara Klocke and Gavin Carter

Sacristan: April Brand

#### **HOLY TRINITY:**

#### Sunday, September 21:

\*\* Mass in the Grass @ Albert the Bull at 10:30 a.m.

September 7 Giving					
	St. Patrick's	Holy Trinity			
Tithes	\$1,290.00	\$1,215.00			
Plate	\$195.00	\$43.00			
Building Fund	\$6,160.00				
Total	\$7,645.00	\$1,258.00			

# Happy Birthday 14th - Zayne Nalley 16th - Tami Anderson 17th - Tammi Schulz 19th - Jaydin Nowatzke Pat Greving Sammy Warnaca 20th - Jenny Brabham Paul Christensen

## **Happy Anniversary**

Mark & Víckí Ríchards

47 Yrs. ~ September 16, 1978

Brad & Jen Sporrer

25 Yrs. ~ September 16, 2000

Tím & Línda Irlmeier 45 Yrs. ~ September 19, 1980

#### **BECOMING THE BEST DISCIPLE**

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

"Hanging

On

Patiently

Everyday."

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.



Corpus Christi Council is looking for 2 new members. 1/Holy Trinity & 1/St. Patrick's It is a 3 year term. If interested, please contact the office.



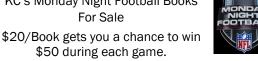
September 21 Albert the Bull Park One Mass that day 10:30 a.m.



KC's Monday Night Football Books For Sale

\$50 during each game.

If you have questions or would like to purchase a book contact Andy Griffith 712-304-1533 or any Knight.





♣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 Rvan, Tina Madsen, Ellie Bennett,

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 Weitl, Fred Miller, Dash Burr, Randy Clausen, Connie (Fox) Hawthorne, Sheri Jo Porsch, Don Heller, Leonard Baumhover, Larry O'Tool, Mary Sextro Schneider, Joey Wanninger, Fred Muhr, Nick Swanson, Linda Kerkhoff, Leon Ditto, Deacon Fred Cornwell, Shirley Sextro Robertson 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.



Passing on the faith to our youth is so important to them and the life of the church. PLEASE prayerfully consider sharing one hour a week for our kids! Call April (712-304-4337) to volunteer. Classes begin Sept. 24th



The Lions Club has a project to collect shoes for third world countries. It is called SOLES FOR SOULS. They can be new, or slight-

ly 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.



#### St. Patrick's Elevator UPdate!

Bidding documents are close to being finalized! We appreciate Primus Companies for their efforts and attention to detail during this process. Building Fund balance to date = \$276,678.93.

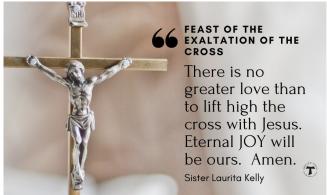
When donating, please be sure to note on your donation that it is for "Building Fund" or "Elevator Project" (It's the same fund either way you label it). On the front of the yellow pew prayer cards, there is a OR code for super easy donations.

Let the children come! If you need to pacify your little ones with food during mass, please be thoughtful of what types of food you bring and clean up your area before you leave. Thank you for your cooperation and dedication to your family and parish!





If you wish to donate for Flowers for Mary, they are \$10/week and can be paid at Lori's Flowers.



The Exaltation of the Cross refers to a Christian feast day, celebrated on September 14, that commemorates the veneration and triumph of the cross, a symbol of Christ's sacrifice, victory over sin and death, and ultimate redemption for humanity. It specifically marks the historical events of the discovery of the True Cross by St. Helena, which was buried under a temple, in the 4th century and the dedication of a church on the site of the Holy Sepulchre in 335 AD. The feast calls believers to embrace the cross as a source of hope, strength, and eternal life, recognizing that even our struggles can be transformed into opportunities for deeper connection with God's love.



**GRIEF CLASS:** "Understanding Your Grief" is a support and education program for adults who have experienced the death of a loved one.

**EVERY TUESDAY:** Sept. 16, 23, 30—October 7, 14, 21 \* 9:30—11:30 AM

~1213 Garfield Ave., Harlan, IA -Business Center Entrance, Myrtue's Board Room

Registration is required by September 8, please call 712-755-4308

This class is provided at no cost and is sponsored by Myrtue Medical Center Hospice

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