“The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.”

~ Psalm 23:1
NEW MEMBER COFFEE & DONUTS

Welcome! If you are new to our Parish in the last 6 months, please come join us for coffee, donuts, and omelets after 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, October 22nd in the Media Center of our School.

Father Michael, our Welcome Committee, and Staff will be here to share a cup of coffee and visit as well as answer your questions about our Parish & the Beaverdale Community.

We are blessed to have you worship with us.

COMPLIMENTARY DINNER & ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL OUR SENIORS

On Tuesday, October 17th, the lovely ladies of Circle 6 are hosting an evening out for our Seniors in the Holy Trinity Social Room, complete with dinner and incredible music by the professional entertainer, Gina Gedler and her pianist.

Gathering, drinks & appetizers start at 5:30 p.m.
Dinner at 6:00 p.m.
Show begins at 6:30 p.m.

Drinks and dinner are free of charge as a thank you from Circle 6 for everything our Seniors do for Holy Trinity. The music is compliments of Gina and her pianist (there will be a tip jar available to thank her for her generosity of time and talent to HT).

Please RSVP to the office at carolynr@holytrinitydm.org or 255-3162 ext. 1128 by October 16th. If you came last year, you know you don't want to miss this! Hope to see you there.

Healing Mass
Sunday, October 15th at 2:00 PM

If you or a family member want to experience God’s healing grace, come to the Healing Mass. Father Michael and two other priests will offer the Sacrament of the Sick during this Sunday liturgy.

Anyone experiencing pain or distress, whether mental, physical, or spiritual, is a candidate for the Sacrament of the Sick, so please join us on October 15.

ALL parishioners are welcome to attend and offer community support to those in need of healing.

Refreshments will follow Mass in Social Room.
SPIRITUALITY OF THE READINGS

Reading I: Isaiah 25:6-10
Responsorial Psalm: 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Reading II: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20
Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

All Good Gifts

Do you remember the movie Babette’s Feast? Maybe you saw it or at least have heard of it. The Gospel parable reminds us of that movie.

Babette, an impoverished cook, made her way into a small town where the religion of the area made people hard and cold to each other, afraid to enjoy anything or anyone. Babette was a top chef who had wandered up into their community. She had only a small reserve of possessions. But she prepared, over many days, a huge, delectable, superb feast, serving after serving, all for the uptight townsfolk. As they began to taste and enjoy they began also to communicate to each other in kindness. They even danced!

I have heard people say that the movie promoted self-indulgence, but I would not endorse that view.

Instead, it is similar to the huge feast we hear about in the First Reading. This is where we find the famous invitation from the Lord of Hosts, full of unstinting promise. Come to “a feast of rich food and choice wines.” And according to the normal way of Jewish writing, Isaiah repeats the same in different words: “juicy, rich food and pure, choice wines.” This is a great banquet, called in medieval England a “groaning board.”

Then, Sunday’s Gospel describes a sumptuous feast also. A king prepares it, fattens up his best livestock, seasoned and readied for cooking. Then he sends his servants out with invitations.

If you thought the people in Babette’s town were reluctant, look what happened. Some invitees outright refused to come. Others simply ignored the invitation as if it had not been given. A number “laid hold of his servants, mistreated them, and killed them.” The king punished these. He invited street people in. Food was meant to be enjoyed, not refused.

But how dare we stuff ourselves with lush food and every other kind of riches with so many people starving in today’s world? Shouldn’t we abstain and deny ourselves? Isn’t the “First World” currently fattened on food far more lavish than the ancients ever dreamt of?

“But who says you can’t have it all?” advertisements insist. Can’t we, who try to be faithful to God and God’s promises?

As you consider that question, remember that Jesus did both: he feasted and he fasted. Recall that he desisted from food for forty days at the beginning of his public ministry. But later on he had occasion to say, mockingly, “The Son of Man came eating and drinking and they said, ‘Look, he is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners’” (Mt 11:19).

Which is it for you, then, fasting or feasting? The answer can be simply said but attained only with difficulty. Here it is: we are meant to receive, humbly, and also to give to others, humbly. The mistake is to adopt a stance of receiving only (getting, grabbing) or giving only (exist just for the poor). The readings invite us to enjoy what is there, all of it coming from God’s hand. Jesus did this. When it was time to let go of it all—life, friends, peace and possessions—he did that too, with love.

Receive and give.
Receive his life. Then give it out to the world.

John Foley, S. J. of the Center for Liturgy

Image: Jan Cornelisz Vermeyen, Marriage at Cana ca 1530

FAITH QUESTIONS?

Question for Children: Why is it important for you to do what Jesus asks of you?

Question for Youth: Each week we are invited to participate in Mass. When you are at Mass, how well do you really participate? How could you be more present in heart, mind, and spirit?

Question for Adults: Using Jesus’ parable as your starting point, describe in your own words who will be welcome and why they will be welcome, at the eternal banquet of God.
OMELET BREAKFAST
Please join us for a delicious Omelet Breakfast after both Masses on Sunday, October 22nd. There will be a free will offering to benefit the Holy Trinity School Endowment Fund. We will be serving made-to-order omelets, cinnamon rolls, fruit, milk, juice and coffee. Come enjoy good food & great fellowship all for a worthy cause...hope to see you there!

BAPTISM CLASS
If you are interested in having your child baptized at Holy Trinity, a Baptism Class is required. Our Baptism Class is Monday, October 16th. Please call the Parish Office at 255-3162 ext. 1128 or email parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org to sign up. We look forward to celebrating this Sacrament with you!

Celtic Music Association Concert Series
The Celtic Music Association announces their 26th season of bringing the best in Celtic music to central Iowa.

- October 21 we present the Dublin group, Skippers Alley here at HT parish hall.
- January 13, 2018 Tallymoore, a very popular Milwaukee group join us at our parish hall.
- February 10 the Scottish group, Daimh will entertain us at our parish hall.
- We end the season on March 9 at Hoyt Sherman with the Socks in the Frying Pan. The Socks have been headlining the summer festival scene the past two years. Season tickets are only $88, while Skippers Alley tickets are $25. Both season and single event tickets are available at our parish office. Thanks for your support of our Celtic Music group.

LITTLE TOWN of BETHLEHEM
Tickets on sale this Thursday! Do you love Christmas music? Then you’ll love Holy Trinity Respect Life Group’s 5th annual Christmas gala: Little Town of Bethlehem. The last two years sold out fast, so we added a second show. Details: Saturday, December 2nd, 5:30PM, $280 per table, includes pork loin dinner. Sunday matinee: December 3rd, 3PM, $144 per table, includes dessert bar only. The show follows, starring Gina Gedler backed by the 24 voice Fire and Mercy choir and a 17 piece orchestra! Tables go on sale online this Thursday at www.HolyTrinityRespectLife.com. Questions? Call Tom or Karen Quiner: 276-9266.

DIVORCED?
The Catholic’s DIVORCE SURVIVAL Guide 12-week group begins November 7th at 6 pm at St Catherine of Siena Parish, 1150 28th St, Des Moines, IA 50311. Cost of $30 per person includes a “Personal Survival Guide” and all materials for 12 weeks. Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic teachings. Call Bill and Ann Moore for more information, or to register, at 515-480-3314 (Bill) 641-425-0109 (Ann) or email moorefamilydsm@gmail.com. For more information visit www.catholicsdivorce.com

Annual Turkey Dinner
St. Boniface Church, Waukee, will hold their Annual turkey Dinner on Sunday, October 29, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at St. Boniface parish hall, 1200 Warrior Lane, Waukee. Menu includes turkey and stuffing, mashed potatoes, vegetables, roll, pie and beverage. Cost: $10/adults, $5/children ages 3-12, free/age 2 and under. Information, call the parish office at 515-987-4597.

October NOVOS Events
Young Adults Building Community Through Faith
- Thursday, October 19th - Meal packaging at Meals from the Heartland 6:30-8:30 pm
- Thursday, October 26th - Mass & Brews at St. Ambrose Cathedral & El Bait Shop. 6:30-9:00 pm. See NOVOS Young Adults FB page for event details. Like & Follow us to join the conversation and stay up to date on future events! @NovosDSM

MEMORIAL MASS
You are invited to the diocese’s annual Pregnancy and Infant Loss Memorial Mass on Tuesday, November 28th at 7 PM at Christ the King Church, 5711 SW 9th St, Des Moines, IA 50315. A reception will follow the Mass, where resources offering healing and education will be provided. For more information contact the Office of Marriage and Family Life 515.237.5056.

Respect Life Corner
“This is a debate about our understanding of human dignity, what it means to be a member of the human family, even though tiny, powerless and unwanted” – Henry Hyde
www.holytrinityrespectlife.com
Thank you for another amazing Walk-A-Thon!

Last Saturday, our community gathered to celebrate our Holy Trinity family and Beaverdale Community with the annual HT Walk-A-Thon. A HUGE thank you goes to our PTO for organizing such an amazing event to benefit our school! The final totals are still being calculated and will be announced soon by the PTO, but we know that we surpassed our fundraising goal and raised over $30,000 to update our Media Center! Thank you for all your support!
$100 per table
up to 8 people per table / team

REGISTER by October 25th
Email: HTTriviaNight@gmail.com
OR
Complete the form below and return to the HT Office.

Saturday, October 28th
Holy Trinity Social Room
Hosted by and benefiting the youth attending National Catholic Youth Conference

Doors open at 5:45 p.m.
Questions Begin at 7:00 p.m.

- Event includes 10 rounds of questions
- Concessions and snacks available or bring your own
(No crockpots, extension cords or extra tables.)

Registration Form

[ ] Sign me up for a table!

Questions? Contact Shari Naughton 360-7691
Make checks payable to: Holy Trinity

☐ Check Enclosed for $100

Team Contact

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Team Name (if Applicable)

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Margaret Mary Alacoque, Religious, 1647-1690

The widespread devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus celebrated in the Church today can be directly attributed to Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque. In a period of time when religious devotion in France was, at best, cool, this unlikely saint was charged by Jesus with strengthening the love of God in the people.

Born the fifth of seven children to the family of an official in Burgundy, Margaret was a good child, but, like most saints, had no extraordinarily angelic traits as a young girl. At the age of four, she took a vow of chastity, but later said that she had no idea of the meaning of either a vow or chastity. When she was about eight, her father died and Margaret was sent to school in a convent run by the Poor Clare nuns. It was at this time that she began to be attracted to a religious vocation. The nuns, impressed with her piety, allowed her to make her First Communion at the age of nine (At that point in time, children were generally not allowed to receive Communion).

A few years later, a sickness caused her to be sent home. There, she found that one of her sisters had taken control of the household and Margaret and her mother were treated no better than servants. When Margaret had reached a marriageable age, her family began pressuring her to marry and she considered this for a time. At the age of twenty, however, Margaret had a vision of Jesus which made her determined to follow Christ, and she entered a convent run by the Poor Clare nuns. It was at this time that she began to be attracted to a religious vocation. The nuns, impressed with her piety, allowed her to make her First Communion at the age of nine (At that point in time, children were generally not allowed to receive Communion).

From a human standpoint, God often works in strange ways. A nun with little education whose circumstance was to do the menial labor in a convent would not normally be the one we would choose to promote devotion to the Sacred Heart. But during the next several years, our Lord made himself known to Margaret Mary many times and, on December 27, 1673, she received the first of the revelations which she was to have. At that time, Jesus told her that the love of his heart must grow and that she was to be the person to make this known to humanity. In later revelations, He said that his heart was to be represented in the image of the Sacred Heart which we are familiar with today. Jesus also told her that, as far as she was able, she was to atone for mankind’s ingratitude for his loving kindness by frequent reception of the Eucharist, especially on the first Friday of the month (from which comes the devotion of nine First Fridays), and a one hour prayer vigil on Thursday nights (the Holy Hour which was popular for many years). In one revelation, Jesus asked Margaret Mary to have a feast of reparation established on the Friday following the Feast of Corpus Christi to be known as the Feast of the Sacred Heart.

While giving these instructions to Margaret Mary, Christ told her that obedience to her superior was foremost. The superior, Mother de Saumaise, was skeptical of Margaret Mary’s revelations and initially treated her with contempt. But, when Margaret Mary became very ill and was near death, her superior allowed that, if she were to recover from this illness, she would take that as a sign that her revelations were really from Jesus. Margaret Mary prayed to Jesus and immediately regained her health.

Margaret Mary had a powerful ally in her confessor, Saint Claude La Colombière. He not only believed in her mission, but encouraged her and was, at least in part, responsible for making her crusade known in the world. He, Saint Margaret Mary, and Saint John Eudes, are called “Saints of the Sacred Heart.”

**Margaret Mary’s message today:** Many of the saints were scorned because of their lives of devotion and prayer; Margaret Mary was one of these, although her sanctity was eventually recognized by those in her community. Likewise, we may experience the same reaction when we try to live out our Christian beliefs. Jesus encourages us to persevere, however, as he did in his visions to Margaret Mary.

† Was there a time when you were rebuffed because of what you believe in? Were you able to persevere? How?
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**Mass and Liturgy Schedule and Intentions**

**Sunday, October 15th**
- 8:30 am Mass: For the Parish
- 10:30 am Mass: Margaret Pommer

**Monday, October 16th**
- 8:00 am Mass: Communion Service

**Tuesday, October 17th**
- 8:00 am Mass: Patsy Boesen

**Wednesday, October 18th**
- 8:30 am Mass: Roger Dial

**Thursday, October 19th**
- 8:00 am Mass: Pat O’Connell

**Friday, October 20th**
- 8:00 am Mass: Bill Hicks

**Saturday, October 21st**
- 4:30 pm Mass: David Michael Stehl

**Sunday, October 22nd**
- 8:30 am Mass: Don Green
- 10:30 am Mass: For the Parish

†Give the spiritual gift of a Mass.
Offer it for the soul of a loved one or someone special in your life.
Contact the Parish Office at 255-3162 to schedule a mass intention.

**Financial Blessings Ending Week of October 1, 2017**

- Yearly goal (July 17-June 18): $1,019,700
- Weekly offertory collected: $13,092
- Year to date offering: $244,392

**Liturgy Ministers and Altar Servers**

**Saturday, October 21st at 4:30 pm**
- Altar Server: St. Matthew Team
- Lectors: Lauren Zenti
- EMHC: Deanne McLaughlin
- Cantors: Team 3
- Organist/Pianist: Jan Seversen
- Janice Weast

**Sunday, October 22nd at 8:30 am**
- Altar Server: St. John the Baptist
- Lectors: Chris Coleman
- EMHC: Team 2
- Children’s Liturgy: John TeKippe
- Organist/Pianist: Janice Weast

**Sunday, October 22nd at 10:30 am**
- Altar Server: St. Andrew Team
- Lectors: Teresa Baustian
- EMHC: Team 3
- Children’s Liturgy: Team 1
- Musical Coordinator: Jim Shutt

**CH - Church**
- 6N, 6H, 7R, 7P, 8B, 8Bro
- Classrooms

**DC - Day Chapel**
- Gymnasium

**K - Kitchen**
- MC - Media Center

**PO - Parish Office**
- Conference Room

**SR - Social Room**
- SL - Staff Lounge
PARISH CONTACTS

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH
Rev. Michael A. Amadeo, Pastor
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PARISH OFFICE
Monday to Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm
(515) 255-3162 ext. 1128

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Monday to Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
(515) 255-3162 ext. 1116
Fax: (515) 255-1381

RELIGIOUS FAITH FORMATION OFFICE
(515) 255-3162 ext. 1124

PARISH REGISTRATION
Registration forms are available in the pews, at the Parish Office or call 255-3162 ext. 1128.

SCHOOL REGISTRATION
Contact Melissa Heller at 255-3162 ext. 1115 or email mheller@htschool.org

MASS TIMES
Weekend
Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Weekdays
Monday: 8:00 am- Communion Service
Tuesday/Thursday/Friday: 8:00 am
Wednesday: 8:30 am-All School Mass

Adoration
Thursday: 2:00 pm-10:00 pm
Reconciliation
Saturday: 3:00 pm

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION
Baptism: Class is held once a month on a Monday at 7:00 pm. Contact the Parish Office to register.

Matrimony: Contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to the wedding date.

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process adults go through to come into full communion with the Catholic Church, contact Jim Wilwerding at 771-1847 or jimw@holytrinitydm.org

FACILITIES SCHEDULING & RENTAL
Parishioners may call Andy Negrete at 255-3162 ext. 1129 for more information.

PASTORAL CARE
Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office at 255-3162.

Communion to the Sick: If you are aware of someone who is homebound or in the hospital or nursing home and would like to receive communion, contact Sandy at 255-3162 ext. 2202.

Prayer Chain: In the event of a crisis or serious illness of a family member or friend, your party will be included (with their permission) through a phone tree of parishioners who offer prayers daily.

BULLETIN ARTICLES
Submit no later than noon, Friday (10 days before date of Sunday bulletin). Email: parishoffice@holytrinitydm.org
Articles will be subject to edit and available space.

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235 5th Street
West Des Moines
(515) 279-0036

To advertise your business, please contact Andy Negrete in the Parish Office 255-3162 ext. 1129 or andyn@holytrinitydm.org