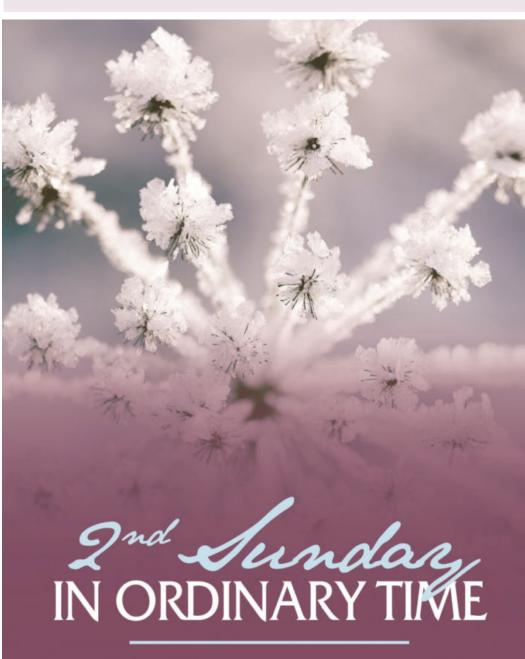
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We, the parish family of St. Francis of Assisi, are a Catholic, Christian community striving to live the mission of Jesus Christ. As partners in faith, we witness our love of God through liturgy, social outreach and life-long faith formation. We embrace the spirituality of St. Francis, challenging us to be instruments of peace and love.

January 16, 2022 | Ordinary Time



Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." - In 2:4

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MASS TIMES Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:30 pm Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 am Youth Mass: 4:30 pm | 3rd Sun. of

Weekday Masses Monday-Friday: 7:15 am

Tuesday: Noon

Reconciliation

Wednesday: Noon-1 pm Saturday: 8:30-9:30 am Or by appointment

2nd & 4th Tues. each month: 8 am-8 pm Adoration w/ Benediction: 2nd Tues. at 8 pm

Rosarv

Monday - Friday at 6:30 am Monday at 7 pm in Assisi Room

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Fr. John Kwaku Brobbey Associate Pastor | Ext. 107

Deacon Bill Richer Pastoral Associate | Ext. 110

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Parish Office hours: 8 a.m.— 4:30 p.m.

MASS INTENTIONS

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1-15	Sat.	4:30 p.m.	† Jerome Boge	
1-16	Sun.	7:30 a.m.	For the parishioners of the parish	
		9:30 a.m.	† William & Dorothy Stolzman	
		11:30 a.m.	† Grace Mauro	
1-17	Mon.	7:15 a.m.	† Jerry Kennebeck	
1-18	Tues.	7:15 a.m.	† Dorothy Foley	
		Noon	† Ray Essick	
1-19	Wed.	7:15 a.m.	† Jordan Leon	
		8:45 a.m.	† Nicholas Romano	
1-20	Thur.	7:15 a.m.	† David Pilla	
1-21	Fri.	7:15 a.m.	† Cathy Murray	
1-22	Sat.	4:30 p.m.	† Phil Kuhn	
1-23	Sun.	7:30 a.m.	† Kendrick family deceased members	
		9:30 a.m.	For the parishioners of the parish	
		11:30 a.m.	† Howard & Donna Burch	

SACRAMENTS AT ST. FRANCIS

Baptism

Congratulations on preparing to be baptized into the community of the Church! Baptisms are scheduled on the 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Sundays of the month after the 11:30 a.m. Mass & the 4th Saturday of the month after the 4:30 p.m. Mass. For more info, please call the Parish Office. The next baptism class will be held on January 30th at 12:30 p.m.

Becoming Catholic

If you or someone you know is thinking about joining the Catholic Church or is inquiring about the faith, please contact the Faith Formation Office.

First Communion

First Communion is celebrated in April. For more information, please contact the Faith Formation Office.

Confirmation

Confirmation is celebrated once a year for our high school sophomore students. If you have a student who'd like to be part of this, contact Lisa Schmidt at Ext. 156. For info regarding Adult Confirmation, please contact the Faith Formation Office.

Marriage

Congratulations on your engagement! We look forward to helping you prepare for life together. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Homebound Ministry

If you're unable to attend Mass & would like to receive communion, please email homebound@saintfrancischurch.org.

Hospital Visits

As hospital visits start to reopen during COVID-19, Fr. John

REMEMBERING OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please pray for those individuals who have passed away as well as their families.

Give them eternal rest, O Lord, and let them share in your unending glory.

LIVING OUR FAITH CALENDAR

Saturday, January 15

7:30 a.m.: Men's Faith Sharing 5:30 p.m.: EDGE

Sunday, January 16

Coffee & Donuts

4:30 p.m.: Youth Mass

Monday, January 17

6 a.m.: Adoration/Rosary

7 p.m.: Rosary

6 p.m.: Pre-K Info Night 7 p.m.: Kindergarten Info

Night

Tuesday, January 18

6 a.m.: Adoration/Rosary

6 p.m.: ALPHA

7 p.m.: SFA Young Adults 8 p.m.: Men's Faith Sharing

Wednesday, January 19

6 a.m.: Adoration/Rosary 9:45 a.m.: Mark Study

Wednesday cont'd

7 p.m.: Catechist Training

7:30 p.m.: FISH

Thursday, January 20

6 a.m.: Adoration/Rosary Noon: Sunsational Seniors

6:30 p.m.: FF Council

7 p.m.: Theology of the Body

Friday, January 21

6 a.m.: Adoration/Rosary 7 a.m.: School Chess Club

Saturday, January 22

7:30 a.m.: Men's Faith Sharing 6 p.m.: Free Throw Competition

Sunday, January 23

First Reconciliation Retreat 3 p.m.: Scout Troup 888

FROM FR. RAY

Welcome parishioners, newcomers and visitors!

I will be out of the office January 21 – February 2. I will be in South Africa with some of your fellow parishioners for our annual Mission Trip with Blessman International. We missed our trip in 2021 due to COVID restrictions but are able to return this year. We will be in Limpopo Province ministering to children and adults in need. We will visit the sites where they have constructed the EnviroLoo waterless toilets that many of you have helped fund. Please pray for us and to those whom we minister. Father Brobbey will have everything under control until I return.

Parish Solidarity Fund: Bishop William Joensen invites us to help a sister parish. There is a second collection this weekend to assist St. Mary's of Hamburg that needs a religious education center for its youth. You can also make a donation to the Parish Solidarity Fund directly to the diocese at: dmdiocese.org/giving

Our Gardening Angels had another successful gardening year in 2021. Through their efforts we raised and donated 4,703 pounds of produce to the Des Moines Area Religious Council Food Pantry. Many hungry people were fed due to their efforts. I want to thank them for their ministry to feed the hungry as Matthew's gospel commands us. I encourage you to volunteer with the Gardening Angels this year in this most important ministry.

We are now in Ordinary Time. The gospel for the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time from John's gospel tells us the story of the beginning of Jesus' public ministry and the working of his first sign or miracle. Jesus' mother, who John does not name, told him they were out of wine. It was at her urging that he changed the water into wine. And not just enough wine, but wine of excellent quality in abundance. As she encouraged the servers to listen to her son she still encourages us to listen to him.

"His mother said to the servers, 'Do whatever he tells you." John 2:5

Fr. Ray McHenry



WELCOME TO ST. FRANCIS!

Thank you for joining us at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church! We're glad to have you as part of our family.

We offer various possibilities to grow in faith and love, from education, faith and social ministries, local and international outreach, to celebrating the word of God.

For more information regarding membership and new member activities, please contact the Parish Office. Stop by the Parish Office to pick up a parish registration card or register online!

If renting our Parish Hall, please contact Paula Courter at <u>PCourter@saintfrancischurch.org</u>. Requests for reserving meeting rooms for parish-sponsored campus events should be sent to Sheila Timmerman at STimmerman@saintfrancischurch.org.

As always, make sure to check out our website at www.saintfrancischurch.org for a wealth of information to assist you.

ST. FRANCIS COMMUNICATIONS

SUBSCRIBE TO THE BULLETIN

Subscribe to receive email notifications once new bulletins become available online.

- On the homepage of our website, scroll down and click on "View Bulletins" (next to Upcoming Events).
- Once you click "View Bulletins", click on "Subscribe" for St. Francis' bulletins and enter your email address.

LIVESTREAMING MASS

Livestreaming at 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. (ASL interpreted.) Go to: Youtube.com/StFrancisofAssisiCatholicChurchWDM or youtube.com and enter SFAWDM in the search box.

LITURGY AND MUSIC

St. Francis needs Liturgical Ministers and Musicians to help with our liturgies for all Masses.

Please contact Emily Schmid in the Parish Office if you are interested in helping with this ministry.

WE WANT TO SHARE YOUR NEWS

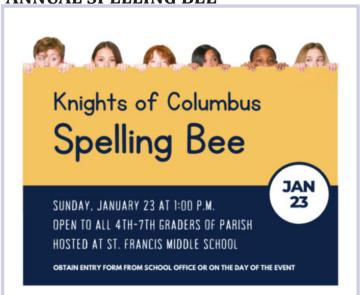
Have something you need announced in the bulletin? Send an email to Communications@saintfrancischurch.org.

Upcoming deadlines (by 9 a.m.) are as follows:

January 23rd bulletin: January 17th January 30th bulletin: January 24th

*Check out the communications page on our website for all the ways we can share your news & how to submit info. https://saintfrancischurch.org/our-parish/communications/

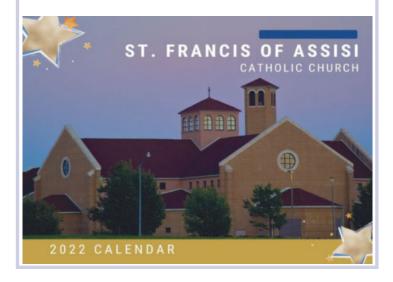
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SFA 2022 CALENDARS

2022 SFA parish calendars are now available.

There is a limited supply in the Gathering Space. If you would like to make a freewill donation, you can place it in the mailbox in the Gathering Space.

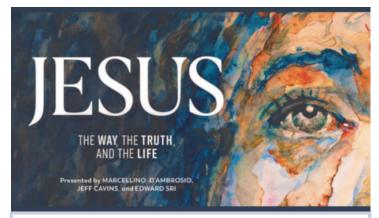


THIRD THURSDAY

Have you encountered the Holy Spirit recently? Looking for a way to adore and worship our Lord?

Join us for "Third Thursday" on January 20th at 6:30 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church.

Third Thursday is an evening of Mass, adoration, prayer, and music provided by First Encounter. This event is organized by Immerse, an organization working to empower people to experience the love of God the Father and Jesus Christ the Son through an encounter with the Holy Spirit.



The marvelous treasures of the Catholic Faith—the Eucharist, Mary, the saints, and the Creed—are all centered on a single figure: Jesus Christ. Jesus is more than a historical or theological figure. He is our Savior, our Redeemer, our Lord, and our God. While many of us already know a lot about him, how well can we say we really know him?

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life is a new and fresh look at Jesus—who he is, what he is really like, what he taught, and what he did for our salvation. This encounter with Christ will inspire and empower you to center your entire life on him as you come to know and love him in an ever-deeper and more intimate way.

Wednesdays, Feb 16-May 4 9:45-11:45 a.m. Serra Room Suggested donation \$35 for materials Register at https://JesusSFA.eventbrite.com

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St. Francis of Assisi is seeking an individual to fill the following full-time position:

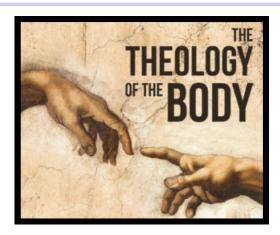
Youth Ministry Coordinator.

St. Francis of Assisi is seeking a full-time Youth Ministry Coordinator. This position provides vision and coordination for SFA's efforts in ministry to youth (7th through 12th grades). This includes FISH/EDGE weekly sessions, monthly activities, catechesis, service opportunities, and coordination of Confirmation sacramental preparation. The start date is flexible, with the goal of having an employee fully on-board by July 1, 2022.

Please submit your resume and cover letter to:

Human Resources Coordinator 7075 Ashworth Road West Des Moines, IA 50266. Or by email to: communications@saintfrancischurch.org

Come serve in ministry with us!



The Theology of the Body: Discovering the Master Plan for Your Life

Have your children or friends ever left you stumbling when they asked you about premarital sex, pornography, contraception, LGBTQ+ rights, abortion, gender equality and identity, or substance abuse? These are heavy topics in the midst of a world with so many voices telling us what to believe about our bodies. Through the Theology of the Body, St. Pope John Paul II offers a loving lens to view the world with great mercy, healing, and hope for the future.

The Theology of the Body seeks to answer two basic questions:

- 1. What does it mean to be made human, male and female, in the image and likeness of God?
- 2. How can I live my life in a way that brings happiness and fulfillment?

Join this 9-week study to dive deeper into the overwhelming love of Jesus.

- When: Thursdays, Jan 13-Mar 10, 7-8:30 p.m. (1st night 7-9 p.m.)
- Location: Serra Room
- Cost: Suggested donation of \$25 for materials & facilitator expenses. Can be paid at first session via cash or check made out to SFA Faith Formation.

Register: http://saintfrancischurch.org/formation/adult-faith-formation/ or use the QR code below:



MASKS ENCOURAGED

The Diocese continues to strongly encourage masks.

In light of our increasing number of hospitalizations and COVID cases, this is a friendly reminder that the Diocese continues to strongly encourage masks at all indoor liturgies and other events, especially for those who are unvaccinated and without natural immunity, as a small sacrifice that can assist our health care professionals and help all members of our community feel comfortable worshiping together. Thank you.





SFA PRAYER CHAIN

ST. FRANCIS PARISH PRAYER CHAIN

Our prayer chain involves dozens of people praying for the needs of others.



Consider becoming a

prayer warrior by committing yourself to develop and sustain not only your own personal prayer life, but also bear the burdens of members of our parish community and beyond through intercessory prayer. If you would like to submit a prayer request to our prayer chain or be a prayer warrior please contact Sheila Timmerman.

Email: prayerchain@saintfrancischurch.org.
Please indicate if you would like your name linked to the prayer request.

LITURGY CORNER

Sunday

Our entire society sees something special about Sunday. Business hours change. Breakfast menus expand. Work hours shrink. Sporting events surface. The newspaper inflates. Movie schedules increase. We expect leisure on Sunday. Part of the weekend, it begins the week and ends the week. It is a sacred day, a time outside normal time when life takes a break. Sunday symbolizes paradise, a place, and pace of leisure and pleasure.

How did all this happen? We Christians owned Sunday first. It is our most important day. On a Sunday, Jesus rose from the dead (Matthew 28.1). On Sundays, his followers met to break bread (Acts 20.7). The Resurrection is our most central belief. We choose Sunday for our primary gathering because the day itself proclaims our faith. Mass on Wednesday or Monday just would not be the same. Sunday is Easter. You can change the day you shop for groceries or go to the bank without much loss. But church is different. It demands a particular day, like a holiday or an anniversary. If we did not gather for Eucharist on Sunday, we have not proclaimed the Resurrection.

Our definition of "Sunday" includes Saturday night. This does not compromise to convenience. Jesus rose from the dead during the night. So our Eucharist still honors the Resurrection when it takes place at the beginning of that night—namely, on Saturday evening.

If a serious reason keeps you from attending church on Sunday, your pastor may dispense you. Your conversation with him honors your commitment to your community. On a Sunday when you cannot participate in the Eucharist, you may wish to pray the Scriptures of that day and share a prayer at meal with other believers.

Unity, leisure, and prayer characterize a Sunday. Our attendance at church unites us with the believers of our own community and with all Christians throughout the world. Our abstinence from work frees our mind for prayer. Football, food, and freedom are all supplementary to Sunday's main purpose, celebrating Eucharist.

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SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Pre-K and Kindergarten Enrollment

St. Francis of Assisi School is a Preschool-8th grade school community. Our students excel in a safe, nurturing environment under the leadership of a faith-filled, caring and professional faculty and staff.

E-Enroll your student via the link on the front page of our website by Friday, January 21, 2022. Registering by January 21 is imperative for admission policy. In the event there are more applicants than seats available, enrollment will be determined according to the SFA Board of Education admission policy. Enrollment confirmation will be emailed to families by February 4, 2022. Tuition for 2022-23 will be determined in January. Learn more at www.sfawdm.org.

SUNSATIONAL SENIORS

Mark your calendars for January 20, 2022 from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 pm in the Serra Room. We will be offering red and white chili and crackers. As always, we would appreciate your contributions to the meal. To ensure variety, seniors with last names beginning with letters A- C please bring cornbread, garlic bread, breadsticks or cinnamon rolls, D-G desserts, and H-Z hot dishes or salads. We look forward to seeing you for some good food, fun, and fellowship. See you then!

HELP A CHURCH IN NEED

Bishop William Joensen invites us to help a sister parish, St. Mary's of Hamburg, that needs a religious education center for its youth. The diocese has established the Parish Solidarity Fund so that parishes may assist each other in a time of need. We will take up a second collection this weekend (January 15/16) to assist St. Mary's in Hamburg.

Go directly to <u>dmdiocese.org/giving</u> to make your contribution today.



SURVEY FROM THE DIOCESE

The Bishop would like to hear from us.

Bishop William Joensen invites us to take part in a brief survey that will assist our visioning process for the Diocese of Des Moines. We want to hear of your joys and disappointments, your hopes and priorities for our diocesan future. To complete the survey in English, go here: https://forms.gle/1mp721t5b8TFcAid8.

En espanol: https://forms.gle/nnPzXFtVJcs4oTXj6. The Bishop also invites us to pray that God will grace us with clear vision of His will for the way forward.

English QR Code



Spanish QR Code



ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

Dear Parishioners,

2,800 second appeal letters for our 2021 ADA Annual Diocesan Appeal was sent this week to those who are still prayerfully considering a donation. A donation of \$15.00 each would fulfill our 2021 ADA goal, however any amount would be much appreciated.

Pledges outstanding \$979 Balance left to go \$22,815

- ** Our 2021 Parish Goal is \$399,532.
- ** To date, we have pledged or paid \$376,717(94%)!

Gifts can be made online at <u>dmdiocese.org/giving</u>. (Be sure to select SFA as your parish.)

Thank you for your generosity and support!



ABUNDANT GIVING

Now there are even more ways to support all the great things happening at St. Francis!

For the last two years, we've used the online application Abundant Giving to give you an additional way to tithe. We've now added additional categories, including School, Faith Formation, our Campus Project Wish List, and Annual Diocesan Appeal.

Go to our website and click on Our Parish/Tithing & Donations or go directly to https://abundant.co/stfrancisofassisi/give to see all of the ways you can support St. Francis.

PRAY THE ROSARY WITH US

Would you like to learn more about praying the rosary in a non-intimidating atmosphere?

All are welcome to join the Rosary group on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. in the Assisi Room at St. Francis. It is a most powerful prayer opportunity which lasts about 45 minutes.

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RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

March for Life

Thanks to the generosity of St. Francis parishioners, the Respect Life Committee was able to provide three \$400 scholarships to St. Francis students, to go to the March for Life, in Washington, DC. EWTN will have live coverage of the March for Life on January 21st, beginning at 8 am, with ebroadcast at 9 pm.

FORMED. CATHOLIC CONTENT

FORMED RECOMMENDATIONS

These recommendations are based on the Catholic liturgical year, saints and feast days.

Program – Protecting the Vulnerable Unborn - Jeanne Mancini

Movie – Venerable Jerome Lejeune: To the Least of These My Brothers & Sisters

Audio – There is Life in the Womb by Archbishop Fulton Sheen

Books – Redeemed by Grace: A Catholic Woman's Journey to Planned Parenthood & Back by Romona Trevño **Kid's Choice** -- Skiff and AJ's Fantastic Voyage

Details on our website by clicking on Formation/FORMED.



THE CATHOLIC FAITH.



FAITH FORMATION HAPPENINGS

Family Formation

- January 19: Catechist Meeting | 7-8:30 | Serra Room
- January 22/23: First Reconciliation Retreat
- January 26/29: Sacrament of First Reconciliation

Youth Ministry

- January 19: EDGE meets from 5:30 7pm; FISH meets from 7:30 – 9pm. Gather in Parish Hall.
- January 26: EDGE meets from 5:30 7pm; FISH meets from 7:30 – 9pm. Gather in Parish Hall.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

All CGS levels will meet from 5:15 – 6:45pm on the following Wednesdays: January 19 ♦ January 26

Youth Mass

Our next Youth Mass will be celebrated Sunday, January 16 at 4:30pm. Contact Lindsay Struecker for more information.

Reconciliation Retreat

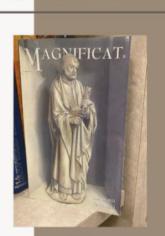
137 students are preparing to celebrate their first Reconciliation. Please pray for these children and their families as they participate in this weekend's retreat.

MAGNIFICAT SUBSCRIPTIONS

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We are submitting a bulk subscription order.

The Magnificat is a monthly Catholic publication that contains daily readings, prayers, reflections and articles on Catholic topics.



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There is room at the table for you and a guest.



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Invite a friend to Alpha

CHILDREN'S SECTION





MISSION

What does Jesus tell you to do in his word, the Bible? Find out by reading the Bible for 15 minutes a day with your family. You could start by reading Luke.



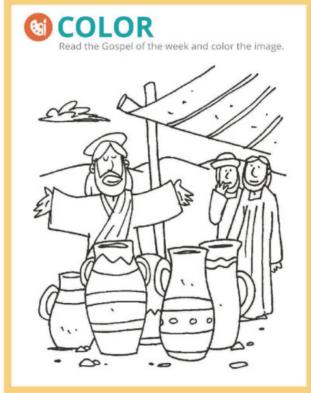
GOSPEL

At a wedding party, Mary said to Jesus, they have no more wine. Help them. Even though it was not time for him to perform miracles, Jesus honored his Mother by changing the water into wine. When you obey God by honoring your mother's wishes, you turn ordinary things, like opening a door, emptying trash, or making the bed into a gift Of love. This love makes your mother and God smile.



Lord, help me turn chores for my family into gifts for you.







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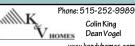


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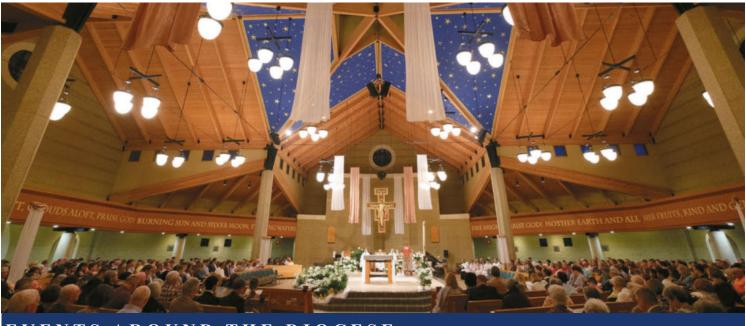


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"LIGHTEN UP! - A Celebration of Faith & Family"

....is coming to Holy Trinity Parish on January 23 & 24 at 6:47 p.m. (Yes, 6:47 p.m. is correct). Nationally-known, Catholic Inspirational comedian, singer, storyteller, teacher, and author Doug Brummel and his 'cast of characters' will lead our parish community on a unique faith journey. Contact John Mertes at 515-255 3162 x 224 or johnm@holytrinitydm.org for more info.

YOUNG CATHOLIC NETWORK

All young adult professionals in their 20s and 30s are invited to join the Young Catholic Network Speaker Series on Tuesday, January 25! Join us at 6 p.m. for an evening of networking and fellowship at the Catholic Pastoral Center in downtown Des Moines. Sharon Krause of Krause Group (parent company of Kum & Go) and Dalla Terra Ranch will be our featured speaker. Register today at www.dmdiocese.org/ycn!

MONTHLY HEALING SERVICES

On January 19, all are invited to attend a healing service at the St. Ambrose Cathedral at 7 p.m. "Come to me, all you are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."



January 22, 2022 | 5:30-9:00 p.m. | SFA Parish Hall Chili Cook-Off to support Sleep in Heavenly Peace

We are looking for chili makers and chili tasters to help raise funds for **Sleep in Heavenly Peace**, an organization that builds and delivers beds to kids in need. Join us to help raise funds for this organization and find out more about how you can help with their mission.

For more information or to sign up as a chili maker, please contact Dan Buscher or John Lensing through our parish website: http://saintfrancischurch.org/our-parish/contact-us/. Ticket sales for the event will go on sale early January.

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