

The Basilica of St. John

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Named to the National Historic Registry, September 8, 1987
Elevated to the rank of Minor Basilica by Pope John Paul II, October 4, 1989

Pastor: *The Very Reverend Aquinas M. Nichols*

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Rev. Mr. Mark Campbell
Rev. Mr. Juan Bustamante

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Hispanic Office-Secretary:
Homebound Ministry:
Baptism Preparation/Youth Ministry/Annulments:

Masses:	Saturday:	9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. (Sunday Vigil), 6:00p.m. (Spanish Mass)
	Sunday:	8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. (Festive Sung Mass)
	Holy Days:	Usually 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m. (check voicemail for Mass Schedule changes)
	National Holidays:	Usually 9:00 a.m. (or check Mass Schedule on the inside of this bulletin)
	Weekdays:	12:00 noon

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament:
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Baptism:
Marriage:
Visit to Sick:
New Parishioners:
Mass Homily:
Pregnancy Hotline:

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday
Saturday: 2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. or by appointment
Parishioners contact the parish office - (515)244-3101 ext. 0
Parishioners contact the office at least 6 months prior to requested date of marriage
Please inform office of any illness or hospitalization in the family
Please contact the Parish Office to register as a member of our parish
BasilicaofStJohn.org click on Live Telecast tab.
For those considering abortion: 1-800-848-LOVE

Stay awake and be ready! For you do not know on what day your Lord will come.

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Holy Gospel today gives us the example of the ten wise virgins and the ten foolish ones. The wise ones were ready to greet the Lord when he came, and they went into the banquet with him. This reminds us that life is fleeting and that we should always be prepared to meet our Lord. Let us pray for the grace to be strong and ready to greet the Lord.

The raffle tickets have been steadily coming in. Tickets must be in by November 29th when the drawing will take place. I thank all those who have participated thus far.

Please be conscious of the need to keep us financially strong. We still have a deficit to the Foundation and we still owe the diocese for the present ADA.

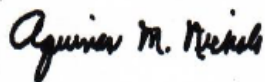
Please go to our website to see a letter from the Apostolic Nuncio clarifying certain remarks attributed to the Holy Father regarding Civil Unions. A usual, the press took the Holy Father's words entirely out of context.

After consulting the Parish Council, the Finance Council, the Building and Grounds Committee and the Art and Architecture Committee, and having researched the requirements of the Historical Society, we have begun to place a new floor covering under the pews. Years of wear and salt from the winters have resulted in some serious deterioration of the wood under the pews. The work should be completed by the end of the month. This falls under normal repairs for the facilities and there are sufficient funds in the Building Fund to cover the expense.

Let us continue our precautions and stay safe from the virus. We are heading into flu season, and there has been an increase of Covid cases. We do not want those who are vulnerable to have their health compromised in any way. Those who may be vulnerable and anyone who feels sick are asked to stay home and view the Mass online.

May the Lord continue to bless you all!

Devotedly in the Lord,



(The Very Reverend) Aquinas M. Nichols
Pastor

WEEKLY INCOME – 11/1/20

Total - \$15,921.50
Need - \$17,372.08

Year to Date (YTD) – Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021
YTD Total - \$243,385.09
YTD Need - \$312,697.44

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL-Amount still owed: \$36,571.00

Our Debt to the Foundation: \$13,500.00

COMMUNAL PENANCE: This year, due to Covid 19 we will not have our annual Advent Communal Penance service. Please avail yourself to the regularly scheduled Saturday Reconciliation times – from 2:45pm-3:45pm every Saturday.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 7 TO NOVEMBER 15

TIMES FOR EUCHARIST AND INTENTIONS

SAT	4:00PM	+Sharil Fetters
07	6:00PM	Spanish Mass
SUN		
08	8:30AM	+Mary Dinh
	10:30AM	Parish & Benefactors
MON		
09	12:00PM	+Mary C. Wilson
TUE		
10	12:00PM	+Renney Perry
WED		
11	12:00PM	+Judy Tatz
THU		
12	12:00PM	+Walt McManus
FRI		
13	12:00PM	+Madeline James
SAT	NO MORNING MASS AT THE BASILICA	
14	9:00AM	Living/Deceased Members of Altar & Rosary
	(Vigil Mass)	
	4:00PM	+Kathryn Mauro
SUN	8:30AM	Parish & Benefactors
15	10:30AM	Intentions of Nicholas & Ashley Fey

THE BASILICA OF ST. JOHN STREAMING ONLINE:

www.BasilicaofStJohn.org home page, scroll down to "Streaming Masses" & click on the tab to watch daily Mass and the Sunday Mass.

PRAYER CHAIN: Do you know someone who is in need of prayer? The Basilica Prayer Chain can help. To request prayers email Deacon Luke Tieskoetter at tieskoetterluke3@gmail.com or Terri at 321-2743 or sinc2@aol.com.

CATECHISM CORNER:

Last week's question:

Last week's question: ***Who celebrates the heavenly liturgy?***

ANSWER: The heavenly liturgy is celebrated by the angels, by the saints of the Old and New Testament, particularly the Mother of God, by the Apostles, by the martyrs, and by the "great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue." (Revelation 7:9). When we celebrate the mystery of our salvation in the sacraments we participate in this eternal liturgy.

New ways to give to the Basilica of Saint John:
Text-To-Give phone number. With Text-To-Give you simply put in a dollar amount and send a text to the following: **(515) 293-4810**. Scan the following QR Code for a one-time gift or setup an account.





The Basilica of St. John

Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

November 8, 2020

Respect
Life



YOUR PARISH THIS WEEK NOVEMBER 9 THRU NOVEMBER 15

MON 09	9:00AM 6:30PM	NO Adoration RCIA+
TUE 10	8:00AM	Organ Practice+++
WED 11	9:00AM 6:15PM	NO Adoration 2nd Year Students, Confirmation Class+ <i>One Parent must attend, with the student.</i>
THU 12	8:00AM	Organ Practice+++
FRI 13	9:00AM	NO Adoration
SAT 14	8:30AM	NO Chaplet of Divine Mercy##
SUN 15	8:00AM 12:00PM	NO Vietnamese Prayer Group% Pastoral Council Meeting%

SIGN INDICATORS

+++ = Choir Loft; ** = School; @ = Chapel; * = Rectory; + = Fr. Mulvihill Hall;
= Church; % = Conference Room; (NH) = (North Hall); (SH) = (South Hall)

Daily Scripture Readings for the week of November 9, 2020:

Monday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Phlm 7-20; Lk 17:20-25
Friday: 2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8
Sunday: Prv 31:10-13; 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30

LIFELINES: Abortion and Putting Our Faith into Action:

In a culture and world that is hungry for the Truth, we are often challenged to put our faith into action. For example, many of our politicians profess their Catholic faith, but try to divorce the faith which they proclaim from their policies, particularly as this relates to LIFE issues. However, as Christ's followers and as Catholics, we are called to integrate our faith into all aspects of our lives. In fact, we are called to make our faith evident in all our actions and decisions. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus tells us not to hide our light under a bushel basket, but let our light shine before others (Mt 5:15-16). Defense of the unborn---the most vulnerable and defenseless human beings in our society, is undoubtedly the most important aspect of integrating our faith and actions. After all, LIFE is the most important gift that God gives us!

By Pro-Life Articles Author



CONGRATULATIONS: To Nick Pierce & Michelle Tujestch who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on October 10, 2020.



CONGRATULATIONS: To Nick Asjes & Megan Marsh, who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on October 17, 2020.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Congratulations to **Yasmin Canseco** and her family on the recent celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism.



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH: Loan Tran & Nhue Nguyen; Lizeth Contreras & Abigael Quintana & family; Vanessa Pichardo & Diego Contreras & Family; Ryan & Anu Galloway; Marilu Hernandez & Aristeo Guzman & family.



CHILDREN'S CHOIR NEWS: The Catholic Youth Choir of Central IA will be offering last year's Christmas CD, *O Light Most Blessed*, after Masses for a small donation of \$15 or more to the Basilica of St. John. This makes a lovely Christmas gift, so stop in the back of church to pick up your CDs for friends and family near and far! They will also be available at the parish office and Divine Treasures.



NOVEMBER MASSES: If you would like to have a loved one remembered at the Masses for the month of November you can place their names on the All Souls envelope you receive in your tithe packets or there are extra envelopes at the entrances of the church. Place them in the offering basket or drop them off at the parish office. The envelopes will be placed at the front of the altar and the loved ones will be remembered at all the Masses during the month of November.



BASILICA RAFFLE: Would you like a chance to win a cash prize? Basilica Raffle tickets are available for only \$10 each. Don't miss this opportunity to win big. Prizes include 25% of the proceeds, \$250, and three \$100 prizes. The parish has mailed 5 tickets to each family. Please sell or purchase these tickets and return the stubs & money to the office or the collection basket. If you need more tickets you can purchase them through the Basilica website or contact the office. Don't miss this opportunity to support the Basilica and also have a chance to put some extra cash in your pocket. Prize drawing will be November 29th, the first Sunday of Advent, and you don't need to be present to win. For questions contact the parish office or Mike Barten at 515-350-6466.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Walking With God? Walk with us! The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, Missouri, invite single women, ages 18 - 40 who are considering religious life, to attend a Virtual Monastic Experience via zoom November 20-22, 2020. We hope to digitally show discerners around, introduce some of our Sisters, and share some tips on prayer and discernment. The experience will include one hour of input each day. There will also be an opportunity to connect with the vocation director one on one. There is no cost to attend. To learn more, please visit www.benedictinesisters.org. To register, contact Sr. Maria Victoria at (660) 944-2221 ex. 127 or e-mail vocation@benedictinesisters.org.

Civilize It Iowa: Do you want to help heal the divisions we see in our country? If so, check out Civilize It Iowa, a diocesan campaign that is inviting all of us to pray, fast, and give alms for the sake of charity in your own hearts, and in our country. To check out this simple invitation to pursue holiness in our own lives, and charity in our country, visit civilizeitiowa.com or scan this QR code:



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