

The Basilica of St. John

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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

The people who sit in darkness have seen a great light; on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death, light has arisen.

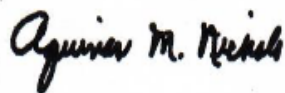
My Dear Brothers and Sisters.

The New Year affords us the opportunity to deepen our prayer life and our relationship with the Lord. You are invited to the Wednesday evening Holy Hour from 6:45 until 8:00 p.m. to spend some time with the Lord.

By order of His Excellency Bishop Joensen, the **WEARING OF A MASK IS MANDATED FOR ALL CHURCHES IN THE DIOCESE OF DES MOINES FOR ALL FUNCTIONS WITHIN THE CHURCHES.** This includes Mass and any other liturgical function, as well as in the vestibule until you have exited the Basilica. This mandate is in place until at least 02 February 2021. **ALL SOCIAL FUNCTIONS ARE ALSO TO BE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.** Those with physical or psychological reasons are exempted from the mandate. Please heed the Bishop's wishes in this matter.

May the Lord continue to bless you with every good thing in this New Year!

Devotedly in the Lord,



(The Very Reverend) Aquinas M. Nichols
Pastor

WEEKLY INCOME – 1/24/21

Total - \$6,940.70
Need - \$17,372.08

Year to Date (YTD) – Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

YTD Total - \$495,350.50
YTD Need - \$521,162.40

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.



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

JANUARY 30 TO FEBRUARY 7

TIMES FOR EUCHARIST AND INTENTIONS

SAT 30	4:00PM 6:00PM	+Don Quinn Spanish Mass
SUN 31	8:30AM 10:30AM	+Elma Reynolds Parish & Benefactors
MON 01	12:00PM	+Bev Whipple; Deceased Members of Whipple & Gabriel Families
TUE 02	12:00PM	+Jerry Castonguay
WED 03	12:00PM	Special Intention
THU 04	12:00PM	+James Teehan
FRI 05	12:00PM	+Mary Wills
SAT 06	NO MORNING MASS AT THE BASILICA	
	9:00AM	+Joseph
	(Vigil Mass)	
	4:00PM	+Patricia Behlmer
SUN 07	8:30AM 10:30AM	+Bob Kharouf Parish & Benefactors

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: ***What are the criteria for the proper use of singing and music in liturgical celebrations?***

ANSWER: Since song and music are closely connected with liturgical action they must respect the following criteria. They should conform to Catholic doctrine in their texts, drawn preferably from Sacred Scripture and liturgical sources. They should be a beautiful expression of prayer. The music should be of a high quality. Song and music should express the cultural richness of the People of God and the sacred and solemn character of the celebration. "He who sings, prays twice" (Saint Augustine).



The Basilica of St. John
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 31, 2021

Respect
Life



YOUR PARISH THIS WEEK
FEBRUARY 1 THRU FEBRUARY 7

MON 01	9:00AM 6:30PM	NO Adoration RCIA(H)
TUE 02	8:00AM	Organ Practice
WED 03	9:00AM 6:45PM	NO Adoration Adoration, Prayer (Ch)
THU 04	8:00AM	Organ Practice
FRI 05	9:00AM	NO Adoration
SAT 06	8:30AM	NO Chaplet of Divine Mercy
SUN 07	8:00AM	NO Vietnamese Prayer Group

Daily Scripture Readings for the week of February 1, 2021:

Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Mk 5:1-20
 Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40
 Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Mk 6:1-6
 Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Mk 6:7-13
 Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Mk 6:14-29
 Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Mk 6:30-34
 Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

LIFELINES:We must oppose all forms of modern relativism, which attempt to establish "no absolutes." If a practice (such as slavery) is morally wrong, it is wrong and unacceptable under all conditions in any society. In other words, a moral evil does not become good simply because sociological or political views might change, or even if it is the prevailing law at a particular time. Slavery is just one offence against human dignity. Today, abortion is the most heinous and extensive violation of human rights. Abortion like slavery refuses to recognize the fact that a human being is precisely that, a human being and instead, reduces human beings to "things" or chattels. The moral of the story is that we must always vigorously oppose any measure which undermines the dignity of any human being and reduces them to the status of means rather than ends. This is precisely what abortion-on-demand and the culture of death does and why it is so vitally important that we work unceasingly to oppose it! (*Pro-Life Articles*)



FIRST COMMUNION MEETING: Tuesday, February 9, 7pm – 8pm in the Parish Hall. Bring a copy of your Baptism certificate if you have not done so already. Do not bring one if your child was baptized at the Basilica. Child and one parent must attend. Meeting is for students who are receiving First Communion this coming May 2nd. This includes Year 2 RE students.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Congratulations to **Tresol Rukundo** and his family on the recent celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism.



SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection **THIS** weekend, **January 30/31**, for the **St. Vincent de Paul Society, Basilica of St. John Conference**. Please donate as you are able for this worthy ministry.

ADORATION & PRAYER: You are invited to join us every Wednesday from 6:45pm to 8pm to experience the beauty and power of spending time in Eucharistic Adoration. The night will conclude with Benediction. On select nights the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Fr. Ross Parker will be here on the evening of February 10th to hear confessions.



HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL: Is enrolling students now. We invite all parishioners and religious education families to visit our schools and discover the Catholic school difference. Our students experience a robust curriculum that includes religion, reading, language arts, handwriting, spelling, math, social studies, science, physical education, technology, art and library programs all designed to challenge students and provide an exceptional learning environment. To find the Catholic school near you and enroll your student, visit dmidiocese.org/catholic-schools/

END OF YEAR TITHING STATEMENTS: When requested, statements will be mailed, emailed or can be picked up. If you wish to receive a statement, please call the parish office (515-244-3101, ext. 0).

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Digital edition of The Catholic Mirror: The Catholic Mirror will become available digitally beginning in February. Those who prefer the newspaper emailed to them can either send an email to communications@dmidiocese.org or go to dmidiocese.org and click on The Catholic Mirror to complete a form beginning Monday. Readers who prefer the digital edition will no longer receive a hard copy through the mail. If you register, look for an email notification the third Friday of the month from Dirxion, the company that is facilitating the digital distribution for us.

Catholic Charities: Needs help with their food pantry in Des Moines. They need volunteers on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. Personal protective equipment and safe working conditions are in place. If you can help, email Holly at hackermann@catholiccharitiesdm.org.

Hear the bishop: Bishop William Joensen's weekly radio show airs on Fridays at 9 a.m. on Iowa Catholic Radio and the Spirit Catholic Radio Network. Tune in to hear "Making it Personal With Bishop Joensen."

JOIN US FOR A

NIGHT OF PRAYER & ADORATION

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS





6:45-8:00 PM BASILICA OF ST. JOHN

*Come spend time before our Lord in adoration
preparing for the upcoming season of Lent.*

*Reconciliation will be available during adoration on
February, 10th.*

Contact: Deacon Mark Campbell at
Campbell.markh@yahoo.com

February 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1) 6:30p: RCIA (H)	2) 8a: Organ Practice	3) 6:45p: Adoration & Prayer (Ch)	4) 8a: Organ Practice	5)	6) 6p: Spanish Mass
7) 8:00a: NO Viet. Pr. Gr.	8) 6:30p: RCIA (H)	9) 8a: Organ Practice 7p: RE-First Communion Parent/Teacher Mtg (H)	10) 6:45p: Adoration, Prayer and Reconciliation (Ch)	11) 8a: Organ Practice	12)	13) 9:45a: NO Altar & Rosary Mtg. - H 6p: Spanish Mass
14) 8:00a: NO Viet. Pr. Gr. 	15) 6:30p: RCIA (H)	16) 8a: Organ Practice	17) ASH WEDNESDAY Mass at 12pm & 7pm 	18) 8a: Organ Practice	19) 	20) 6p: Spanish Mass
21) 8:00a: NO Viet. Pr. Gr. 10:30a: Rite of Election 12p: Pastoral Council Mtg.	22) 6:30p: RCIA (H)	23) 8a: Organ Practice	24) 6:45p: Adoration & Prayer (Ch)	25) 8a: Organ Practice	26)  7p: Stations of the Cross	27) 10am-3pm: Confirmation Retreat (CH, H) 6p: Spanish Mass
28) 8:00a: NO Viet. Pr. Gr.						Codes: Ch-church S-school H-hall SVDP-St. Vincent de Paul K-Kitchen R.E.- Religious Ed. CL- Choir Loft HPS-Holy Family School CR-Conference Room

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