Holy Trinity Parish

The Transfiguration of the Lord August 6, 2023

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Jesus took Peter, James and his brother, John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Matt 17:1-2

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Sat.	5:30PM	HT	August 5	+Bernard Goihl	Rev 21:1-5a / Judith 15:9 / Lk 11:27-28	
Sun.	Cun	8:45AM	SM	A	Parishioners	Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 / Ps 97 / 2Pet 1:16-19
	10:30AM	SC	August 6	+Dick Ryan	/ Matt 17:1-9	
Mon.	8:00AM	SM	August 7	Anne Skalicky	Num 11:4b-15 / Ps 81 / Matt 14:13-21	
Tue.	8:00AM	HT	August 8	For those listed in the Red Memorial Book	Num 12:1-13 / Ps 51 / Matt 14:22-36	
Wed.	8:00AM	HT	August 9	+Mike Kelly	Num 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26a-29a, 34-35 / Ps 106 / Matt 15:21-28	
Thu.	9:00AM	SC	August 10	+Dick Ryan	2Cor 9:6-10 / Ps 112 / Jn:24-26	
Fri.	10:00AM	<u>SM</u>	August 11	For Vocations to the Religious Life	Deut 4:32-40 / Ps 77 / Matt 16:24-28	
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	August 12	+Marvin Zorn	Deut 6:4-13 / Ps 18 / Matt 17:14-20	
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	August 13	+LaWanda Keller and Deceased Family Members	1Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a / Ps 85 / Rom 9:1-5 / Matt 14:22-33	
	10:30AM	SC		Parishioners	IVIAIL 14.22-00	

Mission: We grow together in Christ.

Welcome to our Parish Churches!



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From Father McCabe

Have you ever freely chosen to climb a mountain? The higher you climb the greater distance you can see. But we can only see when our eyes are good, when we have sufficient light and when our eyes are open to see what the light is illuminating.

So too when we climb the mountain of God's holiness. We can see Jesus and we can choose to follow him when we have the eyes of faith and the light of Christ's teachings. We must have a deepening faith to see the signs of the time, in moments of joy and of suffering; and we must respond to Jesus Christ as the Lord of our life and salvation, so that we do not blindly follow false leaders but rather be ready to console others in leading them to salvation.

Many people are horrified at the war in Ukraine as Putin's communist regime of Russia continues to indiscriminately destroy many schools and hospitals, killing many citizens, trying to subjugate the free people of Ukraine. With the eyes of faith, we can see how Christ is suffering with the people of Ukraine, and that many are willing to sacrifice their comfort to fight against the evil of communism and defend their lives, their Christian faith, and their homes.

Another battle for the salvation of body and soul exists in Communist China. Xi Jinping and his communist regime have targeted hundreds of Catholic churches and schools for destruction, as well as Buddhist temples and Muslim Uygars. They are freely choosing to discriminate against traditional religions that do not agree with their form of communism where God's people are completely controlled by government officials.

Although these battles are fought, we know that Jesus Christ has won the victory of life and salvation for those who obey his teachings through his Catholic Church. For Jesus Christ is the light of faith, and he freely chose from among his 12 Apostles three of his closest Apostles: Peter, James, and John to climb Mount Tabor with him. This was not to discriminate unjustly against the other apostles, but rather to accomplish God's plan of our salvation, the salvation that comes by listening to God's only Son, who is truth, and to avoid listening to the devil's lies.

Shortly before this event on Mount Tabor, Jesus had given authority and power to the Twelve Apostles to cast out demons and cure the sick, and to proclaim the Kingdom of God. He chose these men to be servants of God and of all people, by sharing with them that God is all loving and all just. We believe that God rewards just and holy thoughts, actions and deeds, and punishes evil thoughts, actions and deeds out of love in order to have the sinner turn to him and repent, for he wants to forgive and bring all people to salvation.

After giving them authority and power, Jesus reminded them that as the Messiah, Jesus and his leaders must serve God first and then all people with true love, especially those most in need. And yet, even as Jesus did this perfectly, he would be rejected by many people and some leaders and be killed with the support of those who are blind; but then be raised to new and eternal light and life three days later. The transfiguration foreshadows this light of glory.

In the light of the transfiguration God's glory was not reflecting off Jesus, but rather emanating from Jesus Christ. This theophany, this revelation of God's divinity in Christ, showed them that he truly was the Son of God who was doing God's holy will, which included going to Jerusalem. There he was to speak the truth and therefore be openly mocked and crucified by some of the leaders and other people of whom he

was calling to conversion, that they too would repent and climb the mountain of holiness.

What increases our hope is that the three Apostles see Moses and Elijah with Jesus, representing the Law and the Prophets. For Moses received God's Ten Commandments of life, love, and freedom after climbing Mount Sinai. These



commandments are a sign of God's loving covenant between himself and the people he rescued from Egyptian slavery through his chosen leader Moses.

Since God created all people and then rescued the Israelites from Egyptian slavery through Moses, you would think that all people would want to follow God and his appointed leaders. But throughout history certain people and certain leaders began to break God's Ten Commandments and thus became ensnared in the consequences of their sins and brought about natural and moral tragedies upon themselves and those around them.

Yet, God in his compassion would send his prophets to help the people get back to the fundamentals of life, true love and holiness. That is why Elijah also appeared while Jesus was transfigured, for he represents all of God's true prophets. And when he was living on earth, he climbed Mount Carmel to challenge and defeat the false prophets of Baal who the people of God began to follow blindly.

Jesus Christ inspired his Catholic Church to reflect on the Transfiguration so that we would never lose hope that Jesus is God, and that through the joys, sorrows and uncertainties of life, we are called to follow God's Ten Commandments and be prophets of his grace, truth and mercy. In this manner we can grow in holiness as the saints of God have always done, through prayer, true worship, helping the poor, fasting and learning and passing on the faith through evangelization.

The greatest saint, of course, is the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mary, the Mother of Jesus and all who were baptized into him, has appeared in many places throughout the world, even recently allegedly appearing in Ukraine, to tell people to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, to repent, to pray for sinners, help the poor, defend the vulnerable and forgive for the sake of heaven's love.

She knew that this would help all of us climb the mountain of holiness to adore our Eucharistic Lord, as well as mitigate the punishment due to the world's sins while we enter the valley of working to proclaim Christ's Gospel and defend the life of every human being, especially preborn babies, children, the elderly, the sick and the poor.

One thing is for certain, that Jesus Christ, his Mother Mary, and all his Saints will help us be transfigured by God's grace at the summit of our faith – Jesus in the Holy Eucharist – and then together we will be able to transform the world around us into a place of true peace, true worship and true love, where Jesus Christ is perfectly honored, and the Immaculate Heart of Mary will triumph.

Peace in Christ, Fr. Thomas McCabe

<u>Please pray for:</u> Marcy Dilworth, Susan Brown, Margaret Wagner, Leo & Maxine Ryan, Ed Heppelmann, Anne Merry, Ray Poncelet, Dave Buck, Scott Cyert, Jerry Joe Majerus, Louise Heppelmann, Brent Hokanson, Anne Skalicky, Mark Ryan, Pat Mann, Neil Stehr, Barb Smalley, Jen Berg, Mary Ellen Reding, Ann Austreng, Marge Majerus, Connie Havrilla, Al Brinkman, Shawn Frederixon, Gabe Ryan and Becky Arendt.

News and Events

Church Cleaning for St Mary's: Our annual church cleaning will begin on August 5th and go through the month of August. We will have a group cleaning on August 19th, starting at 9:00AM and working until noon. If you can come let us know. We will have treats in the morning and lunch at noon. All parishioners, men, women and children are needed to complete this project and keep our church sparkling. Come as a family or just as an individual and pick out a few tasks to complete. There are items for every age level to help with. All cleaning supplies will be at the church as well as a sign-up sheet. If you are unable to help cleaning please consider donating money to pay someone to come in to complete needed tasks. Contact Elle Huneke at 651-764-0231. Adults should fill out an "Adult Liability Waiver" found in the main entrance of Church. Thank you!

Thank You for Donations to the Missionary Cooperation Plan: Thank you for your generosity for the donations given through the Archdiocese Missionary Cooperation Plan to Fr. Patrick from Cape Town, South Africa who visited Holy Trinity on July 8-9. Donations totaling \$2,274.38 were received to help fund the catechetical program in the Archdiocese of Cape Town.

Open House First Choice Clinic: There will be an Open House at the First Choice Clinic at 1614 3rd Street in Red Wing on Monday, August 14 from 4:00-7:00PM. Check out the newly expanded space and learn about the clinic's many services and programs. Meet the new executive director, staff, and board members. All ages are welcome!

CCW 30th Annual Salad Luncheon will be held at the Church of St. Paul on Wed., Aug. 16, 2023 from 11AM to 1PM at the Church of St. Paul. There will be delicious assorted salads, cheese trays, deviled eggs, French bread, beverages, and ice cream sundaes. Adults- \$10; children 6-12 - \$4; 5 and under - free. Take-outs are available, please call 507-732-5347. We hope to see you there!

K of C Steak Fry Social: Knights, Wives of Deceased Knights, Catholic Daughters and Guests are invited to a Steak Fry Social following Mass in honor of the Solemnity of the Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary at 6:30PM on Tuesday, August 15 at Sts. Peter & Paul in Mazeppa. Bring your own choice of meat to be grilled and bring a dish to pass should you like. Knights provide the steaks for Priests and special guests, sweet corn and bey-

Priests and special guests, sweet corn and beverages for all. Questions - call Gary Hager at 507-272-6390.

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Into Heaven

Holy Day of Obligation

Monday, August 14 - Adoration at 6:30PM followed
by Vigil Mass at 8:15PM at St. Mary's

Tuesday, August 15 Mass at Holy Trinity at 8:00AM

Holy Trinity is dedicated to protecting children and vulnerable adults. Volunteers serving with minors and vulnerable adults must complete requirements before engaging in ministry. Contact - Maria Schultz, Safe Environment Coordinator at: holytrinitygoodhue@gmail.com.

We pray for Mary Heppelmann, Kellie Peterson and Leo Heppelmann who passed away recently. Let us keep our deceased loved ones in prayer, as well as their family and friends.



Financial Report April 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023	Holy Trinity	St. Columbkill	St. Mary
Income	15,891.90	19,286.34	20,747.21
Expense	21,907.04	22,081.54	20,298.83
Net	-6,015.14	-2,795.20	448.38
Budgeted Income	17,193.75	20,518.75	18,255.50
Budgeted Expense	16,975.00	19,662.50	17,687.50
Budgeted Net	218.75	856.25	568.00

Calendar/Events								
Sat., Aug. 5	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession					
Sun., Aug. 6	Aug. 6 SM 8:20-8:40AM Sacrament of Confession		Sacrament of Confession					
Mon., Aug. 7 SM 6:30-9:00PM Adoration of the Blo		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament						
Wed., Aug. 9	HT	9:00-2:00PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament					
Thur., Aug. 10	SC	8:00-8:45AM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/Confession					
Fri., Aug. 11	<u>SM</u>	9:00-9:45AM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/Confession					
Sat., Aug. 12 HT 4:45-5:20PM Sacrament of		4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession					
Sun., Aug. SM		8:20-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession					

Holy Trinity Church (HT) Collection: 07/29: \$ 877.00 St. Columbkill Church (SC) Collection: 07/30 \$ 587.00 St. Mary Church (SM) Collection: 07/30: \$801.25



Aug. 13

Servers

Behold the Lamb of God!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays at St. Mary from 6:30-9:00PM, Wednesdays at Holy Trinity from 9:00AM-2:00PM, and Thursdays at St. Columbkill from 8:00AM-9:00AM (unless otherwise noted). Come and spend some time with Jesus!

Weekend Ministry Schedule							
Church Role		August 5/6	August 12/13				
HT:	Musician	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer				
Saturday 5:30PM	Cantor	Wanda Schafer					
Aug. 5 &	Lector	Ann Buck	Maureen Lodermeier				
Aug. 12	Servers	Nora and Brynn Frederick and Ellie Nardinger	Leeta, Aubriel and Oleana O'Reilly				
SM:	Musician	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer				
Sunday 8:45am	Cantor	Taylor Dowden	Taylor Dowden				
Aug. 6 &	Lector	Mary Majerus	John Huneke				
Aug. 13	Servers	Zack and Danny Keller	Henry, Noah and Maya Keller				
SC:	Musician	Cindy Eppen	Cindy Eppen				
Sunday 10:30am	Cantor	Shannon Dicke	Shelly Jacobson				
Aug. 6 &	Lector	Pam and Kade Altendorf					

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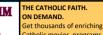
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Thank you to all our volunteers and parents!