

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

355 Oregon Ave
Bandon, OR 97411



St. John the Baptist

15th and Hwy 101
Port Orford, OR 97465

Mission Statement: To be a welcoming Catholic community committed to love, prayer, and service.

Parish Priest: Rev. Anthony Ahamefule
Fr. Anthony's Email: aahamefule@archdpx.org
www.holytrinitybandon.org
<https://www.facebook.com/HTBandon/>
<https://twitter.com/BandonHoly>

Parish Office: (541) 329-0697
Parish Office Fax: (541) 347-9256
Office Email: holytrinitybandon@yahoo.com
Holy Trinity office hours: Tu-Th-F, 9 am - 3:30 pm
St. John's office hours: Thursday, 9:30-11 am

December 13, 2020
3rd Sunday of Advent, Year B



Liturgy Schedule
December 12-18, 2020

Holy Trinity ~ Bandon

Saturday Vigil Mass (livestreamed).....5:00 pm
Sunday Mass.....10:30 am
Wednesday Mass.....5:30 pm
Thursday Mass (Church).....12:00 pm
Friday Mass (Church).....12:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday (Church).....3:30-4:45 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday (Chapel).....12:30 - 8:00 pm
Friday (Chapel).....9:30 am - Noon

St. John the Baptist ~ Port Orford

Sunday Mass.....8:30 am
Tuesday Mass.....5:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday.....7:45-8:15 am

Highlights this Week

- **Please remember our New Mass Sign-up Procedure:** Contact the parish office to sign up for Mass attendance at 541-329-0697 or by email at holytrinitybandon@yahoo.com. Please be sure to confirm your preference for Christmas Mass this week. Thank you helping us make this change!
- **Knights of Columbus:** The Knights will meet in the Parish Hall this Thursday, December 17, beginning with the rosary at 6:30 pm, meeting at 7:00.
- **Lighthouse Media Kiosk:** Advent and Christmas are times we share with the Virgin Mary, who brought Jesus our Savior into the world. In the kiosk you'll find two great Marian works by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC: *33 Days to Morning Glory* and an audio CD, *The Second Greatest Story Ever Told*. Why not bring one home today?
- **FORMED:** This week's parish recommendations, found on the back page of this bulletin, tell the exciting story of Our Lady of Guadalupe and the miraculous events in 1531 that transformed the culture of an entire continent! There are selections for children as well as adults - enjoy!

Christmas Schedule

Holy Trinity

Christmas Eve Vigil 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm
Christmas Day 10:30 am

St. John the Baptist

Christmas Day 8:30 am

New Year Schedule

Holy Trinity

New Year's Day 6:00 pm

St. John the Baptist

New Year's Day 8:30 am

Online Giving

Holy Trinity Parish accepts one-time and recurring donations conveniently on our website. You can make your secure donation via electronic check or debit/credit card by simply visiting www.holytrinitybandon.org/donate.

Prayer Intentions

Tricia & Kirk Brown, Marilyn Hunt, Bernie & Maggie Karlin, Roseann Gates, David, Helen Roberts, Travis Holden & family, Tosh Barry, Kathy Welch, Priscilla & Vern Lang, Pierre Duprée, Lee Taylor, Frank White, David Willis, Steven White, Jr., Todd Cook, Nancy LaBay, Carol Evans, John Freitag Jr, Tom Lindstrom, Skip Thomas, Loretta Brammer, all who are suffering with illness, those who continue to serve us in health care and essential services, and everyone on Holy Trinity & St. John's Prayer Chains.

Almighty and ever living God, through the love of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Christ, Your Son, in your mercy, restore the spiritual, emotional, and physical health of all those mentioned above.
Amen

Dec. 5-6 Collections

Holy Trinity weekly goal \$2700

Actual Holy Trinity \$2857
Holy Trinity Building Fund \$20

St. John's Weekly Goal \$450
Actual St. John's \$3360

Thank you for your generous, ongoing support!

Mass Intentions This Week

Holy Trinity

Sat 12/12: +Brian Converse

Sun 12/13: +Clayton Duval

Wed-Thu-Fri 12/16-17-18: The Souls in Purgatory

St. John the Baptist

Sun 12/13: The Souls in Purgatory

Liturgical Ministers Dec. 12 - 13, 2020

5 pm Saturday Vigil 12/19

Lector: Josh Freitag

Sacristan: John Freitag

10:30 am Sunday 12/20

Lector: Mike Hahn

Sacristan: Mike Hahn

From Our Shepherd

I am pleased and grateful that our ongoing discussion with the Governor's office has resulted in a more reasonable percent to capacity policy for the Catholic Church and other faith communities. However, the Eucharist is as essential to the Catholic faith life as going to the grocery store and I will continue to advocate for the faithful. I also pray for the Governor and her staff as we overcome this pandemic together. - *Archbishop Alexander Sample*

Our church capacity is now 40. Remember to wear a face mask - required for everyone 5 years and up - sanitize your hands upon entering the church, and observe physical distance.

Parish Priest's Corner

Rejoice & Be the Light

1st Reading: Is 61:1-2A, 10-11 | **2nd Reading:** 1 Thes 5:16-24 | **Gospel:** Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

GROW: The prophet's words in the Book of Isaiah are bursting with hope: "The Lord ... has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, to announce a year of favor from the Lord." As we enter the third week of Advent, these words may resonate more deeply for many of us as we look back on 2020. We know that for many of the world's people, struggle can be an everyday reality; however, after this year marked by pandemic, mourning, racial injustice, and mounting unemployment, the prophet's hope-filled words may hit home more acutely. Regardless of what 2020 has been like for us, Advent is a reminder that we have reason for hope: in Emmanuel, God with us. Let us prepare our hearts and our minds for Christ's coming through prayer, confident that the Lord will fulfill the promises of the prophet.

GO: Light! In some parts of the country like Alaska, and even some parts of the world, in December people do not see nearly enough of light. Some folks purchase a "happy lamp" and vow to "up" their vitamin D intake. Perhaps that is why I was taken by the line in today's Gospel describing John the Baptist: "He came ... to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him." As predicted by John the Baptist and the prophet, Christ came to dwell among us, and remains within us through the Eucharist and the working of the Holy Spirit. We, like John the Baptist, can "testify to the light" by sharing Christ's presence through our witness to others.

WITNESS: Last week we focused on making God's kindness visible through our words and actions toward the people with whom we live and interact regularly; this week, let our witness focus on testifying to the light in our digital presence and encounters. Make your words be those that foster hope and promise rather than incite division.

St. Paul enjoins us in today's second reading to "Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus." Make these words a part of your daily life during these remaining days of Advent.

God bless you.

--Fr. Anthony Ahamefula
Parish Priest



Parish Advent Prayer

Come, long-expected Jesus.

Excite in me a wonder at the wisdom and power of Your Father and ours. Receive my prayer as part of my service of the Lord who enlists me in God's own work for justice.

Come, long-expected Jesus.

Excite in me a hunger for peace: peace in the world, peace in my home, peace in myself.

Come, long-expected Jesus.

Excite in me a joy responsive to the Father's joy. I seek His will so I can serve with gladness, singing and love.

Come, long-expected Jesus.

Excite in me the joy and love and peace it is right to bring to the manger of my Lord. Raise in me, too, sober reverence for the God who acted there, hearty gratitude for the life begun there, and spirited resolution to serve the Father and Son.

I pray in the name of Jesus Christ, whose advent I hail. Amen.

Ongoing Programs

Reflecting on Sunday's Readings

4th Sunday of Advent, Year B ~ December 20, 2020

To help you prepare for Mass next weekend, here are next Sunday's readings:

Reading I: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 89

Reading II: Romans 16:25-27

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38



Come, Join Our Bible Study!

Do you ever feel a sense of awe at the beauty of God's Word? Are there times when you hunger for an opportunity to dive deeper into the verses read at Mass and their meaning? Come, join us as we study the Sunday Scripture readings every Thursday at 10:45 am in the Parish Hall! Class is finished at 11:45, in time to attend weekday Mass at 12:00. For more information, contact Kathy Cowan at 541-347-3031.

Altar Society Meeting

The Altar Society meets every second Wednesday of the month at 1 pm in the Parish Hall. The next meeting is January 13. All women of the parish are invited to join this wonderful group that does so much for us.

Knights of Columbus

Our Knights of Columbus Council meets every third Thursday of the month in the Parish Hall, including this Thursday, December 17. Rosary begins at 6:30 pm, and the meeting at 7:00 pm. We are so grateful for our Knights, and all men of the parish are invited to join.

Fun Facts: St. John of the Cross Feast Day December 14

- St. John of the Cross was a Carmelite friar, priest, mystic, and poet.
- Imprisoned by his own friars, St. John wrote poems to pass the time which have been very influential.



Announcements

Faith Formation - Religious Education

Religious Education classes for children and RCIA/Adult Faith Formation will meet this Wednesday after the 5:00 pm Mass. Children, come to the parish hall. Adults meet in the church.

Christmas Flowers

Every year we look forward to seeing our church beautifully decorated for the Christmas Season. Your donations in memory of loved ones toward Christmas poinsettias help to make this happen. Thank you! Envelopes are in the pews for those who would like to donate. Place the envelope in the collection basket or bring to the parish office.

Gifts for the Christ Child

Thanks to everyone who has brought beautiful baby items for the Altar Society's "Giving of Baby Gifts." You may continue to bring baby gifts through Christmas. All items collected will be given to the Pacific Pregnancy Center in Coos Bay. Questions, call Alice Stadelman, 541-347-2973.

Suggested gifts:

- Handmade blankets, caps, booties, etc.
- Wooden toys, handmade or purchased.
- Purchased clothing, bibs, diapers, etc.



Lighthouse Media Kiosk

After Mass, stop by our Lighthouse Media Kiosk and browse the selections currently available. Does your marriage need a boost during this busy time of year? There is a booklet of prayers and readings especially for spouses! If you missed last week's FORMED talk, it's available on CD! Feel free to call or text Trish Freitag at 541-290-2282 with requests for additional topics, or simply slip a note into the donation slot.



ADVENT WREATH PRAYER

*Lord our God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ:
He is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples;
he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us;
he is the Savior of every nation.*

*Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath.
May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation.
May he come quickly and not delay. We ask this through Christ our Lord.*



Holy Trinity & St. John's Christmas Wish List

Our parish church and the grounds surrounding it are like a second home for us, the place we meet Our Lord at Mass and connect with our fellow parishioners. As the holiday season is upon us and the end of the year draws near, please consider remembering your parish in your end-of-the-year charitable donations. The following is a list of things that our parish is in need of.

- New parking lot lighting at Holy Trinity (\$16,000)
- A surveillance system at Holy Trinity for Hall/rectory/church (\$5,500)
- A pressure washer at Holy Trinity (\$600)
- New parking lot lighting at St. John's (\$6,000)
- A new surveillance system at St. John's (\$3,000)
- A pressure washer at St. John's (\$600)



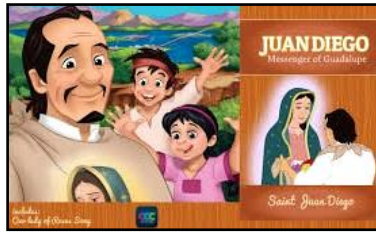
If you would like to donate toward one of the above, please write a check to Holy Trinity Parish, and write the item's name on the memo line. Thank you so much, God bless you, and may you have a blessed Advent and Christmas Season!

For Children

Juan Diego

Messenger of Guadalupe

In 1591 Juan Diego found himself between two worlds, that of the Spanish conquerors and that of his own Aztec heritage. Because of his love for his people and his strong faith, Juan Diego turned to Jesus and His Mother, Mary for help in uniting his people. This is the true story of how the Blessed Mother chose Juan Diego for a key role in a miracle that would unite diverse peoples and change the course of history. In the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City, the miracle of the tilma of Juan Diego may still be seen, just as it was seen by the bishop in 1531.



For Adults



Guadalupe, The Miracle and the Message: The most important event in the evangelization of the New World occurred in December 1531. Over the course of four days, the Virgin Mary, under the title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, appeared to an indigenous convert named Juan Diego. As a result of this encounter, and the image miraculously imprinted on Juan Diego's tilma (cloak), nine million Native Americans embraced the Catholic faith. Our Lady of Guadalupe's message of love replaced the institutionalized violence of the Aztec culture and built a bridge between two worlds.

Holy Trinity Parish Coordinators

Parish Office Assistant/Bulletin: Teresa Roberts.....329-0697
Parish Email:.....holytrinitybandon@yahoo.com
Sacramental Emergencies:.....541-347-2309
Music Director/Altar Society:.....Kathleen Stadelman
Bible Study, RCIA, EMHCKathy Cowan
Knights of Columbus:.....Mike Hahn
Outreach Ministry: Cynthia Kroll **Homebound Ministry:** Judy Crowe
Youth Ministry: Joshua Freitag **Prayer Chain:** Carol Holden
Altar Servers: Jeff Turner **Hall Rental:** Teresa Roberts

St. John's Coordinators

Parish Office Assistant/Bulletin: Teresa Roberts.....329-0697
Parish Email:.....holytrinitybandon@yahoo.com
Emergencies: Gary Dietel.....332-0139
EMHC/LectorsPatricia Huntzinger
MusicLynda Dietel
Women's GuildPriscilla Lang
Prayer ChainLynda Dietel
HospitalityNancy O'Donnell

**Help our parish,
and let us help your
business!
Call 541-329-0697**

3 month ad, \$70
 3 month double ad, \$100
 6 month ad, \$140
 12 month ad, \$250

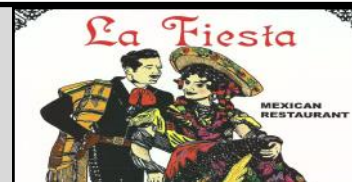
Serving the Southern Oregon Coast

<https://estatelandscape.pro/> Phone: 541-297-2709
 estatelandscapepj@gmail.com

- Personalized to your Needs
- Landscape Maintenance
- Degree in Horticulture
- Professional Service
- LCB# 5896 and CCB# 217508



Mark M. Williams
Attorney at Law
 Wills, Trusts & Probate
 50219 Hwy. 101 South, Suite D-1
 Bandon, OR 97411
 541-347-1200



Phone: 347-2450 ~ 1st & Delaware,
 Old Town Bandon - Across from the Boat Basin
 Currently closed for the winter season.

Wreaths
 Weddings
 Funerals
 Arrangements



Potted Plants
 Business Gifts
 Jewelry
 Balloons/Gifts

Gayle Wilcox, Owner - Designer
 (541) 332-0445

P.O. Box 769
 Port Orford, OR 97465

311 6th Street
 Port Orford, OR 97465

Jose's Yard Maintenance

Reliable, responsible, clean, and affordable

Complete Yard Service

- We pick up brush.
- We pay attention to details.
- We pull weeds and clean gutters.
- Call Jose at (541) 729-9907



PRICED RIGHT
 Everyday!
 541-347-2662
 bandonsupply.com

1120 Fillmore - Entrance at 11th & Elmira
 Bandon, Oregon 97411



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MOST HOLY TRINITY COUNCIL



Founded in 1882 by Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney, the Knights of Columbus is a fraternal order that counts great souls like St. John Paul II among its members, over 2 million men worldwide. Be a part by joining us.
 Contact Mike Hahn: mikehahn47@outlook.com or 541-347-6680