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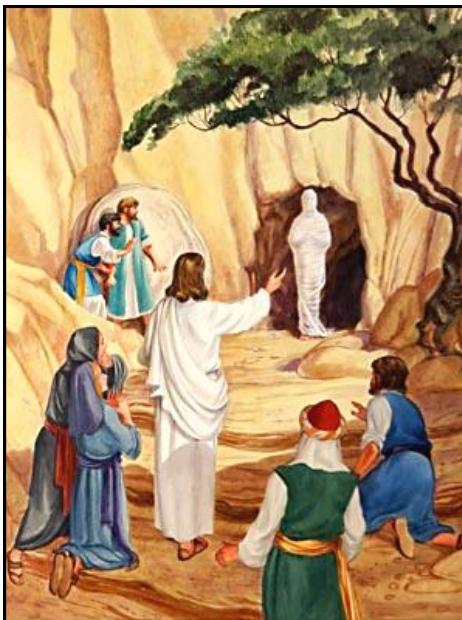
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Mission Statement: To be a welcoming Catholic community committed to love, prayer, and service.

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March 21, 2021
5th Sunday of Lent, Year B



Jesus said to her,
"Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?"

John 11:40

Liturgy Schedule March 20-26, 2021

Holy Trinity ~ Bandon

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday Penance Service.....6:30 pm
Saturday (Church).....3:30 - 4:45 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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

St. John the Baptist ~ Port Orford

Sunday Mass.....8:30 am
Thursday Mass.....9:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday.....8:00-8:30 am

Highlights this Week

- **A Reminder of Safety Guidelines for all Masses:** 1) The number of attendees will be 25% of building capacity. 2) Face coverings are required while attending Mass (per guidance of OHA). 3) Observation of 6-foot physical distancing between households in the church, hall & gathering area. 4) Please use hand sanitizer before and after Mass. 5) Please use all available exits to avoid bottlenecks after Mass. 6) Take your copy of the Breaking Bread hymnal home with you after Mass.
- **Lenten Penance Service:** To help prepare our hearts for Easter, there will be a Penance Service at 6:30 pm Wednesday, March 24, at Holy Trinity. Let's take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to grow in self knowledge and grace.
- **Stations of the Cross:** Pray the Stations at 6:00 pm this Friday, March 26, at Holy Trinity, led by members of the Bible Study group. At St. John's parish, the Stations of the Cross begin at 5:00 pm.
- **Easter Flowers:** Easter flower offering envelopes have been placed in the pews for anyone who wishes to make a donation in memory of a deceased loved one. In this way we remember our loved ones while bringing beauty to the church for our celebration of the great Solemnity of Easter. Thank you!
- **FORMED:** This week's FORMED recommendation for children is *Lukas Storyteller: Saint Joseph and the Virtue of Obedience*. For adults, our recommendation is *A Bible Study on the Annunciation*. The Solemnity of the Annunciation is celebrated on March 25, commemorating the angel's visit to Mary, announcing that she was to become the mother of Jesus.

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

Vern and Priscilla Lang, Devin Duprée, Marty Dietel, Tricia & Kirk Brown, Marilyn Hunt, Bernie Karlin, Tosh Barry, Roseann Gates, Kathy Welch, David Willis, Pierre Duprée, Frank White, David, Lee Taylor, Steven White, Jr., Todd Cook, Nancy LaBay, John Freitag Jr, Travis Holden & family, Loretta Brammer, Tom Lindstrom, Skip Thomas, all who are suffering with illness, those who serve us in health care and essential services, 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

March 13-14 Collections

Holy Trinity Weekly Goal \$2700

Regular Collection \$1367

Holy Trinity Building Fund \$120

St. John's Weekly Goal \$450

Regular Collection \$260

Thank you for your ongoing generosity & support!

Archbishop's Annual Appeal

To date, donations and pledges to the Archbishop's Catholic Appeal total \$4,643 at Holy Trinity and \$990 at St. John's. If you have not yet submitted your pledge for the 2021 ACA, please do so. Our parish goals are \$11,815 at Holy Trinity and \$1,115 at St. John's. Thank you very much for helping us meet these goals.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

5 pm Saturday Palm Sunday Vigil 3/27

Lector: Allison Hundley & Kevin Kroll

Sacristan: John Freitag

10:30 am Palm Sunday 3/28

Lector: Kathy Cowan & Lani Martin

Sacristan: Jeff Turner

Mass Intentions This Week

Holy Trinity

Sat 3/20: +Marie Esterkova

Sun 3/21: +James Reilly

Wed 3/24: +Eun Hyang Woo

Thu 3/25: Int. of all Holy Trinity parishioners

Fri 3/26: Int. of all Holy Trinity parishioners

St. John the Baptist

Sun 3/21: Intentions of all St. John's parishioners

Tue 3/23: Intentions of all St. John's parishioners

Parish Priest's Corner

Reconciliation: Jesus is Waiting for You

Dear friends in Christ,

For many of us Catholics, both those brought up in the Church since childhood and those formerly of Protestant or non-Christian faiths, the Sacrament of Reconciliation can seem a bit frightening. Perhaps it has been a long time since we have made a confession. Perhaps we struggle with disbelief, with despair, with human weakness, with addictions, or with lingering resentment or grief. And yet, how wonderful it would be to be freed from these chains!

What does sin do to the sinner? Sin is a choice, the result of which is the experience of *alienation* from God, our neighbor, creation, or ourselves. In Scripture, this experience is often described in terms of living as if dead (the ultimate alienation). Now for the ancient Hebrews, the worst thing about death is that *the dead cannot praise God*. Thus, the *Miserere*, the great Psalm of Repentance, proclaims, "Restore me from death, God, my saving God, that my tongue may praise your healing power. Lord, open my lips; my mouth will proclaim your praise" (Ps 51:16-17). Thus, when we sin, we wound or even destroy our life's purpose: namely, making our lives a *song of love and praise* to the One who IS Love. And yet when God, in his mercy, heals and rescues us from our sins, the gift of praise is restored.

Do you remember the story of John the Baptist's father, Zechariah? He doubted God's Word (sent through the angel) that his wife, Elizabeth, would bear a son in their old age; because of his sin, he became mute. But when God forgave Zechariah after he acknowledged his sin through a corresponding act of faith, "immediately, his mouth was opened, his tongue freed, and he spoke blessing to God" (Lk 1:64). Again, the gift of praise was restored.

What, then, is the *heart* of confession? Yes, without a doubt, there is the confession of sins, after which one receives pardon, absolution, and a *penance of healing*. But there is something deeper, something much more profound. What *brings* me to confession, to what the Fathers of the Church called "second Baptism?" It should be the same thing that brought me to my first Baptism: faith. When I approach a priest for the healing sacrament, I confess - really, I *profess* - my faith, my *trust* in the God who forgives and heals me, the God of *eternal mercy and love*.

Finally, what results from a good confession, that is, a confession of sins following a genuine confession of faith and trust? None other than the confession (or profession) of *praise*. God, as it were, *brings us back to life*—heals our hearts, wounded in their ability to "speak," to express love—so that we might be free to glorify him anew. Thus, what begins as a frightening experience for many ends in joy—the gift of praise restored. "At the name of Jesus every knee should bend ... and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Phil 2:10-11). "The glory of God is a human being fully alive" (St. Irenaeus).

So, if you come regularly to confession, know that Our Lord and I are grateful - please continue with this practice. If you haven't been to the sacrament in a while, please come back. Invite others to come as well - after all, this is the time for a *New Evangelization*, for proclaiming Glad Tidings anew. Jesus tells us, "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest" (Mt 11:28). Isn't his message the *very essence* of the Good News? Friends, please hear Jesus' call, and come to have your burdens lifted in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Come, be healed and restored. Jesus, our most merciful, loving, forgiving God will be waiting.

Father Anthony Ahamefule

Ongoing Programs

Reflecting on Sunday's Readings

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, Year B ~ March 28, 2021

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

Reading I: Isaiah 50:4-7
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 22
Reading II: Philippians 2:6-11
Gospel: Mark 14:1 - 15:47



Monday Rosary

Join us for the Rosary every Monday at 1:30 pm in the adoration chapel. The Rosary is a prayer both so humble and simple and theologically rich in Biblical content. I beg you to pray it. - St. John Paul II

Come, Join Our Bible Study!

The Bible study group meets on Thursdays 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, next on April 14, at 1 pm in the Parish Hall. Every woman of the parish is invited to join this group of wonderful women that does so much for Holy Trinity.

Knights of Columbus

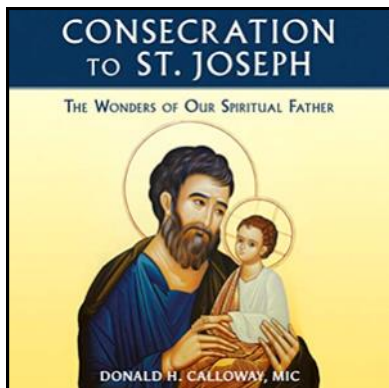
Our Knights of Columbus Council meets every third Thursday of the month, next on April 15, in the Parish Hall. The rosary begins at 6:30 pm, and the meeting at 7:00 pm. Contact Mike Hahn at 541-347-6680 or mikhahn47@outlook.com for more information.

St. Joseph, Pray for Us

We see that at the beginning of the New Testament, as at the beginning of the Old, there is a married couple. But whereas Adam and Eve were the source of evil which was unleashed on the world, Joseph and Mary are the summit from which holiness spreads all over the earth. The Savior began the work of salvation by this virginal and holy union. - St. Pope Paul VI

Saint Joseph will help you get to the wedding feast of heaven.

Since we know that St. Joseph loves us and so we love and honor him in return, we can trust that he will help us get to heaven. The greatest thing any father can do for his children is help them get to heaven. Our first father (Adam) ruined this possibility for all his children. Our first father's disobedience caused the downfall of all creation and kept us from entering heaven. Saint Joseph's fatherhood, on the other hand, elevates us and helps us to enter heaven. He loves us, helps us become saints, and brings us to the only path that leads to heaven: Jesus.



(Day 8 of Consecration to St. Joseph, by Donald Calloway, MIC)

Announcements

Lenten Food Drive

During Lent, please remember to bring a non-perishable food item to Mass each week and place it into the basket located in the vestibule of the church. Donations are given to our local food bank. Thank you for remembering our neighbors in need.

Lent 2021

Small Faith-Sharing Groups with The Search: Easter is near, and our faith sharing groups have advanced in thought, discussion and prayer to the final episode, "Why a Church?" To join one of these lively groups, please call or email the parish office.

Stations of the Cross Friday, March 26:

6:00 pm at Holy Trinity, led by the Bible Study Group.

5:00 pm at St. John the Baptist.

Lenten Penance Service, March 24: Father Anthony and a visiting priest will hear confessions at Holy Trinity during the penance service which begins at 6:30 pm.

A Ministry of Health and Well-Being

Tired of being indoors? Looking for physical activity with a group to keep you motivated? Join us Wednesdays at noon for an easy walking workout - all levels, all ages welcome. We meet in the Jesus Courtyard at Holy Trinity to check in, establish our goal and begin the walk. Come for a fun, healthy, spirit filled experience!

Condolences

We offer our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Lorna Cooper at her passing into eternal life. On April 8, the rosary at 9:30 am and a funeral Mass at 10:00 am will be prayed for Lorna. Please call the parish office if you plan to attend.

March Birthdays

March 10 -- Duane Lindsay & Dr. Gail McClave

March 13 -- Susan Alexander

March 14 -- Janet Hawthorne & Fred Carleton

March 19 -- Jose Cabrera

March 20 -- Nancy Freitag

March 28 -- Kathy Phillips



Holy Week 2021

Palm Sunday Vigil Mass, March 27

5:00 pm at Holy Trinity

Palm Sunday, March 28

8:30 am at St. John the Baptist

10:30 am at Holy Trinity

Holy Thursday, April 1

Mass of the Lord's Supper

4:00 pm at St. John the Baptist

7:00 pm at Holy Trinity

Good Friday, April 2

Stations of the Cross

3:30 pm at St. John the Baptist

6:30 pm at Holy Trinity

Passion of the Lord

4:00 pm at St. John the Baptist

7:00 pm at Holy Trinity

Easter Vigil, April 3

8:30 pm at Holy Trinity

Easter Sunday, April 4

8:30 am at St. John the Baptist

10:30 am at Holy Trinity

For Children

Lukas Storyteller: Saint Joseph and the Virtue of Obedience

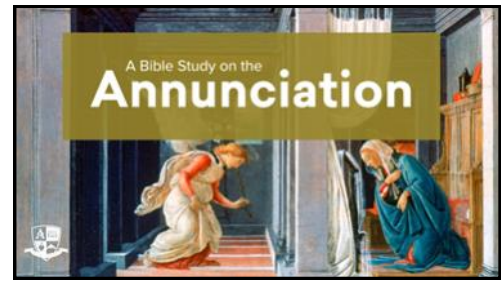
When things get off to a rough start as Anna, Agnes, Peter and Paul train for a baseball match, Noah shares the story of St. Joseph, helping them to imitate his example and learn the virtue of obedience.



For Adults

A Bible Study on the Annunciation

Dr. Ben Akers leads us through a brief reflection on the scene of the Annunciation in Luke 1:26-38. He engages the scripture verses line by line highlighting some of the key Old Testament passages evoked by the angel Gabriel's words. The reflection concludes with some thoughts on how we can imitate Mary's "yes" to the Lord in our own life, especially in this time of suffering.



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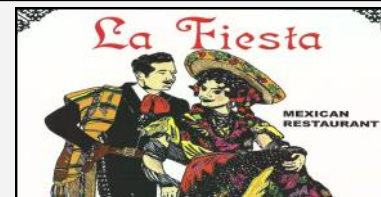


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