

**May 5, 2019**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**



Dear Brothers & Sisters,

As you have probably noticed, the Oratorian community places a special emphasis on beautiful, reverent worship. Care for the Church's liturgy is a hallmark of the Oratory in general and of our community in particular. In this spirit, as we complete our first year with you, we have decided to make some changes to the Mass schedule here at Holy Trinity (as well as at St. Ann's, where we also serve). After a great deal of prayer, reflection, and discussion, including consultation with the parish staff and pastoral council, **the following changes will take effect beginning on Monday, July 1, 2019:**

The **Sunday morning schedule** will be reduced from three Masses to two, and they will be at new times: **8:30 and 11:00 am (the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday will continue unchanged)**. Having a larger congregation at each Mass will encourage greater participation and singing. This change will also allow the clergy, music ministers, and other liturgical ministers to be more focused and flexible. Looking ahead, the time in between the Masses could be used for building community, providing ongoing formation for youth and adults, and offering service opportunities.

The **weekday Mass schedule** will also be changing. Morning Masses during the week, outside of Lent, have an average attendance of 2-3 people. On the other hand, weeknight Masses tend to draw 15-20 and often more, especially during Lent. As a result, we will no longer have a morning Mass on weekdays, but we will continue to have an evening Mass twice a week, on **Tuesdays and Fridays at 7:00 pm**. For these Masses, multiple intentions will be permitted, in keeping with Church law and within reasonable limits. The schedule for **holy days and civic holidays** falling on weekdays will also be affected, and will vary depending on the nature of the holiday.

In order to facilitate the process of scheduling **Mass intentions**, Lucille and I invite you to join us **next Tuesday, May 14, between 5:30-8:30 pm, in the Parish Center**. We will open the intention book for July 2019-June 2020, refreshments will be provided, and the CatholicGear.com truck will be open, with prizes to raffle off as well. I look forward to seeing you there!

Changes that disrupt our routines can be very challenging, especially at first, but they can also point us toward profound renewal and commitment. This I know from recent personal experience! May these changes help us to strengthen our identity as a community of missionary disciples whose worship glorifies God and brings others into relationship with Him.

In Christ & St. Philip,  
 Fr. Jeff

**Third Sunday of Easter**

First Reading: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41

The high priest chastised Peter and the other apostles for continuing to preach when they had been ordered to stop. Peter replied he would rather obey God than men, considering God's power even over death. They are again warned to stop speaking of Jesus, and then freed.

Second Reading: Revelation 5:11-14

John had a vision of many angels and all the living creatures of the world gathered around a throne. The angels cried out that the slain Lamb was worthy of receiving power, glory and praise. Then every creature on earth called out praise to God and the Lamb, and the elders fell down and worshipped.

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- SATURDAY, May 4th, Vigil: Third Sunday of Easter**  
 5:00pm Special Intentions for our Parish Nurses (living)
- SUNDAY, May 5th, Third Sunday of Easter**  
 8:00am Rosary Altar Society (*May Crowning*)  
 10:00am Our Parishioners  
 11:30am Paul Fletcher r/o Wife, Margaret
- MONDAY, May 6th, Easter Weekday**  
 8:00am Mary Huff r/o Rebecca Majewski
- TUESDAY, May 7th, Easter Weekday**  
 8:00am Theresa Pozarycki r/o Holy Name Society
- WEDNESDAY, May 8th, Easter Weekday**  
 7:00pm James Valeri r/o Walker/Sunder Family
- THURSDAY, May 9th, Easter Weekday**  
 8:00am Eleanor Phillipps r/o Daughter, Margaret Chiselko & Family
- FRIDAY, May 10th, Easter Weekday**  
*St. Damien de Veuster, Priest*  
 7:00pm Walter Erhardt IV r/o  
 Aunt Eileen & Uncle Walter
- SATURDAY, May 11th, Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
 5:00pm Didier Maisonneuve (19<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) r/o  
 Wife, Maryse Maisonneuve
- SUNDAY, May 12th, Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
*Mother's Day*  
 8:00am Holy Name Society  
 10:00am Catherine Winters, Veronica Stempien  
 & Bobbi Winters r/o Lisa, Rob & Molly Hanlon  
 11:30am Our Parishioners



**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

The Sanctuary Candle burning before the Blessed Sacrament this week is in memory of Larry Lang as lovingly requested by Michael & Irene Fialkowsky and Sons.



**FLOWERS**



The flowers this week in front of the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph Statues are *In Celebration of their grandson, CJ's First Holy Communion* as lovingly requested by the Irely Family.



**JOIN THE COMMUNITY OF HOLY TRINITY** in reciting the Rosary for World Peace & Justice every Wednesday after the 7:00pm Mass.

**Our Weekly Offering**

- Holy Thursday 2019 - \$1,052.00 / 2018 - \$944.00  
 Good Friday 2019 - \$864.00 / 2018 - \$594.00  
 Easter Sunday 2019 - \$11,860.00 / 2018 - \$13,767.00  
 Needy of Parish 2019 - \$2,598.00 / 2018 - \$3,195.00  
 April 27/28, 2019 - \$3,862.00 / 2018 - \$4,233.00

**Thank you for your continued support!**

Gospel: John 21:1-19

Jesus appeared to the disciples for the third time since his resurrection while they were fishing. They hadn't caught anything, and then Jesus advised them to cast their net from the other side of the boat. When they did this, they caught a great number of fish. Jesus then asked Peter three times, "Do you love me?" When Peter said he did, Jesus asked him to tend and feed his sheep.

**Religious Education News** 

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION STUDENTS**

May 5 7:45am First Holy Communicants  
(Sunday) Meet in Church Basement to process up for  
May Crowning at 8:00am Mass

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**MAY 4/5**

10:00am **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**  
Sat. **Altar Servers:** Tyler Hisko & Alex Swider  
5:00pm **Reader:** Mary Ann Scoloveno  
Sat. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Allison Truchan  
and Charlotte Shipley  
**Altar Server:** Zachary Salvato  
8:00am **Reader:** Sandy Kuklo  
Sun. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Marie Confortini  
and Fran Brzezinski  
**Altar Server:** Emily Caldarola  
10:00am **Reader:** Chris Halligan  
Sun. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Frank Meier,  
Pat Thomason and Francine Giorello  
**Altar Servers:** Matthew George  
& Alexandra Vicari  
11:30am **Reader:** Frieda Helmstetter  
Sun. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Mike & Charlene  
Tackvic and Joseph Raimondo  
**Altar Server:** Julian DiMaggio

**House Communion:** Frank Meier

**MAY 11/12**

5:00pm **Reader:** Debbie Phibbs  
Sat. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Emilio & Carol  
Suarez and Rebecca Majewski  
**Altar Servers:** Timmy LaCanna  
& Chase Kedziora  
8:00am **Reader:** Joseph Pagano  
Sun. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Holy Name Society  
**Altar Servers:** Holy Name Society  
10:00am **Reader:** Francine Giorello  
Sun. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Nick Vendemia,  
Jo Place and Frank Meier  
**Altar Server:** Jacqueline Salvato  
11:30am **Reader:** Peter George  
Sun. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Joseph & Doreen  
Marino and Claire Russell  
**Altar Server:** Catherine Ulassin

**House Communion:** Nick Vendemia



**PLEASE JOIN US!!** 

**MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION GATHERING**

**NEXT Sunday, May 12th**

**Downstairs in the Church Basement  
After the 8:00am & 10:00am Masses  
JOIN US WITH YOUR SPECIAL MOM  
for some Coffee & Breakfast Treats**



**MONDAY, MAY 6, 2019  
WORKERS – MONDAY – TEAM #1**

**CAPTAIN: Carol Suarez**  
Rebecca Majewski, Carol Martin, Sandra Garcia,  
Pat Thomason & Beatrice Samol  
**GAMES BEGIN AT 7:30PM**

**FRIDAY, MAY 10, 2019  
WORKERS – FRIDAY – TEAM #2**

**CAPTAIN:**  
Irene Fialkowsky, Chet Scaletti, Jack Green & Robert Heintz  
**GAMES BEGIN AT 7:30PM**



*May 7 ~ Staff Day of Prayer (Rectory Closed)*

**SECOND COLLECTION** – this weekend, May 4/5 for Catholic Relief Services (CRSC) to help Jesus in disguise. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Learn more at:

[www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief)

*The Parish Prayer Chain is a group of parishioners that regularly pray for your needs. Should a need for prayer to arise, please call Joyce Walker at 908-526-5470.*

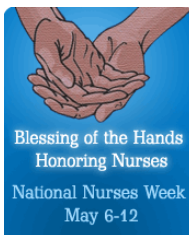
**Parish Pastoral Council Meeting** - this Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the Church Basement/TV Room. All are invited!

There will be **NO Blood Pressure Screening** in the month of May. The next Blood Pressure Screening will be June 8/9.



**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY**

The 8:00am Mass this Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> is for the Living and Deceased Members of the **ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY**. The First Holy Communicants join the Rosarians in the Crowning of the Virgin Mary in Church, as well as, in the Grotto, after Mass. (Their regular monthly meeting will be held after the Mass & Crowning's in the Parish Center.)



**We thank our Parish Nurses:**

- Andrea Becker**
- Charlene Bergstrom**
- Tiffany Freuler**
- Maria Magsalin**
- Geraldine McNally**
- Charlotte Shipley**
- Clara Startzel**

“May the work of your hands bring healing to all the people you touch.

“May the God who formed these hands guide them to bring the healing touch of life and bless these hands to be instruments of healing.

“Blessings and appreciation for the many tasks these hands do.”





"In becoming the ninth jurisdiction to legalize physician-assisted suicide, New Jersey has unleashed a Pandora's box on its residents—and the poor, weak, and disabled will suffer the most. The Medical Aid in Dying for the Terminally Ill Act was signed into law by New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy after it narrowly cleared both chambers of the state Congress. Murphy claimed in a statement that this bill would '[provide] terminally ill patients and their families with the humanity, dignity, and respect that they so richly deserve at the most difficult times any of us will face.' This could not be further from the truth. Physician-assisted suicide directly attacks human dignity; it is anything but compassionate. Death is neither a solution nor a treatment for human suffering. Once we accept suicide as therapeutic, who qualifies for treatment becomes a moving target. When a country legalizes physician-assisted suicide, it is only a matter of time before the government expands who will receive suicide assistance instead of suicide prevention. In Canada, a hospital for sick children has unveiled a plan for how to terminate the lives of terminally ill kids, with or without parental consent. In Europe, many countries have even begun to practice euthanasia, i.e. the non-voluntary killing of patients. As the demand for end-of-life care continues to increase, physician-assisted suicide emerges as a cheap alternative to appropriate palliative or hospice care. In this scenario, it is the poor, the uneducated, and the socially marginalized who are most likely to be pressured into taking their own lives. These are the same populations who are the least likely to have someone else advocate on their behalf for proper care. Physician-assisted suicide does not promote human dignity. Instead, it normalizes subpar and unethical care for those who are most vulnerable."

-LifeNews

**MOTHER'S DAY BABY SHOWER**



Please participate in our Mother's Day Baby Shower and take a baby gift tag as you leave Church today. Bring the unwrapped gift to Church on May 11/12 or May 18/19. Gifts should be placed in the pack 'n play at the Maple Street Church exit. Your gift will help moms, who, despite difficult circumstances, have chosen life for their babies. Thank you!



**SOCIAL MINISTRY**

The Food Pantry can always use non-perishable items. Supermarket gift cards can also be used and can be dropped in the collection basket. We are grateful for your support!



The Knitting Club meets every Wednesday evening at 7:00pm in the Rectory. Supplies are available. For information please call Charlotte at 908-526-0477.



The Michael Project, which ships care packages to our servicemen and women, is still in operation. Should you know of a soldier serving our country and would like to receive a care package from home, call Joyce Walker at 908-526-5470.



**Michael Project Continued...**

On behalf of the Michael Sunder Project, Joyce Walker is asking for Miraculous Medals. They will be sent to our military overseas and then distributed to the third world countries. Medals can be dropped off in the baskets at all church exits. Thank you

for your help and participation.



The Holy Name Society wishes to thank all those who donated money for the crosses. Total profit of \$290.00 is being donated to St. Jude's. A special "thank you" to our Holy Name member, Sal Adamo, who made all the crosses.

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

The 8:00am Mass next Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> is for the living & deceased members of the HOLY NAME SOCIETY. Since it is Mother's Day, their regular monthly meeting will be held at 7:00pm on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> in the Church Basement/TV Room.

**You Can Make a Difference!**

**Serve**  
by fiat ventures  
**SUMMER CAMP**

Join us for the ultimate camp experience. All incoming 6th-9th graders welcome!

**Register Now!**

Fun Games! Service! Cool People!

**The Details!** **June 24-28**  
9:00am-3:00pm

✓ Cost: \$150 (and \$100 per additional child)  
✓ Grow in faith, service and fellowship, and earn service hours!

**Register NOW @ [www.u-serve.com/HTSACamp](http://www.u-serve.com/HTSACamp)**

**High Schoolers! Adults!** We need your help making this happen!  
If you are willing to volunteer in any way, please contact:  
Rachael Flanagan (908) 280-2893  
rflanagan@fiatventures.com

**VOLUNTEER MAKE A CHANGE**

To date, the Development Office has received pledges totaling 47,870.89 and payments totaling \$36,869.06 from 200 parishioners. This represents 69.4% of your \$69,000.00 goal. Thank you!

**SANDS BUS TRIP, Bethlehem, PA**  
Sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society on Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>  
\$30.00 per person ~ \$25.00 back in Slot Play ~  
Bus leaves at **9:30am** from the Parish Center  
If interested call: Fran at 908-231-0592 or Pat at 908-526-0427

**Calendar of Events**

- May 4 First Holy Communion
- May 4 Blessing of Nurses Hands (5pm Mass)
- May 5 May Crowning (8am Mass)
- May 7 Staff Day of Prayer (Rectory Closed)
- May 8 Sands Bus Trip
- May 8 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
- May 11/12, 18/19 Mother's Day Baby Shower