

Holy Trinity Church

Sunday, April 5, 2020
Palm Sunday



Father Patrick Resen—Pastor
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Holy Trinity Catholic Church
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Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.
Saturday Spanish Mass: 7:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday Mass: 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday-Friday Mass: 9:00 a.m.

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Confessions:

- Saturday afternoons 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
- Sunday mornings 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.
- First Saturday of each month before Mass at 8:15 a.m. and after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.
- Heard upon request.

“Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!” shout the crowds in today’s Gospel. May we be always ready to share our blessings when we are sent in His name!

Prayers for the Week

- Father, give me the freedom of Pentecost.
- Father, make this Holy Week one of the most important weeks of my life.
- Father, may I take personally Jesus’ death on the cross.
- Father, You have sent me not a fearful spirit but the Spirit of adoption. In this Spirit, make me fearless.
- Father, by my Baptism into Jesus’ death, burial, and Resurrection, I will not give in to fear.
- Father, set a guard over my mouth and heart so that I may never betray You. May all my actions, words, and thoughts glorify You.

CCD Class Times (In Trinity Hall):

- Pre-School thru 6th : 9:00 - 10:15 a.m. Sunday
- Grades 7th thru 12th : 7:00 - 8:15 p.m. Wednesday

Meetings:

- Council of Catholic Women: 2nd Monday of Month at 7pm
- Knights of Columbus: 4th Tuesday of Month at 7:15 pm
- Bible Study: Every Wednesday after 9:00 am Mass
- Spiritual Life Committee: 2nd Tuesday of Month at 7:15 pm
- AA meetings Sundays in Trinity Hall at 6:00pm

Baptism:

- Please contact Fr. Patrick or the Church Office at least 4 weeks prior to the desired baptism date.
- Completion of the Baptismal Class is required.

Weddings:

- There is a six-month marriage preparation period in the Diocese of Knoxville.
- Contact Fr. Patrick for an appointment.

Planning to Move?

- Please keep your address and telephone number current on our church records.
- If you move out of the parish, we will need a forwarding address for your year-end contribution statements.

Parish Registration:

- If you attend Holy Trinity Church on a regular basis, you should complete a registration form.
- Remember that in order to receive sacraments (other than Confession or Eucharist), or to be a Godparent or Sponsor, you must be registered.
- Registration forms are available in the narthex & the church office & provide for the optional receipt of offertory envelopes. You may fill out the form in the office, mail it, or drop it in the collection basket

Dear Parishioners:

Life goes on, but changed. We have had to adapt. We are isolated much of the time. But much is still the same.

Sunday is still Sunday, still the Lord's Day. "Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day." We are still governed by this Commandment. We are alienated from each by the dictates of government guidance and good sense. But that alienation should be only physical. We cannot participate in liturgy, literally public worship. But we can still worship, we can still pray, we can still read, we can still be charitable. Maybe not in exactly the same way, but we still can.

The hardest part of all this for me is celebrating the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass without people. We hear the term "private Mass," in general discussion and even in the bishop's mandates. But that term ceased to exist with the 1983 Code of Canon Law. We now have "Mass without a congregation." But we get the idea from "private Mass." It is very difficult not having anyone for Mass. There is no dialogue with the people. But, and this is critical, it is still the Mass. So for me, I pray that Mass in a special way thinking of and praying for the people of Holy Trinity. I can't tell people when my Masses will be and must vary the times. Watching the Mass streamed or on TV is not the same; one must be present, but it is certainly better than not doing anything. EWTN had and has the Mass daily. Bishop Stika's Mass is streamed at 8am each day. If you are a night owl, you can watch the pope's daily Mass at 1am on EWTN. And there are many others. Do it. It's far from ideal but it is what we have.

Especially hard is that we will not have public liturgy for Holy Week and the Triduum. Today is Palm Sunday, and the Gospel is the Passion according to Matthew. We will have no procession. I urge you to read the readings; go to the USCCB site to find the readings for every day. Meditate on them. The homily is on the website and being emailed to all those whose address we have. Keep holy the Lord's Day.

It gets more difficult as the week goes on. No chrisms Mass at the cathedral with the bishop this week. No (public) Mass of the Lord's Supper on Thursday evening. No reservation of the Blessed Sacrament and prayer after. No veneration of the cross and no Passion according to John on Good Friday. No Tenebrae. But that doesn't mean one can't do much of these things at home. And the same is true for the Stations of the Cross.

One thing we will have, and one of my favorite times of the year, is that quiet from Friday to Saturday Vigil Mass. But no (public) Easter Vigil. Yes, I will be celebrating them, but...alone.

Easter is still coming. Life goes on. You are being prayed for; pray for others.

Fr. Patrick

Bishop Richard F. Stika issued a decree to assist the clergy and the faithful in the spiritual celebration of Palm Sunday and Holy Week. The decree mandates that there shall be no public gatherings (inside or outside churches, in cars, etc.) during Holy Week. Masses shall be celebrated without a congregation by the pastor/parish priest. Bishop Stika will privately celebrate liturgies throughout Holy Week, and they will be available to watch via live stream at dioknox.org:

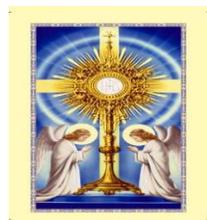
Palm Sunday: Sunday, April 5th at 9 a.m.

Holy Thursday: Thursday, April 9th at 7 p.m.

Good Friday: Friday, April 10th at 3 p.m.

Easter Vigil: Saturday, April 11th at 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday: Sunday, April 12th at 9 a.m.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, Saturday, April 5th, begins at 9:30am – 5pm. *"A thousand years of enjoying human glory is not worth even an hour spent sweetly*

communing with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament." -- Padre Pio. Come to Adoration and enjoy the sweet presence of our Lord--speaking is not necessary, He knows your every thought and still loves you dearly. For those of you committed to one hour of Adoration each month, but cannot come to church, please find a substitute. There must be at least two people present for each hour of Adoration.

Palm Sunday marks the start of Holy Week. It



reminds Christians of the journey Jesus made into Jerusalem, on a donkey, to celebrate the Jewish festival of Passover (Pesach). Jesus chose a donkey to show that he had come in peace. Many people welcomed Jesus by shouting, waving palm branches and throwing branches down in the path of the donkey. They hoped that Jesus was the Savior who the Bible had promised. Palm Sunday is both a happy and sad day. Christians are happy because they are singing praises to Jesus but also sad because they know Jesus died less than a week after his arrival in Jerusalem.

*The victim of Good Friday
is the victor of Easter*

Our Weekly Mass Schedule

First Saturday April 4 th	For the parishioners by Father Patrick
Saturday April 4 th	For the parishioners by Father Patrick
Sunday April 5 th	For the parishioners by Father Patrick
Tuesday April 7 th	For Mike Colicchio by the parishioners
Wednesday April 8 th	For Rita Payne+ by Sue Pickering
Thursday April 9 th	For all healthcare workers and first responders
Friday April 10 th	For Charlotte O'Donovan+ 100 th Birthday By Jan Krasinski
Saturday April 11 th	For All Souls lost to COVID-19
Saturday April 11 th	For the parishioners by Father Patrick
Sunday April 12 th	For the parishioners by Father Patrick

Saturday April 11 th 5:00pm	
Deacon	
Lector	
Servers	
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	

Sunday, April 12 th 10:30am	
Deacon	
Lector	
Servers	
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	

Holy Trinity's Parish Stewardship

Attendance for	5:00pm	7:00pm	10:30am
03/29/2020	0	0	0

Envelope and Offertory Collections

	Weekly	Month-to-Date
Collection:	\$ 5,320	Collection: \$ 21,656
Fixed Expense:	\$ 6,254	Fixed Expense: \$ 31,270
Difference:	\$ (934)	Difference: \$ (9,614)

Welcome to our newest parishioners in March:

- Cesar and Maria Bedoya
- Brenda Galvan

Don't Forget to keep filling your Rice Bowl

If you have already filled your bowl and started another, you can leave the full bowl in the narthex by the statue of the Holy Family. You have through Easter to fill and turn in your rice bowl so please be generous.



Weekly Collections – Since Mass has been suspended by Bishop Stika, we have to think outside the box regarding collections. The office will be open Tuesday – Friday 9am-4pm, if you would like to drop your donation off. You can also give **electronically** by going to htjctn.org and **click on Online Giving** and set up an account or **mail your donation** in to **Holy Trinity Church P.O. Box 304, Jefferson City, TN 37760**. Please do not mail any cash!

Holy Week and the Triduum Children and Their Families Share the Mysteries

Holy Week, with its many rites and symbols, is a good time to acquaint children with the great mysteries of Jesus' death and resurrection. Entering Jerusalem on Palm Sunday in procession, he rides on a donkey, with children cheering him on. **Children are meant to be there.** The gospels about Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead and giving sight to the man born blind, which announce Holy Week, can remind them that Jesus has power to bring life from death and light from darkness. During the Triduum (TRID-oo-um), it's helpful to tell them the story of the passion and resurrection together, so they will see his suffering, but then see him rising in triumph from the dead.

Holy Land Collection – Good Friday collections are taken in support of the Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land. In the words of Paul VI, “not only for the Holy Places but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational, and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities. Be sure to mark your check or envelope.

Seminarian Education Collection – Help support our seminarians on Easter Sunday. Though we are one of the smallest dioceses in the U.S., we are blessed with a rich harvest of vocations to the priesthood. Presently, we have 13 enrolled in studies with a number of other men seriously discerning the priestly calling. But with this wonderful blessing comes a financial challenge. The cost of educating just one seminarian is over \$50,000. Be sure to mark your check or envelope.



Palm Sunday

Jesus came to Jerusalem,
 the week he was to die,
 riding on a donkey,
 riding strong and high.
Children ran to meet him,
 palms in hand they sing:
 "Hosanna, Son of David,
 "Hosanna to our king."



**Congratulations to
 Thomas and Jessica Richards on their
 30th wedding anniversary on April 1st**

ProLife News and Notes: Tennessee's governor, Bill Lee, is one of 7 governors who have taken action to end abortion services during this corona virus pandemic. Abortion is not health care and is deemed non-essential, especially during this pandemic. Planned Parenthood facilities across the nation are **not** heeding the call to close their facilities. They are placing their desire to make money by killing babies over the needs of nurses and doctors who require essential protective equipment in order to keep people alive who have contracted Covid 19. No abortion facilities provide Covid 19 testing--they do not even provide mammography testing and they consistently resist state measures that would make their centers safer by requiring them to conform to the same safety standards as other surgical centers.

Sean Carney, Pres. of **40 Days for Life** has suspended active witness at Planned Parenthood centers during the spring campaign, out of an abundance of caution, during the pandemic. At a Pittsburgh Planned Parenthood, an abortion worker spit in the face of a pro-life proponent who was praying on the street in front of the abortion center and then flashed her the middle finger before returning to work. Planned Parenthood has not fired the employee. Please pray each day for an end to abortion and for a deep conversion of hearts of abortion providers and workers. Pray for moms now facing an unplanned pregnancy who have lost jobs in this crisis and face financial stress; pray that they turn to pregnancy help centers rather than abortion centers. There is good news for moms who have Covid 19 and deliver babies--there is an unlikely chance that they will transmit the virus to their baby.



Father, during these days of Holy Week, I want to grow in my faith and trust in Christ. I don't want to attend church just out of obligation, expectation or curiosity. I want to celebrate with your son Jesus. I don't want these days to end and merely return to my usual habits. I want to live in faith. Amen.

Where have you grown in faith during these days of Lent?

Food Pantry—Kingswood School: Food donations can be dropped off in the narthex **Saturday, April 5th from 9:30am–5pm.** The kids at Kingswood always enjoy the food we send them. Your gift will bring smiles to their faces.



U.S. Census Bureau is currently hiring Census Takers for the 2020 census. Pay is \$16.50/hour plus 58 cents per mile mileage. It is, of course, a temporary job for a few months. You can work up to 40 hours per week. If interested in applying contact Janie Ward, US Census 2020, Knoxville Area Census Bureau 865-909-6000.



Wedding Anniversaries April 2019

Thomas & Jessica Richards	4/01/90	30 years
Eulogio & Maria Perez	4/01/98	22 years
Jim & Sue Pickering	4/03/71	49 years
Frank & Carol Clamon	4/04/81	39 years
Deacon Jack & Sandy Raymond	4/04/96	24 years
Cole & Sherri Parker	4/05/13	7 years
George & Jane Lane	4/09/63	57 years
James & Mary Cavanaugh	4/15/67	53 years
William & Catherine Boothe	4/18/09	11 years
David & Deanna Bednarzyk	4/20/85	35 years
Robert & Kim Ann Steiner	4/22/89	31 years
Dan & Marion Byron	4/24/65	55 years
Ezequiel & Karina Donjuan	4/26/08	12 years
Gordon & Kathy Marshall	4/27/65	55 years
Martin & Patti Slattery	4/29/89	31 years

Did you know Holy Trinity has a Library?

Holy Trinity Library has a wide range of books that will make our walk with God so much more meaningful. Be sure to visit the Library in the Parish Life Center and please continue to peruse the books placed each weekend in the narthex. The library is open Tuesday through Friday, 9:00am-4:00pm.