

# Holy Trinity Church



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**Father Alex Waraksa—In Residence**  
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**Holy Trinity Catholic Church**  
**475 N. Hwy 92, P.O. Box 304**  
**Jefferson City, Tennessee 37760**

**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.**

## Parish Office:

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**Parish Code: BFRHHH**

## 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.

# Sunday, May 24, 2020

## The Ascension of the Lord

Jesus ascended into heaven, blessing His disciples and promising that they would soon receive the power of the Holy Spirit. We who have received that promised gift of the Spirit are now empowered to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth – to use our time and talents to spread the good news of salvation.

## Prayers for the Week

- Father, may the next week of prayer be the best in my life. Jesus, teach me to pray in the Spirit.
- Father, on this fourth day of the Pentecost novena, break through my pride and selfishness.
- Father, “may it be done unto me according to Your word.
- Father, may I make every effort to build unity which has the Spirit as its origin and peace as its binding force.
- Father, send the Holy Spirit of unity to the most cynical.

## CCD Class Times (In Trinity Hall):

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

## Meetings:

- Council of Catholic Women: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of Month at 7pm
- Knights of Columbus: 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of Month at 7:15 pm
- Bible Study: Every Wednesday after 9:00 am Mass
- Spiritual Life Committee: 2<sup>nd</sup> 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:

DEO GRATIAS! Our public Mass returns, albeit with many restrictions. We will resume with Pentecost Vigil Mass on May 30<sup>th</sup>, next weekend. Yes, there are many restrictions, but nonetheless, we can celebrate Mass together again. It seems like it has been forever.

I have hoped and prayed during the last two-plus months that the people of Holy Trinity, with Catholics over much of the world, have realized in an even greater way the blessing, the gift of the Eucharist. The Eucharist, the Source and Summit of the Faith, is accessible again. Have you hungered for the Eucharist during this time? Have you desperately hungered? Surely you must have. If not, then a great deal of meditation should be undertaken to realize the greatest gift Jesus left us.

But I do know that many of you hungered for the Eucharist during this time because I saw you at daily Adoration. What a gift that was to have! We had Jesus present to us even if we could not always receive him in Communion.

About those restrictions, the requirements for “social distancing” and the like: You might agree or disagree about the efficacy of some of them. So might I. But it is what it is. It is the bishop’s call and he has done so. (I can pass on to you that Bishop Stika has told the priests that he hopes that these will last only a few short weeks). It will be cumbersome in some ways. The requirement is a maximum of 50% occupancy but with the six-foot distancing that is realistically more of a 25% or 30% use of the space. It is for this reason that I have added a Mass for Sundays. We will have four Masses instead of three, the Sundays changed from 10:30 to 10:00 and 11:30. That might seem a bit tight in time but with no lingering in the narthex after Mass, the prohibition on congregational singing, no recessional hymn, said not sung Gloria, etc. I think there will be plenty of time between Masses for the required cleaning. I hesitate to make the second Mass later because I still have the Masses at Cor Jesu Monastery.

The masks? I hate them. But the bishop has said they are required. So be it. The lack of congregational singing? I will miss it, but so be it. We have our Masses back! Bear with the inconvenience and the frustrations; they will pass.

I thank all those who have helped or are helping to do the many tasks required to implement the bishop’s instructions, especially Jennifer LaMonte who willingly jumped in to birddog the implementation, obtained supplies, etc., and also for keeping the information flowing to you all via emails. I thank all those who will be serving on the cleaning group and the ushers. I thank Sandy Miranda for assisting with our daily Adoration.

Confessions will still be an hour before the 5pm and 10am Masses.

“When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now.” St. Theresa of Calcutta.

**Fr. Patrick**

**Public Mass Procedures** – The following are the directives issued by Bishop Stika in order to resume having public Mass. Please read carefully. The church will be **closed** next **Thursday 5/28/20** and **Friday 5/29/2020** to clean and prepare for the weekend Masses.

**1) Separation at all times** - This will include the parking lot, in the Narthex and in the Church. Please no touching, shaking or holding hands, etc. Remember the social distancing rule of 6ft. Unless it is your immediate family.

**2) Masks** - Must be worn at all times prior, during and after Mass. For Communion you can take off your mask, proceed to "X", receive Communion and then put your mask back on. There will also be hand sanitizers placed throughout the church for you to use during Mass.

**3) Entering/Exiting Church** - Please enter and exit church in a single file. There will be one glass door open on the side of Church. Once Mass starts, the doors will be locked and no one can enter. Please no gathering in the church or parking lot before or after Mass.

**4) Ushers** - You will be seated by an usher to a seat in the Church. They will be starting with front pews working towards the back. The ushers will also dismiss you from your pew for Communion and after Mass to exit. Please wait for the Ushers. *We need 4 volunteers for each Mass on Saturday 5pm, Sunday 10am & 11:30am. Please let the office know.*

**5) Seating** - You will be seated (*front to back*) and dismissed (*back to front*) by an usher. There will be no end seating in the pews. You will be 6ft away from other parishioners for social distancing. We will be blocking off every other pew that will remain empty.

**6) Cleaning** - We will need to clean the Church, Narthex, bathroom, pews, tables, etc. after each Mass. There will be spray bottles with disinfectant solution that we will use to spray on all areas. *Please let the office 865-471-0347 know if you are willing to stay after Mass to help clean.*

**We cannot all do great things, but we can do small things with great love."**

**Saint Mother Teresa**

## Our Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	For the parishioners by Father Patrick
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Sunday May 24 <sup>th</sup>	For the parishioners by Father Patrick
Tuesday May 26 <sup>th</sup>	For Mary Morin+ by the parishioners
Wednesday May 27 <sup>th</sup>	For Sandy Reagle by the parishioners
Thursday May 28 <sup>th</sup>	For Mary Ellen Resen by the parishioners
Friday May 29 <sup>th</sup>	For Kathy Shannon by the parishioners
Saturday May 30 <sup>th</sup>	Mass at 5:00pm For Mike Colicchio+ by the parishioners
Saturday May 30 <sup>th</sup>	Mass at 7:00pm For the parishioners by Father Patrick
Sunday May 31 <sup>st</sup>	Mass at 10:00am For Chloe Prosak by The LaMonte Family
Sunday May 31 <sup>st</sup>	Mass at 11:30am For Mary Morin+ by Joyce Haigh

Saturday May 30 <sup>th</sup> 5:00pm	
Deacon	Matt Pidgeon
Lector	Pat Karpick
Servers	
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	

Sunday, May 31 <sup>st</sup> 10:00am / 11:30am	
Deacon 10:00	Jim Prosak
Lector 10:00	Barb Rogers
Deacon 11:30	David Oatney
Lector 11:30	Roger Mynatt

### Holy Trinity's Parish Stewardship

Attendance for	5:00pm	7:00pm	10:30am
05/17/2020	0	0	0

### Envelope and Offertory Collections

	Weekly	Month-to-Date
Collection:	\$ 5,285	Collection: \$ 11,686
Fixed Expense:	\$ 6,254	Fixed Expense: \$ 18,764
Difference:	\$ (969)	Difference: \$ (7,078)

**The Parish Picnic** scheduled for Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled due to Bishop Stika's directives. The picnic will be rescheduled at a later date when we are allowed to meet in large groups.

**CANCELLED**

**The new One Bread, One Body** booklets are available now on the table in the narthex.



**A Big Thank You** to the Knights of Columbus and all the parishioners who helped to clean, trim, cut, dig, rake and the all-around clean-up of the church grounds. It was a job well done.

## MEMORIAL DAY

**Many Service Men And Women Are Still Giving Their Lives Today**

**Each One Of Us Should Remember Them In A Very Special Way**

**Making Our Freedom In America Come At A Dear Costly Price**

**Our Heroes Gave Up Everything Including Their Precious Lives**

**Rich Or Poor They All Answered The Call To Defend Our Freedom**

**In Their Hearts They All Are The Defenders Of Everyone's Religion**

**As We Look Toward The Future Let Us Let Our Freedom Ring**

**Let Us All In Harmony Proudly Raise Our Voices And To Them Sing**

**Daily These Proud American Names Are Added To The Memorial Wall**

**All Of America Is Truly Indebted To Those Who Answered The Call**

**You See Here In AMERICA It Still Is LIBERTY And JUSTICE For ALL**

## GOD BLESS OUR ARMED FORCES

(by Sam Cozzolini)



**Memorial Day** is a United States federal holiday observed on the last Monday of May. Formerly known as **Decoration Day**, it commemorates U.S. men and women who died while in the military service. First enacted to honor Union soldiers of the American

Civil War (it is celebrated near the day of reunification after the civil war), it was expanded after World War I to include American casualties of any war or military. This is the time to remember those who gave their lives to protect our freedom. May God bless them and their families.

**The "Flags on the Hill"** will be displayed for Memorial Day. This day is reserved to honor U.S. men and women who have died while in military service. Thank you to those of our parish family for sharing in this tribute.

## Feast of the Ascension of the Lord



commemorates the Christian belief of the bodily Ascension of Jesus into heaven. It is one of the ecumenical (i.e., universally celebrated) feasts of Christian churches, ranking with the feasts of the Passion, of Easter, and Pentecost. Ascension of the Lord is traditionally celebrated on a Thursday, the fortieth day of Easter. It is celebrated on the following Sunday in our diocese. The observance of this feast is of great antiquity. At the beginning of the 5th century, St. Augustine said that it is of Apostolic origin, and he speaks of it in a way that shows it was the universal observance of the Church long before his time. The Latin terms used for the feast, *ascensio* and, occasionally, *ascensa*, signify that Christ was raised up by his own powers, and it is from these terms that the holy day gets its name.

### **Congratulations to Hazel Scarlet Oatney**

on her baptism on Saturday, May 9, 2020. Her proud family includes parents Deacon David & Nicol and her sister Riley. Please welcome Hazel Scarlet into our church family.

**Dandridge Food Pantry** needs empty egg cartons. They have a farmer that donates fresh eggs so they need cartons to distribute them. Please leave in the food pantry corner of the Narthex and Eileen Hatrick will deliver them to Dandridge Food Pantry.

**Amazon Smile:** you can *donate* 0.5% of your purchase totals to your favorite charity without paying anything more than what you would without donating. (Handmaids of the Precious Blood is one of the charities listed). To get started, go to the website <https://smile.amazon.com>. Choose "Get Started." During the registration process, you will be given the option to select the charity of your choice. If you wish to choose "Handmaids of the Precious Blood," type their name and it will appear in the block. Once you've selected your charity, you can change it whenever you choose. After you are registered and have selected your charity, choose the Amazon Smile Homepage link to make future purchases. If you sign-in just using Amazon, your purchase will not be counted. Always check the upper right hand corner of your Amazon sign-in page to ascertain that the name of your charity appears.

**Parents of Graduates:** If we have missed recognizing your child, please contact the office 865-471-0347 to let us know. We don't want to leave anyone out of this great accomplishment.



## Congratulations to this year's High School Graduates!

- Jomarie Duites
- Sarah Hawkins



## Congratulations to this year's College Graduates!

- Jenna Mynatt graduated from Middle Tennessee State with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Outdoor Recreation Administration in August of 2019. She is living and working in Cedar Rapids, Iowa with the intellectually disabled population!
- Jessica Mynatt graduated from East Tennessee State University with a Master of Arts degree in Teaching in May 2020. She plans to pursue a teaching position in East Tennessee!

**Grief Share Support Group** – Need help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend? Come and join us to begin your journey from mourning to joy. Weekly meetings will be held at Faith Baptist Church, 118 Colossians Ct., Jefferson City beginning Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> thru August 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:30pm – 8:30pm. To register contact the church office by phone 865-475-7608 or email [info@faithbaptist.net](mailto:info@faithbaptist.net). Cost for the 14 week support group is \$20 which includes one workbook.