

Holy Trinity Church



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Holy Trinity Catholic Church
475 N. Hwy 92, P.O. Box 304
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Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.
Saturday Spanish Mass: 7:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass: 10:00 & 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday Mass: 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday-Friday Mass: 9:00 a.m.

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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, July 26, 2020

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“The law of Your mouth is to me more precious than thousands of gold and silver pieces,” says the psalmist today. Does the amount of my offering suggest that I could honestly say the same?

Prayers for the Week

- Father, give me the boldness and faith of St. James.
- Jesus, I decide to love You forever with all my heart.
- Father, may I seek first, live for, and die for Your kingdom.
- Father, I want to “rejoice with those who rejoice” and “weep with those who weep”.
- Father, increase my faith.
- Father Potter, by my negligence and rebellion, I’ve wasted enough of Your time and mine. Mold me as You wish.

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:

The Holy Eucharist! God's great gift to us.

In writing about this wonderful treasure we have been given the author Sally Read says,

Think of Our Lady, that afternoon when the angel came to her. It is because of that girl's steady faith and listening at the other side of the veil that you, too, can bring him physically into yourself. Every Communion is its own Annunciation: the angels are present; you give your attention and trust and consent to do his will; his physical presence comes to abide in you.

The world didn't break open when Mary said yes—but that doesn't mean she didn't conceive the Son of God. I doubt that the birds left their places on the trees. If someone spoke to her, I doubt in that moment that she would have heard him.

Give God a piece of that stillness. Give him your listening. And know what is happening even if you don't feel it, even if the world isn't set on fire. Mary is handing him to you.

This is from Read's book *Annunciation: A Call to Faith in a Broken World* (Ignatius Press, 2019). It is a wonderful book. In it Read uses the words from the Gospel of Luke describing the Annunciation to write a meditation on "the universal close and remote dance with God." The springboard is a retrospective on what she said or could have said to her daughter at her daughter's First Communion, and more. (But very much in adult language, not how one would speak to a nine-year old). "Every Communion is its own Annunciation." I love that statement.

I have ordered the book for our parish library along with her prior and first book *Night's Bright Darkness*, (Ignatius Press, 2016), the story of her conversion from anti-Catholic atheist to devout Catholic. It is wonderfully told. Her use of language is enchanting. Her story itself is riveting. And, yes, I've ordered a copy of that book, too, for our parish library.

In our Gospel today we hear Jesus' parables about finding the great treasure in a field and the pearl of great price. These books are little treasures, too. You, too, will treasure the reading of these wonderful books.

In this time of lessened activity for many of us due to the restrictions about the coronavirus, it is a perfect time to grow closer to God by good spiritual reading. Come and check out some of the wonderful new books we have in our library. It beats watching Hallmark movies or reading romance novels or the many other vapid things we do to fill our time.

"Only God knows the good that can come about by reading one good Catholic book." St. John Bosco. "When we pray, we speak to God but when we read, God speaks to us." St. Jerome.

Fr. Patrick



ADORATION OF THE HOLY

EUCCHARIST will take place on Saturday, August 1 beginning with Mass at 9:00 a.m., followed by recitation of the Rosary and Adoration until Benediction, about 4:55 p.m. Adoration has been a blessed opportunity to, first and foremost, offer gratitude to Our Lord for His many daily graces and gifts. But in

this time of chaos and uncertainty we bring Him our fears and concerns in a world increasingly hostile to religious liberty and Catholics and religions, in general, hostile to police and anyone who does not agree with their opinions, very often expressed by mob violence against American values and society. With an upcoming election, with a possible new administration not as pro-life and favorable to religious freedom as has been the Trump administration, we may very well see an increase in the efforts to destroy religious liberties, strengthen abortion rights and take over our God-given freedoms. Be aware that voting for these candidates is a moral cooperation in evil-doing and makes us culpable, as well. Constant prayer is vital now in this clear battle for good and evil. Make no mistake, the devil is fully engaged. So, make a special effort to come to Adoration, first thank God and then ask Him for the strength and courage to help him fight His battle for good. God wants to save us all, but His mercy is dependent on our cooperation. For those of you signed up for one hour and cannot come to Adoration, find a substitute; there must be at least two people present for each hour of Adoration. ALL, come when you are able.

BISHOP STIKA'S **MANDATORY DIRECTIVES FOR MASS**

1) ALL PARISHIONERS ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR A FACE MASK OR COVERING WHILE IN CHURCH FOR MASS. IF YOU DON NOT HAVE ONE, WE WILL HAVE SOME IN THE NARTHEX NEXT TO HAND SANITIZER.

2) ENTRANCE DOORS WILL BE LOCKED ONCE MASS HAS STARTED. NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED IN. NO EXCEPTIONS!

3) PLEASE NO SOCIALIZING OR GATHERING IN THE CHURCH OR NARTHEX AT ANYTIME. REMEMBER SOCIAL DISTANCING.

4) IF YOU REFUSE TO WEAR A MASK INSIDE THE CHURCH, YOU MUST SIT IN THE NARTHEX AREA. PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL & COURTEOUS TO FELLOW PARISHIONERS.

This weekend's sanctuary flowers are in memory of
Joseph & Genevieve Giedrycz by Bonita Giedrycz



Food Pantry - Next weekend, August 1st and 2nd is our monthly collection of food. Your gift of food helps those in need in our local counties.

Our Weekly Mass Schedule

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| Saturday July 25 th | Mass at 5:00pm For Nelson & Mary Eisler+ by John Eisler |
| Saturday July 25 th | Mass at 7:00pm For the parishioners by Father Patrick |
| Sunday July 26 th | Mass at 10:00am For Jim Knox by the parishioners |
| Sunday July 26 th | Mass at 11:30am For Emma McDonald+ by Bill & Mary Lou Jenkins |
| Tuesday July 28 th | Mass at 6:30pm For Chris Mynuk+ by KOC |
| Wednesday July 29 th | Mass at 9:00am For Mary Morin+ by Bill & Mary Lou Jenkins |
| Thursday July 30 th | Mass at 9:00am For Bryce Whalen+ by Joe & Eileen Hatrick |
| Friday July 31 st | Mass at 9:00am For JoAnn Hopko by the parishioners |
| First Saturday August 1 st | Mass at 9:00am For Mary Morin+ by George Morin |
| First Saturday August 1 st | Mass at 5:00pm For James Colia+ by Bill & Mary Lou Jenkins |
| First Saturday August 1 st | Mass at 7:00pm For the parishioners by Father Patrick |
| Sunday August 2 nd | Mass at 10:00am For Mike Colicchio+ by Bill & Mary Lou Jenkins |
| Sunday August 2 nd | Mass at 11:30am For Joe Lavelle+ by Bill & Mary Lou Jenkins |

Congratulations to Millie & Emery Faulkner on their 72nd Wedding Anniversary July 30th

Ask the Pastor takes place on Sat., August 1st after the 5pm Mass. Please join Fr. Patrick for this time of sharing. Any question is welcome. We look forward to seeing you in the Parish Life Center.

Life Outreach Center's Annual Banquet is being replaced with a *Partners for Life* fundraiser at First Baptist Church in Dandridge on Thursday, August 20th. Christian singer Mark Shultz will give his testimony as well as entertain us with his music. Holy Trinity will have assigned seating that will be socially distanced. To reserve your place at this celebration, contact Cheryl Prosak at 865 368-9435.



HAITI UPDATE - During July we have raised **\$2,700** for our twinning parish, the Parish of Baintet in Haiti.

Thank you to those of you that have opened your hearts and your checkbooks to help us meet our goal!

| Saturday August 1 st 5:00pm | |
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| Deacon | Jack Raymond |
| Lector | Bonita Giedrycz |
| Servers | |
| Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion | |

| Sunday, August 2 nd 10:00am / 11:30am | |
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| Deacon 10:00 | Jack Raymond |
| Lector 10:00 | Karin Collins |
| Deacon 11:30 | Jack Raymond |
| Lector 11:30 | Joyce Haigh |

Knights of Columbus general meeting will be on Tuesday, July 28th following the 6:30pm Mass.



"The Straight Story" is the featured movie on Friday August 7th.

Based on a true story that captured the hearts of America, a retired farmer and widower in his 70s, Alvin Straight (Richard Farnsworth) lives with his daughter Rose (Sissy Spacek). He learns one day that his estranged brother Lyle (Harry Dean Stanton) has suffered a stroke and may not recover. Alvin is determined to make things right with Lyle while he still can, but his brother lives in Wisconsin, while Alvin is stuck in Iowa with no car and no driver's license. Then he hits on the idea of making the trip on his old John Deere lawnmower, thus beginning a picturesque and at times deeply spiritual odyssey.

Holy Trinity's Parish Stewardship

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| Attendance for | 5pm | 7pm | 10am / 11:30am |
| 07/19/2020 | 51 | 40 | 52 / 34 |

Envelope and Offertory Collections

| | <u>Weekly</u> | | <u>Month-to-Date</u> |
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| Collection: | \$ 5,309 | Collection: | \$ 15,317 |
| Fixed Expense: | \$ 6,254 | Fixed Expense: | \$ 18,764 |
| Difference: | \$ (945) | Difference: | \$ (3,447) |



Urgent Need for Sacristans! We need people to volunteer for **Saturdays & Sunday's from August through December;** especially the 11:30am Mass on Sundays. Please call Greg & Polly Freund at 865-940-1332 for more information. So please prayerfully consider if Jesus is calling you to this ministry.



His Majesty's Gift Shop - We have a large assortment of items for parishioners to choose from such as jewelry, cards, baby and children's gifts and candles. Please come by and take a look and you may find something you didn't know you needed. We can also special-order items and have them within a week. We are open before and after Mass.

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

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.

New Officers for Knights of Columbus

Council 12838: At the Holy Trinity Council meeting in July the Knights elected their new Officers for the 2020-2021 Fraternal year. The Officers, who will be installed at Holy Trinity are: Grand Knight - Joe Fromme, Deputy Grand Knight - Dave Orzechowski, Chancellor - Bob Rave, Financial Secretary - Greg Foreman, Treasurer - Erik Perry and Recorder - Joe Braschler. Other Officers are: Warden - Ralph Holt, Lecturer - Chris Weatherbie, Advocate - Jim Fernandez, Inside Guard - Bob Root and Outside Guard - Bill Jurkonie. The Board of Trustees are Gene Dunn, Joe Frinzi, and Martin Witberg. The Chaplain is Fr. Patrick Resen and the Assistant Chaplain is Deacon Jack Raymond. If you would like to become part of an organization that fills your heart and mind with the joy of giving to others and the feeling that comes with making a difference, please contact Joe Fromme at 217-899-3920.

**"The Eucharist is the supreme proof of the love of Jesus. After this, there is nothing more but Heaven itself."
St. Peter Julian Eymard**

OUR SAINT FOR AUGUST IS:



St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Priest and Martyr. His Memorial is August 14; we will pray the novena August 5th - 13th. (See the table in the narthex by the poster of St. Maximilian for copies of the novena.) Maximilian was born in 1894 in Poland and became a Franciscan. He contracted tuberculosis and, though he

recovered, he remained frail all his life. Before his ordination as a priest, Maximilian founded the Immaculata Movement devoted to Our Mother Mary. After receiving a doctorate in theology, he spread the Movement through a magazine entitled "The Knight of the Immaculata" and helped form a community of 800 men, the largest in the world. Maximilian went to Japan where he built a comparable monastery and then on to India where he furthered the Movement. In 1936 he returned home because of ill health. After the Nazi invasion in 1939, he was imprisoned and released for a time. But in 1941 he was arrested again and sent to the concentration camp at Auschwitz. On July 31st, 1941, in reprisal for one prisoner's escape, ten men were chosen to die. Father Kolbe offered himself in place of a young husband and father. Maximilian was the last to die, enduring two weeks of starvation, thirst and neglect. He was canonized in 1981 by Pope John Paul II.

Prayer: *Lord, You inflamed St. Maximilian with love for the Immaculate Virgin and filled him with zeal for souls and love for neighbor. Through his prayers, grant that we may work strenuously for Your glory in the service of others and so be made conformable to Your Son until death. Amen.*

KARM Donations - Holy Trinity has joined KARM's



Corners of Your Field program. This comes from Leviticus 19:9 not to reap the corners of your field so the less fortunate can glean them for food. How the program works is when you donate your gently used items (clothing, shoes, books, furniture etc.), tell them you are from Holy Trinity Catholic Church. In turn they give KARM store gift cards to the church that we can give to people who need them or we give them to LOC for their clients to use. This is a great way to donate unused items and help someone in need. There are locations in Sevierville, Talbott and Morristown.