

Holy Trinity Church



Father Patrick Resen—Pastor
Father Alex Waraksa—In Residence
David Oatney—Deacon
Matt Pidgeon—Deacon
Jim Prosak—Deacon
Jack Raymond—Deacon

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: 10:00 & 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 9:00 - 9:45 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, September 6, 2020

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am I my brother's keeper? All three readings today suggest that for the Christian steward the answer is "Yes!"

Prayers for the Week

- Father, free the Church to accept her participation in the unity of the Trinity, as soon as possible.
- Father, give me Your attitude toward sinners and sin.
- Father, in obedience to your command and with all the love in my heart, I honor Mary, my adoptive mother.
- Father, may "our relation to this world [be] just like [that of Jesus]".
- Father, for Your sake, my sake, and the sake of those I love and lead, may I repent today and go to Confession as soon as possible.
- Jesus, may the hurting people that come to You, find Your healing love, and remain with You forever.

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 Greatest Commandments

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them (a scholar of the law) tested him by asking, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments." (Matthew 22, 34-40)

Are we, in our parish, following God's commandments as regards to loving our neighbors, whether next door, the next state or in other countries?

In these most difficult times, are we careful what we say to our children or in front of our children? What are they learning from our voices and our actions?

Are we trying to bring peace to our lives or are we adding to the turmoil?

In Chapter 23 of Matthew, 1-8, 11-14: Then Jesus spoke to the crowds and to his disciples, saying, "The scribes and Pharisees have taken their seat on the chair of Moses. Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice. They tie up heavy burdens (hard to carry) and lay them on people's shoulders, but they will not lift a finger to move them. All their works are performed to be seen. They love places of honor at banquets, seats of honor in synagogues, greetings in marketplaces, and the salutation 'Rabbi.' As for you, do not be called 'Rabbi.' You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted.

Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, you hypocrites. You lock the kingdom of heaven before human beings. You do not enter yourselves, nor do you allow entrance to those trying to enter.

We must act and react according to God's greatest Commandments. We must follow our conscience and our hearts in all actions and decisions. Remember your children are always watching you and listening. You may think they are not paying attention, but they are.

Deacon Jack

HELP BUILD A HOUSE with Spiritual Life

Committee - Our church can make a dramatic difference in a poor family's life. Through your sacrificial giving, a desperately poor family can receive the gift of a solid & secure home. By working with Food for the Poor, \$3,800 & a matching gift can make this happen. There is a collection container in the Narthex. Thank you for your generous help.



Labor Day in the United States is a public holiday celebrated on the first Monday in September. It honors the American labor movement and the contributions that workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of the country. It is the Monday of the long weekend known as **Labor Day Weekend** and it is considered the unofficial end of summer. It became an official federal holiday in 1894.



Prayer to Remember 9.11.01

Heavenly Father,

on this day, a terrible act of brutality was visited upon our people. We ask for your grace

upon the souls of those who died this day, and the loved ones they left behind.

Bless those who today, work unceasingly to protect us all from further acts of violence.

Change the hearts and minds of those who would murder the innocent in your name.

Help us to remember Christ's victory over all death.

Lead us all to you, Lord, in a true unity, begotten not of blood that was shed in anger,

but shed by your Son, out of love for us.

Amen



No Cell Phones - Please make sure cell phones are turned off or on silent and put away for Mass. Thank You!

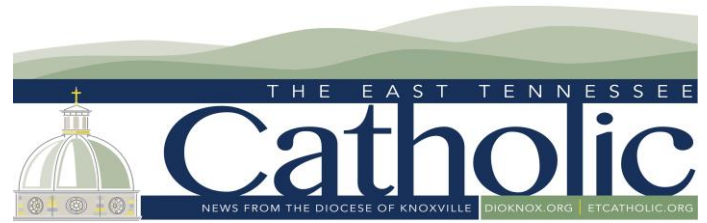
This weekend's sanctuary flowers are in memory of Mary Zodrow by Jill Zodrow

Our Weekly Mass Schedule

First Saturday September 5 th	Mass at 9:00am For Jim Shannon by the parishioners
Saturday September 5 th	Mass at 5:00pm For Patricia Eisler+ by John Eisler
Saturday September 5 th	Mass at 7:00pm For the parishioners by Father Patrick
Sunday September 6 th	Mass at 10:00am For Mary Morin+ by George Morin
Sunday September 6 th	Mass at 11:30am For Our President & Country by Evangeline Webster
Tuesday September 8 th	Mass at 6:30pm For Our Country by Hal & Trish Morrill
Wednesday September 9 th	Mass at 9:00am For Kathy Shannon by the parishioners
Thursday September 10 th	Mass at 9:00am For Mark Smith by the parishioners
Friday September 11 th	Mass at 9:00am For 9/11 Victims, Their Families and First Responders
Saturday September 12 th	Mass at 5:00pm For Kristy Spivey by the parishioners
Saturday September 12 th	Mass at 7:00pm For the parishioners by Father Patrick
Sunday September 13 th	Mass at 10:00am For Kathleen Austin+ by the parishioners
Sunday September 13 th	Mass at 11:30am For Carly Snyder by the parishioners



Food Pantry — Thank you for your contributions this weekend to the food pantry. Your gift of food helps those in need in our local counties.



It's East TN Catholic (ETC) Month
September is the month that we collect your donation to ETC. All monies that our parishioners donate towards the cost of ETC will help offset the \$8,222 we are paying the diocese this year. Even if you don't use envelopes, it is extremely helpful if you donate to the cost of the ETC. Just mark ETC on your check of \$15, or place cash in an envelope marked ETC, making sure to write your name on it. Thank you for your contribution towards this expense.

Fond Farewell to Fr. Alex Waraksa

Fr. Alex has been transferred to St. Jude Catholic Church in Chattanooga as Associate Pastor. He will be sorely missed by everyone but especially our Hispanic community. He has been an intricate part of their spiritual life here at Holy Trinity for the past two years. He has counseled, been part of special festivities, held confession and held Mass for our Spanish speaking parishioners. Fr. Alex has worked closely with Sandy Miranda in support of the community and will be especially missed by her. Please keep Fr. Alex in your prayers that he will be blessed in his new position.

New Priest in Residence at Holy Trinity

Fr. Andres Cano will be joining our Holy Trinity community this week. He is coming to us from Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Alcoa. Fr. Cano was raised in Columbia and was the third of four children. He completed his priest training at Mundelein Seminary in Chicago, IL and was ordained by Bishop Stika on June 13, 2009. He likes to learn about other languages, cultures, nature, science, history, art and music. Fr. Cano is looking forward to serving the Hispanic ministries at Holy Trinity, Notre Dame and Good Shepherd. He will also be serving the Handmaids of the Precious Blood. Please keep Fr. Cano in your prayers and welcome him to Holy Trinity.

Saturday September 12th 5:00pm	
Deacon	David Oatney
Lector	Andy Ladner
Servers	
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	

Sunday, September 13th 10:00am / 11:30am	
Deacon 10:00	David Oatney
Lector 10:00	Karin Collins
Deacon 11:30	David Oatney
Lector 11:30	Roger Mynatt

Holy Trinity's Parish Stewardship

Attendance for	5pm	7pm	10am / 11:30am
08/30/2020	81	65	59 / 24

Envelope and Offertory Collections

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Month-to-Date w/Vanco</u>
Collection:	\$ 4,574	Collection: \$ 27,037
Fixed Expense:	\$ 6,254	Fixed Expense: \$ 31,273
Difference:	\$ (1,680)	Difference: \$ (4,236)

PRO-LIFE NEWS AND NOTES:

We continue our evaluations of candidate's positions on pro-life issues. **Sister Deirdre Byrne** is a religious sister of the Little Workers of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, a medical doctor and a retired colonel in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. This remarkable woman gave a stirring talk at the Republican National Convention on August 26th in which she defended the unborn and stated that President Trump is the most pro-life president this nation has ever had, defending life at all stages. "His belief in the sanctity of life transcends politics." She went on to say that President Trump will stand up against Biden/Harris, who are the most anti-life presidential ticket ever, even supporting the horrors of late-term abortion and infanticide. She ended her speech with, "Thank you, Mr. President, we are all praying for you." President Trump is the first president in history to speak at the March for Life; in his speech he said, "Every child is a precious and sacred gift from God. Together we must protect, cherish and defend the dignity and sanctity of every human life." President Trump and Vice President Pence have spent over three years working to get life-protecting legislation passed. In April of 2017, the first year of the Trump-Pence administration, President Trump signed a bill that allowed states to defund Planned Parenthood of Title X (family planning) funding, reversing an Obama attempt to force states to fund abortion providers. In January 2018 Pres. Trump reversed an Obama Administration policy that blocked states from deciding if Planned Parenthood should be stripped of Medicaid funding. In February 2019 the Protect Life Rule was finalized, cutting Planned Parenthood's Federal funding by \$60 million. The Trump-Pence administration reinstated the Mexico City Policy that ends Federal funding of overseas abortions. The Protecting Life in Global Health Assistance program was created to ensure that hard earned tax dollars are not funding foreign abortions across all global health spending; this protects over \$8.8 billion in overseas aid from being used for abortion. Pres. Trump has appointed Federal judges that uphold the pro-life view that all life is sacred from the moment of conception. He has written Congress on numerous occasions, encouraging and urging them to vote to protect innocent human life. The Trump-Pence administration has issued new guidance ensuring hospitals provide medical care to infants who survive abortions. This current administration has proposed numerous resolutions to fight the Obama era pro-abortion policies. President Trump's administration opposes the efforts of the United Nations to make abortion an international human right. The Trump-Pence administration protects pro-life organizations such as Little Sisters of the Poor from having to cover

abortion in their health insurance plans. Funding for fetal tissue research, which uses aborted baby body parts, has been cut. The newly created HHS Conscience and Religious Freedom Division fights for doctors, nurses and other health care professionals who do not wish to have any part in abortions. President Trump has said, "I will veto any legislation that weakens current pro-life Federal policies and laws, or that encourages the destruction of innocent human life at any stage." Please plan to participate in the **40 Days for Life** events at Holy Trinity:

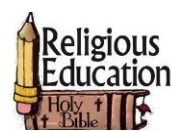
- **Mass for Life, Tuesday, September 29th, 6:30 pm**
- **First Friday Prayer at Planned Parenthood in Knoxville, October 2nd, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm**
- **Prayer Chain for Life in front of Holy Trinity Sunday, October 11th after the 11:30 am Mass**



CATHY GLEASON, DIRECTOR

OF LOC RESOURCES extends her gratitude to all Holy Trinity parishioners who donated baby gifts and cash donations at the **SPIRITUAL**

ADOPTION OF THE UNBORN "BABY SHOWER", August 15th & 16th. She acknowledged that the cash donations of \$947 and generous baby gifts will sustain them until they are able to hold their next donation drive. Cathy said, "We don't know what we would do without the Holy Trinity church members. It is so comforting to know that we have Holy Trinity as a generous partner, both in prayer and much needed donations for the mothers and babies we serve."



2020-2021 RE Classes:

The 2020 - 2021 RE session will not be held on-site due to the pandemic. The only exception will be for 2nd graders preparing for the reception of 1st Eucharist in the Spring of 2021. They will be the only class on Sunday morning at 9am, thereby giving them the whole space for safety. All other classes on Sunday, as well as the 7th & 8th grade class on Wednesday evening will be offered the option of home school with the appropriate text. We will provide that text at cost. Please contact the office 865-471-0347 for a registration form. Let us all pray that a viable vaccine becomes available soon.

God Bless. Deacon Matt

**"Fear not, I am with you; be not dismayed; I am your God. I will strengthen you, and help you, and uphold you with my right hand of justice."
Isaiah 41:10**