

# PARISH LIFE

A Weekly Publication for Parishioners & Friends of Holy Trinity Parish



## MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS	5:30 PM
IN CHURCH	
FIRST SATURDAY MASS	8:15 AM
SUNDAY MASS	
IN CHURCH	7:30 AM
IN CHURCH & LIVESTREAM	9:00 AM
IN CHURCH	11:00 AM
MONDAY – FRIDAY MASS	8:15 AM
IN CHURCH	
SACRAMENT OF PENANCE	
SATURDAY 4:30–5:15 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT	
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	
EVERY THURSDAY 9:00 AM–5:00 PM	

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## OUR PURPOSE:

To proclaim the Gospel so that all  
will be one in Christ for the glory of God.

## OUR VISION:

Holy Trinity Parish is a Catholic community  
forming missionary disciples  
who live as stewards committed to  
hospitality, prayer, formation and service.

## September 24, 2023~Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please read our bulletin and visit our website for updated information:  
[www.holytrinityparish.org](http://www.holytrinityparish.org)

**Church hours:** Sun. 7:30 AM-1 PM; Sat. 8 AM-6:30 PM; Mon.-Fri. 8 AM-4 PM

**Parish Office hours:** Monday-Friday 8:45 AM-4:00 PM

## Upcoming Events:

Sept. 29	Holy Trinity School Ministry 20 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Parent Party 6:00 PM
Oct. 7	First Saturday Mass 8:15 AM
Oct. 7	Companioned Prayer 9:00 AM
Oct. 7	Christ the King Retreat Center Fall Gala
Oct. 9	Knights of Columbus Charity Golf Tournament
Oct. 13-15	Retrouvaille Retreat weekend at Christ the King
Oct. 14	Morning of Reflection for St. Robert Bellarmine Confirmation Group
Oct. 15	Confirmation Mass 1:30 PM
Oct. 21/22	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for World Mission Sunday
Oct. 28	Holy Trinity Community Servants Workday
Oct. 28/29	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for Haiti Missions
Oct. 29	Fall Fest after 11:00 AM Mass

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## HOSPITALITY

*Acting as Christ the Shepherd, a parish committed to stewardship is a true community of faith that welcomes, honors, and involves every person in the life and work of the Church, acknowledging the blessing of our richly different backgrounds and experiences.*

### Olivewood Religious Articles

A group from the Holy Land (Bethlehem & Jerusalem) will be selling religious articles after all Masses **September 23 & 24** to support the Catholic Christian minorities in Bethlehem. As a tradition, many of the Catholic families in the Holy Land work in small workshops to produce religious articles from olive wood. These articles represent the Christian art of the Holy Land.

The struggle to preserve the Catholic identity of the birthplace of our savior; Jesus Christ is a serious concern for Catholics around the world. Sales will be used to help and support the Catholics in the Holy Land and to encourage them not to immigrate.

### HTCS Neighbors in Need

**How can I help and serve my neighbor?** St. James says in his Letter "...I will show you my faith by my works." (James 2:18) Holy Trinity Community Servants (HTCS) is a Parish ministry that provides assistance to our neighbors in the community who need help with yard work, minor repairs in the yard, gutter cleaning, and to help them make their property fire safe. We assist senior citizens, single parents and those who are disabled. If you know of a potential "neighbor in need" or if you need some help at your home, please contact Judy Silva at: Jdysilva@yahoo.com or call the Parish office. Our next workday is scheduled for Saturday, **October 28, 2023**. We invite you to come join us!

**Knights of Columbus  
Charity Golf Tournament**  
October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
at the Cold Springs Country Club  
6500 Clubhouse Drive, Placerville

Golf tickets \$150.00 per person  
or Dinner only tickets \$50.00  
Contact: Randy Bickel or Keith Flaherty  
KofC12394@gmail.com

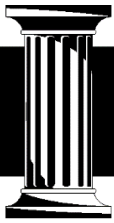
Scan here to register

HOLY TRINITY PARISH  
**Fall Fest**  
Sunday, Oct. 29  
After 11 AM Mass | Parish Patio

faith, fun  
— —  
fellowship

Apple Cider  
Biergarten  
Brats  
Strudel  
Music & More

'FRIENDS & FAMILY ARE WELCOME TO JOIN'



## PRAYER

*Acting as Christ the Priest, a parish committed to stewardship strives to nourish each person through prayer, strengthening our relationship with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and focusing on the Eucharist, the "source and summit of the Christian Life."*

### Companioned Prayer

Thank you, Father Larry and Jeremy for supporting Companioned Prayer. We had a wonderful prayer event on Saturday, August 5 thanks to your hospitality! Our next event is **Saturday, October 7** at 9:00 AM immediately following the First Saturday Mass and concluding with a rosary.

Companioned Prayer is a blending of contemplative listening and openness with personal prayer. This inner listening is practiced with another person, a companion, who helps us stay focused on our inner prayer journey. Even though it is practiced with a companion, our prayer experience is private; it is just between us and God.

In this group we not only discover how Companioned Prayer enlivens our own relationship with God, but we will also discover how we are a community of Christ through our presence to each other. For information contact Mary Beth Herritt at [herrittmbk@gmail.com](mailto:herrittmbk@gmail.com) or call the Parish office.

### Young Adult Study

Join us on Mondays from 7:00-9:00 PM in the Youth Room as we dive into the book of Genesis and learn about the Foundations of Grace. We will be using a daily devotional and discussing the previous week during our study time.

In this study, you will better understand the creation story and how God's intentional design should impact the way you live, build a strong theological foundation on which the rest of the Bible builds, and learn of the origins of sin and God's promise of salvation. Contact Bevyn at 916-293-2280 or [bcassidy@holyltrinityparish.org](mailto:bcassidy@holyltrinityparish.org).

### Spiritual Support for Families

If you or a family member need an Anointing of the Sick, please call the parish office. After hours, follow the prompts to be connected directly to a priest: 530-677-3234.

### Tuesday Morning Scripture Study

Holy Trinity is blessed with several opportunities to learn more about the Word of God by reading and discussing the scriptures. One of the first and probably the longest running of these Scripture Study Groups is the group that meets on Tuesday mornings at 9:15 AM in the View Room.

They have restarted their weekly meetings after a summer break and will be studying the Acts of the Apostles. If you have an hour or so on Tuesday mornings, this discussion group welcomes you to join with them in studying God's Word. All are welcome!

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### **Monday, Sept. 25**

8:15 AM All Souls

#### **Tuesday, Sept. 26**

8:15 AM Florida Tagana, deceased, by Gonzalez family

#### **Wednesday, Sept. 27**

8:15 AM All Souls

#### **Thursday, Sept. 28**

8:15 AM Esmeraldo Quiambao, deceased, by Ed & Liza Abarientos

#### **Friday, Sept. 29**

8:15 AM All Souls

#### **Saturday, Sept. 30**

5:30 PM Daryl Ann Bayer, deceased, by Kathleen Overholtzer

#### **Sunday, Oct. 1**

7:30 AM Meliton & Magdalena Auza, deceased, by John & Debbie Auza  
9:00 AM Stella Berti, deceased, by Berto Berti  
11:00 AM Parishioners of Holy Trinity

*For DAILY READINGS*

*Please visit us @ [holyltrinityparish.org](http://holyltrinityparish.org) or [www.usccb.org/bible/readings/092423.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/092423.cfm)*





## FORMATION

*Acting as Christ the Teacher, a parish committed to stewardship emphasizes, through evangelization and catechesis, the development of households of faith, where our Catholic story as the Body of Christ is lived and shared with one another.*

### Questions for Faith Sharing Oct. 1 Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In next Sunday's Gospel, Matthew 21:28-32, Jesus reminds Israel's priests and elders that although they know how to draw near to God, they failed to recognize the desire of sinners to do the same. The Gospel contains many stories of the sudden and total conversion of tax collectors and prostitutes. Their desire for change was real and as they transformed their lives they gave evidence that God was at work among them. True conversion, however, must be supported by our actions, otherwise it is meaningless.

#### Reflection for families:

- If Jesus preached this parable today, who would our "tax collectors and prostitutes" be?

### Holy Trinity School Ministry



Deacon Dan held assemblies for students at our school ministry in grades K-8 to teach them about Adoration and Benediction. He pulled out the monstrance, cope, incense, and more. It was a great learning experience! Please join us for our Parent Party on **September 29, 6:00-10:00 PM. The event is open to all friends of HTSM over 21.**

Holy Trinity School Ministry registration is now open for the 2023-24 school year. The school enrolls students in grades TK-8. We offer an excellent academic education filled with religious virtues. Please call the school office at 530-677-3591 for a private tour and/or more information about registration.

### Holy Trinity School Ministry Survey

Our school ministry is requesting your participation in a survey for our WASC/WCEA accreditation process. Please use the QR code to complete the short survey regarding our Mission and Philosophy statements as well as our Student Learning Expectations. We appreciate your support and feedback.



### Confirmation Groups Update

[confirmation@holytrinityparish.org](mailto:confirmation@holytrinityparish.org)  
[kjones@holytrinityparish.org](mailto:kjones@holytrinityparish.org)

#### St. Robert Bellarmine Group:

- Confirmation Weekend is **October 14-15**. Candidates and sponsors must attend the Morning of Reflection on October 14 (9:00 AM-12 Noon). The Confirmation Mass will begin at 1:30 PM, October 15.

#### St. Sebastian Group:

- If you have not yet completed a Zoom Discernment Interview, please contact us at the Faith Formation Office to sign up.
- Your next Combined Confirmation Session, "Fault," will be held in December. More information to come later.

#### St. Teresa of Avila Group:

- Your next Combined Confirmation Session, "Fault," will be held in December.
- If you are interested in joining our Confirmation program, please contact Kim Jones for more information: [kjones@holytrinityparish.org](mailto:kjones@holytrinityparish.org).

### Becoming Catholic - RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Formation to become Catholic is ongoing year-round. We welcome all inquirers! Please contact Cynthia Mulcaire in the Faith Formation Office: [cmulcaire@holytrinityparish.org](mailto:cmulcaire@holytrinityparish.org). 530-677-3234, ext. 233



## SERVICE

*Putting into action our commission as Christ the Shepherd, Priest, and Teacher, a parish committed to stewardship serves the many needs of its own parish family, as well as the needs of the larger community and the world.*

### Stewardship...

*"Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last".-*  
Matthew 20:16

You've heard the saying "it's not where you start, but how you finish." This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to generously share our gifts with others, not hoard them for our own use. Our sincere gratitude and cheerful generosity will help us live "God-centered" lives and not "self-centered" lives.

### Consider making your gift electronically:

<https://www.holytrinityparish.org/give>.



### Why am I so tired all the time?

What is robbing your energy and how can you feel better? Learn more about Endocrine Fatigue from Dr. Sidika Karakas, Emeritus Professor at UC Davis Medical School. This event will be held at the Cameron Park library located at 2500 Country Club Dr. in Cameron Park, **Tuesday, October 17, 10:00 AM-Noon**. To reserve your spot contact Josefina Fontan, Community Hub2 Navigator, at 530-620-8499.

### A Lifeline for Marriage

Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your life together in a new and positive way. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulties at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery.

For confidential information about or to register for the program please call John and Peggy at: 530-536-0449 or visit [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org).

Our next weekend is **October 13-15, 2023**, at Christ the King Retreat Center in Citrus Heights.

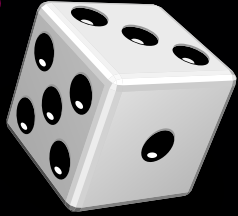
### Stellar VBS Thank You

Thank you to the over 60 volunteers that served at this year's "Stellar VBS" Where kids learned to Shine Jesus' Light. Also thank you to the many parishioners who donated countless supplies to make our mission run smoothly. Your gifts of time, talents and treasures are greatly appreciated!

The New Morning Youth and Family Services would like to thank all of the VBS Participants for donating needed items they will use to help the youth they serve in our county.



COME SUPPORT  
HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL  
AT



# THE PARENT

*party*

Friday, September 29  
6:00-10:00pm  
Holy Trinity Social Center



Dinner, Drinks, Music, Dancing, Games and More

*Dance*

**PLAY**

**EAT**

To purchase tickets and for more event info go to:

<https://forms.gle/gCVRXov8zhWDfbi49>

**OR**



This is a private event for HTSM Parents and Friends of HTSM  
21 and Over Only





**HELP SAVE LIVES AND JOINS  
US AT A LOCATION**

# **FALL CAMPAIGN 2023**

**September 27 - November 5**



## **Locations:**

### **Sacramento**

Planned Parenthood (201 29th St, Sacramento)

### **Redding**

Women's Health Specialists (1901 Victor Avenue, Redding)

### **Chico**

Women's Health Specialist (1469 Humboldt Road, Suite 200)

### **Yuba City**

Planned Parenthood, (430 N. Palora Ave., Yuba City)

### **Fairfield**

Fairfield Planned Parenthood (1325 Travis Blvd, Fairfield)

### **Vallejo**

Planned Parenthood (303 Sacramento St, Vallejo)



**Questions? Contact**  
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**For more information: [www.scd.org/family-and-faith-formation/40-days-life](http://www.scd.org/family-and-faith-formation/40-days-life)**

# Fall Ordinary Time . . . . a time of continued reflection!

With every new season, we experience changes all around us. During Fall, a new school year begins; temperatures start to cool; days become shorter; crops are harvested; and our summer landscape transforms into vibrant hues of yellow, orange, red, and green.

At Holy Trinity, our liturgical environment also changed with new Fall banners and beautiful autumn floral arrangements. The two banners on the sides of the altar include a mix of nature's colors visible through our stunning beveled art glass windows while the choir side banner features a vine with branches, an abundance of grapes, and leaves in various shades.

As we heard in this week's Gospel (Mt 20:1-16), Matthew tells us about a parable Jesus told them. He wrote ***"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard."*** Throughout the day, the landowner hired laborers to work in the vineyard. When it was evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.'

Each laborer received the usual daily wage, regardless of when they started to work. The first laborer grumbled against the landowner saying 'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.' The landowner replied 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?' Matthew ended this Gospel by writing ***"Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."***



This parable helps us understand that our faith is like a vineyard. It must be nourished and tended to so it will grow in abundance. It also teaches us that with God's generous mercy and compassion, all of us have the same opportunity to receive the same reward – to enter the kingdom of heaven – regardless of how long we have been disciples of Christ (or as in this parable, laborers in the vineyard).

We invite you to take a closer look at this banner and use it as a means of meditation.