

PARISH LIFE

A Weekly Publication for Parishioners & Friends of Holy Trinity Parish



MASS SCHEDULE

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| SATURDAY VIGIL MASS | 5:00 PM |
| SUNDAY MASS | 7:30 AM 9:00 AM * 11:00 AM 5:00 PM |
| MONDAY – FRIDAY MASS | 8:15 AM |
| FIRST SATURDAY MASS | 8:15 AM |
| SACRAMENT OF PENANCE | SATURDAY 3:30- 4:45 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT |
| ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT | EVERY THURSDAY 9:00 AM-5:00 PM |
| *LIVESTREAM | |

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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.

April 6, 2025 Fifth Sunday of Lent

Please visit our website for more about Parish Life:
www.holytrinityparish.org

Church hours: Sun. 7:30 AM-6:00 PM; Sat. 8:00 AM-6:00 PM; Mon.-Fri. 8:00 AM-4:00 PM
Parish Office hours: Monday-Friday 8:45 AM-4:00 PM

Upcoming Events:

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| Apr. 6 | High School Youth Group Discovery 6:00 PM Youth Center |
| Apr. 11 | Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM |
| Apr. 12/13 | Knights of Columbus Ham Drive |
| Apr. 15 | Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM; no meal served |
| Apr. 17 | Holy Thursday Mass 6:30 PM |
| Apr. 17 | Great Vigil 8:15 PM – Midnight, Social Center |
| Apr. 18-26 | Divine Mercy Novena 7:45 AM (except Easter Sunday) |
| Apr. 18 | Good Friday 1:00 PM - The 7 Last Words of Christ |
| Apr. 18 | Good Friday 2:00 PM - Reading of the Passion & Holy Communion |
| Apr. 19 | Easter Vigil 8:00 PM |
| Apr. 20 | Easter Sunday Mass: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 1:00 PM |
| Apr. 27 | Divine Mercy Sunday / Divine Mercy Holy Hour 3:00 PM |
| Apr. 27 | High School Youth Group Unbirthday Party 6:00 PM Youth Center |

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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.

Easter Floral Donations

The Liturgical Environment Ministry is seeking donations for our Easter flowers and floral arrangements. You may make a donation in memory of a loved one. A Mass for the memorial intentions will be offered on **Sunday, April 27** at 9:00 AM. Donation envelopes are in the pews and on the tables at the back of the nave. Your continuing generosity helps us create a beautiful worship environment for the most holy season of Easter.

Linens Ministry Volunteers Needed

Join the Linens ministry and serve God and your parish from the comfort of your home! We need at least four volunteers. Duties include:

- You will be assigned one month to cover. During that month you'll take home Mass linens to sort, launder and iron. You need to be able to carry a full hamper of laundry.
- We're in need of volunteers to cover May, June, July & August of this year.
- Time Commitment is a few hours per week for your assigned month.

Questions or to volunteer email Elaine O'Connell:
mmeoc@comcast.net

Linens Ministry Lead Needed

Lead the Linens ministry and serve God and your parish. Duties include:

- Coordination of ministry and continual recruitment when needed.
- Covering linens volunteer duties on any months without volunteer help.
- You need to be able to carry a full hamper of laundry.
- Time Commitment is 1 hour per month when all months are covered or a few hours per week during months that are uncovered

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Bring your uncooked hams
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April 12 - 13



LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS

STATIONS BEGIN AT 6:30PM IN THE CHURCH



LIGHT LENT FRIENDLY MEAL PROVIDED AFTER IN THE VIEW ROOM.
SEE BELOW SCHEDULE FOR MINISTRY SPONSORED MEALS.

PRAY TOGETHER, EAT TOGETHER

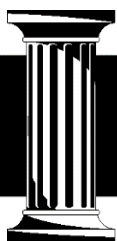
FRI. APR 11

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

TUES. APR 15

STATIONS WILL BE PRAYED -
NO MEAL AFTER





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."

Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour

Join us for Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour, Sunday, **April 27**, 3:00-4:00 PM, where we will have:

- Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist
- Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet
- Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image
- Blessing with relics of St Faustina and St John Paul II

Jesus said to St. Faustina:

"On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open... The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." (Diary 699)

Divine Mercy Novena

Join the Divine Mercy Prayer Group to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet for the nine days leading up to Divine Mercy Sunday:

April 18-26 (except Easter Sunday)

7:45 AM in the narthex at the Divine Mercy image

Jesus said to St. Faustina:

"I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fount of my mercy that they may draw there from strength and refreshment and whatever graces they need in the hardships of life and especially at the hour of death." (Diary 1209)

The Legion of Mary

Join us! The Legion of Mary is a world-wide apostolic organization in which Catholic men and women sanctify themselves through prayer and spiritual work in union with Our Blessed Mother. If you are interested in learning more, please visit our weekly meetings or reach out to Eleanor Pingitore by phone or text to 530-417-7142. Meetings are currently held on Mondays 9:00-10:30 AM in the parish conference room; enter through the parish office. You can also visit: <https://www.legionofmary.ie/about> to learn more about this beautiful apostolate.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Apr. 7

8:15 AM ~Rob Sabino, birthday, by Holy Trinity Parish Staff
~Preston O'Dowd, thanks, by Portia Jocson
~Nathan Ingram, deceased, by Adrienne Brewton
~Gerardo Lipardo, deceased, by Rose Guerrero

Tuesday, Apr. 8

8:15 AM ~George Wylott, deceased, by Bruce & Linda Olenchuk

Wednesday, Apr. 9

8:15 AM ~Afif Issa, deceased, by Rita Simon
~Edward Garcia, birthday, by Eduardo Garcia

Thursday, Apr. 10

8:15 AM ~

Friday, Apr. 11

8:15 AM ~Fr. Larry Beck, birthday, by Holy Trinity Parish Staff

Saturday, Apr. 12

5:00 PM ~Nicolas Gonzalez, deceased, by Rouella Baldovinos
~Carol Waller, deceased, by Steve Wolfanger

Sunday, Apr. 13

7:30 AM ~
9:00 AM ~Chad Freedlander, deceased, by Liturgical Environment Ministry
~Dave Uribe, deceased, by Loretta Steichen
11:00 AM ~Parishioners of Holy Trinity
5:00 PM ~

For DAILY READINGS

Please visit us @ holytrinityparish.org or www.usccb.org/bible/readings/040625.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 Apr. 13

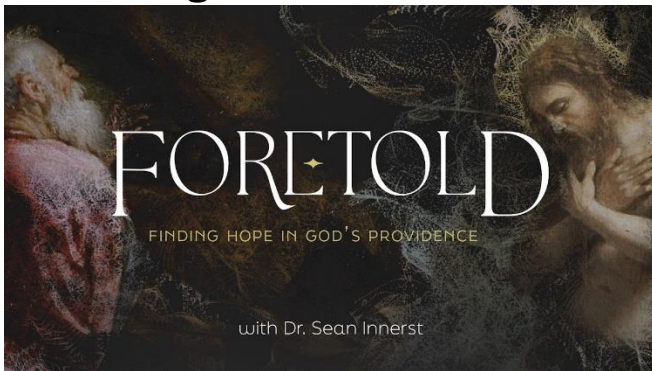
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

In next Sunday's Gospel, Luke 22:14-23; 56, Jesus' freedom is emphasized in the face of betrayal. Jesus uses his freedom in service to others when He offered up his will in the garden by proclaiming to the high priest that he was the Son of Man or asking God to forgive his murderers and receive his spirit - he freely chose what was right. Jesus did this despite his suffering, and his choice to do so made this use of his freedom an example to the whole human race.

Reflection for families:

- How can Jesus' gift of freedom help you overcome whatever holds you captive?

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Foretold

Foretold consists of eight short videos released each Sunday of Lent through Easter! Our world is full of noise. Often, that noise is loud and negative. When was the last time you heard something good on the news? Because of the constant intake of "bad news," many people no longer believe in the Providence of God nor trust that he has a plan for us. Maybe this is you. Perhaps you think God doesn't have a plan for you and your family. But Jesus is the Lord of History, yours included.

Join Dr. Sean Innerst in *Foretold*, a new series from the Augustine Institute that weaves together the Old and New Testament stories, highlighting their connecting threads of prophecy and fulfillment. What was promised in the biblical story came to pass through Jesus, his apostles, and the Church. Ultimately, this biblical history is your history. Just as the prophecies of the Old Testament were fulfilled, you can trust that Jesus will care for you and your story. Encounter this profound mystery and reality for yourself in *Foretold*.

HS Annual "Unbirthday" Party

All high schoolers are invited to attend our annual "Unbirthday" party as we celebrate all our birthdays and wish our graduating seniors well! We also invite current 8th graders to come see how much fun high school youth group is! The party starts at 6:00 PM on **Sunday, April 27** in the Youth room. First-timers and friends are welcome!

Holy Trinity School Ministry

We are thrilled to share some fantastic news with you—Holy Trinity placed **first** in the Diocesan Academic Decathlon competition 2025 for IST Religion! Rebekah, the winner in the religion category, has qualified to represent the Sacramento Diocese at Nationals — such an incredible achievement for HTS! Thank you for your prayers; your support of our school truly makes a difference!



Holy Trinity Catholic School is now accepting applications for new students for the 2025-2026 school year. The school enrolls students in grades TK-8. We offer an excellent Catholic and academic education. Please call the school office at 530-677-3591 for a private tour and/or more information about registration.

Confirmation Groups Update

confirmation@holytrinityparish.org
kjones@holytrinityparish.org

St. Teresa of Avila Group:

- Please turn in your Certificate Form, Sponsor Form, and Service Log to the Faith Formation Office. All Confirmation forms are due on **May 2, 2025**.

St. Ursula Group:

- All Year 1 Confirmation candidates must complete a Saint Letter and Saint Project. Partners in Faith candidates must turn these in to the Faith Formation Office by **April 13, 2025**.



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 and Lent God's Love & Mercy

Fifth Sunday of Lent

IS: 43:16-21; PS 126: 1-6; PHIL 3:8-14; JN 8:1-11



Once again, this week, we are reminded of what a loving and merciful God we serve. The theme of the readings for this 5th Sunday of Lent are summed up beautifully in today's Gospel passage from John, which recounts the story of the woman caught in adultery. After all those who would have stoned this woman leave the scene, Christ says to her, "Neither do I condemn you. Go and from now on do not sin anymore."

When we turn to God for forgiveness, He is always gracious and merciful. So much so, that not only will He forgive our sins without condemnation, but He will also make us completely new creations in Christ. Our sins are wiped away, and He forgets them and doesn't keep a record of them. Our slate is clean.

What is more amazing is that this all-perfect and holy God of ours draws so very near to us. Our sins do not drive Him from us, but rather they draw Him to us so that He can set us free from them. Look carefully at Christ's actions and posture in the Gospel reading as He deals with both the crowd of people, the Scribes and Pharisees, and the adulterous woman. "All the people started coming to Him and he sat down and taught them." "He bent down and began to write with His finger." He "straightened up" when He confronted the Scribes and Pharisees about their own sins. And he "straightened up" when He assured the woman that He did not condemn her for her past. Like a skilled teacher, or loving "big brother," Christ bends down to where we are, He sits among us, He stands to confront us when needed and He stands to look us in the eye to remind us of His love for us, and of our true dignity.

Yes, we are all unworthy of the great privilege of serving Him. As we pray before receiving His body and blood in Communion, "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and I shall be healed." He recognizes our unworthiness, but quite simply, that is cause for greater joy in serving Him with all our hearts.

Deacon Jim's something to think about:

Have you ever thought about the power of forgiveness that Jesus offers to us? Jesus didn't say to the woman in this gospel, "I'll forgive you, if you do x, y, or z." He simply said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go and sin no more." Basically, that's the same message the priest says when we receive God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation after we make our confession. By the priest's sacramental absolution God grants us "pardon and peace."

Based on what we have confessed, the priest gives us something to do to make amends and to remind us of God's love and mercy (we call that "penance"); and we are reconciled with God and with the Church, Christ's Body. This week, look at the schedule for when this incredible gift of the Sacrament of Reconciliation is being offered to us during this Lent. Reception of this and all the Sacraments strengthens our relationship with God and helps us lead a Stewardship way of life.

Transformed by Grace Women's Event "Thank You"

Thank you to the hundreds of women who joined us for our fourth annual Transformed by Grace Women's Event on March 29. We had a wonderful day embracing vulnerability, weeding out the lies in our lives, thanking God for the gifts He's given us, and growing connections with other women.

But the day would not have been possible without the dozens of volunteers who shared their time and talents. Together, this amazing group of servants hosted a beautiful retreat for our guests who joined us from near and far. Thank you!

Search & Serve Retreat

Is God calling you to be a Sister? Search your heart at the Search & Serve Retreat **May 21-26, 2025**, in the San Francisco Bay Area. This retreat is for single, Catholic women ages 18-40. Consider serving those living in poverty side by side with other Sisters. Housing, meals and daily transportation are provided. For more information:

www.daughters-of-charity.com/retreats.

Lenten & Easter Schedule - Holy Trinity Parish

Stations of the Cross

Friday, April 11 6:30 pm

Holy Tuesday, April 15 6:30 pm

Adoration

Tuesday, April 8

9:00 am - 7:00 pm

Thursday, April 10

9:00 am - 7:00 pm

Confessions

Saturday, April 12

3:30 pm - 4:45 pm

Tuesday, April 8

9:00 am - 10:00 am & 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Palm Sunday Mass, April 13

5:00 pm Vigil (April 12)

7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm

Holy Week Masses: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, April 14, 15, 16

8:15 am Mass

Holy Thursday, April 17

6:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper 8:00 pm - 12:00 am Great Vigil

Good Friday, April 18

1:00 pm Seven Last Words of Christ

2:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday, April 19

8:00 pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday Masses, April 20

7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, No 5pm Mass will be offered



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