MASS SCHEDULE

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

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.

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January 5, 2025 The Epiphany of the Lord

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:

Jan. 6 Young Adult Group Volleyball Social Center 6:30 PM

Jan. 8 Alpha Marriage Course begins

Jan. 9 Young Adult Group Youth Room 6:30 PM

Jan. 21 Tuesday Morning Scripture Study begins 9:15 AM

Holy Trinity School Ministry Open House Jan. 26

Parish Mission Jan. 27-30

Feb. 1 First Saturday Mass 8:15 AM

Mar. 1 Holy Trinity School Ministry "I'm In Gala"

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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.

Tuesday Morning Scripture Study

The Tuesday morning Scripture study group is beginning a new 11-week study: "Faith, Hope, and Love: The Seven Catholic Epistles," using the text by Stephen Binz from Twenty-Third Publications (\$12.95 online purchase) on January 21. This study of the letters - one from James, two from Peter, three from John and one from Jude – are for the universal church. unlike the letters of Paul, addressed to specific communities or people.

Dealing with the early church, they are focused on faith and morals, especially considering the rising heretical challenges of the time. The group meets in the View room, Tuesday mornings, 9:15-10:30 AM. Please contact Cynthia Mulcaire in the Faith Formation Ministry or Susie Hahn at sf hahn@yahoo.com for more information or just come! All are welcome!

Holy Trinity School Ministry



Our 4th grade students went to Oakmont to visit the memory care unit to sing and do some crafts with the residents. The school ministry plans these trips once a month to spread cheer and give company to the older members of our community.

Come see all the great work of our students at our Open House on Sunday, **January 26** after the 9:00 AM Mass - 12:30 PM. Our 5th Annual Auction Gala is **March 1**. This year's theme is the Roaring '20s. Please consider attending or donating. For more information contact the school office.

Holy Trinity Catholic School registration remains open for the 2024-25 school year. The school enrolls students in grades TK-8. We offer an excellent academic education filled with religious virtues. Please click on the QR code or call the school office at 530-677-3591 for a

private tour and/or more information about

registration.



Holy Trinity Marriage Ministry



Spiritual Outreach through **Homebound Ministry**

There are many parishioners in our community who are homebound through age or illness and are not able to worship in person with us at Mass. Some of them may be able to view Sunday Mass on television or live streamed; however, they are unable to receive The Eucharist. Please consider joining the Homebound Minister Team to bring Christ to these members of our parish family. Visits are brief, and the time is flexible. For information, please contact Bob Aguilar: 805-252-5669.

Welcome to the Greeter Ministry!

If you love attending Mass and meeting your fellow parishioners, and if you can say "good morning" while offering a song book, you have all the qualifications needed to be a great Greeter. Being a Greeter is a fulfilling and fun way to show your gratitude and give of your time and talent to our church. You'll be joining a vibrant ministry! For more information, please email Cecille Terzich at czterzich@comcast.net.



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."

Holy Trinity School Ministry at Sunday Mass

We are excited to announce the school ministry will be having a monthly school Mass. Students, families, and staff are invited to join together on the following dates:

- Sunday, January 26th at 9:00 AM
- Sunday, February 23rd at 9:00 AM
- Sunday, March 23rd at 9:00 AM
- Saturday, May 17th at 5:00 PM

As part of this new special tradition, students are asked to wear their school uniforms to Mass. The school ministry looks forward to coming together and celebrating Mass as one with the parish community. Thank you for your support.

Bereavement Ministry

The Bereavement Ministry is a group of volunteer parishioners who dedicate their time to helping others on their grief journey. The team facilitates a structured support program that allows participants looking for companions in faith to share their coping experiences with the death of a loved one within an environment of confidentiality and care. If you would like to volunteer in this ministry to walk alongside the bereaved to provide comfort and hope or for more information, contact Carmelinda Moy (916) 933-4287 or bereavement.htp@gmail.com.

Veteran's Board in the Narthex

If you have a child or friend on the Veteran's board in the Narthex and would like to update their picture, or if you know someone in our armed service who is not yet on the board and would like to add them, please send a 4X6 photo along with their name and rank to dcox@cal.net or call 916-201-1523.

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.

Mercy Moments

Provided by the Divine Mercy Ministry
The Words of Jesus Christ to St. Faustina on the dying:

"At the hour of their death, I defend as My own glory every soul that will say this chaplet; or when others say it for a dying person, the pardon is the same. ... the very depths of My tender mercy are moved for the sake of the sorrowful Passion of My Son." (Diary 811)

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Jan. 6

8:15 AM ~All Souls

Tuesday, Jan. 7

8:15 AM ~Foulke family, special intention, by Bevyn Cassidy

Wednesday, Jan. 8

8:15 AM ~Bill & Betty Blaylock, special intention, by Pete & Kathy Pritchard

~Vilma Lennon, birthday

Thursday, Jan. 9

8:15 AM ~Veronica Dober, deceased, by Paul Daschka

Friday, Jan. 10

8:15 AM ~All Souls

Saturday, Jan. 11

5:00 PM Carmen Guecia, deceased, by John & Sally Raslear

Sunday, Jan. 12

7:30 AM ~All Souls

9:00 AM ~Parishioners of Holy Trinity

11:00 AM ~Osvaido Scariot, deceased, by Max

Callaghan

5:00 PM ~All Souls

For DAILY READINGS

Please visit us @ holytrinityparish.org or www.usccb.org/bible/readings/010525.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 Jan. 12 The Baptism of the Lord

In next Sunday's Gospel, Luke 3:15-16, 21-22, Jesus signaled that his life was off to a new start by undergoing John's baptism. He had not come to leave behind his sins but rather to inaugurate his saving mission. The Father responded with words of love and the Spirit that united them became visible. Early Christians understood this moment to fulfill Isaiah's prophecy, "in the desert prepare the way of the Lord!....Here comes with power the Lord God." From this point Jesus leaves behind his work as a carpenter and serves Israel with preaching and mighty deeds.

Reflection for families:

 How can we emulate John's humility and focus on directing others to Christ in our own lives and ministry?

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Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

The Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) ministry brings the Mass readings to our youngest parish members, grades K through 5. We offer this ministry during the 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM Masses most Sundays. We usually break during summer. If you would like more information about serving in this rewarding ministry, please contact Mary Beth: 925 575-4902

Faith Formation Volunteers

We Need You!! We are seeking a Faith Formation Office Aide Volunteer. Duties include various administrative tasks such as copy work, cutting, laminating, etc. No experience needed; we will train in all tasks. Ideally, we would like to have a volunteer 3-4 hours per week, August – May. For more information: ffm@holytrinityparish.org.

Save the Date

Save the date of **March 1, 2025,** for the Holy Trinity School Ministry's "I'm In Gala". Join us for a night of glamour, giving and grace inspired by the Roaring 20's era of elegance to benefit the Holy Trinity School Ministry. For more details, click on the QR code below:



Confirmation Groups Update

confirmation@holytrinityparish.org
kjones@holytrinityparish.org

St. Teresa of Avila Group:

Your next Confirmation activity is the Fired Up!
 Confirmation Conference at Christian Brothers
 High School in Sacramento on February 22,
 2025, 2:30 – 6:30 PM. All Year 2 Confirmation candidates must attend. We are looking for parent chaperones. Please contact us if you can assist.

St. Ursula Group:

- Your next required Combined Session, "Fault," will be held on Sunday, **January 12** (10:15-11:45 AM) OR Tuesday, **January 21** (5:30-7:00 PM) in the Social Center. All candidates must attend with a parent or sponsor.
- 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.
- For more information or to register for Confirmation, please contact Kim Jones: kjones@holytrinityparish.org.



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...

Today is the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. For centuries Catholics celebrated this Feast on January 6, but the decision was made some years ago in the dioceses in the United States to celebrate the Epiphany on the Sunday which falls between January



2 and 8.

"Epiphany" means "manifestation." It is on this day that Jesus Christ, the Messiah, is revealed as the light of all nations. In other words, his "light" is shown to the world, or made "manifest". Officially Christmas is not over. In fact, the recommendation of the Church is that on this day those who display a crèche, a nativity or manger scene, should replace the shepherd and sheep with the Magi and their likely animals on which they traveled with their gifts. However, that is all secondary to the real meaning of this day.

At Christmas the Messiah Jesus was revealed to the shepherds, who were Jewish. But on this day the Lord is revealed to all nations and to the Gentiles (as represented by the Magi). We are all familiar with the star the Magi followed, but we need to understand all that is happening and what it means. This all represents the Light of Christ, a Light which today we honor and commemorate. We are called to be the Light of Christ right now to those around us and those with whom we come in contact. That way we can be the disciples Christ wants us to be by being his "light" as we share the gifts he entrusted to us.

The poet William Cullen Bryant captures the significance of the star the Magi followed very well in his poem, "O Father, may that Holy Star, grow every year more bright, And send its glorious beams afar, To fill the world with light."

There is also a hymn that we sing every year that tells the story of the Epiphany based on Matthew 2:1-11. The hymn dates to 1863, with music by John Hopkins – *We Three Kings*. "O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright; Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect light." As was pointed out earlier, the Magi recognized that the Messiah they found in Bethlehem is the "light of Christ", the "light of the world". On this day, and every day, we can be the light of Christ to those we meet by sharing the gifts God entrusted to us, as his stewards.

Thoughts to reflect on:

We have a ½ life size creche in our front yard. Each year I look forward to moving the Magi figures closer and closer as the week nears Epiphany. It's always been a teaching moment for our neighbors. This year, as you hurry to put away all the Christmas decorations, leave your cheche out. Talk to your children and grandchildren about why you have left it out explaining how the Magi, who represent all of us, journeyed hundreds of miles to worship the King who the prophets had foretold – the King of the Jews who was to be the "light of the world", the baby Jesus in the manger. The Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord is the end of the Christmas season. Don't be in a hurry to put it away as just another decoration and forget the joy of celebrating Christ's birth. "O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright ... Guide us to thy perfect light."



The Martiage Discover the joy of deepening your The Marriage connection in a relaxed, Course private setting Holy Trinity Parish Media Center Wednesday Evenings 7-9 PM o January 8, 15, 22 February 5, 12, 15, 26 Join us for The Alpha Marriage Course, where you and your spouse can grow closer while building a strong foundation for your future. Whether you're newlyweds or have been together for years, this course offers practical tools, meaningful conversation, and private time to connect with each other. Together, you'll explore topics like communication, resolving conflict, and building greater intimacy. Secure Your Spot - REGSITER TODAY!





2025 Parish Mission

The Call to Holiness: A Message of Divine Mercy

With Fr. Wade L. J. Menezes, C.P.M.

January 27–30, 2025 7:00-8:15 p.m. in the church

During this 4 night mission, Fr. Menezes will preach about:

- Monday: By Which We Wound or Sever Our Relationship with God: The Nature of Sin and Its Consequences
- Tuesday: Know Thyself: Growing in Self-Knowledge, Faith and the Sacramental Life
- Wednesday: The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation: God's Tribunal of Mercy
- Thursday: Conversion: God's Calling Us to Divine Intimacy



Confessions offered Monday-Thursday from 6:00-6:45 p.m.

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