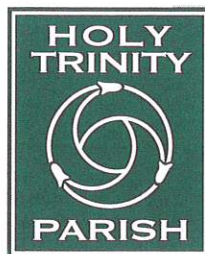


PARISH LIFE

A Weekly Publication for Parishioners & Friends of Holy Trinity Parish



MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS IN CHURCH	5:30 PM
FIRST SATURDAY MASS	8:15 AM
SUNDAY MASS IN CHURCH	7:30 AM
IN CHURCH & LIVE STREAM	9:00 AM
IN CHURCH	11:00 AM
MONDAY – FRIDAY MASS IN CHURCH & LIVE STREAM	8:15 AM
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.

December 11, 2022 • Third Sunday of Advent

Please read our bulletin and visit our website for updated information:
www.holytrinityparish.org

- Church hours: Sundays 7:30 AM-4:00 PM; Monday-Saturday 8:00 AM-4:00 PM
- Parish Office hours: Monday-Friday 8:45 AM-4:00 PM

Upcoming Events:

Dec. 11	Youth Group 6:00 – 8:00 PM Youth Center
Dec. 12	Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass & Celebration 8:15 AM
Dec. 15	Holy Trinity School Ministry Christmas Program
Dec. 15	Additional Advent Confessions Noon – 1:00 PM
Dec. 20	Additional Advent Confessions 6:30 – 7:30 PM
Dec. 22	Additional Advent Confessions Noon – 1:00 PM
Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Masses: 4:00 PM, 4:15 PM (gym), 7:00 PM, 9:00 PM
Dec. 25	Christmas Day Masses: 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
Dec. 31/Jan. 1	Normal weekend schedule
Jan. 7	No First Saturday Mass
Jan. 8 or 12	St. Sebastian Confirmation Group Orientation
Jan. 15	Welcome Breakfast
Jan. 19 or 22	St. Robert Bellarmine Confirmation Group Combined Session
Jan. 23-25	Parish Mission
Jan. 25	Dementia Caregiver Series Session 1 of 3
Jan. 28/Feb. 11	Alpha Marriage Course

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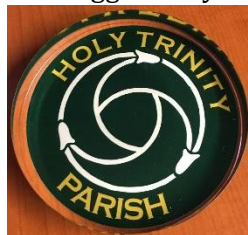


HOSPITALITY

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.

Offertory Gift Bearers

We will be implementing a new process so that all parishioners will have the opportunity to offer the gifts of Bread & Wine to the presider. A small "disk" will be placed next to the Bread & Wine on the credence table on the left side of the center aisle at the back of the church. Any 2 people, couple, or family wishing to offer the gifts will take the disk as soon as they arrive for Mass, **inform the lead greeter, and then hold the disk until they come back to bring the gifts forward.** We suggest they sit close to the back. During the collection, the holder of the disk will come to the back, return the disk to the lead greeter and they will be guided on how to bring the Offertory gifts to the priest.



Additional Advent 2022 Confession Times Announced / No Confessions on Dec. 24

What better way to welcome again our Lord into your life than to receive the grace, mercy, and forgiveness of our Lord's Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation? Give yourself the blessing of a new beginning! In coordination with our neighboring foothill parishes, Holy Trinity Parish is offering Advent Confession times as follows, in addition to our regularly scheduled time from 4:30 to 5:15 PM on Saturdays:

Thursday, December 15: Noon – 1:00 PM

Tuesday, December 20: 6:30 – 7:30 PM

Thursday, December 22: Noon – 1:00 PM

If you cannot come to one of these designated times, please don't hesitate to contact the parish office at 530-677-3234 to schedule a personal appointment during the week with one of our priests. They welcome you!

Christmas Eve

Please note that on Christmas Eve, Saturday Dec. 24, we will NOT have confessions. Thank you.

Christmas Eve Traffic & Parking

We need your help! We are blessed with greater attendance at our Christmas Masses compared to a normal Sunday. Our largest attendance is typically at the 4:00 and 4:15 PM Masses on Christmas Eve. As a result of this increase in attendance, we have developed procedures to facilitate the safe and efficient traffic flow and parking for these three Masses. Please plan to arrive early and please follow the directions of these volunteers.

Giving Tree

Our parish Giving Tree is up in the narthex. It provides a way for our collective parish family to support those in need throughout El Dorado County. Our 2022 Giving Tree will be up through Dec. 11 and supports Mother Teresa Maternity Home, New Morning Shelter, and Pathways (formerly Job Shelter). Parishioners can select gift tag ornaments from the tree and return items unwrapped with the gift tag attached.

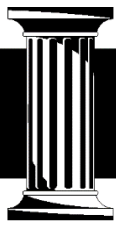
We need volunteers after each Mass to "man" the tree. If interested, please contact Kim Koos: kimkoos@yahoo.com or Donna Richmond: dlrichmond76@gmail.com. We thank you in advance for making Christmas a little merrier for those in need.

Parish Mission

The 2023 Parish Mission is coming soon! The Mission will run Jan. 23-25, 2023. Please join us for an exciting 3-night speaking series with guest speaker Fr. Rusty Shaughnessy, O.F.M., as we learn how to understand God's love for us more deeply and accept Christ's call to discipleship in our lives. The talks will be held from 7:00-8:00 PM, Jan. 23-25 in the church.

Welcome Breakfast Jan. 15

There will be a Welcome Breakfast held on Sunday, Jan. 15 after each morning Mass. Breakfast will be provided by the Knights of Columbus and is free for all parishioners. Come help us celebrate the new members of our parish family!



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."

Blessing of Christmas Tree

When you have put up your family Christmas Tree, gather the family and pray this blessing.

"Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light this tree. May the light and cheer it gives be a sign of the joy that fills our hearts, and your light of love in a world of darkness. May all who delight in this tree come to the knowledge and joy of salvation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen." (Adapted from the Book of Blessings)

Christmas Mass Schedule

This year Christmas is on Sunday, Dec. 25. It is a Holy Day of Obligation when we are expected to attend Mass. Our Masses for Christmas will be: Saturday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve, Masses will be at: 4:00 PM in the Church, and 4:15 PM in the Social Center. We will also have Masses at 7:00 & 9:00 PM in the Church. On Sunday, Christmas Day, we will have Masses at 9:00 and 11:00 AM. (Note: There will be no 7:30 AM Mass on Christmas Day). Please join with all your fellow parishioners as the Body of Christ to celebrate the end of our time of preparation in Advent and to celebrate Jesus' birth at one of our Masses.

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe is on Monday, Dec. 12. The Feast recalls the apparitions of Mary at the hill of Tepeyac from Dec. 9 – 12, 1531 when she appeared to the native Aztec convert, Juan Diego, whose Feast we celebrate on Dec. 9 as St. Juan Diego. The Feast reminds us that by Mary's saying "Yes" to the angel, she became the mother of God and a servant of the Lord.

Prayer for to Our Lady of Guadalupe: *God of Glory, to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary you changed Tepeyac's barren ground into a fragrant garden of flowers. Transform the rough places of our hearts and our world so that our lives may bear the imprint of Mary's faith and love. Amen.*

Mass will be celebrated at 8:15 AM with a Rosary immediately following. There will be special Mexican pastry treats and Champurrado (Mexican Hot Chocolate) in the View Room following. All are welcome!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Dec. 12

8:15 AM Germain Bellavance, deceased, by The Marshall Family

Tuesday, Dec. 13

8:15 AM Edward Elliott, deceased, by Margaret Philippides

Wednesday, Dec. 14

8:15 AM Vickie Seich, deceased, by Joe Seich and Family

Thursday, Dec. 15

8:15 AM Robert Graff, deceased

Friday, Dec. 16

8:15 AM Peggy Mattson, deceased, by The Liaty Family

Saturday, Dec. 17

5:30 PM His Holiness, Pope Francis, special intention, by Mary Beth Boumann and Robert Wiley

Sunday, Dec. 18

7:30 AM Joseph Galisto, deceased, by Emma Nunez

9:00 AM Elizabeth Cuff, deceased, by Laura Burke
11:00 AM Parishioners of Holy Trinity

For DAILY READINGS

Please visit us @ holytrinityparish.org or
www.usccb.org/bible/readings/121122.cfm

Spiritual Support for Families

If you or a family member need an Anointing or a visit from one of our priests, please call the parish office. If an emergency Anointing is needed after hours, please follow the prompts to be connected directly to one of our priests: 530-677-3234.



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 Dec. 18 Fourth Sunday of Advent

In next Sunday's Gospel, Matthew 1:18-24, we hear the story of Christ's birth, and how St. Joseph reacted when he learned Mary was pregnant with a child not his own. St. Joseph is a righteous man who decided to divorce her quietly in obedience to God's laws and to spare her shame. However, he was a man who lived in relationship with God and was quick to respond in obedience when an angel appeared to him in a dream, asking him to take Mary as his wife.

Reflection for families:

- How might we grow in relationship with the Lord so that we are prepared to change our plans to follow His will?

Alpha Marriage Course

Time and space to focus on your relationship.

Two Saturdays: Jan. 28 and Feb. 11, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM at the Holy Trinity Parish Social Center

The Marriage Course is a series of seven video sessions, designed to help couples invest in their relationship and build a strong marriage. There is time for private couple reflection throughout the series. The focus is on those aspects of marriage that couples tend to need help with the most:

- Communicate more effectively
- Understand each other's needs
- Resolve conflict
- Recognize how upbringing affects your relationship
- Develop greater intimacy
- Breakfast & Lunch are provided
- Register online:
<https://www.holytrinityparish.org/alpha>

Each couple will receive two study guides to keep. There is no cost to attend.

Questions: Paul.Stephanie.Francois@comcast.net

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ADVENT

How exactly are we preparing our hearts for the greatest gift we've ever been given? These four 15-18 min. video sessions explore the mystery of the Incarnation, the Virgin Birth, and the events surrounding the arrival of Jesus - the true meaning of Christmas! The link is:

<https://watch.formed.org/advent-1>

To sign up, go to: <https://daily.formed.org>

To learn more: www.holytrinityparish.org/formed

Holy Trinity School Ministry Confirmation Groups Update

confirmation@holyltrinityparish.org
kjones@holyltrinityparish.org

St. Robert Bellarmine Group:

- Your next Combined Session, "Fault," is scheduled for Thursday, **Jan. 19** (6:30-8:00 PM) **OR** Sunday, **Jan. 22** (12:30-2:00 PM). Candidates must attend with a parent or sponsor.
- The Sacramento Diocese Confirmation Conference, Fired Up!, is scheduled for Saturday, **Feb. 25**, 9:00 AM-1:00 PM at Jesuit High School. Candidates only.

St. Sebastian Group:

- Welcome to Year 1 of the Holy Trinity Confirmation Program! Your orientation is scheduled for Sunday, **Jan. 8** (12:30-2:00 PM) **OR** Thursday, **Jan. 12** (6:30-8:00 PM) in the Social Center. All candidates must attend one of the sessions with their parent or sponsor. The link to sign up will be emailed to you.
- It's not too late to register for Year 1 of Confirmation! Please contact Kim Jones to sign up: kjones@holyltrinityparish.org.



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...

"You too must be patient. Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand." James 5:8

Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with. We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule; we like things to be convenient. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer God reveals to us what He wants us to do with the gifts He has given us. We are able to better align ourselves with God's will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own.

Consider making your gift electronically:

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

Scam/Fraud Attempts

During this Holy Season, we ask that you please be especially wary of increased scam and fraud attempts. Holy Trinity priests, deacons, and staff will NEVER text or email you requesting gift cards, a wire transfer of money, or any other appeals for donations similar to this. All requests for financial support will be announced after Mass, in the bulletin, and on our website. Do not send or gift in any way except directly through the parish office or our website link to our secure online giving platform.

We also highly discourage any response to these scam messages and requests as they often become more aggressive in their communications. If you are uncertain about a correspondence from parish clergy or staff, please call the Parish Office at 530-677-3234 to verify before responding.

Christmas Floral Donations

The Liturgical Environment Ministry is seeking donations for our Christmas Poinsettia plants and floral arrangements. You may make your donation in memory of a loved one. A mass for the memorial intentions will be offered on Sunday, **Jan. 8, 2023** at the 9:00 AM Mass. Donation envelopes are in the pews and at the back of the nave. Your continuing generosity helps us create a beautiful worship environment for our parish Christmas celebrations.

Part-time Position Available

Are you interested in helping our parish serve our community? We have a part-time position available in the parish office for someone who is outgoing, loves working with people, enjoys multitasking, and can focus on the details, even with many distractions. For more information, please contact Jeremy Youngers: jeremy@holytrinityparish.org.

SHARE Food Bank could use some help!

SHARE needs drivers (with your own pickup) to assist with loading and delivering assorted groceries from the El Dorado Food Bank in Shingle Springs and then unload at the SHARE Pantry in Placerville.

How often: 1 to 2 times a month.

Time commitment: 2 hours (8:30 to 10:30 in the morning).

What day: Wednesday mornings.

Physical requirement: You need to be able to lift 25 pounds.

Contact: Jim Lemire 530-391-9072

Vacation Bible School

We are in need of someone to lead our Vacation Bible school next summer. Preparations begin early so we need to have someone in place very soon in order to bring this wonderful week of faith filled fun to the youth of our community. If interested, please contact the Parish office: 530-677-3234.

Kids Zone

We are in need of a ministry lead for Kids Zone. This ministry provides childcare during the 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM Masses on Sundays. If you are interested, please contact the Parish office: 530-677-3234.

Interested in More?

Many of our ministries are looking for additional volunteers to assist in leadership. Please check out the service page on our website to find other ways to get involved. Visit www.holytrinityparish.org/serve to learn more.



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