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.

May 21, 2023 • Ascension of the Lord

Please read our bulletin and visit our website for updated information:
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 PM

Upcoming Events:
May 26 Holy Trinity School Ministry 8th Grade Graduation at 3 PM
May 27 Children's Choir Concert Sponsored by Knights of Columbus at 7 PM
Jun. 4 Feast of the Most Holy Trinity
Jun. 4 Celebrating 25th Anniversary of Consecration of our Church
Jun. 11 Eucharistic Procession and Rosary after 11 AM Mass
Jun. 11 Parish Picnic after 11 AM Mass
Jun. 18 “Pops” Father’s Day Event
Jul. 10-14 Vacation Bible School
Eucharistic Revival at Holy Trinity
Excerpt from “A Biblical Walk Through the Mass”
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Part 1 of 4: What Is the Mass?
When you go to Mass, you are not simply “going to church.” You are about to encounter God in the most profound way possible here on earth.

God is going to speak to you—really—through the inspired words of Sacred Scripture, which are proclaimed in the Liturgy of the Word. Will you be prepared and have the ears to hear him?

But that’s not all. His loving sacrifice on Calvary, offered two thousand years ago, is about to be made mystically present to you—really—so that you can enter into it, so that you can worship God in the most perfect way possible, so that your own heart can be changed by his love, and so that Christ can relive his total, perfect, self-giving love on the Cross more and more through you today. Are you ready for this profound encounter with Christ’s supreme sacrifice for you? Will your heart be disposed to receive this most perfect love and be transformed by it?

There’s still more. At Mass, almighty God himself comes upon the altar and becomes truly present to you in the most powerful way, as the bread and wine are changed into Christ’s very Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Eucharist. And most of all, this Jesus present in the Eucharist wants to be one with you as you receive him in Holy Communion. Think about that: The Eternal Son of God, Jesus Christ, dwells within your soul sacramentally in every communion you receive at Mass!

In short, when you go to Mass, you are going to the most amazing event in the entire universe, which happens each day.

Admittedly, we don’t always experience the Mass this way. We may find it boring and dry at times—it might seem like just a bunch of random, empty rituals. We may be disappointed by the priest’s homily or the music or the architecture of the church. We may not experience a warm and welcoming community. Or maybe we are too distracted at Mass; our minds wander, and our hearts are not in it.

Nevertheless, God works through all these messy human realities and wants to encounter us at every Mass, no matter what the circumstances may be. For the Mass is the primary place Jesus wants to meet us, heal us, and transform us. And it is the primary place Jesus calls us to worship him and give our lives entirely to him. Indeed, the Mass is nothing less than the celebration of the Eucharistic Jesus instituted at the Last Supper, when he commanded his apostles, “Do this in remembrance of me” (Luke 22:19).

All that happens in the Mass cannot easily be summarized in a brief sentence or two, for the entire mystery of our salvation is bound up with the Eucharistic Liturgy. But to help our minds begin to grasp the depths of the Mass, we will briefly consider three key aspects of the Eucharist that every Catholic should know: (1) the Eucharist as the memorial of Christ’s sacrifice on the Cross, (2) the Eucharist as the real presence of Jesus, and (3) the Eucharist as Holy Communion with Our Lord.

In Part II, we will explore the Eucharist as Sacrifice.

New Position at Holy Trinity
The parish office is looking for someone to fill a new, full-time position as a Communications Coordinator. This position requires an advanced knowledge and previous professional use of Microsoft Office, marketing tools, social media, and CRM platforms along with exceptional communication skills. If you are interested, please visit scd.org/employment to complete the application. Contact Jeremy Younger at htp@holytrinityparish.org for more information.

Donut Ministry
Come join our Sunday hospitality team! We provide donuts, coffee and lemonade at all the Sunday Masses. Call Tami at 916-743-4384 or tamiwelch60@gmail.com.
Haiti 180 Collection
This weekend we will have a special collection for the needs of the people who suffer so greatly in Haiti. During these times of violence, our brothers and sisters in Haiti need our help even more than normal for food, medicine, and even for the basics to live. If you would like to make a donation to Haiti 180 after this weekend, mark your check “Haiti 180 Collection” and drop it in the Offertory basket next weekend. Please be generous.

Caregivers’ Support Group
The Caregivers’ Support Group has suspended their meetings for the summer and will be returning on the Second Wednesday of September. For information please contact Ellen Miller, facilitator, at 916-805-5922. Watch for news of the group reconvening in August!

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 Margaret at mkirchgater2@gmail.com.

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, contact Carmelinda Moy (916)933-4287 or bereavement.htp@gmail.com.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 22
8:15 AM  Victor & Michelle Silva, special intention in celebration of 18 years of marriage

Tuesday, May 23
8:15 AM  Fred Ronkowski, deceased, by Heuerman family

Wednesday, May 24
8:15 AM  Diane Wiedel, deceased, by Jim & Mary Hopp

Thursday, May 25
8:15 AM  Diane Wiedel, deceased, by John & Linda Macys

Friday, May 26
8:15 AM  Erlinda de Guzman, deceased, by Ed & Liza Abarientos

Saturday, May 27
5:30 PM  For All Souls

Sunday, May 28
7:30 AM  For All Parishioners
9:00 AM  For All Parishioners
11:00 AM  Parishioners of Holy Trinity

Spiritual Support for Families
All baptized Catholics can receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick during periods of serious illness or at the end of their life. 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 office hours, follow prompts to be connected directly to one of our priests: 530-677-3234.

For DAILY READINGS
Please visit us @ holytrinityparish.org or www.usccb.org/bible/readings/052123.cfm
Questions for Faith Sharing May 28

Pentecost

In next Sunday’s Gospel, John 20:19-23, the Holy Spirit made God’s love clear. The Spirit inspired Christians to love each other. Cooperation and conflict, order, and chaos, had struck an uneasy balance for so long that no one could imagine a different world. Now, in the Spirit, cooperation would be ever stronger, drawing people together to work for God’s glory and Christ’s mission.

Reflection for families:
• What fresh start has God made in your life?

Confirmation Groups Update
confirmation@holytrinityparish.org
kjones@holytrinityparish.org

St. Robert Bellarmine Group:
• Sponsor Forms, Certificate Forms and Confirmation Service Logs were due in the Faith Formation Office on May 12th. Please turn them in as soon as possible or contact us if you need help.
• Your next Combined Session, "Letters to the Bishop," will be early next fall. The link to sign up will be emailed to you.
• Confirmation Weekend is October 14-15. Candidates and sponsors must attend the Morning of Reflection, October 14 (9 AM-12 PM), and check in for the Confirmation Mass at 1 PM on October 15. The Mass will begin at 1:30 PM. Family and friends are welcome to attend!

St. Sebastian Group:
• Saint Letters AND Saint Projects were due on April 21. Please turn them in to the Faith Formation Office as soon as possible or contact us if you need help.
• Your next activity is a brief Candidate Zoom Discernment Interview over the summer. The link to sign up will be emailed to you.
• If you are interested in joining our Confirmation program, please contact Kim Jones for more information: kjones@holytrinityparish.org

Cursillo “Energize” Luncheon

Join us on Saturday, May 27 at 11 AM as we strengthen the Sacramento Cursillo Movement and raise funds for our Cursillo de Cursillos (CDC) Workshop, technology updates/maintenance, and scholarships for candidates. Cursillo is a lay movement focused on deepening personal relationships with Jesus. Luncheon will be held at Good Shepherd Parish. There will be a lunch, raffle, silent auction, and an encouraging talk with vivid apostolic perspective on the missional reality to which Christians are called. Tickets are $50 per person and can be purchased online at sacramentocursillo.org.

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Fatima Gems - “Our Lady’s Weapon” This episode of Fatima Gems sheds light on the miraculous event that occurred over 100 years ago; when Our Blessed Mother appeared to 3 young children in Fatima, Portugal in 1917. Steve Eguino takes it to the streets to see how much people know about the events in Fatima. This episode explores the history and origins of the Rosary and features Fr. Andrew Apostoli, co-Founder of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal and Fatima Expert. He discusses how Mary revealed the importance of the Rosary to the children and how it can be used as a powerful weapon to stop wars and bring world peace. This episode spotlights Melanie de Poortere who shares her personal witness of how the Rosary changed her life.

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Stewardship…
“I am praying for them…” John 17:19

Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of Stewardship. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation - not just our last resort. Pray for friends and family, and especially for those that don't treat you very well. Pray to give praise, to thank, and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you. Teach others how to pray. It has been said that teaching someone how to pray is the best gift you can give someone.

Consider making your gift electronically:
https://www.holytrinityparish.org/give.

Veteran’s Board in the Narthex
We will soon be giving the Veteran’s Board in the Narthex a much-needed restoration. If you have a child or friend on the board and would like to update their picture, or if you know someone in our armed service who is not yet on the board, please send a photo along with their name and rank to holytrinity@holytrinityparish.org. A big thank-you to Kenneth Danieli who is taking care of this project for the parish.

Altar Server Ministry to Families

We are expanding our Altar Server Ministry to include families. Moms and Dads are encouraged to serve at the Altar during weekend Masses with your son or daughter. This family service is a new way to serve our Lord and His Holy Church together. You can become even more like the Holy Family. Deacon Dan is anxious to help you learn the various movements and tasks of Altar Serving. Training takes two or three one-hour sessions with Deacon Dan. Please contact him directly at 916-517-6558 or Shannon Merlo at 916-769-4038.

Vacation Bible School 2023: May We Always Shine Jesus’ Light

VBS 2023 will be held July 10-14 from 9 AM to 12 PM. Ages 4 yrs. to 6th Grade are welcome to attend.

We as a parish are truly blessed and thankful that as a community we always come together to help our young children grow in His light. We are excited to bring to life a STELLER program for the children and are asking whether it’s your time, skills or through donations that you may find it in your hearts to help us again this year.

Donations for VBS
There is a large box located at the South end of the Narthex- please choose and pull a star off the poster returning it with your donation placing it inside or on the back side of the box and someone will pick that up after mass. All donations are suggested to be delivered no later than June 23, 2023.

Volunteering for VBS
Please use the link or QR or link https://vbspro.events/ to register to volunteer.

Help Others Enter into Worship
Do you have a background in music? Help Holy Trinity spread the Word through the arts. We are in need of instrumentalists, singers, sound ministers and live stream operators. You need not have an extensive background in those areas to be effective. The first training is for sound ministers on May 30 at 6:30 PM in the church. Training for livestream operators and music ministers will be scheduled soon. Please contact Rob Sabino at rsabino@holytrinityparish.org to start the process.
Share Your Talent with Holy Trinity

Music Ministry
Sound Ministry
Live Stream Ministry

Contact Rob Sabino to join: rsabino@holytrinityparish.org
Eucharistic Revival Kickoff 2023

Join us on June 11, 2023 for a day of worship, prayer, and fun activities for the whole family at our biggest event of the year!

Mass
11 AM
Worship with us as we celebrating the Feast of Corpus Christi

Eucharistic Procession
Encounter Jesus in a new way at this incredible and unique experience

Parish Picnic
Join us in celebration with food, live music, games, and summer fun for everyone at our annual Parish Picnic!
24-Hour Adoration

Beginning
June 8 at 9 AM

Ending
June 9 at 8:15 AM

Come experience the peace and joy of the presence of the Lord.
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