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A Weekly Publication for Parishioners & Friends of Holy Trinity Parish

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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.

April 23, 2023 • Third Sunday of Easter

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

Stewardship Renewal Weekend (1/3)

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Apr. 23

Apr. 23	Welcome Breakfast after all Masses		
Apr. 29	Holy Trinity Community Servants (HTCS) Service Day at 8 AM		
Apr. 30	Stewardship Renewal Weekend (2/3)		
May 4 <u>or</u> 7	St. Sebastian Confirmation Group Zoom Parent Meeting		
May 7	Stewardship Commitment Weekend (3/3)		
May 7	High School Youth Group BBQ at 6 PM		
May 21	Baccalaureate Mass at 11 AM		
May 26	Holy Trinity School Ministry 8th Grade Graduation at 3 PM		
Jun. 11	Eucharistic Procession and Rosary after 11 AM Mass		
Jun. 11	Parish Picnic after 11 AM Mass		

### 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.

#### **Eucharistic Revival at Holy Trinity**



The Eucharistic Revival is a nationwide, grassroots movement aimed at restoring understanding and devotion to Jesus's real presence in the Holy Eucharist, the source and summit of our Catholic faith. Holy Trinity is excited to join with other parishes nationwide in kicking off the Eucharistic Revival on Sunday, June 11, the feast of Corpus Christi. Join us at the 11 AM Mass, followed by a Eucharistic Procession around campus and then our Annual Parish Picnic! To learn more about this national movement please visit: <a href="https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/">https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/</a>.

#### **Lingering Baby Bottles**

Last spring Holy Trinity participated in a Baby Bottle Drive to benefit Mother Theresa Maternity Home. Many of the bottles are still unaccounted for. If you have any bottles, empty or full, please return them to the parish office. We hope to use them again in a future drive for charity. Questions? Contact parish staff at 530-677-3234.

## Come have a "STELLER" Week with VBS this Summer!

VBS will be held this year from July 10-14, 9 AM-12 PM at Holy Trinity. Come get excited about Jesus and discover how His light and His truth carries you through life's storms! Registration is now open. Be sure to take advantage of the Early Bird Special! Adult and teen volunteers are needed to plan, decorate, and volunteer during the week of VBS so please sign up today and pick your station now! To register your children, volunteer, or find details about VBS, select the link on the parish website or go to https://vbspro.events/p/9f9688. For please Melissa questions, contact at msetzer70@gmail.com or 916-839-8607

Come join the family at our Welcome Breakfast after each Mass this Sunday, April 23!

#### School Ministry News

Our school ministry students love working with buddies in other grades. Here are the 2nd grade students reading stories to the kindergartners.



Our school ministry students also received a special treat: "Dinger" the River Cats mascot! He came with his friend, the announcer for the River Cats games, to teach the students about the importance of hard work in school. Here's our students enjoying a fun photo with Dinger.



Holy Trinity School Ministry offers a strong academic education infused with Catholic values. Please call 530-677-3591 to arrange a private tour and to hear about all the wonderful things we are learning!

#### Catholics in Recovery

Catholic in Recovery provides support and healing from addictions, compulsions, and unhealthy attachments. Meetings combine the principals of 12-step recovery and the sacraments of the Catholic Church. We meet Thursday evenings at 6 PM in the Youth Room. For more information about the meeting contact us at <a href="mailto:cirholytrinity@gmail.com">cirholytrinity@gmail.com</a>.



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."

#### Priests Away on Retreat

Next week, Father Larry and Father Marcel will be away on retreat, so we will have 8:15 AM Mass **only** on Monday, April 24. There will be Liturgy of the Word Tuesday through Friday.

#### Second Collection for Catholic Home Mission Appeal Next Week

Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, over 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at <a href="https://www.usccb.org/home-missions">www.usccb.org/home-missions</a>.

To donate online, <a href="https://www.scd.org/homemissions">https://www.scd.org/homemissions</a>.

#### **Baccalaureate Mass**

The Baccalaureate Mass will be on Sunday, May 21 at the 11 AM Mass. If you have a senior in high school who will be graduating this May, please visit our website to access the form, or follow the QR code

provided. The printed form along with a headshot of your senior is due to the office **no later than Tuesday, May 9.** Questions? Contact the Parish Office at 530-677-3234.



#### **Knights of Columbus**

All men of Holy Trinity Parish are invited to join the Knights of Columbus. HTP Knights are servant-leaders who support parish events and programming. Contact Randy at <a href="https://holytrinityknights@yahoo.com">holytrinityknights@yahoo.com</a>

#### Weekly Adoration

Spend time with Christ in the Most Blessed Sacrament! Weekly Adoration has resumed its place in the church on Thursdays (9 AM – 5 PM). For more information, call or text Loretta Allsup at 408-966-9424.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Apr. 24

8:15 AM Logan Wallace, deceased, by Vickie

Wallace

Tuesday, Apr. 25

8:15 AM Liturgy of the Word

Wednesday, Apr. 26

8:15 AM Liturgy of the Word

Thursday, Apr. 27

8:15 AM Liturgy of the Word

Friday, Apr. 28

8:15 AM Liturgy of the Word

Saturday, Apr. 29

5:30 PM Roslyn Guecia, deceased, by John & Sally

Raslear

Sunday, Apr. 30

7:30 AM Warren McDermott, deceased, by Bill &

Mary Johnstone

9:00 AM Darlene Moore, deceased, by Campanello

family

11:00 AM Parishioners of Holy Trinity

For DAILY READINGS
Please visit us @ holytrinityparish.org or
www.usccb.org/bible/readings/042323.cfm

#### **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.



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 April 30 Fourth Sunday of Easter

In next Sunday's Gospel, John 10:1-10, not only is Jesus the shepherd who guards the sheep, he is the gate by which the sheep enter into the sheepfold. The sheep follow him, recognizing his voice, and then they enter into the fold through him. As in the psalm, those who trust in their shepherd "find pasture" – places of safety and abundance.

#### Reflection for families:

 Jesus says the sheep follow him because they know his voice. Do you recognize the voice of your shepherd Jesus?



#### Formed.org

FORMED is excited to present curated content to help both adults and children journey through this Easter season. In this collection are resources to help the faithful deepen their understanding of various days, practices, and devotions of the Church..

FORMED is free to all parishioners! Simply go through our parish website. Under "Learn" you can set up your own free account. Click "Sign up as a parishioner." To learn more: <a href="www.holytrinityparish.org/formed">www.holytrinityparish.org/formed</a>

#### **High School Youth Group**

All high school students are invited to attend our end of the year BBQ on Sunday, May 7, from 6-8 PM in the Youth Center. Enjoy dinner, music, and games. Feel free to bring friends with you!

#### **Confirmation Groups Update**

<u>confirmation@holytrinityparish.org</u> <u>kjones@holytrinityparish.org</u>

St. Robert Bellarmine Group:

- Sponsor Forms, Certificate Forms, and Confirmation Service Logs are due in the Faith Formation Office by Friday, May 12. Please contact us if you need help completing your service hours.
- 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.
- Zoom Parent Meeting to go over the schedule and requirements for Year 2 is scheduled for Thursday, May 4 (6:30 PM) OR Sunday, May 7 (12:30 PM). 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

#### Marriage Ministry

The purpose of the Holy Trinity Marriage Ministry is to provide married couples with enrichment events to support, encourage, and strengthen their marriage and family life and to help them become sacraments that shine brightly with the love of Jesus. If you are interested in joining the Marriage Ministry Team and helping encourage other couples in their Vocations, please contact Paul and Stephanie Francois at: paul.stephanie.francois@comcast.net.



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...

"Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the scriptures?" Luke 24:32

How often do you take the time to discern what Jesus is calling you to do with your life? Are your prayers always petitions, asking Jesus to do things for you? If so, that's a one-sided relationship. Living our faith means developing a personal relationship with Jesus. Just like any friendship, there is give and take, each side listening to each other and helping each other out. Take time, in silence, to listen to what Jesus is asking of you today.

#### Consider making your gift electronically:

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

#### Rachel's Project Retreat

The Diocese is holding the 2<sup>nd</sup> Rachel's Project Retreat since 2019. This is a retreat to help anyone who has had the trauma of an abortion or by a miscarriage or any loss. This is an opportunity to experience a wonderful sense of healing. The next retreat is April 28-30. Please call (916) 733-0161 for details.

#### Holy Trinity Community Servants

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, and helping them make their property fire safe. We assist senior citizens, single parents, and those who are disabled with yard clean up and gutter cleaning.

We begin at 8 AM with prayer and a blessing. Work teams are formed for each requested project and sent to the homes to begin work. We finish about 12:30 PM and meet for lunch before heading home. This is a great opportunity for parents and teens who might need credit for service hours. Our next workday is scheduled for April 29, 2023. We invite you to come join us! If you have questions, please contact Judy Silva at: <a href="mailto:Idysilva@yahoo.com">Idysilva@yahoo.com</a>.

#### Meal Preparation for our Priests

A small team of parishioners has been providing weekly meals for our priests the last two years. Please consider joining us! The only requirement is that you enjoy preparing meals and can work collaboratively with others. They welcome you join them in any way that fits your time, talent, and schedule. Reimbursement for the cost of food is available.

Food is prepared at home and delivered in plastic containers on Thursdays to the View Room kitchen. Team members alternate weeks with one preparing the entrées and the other the vegetables and salads for both of our priests. There is plenty of flexibility to fit people's personal schedules and vacations. Some may choose to serve on stand-by only. Additional help is also welcomed for any of the above roles or possibly another role that you might suggest. Food preferences are provided with very few dietary restrictions. Breakfast, lunch, fruit, desserts, and snacks are not included.

For more information, contact Joanne Hyman at 559-871-6250 or <u>joannehyman@comcast.net</u> with the topic noted: Priests Meals.

#### **Donations for VBS**

Calling all families and friends! Don't miss this opportunity to help make Vacation Bible School a success for the kids of our parish. This year's VBS, STELLER, will be a week full of joy, laughter and excitement, and we need your help!

Please visit the donation board in the Narthex, choose an item to donate by selecting and removing the STAR from the board, then return the item, with the STAR tag attached and place it in the donation box. For questions, please contact <a href="mailto:msetzer70@gmail.com">msetzer70@gmail.com</a> or 916-839-8607. Thank you for your generosity.

#### Interested in Volunteering?

Volunteers are always needed here at Holy Trinity. For more information on the many different ways you can get involved, please contact Alex in the parish office at 530-677-3234 or holytrinity@holytrinityparish.org.

# VBS 2023

# SHINE JESUS' LIGHT

July 10-14 / 9am - noon

At Stellar, kids discover how they can shine Jesus' love and hope in everyday life!

Help make our Mission a success by donating needed supplies.

Select a tag from our donation boards located in the Narthex or School

For questions contact Melissa Setzer at htpvbs@gmail.com

To join the fun-

find link on Holy Trinity Website or go to: https://vbspro.events/p/events/9f9688

Or scan



Check out Early Bird Special pricing online



6:00-8:00 PM Youth Center



## ASANTE, HOLY TRINITY

(Thank you, Holy Trinity!)

I recently returned from 5 weeks in Kenya visiting all my kids. All were having a hard time making ends meet. Jobs are few and those who have a job don't get enough to feed their families, often they don't get paid on time. Meshack – a teacher with a university degree makes about \$300 a month. Stephen, University degree works for World Vision makes about \$300 a month. Nurses make about \$200 a month but often aren't paid on time.



Iddah visiting with Julianne Early February 2023

My main purpose for making this nearly 10,000-mile trip to Kenya was to give the kids Hope, to help them continue in a positive direction. Without help or encouragement from others it is easy to give up. Even though the journey to Kenya takes 3 days and is exhausting, it was a success, though for the first time I had to do it alone without Joe. God was with us, and I witnessed miracles. The following is only one of the successes.

#### **IDDAH'S STORY**

The first miracle was with one of my daughters Iddah, who had become very depressed and despondent. She saw no way out and wanted to die. This is her story: She is a nurse, never married – had a good job with US Center for Disease Control, she was paid well, so decided to buy land, build a small house, and adopt an orphan. All was going well until she lost her job some 4 years ago. I was able to keep her afloat by correspondence (guidance and spiritual direction) and with monthly donations from our donors.

For months she searched for work in the nursing field; finally found a job as a floor nurse, the job did not pay well and being a floor nurse became more and more difficult because of her handicap. When she was a child, she contracted polio which left one leg smaller and a bit shorter than the other. She wanted to quit nursing, but she was the only bread winner for herself and small daughter. When I met with her in January, her world had become dark and hopeless. She told me she was tired and sick and couldn't go on and she had to find someone who could take her little daughter.

Those words were a big "Red Flag" for me. I immediately prayed for Divine guidance – God showed me what to do. My daughter, Maurine, took in Iddah's little girl and I asked Iddah to think about what she would like to do that would also provide her with enough money and would not be such a physical stress for her. Iddah said. "I would like to teach at a Nursing College. I have a lot of knowledge in this area, and it would not be such a physical stress for me." I asked, "why don't you?" She said, "I would need a Bachelor of Science degree in Community Health. She had started taking classes toward this degree when she had her job with CDC; when she lost it everything came to a standstill, and she lost her dream. She said, "In order for that dream to come true, I would have to talk to the head of the department, finish the class, pay the school fees, and graduate, this March 3<sup>rd</sup>. That seems impossible."

I told her to go to the university and see what could be worked out. She left with a lighter spirit and came back the next day to give me the report. Miraculously all doors seemed to open easily. The Dept. Head said all was possible, but she would have to pay the fees she still owed 240,000 ksh (\$2,000) by March 1. I told her that was impossible for me to give her \$2000 by March, but what we could do is give her \$200 a month for the next 10 months.

Iddah said, "she would then have to wait another year before she could graduate." We needed another option. I asked her if she could visit friends and possibly a bank and get money from several people, letting them know that they would be paid back by or before Oct. 2023. It is very difficult for the poor to get a loan from friends or a bank, as the donors would probably never see the money again. In her favor, all who knew Iddah knew she was very trustworthy, and she had the Kurowski Kenyan Orphan Fund backing her.

Iddah had 1 week to get the money and pay the fees, and she did it. I've never known anything like this to happen so quickly in Kenya. Iddah said, "After, I talked to you, I was so energized and knew that the Lord would help me, that I aggressively pursued this task until I had all the money" Iddah paid all the fees on time and was able to graduate with a Bachelor's degree, plus special honors in upper division, on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023.



I know this would never have happened if I, Julianne, hadn't been open to the Holy Spirit, had money to tap into from Holy Trinity donors, and Iddah hadn't done her part. Together, we were all able to help her get more than a degree; she got her life back and that of her little girl. Iddah is now looking into getting a teaching position in a Nursing College.

"My prayers have been answered. I feel like Lazarus, I've been, raised, from the dead." Iddah

From the bottom of my heart, My Kenyan children and I thank you for your prayers, your encouragement, and your ongoing financial support. **Julianne Kurowski** 

# Stewardship Renewal 2023

## Christian Stewardship

is using God's things, God's way, for God's glory. We can all participate in the stewardship way of life through proper use of our time, talents, and treasure.

# Honoring God in our Time, Talents, and Treasure

Using our time, talents, and treasures in a way that honors and glorifies God is one of the main responsibilities of a Christian Steward. They understand that time is their most valuable commodity, and it must be invested wisely. They also know that their talents should be used to help others and lead them to Christ. Christian Stewards properly manage the resources that God as provided for them, and use those blessings to glorify God.

## Making Disciples

Christian Stewards make a generous response to God out of gratitude for all that he has given. He has given us everything, including our very lives. That is why no longer live for ourselves, but we live for Christ and invite everyone to join us in our endeavor to know him and to make him known.

Stewardship Renewal begins this weekend!

To learn more, please visit: holytrinityparish.org/stewardship

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