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

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

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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.

August 17, 2025 **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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:

Oct. 12

Aug. 17	High School Youth Group Kickoff Luau - Youth Center 6 PM
Aug. 22	Holy Trinity School Ministry Family BBQ
Aug. 23	Luau Dinner/Dance - Filipino Community Ministry
Aug. 27	Adult Confirmation classes begin 6:30 PM
Sept. 1	Parish Office closed – Labor Day
Sept. 6/7	2 nd Collection – Priests' Retirement
Sept. 7 or 16	Year 2 Confirmation Session – St. Ursula Grp.
Sept. 23 or 28	"Letters to the Bishop" Confirmation Session St. Teresa of Avila Grp.
Sept. 27	Knights of Columbus Family Pasta Night 6:00 PM
Oct. 11	Morning of Reflection 9 AM-Noon - St. Teresa of Avila Grp.

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Confirmation Mass 1:30 PM





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.

Holy Trinity St. Vincent de Paul Conference

"Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done." (Prv. 19:17) Did you know that two years ago Holy Trinity formed a St. Vincent de Paul Conference to reach out and serve our neighbors



in need? Since we were formed, we have helped over 170 individuals and families to put food on the table, pay rent and utility bills, and repair their cars. All of this is done as a "hand-up", not as a "hand-out". Here is one recent example of a "hand-up" for a neighbor in need: We helped a single mother who works and home schools her three children. Her car's transmission failed, and she needed the car for her work. Paying for the transmission repair meant that she didn't have money for rent. She received a preliminary notice of eviction and came to us requesting assistance to help with her rent. After a home visit, we partnered with Foothills Church to pay her back rent. She is now able to continue to pay her bills going forward.

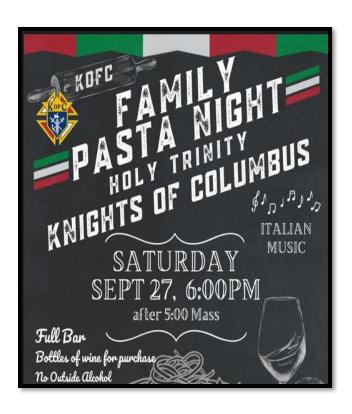
The SVDP Conference meets on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 9:00 AM in the View Room. We could use your help in being able to serve our brothers and sisters in Christ. Come join us. Contact Paul Daschka: daschka@comcast.net or Deacon Jim.

Part-Time Janitor Needed

We are now accepting applications for a Part-Time Janitor to work 20-25 hours per week, Monday-Friday evenings. Flexible times are available. Contact the Parish office if interested: 530-677-3234.

Mother Teresa Maternity Home Fall Luncheon

Mark your calendar! **October 4** is the Mother Teresa Maternity Home Fall Luncheon. This year we will have open seating tickets, which means you can purchase a single ticket for the luncheon OR you may want to host and decorate a table of 8. For more information, please contact Colette Polaski at 530-957-4021. Please register before September 6, 2025.







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."

Music Ministry

Greetings all! We need to ensure that we present quality meaningful worship at each Mass here at Holy Trinity. A major part of that is achieved by having sincere, faithful leaders in the music, sound and live stream ministries. We have a number of ways to serve.

We need instrumentalists, singers, sound ministers and live stream operators. You need not have an extensive background in those areas to be effective. We will train you. Also, all of these positions are faith building, fun and rewarding. Each of these are integral parts of our worship team. Please consider helping Holy Trinity spread the Word through the arts. Please contact Rob Sabino at robsabino88@gmail.com to start the process.

Divine Mercy Ministry

The Divine Mercy Prayer Ministry meets weekly to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet for the special intentions of its members and our parish community. This is followed by the reading and discussion of a book on the topic of Divine Mercy as revealed to the world by St. Maria Faustina, a polish nun of the 1930's. Join us each Wednesday at 3:00 PM, the hour of mercy, in the View Room.

Divine Mercy Moment

Mercy Moment - The Words of Jesus to St. Faustina On the Devine Mercy image:



"I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of Mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: "Jesus, I trust in you." (Diary 327) Not in the beauty of the color, nor of the brush lies the greatness of this image, but in My grace." (Diary 313)

For DAILY READINGS

Please visit us @ holytrinityparish.org or www.usccb.org/bible/readings/081725.cfm

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Aug. 16

5:00 PM ~

Sunday, Aug. 17

- 7:30 AM ~Eleanora Fonda, deceased, by Rose Fonda
 - ~Pauline Galea, deceased, by Rose Fonda
- 9:00 AM ~Elizabeth Lajeunesse, deceased, by Walter & Rosemarie Jennes
- 11:00 AM ~Parishioners of Holy Trinity 5:00 PM ~

Monday, Aug. 18

- 8:15 AM ~Jeffrey Wilkes, deceased, by Cheryl Wilkes
 - ~Larry Thomas, deceased, by Victor Silva
 - ~Benedicto Abarientos, deceased, by Ed & Liza Abarientos
 - ~Msgr. Kidder, birthday, by Mary Beth Boumann

Tuesday, Aug. 19

- 8:15 AM ~James Sobczak, deceased, by Nancy Sobczak
 - ~Marianne Bietz, healing, by Marianne Bietz

Wednesday, Aug. 20

8:15 AM ~Marianne Bietz, healing, by Marianne Bietz

Thursday, Aug. 21

- 8:15 AM ~Jesus Gonzalez Ilamas, deceased, by Julianna Gonzalez Ilamas
 - ~Rosita Samson, deceased, by Ramon & Pacita Cuasito
 - ~Carlita Schroeder, deceased, by Ramon & Pacita Cuasito
 - ~Marianne Bietz, healing, by Marianne Bietz

Friday, Aug. 22

- 8:15 AM ~Maria Lucia Garcia, special intention, by Eduardo Garcia
 - ~Diomedes Montecillo, deceased, by Ramon & Pacita Cuasito
 - ~Carlita Schroeder, deceased, by Strong & Meo Lumapas

Saturday, Aug. 23

8:15 AM ~

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 Aug. 24 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

In next Sunday's Gospel, Luke 13:22-30, Jesus declares that people will come from the four corners of the earth to sit at God's table. A great banquet is a common image in Jewish and Christian writings for the abundance and joy of God's kingdom. Jesus also warns that some will try to enter but will not be able. He is warning us not to be complacent because some who think they are first in line will find themselves last.

Reflection for families:

• What steps can we take to ensure we do not become complacent in our faith?

Formed.org



This summer, take the opportunity to learn about the saints celebrated by the Catholic Church during the summer season through our video content on Formed. From saints like Saint Benedict and Saint Ignatius of Loyola to Saint Kateri Tekakwitha and Saints Joachim and Anne, there is a saint for everyone to discover. When you sign up, you'll receive:

- A video from Formed each week featuring that week's spotlighted saint.
- Children's content about the saints for every week of summer.
- Suggestions on how to help your children celebrate and learn about the lives of the saints each week.

This summer, by exploring the lives of the saints from the past, we will understand that God generously gives us the grace to become saints today. For more information, visit:

www.formed.org/summer-with-the-saints.

Adult Confirmation Formation

Classes for the November 15 celebration of Adult Confirmation begin on **August 27** at 6:30 PM. These classes are for practicing Catholics only! Baptized Catholics who require formation for Confirmation and First Communion may be invited into the OCIA process. Please contact Cynthia in the Faith Formation office: 530-677-3234, ext. 233.

Confirmation Groups Update St. Teresa of Avila Group:

- Please turn in all outstanding Confirmation forms ASAP.
- Your next Combined Session, "Letters to the Bishop," is scheduled for either Tuesday, September 23 (5:30-7:00 PM) OR Sunday, September 28 (12:30-2:00 PM) in the Media Center. All candidates must attend with a parent or sponsor.
- Confirmation Weekend! Please plan to attend the mandatory Morning of Reflection with your sponsor on Saturday, **October 11**, 9:00 AM-12 noon in the Social Center (includes the rehearsal for Confirmation). The Confirmation Mass will begin at 1:30 PM on Sunday, **October 12.** (Candidates and sponsors should check in at the View Room at 1:00 PM.)

St. Ursula Group:

- All candidates must complete a Zoom
 Discernment Interview with our Confirmation
 Team prior to beginning Year 2 of Confirmation
 preparation. Parents are welcome to attend the
 interview. A link to schedule will be emailed to
 you.
- Your first Year 2 Combined Session, "Burn," is scheduled for either Sunday, September 7 (10:15-11:45 AM) <u>OR</u> Tuesday, September 16 (5:30-7:00 PM) in the Social Center. Candidates should attend with a parent or sponsor.
- If you have not yet turned in your Saint Letter AND Saint Project, please do so as soon as possible. confirmation@holytrinityparish.org

St. Vincent Ferrer Group:

 New Confirmation group forming! Please contact Kim Jones to register at: <u>kjones@holytrinityparish.org</u>



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.

Are you ready to clear the "hurdle" of the Good News?

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JER 38:4-6, 8-10; PS 40:2-4,18; HEB 12:1-4; LK 12:49-53

Today's readings set a high bar (or hurdle) for us Christian stewards, reminding us that a stewardship way of life is meant to be a challenging way of life.

In the second reading, from the Letter to the Hebrews, we are told to live as Christ lived. How did Christ live? "For the sake of the joy that lay before Him He endured the cross." If we are tempted to complain about the sufferings we must endure in living as Christ's disciples, we are told, "In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood." In other words, "If you're not bleeding, what are you complaining about?" That is quite a hurdle!

The Gospel reading from Luke continues this challenging theme. Our Lord tells His disciples "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing." A couple of verses later Jesus adds, "Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division."

Jesus's life on this earth and the message He brought were not meant to simply make us feel good. In fact, His words can make us downright uncomfortable at times. That's because His Good News (and it is indeed good news!) is meant to change us, to make saints of us. Another high bar.

The stewardship way of life sets a high bar indeed. But deeply embraced, this way of life which is focused on making our relationship with God the priority of our life will make us the saints we are called to be.

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Some thoughts from Deacon Jim:

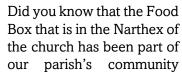
I am not an athlete. I never have been. I used to be able to jog several miles but never tried to clear track hurdles. I bring this up because in Luke's Gospel Jesus is challenging us to "clear some pretty high hurdles" by his statement, "Do you think I have come to establish peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division."

This Gospel should make us uncomfortable, but it is a message that we need to hear so that we will focus on what is truly important in our faith life. Jesus endured many trials and was rejected by many, but he persevered because he knew that one day he would return to God.

Later in this Gospel, Jesus says he will set the world on fire and divide families. What he means is that trials will come to us and that we must be ready to work through them. We all experience various trials in our lives, in our personal lives or within our families. Whether it is injury, cancer or other serious illness, drug addiction, divorce, or death, these trials can sometimes challenge our faith, maybe even divide a family.

Jesus teaches that the challenge of discipleship is to not let God's word of justice and mercy divide us, but to realize how his word and our faith can help us get though these trials and will help us find a way to overcome divisions that may have occurred. In other words, to "clear the hurdle."

The Holy Trinity Food Box





outreach program almost since we moved into the church in May 1998? The gifts of food brought each week by parishioners – whether it is one can brought by a child, or bags of food brought by families, all welcome and needed.

Jesus fed the multitudes, but we don't need to do that. But each week when we come to Mass the people at Holy Trinity, you and I, can bring small amounts of food to place in this box. What each of us brings is not enough to feed even one family. However, every week after all the Masses, the box is usually full and there is plenty of food for many families served by the El Dorado Food Bank. If you aren't in the habit of bringing food to the food box, try it. Let's make the box overflow with our generous gifts to feed those who don't have enough to eat.

"When I was hungry, you gave me to eat." (Mt 25:35)







are starting soon, if you haven't yet, SIGN UP NOW!

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR 2025-2026!!

Enroll Your Family Today!

PROGRAM DETAILS:

Whole family formation! Our program is for families with children in TK through the celebration of Confirmation.

Classes are twice a month during August - April Two class days options: Sun 10:15-11:45am OR Tues 5:30-7pm Scan QR code to access registration forms which include additional program details.



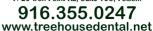
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