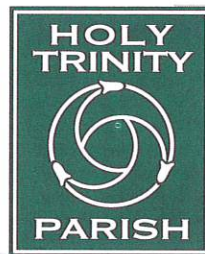


# PARISH LIFE

A Weekly Publication for Parishioners & Friends of Holy Trinity Parish



## MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS	5:30 PM
IN CHURCH	
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	8:15 AM
IN CHURCH & LIVE STREAM	
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 4, 2022 • Second Sunday of Advent

Please read our bulletin and visit our website for updated information:  
[www.holytrinityparish.org](http://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. 4	Giving Garden Blessing Bags distribution after 11:00 AM Mass
Dec. 8	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:15 AM & 6:30
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. 8 or 12	St. Sebastian Confirmation Group Orientation
Jan. 15	Welcome Breakfast
Jan. 19 or 22	St. Robert Bellarmine Confirmation Group Combined Session
Jan. 22–24	Parish Mission



# 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

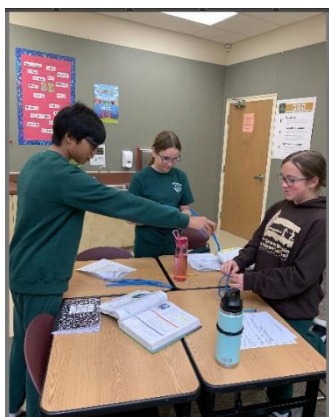
We will be implementing a new process so that all parishioners to have the opportunity to offer the gifts of Bread & Wine to the presider. A small “disk” will be placed next to the Bread & Wine on the credence table on the left side of the center aisle at the back of the church. Any 2 people, couple, 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, and they will be guided on how to bring the Offertory gifts to the priest.

## Save the Date: Marriage Ministry

Holy Trinity Marriage Ministry is EXCITED to announce the next Marriage Enrichment event – the Alpha Marriage Course! Please mark your calendars: **January 28 & February 11**. Stay tuned to the parish bulletin for more details coming soon! For questions, please email: [Paul.Stephanie.Francois@comcast.net](mailto:Paul.Stephanie.Francois@comcast.net).

## Holy Trinity School Ministry STEM

Our school has been busy with STEM projects. Small groups had to build a tower using only pipe cleaners, measure all their towers and calculate data from all the groups measurements. After building a second tower, students had to find the percent change in the two towers they built.



## 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!

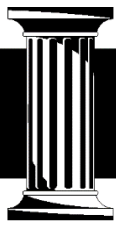
## Christmas Eve

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

## 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 December 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](mailto:kimkoos@yahoo.com) or Donna Richmond: [dlrichmond76@gmail.com](mailto:dlrichmond76@gmail.com). We thank you in advance for making Christmas a little merrier for those in need.



## 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."*

### Archdiocese for Military Services

Did you know that without the Archdiocese for the Military Services (AMS) there would be no Catholic Chaplains? The AMS is the only Catholic diocese in the United States responsible for endorsing priests to serve as military chaplains and for VA Medical Centers chaplains.

The AMS receives no US Government funding and has no parishes from which to receive support. It relies totally on donations from individuals, foundations, and organizations for its support of all military service men and women and their families around the world. On **December 3–4**, we will place baskets at all exits from the church for you to make a voluntary donation to help support the Archdiocese for Military Service's work.

### Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation. This feast celebrates Mary's conception without any sin and helps us remember that Mary was the Mother of Jesus Christ and of the Church. It also recognizes that Mary is the patroness of the United States and of all the Americas. Masses at Holy Trinity are scheduled for:

**Thursday, December 8 - 8:15 AM and 6:30 PM.**

### Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration

On Monday, **December 12** is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Parton Saint of the Americas. 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. 5

8:15 AM Ed Lewandowski, deceased, by Larry & Kathy Callaghan

#### Tuesday, Dec. 6

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

#### Wednesday, Dec. 7

8:15 AM Lamar Culpepper, deceased, by Maria Culpepper

#### Thursday, Dec. 8

8:15 AM Parishioners of Holy Trinity  
6:30 PM Scarlett Reordan, special intention, by Liaty family

#### Friday, Dec. 9

8:15 AM Dennis Gillott, deceased, by Ken & Patt Gillott

#### Saturday, Dec. 10

5:30 PM Carl Guecia, deceased, by John & Sally Raslear

#### Sunday, Dec. 11

7:30 AM Priscilla Vassallo, deceased, by Arthur & Doris Vassallo  
9:00 AM Karla Francis, deceased, by Forsythe family  
11:00 AM Parishioners of Holy Trinity

#### *For DAILY READINGS*

*Please visit us @ [holytrinityparish.org](http://holytrinityparish.org) or [www.usccb.org/bible/readings/120422.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/120422.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. 11

### Third Sunday of Advent

In next Sunday's Gospel, Matthew 11:2-11, Jesus points to signs to show John's disciples who he is. Healing of physical bodies and good news to the poor: prophesied in the words of Isaiah, these signs point toward a new reality, a new era in salvation history. The signs that once marked the end of Israel's long and bitter exile in a foreign land now mark the arrival of God's kingdom in the person of Jesus.

#### Reflection for families:

- Why does Jesus say that the least in the kingdom of heaven are greater than John the Baptist (Matthew 11:11)?



### 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](http://www.holytrinityparish.org/formed)

### Women's Prayer Group

Join us for prayer, reflection, contemplation and sharing. We meet the first Thursday of every month at 11:00 AM in the View room. The next one is **January 5**. For more information, contact: Valerie Enright or Ellen Leesburg: [Valerie.enright@yahoo.com](mailto:Valerie.enright@yahoo.com).

## Holy Trinity School Ministry

### Echelon Catapult Math team

As part of the Echelon Catapult Math team, our students earned 3rd place in Team and 2nd place in individual competitions. We are so proud of our Holy Trinity Echelon Catapult Math team!!!



Hearty congratulations to all participants.

## Confirmation Groups Update

[confirmation@holytrinityparish.org](mailto:confirmation@holytrinityparish.org)

[kjones@holytrinityparish.org](mailto:kjones@holytrinityparish.org)

St. Robert Bellarmine Group:

- Your next Combined Session, "Fault," is scheduled for Thursday, **January 19** (6:30-8:00 PM) **OR** Sunday, **January 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, **February 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, **January 8** (12:30-2:00 PM) **OR** Thursday, **January 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@holytrinityparish.org](mailto:kjones@holytrinityparish.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...

*"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." Matthew 3:10*

Do you bear good fruit for Jesus? Do you spend time in prayer? Do you use your talent to help others? Do you use your treasure to support the Church or do you buy more things? Our time, talent and treasure are gifts from God. What we do with these gifts is our gift back to Him. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?

### 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 requests. 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.

### Every Sacred Sunday Mass Journal

Looking for the best present you can buy for yourself and your family this holiday season? The "Every Sacred Sunday" Mass Journal helps you prepare for Mass and note those inspiring points from the homily you don't want to forget. For more information:

<https://everysacredsunday.com/>

### Giving Garden-Homeless Care Bags

The Homeless Care bags will be available the last Sunday of every month – **THIS WEEKEND!** We are asking for donations of personal items such as: socks, Sani-wipes, hand sanitizer, toothbrush/paste, hand warmers and lightweight panchos. Bags will be put together for the homeless and will be made available for our parishioners to have on hand and to distribute when they encounter a person without shelter. These bags will be available in the Narthex **after all Masses this weekend -December 3/4**. For more information: Amanda: 408-442-6617 or Deacon Dan: 916-517-6558.

### 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, **January 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](mailto:jeremy@holytrinityparish.org).

### Annual Catholic Appeal 2022

#### Report of Gratitude

Catholics throughout our Diocese are invited to visit [www.scd.org](http://www.scd.org) to view the Report of Gratitude. See how, together as Catholics, parishioners have made a real difference to those in need. This year, more than 380,000 individuals and families were helped by 18 Northern California charities that received funds from the Appeal.

# Save the Dates<sup>00</sup>

Mark your calendars for these  
exciting upcoming events!

## Welcome Breakfast

Sunday,  
January 15,  
2023

After  
Each  
Mass on  
Sunday

## Parish Mission

January  
22-24,  
2023

Three Night  
Series

7-8pm Each Night



[HOLYTRINITYPARISH.ORG/EVENTS](https://holytrinityparish.org/events)



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