

PARISH LIFE

A Weekly Publication for Parishioners & Friends of Holy Trinity Parish



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 5:30 PM–6:00 PM	
*LIVESTREAM	

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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.

October 26, 2025

Thirtieth 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: Mon. Tues. Thurs. Fri. 8:45 AM-4:00 PM; Wed. 8:45 AM-1:00 PM

Upcoming Events:

Oct. 25/26	Ministry Fair
Nov. 1	All Saints Day Mass 8:15 AM
Nov. 1/2	All Souls' Day-Commemoration of the Faithful Departed – all Masses
Nov. 2	Fall Festival
Nov. 4 or 9	"Source" Confirmation Session St. Ursula Group
Nov. 5	"Alzheimer's Disease: Not Just Memory Loss" Presentation 10:00 AM
Nov. 8/9	Blessing of Veterans at all Masses
Nov. 10	Holy Trinity School Veteran's Day Assembly 9:15 AM
Nov. 15	Grief Share: Surviving the Holidays 2:00 PM
Nov. 27	Thanksgiving Day Mass 9:00 AM
Dec. 5	Lessons & Carols 7:00 PM
Dec. 5	Marriage Ministry Jingle & Mingle 6:30 PM

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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.

HTCS Thank You

The Holy Trinity Community Servants (HTCS) ministry completed our 2025 Fall workday of service to the community on Saturday, October 18. We had over 40 volunteers, including Father Shaji, to complete 6 projects at homes of elderly, homebound, and disabled homeowners who had contacted the parish for support. We also were able to do a considerable amount of work on the parish campus in preparation for the Holy Trinity Fall Festival.

Since 2014 the HTCS ministry has been providing services to parishioners and members of our community through a Spring and Fall workday. The ministry's commitment to help our brothers and sisters is based on Jesus' commandment to his disciples at the Last Supper when he said **"I give you a new commandment. Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another."** A big Thank You to all our volunteer workers and to the team who provided a delicious lunch to cap-off another successful workday.

Alzheimer's Disease:

Not Just Memory Loss

The Holy Trinity Health and Wellness Ministry is partnering with the local Alzheimer's Association to provide "Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia," an educational presentation that provides a general overview of Alzheimer's disease and dementia. Join us to learn more about:

- The difference between dementia and Alzheimer's; stages and risk factors
- Current research and treatments
- The impact on patients & caregivers

The event is **Wednesday, November 5** from 10:00-11:00 AM in the View rm. To register, call the Alzheimer's Association: 1-800-272-3900 or tinyurl.com/UndAlz11525.

Holy Trinity Parish Monthly Financial Report September-25

Offertory Collections	Income	Budget	Variance
In Pew & Mailed In	62,705		
Holy Days	115		
Online	25,973		
TOTAL	88,793	99,698	-10,905
Other Operating Income			
Sacramental, unrestricted, charitable, faith formation, other	48,142	38,658	9,484
Non Operating Income			
Interest, designated gifts, Diocesan, special collections	15,455	15,455	0
Expenses			
Operating	167,197	175,214	8,017
Capital Expenditures	14,991	14,991	0
Diocesan and special collections	0	0	0
TOTAL	182,188	190,205	8,017
NET INCOME/(LOSS)	-29,798	-36,394	6,596

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."

All Souls' Day Memorial Flowers

Again, this year, Holy Trinity will be remembering and honoring loved ones that have passed away within the past year at all Masses on **November 1 & 2**. The names of loved ones who died during this past year will be read aloud as a family member or close friend presents a remembrance flower honoring them. You may sign up in the narthex after all Masses on **October 25–26**. Contact Mike or Trish Dashnaw (916-717-8629) or the Parish Office with questions.



All Saints Day

Saturday, November 1

This year because it falls on Saturday All Saints Day is Not a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated at 8:15 AM. On All Saints Day, we remember all those saints known and unknown to us who enjoy the glory of heaven. Saints include those we know, like Saint Augustine, Saint Pope John XXIII, and Saint Juan Diego, as well as saints who are known to only a few or to none, like grandparents, parents, teachers and other loved ones who lived their faith to the fullest and taught us by their faith-filled lives. This is a day we celebrate them all. Please join us for Mass at 8:15 AM on November 1.

Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

On **Saturday, November 1 and Sunday, November 2, 2025**, the Mass for the *Commemoration of all the Faithful departed*, also known as *All Souls' Day*, will be celebrated at all Masses. On All Souls' Day we remember and pray for all those who have died. Prayer for the dead reaches deep into our human history and has been a custom since the earliest days of our Church. The belief that our prayers can be of assistance to the dead is a treasured tenet of our Catholic faith. We profess it every time we recite the Nicene Creed at Sunday Mass: "...I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come."

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Oct. 25

5:00 PM ~Mary Veenhuis, healing, by May Veenhuis
~George DeGeorge, deceased, by Kristina Bandy
~Edgardo Quiambao, deceased, by Ed & Liza Abarientos

Sunday, Oct. 26

7:30 AM ~Connie Dimech, deceased, by Rose Fonda
9:00 AM ~Mae Brosnan, deceased, by Gloria & Tom Fleming
11:00 AM ~The Rodriguez & Santos family, special intention, by Jason Rodriguez
5:00 PM ~Parishioners of Holy Trinity

Monday, Oct. 27

8:15 AM ~Anne Jawin, deceased, by Vicky Jawin

Tuesday, Oct. 28

8:15 AM ~

Wednesday, Oct. 29

8:15 AM ~Rhonda Kennelly, deceased, by Jeremy & Bridget Youngers

Thursday, Oct. 30

8:15 AM ~Hal Martin, deceased, by Bill & Marie Martin

Friday, Oct. 31

8:15 AM ~Maria Lucia Garcia, special intention, by Eduardo Garcia
~Judy Conway, deceased, by Masterson family

Saturday, Nov. 1

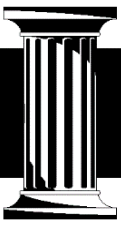
8:15 AM ~Parishioners of Holy Trinity

For DAILY READINGS

Please visit us @ holytrinityparish.org or www.usccb.org/bible/readings/102625.cfm

Spiritual Support for Families

If you or a family member needs an Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish office. After hours, follow the prompts to be connected directly to a priest: 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 Nov. 2

All Souls' Day

In next Sunday's Gospel, John 6:37-40, Jesus reminds his disciples of His unshakable love. It is the Father's will that the Son not lose any of the ones entrusted to him. The Son holds them firm in his grasp, and will not let them go, and will raise them up on the last day. We are given a song of hope in God's providential care for us in life and in death.

Reflection for families:

- Why are we taught to pray for the dead and acknowledge our ongoing communion with them?

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Into the Breach is a groundbreaking 12-episode video series from the Knights of Columbus that seeks to answer what it means to be a Catholic man in today's world. Inspired by Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted's apostolic exhortation to Catholic men, Into the Breach tells men they are made for greatness and challenges them to achieve it by founding their lives on God and pursuing heroic virtue.

Each episode explores a different aspect of authentic Catholic masculinity and features well-known Catholic speakers, as well as the personal story of a man who has deeply experienced the episode's topic in his own life. Speakers include Dr. Scott Hahn, Fr. Mike Schmitz, Jason Evert and many others.

Auction/Raffle Items Needed

Help us raise the funds for the new church monument on **November 2** at the Fall Festival. We need your talents and treasures. Search your wallet for unused gift cards for our Mystery Gift Card Basket. Or donate a nice bottle of wine for our Wall of Wine built by Deacon Dan.



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Confirmation Groups Update

St. Teresa of Avila Group:

- Congratulations to our newly confirmed St. Teresa of Avila Group! We will email you the link to photos and the notification about your Confirmation Certificates as soon as they are available.

St. Ursula Group:

- Your next Combined Session, "Source," is scheduled for either Tuesday, **November 4** (5:30-7:00 PM) **OR** Sunday, **November 9** (10:15-11:45 AM) in the Social Center. All candidates must attend with a parent or sponsor.
- All Confirmation sponsors are asked to attend our Zoom Orientation on Thursday, **November 6** at 6:30 PM. The Zoom link will be emailed to you, and you are asked to send it to your sponsor.

St. Vincent Ferrer Group:

New Confirmation group forming! Please contact Kim Jones to register: 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.

Do justice and compassion go together?



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SIR 35:12-14, 16-18; PS 34: 2-3, 17-19, 23; 2 TM 4:6-8, 16-18
LK18:9-14

In last week's readings, we were encouraged to remain persistent and constant in our prayer life. Today, we focus on the proper attitude of a steward at prayer.

In the Gospel passage from Luke, Jesus illustrates the humble attitude we must have as we approach God in prayer through a parable of two praying men. One is a Pharisee, a man with respected status, theological training, and all the right credentials. He marches right up to the front of the temple to speak a prayer "to himself," thanking God for making him just a little bit superior to everyone else!

The other man is a tax collector, known by those of his day to be a cheater and a sell-out to his fellow Jews. In contrast to the Pharisee, he stands near the back and cries out to God in a simple and honest way: "Be merciful to me a sinner."

Jesus tells us that it is the tax collector and not the Pharisee who leaves the temple justified. Why?

The Pharisee was full of himself as he approached God. He felt no real need for God as he rattled off his resume of good works and spiritual practices. He was simply going through the motions of prayer. His lack of humility prevented him from entering into a real dialogue with the Father. He was not transformed by his time of prayer because he was so full of himself that He left God no space to enter in. In essence, he thought so highly of himself that he couldn't see his way to find the humble pathway leading to God.

The tax collector, by contrast, emptied himself as he approached God. He recognized who he truly was (a sinner) and asked simply for mercy, leaving all the rest up to God. (Recall Pope Francis' request when he first was announced as Pope, when he asked – "Pray for me, a sinner.") This is the kind of attitude that God can work with!

This is how we as good stewards should pray — with trust, with honesty, with complete openness to God's will, and with a listening mind and heart, and ready to serve as God leads.

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Some thoughts from Deacon Jim:

This gospel reminds us that God is both compassionate and just. While these two concepts may seem to be opposites, with our God they are compatible because he always invites us to a deeper understanding of his love and forgiveness. Today's parable is not about condemnation of the Pharisee, but about his need to seek repentance and to be open to an opportunity for a deeper conversion. His self-righteousness is contrasted to the humble prayer of the tax collector.

As we think about this gospel, ask yourself if in your prayer life you are more like the Pharisee or the tax-collector. Do we cry out to God acknowledging our sinfulness and making space for his grace to work in our lives? If not, why? As a member of the Body of Christ on earth, we are called to proclaim who God is in our lives by how we live and act. We are invited to act as God would act in all our dealings with our brothers and sisters – with compassion and justice. In Psalm 98: 8 we read, "He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with fairness." Let's try to do the same by our lives.

Grief Share:

Surviving the Holidays

The Holy Trinity Parish Bereavement Ministry is hosting a Grief Support seminar for those facing the upcoming holidays after a loved one's death. The Grief Share program features video interviews with Christian experts on grief & recovery, as well as personal testimony from people who have experienced the holidays after the loss of a loved one. Join us on Saturday, **November 15** from 2:00 PM – 4:30 PM in the Media Center. There is no charge for this event. Registration is required by November 10. To register or for more details contact Carmelinda Moy 916-933-4287, or Wanda Matus 916-947-6657 or email bereavement.http@gmail.com.



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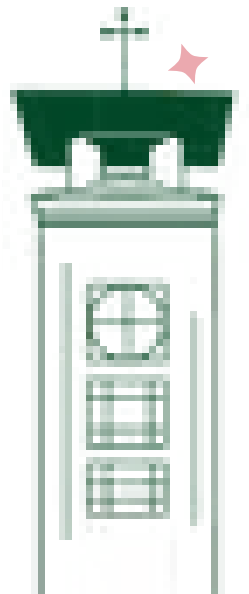
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