

# 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 9:00 AM-5:00 PM	
*LIVESTREAM	

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Pastor

Fr. Shaji Puthenpurackal  
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Jim Hopp  
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Parish Life Director

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Facilities Manager

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Administrative Assistant

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Director of Faith Formation

Denise Remick  
School Ministry Principal

Rob Sabino  
Director of Music Ministries

## 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 10, 2025**

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please visit our website for more about Parish Life:  
[www.holytrinityparish.org](http://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:

Aug. 9/10	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection – Church in Latin America
Aug. 10	Reception for Jeremy Youngers in View rm. after 9 & 11 AM Masses
Aug. 13	Holy Trinity School Ministry First Day of School
Aug. 15	Solemnity of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:15 AM & 6:30 PM
Aug. 16	Divine Mercy Chaplet & Reception after 8:15 AM Mass
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
Sept. 1	Parish Office closed – Labor Day
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.
Oct. 12	Confirmation Mass 1:30 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.*

### 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 Holy Trinity SVDP Conference meets on the first and third 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 at [daschka@comcast.net](mailto:daschka@comcast.net) or Deacon Jim.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection This Weekend

This weekend, **August 9 and 10**, we will have a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection benefiting the Church in Latin America. Proceeds from this collection go directly to support the work of pastoral projects in Mexico, Central and South America, and the Caribbean and supports catechetical and lay programs in Latin America. For information: [www.usccb.org/latinamerica](http://www.usccb.org/latinamerica).

### Part-Time Janitor Needed

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

### Jeremy Youngers, Parish Life Director

After almost 7 years of service at Holy Trinity, Jeremy Youngers will be leaving our parish effective August 15. We are so grateful for the dedication and faithfulness Jeremy has shown while serving as Parish Life Director. Please join us in the View room Sunday, **August 10** after the 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM Masses for a reception to wish Jeremy, Bridget and their family all of God's blessings in their next endeavor.



### Luau Dinner & Dance

There are only a few tickets left for the Luau Dinner & Dance hosted by the Filipino Community Ministry,

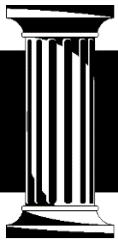


happening **Saturday, August 23**, 6:00 – 11:00 PM at the Holy Trinity Social Center.

Tickets are \$50 each and all proceeds will benefit this year's Simbang Gabi celebration. Don't miss out on this fun evening of food, music, dancing, raffles and fellowship! To purchase tickets or for more information, please contact Evelyn Meurell at 510-449-1332.

### Vehicle Gates

The Vehicle Gates are expected to be operating in about 2 weeks. The Main Entrance Gates are scheduled to be open from 6:00 AM – 8:00 PM daily; other gates will be subject to closure according to school hours and other factors. All Mechanical Exit Gates will open when you pull up to the White Line approaching the Exit. Please use caution when approaching any gates.



# 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."*

## Divine Mercy Ministry Chaplet & Reception

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month, our ministry will host a chaplet and reception. Join us after morning Mass **Saturday, August 16**. We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet for your intentions after the 8:15 AM Mass followed by a reception in the View room with homemade bakery items, coffee and fellowship. Pick up free information on the Divine Mercy devotion and speak to our members on how they have benefited from our weekly meetings on Wednesdays at 2:30 PM in the View room.

## Divine Mercy Ministry

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



*"The two rays denote Blood and Water. The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for Blood which is the life of souls... These rays shield souls from the wrath of My Father. Happy is the one who dwells in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him." (Diary 299)*

Monthly Marriage Challenge

**August: Appreciation Challenge**

Challenge:  
Write a heartfelt letter to your spouse expressing your appreciation for them and read it aloud to them.

Strengthen your marriage  
one appreciation at a time!



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## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, Aug. 9

5:00 PM ~

### Sunday, Aug. 10

7:30 AM ~

9:00 AM ~Rosie Blomsterberg, deceased, by  
Kenneth Blomsterberg

~Anita O'Shea, deceased, by Joe O'Shea

11:00 AM ~Parishioners of Holy Trinity

5:00 PM ~

### Monday, Aug. 11

8:15 AM ~Frank Wolverton, healing, by Eleanor  
Pigitore

~Preston O'Dowd, healing, by Portia  
Jocson

### Tuesday, Aug. 12

8:15 AM ~

### Wednesday, Aug. 13

8:15 AM ~

### Thursday, Aug. 14

8:15 AM ~Jesus Gonzalez Ilamas, deceased, by  
Julianna Martinez

### Friday, Aug. 15

8:15 AM ~Parishioners of Holy Trinity

6:30 PM ~Parishioners of Holy Trinity

### Saturday, Aug. 16

8:15 AM ~Hazel-Kay Yurong, birthday, by Cecile  
Yurong

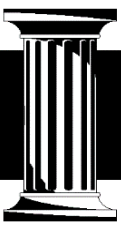
## For DAILY READINGS

Please visit us @ [holyltrinityparish.org](http://holyltrinityparish.org) or  
[www.usccb.org/bible/readings/081025.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/081025.cfm)

## Respect Life Ministry

The RLM is hosting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual **Mommies to "Bee"** Baby Shower benefiting Pregnancy Counseling Services and the Mother Teresa Maternity Home. Through August 16, take a "bee" from the Narthex which lists the needed item and return item to the bassinette by August 20. For more information, contact Amber Lozano: [alloz0613@gmail.com](mailto:alloz0613@gmail.com).





# 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. 17 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In next Sunday's Gospel, Luke 12:49-53, Jesus startles his disciples when he declares that he has come not to bring peace but division. He pointed out that his coming would divide households and that they can't be his disciples unless they are willing to let go even of their families. Following Jesus is not easy. Today as in the first century, people who choose to follow Jesus sometimes find themselves at odds with family members who can't understand their choice. As the Gospel points out, living as true followers of Christ is often uncomfortable.

### Reflection for families:

- Even if it makes you uncomfortable, could you share something about your Christian life with a friend or colleague? You could be an authentic witness that another needs to hear.

## 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](http://www.formed.org/summer-with-the-saints).

## 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) **OR** 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](mailto:confirmation@holytrinityparish.org)

### St. Vincent Ferrer Group:

- New Confirmation group forming! Please contact Kim Jones to register at: [kjones@holytrinityparish.org](mailto:kjones@holytrinityparish.org)

## 2025-2026 Faith Formation Registration Now Open

Our formation program is designed for the whole family with children in grades TK through the Celebration of Confirmation. For details, please click on the QR code.







## 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.*

### What do I treasure by how I live my life?



#### **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

[WIS 18: 6-9; PS 33: 1, 12, 18-19, 20-22; HEB 11: 1-2, 8-19; LK 12:32-48 or LK 12: 35-40](#)

Whether you are just beginning your stewardship journey or have been living a stewardship way of life for years, today's readings invite us to ask ourselves an important question.

The question is this: "What do you treasure?" Of course, we all know the "right" answers: we treasure our faith, our family, and our friendships. Those are all good answers, but Jesus tells us in the Gospel passage from Luke how we can discover the real answer to this question. He says, "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be."

To know what we really treasure, we need to do a check on our hearts. We can ask ourselves questions like: "Where do I spend the majority of my energy? Where do I find my thoughts dwelling? How do I choose to spend my time when I find myself with a few spare moments? What do my spending habits reveal about what is important to me? And here's another one: Where is my mind during Mass?"

As Christian stewards, we are called to live our lives in grateful response to all that God has given us. To build and grow a healthy relationship with God. Do I recognize and treasure my relationship with God? Do I treasure the gifts God has given me and share them with others?

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#### **Some thoughts from Deacon Jim:**

"What do I treasure? This is a very thought-provoking question. If by "treasure" we mean money or wealth, our focus will be on acquiring more "net worth". If our focus is on power, our "treasure" will be on building our ego or our power base to dominate others (anyone come to mind?). What Jesus is trying to make us realize is that if we want to be with him in eternity, then we need to change our focus and we need to "treasure" his commandment to love and serve our neighbor in the same way that he (Jesus) loves us.

At the Last Supper, he said, "I give you a new commandment. Love one another as I have loved you... By this, everyone will know you are my disciples, if you love one another." (John 13:34-35) What do you treasure in your life? Do you show your love for others as Jesus loves you? If not, how might you change the focus of your life to make it closer to what Jesus taught and to strengthen your relationship with him? Don't try to change overnight. Baby steps work!

### 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](mailto:robsabino88@gmail.com) to start the process.

### The Holy Trinity Food Box

Did you know that the Food Box that is in the Narthex of the church has been part of our parish's community 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.

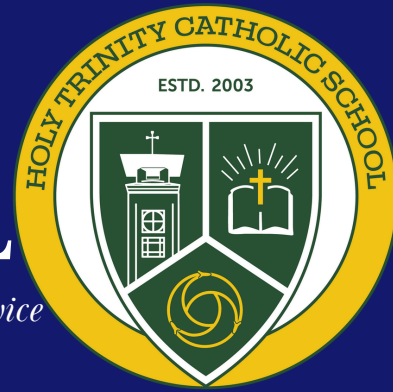
**"When I was hungry, you gave me to eat."** (Mt 25:35)





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