

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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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.

July 20, 2025

Sixteenth 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:

Jul. 20-25	Totus Tuus Summer Catechetical Program
Jul. 26-27	2 nd Collection – Mission Collection for Haiti
Aug. 8	Marriage Ministry – Couples' Date Night: Trivia
Aug. 13	Holy Trinity School Ministry First Day of School
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.
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.

2nd Collection Next Weekend

Haiti 180 Mission Appeal

As one of only two Catholic Parishes in the United States to regularly help Haiti 180 in their work to aid the people of Haiti, we will have a 2nd collection for this holy work **next** weekend, **July 26 and 27**. This upcoming collection is especially important to provide resources to Haiti 180 because of the current intrusion of violent gangs into the region where Haiti 180 does its ministry work with the village people.

While we are not able to, personally, go to Haiti and render care ourselves, our monetary donations provide the funding for childhood education, health care, elder care, clothing, sanitation, and shelter. Please consider how we are responding to Jesus' call to be light for those in darkness. To learn more about Haiti 180, please visit: <https://haiti180.com/story/>.

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MINISTRY

LUAU

DINNER/DANCE

**SATURDAY,
AUGUST 23, 2025
6:00PM – 11:00PM**

HTP SOCIAL CENTER

TICKET PRICE: \$50
**RESERVATION
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THE 2025 HTP SIMBANG GABI

Monthly Marriage Challenge

July: Tech-Free Challenge

Challenge:

Dedicate one night a week to
be completely tech-free
(no phones, TV, or computers)
and focus on each other.

Strengthen your marriage
one conversation at a time!

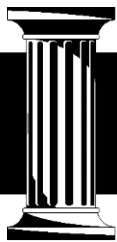


Sponsored by:

Holy Trinity Marriage Ministry

Bereavement Ministry

The Bereavement Ministry at Holy Trinity Parish is hosting a "Grieving the Loss of a Child" grief support group session to those experiencing such a devastating loss. This is an opportunity to learn about grief and to share your experiences and challenges in a safe and confidential environment. There is no cost to attend. Our goal is to assist you in finding hope as you grieve. The meeting will be held on Saturday, August 9 from 2:00 – 4:00 PM in the View Room. For questions or to register contact Carmelinda Moy (916) 933-4287 or Wanda Matus (916) 947-6657, or bereavement.htp@gmail.com. Pre-registration is required.



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

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 Ministry

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



"Pray as much as you can for the dying. By your entreaties, obtain for them trust in My mercy, because they have most need of trust and have it the least." (Diary 1777)

Respect Life Ministry

Holy Trinity's Respect Life Ministry is hosting the Third Annual Community Baby Shower for Mommies to "Bee" benefiting the Pregnancy Counseling Services & the Mother Teresa Maternity Home, both located in Placerville, California. You will have the opportunity to participate **August 2 - 16, 2025**. Please visit the display in the Narthex and take a "bee" which lists a needed item and return to the bassinette by August 20. For more information, contact Amber Lozano: alloz0613@gmail.com.

Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services

Learn about Catholic Funeral and Burial Rites at Holy Trinity Parish **Sunday, July 27** any time between 7:30 AM – 5:00 PM. Representatives from Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services of the Diocese of Sacramento will be available in the View room to guide you and your family in planning ahead for the end of life. Give your family the gift of love and peace.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Jul. 21

8:15 AM ~

Tuesday, Jul. 22

8:15 AM ~

Wednesday, Jul. 23

8:15 AM ~Pat Fussman, deceased, by Kim Koos

Thursday, Jul. 24

8:15 AM ~

Friday, Jul. 25

8:15 AM ~Aurora Sturgeon, deceased, by Loren Kathleen Sturgeon

Saturday, Jul. 26

8:15 AM ~Aurora Sturgeon, deceased, by Loren Kathleen Sturgeon

~Katie Koos, birthday, by Dan & Kim Koos

5:00 PM ~John LesCallett, healing, by Donna Richmond

~Margaret Graiko, deceased, by Donna Richmond

~Karla Francis, deceased, by Carol Medina

Sunday, Jul. 27

7:30 AM ~Patrick Kilcoyne, deceased, by Patrick O'Malley

~Dolores Vincent, deceased, by Vincent family

~Rosie Blomsterberg, deceased, by Twede family

9:00 AM ~Aurora Sturgeon, deceased, by Loren Kathleen Sturgeon

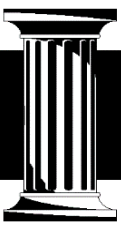
11:00 AM ~Robert Terry, deceased, by Caulfield family

~Leo & Maude DeStefano, deceased, by Carol Medina

5:00 PM ~Parishioners of Holy Trinity

For DAILY READINGS

Please visit us @ holytrinityparish.org or www.usccb.org/bible/readings/072025.cfm



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 July 27 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In next Sunday's Gospel, Luke 11:1-13, Jesus teaches his disciples to pray with Abraham's boldness. First, he teaches the Lord's Prayer. Then he tells them a parable about persistence. The point is not that God needs to be pestered. Just as God remained standing before Abraham, waiting for him to make a request, God is the friend who lies always awake on the other side of the door, eagerly awaiting a knock.

Reflection for families:

- How does the Lord's Prayer relate to the parable of the friend at midnight?

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.

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

St. Vincent Ferrer Group:

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

Was Martha Really a Whiner?

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

[GN 18: 1-10A](#); [PS15:2-5](#); [COL 1:24-28](#); [LK 10:38-42](#)



In today's Gospel reading from St. Luke, we receive a reminder about the proper use of the gift of time, a fundamental aspect of a stewardship way of life. Our passage highlights a famous dinner party, recalling when Martha and Mary hosted our Lord in their home. We are told that Martha, as a good steward, welcomes Christ in but then becomes "burdened with much serving" while her sister and fellow hostess chooses to simply sit with Jesus, listening to Him speak.

Martha becomes indignant at Mary's behavior and complains (whines?) to Jesus, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." But Jesus, in His infinite wisdom, refuses to get pulled into this sisterly spat. Instead, He offers Martha a fresh way to look at the situation. "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing."

What is that one thing? It is to put Jesus first in our lives and above all other things; to "sit at his feet" and listen as Mary did, giving Him the priority of our time no matter how busy we think we are. When we truly commit to putting Christ first in our daily lives through a regular time of prayer and frequent participation in the sacraments, we will find that all our other concerns become less pressing, less overwhelming.

Why is this so? Because the time we invest in our relationship with God saturates all aspects of our lives with His grace. And because God cannot be outdone in generosity, He will abundantly reward any sacrifice we make to spend time with Him.

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Some thoughts from Deacon Jim:

(First, I apologize for the length of these "thoughts.") Martha is not a "whiner." She's a doer. If it wasn't for Martha and people like her, we'd never eat; we'd just sit and contemplate. I'm a doer, I always have been.

The problem with being a doer only is that you never stop to "smell the roses." Jesus' message to Martha is not to stop doing things that need to be done, but to take time to focus on what is more important in her life - to stop complaining about her sister Mary and look at how she (Martha) might be able to change her life to take some time to pause, even if everything isn't done perfectly.

Let me give you an example. A number of years ago when I was travelling a great for my work, I missed seeing a good friend at the airport because I was so focused on getting one last email sent. He had a brain tumor and was waiting to board the flight to a different city than I was flying to. His wife came over and told me he wanted to see me, but I said, "I'll be there in a few minutes." By the time I finished the email, they had boarded, and the aircraft door was closed, and I didn't get to see him. He died two days later.

That's what Jesus meant, "There is need of only one thing." In this case, that "one thing" was obviously to see my friend. Let me ask – What are you doing that is so important that it keeps you from doing that "one thing" of building your relationship with Jesus by prayer and attendance at Mass? I have no idea what that email was about, but I will never forget not saying goodbye to my friend Frank. Use the gift of time wisely. Focus on what is truly important.

Carmelite Monastery Benefit Dinner

The Auxiliary of the Carmelite Sisters in Georgetown is hosting a benefit dinner on Saturday, **August 23** at St. Clare Catholic Church in Roseville. This dinner will be held from 6:00-9:00 PM and will include a drawing for a beautiful quilt handmade by the Auxiliary, a silent auction and raffle prizes. Registration is \$50 and can be completed online at carmeliteauxiliary.org or email us at carmelitehelpers@gmail.com. Seating is limited so get your tickets soon. Good will donations can also be made if you are unable to attend. Thank you!

Fire Safety

During the hot summer months, the risk of grass fire is great. Please do not back your car into the spaces where the exhaust can ignite the dry grass. Thank you for your cooperation.



COUPLES' DATE NIGHT: TRIVIA

HAVE FUN AND
WIN PRIZES

Friday
August 8

Holy Trinity Parish
Media Center - Room 205
Doors open: 06:30pm
Game starts: 07:00pm

FREE

All couples
welcome –
married,
engaged, or
dating, any
age!



SCAN TO RSVP



QUESTIONS?
paul.stephanie.francois@comcast.net

Teacher of Prayer ST. TERESA OF AVILA

Mondays | 5:30 pm
beginning August 11th
in the Youth Room

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