

Holy Trinity Church



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Holy Trinity Catholic Church
475 N. Hwy 92, P.O. Box 304
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Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m.
In Spanish: 7:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.
Holy Days: 9:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Weekday Masses: See bulletin

Contact office for help with transportation to church

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Parish Code: BFRHHH

Confessions:

- Saturday afternoons 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
- Sunday morning 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.
- First Saturday of each month before Mass at 8:15 a.m. and after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.
- Heard upon request.

Sunday, January 6, 2019

The Epiphany of the Lord

The three kings in today's Gospel traveled a great distance at considerable cost to offer their richest gifts to the Infant Jesus. How far will I go and what will I offer to do homage to this newborn King and Savior?

Prayers for the Week

- Father, make me consistent, faithful, and wise.
- Father, give me Your kind of Christmas.
- Father, on this day of the Christmas season, give me "love from a pure heart, a good conscience, and a sincere faith."
- Father, may I break new ground in love and climb higher than I've ever been before.
- Father, by Your love, fill me with jubilation forever.
- Father, on this Epiphany, give me the Christmas Spirit no matter what. May I want the Spirit more than I want pleasure, comfort, and acceptance from others.

CCD Class Times (In Trinity Hall):

- Pre-School thru 6: 9:00 - 10:15 a.m. Sunday
- Grades 7 thru 12: 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Wednesday

Meetings:

- Council of Catholic Women: 2nd Monday of Month at 7pm
- Knights of Columbus: 4th Tuesday of Month at 7:15 pm
- Pastoral Council: As Scheduled
- Spiritual Life Committee: 2nd Tuesday of Month at 7:15 pm
- Legion of Mary: Weekly on Saturday at 2pm in Trinity Hall
- His Majesty's Gift Shop: Open Before and After Mass

Baptism:

- Please contact Fr. Patrick or the Church Office at least 4 weeks prior to the desired baptism date.
- Completion of the Baptismal Class is required.

Weddings:

- There is a six-month marriage preparation period in the Diocese of Knoxville.
- Contact Fr. Patrick for an appointment.

Planning to Move?

- Please keep your address and telephone number current on our church records.
- If you move out of the parish, we will need a forwarding address for your year-end contribution statements.

Parish Registration:

- If you attend Holy Trinity Church on a regular basis, you should complete a registration form.
- Remember that in order to receive sacraments (other than Confession or Eucharist), or to be a Godparent or Sponsor, you must be registered.
- Registration forms are available in the narthex & the church office & provide for the optional receipt of offertory envelopes. You may fill it out in the office, mail it, or drop it in the collection basket.

Dear Parishioners:

Merry Christmas! Still! One more week of Christmas still to go!

Here we are, at a new year. It is an American tradition to make New Year's resolutions, to take the opportunity of a new calendar to improve ourselves. Sometimes they are for our appearance, or getting ourselves organized, or improving our knowledge. Since the most important thing in our lives is our spiritual well-being, it would make sense to consider resolutions about improving that above all.

So, here is a short list of suggestions. It's not exhaustive, nor is it meant that all should be done at once. But surely each of us, if not doing them, can find one that is workable and beneficial.

Say grace before meals. There was a time, not long ago, when most Catholic families said grace before meals. Now, my impression is, not many do. It certainly is easy and takes only seconds. Why is it important? It makes us consider God in our lives on a daily basis and makes us be thankful. It might be the only time all day when we thank God whom we should be thanking constantly. For our children and/or grandchildren it sets a structure that can benefit them all their lives.

Pray the Rosary. I preached on this at the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, so I won't say more here.

Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Even shorter than the Rosary, it is a powerful prayer.

Go to a weekday Mass, once a week (or more). If you're not working at Mass time, what better do you have to do of a day? Seriously. What better could you be doing than receiving the Body and Blood of Christ?

Watch EWTN. Pick out a program or two or three to make a point of watching. Especially good ones include "Scripture and Tradition" with Fr. Mitch Pacwa, "Fr. Spitzer's Universe," or "The Journey Home." They are interesting and teach valuable lessons.

Get to Confession. At least once a month.

Get a good prayer book. And use it. One excellent way is to subscribe to *The Magnificat*. It's terrific, with a new issue for each month.

Read a good Catholic book. We have a good little library; why not use it?

How do you spend your time? Do you put God first or last? Does he even make the list?

Happy New Year's resolutions! (And you can say a prayer to St. Expeditus, patron saint against procrastination, to help you get going.)

Father Patrick

Your Year-end Contribution Statements

will only be mailed this year upon request. You can put your request in the collection basket—be sure your signature is on the request. Mark the envelope to Cheryl's attention. You can also call the office at 865-471-0347. Statements will be mailed at the end of January.



Wedding Anniversaries January 2019

Tom and Nancy Maursetter	1/15/1983	36 yrs
Jerry and Margaret Swope	1/15/1971	48 yrs
Nobuko and Terry Imanishi	1/15/1980	39 yrs
Peter and Diane Heinen	1/30/1965	54 yrs



The Parish of Baint in Haiti needs our help—can you help us send \$2,500 to them? Each January and July we take a special collection for our twinning parish. If you use envelopes, please use the gold one marked "Haiti Mission" for your contribution. However, if you don't receive envelopes, please be sure to mark your contribution "Haiti".



Sanctity of Human Life Sunday (SOHLS) is a day to celebrate the intrinsic value of all human life. This important day also provides an opportunity for pregnancy centers to share about the work they do to bring life-affirming resources to their communities and to empower women and men to choose life for their unborn children. The National Sanctity of Human Life Sunday is held on the Sunday in January that falls closest to the day on which the Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton decisions were handed down by the U.S. Supreme Court on January 22, 1973. **SOHLS will take place on Sunday January 20, 2019.**

PRO-LIFE NEWS AND NOTES: In conjunction with the annual MARCH FOR LIFE in Washington, DC, the Tennessee Right to Life, Knoxville chapter will sponsor a **MARCH FOR LIFE 2019, on Sunday, January 27th from 2:00-3:00pm.** There will be a brief prayer service in the Lecture Hall of the Knoxville Convention Center (701 Henley St.) at 2pm. There will then march a short distance past Knoxville's busiest abortion facility. Let your light shine for Christ—we all are able to do our part to end the holocaust of abortion in our lifetimes.

Our Weekly Mass Schedule

First Saturday Jan. 5 th	Mass at 9:00am For the special intentions of the Creech Family
Saturday Jan. 5 th	Mass at 5:00pm For Sean Resen+ by the parishioners
Saturday Jan. 5 th	Spanish Mass at 7:00pm For our parishioners by Fr. Patrick
Sunday Jan. 6 th	Mass at 10:30am For Mrs. Irene Florek by the Florek Family
Tuesday Jan. 8 th	Mass at 6:30pm For Patrick Coughlan+ by the parishioners
Wednesday Jan. 9 th	Mass at 9:00am For Ellen Coughlan+ by the parishioners
Thursday Jan. 10 th	Mass at 9:00am For Lucille & Gil Gilligan+ by the parishioners
Friday Jan. 11 th	Mass at 9:00am For Mrs. Irene Florek by her Grandchildren
Saturday Jan. 12 th	Mass at 5:00pm For Helen McGowan+ by the parishioners
Saturday Jan. 12 th	Spanish Mass at 7:00pm For our parishioners by Fr. Patrick
Sunday Jan. 13 th	Mass at 10:30am For Manual Manalili+ by the Manalili family



Food Pantry— Thank you for your contributions this weekend to the food pantry. The children at Kingswood School are sure to enjoy the food we send them. Your gift will bring smiles to their faces.

Parents...take your kids out for "brunch"

at the Knights of Columbus annual brunch on Sunday, January 27th, immediately following Mass. The brunch includes foods ranging from scrambled eggs, breakfast meats, assorted casseroles and muffins, to baked ham and an assortment of luncheon items. Tickets are on sale in the narthex until January 26th. Please buy your tickets beforehand so the Knights know how much food to prepare. However, if you don't buy a ticket in the narthex, they will also be sold at the door. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children with Pre-School and under free. The maximum cost for a family is \$30. Come and enjoy a scrumptious meal!

Thank you to all the cantors who in 2018 gave of their time and talent to lead the songs for Mass. As Psalm 156 says "*Let everything that breathes sing praises to the Lord.*" What wonderful blessings our cantors have received.

Thank you to all the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who in 2018 gave of their time to reverently assist with the distribution of the Body or Blood of our Lord.

Holy Trinity's Christmas Masses Stewardship

Masses on Dec 24th/25th Attendance: 462

Envelope/Offertory: ½ to Parish— \$2,152.43
½ to Diocese—\$2,152.42

Thank you to all the Altar Servers who in 2018 gave of their time to assist Fr. Patrick in the celebration of the liturgy during Mass. They each received the priceless gift of serving others.

Sin will take you farther than you wanted to go,
keep you longer than you wanted to stay, and take
more than you were ever willing to give.

Saturday, January 12 th 5:00pm	
Deacon	Jack Raymond
Lector	Scott Mulligan
Servers	Elli & Jazdin Weatherbie
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Karen Booker Michelle Byron

Sunday, January 13 th 10:30am	
Deacon	Jim Prosak
Lector	Frank Longo
Servers	Josh LaMonte Chloe Prosak
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Sue Burch Barb Rogers

Holy Trinity's Parish Stewardship

Attendance for	5:00pm	7:00pm	10:30am
12/30/18	81	58	153

Envelope and Offertory Collections

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Month-to-Date</u>
Collection: \$	8,092	Collection: \$ 27,480
Fixed Expense: \$	<u>5,224</u>	Fixed Expense: \$ <u>26,121</u>
Difference: \$	2,868	Difference: \$ 1,359

Spiritual Life Committee will meet in the Parish Life Center on Tuesday, January 8th after the 6:30pm Mass.

Thank you to all the sacristans who in 2018 gave of their time to prepare the altar for the Celebration of the Most Holy Eucharist. What a priceless gift they each received.

Life is a journey.
When we stop, things don't go right.
(Pope Francis)

Thank you to all lectors who in 2018 gave of their time to read the first (old testament) and second (new testament) readings to our congregation during Mass.

Prayer Requests: Norma Jean Budde (David Budde's mother), Carol Bueti (Anna Laarz's cousin), Sandie Caldiero (Jennifer LaMonte's mother), Mike Carey, Sarah Cole, Dick Curran, Alice Dodge, Peter Dodge, Polly Freund, JoAnn Hopko, Tom Karpick, Joseph Donald Lavelle (son of Betty Jo & Joe Lavelle), Joe Lavelle, Gregory Lennon, Jean Messier (Jan Krasinki's sister), Joan Mitchell (Teresa Mabe's mom), Donna McCormack (Evangeline Webster's daughter), Jack McCoy, Mary Morin, Janet Potts, Laura Povitch (daughter of Gregory & Lorrain Lennon), Angie Prosak (Deacon Jim's mom), Jim Ray, Sandy Reagle, Mary Ellen Resen (Fr. Patrick's mom), Jim Shannon, Kathy Shannon (Therese & Jim Shannon's daughter), Kristy Spivey (Greg & Polly Freund's daughter), Helen Ruth and Ralph Welsby (Mary Legge's parents) and Lu Windham.

You don't need a computer to give Online. Many people prefer making payments and enjoy the convenience of not having to write checks. Holy Trinity is able to accept online giving. Rest assured, we have selected a company that is approved by our Diocese and has excellent online security. If you wish to give in this manner, please go to our website htjctn.org and in the upper right-hand corner is the tab for online giving. Follow the simple steps by creating your profile and select your method of payment, which can be entered as a one-time gift or a recurring contribution. If you don't have a computer or if you have any questions about online giving, please call Cheryl at the church office (865-471-0347).

General Housekeeping: If you or someone you know needs a person to do general housekeeping please call our parishioner Patricia Leonard at 865-789-0118. This is the new phone number if you were unable to reach her previously.



It's a significant problem

Many of our parishioners are changing from "land lines" to cell phones. For some parishioners we have no phone numbers. Would you please call the parish office at 865-471-0347 to let us know of any changes?

Save the Date - Married Couples and

Priests: The birth of our Lord and Savior was a chance to renew mankind around the world. Renew your world by considering a WWME weekend experience, and learning tools and techniques for better communication and relationships. Upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are March 1st - 3rd and May 3rd - 5th. You can get more information or apply online at GATN-wwme.org or by calling 678-242-WWME.

Significance of Gold, Frankincense &

Myrrh The Magi presented Jesus with gold, frankincense and myrrh. These gifts were very prophetic for they spoke of our Lord's offices of King, Priest, and Savior. **Gold:** This carries obvious significance. It's precious and worthy across all cultures and times. It's a gift fit for royalty. It says to the Christ child, You are a King. **Frankincense:** Ancient people burned frankincense, believing it to carry their prayers to heaven. Its use as incense illustrates His role as our Priest. **Myrrh:** The Egyptians made it famous in Biblical times, having acquired myrrh about the fifteenth century B.C. from Africa. It was used in incense, perfumes and holy ointments, but its most notable use to them was that of an embalming material, used in Egyptian mummies. As an embalming ointment it signified that Jesus was born to Die for the world. In fact, Myrrh was one of the burial spices of Jesus (John 19:39).

The Council of Catholic Women (CCW) will not meet in January-February, 2019. Meetings will resume on Monday, March 11, 2019 at 7pm.

HopeLine® from Verizon Wireless helps support victims and survivors of domestic violence while ensuring that phones are reused or recycled in an environmentally responsible way. Anyone can donate no-longer-used phones (from any provider), batteries and accessories to HopeLine; Verizon then uses the proceeds from these donations to provide cash grants to domestic violence organizations across the United States. Please place your donation in the white can in the church narthex.

Thou hast made us for Thyself,
O Lord; and our heart is restless
until it rests in Thee.

(Saint Augustine)