

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

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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, February 3, 2019 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah declares that the Lord knew him before he was born, and dedicated and appointed him to his role as prophet even before he drew breath. We, too, are known and sent by the Lord. What deeds of love and service are mine to perform?

Prayers for the Week

- Abba, may I live in love and live in You.
- Jesus, help us to keep our eyes fixed on You.
- Father, I renounce all roots and acts of bitterness in my life. Set me free to bring Your heart-melting love to a bitter, angry world.
- Father, give me the grace to forgive, be healed, and evangelize.
- Father, may we care only about Your plan.
- Father, I trust in You in the most difficult times.

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:

Pope St. John Paul was a man of prayer. A serious man of prayer. He spent hours each day in prayer, and it's not as if he had copious free time. But he made it a priority. He was always deeply a man of prayer, but as pope he recognized it even more than before. He said prayer was his first duty as pope to "obtain hope from God and to be able to make things better." That's something we can all take in and realize when we set time for prayer—or don't.

Did you know there was one prayer he made a point of saying each day? One prayer that was a foundation for his prayer life, and that is the *Veni Creator Spiritus*, or "Come Holy Spirit." Set to music it is one of the most used hymns in the Catholic Church. It is a beautiful and haunting hymn in Gregorian chant ("The Church acknowledges that Gregorian chant as especially suited to the Roman liturgy," "Gregorian chant should be given a privileged place" in liturgy. *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, the constitution on the sacred liturgy of Vatican Council II). It is sung when the college of cardinals enters the Sistine Chapel to elect a new pope, the consecration of a bishop, Confirmation, the profession of vows of religious, and Pentecost, but, of course, often used at other times as well. It is believed to have been written by Rabanus Maurus (780-856), a Frankish Benedictine monk, later Archbishop of Mainz in Germany. But it is a prayer and can indeed be said without music, as St. John Paul did every day. Here it is:

Come Holy Spirit, Creator blest and in our hearts take up thy rest; come with thy grace and heavenly aid to fill the hearts which thou hast made. O Comforter, to thee we cry, O heavenly gift of God most high, O fount of life and fire of love, and sweet anointing from above.

Thou in thy sevenfold gifts are known; thou, finger of God's hand we own; thou, promise of the Father, thou who dost the tongue with

Kindle our sense from above, and make our hearts overflow with love; with patience firm and virtue high the weakness of our flesh supply.

Far from us drive the foe we dread, and grant us thy peace instead, so shall we not, with thee for guide, turn from the path of life aside.

O may thy grace on us bestow the Father and the Son to know, and thee, through endless times confessed, of both the eternal Spirit blest.

Now to the Father and the Son, who rose from death, be glory given, with thou, O Holy Comforter, henceforth by all in earth and heaven. Amen.

Pope John Paul II prayed it every day; he became a saint.

Father Patrick

Women's Retreat on Saturday, March 16

at All Saints Catholic Church in Knoxville from 9am-3pm. Discover Pope St. John Paul II's "Theology of the Body" through a day of prayer and reflection. Conferences will be offered by Sr. Anna Marie McGuan, RSM, SSL, Director of the Office of Christian Formation for the Diocese of Knoxville. This one-day retreat is free of charge and lunch is included. To register or for more information please contact Sr. Anna Marie at srannamarie@dioknox.org.

Bingo Game Night/Potluck Dinner will be hosted by the Parish-Family Life Committee on Saturday February 23rd after Mass. There will be a "White Elephant" so please bring one wrapped item, that can be enjoyed by either gender, so there are prizes for each game. Anyone wanting to join us for the potluck dinner after Saturday's Mass should bring an "international" food item to share. Bingo will start at 7pm. For questions contact Donna Dunn of Parish-Family Life Committee at 631-495-0931.

PRO-LIFE NEWS AND NOTES: The Tennessee Right to Life sponsored MARCH FOR LIFE, KNOXVILLE last Sunday was inspiring and encouraging. The prayerful presence of about 1,000 pro-life people marching past the busiest abortion facility in Knoxville steeled our pro-life stance that we must continue the fight to save babies and moms from the evil of abortion. The March came five days after New York's abortion law was updated and strengthened. New York Governor Andrew Cuomo signed the Reproductive Health Act into law. The law states that abortion is legal throughout all nine months of pregnancy. The law also makes it clear that other medical professionals, not just licensed physicians can perform abortions. Signing this bill into law instigated much applause and cheering by all the lawmakers and supporters present. Also this last week, Virginia Governor Ralph Northam is touting the Repeal Act which legalizes abortion up to and just after birth. The governor, when explaining the law in a matter-of-fact manner, stated that babies that have been deemed to have birth defects, would be allowed to be born, kept comfortable and even resuscitated if necessary, and then the mother and her doctor would decide whether the baby would be allowed to live. We are reaching a critical mass of evil in this country. It is time to not only pray but to speak out about these laws that allow the killing of innocent human life even at the time of birth.

Our Weekly Mass Schedule

First Saturday Feb. 2 nd	Mass at 9:00am For Kathleen Austin+ by our parishioners
Saturday Feb. 2 nd	Mass at 5:00pm For Jo Farmer+ by Deacon Jim, Cheryl & Chloe
Saturday Feb. 2 nd	Spanish Mass at 7:00pm For our parishioners by Fr. Patrick
Sunday Feb. 3 rd	Mass at 10:30am For the Diana Laarz Powell+ by Anna, Ron, Jack and Jonathan
Tuesday Feb. 5 th	Communion Service at 6:30pm
Wednesday Feb. 6 th	Communion Service at 9:00am
Thursday Feb. 7 th	Mass at 9:00am For Norma Jean Budde by our parishioners
Friday Feb. 8 th	Mass at 9:00am For Mrs. Wally Brownell+ by Fr. Patrick
Saturday Feb. 9 th	Mass at 5:00pm For Bruce & Sherri Kramer by the parishioners
Saturday Feb. 9 th	Spanish Mass at 7:00pm For our parishioners by Fr. Patrick
Sunday Feb. 10 th	Mass at 10:30am In honor of DT by Roger & Kristine Mynatt

Saturday, February 9 th 5:00pm	
Deacon	David Oatney
Lector	June Lich
Servers	Elli & Jazdin Weatherbie
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Andy Ladner Scott Mulligan

Sunday, February 10 th 10:30am	
Deacon	Matt Pidgeon
Lector	Karin Collins
Servers	Lorenzo Manalili Natalie Arnold
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Shari Nash Cecile Passi

Holy Trinity's Parish Stewardship

Attendance for	5:00pm	7:00pm	10:30am
01/27/19	108	68	150

Envelope and Offertory Collections

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Month-to-Date</u>
Collection: \$	4,923	Collection: \$ 20,291
Fixed Expense: \$	<u>5,224</u>	Fixed Expense: \$ <u>20,897</u>
Difference: \$	(301)	Difference: \$ (606)

Spiritual Life Committee will meet in Parish Life Center on Tuesday February 12th after the 6:30pm Mass.



Food Pantry—Thank you for your contributions this weekend to the food pantry. Your gift of food helps those in need in our area.

Laugh for Life is the theme for Life Outreach's annual fundraiser banquet. Save **Thursday, April 4th** at 6:30pm for this powerful evening. Holy Trinity sponsors five tables. For more information, call Cheryl at 865-471-0347

Mark your calendars! Our **Parish Lenten Mission** is March 17th-19th at 6:30pm. Sr. Anna Marie McGuan, RSM, will present: "The Mystery of the Cross in John's Gospel." Sister Anna Marie McGuan is a Religious Sister of Mercy of Alma, Michigan. Sr. Anna Marie was reared in Gary, IN, and entered the Institute of the Religious Sisters of Mercy in 2003. Prior to her response to religious life she spent one year at the US Military Academy, West Point NY. Her education includes studies at the Pontifical University Santa Croce in Rome as well as the Pontifical Biblical Institute, also in Rome. She holds, inter alia, a Licentiate in Sacred Scripture and is the Director of the Office of Religious Formation for the Diocese of Knoxville. She is a compelling and insightful teacher of Sacred Scripture. Mark the dates now!

We beat our goal. Due to your compassion and generosity, we collected

\$3,020 for our twinning parish, the Parish of Baint in Haiti.



When we send the money to the Parish of Baint, they will use it to help with their ongoing effort to build the Chapel of Saint Clements. Thank you to those of you that have opened your hearts and your wallets. Fr. Jean Claude Jolibois will be ecstatic when he hears this fantastic news. God bless you!

Welcome to our newest parishioners in January:

❖ William & Peggy Gilger

Save This Date!

Call to Love Marriage Conference

Saturday, March 23rd, 2019

Cathedral of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

\$25.00 per couple (lunch included)

Concludes with bilingual Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Instead of being just a church that welcomes and receives by keeping the doors open, let us try also to be a church that finds new roads, that is able to step outside itself and go to those who do not attend Mass, to those who have quit or are indifferent.

(Pope Francis)

Presentation of the Lord: Heavenly Father, on this Feast of Candlemas (the Presentation of Christ-February 2nd), I recall the gift Mary and Joseph gave to the world by offering baby Jesus to You in the temple. I offer up to You all the children in my family. I place them into Your perfect will and I turn their futures over to You. Help me to let go of my ideas of what they should do with their lives, and show me how to guide them into the purposes for which You created them. Help me to learn from the example of the Blessed Mother, whose heart was pierced by the sword of her Son's pain, how to always trust in Your plans. Holy Family, pray for us. Amen.

The Diocese of Knoxville Seminarians 2018-19

Below is a partial list of this year's seminarians. As we have room in the bulletin, we will highlight the names and addresses of the seminarians. Please keep them in your prayers and if possible, send them an encouraging card.

Seminarians	School Address
Stephen Hamby Birthdate: October 21	Holy Trinity Catholic Seminary 3131 Vance Hagan Drive Irving, TX 75062
Neil Blatchford Birthdate: August 29	Bishop Simon Bruté College 2500 Cold Spring Road Indianapolis, IN 46222
Bo Beaty Birthdate: September 25	Holy Trinity Catholic Seminary 3131 Vance Hagan Drive Irving, TX 75062
Andrew Hendershott Birthdate: October 3	Holy Trinity Catholic Seminary 3131 Vance Hagan Drive Irving, TX 75062

Fr. Patrick and the priests of our diocese are at their Gatlinburg study days on Feb. 4-6. Please lift them up in prayer on these days.

February 2nd is Groundhog Day (PA German:



Grundsaudaag, Murmeltiertag) a day of celebration. According to folklore, if it is cloudy when a groundhog emerges from its burrow on this day, then spring will come early; if it

is sunny, the groundhog will supposedly see its shadow and retreat back into its burrow, and the winter weather will continue for six more weeks. Modern customs of the holiday involve celebrations where early morning festivals are held to watch the groundhog emerging from its burrow. The largest Groundhog Day celebration is held in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, where crowds as large as 40,000 have gathered to celebrate the holiday since at least 1886. The celebration, which began as a Pennsylvania German custom in southeastern and central Pennsylvania in the 18th and 19th centuries, has its origins in ancient European weather lore, wherein a badger or sacred bear is the prognosticator as opposed to a groundhog. An early American reference to Groundhog Day can be found in a diary entry, dated February 4, 1841, of Berks County, Pennsylvania, storekeeper James Morris: "Last Tuesday, the 2nd, was Candlemas day, the day on which, according to the Germans, the Groundhog peeps out of his winter quarters and if he sees his shadow he pops back for another six weeks nap, but if the day be cloudy he remains out, as the weather is to be moderate." Did you predict what the groundhog will do this year?

Pray for our military personnel: Family members of parishioners on active duty include Dave & Linda Budde's son, Tech Sgt. Brett Budde (stationed at McGuire AFB), Polly & Greg Freund's granddaughter, Seaman Keyah Vison (stationed in Sicily, Italy), Kay McBride's grandsons, MSgt Martin Smith (stationed at Goodfellow AFB, TX.), TSgt Andrew Smith (stationed at RAF Lakenheath, England), and TSgt Todd Maker (stationed at Ramstein Air Base, Germany), Shari Nash's nephew, Col. Joe McKeon (stationed at West Point), Deacon Jim & Cheryl Prosak's nephew, ETR2 Dan Moreno (Stationed in Yokosuka, Japan), and Jim Smith's brother-in-law, Lt. Col. Paul Gunnison (stationed in Fort Irwin, CA).

Thank you Trish & Hal Morrill, and Eva Walker for giving of their time in January to prepare the altar for the Celebration of the Most Holy Eucharist. What a priceless gift they each received.