

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, May 12, 2019 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Paul and Barnabas encountered both violent rejection and joyful acceptance of the message that they preached. We, too, may meet with mixed reactions when we use our gifts in the service of God. But, the Gospel assures us, the reward for those who follow faithfully is eternal life.

Prayers for the Week

- Jesus, during this Easter time, may I fall deeply in love with You and say Your name accordingly.
- Father, give me a rock-solid, invincible faith in Jesus' divinity.
- Father, may I be for You a scout full of encouragement.
- Father, in this Easter season may a spiritual forest fire rage.
- Father, teach me to be what You want me to be. May my doing always come from my being in You.
- Father, make me a sheep by Your standards.

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
- 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:

The Devil. Satan. Beezlebub. Lucifer. Father of Lies. Whatever you call him, he is there and busy.

Every Tuesday night in Compline (Night Prayer), priests and Religious pray a short reading from the First Letter of Peter: "Stay sober and alert. Your opponent the devil is prowling like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, solid in your faith." (1 Peter 5:8-9a). It wouldn't hurt to pray that every night or every day.

Only a few weeks ago we heard of the temptation of Christ by the Devil in the Gospel of Matthew. And Jesus said to him: "Begone Satan!" And so must we say "begone Satan."

Perhaps the thing Satan wants most is for us not to believe in him. If we don't believe he exists, everything else he wants of us can fall into place. In fact, most Satanists say they don't believe in Satan. "Satan to us is a symbol of pride, liberty, and individualism. We do not believe in Satan as a being or person" as it says on one of their websites.

Pope Francis wrote on this in his 2018 Apostolic Exhortation *Gaudete et Exsultate*: "we should not think of the devil as a myth, a representation, a symbol, a figure of speech, or an idea. This mistake would lead us to let down our guard, to grow careless, and end up more vulnerable." And as William Kirkpatrick also notes in comment: "one of the devil's greatest achievements is to convince people he doesn't exist. Pope Francis hasn't fallen for that deception."

C.S. Lewis wrote a whole and entertaining book about how Satan works, using the device of letters from Satan to one of his young demons, *The Screwtape Letters*. (If you've never read it, you should. You really should.) In one of his letters Screwtape (Satan) writes to his minion, Wormwood, "It is funny how mortals always picture us putting things into their minds; in reality our best work is done by keeping things out." The devil doesn't want us to pray, to meditate on the love of God, to go to Mass or adoration or pray the Rosary. (Another of my favorite quotes from Lewis's book is: "Indeed the safest road to Hell is the gradual one—the gentle slope, soft underfoot, without sudden turnings, without milestones, without signposts.")

The wonderful spiritual writer and monk Fr. Jacques Philippe, in his little book *Eight Doors to the Kingdom*, notes that "People who don't believe in the devil are, I suspect, people who haven't really lived or preached the gospel seriously." He recommends we follow the advice of St. Paul: "Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." Or as St. Peter said: "stay sober and alert."

The devil is real, but God is real and we can resist the devil.

Father Patrick

Mother's Day: "The most important person on earth is a mother. She cannot claim the honor of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral--a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body. "The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to Heaven. Only a human mother can. Mothers are closer to God the Creator than all other creatures. God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation. "What on God's good earth is more glorious than this: to be a mother?"

-Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty

MOTHERS DAY

MOTHERS ARE A SPECIAL GIFT FROM
GOD OUR HEAVENLY FATHER ABOVE
OUR LIVES ARE SHAPED BY THEIR
KINDNESS AND BY THEIR LOVE
THEY GUIDE US DOWN ALL THE RIGHT
PATHS DURING OUR EARLY DAYS
HEAR THEM GIVE SOUND ADVICE TO US
THAT STAYS WITH US ALWAYS
EACH PASSING DAY WE ARE NURTURED
WITHIN OUR SPIRITUAL SOUL
RIGHT FROM WRONG IS TAUGHT TO US
TO BE OUR FINAL GOAL
SIN IS EXPLAINED AND HOW WE MUST
-REPENT TO BE SAVED

DO GOD'S WILL AND ASK JESUS FOR
HIS BLOOD HE FREELY GAVE
ALL OF HEAVEN WILL BE SHOUTING ON
THAT GLORIOUS OCCASION
YOU AND YOUR MOTHER WILL BE
GIVING PRAISES TO GOD'S SON

The Month of May is the "month which the piety of the faithful is especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," and it is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world [pay] to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance." (Paul VI: *Encyclical on the Month of May*, no. 1).

This weekend's sanctuary flowers are in memory of Eileen Glow, Richard George and Charles LaMonte by the LaMonte family

Our Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday May 11 th	Mass at 5:00pm For Ruth and Jerry Whalen + by Eileen & Joe Hatrick
Saturday May 11 th	Mass in Spanish at 7pm For our parishioners by Fr. Patrick
Sunday May 12 th	Mass at 10:30am For the 50 th wedding anniversary of Jim and Therese Shannon
Tuesday May 14 th	Mass at 6:30pm Leo Savard+ by the Knights of Columbus
Wednesday May 15 th	Mass at 9:00am Wayne Mackintosh+ by his wife Carol
Thursday May 16 th	Mass at 9:00am For Helen Ruth and Ralph Welsby by the parishioners
Friday May 17 th	Mass at 9:00am For Lu Windham by the parishioners
Saturday May 18 th	Mass at 5:00pm For Kenneth Schroer by his wife Kathy
Saturday May 18 th	Mass in Spanish at 7pm For our parishioners by Fr. Patrick
Sunday May 19 th	Mass at 10:30am For Bill Flaherty+ by the Knights of Columbus

Saturday May 18 th 5:00pm	
Deacon	Jim Prosak
Lector	June Lich
Servers	Andy Ladner Michael Love
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Bonita Giedrycz Marlene Holt

Sunday, May 19 th 10:30am	
Deacon	Jim Prosak
Lector	Hal Morrill
Servers	Josh LaMonte Dominik Solarz
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Frank Longo Trish Morrill

Holy Trinity's Parish Stewardship

Attendance for	5:00pm	7:00pm	10:30am
05/05/19	96	41	152

Envelope and Offertory Collections

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Month-to-Date</u>
Collection:	\$ 4,229	\$ 4,229
Fixed Expense:	\$ <u>6,209</u>	\$ <u>6,209</u>
Difference:	\$ (1,980)	\$ (1,980)

Thank you Jay Heaberlin, Jackson Holt, Andy Ladner, Ciannon Lehman, Mary Deary Lehman, Josh LaMonte, Nick LaMonte, Michael Love, Diego Manalili. Chloe Prosak, Samantha Richards, Elli Weatherbie, and Jazdin Weatherbie for your gift of being Altar Servers during the month of April.

PRO-LIFE NEWS AND NOTES: Spiritual Adoption of the Unborn--the babies we spiritually adopted last December are now in their sixth month of development in the womb. *During month 6 baby will grow from the size of a carrot to the size of an ear of corn. Baby's movements have gone from flutters to full-on kicks against the wall of the womb. Baby looks like a miniature newborn. Features such as lips and eyebrows are more distinct, but the pigment that will color his eyes is not present yet. His ears are getting better at picking up sounds; he is long and lean but chubbier times are coming. His skin is still thin and translucent but that will soon change as well.* Remember to share in celebrating the "birth" of our babies in August when the Spiritual Life Committee will host a "baby shower" in the narthex after weekend Masses--the baby gifts you donate will be presented to our local pregnancy assistance center, LOC. Take a minute to ponder God's miracle of human creation and the fact the God imbued women with infinite self-giving love and entrusted human beings to mothers. Saint Pope John Paul II held a deep respect for women and wrote eloquently about the dignity and vocation of women; this is one of numerous quotes: "Motherhood has been introduced into the order of the Covenant that God made with humanity in Jesus Christ. Each and every time that motherhood is repeated in human history, it is always related to the Covenant which God established with the human race through the motherhood of the Mother of God."

The Council of Catholic Women (CCW) invites all women of the parish to the meeting on Monday, May 13th at 7pm in the **Parish Life Center**. We look forward to seeing you.

Spiritual Life Committee will meet in Parish Life Center on Tuesday, May 14th after the 6:30 pm Mass.



The **Annual Parish Picnic** for parishioners & their house-guests only will be on **Sunday June 9th** after the 10:30am Mass. We are asking each family to sign-up for the needed food items; the Knights of Columbus will be grilling hot dogs and hamburgers. There will be places to sit at the picnic tables but you also may consider bringing your folding chairs. The kids will find games to play during the festivities. We hope to see all of you here.

We Need Your Help: Volunteers are needed to help with the Parish Picnic. It's a great way to meet parishioners you may not know while helping out with the success of our annual parish picnic. If you can help in any way, please contact Donna Dunn at (631) 495-0031.

Necesitamos su ayuda: Se necesitan voluntarios para ayudar con el picnic parroquial. Es una excelente manera de conocer feligreses que quizás no conozca mientras ayuda con el éxito de nuestro picnic anual parroquial. Si puede ayudar de alguna manera, comuníquese con Donna Dunn al (631) 495-0031.

Save these dates:

<p align="center">Parish Picnic June 9, 2019</p>
<p align="center">Appalachian Outreach Week July 15-19, 2019</p>
<p align="center">Catholic Kidz Camp TBD</p>

Time to turn in your Rice Bowls: CRS Rice Bowl wants to say thank you for your support this Lenten season. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl by the statue of the Holy Family in the narthex.

Amazing faith experiences this summer for your children in 5th - 12th grades! Go to dioknox.org, click on **EVENTS** tab, hover over **Categories** on the left, scroll down and click on **YOUTH**. All of the upcoming youth events will pop up.

Thank you Mike Searcy for planting the six new maple trees along the driveway as you first come into the church. When you see the trees think of Joseph Brang. The trees were purchased from the memorial contributions for him.

"Change for Life" to support Life Outreach (Mother's Day to Father's Day)

This weekend in the narthex you will find "empty" baby bottles. If you want to help this cause, take a bottle home and place it in a visible spot as a reminder to pray for the safety and salvation of mothers and their unborn babies. Any change you put in the bottle is an offering to help women who seek assistance at Life Outreach Center.

The Christian who does not feel that the Virgin Mary is his or her mother is an orphan. (Pope Francis)

Congratulations to this year's college graduates!



- Jackie Richards Hicks graduates from the University of Tennessee with a degree in Biology with a concentration in Biochemistry and Cellular and Molecular Biology. She is being commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Airforce!
- Mitchell Perry graduates from the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga with a degree in Business Management and Entrepreneurship. He plans to pursue his Masters in 2 years!
- Fausto Czapiz graduated from King University in Bristol, TN with a degree in English Literature and Journalism and a Minor in Photography!

Help needed: Habitat for Humanity needs Summer Volunteers. The Carson Newman University students are home for summer break and other regular volunteers are on vacation. Please call Carolyn Vidal at 865-471-0069 ext. 204 for more information or you can email volunteers@jeffersoncountyhabitat.org.

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 basket in the church narthex.

Happy Mother's Day
Do something special for your mom today!
(and everyday)

