

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.
Saturday Spanish Mass: 7:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday Mass: 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday-Friday Mass: 9:00 a.m.

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WEBSITE: htjctn.org

FORMED: holytrinitytn.formed.org
Parish Code: BFRHHH

Confessions:

- Saturday afternoons 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
- Sunday mornings 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, March 22, 2020

Fourth Sunday of Lent

The blind man was willing to let Jesus minister to him and willingly did all Jesus asked of him. The Pharisees were more resistant to His message, spending their time and energy to disprove the miracle. Which am I more like, the man born blind or the Pharisees?

Prayers for the Week

- Lord, displace my pride with your love. Give me a humble and docile heart. "A heart contrite and humbled, O God, You will not spurn".
- Father, as I meditate on Your Son's Passion and crucifixion, send the Holy Spirit to teach me the meaning of humility.
- "Jesus, my Lord, my God, my All".
- Father, may I receive joy and be a joy for You.
- Father, anchor me in the Church and never let me be parted from You.

CCD Class Times (In Trinity Hall):

- Pre-School thru 6th : 9:00 - 10:15 a.m. Sunday
- Grades 7th thru 12th : 7:00 - 8:15 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
- Bible Study: Every Wednesday after 9:00 am Mass
- Spiritual Life Committee: 2nd Tuesday of Month at 7:15 pm
- AA meetings Sundays in Trinity Hall at 6:00pm

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 out the form in the office, mail it, or drop it in the collection basket

Dear Parishioners:

"May you lie in interesting times," goes the old Chinese curse. It seems we do.

As you know, Bishop Stika, along with all other bishops in the US and many other countries, has suspended public celebration of the Mass and also of meetings, conferences, diocesan events, etc. So: no Knights of Columbus meetings, no CCW meetings, no Stations of the Cross, no Lenten meals, and so on. Bishop Stika will reevaluate the status on April 1st; these things might continue for a while longer, or might not. But the greatest pain is the lack of our regular Masses. It is a terrible thing to be without the "source and summit of the Faith." I want to advise you of certain matters, some practical, some more spiritual.

First, our office is open for regular hours. Anything you need from the office is available. Second, and I think of great importance, the church will be open all day Tuesdays through Fridays. I strongly urge you to stop and make a visit; pray before the tabernacle. There will be no problem keeping the safe 6-foot social distance. If people will sign up, we will have Exposition and prayer before the monstrance.

I will continue to say private Masses. Bishop Stika has encouraged us to do so with certain provisos: not at the regularly-scheduled times and with some variance of the time. He has also told us that if people happen to come to pray at the time we are saying our private Masses, they may stay and may receive Communion. **Therefore**, this coming week, I will be offering private Masses Tuesday through Friday at 11am. I will also offer a private Mass at 6pm Saturday evening, the Sunday Mass. The following week I will be offering Mass at 11:15am. If anyone happens to come....

Some things you should know about a **private Mass**: there is no homily. There are no dialogical parts ("the Lord be with You," etc.). It therefore does not take very long.

As the bishop has said, "We cannot deny anyone the Sacrament of Confession." Of course not. I will be around. Call if you want. If you are concerned about the six-foot space, Confession can be done while walking around the property. Remember, too, that we have a screen in the confessional. The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will take place. The bishop has provided certain protocols which I need not detail.

Here are some thoughts for this time. It is still Lent; continue your Lenten practices as fully as possible. Stations of the Cross can be done from home. Many other devotions, such as the Rosary, can be, too. Don't pray the Rosary? Now is a great time to start. Pick up that good Catholic book you've been meaning to read. Read it. (Don't have a good book to read? Stop by the library.) Spend some time in prayer, especially as a family. Limit social media so that it does not consume you and your time. Fast a day a week. Watch EWTN. **Don't let this opportunity pass by without gain!** There may be losses but there can be gains as well.

Needless to say, most of the real world goes on. We still have bills to pay. We still need your generosity. Collection money can be dropped off at the office or mailed in. Even better, sign up for electronic giving; call the office for information or see elsewhere in this bulletin.

Among your prayers, ask that this will all be resolved sooner rather than later, but also take advantage of what you can learn from the situation. If you think we have been handed lemons, make some lemonade. God is good, all the time.

Fr. Patrick



Holy Trinity Penance

Service: Our parish's Lenten penance service scheduled for March 31st, after 6:30pm Mass has been cancelled.



DO THE FIVE - How to help stop COVID-19 from the CDC and World Health Organization.

- 1. HANDS** - Wash them often or use hand sanitizer if soap is unavailable.
- 2. ELBOW** - Cough or sneeze into it or a tissue.
- 3. FACE** - Don't touch it.
- 4. FEET** - Stay more than 6ft apart.
- 5. FEEL** - sick? Stay home or wear a mask if you have to be around other people. Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces such as doorknobs, light switches, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets and sinks.



CCD & Confirmation

Classes: Jefferson County Schools has announced closure of all schools through March 31st. Therefore all RE classes will be cancelled until April 1st. If Jefferson County expands their end date, then we will act accordingly. This also means that our **Confirmation Instruction class** on March 25th is cancelled. Order of Confirmation Mass on May 13th is postponed also.

Cancelled Last 3 Lenten Meals and Stations of the Cross as of March 17th

Due to the recommendations from the CDC and Diocese, all events are cancelled for the remainder of March. Please follow the recommendations from the CDC and stay healthy.

Our Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday March 21 st	For Al Caldiero by the LaMonte Family
Saturday March 21 st	For the parishioners by Father Patrick
Sunday March 22 nd	For Charlie Yurick+ by Charles & Marlene Yurick
Tuesday March 24 th	For Camille Franco+ by Father Patrick
Wednesday March 25 th	For Chris Mynuk+ by KOC
Thursday March 26 th	For Patricia LaMonte by the LaMonte Family
Friday March 27 th	For Viki Moteluicz by Marie King
Saturday March 28 th	For Kathleen Austin+ by the parishioners
Saturday March 28 th	For the parishioners by Father Patrick
Sunday March 29 th	For Mr. & Mrs. Walter Kaczor+ by Charles & Marlene Yurick

Saturday March 28 th 5:00pm	
Deacon	
Lector	
Servers	
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	

Sunday, March 29 th 10:30am	
Deacon	
Lector	
Servers	
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	

Holy Trinity's Parish Stewardship

Attendance for	5:00pm	7:00pm	10:30am
03/15/2020	89	63	78

Envelope and Offertory Collections

	Weekly	Month-to-Date
Collection:	\$ 3,348	Collection: \$ 14,741
Fixed Expense:	\$ 6,254	Fixed Expense: \$ 18,764
Difference:	\$ (2,906)	Difference: \$ (4,023)

Knights of Columbus general meeting on Tuesday, March 24th following the 6:30pm Mass is **Cancelled**

Ken Schroer Memorial Scholarship was created in



memory of Ken to help college students defray the cost of their education. This scholarship is open to high school seniors of current holy

Trinity parishioners and is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. If you wish to fill out an application, please contact the church office at 865-471-0347 for more information.



Easter Lilies - A tradition at Holy Trinity is for parishioners to purchase a lily(s) in honor of, or in memory of a loved one. The lilies are used to decorate the altar during the Easter season. Cost of the lilies is \$15. If you don't receive a phone call please contact the office 865-471-0347 to order your Lily.

Diocesan Resources for Parishes & Parishioners during Coronavirus Era

Dioceses and parishes around the world are now challenged with ways to stay connected to the faithful during the coronavirus pandemic. Imagine this situation even as recently as thirty years ago. The digital age and the technology we sometimes detest have provided resources that can build powerful links to stay connected to those that we serve. Since Monday, the Diocese of Knoxville's website has received 20,550 visits compared to roughly 4,500 during a typical work week. The value of your parish website and other forms of parish communication, both electronic and printed, will be vital during this highly unusual time. We are striving to keep dioknox.org relevant by providing updated practical information and spiritual materials for you and your parishioners. We will continue to update the website as we move deeper into this unique (and we pray brief) time in our history.

Congratulations to Fred & Billie Bitner on their 50th wedding anniversary March 21st

Don't Forget to keep filling your Rice Bowl

If you have already filled your bowl and started another, you can leave the full bowl in the narthex by the statue of the Holy Family. You have through Easter to fill and turn in your rice bowl so please be generous.

Weekly Collections -

Since Mass has been suspended by Bishop Stika, we have to think outside the box regarding collections. The office will be open Tuesday - Friday 9am-4pm, if you would like to drop your donation off. You can also give **electronically** by going to htjctn.org and **click on Online Giving** and set up an account or **mail your donation** in to **Holy Trinity Church P.O. Box 304, Jefferson City, TN 37760**. Please do not mail any cash!



**Congratulations to Tom & Pat Karpick on their
40th wedding anniversary March 29th**

WOW THANK YOU for Your Generosity!

Holy Trinity collected \$2,144.35 for the victims of the Nashville tornado. These funds will be put to good use to assist these communities to recover from this tragedy. If you didn't get to donate but would still like to, go to dioknox.org/tornado-relief-fund/ and donate online.

Lent: Fast From; Feast On

- Fast from personal anxiety;
Feast on eternal truth.
- Fast from discouragements;
Feast on hope.
- Fast from facts that depress;
Feast on verities that uplift.
- Fast from lethargy;
Feast on enthusiasm.



PRAYER



FASTING



ALMSGIVING

Heart Prayer

John 4: 5-42

Jesus heals a man who was born blind.

Scripture comment: Can you imagine what it would be like if you could not see? Close your eyes really tight, and imagine what it would be like if you could not see anything. **Tell Jesus how you feel** about that. Maybe you can even show or tell Jesus some of the things you would miss, things you like seeing now. Just let Jesus know how happy you are that you can see. If you want to be with God some more, you might **think about some people** you have trouble seeing in a good way, maybe someone you've been angry with, or someone who gives you a hard time. Let Jesus know what's been hard about being friends with this person. Then ask Jesus to help you to see better. Just let Jesus touch your "heart" eyes. Stay there with Jesus, and enjoy being with Him.

Did you know Holy Trinity has a Library?

Holy Trinity Library has a wide range of books that will make our walk with God so much more meaningful. Be sure to visit the Library in the Parish Life Center and please continue to peruse the books placed each weekend in the narthex. The library is open Tuesday through Friday, 9:00am-4:00pm.

Father, I may be slow to admit that I do not have your love first and foremost in my heart. But thanks to your grace, I am getting better. Little by little I am surrendering to your grace. Little by little your love will replace my selfish need to be right. Help me this Lent to focus on you and not other's opinion of me. Amen.

Think of three ways to show God's love to others this week.

Rice Bowls -- Share the Journey to Kenya:



This country in East Africa has just under 50 million people. CRS has been working here since 1965, supporting improved agriculture, health and sanitation, and community resilience. They also support mothers through community groups teaching good nutrition, hygiene, and other positive parenting practices. CRS empowers women to learn and teach fellow mothers in their community to improve the lives of families for a brighter future.

His Majesty's Gift Shop is celebrating its 5th anniversary at Easter. The Spiritual Life Committee are grateful for the parishioners who come in to purchase items. All proceeds go to the Spiritual Life Committee. We carry chapel veils in white, black and navy. We also carry crosses, gold and silver medals and many other items. If you don't see something you are looking for, it can be ordered and will be in within a week. Come in and browse. There is always something to buy to increase your faith or give as a gift. Thank you for your support.

Easier Access to FORMED Holy Trinity parishioners now have a new and easier way to access FORMED. Simply go to the website to access a wide variety of Catholic videos, books, movies, and catechetical content. Holy Trinity now has our own Community page on FORMED with currently relevant calendar material. If you do not have an account, go to holyltrinitytn.formed.org and set up your own unique username and password. Participate in the tremendous Catholic resource that is the FORMED program today.

Church Signs

Tomorrow's forecast: God reigns and the Son shines!
Church is like fudge---sweet but with a few nuts!
Jesus loves You---and He approves this message!
Jesus is an investment that never loses!