



HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Washington, DC

March 26, 2017

Solidarity with South Sudan

Every year at this time, the Holy Trinity Social Justice Committee considers how to spend the parish's tithe dollars—10 percent of our ordinary income. We discern together with Fr. Kevin what are the issues calling for our parish's attention. We then distribute a request for proposals focused on that issue or issues. A working group reviews the proposals, asks more questions, interviews finalists and makes a recommendation to Fr. Kevin. If Fr. Kevin agrees, funds are distributed to those entities. Last year the social justice committee and Fr. Kevin directed our funding to address the refugee crisis.

Friends in Solidarity was among the awardees we funded. The organization works to educate internally displaced persons and refugees in South Sudan. Below is a brief update from Sr. Joan Mumaw, IHM, president and chief administrative officer for Friends in Solidarity, on how Holy Trinity's funding is assisting their mission in South Sudan.

"We are all hearing quite a bit about South Sudan in the news these days. Famine, war, refugees... These are all words that characterize what is happening in the newest country in the world. It is true, the country is being torn apart by ethnic strife, and over 2 million have fled to neighboring countries. Nearly one million, mostly women and children, are facing famine and 50% are food insecure.

So what about the capacity building efforts of the church in South Sudan? In July of last year, Holy Trinity Parish awarded a large grant to Friends in Solidarity, a US partner to Solidarity with South Sudan, for the training of nurses and midwives at the Catholic Health Training Institute in Wau.

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Friends in Solidarity nursing student with a refugee family at Daniel Compton Hospital in Wau, South Sudan

New Parish Data Management System

The Archdiocese of Washington has implemented new, comprehensive data management software in all its parishes. This software offers more security and increased efficiencies for Holy Trinity staff and parishioners. As these new tools and communication platforms come online, we are asking that you serve alongside us as stewards of our parish records. Watch this space for updates on our progress and for ways that you can help. Feel free to contact us with any questions by emailing registration@trinity.org, or by calling the parish office at 202-337-2840.

To Sing is to Pray Twice!

Our liturgical choirs/ensembles are always looking for new members, both singers and instrumentalists, to swell their ranks! We are looking, especially, for basses for the 11:30am choir and altos and basses for the 9am choir. Contact Kathleen DeJardin kdejardin@trinity.org for more information.

Upcoming Parish Connections

April 25, 6:30-8:30pm: Happy Hour at James Hoban's Irish Bar and Restaurant. Join Father Paul for complimentary hor d'oeuvres with a cash bar sponsored by the Young Adult Community. All adults welcome. For further information and to RSVP, visit the Parish Life webpage.

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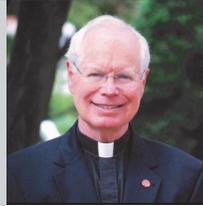


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MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Jesuit Catholic parish that welcomes all to:
 Accompany one another in Christ
 Celebrate God's love
 Transform lives



From the Pastor's Desk

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During the first week of spring and the third week of Lent, one easily gets a sense of observing and even engaging in the historical happenings in our church, in our world and in our nation. These impressions were made especially acute through two events at Georgetown University and one here at Holy Trinity.

This past Monday evening, Georgetown hosted a panel discussion titled, "Refugees and Immigrants: Welcoming the Stranger in Tough Times." Sponsored by Jesuit Refugee Service/ USA, the panelists addressed the moral and political issues surrounding immigration. I noticed that more than a dozen of our parishioners attended the program with several asking insightful questions. One takeaway from the program was that the issues surrounding immigration, whether from the Middle East or along the Mexican border, represents a complex matrix of moral, political and socioeconomic factors. In other words, there are no simple solutions. As I listened I kept thinking of how our parish is compassionately and competently engaged with some of the issues, most notably by supporting a Syrian refugee family. That very day, four of the Cheikho children began attending a public school in Alexandria, Virginia. The fact that in less than two months these children were able to go from a Syrian refugee camp to an American public school is indeed a historical and salvific event.

Another sense of historical engagement occurred at the 5:30 Mass on Friday evening, March 24, when the parish hosted Cardinal Claudio Hummes. This leading Brazilian prelate was in town to speak to the issues surrounding environmental justice in his homeland and throughout South America. His concelebrating the Mass with us was a way of commemorating the 37th anniversary of the assassination of his Salvadoran friend, Archbishop Romero. I should note that four years ago, immediately after his friend Jorge Bergoglio was elected pope, it was Cardinal Hummes, a Franciscan, who whispered into the new pope's ears the words, "Don't forget the poor people." Upon hearing these words, the Pope later related that he immediately remembered St. Francis of Assisi and "the name Francis came into my heart."

Speaking of Pope Francis, Georgetown University is hosting another panel titled, "The Francis Factor after Four Years: A Dialogue on Pope Francis' Message for the US." The panel members include Archbishop Christopher Pierre, the Papal Nuncio to the United States. Sponsored by the University's Initiative on Catholic Social Thought and Public Life, this important program will take place on Monday, March 27 at 6:30pm in the Intercultural Center (ICC) Auditorium. All are welcome to attend to what promises to be another way of reflecting upon the historical changes surrounding us. You might say it is another way of observing the ongoing salvation history revealed through our Lenten journey with Jesus the Christ.

Rev. C. Kevin Gillespie, S.J.

Daily Mass Intentions

The parish community prays for all of the dead every day at Mass. However, we encourage parishioners to mention specific persons by name during the General Intercessions when invited to do so by the presider.

Parishioners may also request that a specific person be remembered by name at a particular weekday Mass by calling or visiting the receptionist's desk in the Parish Center during normal office hours.

Names must be submitted one week in advance. Persons to be so remembered at weekday Masses this week are:

Week of March 27- April 1, 2017

Monday	7:00am	Molly Moday
	8:00am	Christine Gallo+
	5:30pm	Angela Luddy
Tuesday	7:00am	Vince Taylor
	8:00am	Juvenal "Jojo" Villa+
	5:30pm	Bernard O'Dell+
Wednesday	7:00am	
	8:00am	
	5:30pm	Beatrice Zeek+
Thursday	7:00am	Ricardo Tafur+
	8:00am	
	5:30pm	Steve Ruzecka+
Friday	7:00am	
	8:00am	
	5:30pm	Richard McCooley+
Saturday	8:00am	John "Jack" Murtha+

Pray for those who are sick:

Pat Colliton; Quinn Smith

Pray for those who are dead:

Carol Strickfadan; Rev. J. Donald Monan, S.J.

PRAYER REQUESTS

To add a name to these prayer lists, contact Lisa Dittmeier at ldittmeier@trinity.org. You must be an immediate relative of the one to be remembered, or have express permission in order to add a name to these lists. The names on this prayer list will be mentioned aloud at Sunday Mass during the General Intercessions and will be published in the parish eLetter and bulletin.

We also invite parishioners to write the name of deceased loved ones in the Book of the Dead, which is kept in the back of the chapel. The parish community remembers these persons each time we gather for Eucharist.

SACRAMENTS

Mass Schedule (*Check bulletin or website for Holy Days*)

Weekdays: 7am, 8am & 5:30pm in the Chapel (on N St.)

Note: Chapel is open on weekdays between Masses.

Saturday: 8am — Chapel; 5:30 pm Vigil — Church

Sunday: 7:30am, 9am, 11:30am, 1:15pm & 5:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday from 4:30pm—5:15pm or by appointment

Sacrament of the Sick

Communal anointing is celebrated on the first Wednesday of the month at 7pm in the St. Ignatius Chapel. Call the Parish to request the sacrament at home or in the hospital.

Baptisms and Weddings:

- To schedule a Baptism or Wedding, contact Helene Flanagan, 202-903-2806 or hflanagan@trinity.org
- To register for the preparation process, see next item.

Sacramental Preparation:

Persons desiring to receive certain sacraments at Holy Trinity need to be registered parishioners and are expected to participate in a preparation program. For more information or to register, contact the appropriate staff person:

- Infant Baptism: readmin@trinity.org, 202-903-2808
- First Reconciliation: Judith Brusseau, 202-903-2807
- First Eucharist: Judith Brusseau, 202-903-2807
- Marriage Preparation: readmin@trinity.org, 202-903-2808
- Adult Initiation (RCIA): Anne Koester, 202-337-2840 x128
- Children's Initiation (RCIA): Judith Brusseau, 202-903-2807
- Adult Confirmation: Judith Brusseau, 202-903-2807
- Youth Confirmation: Sara Seligmann, 202-903-2814

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

Welcome to Holy Trinity! We invite you to join our parish. You may register at www.trinity.org. Parishioner registration forms can be found under the **Participate** tab. Questions about registering can be directed to registration@trinity.org.

New parishioner orientations are held several times throughout the year. See the bulletin, eLetter and website for announcement of dates and times.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process of conversion and faith formation for individuals who are interested in living the Christian life in the Catholic tradition. Those who want to learn more about the possibility of becoming Catholic are welcome to come to the Inquiry meetings held every Tuesday evening at 7pm in the Faber Room, Holy Trinity Parish Center. Please contact Anne Koester akoester@trinity.org for more information or visit our website.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC)

PPC members share leadership responsibility with our pastor. As advisors to the pastor, PPC members assist the pastor in discerning, articulating and communicating to other parishioners the identity and mission of the parish, and they assist the pastor in assuring fidelity to that identity and mission.

President	Kirk Willison	ppcpresident@trinity.org
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WORSHIP



Liturgical Ministers Needed for Triduum

If you plan on participating in the Triduum liturgy, your help is needed whether or not you are a liturgical minister. This invitation is extended to your friends, children, or neighbors who may be coming with you. Email David Pennington,

dpennington@trinity.org with your availability and for more information. We need you!

Holy Week/Easter Liturgy Schedule

Palm Sunday, April 9

Regular Mass Schedule All masses *except* 7:30am & 9am begin in Trinity Hall

Wednesday, April 12

Parish Reconciliation Service 7-8:30pm, Church

Holy Thursday, April 13

Morning Prayer 8am, Church

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper 8pm, Church

Good Friday, April 14

Morning Prayer 8am, Church

Stations of the Cross 4pm, Church

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion 8pm, Church

Holy Saturday, April 15

Morning Prayer 8am, Church

Graveside Service 10am, Holy Rood Cemetery

Easter Vigil 8pm, Courtyard outside McKenna Hall

Easter Sunday, April 16

7:30am Mass Church

9:30am Mass Church, Trinity Hall, & Nolan

11:30am Mass Center at Visitation

1:15pm Mass Church

There is no 5:30pm Mass on Easter Sunday

Visit our website for more information about all of our Ministries and their programs.

Solidarity with South Sudan *cont. from page 1*

In the midst of civil unrest in the area and the presence of large numbers of internal refugees in the IDP camp and on the cathedral grounds, the Catholic Health Training Institute continues to educate students from all ethnic groups of South Sudan and the neighboring Nuba Mountains. In November 2016, 31 students graduated from the college, representing more than half of all nursing professionals trained in the country.

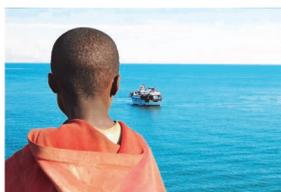
Here is an update on the graduates: Kukani is responsible for the team organizing all of the HIV/AIDS outreach efforts. Lagumi was sent to Kenya for an 18 month registered nurse anesthetist course and is now back and performing well. Michael is in charge of the community outreach program and with two other members of the team supports 6 clinics in Nuba Mountains. He is training Community Health Volunteers. Daniel is in charge of the male ward. Raila is a nurse in the maternity ward and active in the antenatal clinic. Elias is in charge of the female ward. George is in charge of our new health education department, going out to villages and schools and raising awareness about health issues. Nasima is acting nurse in charge of the male ward. Elizabeth is our first Nuba fully trained midwife. Kuku and Lakwa, newly trained, are staff nurses.

What is of long term significance for the country, besides the educational training, is the fact that students come from many different ethnic groups and are learning to live, study and work together. Nearly 50% are women. The new South Sudan is being created from the ground up, one student at a time. These students are the leaders of the future of Sudan/South Sudan. We are grateful for your generous support of this important work. For more information contact jmumaw.solidarity@gmail.com or visit www.solidarityfriends.org.



Nursing and Midwifery students at Daniel Compton Hospital in Wau, South Sudan

IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY



Lenten Reflections on Love Week V

*“Love does not rejoice at wrong,
but rejoices in the right”
(1 Corinthians 13:6)*

We could all agree that love does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right, but then why would Paul insert this phrase about love? Pope Francis, in *The Joy of Love*, suggests that we are tempted to become resentful when we have been injured by some word or deed, when our self-esteem has been attacked by a perceived injury or insult from another person. In this case, as our anger or self-righteousness builds, we can feel very justified in condemning or dismissing that person. In a sense we are rejoicing at wrong and this is something that love does not do.

We see a good example of “rejoicing at the wrong” behavior in today’s Gospel when the Pharisees, upset over Jesus’s curing of a blind man on the Sabbath, reject the blind man because he wouldn’t speak against Jesus—“You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?”—and they drive him out of the temple.

Jesus, on the other hand, shows a love that rejoices in the right. This is a love that is boundless and unconditional. Jesus isn’t buying any of the usual blame that people in those days put on blind people—that the cause of their blindness was because of their sins or the sins of their parents. After curing the blind man, Jesus seeks him out after he had been kicked out of the temple by the Pharisees and enters into a dialogue with him, revealing in an act of love and intimacy who he really is. The man acknowledges the deep honor that he has just received and responds, “Lord, I believe” and worships him.

This week, can we identify someone in our life that we resent for a perceived slight or dismissive attitude and allow Jesus to heal us and transform the resentment? In their place can we fill them with a love that wishes the best for them, unconditionally?

-Written by parishioner Roger Sullivan

YAC Spring Retreat: For the Least April 21-23

As young adults in an urban setting, we frequently encounter the reality of poverty, homelessness, and other hardships faced by individuals living on the margins of society. Who are the people we have met? How do our prayer and our relationship with Christ and the Christian community inform our response to social injustice? On this retreat we will reflect on our experiences with individuals on the margins and Christ’s invitation in the light of scripture, Catholic Social Teaching, and prayer. Register by **April 13**, www.trinity.org/yac-retreat

FAITH FORMATION/ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mac and Cheese Simple Supper, March 31

All are invited to a Mac and Cheese Simple Supper hosted by Faith Formation/Religious Education ministries. Please bring bread to share. The supper will begin at 6pm in McKenna Hall and will be followed by Stations of the Cross from the perspective of children and led by the 3rd-6th graders. Stations of the Cross start at 7pm in the Church. Please join us for this prayerful Lenten practice.

Adult Faith Formation: From Ashes to the Font, Lent, Baptism, & RCIA

Anne Koester, Coordinator for the parish’s Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), will lead a discussion on how Lent is a time of preparation. **April 2** at 10:10am in the Chapel.

Marriage Preparation

Registration is available for the May and June sessions. Visit our website for more information and to register.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Peace Club April 1 (7th -12th grade)

Youth are invited to this morning of service and presence with children and teens at the Perry Center. We leave Holy Trinity at 9am and return by 12:30pm. Contact Sara Seligmann sseligmann@trinity.org for more information or sign up on our website. Adult volunteers needed too!

6th Grade Parent Meeting

There will be a meeting on **April 2** from 10:15-11:10am in the Lower School Big Room for all parents of 6th graders that plan on being Confirmed at Holy Trinity.

PARISH LIFE

Coffee & Donuts!

Please join us each Sunday for coffee and donuts in McKenna Hall. We especially welcome all those new to the Parish and visitors to Holy Trinity.

Want to volunteer to help with hospitality? Please contact Lisa Dittmeier, ldittmeier@trinity.org

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL

**Holy Trinity School Gala:
Monte Carlo Night
April 1, 6-11pm, Trinity Hall**

Last chance for tickets! Purchase at my.bidpal.net/htsdc and support our school community!



Sunday, March 26, 2017**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ephesians 5:8-14/
John 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

10:10 AM Religious Education

Assigned Classrooms

10:30 AM So Others Might Eat (SOME) Meal Service

71 O Street, NW

Monday, March 27, 2017**MONDAY OF THE 4TH WEEK OF LENT**

Isaiah 65:17-21/John 4:43-54

7:00 PM Job Seekers Readiness Workshop: Resume Dev.

Georgetown Neighborhood Library/ R & Wisconsin, NW

7:30 PM Separated, Widowed & Divorced Group

Neale Room

Tuesday, March 28, 2017**TUESDAY OF THE 4TH WEEK OF LENT**

Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12/John 5:1-16

7:00 PM Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Faber Room

Wednesday, March 29, 2017**WEDNESDAY OF THE 4TH WEEK OF LENT**

Isaiah 49:8-15/John 5:17-30

6:30 PM Koinonia

Lower School Big Room

6:30 PM Reconciliation: The Light is On for You

Church

7:00 PM Social Justice Book Club

School Library

7:15 PM Holy Trinity Book Discussion GroupMcKenna Hall *grobertstewart1@mac.com***Thursday, March 30, 2017****THURSDAY OF THE 4TH WEEK OF LENT**

Exodus 32:7-14/John 5:31-47

6:00 PM Christian Meditation Group

Saint Ignatius Chapel

7:00 PM Job Seekers Support Group

Georgetown Neighborhood Library (R & Wisconsin Ave NW)

7:00 PM Young Adult Community Faith Sharing

Saint Ignatius Chapel

Friday, March 31, 2017**FRIDAY OF THE 4TH WEEK OF LENT**

Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22/John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

6:00 PM Mac & Cheese Simple Supper

McKenna Hall

6:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saint Ignatius Chapel

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Grades K-8)

Church

Saturday, April 1, 2017**SATURDAY OF THE 4TH WEEK OF LENT**

Jeremiah 11:18-20/John 7:40-53

7:30 AM Zen MeditationParish Center Upper Room *rduecker@aol.com***9:00 AM Peace Club (7th-12 Grade)**

Depart from Holy Trinity

10:00 AM Baptism Preparation

McKenna Hall

6:00 PM Holy Trinity School Monte Carlo Gala

Trinity Hall

7:00 PM St. Joseph Singers

Church

Sunday, April 2, 2017**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

Ezekiel 37:12-14/Romans 8:8-11/John 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

10:00 AM Kennedy Guild-Christ Child Society Meeting

Parish Center Library

10:10 AM Religious Education

Assigned Classrooms

10:10 AM Adult Faith Formation

Saint Ignatius Chapel

10:15 AM 6th Grade Parents Meeting- Confirmation Prep

Lower School Big Room

7:15 PM Young Adult Community Mass

Saint Ignatius Chapel

8:15 PM Young Adult Community Café

McKenna Hall

join us for coffee & fellowship every Sunday after the 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM Masses

for texts of daily readings: www.usccb.org/bible/readings and for audio recordings of daily readings: www.usccb.org/bible/readings-audio.cfm

for the most complete listing of parish events with event descriptions and contact information: www.trinity.org/calendar

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