

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Washington, DC

February 12, 2017

# Youth Ministry During Lent

Holy Trinity's Youth Ministry works to develop the spiritual growth of our youth by inviting them to participate in the celebration of God's love through education and service. Lent is the perfect time for adults and teens alike to step back from everyday life and become involved with something new. We invite you to participate in our Lenten programs outlined below and to connect with God during this season of introspection. Please visit our website or contact Sara Seligmann at *sseligmann@trinity.org* to learn more, register, or volunteer.

# Koinonia (for 7th-12th grade)

Koinonia is a space and time for youth to come together, eat, have fun, think and share about life, and get to know others. Koinonia is on Wednesdays beginning **March 1** from 6:30-8:15pm. A complete schedule and a registration form is available on our website. Please register by **February 21**.

# Youth Mass (for 7th-12th grade)

The monthly Youth Mass offers young people of the parish a special opportunity to celebrate together in a small, intimate, youth-oriented liturgy. Youth Mass takes place on one Wednesday evening per month at 6pm in the Lower School Big Room. After Mass, we share a meal together to develop community. Our next Youth Mass is **February 22**. Our Lenten Youth Mass is **March 22**.



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Holy Trinity School students walk through Georgetown University during their pilgrimage in support of the Cheikhos and all refugees.

# Cheikho Family To Arrive Thursday

As of press time, the Cheikho family has permission to enter the U.S. and has travel scheduled for **February 16**, landing at JFK airport in New York and then taking a domestic flight to Washington, D.C. We are trying to get the family here earlier, but may not be able to expedite their trip. We are, however, joyful that they have a travel date and tickets.

On February 6, the day that the Cheikho family was originally going to arrive, students and teachers from Holy Trinity School gathered together for a prayer service and pilgrimage in honor of the Cheikhos and other refugee families in need. That evening, parishioners gathered in the Chapel of Saint Ignatius to offer prayers of love and support.

For more information about our refugee family, please contact Kate Tromble. Your continued prayers for the family are appreciated.

# **Bioethical Challenges**

Presented by Carol Taylor, Ph.D., RN February 12, Trinity Hall, 10:10am

Our Adult Faith Formation Ethics Series continues with *Bioethical Challenges at the Beginning and End of Life*. The presentation will focus on salient issues at the beginning and end of life and explore the challenges for individuals, clinicians, and spiritual counselors.

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

We are a Jesuit Catholic parish that welcomes all to:

Accompany one another in Christ Celebrate God's love Transform lives



## **PARISH CENTER**

Phone: 202-337-2840 Fax: 202-337-9048 Hours: Mon-Thur: 8:30am-7:30pm; Fri: 8:30am-4:30pm; Sat & Sun: No receptionist on duty, but the parish center is accessible during mass times. Emergencies Only: 202-903-2817

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From the Pastor's Desk This week's column is written by David Pennington, Pastoral Associate for Worship

Last Lent, our parish ended every Sunday liturgy singing, "I have fixed my eyes on your hills, Jerusalem, my destiny!" With six or seven liturgies a weekend, you can imagine how I felt about this song by Easter Sunday. But, when I first saw Jerusalem several weeks ago on an unexpected pilgrimage to the Holy Land, it was this song that rang in my ears. My destiny. This city. His death. Our life.

Let me share two insights from that trip with you:

Jesus was local. Our pilgrimage started around the beautiful Sea of Galilee. Whenever our tour guide took us to a holy site, I would wait to hear the phrase, "Tradition tells us that this is the place that...." This was his cue that the historical veracity of place was a question. But time and again, the way in which the Biblical stories matched the topography eliminated my need for historical proof. While on the Mount of Beatitudes, we read the Beatitudes and kept going through the similes of salt and light. That city on a hill which Jesus mentions? It's just three miles south and within eyeshot. Surely, Jesus looked up and saw the lights shining on the hill city of Tiberias. They couldn't be hidden. Jesus' preaching took shape using the landscape of his hometowns.

*Jesus' biography intersects with mine*. After several days, we began the journey south to Jerusalem. On the way, we stopped at the Jordan River to renew our baptismal promises. While I thought I'd take time to think about Jesus' baptism, I became overwhelmed with gratitude for my parents and godparents who brought me to the waters of the font, my grandparents whose faith helped mine to grow, and the steadfastness of Monsignor Rocco and Sister Dorothy who encouraged me as a child. Jesus, too, had parents who formed and shaped him and a community which nurtured his growth, helping him to realize his identity as God's beloved, an identity which I share by my baptism. Jesus and I aren't all that different after all.

On the two-hour bus ride to Jerusalem, I kept thinking about Jesus on this same journey (which would have taken 10 days on foot). I wonder if he didn't join in a version of our refrain – "though I do not see the end for me, I cannot turn away." And so, maybe I should take up this refrain, again, with eyes fixed on the future and Jesus beside me, the journey making us one.



The Sea of Galilee. Photo courtesy of David Pennington.

#### **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 February 13-18, 2017

| Monday    | 7:00am | Terrence Deane Tom+       |
|-----------|--------|---------------------------|
|           | 8:00am | Ray Browne+               |
|           | 5:30pm | Jane Spotts+              |
| Tuesday   | 7:00am | Philip Uhlinger+          |
|           | 8:00am | Sidney Brashears+         |
|           | 5:30pm | Jill Smart Gore+          |
| Wednesday | 7:00am | William Kolodi+           |
|           | 8:00am | Bill Clohorty+            |
|           | 5:30pm | Jeanne Gherardi+          |
| Thursday  | 7:00am | Catherine Ayers+          |
|           | 8:00am | Lili Billings+            |
|           | 5:30pm | William Blatty+           |
| Friday    | 7:00am | Florence Ford+            |
|           | 8:00am | Carole E. Curran+         |
|           | 5:30pm | Kenneth & Delores Bellis+ |
| Saturday  | 8:00am | Dennis & Ellen Moriarty+  |

#### **Pray for those who are sick**: *Frank Lavin*

**Pray for those who are dead:** *Gerard Helfrich; Josephine Sturiale* 

#### **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 INIATION 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.

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# **IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY**

## A Lenten Retreat: Drawn from the Spiritual Exercises February 26–April 8

This is an individually directed retreat, made at home for individuals who want to engage in a practice of daily prayer during Lent. The retreat is appropriate for those who have made an Ignatian retreat or the 8-month Spiritual Exercises. Visit the website to learn more and to register. The deadline to register is Monday, **February 13**.

# Invoking the Spirit, Claiming the Call: An International Call to Prayer for the Study Commission on the Women's Diaconate

The Ignatian Spiritual Life Center at Saint Agnes Parish in San Francisco, CA will host an evening of prayer for the ongoing work of the Study Commission on the Women's Diaconate on **February 16**, 6:30-8pm. Catholics around the world can join this prayer service via live-streamed video at *www.facebook.com/ catholicwomendeacons* 



The prayer service will

remember and honor the women in history who served the Church as deacons, give witness to women who today experience a call to the diaconate and call upon the Holy Spirit as the Commission continues its work. Planning on joining the live-stream? For more information or questions, please email *Natalie@SaintAgnesSF.com.* 

# New! Ignatian Spirituality Resources

Holy Trinity's Ignatian Spirituality Ministry has a new "Resources" web page, with links to prayer apps, Jesuit retreat houses, articles and videos. Visit *www.trinity.org/ignatian-spirituality/resources* 



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

Sign up for our Holy Trinity eLetter for weekly updates at www.trinity.org/e-lettersubscribe

#### Movie Moments of Grace Special Event Silence Discussion Friday February 17, 7:20-0pm McKenna Hall

# Friday, February 17, 7:30-9pm, McKenna Hall

**Silence** is the story of Christian missionaries and their converts in Japan. Since the film is worth discussing but too lengthy to be viewed during a regularly scheduled MMOG evening, we are inviting all parishioners who have seen the film to join us for a discussion. The film is in limited release and locally showing at ArcLight Bethesda and E Street Cinema in D.C. Please check their listings for the most up-to-date showtimes.

The film has been highly touted by Fr. Jim Martin, S.J., who guided the main actor through the Spiritual Exercises before the movie. For further information and to RSVP, please email *htmmog@gmail.com*.

# SOCIAL JUSTICE



Parishioners light candles during an evening prayer in the Chapel last Monday for the Cheikho family and other refugees in need.

# 2017 Cardinal's Appeal

We ask that you review the Cardinal's Appeal brochure available in the back of the church.

The theme of the Appeal is, "Seek First the Kingdom of God" (Matthew 6:33). A significant gift to the Cardinal's Appeal will touch the lives of many others in a very positive way. Please visit www.appeal.adw.org to donate online. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.



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# FAITH FORMATION/ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

# **Children's Bible Story Hour**

Learn the story of Ruth, **February 12**, 10:10am, Lower School Big Room.

# **Adult Confirmation**

Registration and calendar are available on our website. The next session will be **February 23.** Please contact Judith Brusseau for more information.

# **Baptism Preparation**

Baptism Preparation Session will be offered **March 6**. Registration forms may be found on our website.

# Winter Lecture Series Continues

Who Are We Executing and Incarcerating in this Country? Is it Moral?

Karen Clifton, Executive Director of the Catholic Mobilizing Network (and Holy Trinity parishioner) and Dr. Hannah Walker, a postdoctoral fellow with the Prisons and Justice Initiative at Georgetown University, will explore this topic and the challenges for our society today. **February 19**, 10:10am, Trinity Hall.

#### Why Laudato Si' Matters

In this presentation, William Dinges, Ph.D., Professor of Religious Studies at Catholic University, will explain how social justice extends to environmental welfare as well. **February 26**, 10:10am, Trinity Hall.

# **YOUTH MINISTRY**

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**S4J-Service4Justice** (for 9th-12th grade) S4J focuses on direct service opportunities in response to Pope Francis' call to each of us to accompany the poor. We meet on the last Saturday of every month (this month we will meet on **February 25** and during Lent we will meet on **March 25**) to prepare and distribute food in Gibbons Park next to the Shrine of the Sacred Heart Church downtown.

## Peace Club (for 7th-12th grade)

This is a day to learn about peace and others' lives and serve our wider community. Youth are invited to this morning of service and presence with children and teens at the Perry Center. During Lent we will visit on **April 1**. We leave from Holy Trinity at 9am and return by 12:30pm.

Looking for Parishioners in Action! Do you have photos from a recent Holy Trinity event or service project? Send your pictures as an attachment to

photos@trinity.org to be featured in an upcoming Bulletin or eLetter

## Help Wanted-Receptionist

Holy Trinity is seeking a full-time receptionist Monday-Friday from 8:30-4:30pm who will provide general office support with a variety of clerical activities and related tasks. The receptionist will be responsible for welcoming visitors to the Parish Center, answering incoming calls, directing calls to appropriate staff, mail distribution and

flow of correspondence, as well as additional clerical duties. Required skills: Microsoft Office. Submit cover letter and resume to *agrady@trinity.org* 

# **PARISH LIFE**

# **New Parishioner Orientation**

All new members to the Parish are invited to our New Parishioner Orientation on Sunday, **February 12** from 4-5:30pm in McKenna Hall. Children are most welcome and no RSVP is required. For more information, please contact Lisa Dittmeier at *ldittmeier@trinity.org*.

# **Trinity Adult Community Gatherings**

Join the adult singles of the Parish on **February 19** after 5:30pm Mass for conversation, food, drinks and laughter. Please bring a side dish or drinks or make a donation to help defray the costs.

# **Parish Connections**

Tuesday, **February 28** (6:30-8:30pm) – Celebrate Mardi Gras with Father Gillespie at the home of Pam and Dennis Lucey in McLean, VA.

Saturday, **March 4** (6:30-8:30pm) – Enjoy an adult buffet dinner with Father Campbell at the home of Marianne and Michael Gick in Arlington, VA.

For further information and to RSVP, visit the Parish Life webpage. Interested in hosting a Parish Connection event this spring/summer? Contact Lisa Dittmeier at *ldittmeier@trinity.org*.

# HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL Holy Trinity School Gala

# Saturday, April 1, Trinity Hall

Please consider supporting our school and community by becoming a sponsor, donating, or attending the event. Proceeds benefit needbased scholarships for students and professional development opportunities for our teachers. Guests love to bid on weekend



getaways, sporting event tickets, concert tickets, gift certificates and electronics! If you have questions or would like to support the event, email Jennifer Touchette at *jennifer.touchette@gmail.com*.