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As we celebrate July 4, our Independence Day, let us remember our fellow Christians who are denied their religious freedom.

The Persecuted Church What we can do for Middle East Christians

By Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz

From the Middle East, the very cradle of Christianity, come daily headlines that make us want to recoil in disbelief. They accompany images of ghastly beheadings, families torn apart, innocent bystanders mercilessly gunned down and homes torched for no other reason than the faith of their residents. The bigger picture is even more disturbing. More than 7 million people of all different faiths have fled violence incited by groups like the Islamic State, also known as ISIS or ISIL. As many as 700,000 of those on the run are children. Pope Francis urges all of us to immediate action: “the blood of our Christian brothers and sisters is a testimony which cries out to make itself heard by all those who still know how to distinguish between good and evil.”



News of Christians in faraway lands can feel far from our own homes, but Pope Francis reminds us they are our family. “It makes no difference whether the victims are Catholic, Copt, Orthodox or Protestant. Their blood is one and the same in their confession of Christ,” he says. Let us pray the world responds and joins the church worldwide in defending the faith—our own and that of Jewish, Muslim and other believers—against any who would pervert God’s good name for their own violent ends.

When members of a delegation from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Migration and Refugee Services visited the Middle East in 2012, they sounded the alarm as to the estimated 550,000 people forced from their native countries. Another delegation returned at the end of 2014, reporting that the number had grown to nearly four million. Now is the time for all of us to reflect upon what more the church in the United States can and must do and what each of us can do individually. We must increase our witness, our prayer and our giving.



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Fr. Mark to Leave in September

Fr. Mark announced that his assignment at Holy Trinity will be coming to a close at the end of September. His new assignment has not yet been confirmed. The Provincial has assigned Fr. Kevin Gillespie, S.J. to Holy Trinity effective September 28th. A native to the Philadelphia area, Fr. Gillespie is the former President of St. Joseph’s University. Fr. Gillespie will be at Holy Trinity the weekend of July 10th-11th to meet parishioners. Please join Fr. Mark and the Jesuits in residence in welcoming Fr. Gillespie to Holy Trinity.

MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Trinity is a Catholic parish sponsored by the Society of Jesus. We share the Society's mission to serve the faith and to promote justice. As disciples of Christ, we seek to be transformed by the Holy Spirit through our celebration of Eucharist and our practice of Ignatian spirituality into a welcoming and prayerful community that shares God's life and love with each other and the world.

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From the Pastor's Desk

This weekend's column is written by Fr. John Peck, SJ, the new Associate Pastor at Holy Trinity.

As Fr. Sam noted in his column in the June 21st bulletin, Holy Trinity has welcomed many new Jesuit priests. By now the parish has a strong tradition of helping the freshly ordained grow into their new relationship of service to the Church. It's a privilege for me to be the latest Jesuit priest to begin his ministry in this outstanding parish. Even in my first few days, I've seen confirmed the stellar reputation of Holy Trinity as a community of engaged parishioners who deeply love the Church. The welcome I've received from fellow Jesuits, the parish staff, and parishioners has already been warm and generous.

I am the son of John and Cindy Peck of New Kensington, PA. On my way to Holy Trinity, I took a rather long and circuitous route to the priesthood. After high school, I entered priestly formation as a seminarian for my home diocese of Greensburg, PA. My course of formation as a diocesan seminarian took me to studies first in Columbus, OH, and then in Eichstaett, Germany, and Rome, Italy. While studying at the Pontifical Gregorian University (the Roman university entrusted by the Pope to the Society of Jesus), I became fascinated by the gifts of my Jesuit professors. Aside from being excellent priests, many of them were also excellent scholars and teachers. The ones who most inspired me were eager to interact with their students. Perceiving that God was calling me to live out my priestly vocation as a member of the Society of Jesus, I finished my degree in Rome and entered the Jesuits in 2007. The years since entering have been the most spiritually and intellectually fruitful of my life, which I interpret as a sign of the authenticity of my Jesuit vocation. In many ways, I'm still living out of the graces God gave me when I made the thirty-day Spiritual Exercises as a novice. Along with more studies of philosophy and theology, I spent two years teaching philosophy at Loyola University Maryland in Baltimore. At Loyola, I was the only Jesuit working full-time in the philosophy department, so I relied on my lay colleagues for critical guidance and mentoring. That experience taught me much about the important contributions lay Christians make to the formation of Jesuit priests. I'm sure my time at Trinity will serve to confirm and deepen that lesson.

After this year of pastoral work at Holy Trinity, I will move to doctoral studies in philosophy. One of my passions is witnessing to the coherence of Christian faith and philosophical reason. As St. John Paul II writes at the opening of his encyclical *Fides et Ratio*, "Faith and reason are like two wings on which the human spirit rises to the contemplation of truth." Today, an important part of the mission of the Society of Jesus is to help people know God by means of both divine faith and human reason. I hope to make some small contribution to that effort. Since pastoral work connects priests more intimately to the faith of God's People, as well as to their questions and everyday struggles, I'm certain my work at Holy Trinity will make me a better scholar and teacher. Thanks in advance for all that you will teach me during my time with you!

Once again, many hearty thanks for the warm welcome! I look forward to meeting more of you in the next days and months.

In Christ,

Fr. Peck, SJ

Daily Mass Intentions

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

Parishioners can 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:

Monday	7:00 am	Patricia Louise Abraham+
	8:00 am	Keathley Malone +
	5:30 pm	Matthew Kramer + Eileen Gerwin +
Tuesday	7:00 am	Tywanda Sanders +
	8:00 am	Barbara Sheehan +
	5:30 pm	Michael Normile +
Wednesday	7:00 am	Sharonda Singleton +
	8:00 am	Special Intention
	5:30 pm	Ethel Sullivan +
Thursday	7:00am	Ethel Lance +
	8:00am	DePayne Doctor +
	5:30pm	Tim Seward +
Friday	7:00am	Rev. Daniel Simmons +
	8:00am	Jemee Carroll
	5:30pm	Susie Jackson +
Saturday	8:00am	John & Mary McAuliffe +

Pray for those who are sick: *Jean Moran; David Mohre*

Pray for those who are dead: *Our beloved dead whom we hold in our hearts*

PRAYER REQUESTS

To add a name to these prayer lists, contact Rose Mary Padberg at: rpadberg@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, 9:00am, 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: Justine Javier, 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 Rose Mary Padberg @ registration@trinity.org.

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

PARKING

Limited on-street parking is available. On most Sundays, free parking is also available at the following Georgetown University parking lots — underground parking garage off Canal Road entrance; surface lot at the end of the Canal Road entrance; and the parking structure under the Leavy Student Center (university section only). Parking is also available at Visitation Academy, off 35th Street at Volta, on most Sundays. Handicapped parking is at the corner of 36th & O St. NW.

BULLETIN NOTICES & WEBSITE UPDATES

Please email proposed updates for the website or bulletin to the parish staff member responsible for overseeing the activity (see page 2 sidebar) by *2pm Thursday*, 8 days before the targeted weekend. Please note that the bulletin is published online, so information you submit may be available online.

Questions? www.communications@trinity.org

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Daily Scripture Readings

A list of readings for the week can be found on the USCCB website:

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>

IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY & PRAYER

The Persecuted Church (cont. from page 1)

Never tire. In the face of daily ghastly headlines, Pope Francis encourages us, "Do not tire of repeating: Christ is risen!" As our sisters, brothers and children face a rising tide of deadly persecution, our responsibility as a nation is clear: Stop the violence and protect the vulnerable. Protect them not only from the immediate threat but also from the long-term conditions of social and economic exclusion that offer fertile soil for extremism. Pope Francis has said, "In reaffirming that it is licit, while always respecting international law, to stop an unjust aggressor, I wish to reiterate that the problem cannot be resolved solely through a military response." Any necessary military action must be conducted within the framework of a diplomatic effort that encourages governments in countries such as Iraq and Libya to guarantee minority participation, religious or otherwise, in the full life of their nations.

America's Catholic bishops are working with the Holy See and with various bishops' conferences in the Middle East to see how we can best support peace efforts. We continue to call upon the U.S. government to intensify work with its international counterparts. The young policeman needs to know he is not alone and that his family is present in our deliberations.

To witness, pray and give offers each of us an opportunity not only to unite with the suffering of our brothers and sisters today but also, in a real way, to walk in the footsteps of all the saints who have given their lives for their faith and ultimately for us—the beneficiaries of a rich spirituality born in the poverty of suffering. It is a walk we take with the universal church. There are seven Latin and Eastern rite Catholic churches and several Orthodox churches still in the land where Jesus walked. Each faces a fight for its life.

Joining together in public and private prayer, rebuilding churches and welcoming refugees, we are never alone, and we will never tire.

Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz of Louisville, Ky., is the president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. This is an excerpt from an article that appeared in America, June 22-29, 2015 (www.americamagazine.org), used with permission.



IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY & PRAYER (continued)

Inner Peace in Divine Love Retreat An Ignatian Retreat made in a small group

The six-week Inner Peace in Divine Love retreat will focus on the loving relationship each of us has with God. Beginning with our own experience of love, we will be asked to contemplate all the gifts we have received from



God. As we sit with this love, we may seek Christ's inner peace and the desire to put our love into action. If you have questions, are seeking more information, or want to complete a registration form, please go to www.trinity.org/spirituality-ignatian Contact: Martina O'Shea at moshea@trinity.org or 202-903-2810.

Sept. 13 - Oct. 18, 2015 OR Oct. 18 - Nov. 22, 2015
Deadline is Tuesday, September 1, 2015
Space is limited, apply early!

Ten individuals ranging in age from their mid-twenties to sixties, were part of a small group that made this retreat during Lent last year. This is what they had to say about their experience:

"I am taking with me a deeper understanding of my spirituality and learning to listen to God's voice echo within my spirit and in all facets of my life."

"The retreat helped me understand who I am, for whom I live, why I am."

"[This retreat] was an opportunity to explore and embrace the depth of God's love for me."

Prayer

Worship in the temple of the present moment.
-Anthony de Mello, SJ

SOCIAL JUSTICE

DC Physician Assisted Suicide Bill

Six months ago, B21-38 was introduced before the DC City Council. The bill would allow doctors to legally prescribe a lethal dose of drugs to patients who have been deemed mentally competent and received a terminal diagnosis. A coalition of disability advocates, patient advocates, medical professionals, and other allies opposes this legislation. For more information about this coalition or for more information on how to contact your city elected official about the bill, go to NoDCSuicide.org.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Challenge from LAUDATO SI'

"Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or secondary aspect of our Christian experience." (217)

LIVE in a Global Community "We must regain the conviction that we need one another, that we have a shared responsibility for others and the world, and that being good and decent are worth it." (229)

Since everyone and everything is created by God, all of creation is interconnected. Recognizing this draws us into a spirituality of global solidarity, especially prioritizing the needs of those who cannot protect themselves: the poor, weak, and vulnerable. Practicing solidarity helps us overcome the temptation toward individualism and self-interest.

ACTION: Make a commitment this week to serve the needs of the poor in a concrete way. Consider opportunities through Catholic Charities (below or www.catholiccharitiesdc.org) or Catholic Relief Services, www.CRS.org.

REFLECTION: Who are the people in my community or the larger world I don't think or pray about? How do the daily choices I make impact the poor? (Use of natural resources, how I spend my time and money, where I shop, etc?).

Read the entire Encyclical and find additional resources at <http://trinity.org/social-justice/whats-new/>

Make this a Summer of Service with Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington

Next fall when Pope Francis visits and asks how you spent your summer, what will you say? Here are some possible answers:

St Maria's Meals

This food truck serves meals 3 times a week - Tuesday and Wednesday evenings and Friday mornings - in different communities in our area. On Tuesday evenings, volunteers serve families in the Camp Springs area. Choose your spot to spend 2 hours feeding the hungry and thirsty-once, once a week, or once a month.

Welcome Home Re-entry Mentor

Become a mentor to someone returning to the community from incarceration. We will train you and provide ongoing support. Mentors are at least 25 years old and commit for an hour a week for a year. You will make a BIG difference in someone's life.

More information and opportunities:
www.CatholicCharitiesDC.org/volunteer

FAITH FORMATION/ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Catechists Needed

At this time of the year, many Catholics find themselves considering an invitation to become a catechist in their parish. Directors/Coordinators of Religious Education/Faith Formation, Pastoral Associates, are all "on the prowl" seeking out those who have the potential to serve in this role. Perhaps you've been invited to be a catechist. Perhaps you know someone who is thinking about becoming a catechist. Or perhaps you are the one doing the inviting. Whatever the case may be, I offer the following reasons for becoming a catechist. Reasons to Become a Catechist:

- *You will grow in your own faith, learn the teachings of the Church, and deepen your relationship with Jesus.*
- *Your Baptism calls you to share in Jesus' ministry.*
- *Children, teens, and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to hear the Good News of Jesus.*
- *Children, teens, and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to encounter good role models of faith.*
- *You have much to share with those you'll teach, and you'll have opportunities to share faith with other catechists.*

DEVELOPMENT

Parish Pledge at 86% Goal

Thank you to our Parishioners who have supported the 2015 Parish Pledge.

The Annual Parish Pledge is very important to Holy Trinity because it supports our ministry to our own Parishioners and also the care for our needy brothers and sisters in the greater Washington, DC area. Pledging also makes it possible for Holy Trinity to financially plan and better steward gifts.

On Wednesday evening, June 17th, several Parishioners and members of the Development Committee conducted a Phone-a-thon in support of the Parish Pledge. They called upon Parishioners who made a parish pledge last year but have not yet made a pledge this year. We wish to thank the Parishioners who accepted our calls and made a commitment to pledge. Reminder letters were sent to the Parishioners who we were not able to reach via phone.

To date, we are at 86% goal. As you can appreciate, being at 100% goal is very important to Holy Trinity Church. Please - if you have not yet made your Parish Pledge for 2015, we ask that you please consider doing so at your earliest convenience. Donations to the Parish Pledge can work on any schedule, begin at any time and can be made in a variety of methods including online at www.trinity.org. Pledge brochures are available in the card racks as you enter the Church. For additional information, please contact Diane Favret, Development Director at 202.903.2801 or dfavret@trinity.org.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

Sun July 5, 2015

Following 9:30am and 11:30am Masses

Coffee and Fellowship

Parish Center Rotonda Reception Area

Mon July 6, 2015

Parish Center Closed at 4:30pm

Tue, July 7, 2015

7:00pm-9:00pm

Job Readiness Workshop

Georgetown Neighborhood Library

7:00pm-9:00pm

RCIA

Faber Room/McKenna

7:15pm-8:30pm

Loyola Ensemble Rehearsal

Neale Room

Wed, July 8 2015

Parish Center Closed at 4:30pm

7:00pm-9:00pm

ADW Twinning Meeting

Neale Room

Thu, July 9, 2015

6:00pm-6:30pm

Christian Meditation Group

Chapel of St. Ignatius

7:00pm-8:30pm

YAC Faith Sharing Group

Chapel of St. Ignatius

7:30pm-9:00pm

Separated, Widowed and Divorced Group

Neale Room

Fri, July 10, 2015

Parish Center Closed at 12:00pm

Sat, July 11, 2015

7:30am-8:45am

Zen Meditation

Upper Room

9:00am-3:00pm

Hands On Housing

Offsite

11:00am-12:00pm

Rite of Baptism

Chapel of St. Ignatius

5:30pm-6:45pm

Monthly Food Drive

Bins Outside of Church

Sun, July 12, 2015

7:30am-7:00pm

Monthly Food Drive

Bins Outside Church

Following 9:30am and 11:30am Masses

Coffee and Fellowship

Parish Center Rotonda Reception Area

12:30pm-1:30pm

San Miguel Tutors Meeting

McKenna

3:00pm-4:00pm

Rite of Baptism

Chapel of St. Ignatius

3:00pm-5:00pm

YAC Couple's Retreat Planning Meeting

Upper Room

7:15pm-9:00pm

YAC Mass and Café

Chapel of St. Ignatius