



HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Being Catholic in an Election Season

In case it isn't abundantly clear from TV, radio, social media and your neighbors' lawns, it is election season. Although this election year has been particularly vitriolic, engaging in the political process and trying to influence and shape the moral character of our civil society is part of the mission given to us by Jesus Christ. As Pope Francis reminds, "A good Catholic meddles in politics, offering the best of himself, so that those who govern can govern." First and foremost, then, we must engage. We must vote.

Neither the Conference of Bishops nor the Archdiocese of Washington dictates how we should vote. That is an informed decision grounded in faith that each Catholic must make for herself or himself.

You might begin that decision making process by considering the person of Jesus and his concern for our brothers and sisters most in need. Also, consider the principles of Catholic Social Teaching such as the sanctity of all life and the dignity of all people, the essential relatedness of all human persons and the call to live in community, solidarity, the preferential option for the poor and vulnerable, the dignity of work and workers and concern for and stewardship of all God's creations.

You might use Jesus' example and these guiding principles to contemplate how the policies being offered by a candidate align with a fundamental concern for those most in need, the dignity of human life and work, our call as Catholics to live in community and concern for God's creation. To help you with this contemplation, the Ignatian Solidarity Network has prepared an ***Ignatian Examen for Civic Life***, which guides one through a conversation with God about the relationship between Gospel values and political engagement. You may find the examen at www.ignatiansolidarity.net.

Other resources that may help you discern this relationship as you prepare to vote are available from the US Conference of Bishops (www.usccb.org) and the Jesuit Conference (www.jesuit.org).

In the coming weeks, we will be reflecting more deeply on how Gospel values and Catholic Social Teaching issues in light of the coming election through the Social Justice newsletter. If you don't already receive the newsletter and would like to receive these emails, please contact Kate Tromble at ktromble@trinity.org.

Monday, September 19: Deadline!



God's Abiding Love Retreat, October 2-8

This retreat is designed especially for

individuals who are new to praying with scripture in an Ignatian way. Registration forms are at the entrance of the church and online. For more information, please contact Martina O'Shea at moshea@trinity.org.

Religious Education Has Begun



Look inside for more photos of our youth in action last Sunday. Learn more about this important ministry on our website!

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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PARISH CENTER

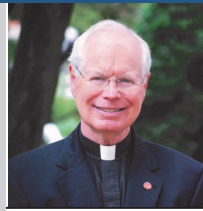
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From the Pastor's Desk

While the Redskins' season kickoff did not prove successful, the start of a new parish season provided many successful efforts; a host of activities infused the life of our parish. In addition to Holy Trinity School moving into fall gear, our RCIA program directed by Anne Koestler and Fr. Ryan resumed, as did our Religious Education program, directed by Judith Brusseau and assisted by Mary Tull, Kathleen Butler, and Ellen Toupps. This past Sunday, more than 700 children began attending our Sunday morning religion classes, and they were greeted with more than 60 volunteer catechists. Did you notice how quickly the dozens of donuts disappeared after the 9am Masses?!

In addition, our Parish Assessment & Renewal (PAR) Project entered a new phase with the arrival of the Parish Evaluation Project (PEP) team lead by Fr. Tom Sweetser, S.J. and ably assisted by Ms. Kathy Seitz and Ms. Jessamyn Amerzquita. At each one of last weekend's eight Masses, one of the team members spoke and asked three questions: What are the things that we at HTP should keep doing? What are things that we should let go of and stop doing? What could we start doing?

The team met collectively with our parish staff and members of the Parish Council, our Parish Finance Committee, and various other parish committees as well as with members of our PAR Oversight Team. They have also met individually with more than 40 of us.

Last Saturday, approximately 50 of us engaged with the PEP team in a 3-hour session where a 36-page report was discussed. More than 500 Holy Trinity parishioners participated in the survey. One remarkable finding was that HTP draws from 74 zip codes! At the meeting, parish concerns found in the survey were prioritized into three goals:

- Providing a more welcoming environment;
- Better communication throughout the parish on all levels;
- Inviting new volunteers for all areas of parish life.

This Sunday there be a Town Hall Meeting at 3pm in Trinity Hall for anyone who wishes to add his/her voice to the PAR process. The Assessment Phase of the PAR process will then move into a Renewal Phase that is designed to move HTP strategically forward.

Finally, last Sunday parishioners assembled to share our memories of Fr. Leo Murray, S.J. Fr. Leo passed away this past summer, but the memories of his 12 years at the parish remain alive. The sharing of stories was consoling to each of us. A similar sharing of parishioners who remember Fr. Jim English, S.J. who also passed this summer will take place on Saturday, October 1 at 1pm.

Rev. C. Kevin Gillespie, SJ.

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 September 12- September 17

Monday	7:00am	
	8:00am	Brother Bonaventure Scully, CFX+
	5:30pm	David Touns+
Tuesday	7:00am	
	8:00am	Peter Primano+
	5:30pm	Sister Joanne Frey
Wednesday	7:00am	
	8:00am	Joseph A. Falzon+
	5:30pm	Carty Family+
Thursday	7:00am	
	8:00am	Joan Kowalski+
	5:30pm	Kenneth & Delores Bellis+
Friday	7:00am	
	8:00am	
	5:30pm	Donna Clark
Saturday	7:00am	
	8:00am	Bob William

Pray for those who are sick:

Dale Borman

Pray for those who are dead:

For those we hold in our hearts.

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, 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
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- 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 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 Georgetown Visitation, 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? communications@trinity.org

Prayer for the Parish Assessment & Renewal Project

Loving God, you call us to be a people of faith. Bless us as we respond to the needs and plan for the future of Holy Trinity Parish Community.

Help us be attentive to those who feel left out or neglected. Help us support those who actively take part in our groups and programs.

During this time of assessment and renewal, may we affirm our strengths and open ourselves to new growth. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

Parish Town Hall: September 18 at 3pm

Your participation is needed! Over the past six months, Holy Trinity has been engaged in the Parish Assessment & Renewal Project (PAR) to assess the effectiveness and appropriateness of its many ministries. You are invited to join us at **3pm** in Trinity Hall to review the report and share your ideas about what works and what doesn't work at Holy Trinity. Thank you for your support of this important effort of renewal for our parish.

IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY

God, go with us.

Give us the grace to follow Christ's word,
to be clear in our tasks and careful in our speech.

Give us open hands and joyful hearts.

Let Christ be on our lips.

May our lives reflect a love of truth and compassion.

Let no one come to us and go away sad.

May we offer hope to the poor
and solace to the disheartened.

Let us sow living seeds, words so full of life
that faith may be the harvest in people's hearts.

In word and in example

let your light shine in us like the morning star
in the dark. Amen.

Adapted from Alcuin of York (735-804)

Young Married Couples Potluck & Faith Sharing

Saturday, September 24, 6:30pm in McKenna Hall

Gather with other young married couples (married less than ten years) to share a potluck meal and reflect on your faith life as a married couple. For more information and to be added to the invite list, please contact Catherine at isadmin@trinity.org.

The Loyola Club of Washington, DC will have its Fall luncheon on **September 30, 11:30am-1:30pm** at the University Club of Washington, DC. Cokie Roberts, well known political commentator, best-selling author, and Stone Ridge graduate will be the guest speaker. All are welcome. Visit www.loyolaclubdc.org to register.

IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY (CONT.)

Memorial Celebration: Fr. Jim English, SJ Saturday, October 1



A Memorial Mass and Reception to celebrate the memory of Fr. Jim English, S.J., friend and visionary pastor from 1975-1981, will be held **October 1 at 1pm**. Please send remembrances and photos to Pam Lucey, 7340 Hooking Lane, McLean, VA 22101 or at plucey@cox.net. RSVP for the reception by September 25 to Cathy Quinn at cathyquinn2014@gmail.com

Movie Moments of Grace

Save the Date for our 2016-17 Season!

All are welcome! Films are shown at 6:30pm in Trinity Hall, 3510 36th Street NW. Refreshments and discussion in McKenna will follow the screening. Contact: Frank & Mary Frost at htmmog@gmail.com

Saturday, October 1, 2016 ---- *Still Alice*

Saturday, November 5, 2016 ---- *A Fond Kiss*

Saturday, January 7, 2017 ----- *Last Night*

Friday, March 10, 2017 ----- *The Dark Horse*

Saturday, May 6, 2017 ----- *Transamerica*

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Monthly Service Opportunities

We will offer monthly opportunities for your family to join with other parishioners in service to the vulnerable in our community. Our first opportunity will be Monday, October 10 (Columbus Day). Options including serving breakfast or lunch at the McKenna Center or making sandwiches and/or a hot meal for the guests at Georgetown Ministry Center. Details and to sign up are located at www.trinity.org/social-justice/whats-new.

Social Justice Documentary Series

This fall we bring a 3-film long Social Justice documentary series. Each film will be shown at 3:00 pm in McKenna Hall. We begin on **September 25** with *We Come As Friends*, a film and discussion about the role of non-profit organizations in the developing world, focusing primarily on South Sudan. We will be joined by Sr. Joan Mumaw of Solidarity for South Sudan. Details on the other two films at www.trinity.org/social-justice/whats-new.

Welcome Back the Council

The DC Council resumes session in late September. Please join Miriam's Kitchen on **September 22 at 9:30am** in the lobby of the John A Wilson Building (1350 Pennsylvania Avenue) to update Councilmembers on the progress DC has made towards ending veteran and chronic homelessness over the summer. If you are interested in attending, please email jese.rabinowitz@miriamskitchen.org.

PARISH LIFE

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The first Parish Pastoral Council meeting of the 2016-2017 year will be held **Wednesday, September 21 at 7pm** in McKenna Hall. Agenda items include a discussion of the PAR Project and consideration of a parish census, as well as the Pastor's Report, PPC President's report, and a parishioner open forum. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

The members of the 2016-2017 Parish Pastoral Council are: Kirk Willison (President), Cecilia Boudreau (Vice President), Kevin Gillespie, S.J. (Pastor), Linda Arnold, Patrick Browne, Vincent Dennis, Christopher Hale, Margaret Miller, Diane Oakley, Richard Podulka, Jim Thessin, and Ellen Touns.

FAITH FORMATION/ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sacramental Preparation Begins

Parents of children who are preparing for First Reconciliation will meet in the Chapel on **September 18 at 10:10am**. There will be a brief presentation on the theology of Reconciliation followed by a prayerful reflection in the Ignatian manner led by Martina O'Shea. Child care is available.

Remembering Henri Nouwen: 20 Years Later

Fr. Kevin Gillespie will offer a reflection on the inspirational journey of Henri Nouwen as professor, prophet, priest and pastor. John Cook, Executive Director, will speak about the L'Arche community in Washington. **Sunday, September 25 at 10:10am** in Trinity Hall.

Rite of Acceptance into the Catechumenate: What It Tells Us About Who We Are

During today's 11:30am Mass, we celebrate the Rite of Acceptance into the Catechumenate with adult inquirers in the RCIA process who are seeking to be baptized in the Catholic Church. This rite marks the start of the Catechumenate Period, which is a time of instruction, prayer, and spiritual formation.

The Rite of Acceptance will tell our inquirers something about who they are and are becoming, as they respond more fully to the Gospel and the invitation to a relationship with Christ and the Christian community. The rite also reveals something about ourselves: listen closely during the Rite of Acceptance, when the presider proclaims us to be *a community that welcomes the catechumens with love and that stands ready to help them (RCIA 55)*. By our participation in the rites and formation of the Catechumenate Period, we, the Church, the baptized body of Christ, bring forth new life.

RCIA Inquiry sessions are **Tuesdays at 7:00pm** in the Faber Room. Contact Anne Koester at akoester@trinity.org for more information.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Adult Volunteers Needed!

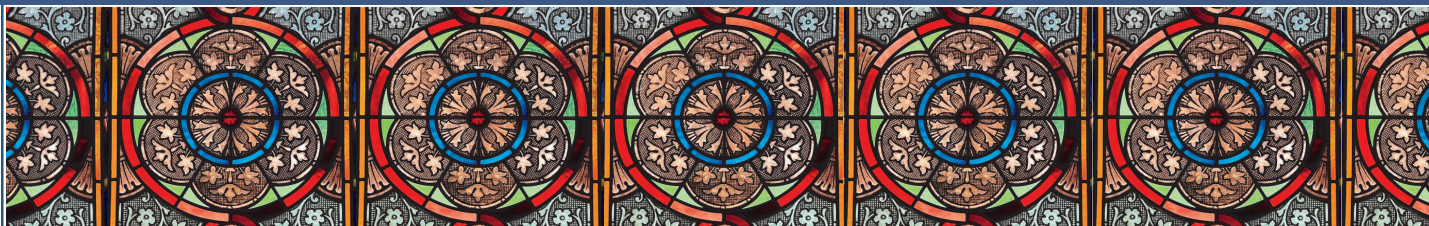
Share your faith with our youth. Youth Ministry needs adult volunteers for our Confirmation program (on Wednesdays evenings and two weekends).

For more information contact Sara Seligmann at sseligmann@trinity.org or (202) 903-2814.



Above: Over 700 students attended our first Religious Education classes of the school year last Sunday.

Visit our website for more information about all of our Ministries and their programs.
Sign up for our Holy Trinity eLetter for weekly updates!



Sunday, September 18, 2016

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Amos 8:4-7/1 Timothy 2:1-8/Luke 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

10:10 AM Children's Bible Study Hour
Lower School Big Room
10:10 AM First Meeting for First Reconciliation
Saint Ignatius Chapel
3:00 PM PAR Town Hall Meeting

Monday, September 19, 2016

MONDAY OF THE 25TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
Proverbs 3:27-34/Luke 8:16-18

7:30 PM Separated, Widowed & Divorced Group
Neale Room

Tuesday, September 20, 2016

MEMORIAL OF SAINTS ANDREW KIM TAE-GUN, PAUL CHONG HA-SANG AND COMPANIONS
Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13/Luke 8:19-21

7:00 PM Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Faber Room

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

FEAST OF SAINT MATTHEW
Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13/Matthew 9:9-13

6:00 PM Parish Council Meeting
McKenna Hall
7:15 PM Book Discussion Group
Parish Center Library

Thursday, September 22, 2016

THURSDAY OF THE 25TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
Ecclesiastes 1:2-11/Luke 9:7-9

6:00 PM Christian Meditation Group
Saint Ignatius Chapel
7:00 PM Young Adult Community Faith Sharing Group
Saint Ignatius Chapel
7:00 PM Job Seekers Support Group
Georgetown Neighborhood Library/R Street & Wisconsin Avenue NW

Friday, September 23, 2016

MEMORIAL OF SAINT PIUS OF PIETRELCINA
Ecclesiastes 3:1-11/Luke 9:18-22

Saturday, September 24, 2016

SATURDAY OF THE 25TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:8/Luke 9:43b-45

7:30 AM Zen Meditation
Parish Center Upper Room
1:00 PM Maria Madre Committee Meeting
McKenna Hall
4:00 PM Shepherd's Flock Potluck
Neale Room
4:30 PM Shepherd's Flock Mass
St. Ignatius Chapel

Sunday, September 25, 2016

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Amos 6:1a, 4-7/1 Timothy 6:11-16/Luke 16:19-31

10:10 AM Henri Nouwen Presentation
Trinity Hall
3:00 PM Social Justice Documentary Film Series
McKenna Hall

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

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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