



HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Washington, DC

September 24, 2017



Evening Prayer Series

In the turbulent days of the Vietnam War, it wasn't uncommon for Catholics to gather at the Pentagon and celebrate the Eucharist in protest. Aidan Kavanagh, a monk of St John's Abbey, Collegeville and a venerable liturgical scholar, decried this practice and reportedly expressed his distaste by suggesting the protestors "celebrate a rip-roaring exorcism instead!" While celebrating the Eucharist is an obvious good, Kavanagh posited that Catholics had at some point lost their ritual vocabulary and forgot that the Eucharist is not the only prayer we have to offer. Bruce Morrill, S.J., a more modern liturgical scholar, argues that, for modern Catholics, "If it's not Mass, it doesn't matter."

In the very early days of the Church, Eucharist was reserved for Sundays—daily Mass wasn't even a thought (and for many Eastern rite Catholics, it still isn't!). On weekdays, Christians, like their Jewish ancestors, gathered at fixed times of the day to pray. They often gathered in the morning before going out to work (praying Psalm 63) and at dusk (singing Psalm 141). In parish churches, the singing of psalms was accompanied by ritual actions.

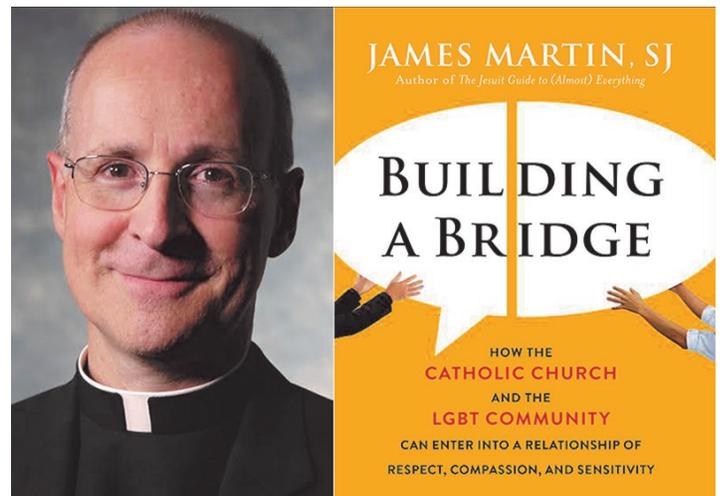
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Living Our Mission:

Building a Bridge & Walking for Justice

Holy Trinity parishioners have two opportunities to live our mission by accompanying one another in Christ on **September 30**. On the learning side, we have a discussion with James Martin, S.J. about his new book *Building a Bridge* and the role of our Catholic faith in addressing issues of justice, **at the church** from 10:30am-12pm (please note the location change). Doors open at 9:30am and parking is available at Georgetown Visitation. On the walking side, we invite parishioners to join the March for Racial Justice (www.m4rj.com) at Lincoln Park on Capitol Hill, beginning at 10am.

Whether you decide to join us for the talk or the walk, all are invited back to Holy Trinity for a 12:15pm simple lunch and a 2:30pm reflection on our day and what it means to be Catholic in these confrontational times. For more information, contact Judith Brusseau at jbrusseau@trinity.org or (202) 903-2907.



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N and O Streets, NW
Washington, DC 20007



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PARISH CENTER
3513 N Street, NW
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New Parishioner Orientation Today!

All new parishioners are invited to join us today, **September 24**, from 3-4:30pm in McKenna Hall.

Meet our parish staff and Jesuit priests, learn about our ministries and activities, and tour the campus. No RSVP is required. Light refreshments will be served and children are most welcome.

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-12pm through August 25; Sat & Sun: No receptionist on duty, but the parish center is accessible during mass times.

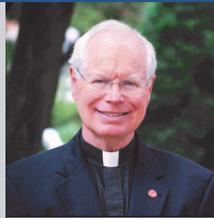
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From the Pastor's Desk

"It was the best of times. It was the worst of times." The opening line of Charles Dickens' *A Tale of Two Cities* came to mind recently as I reflected upon two significant events, that, in distinct ways, recall the 1960s—an era in which so many parishioners grew up. The publicity surrounding the end of the *Cassini-Huygens* mission to Saturn recalled the excitement surrounding the emergence of the NASA space program nearly 60 years ago. I remember watching with enthusiasm, as millions of other Americans did, the successful space programs which highlighted the decade. Our national pride stirred when courageous American astronauts were launched into orbit in programs bearing the god-like names of Mercury (1959-63) Gemini (1963-66), and Apollo (1961-72).

I felt a similar enthusiasm September 15, when I followed how the robotic instruments of *Cassini* were commanded to fly into Saturn's upper atmosphere and burn up, thus preventing any risk of contaminating Saturn's moons (which may offer habitable environments to stowaway terrestrial microbes on the spacecraft). After 20 years of discovery and exploration around Saturn and several of its moons, this internationally engineered satellite brought a new awareness to the ancient question, *Is there life beyond our planet?* The astro-biological findings on Saturn's moons, Titan and Enceladus, lead many scientists to believe that there very well might be.

On the other hand, the PBS documentary, "The Vietnam War," brought back memories of some of the worst aspects of the 1960s. The Kennedy Center recently hosted a 45-minute preview of the 18-hour documentary with a panel discussion of Vietnam War veterans Senator John McCain, former Secretary of State John Kerry, and former defense secretary Chuck Hagel. Their presence and words added poignancy to the program's profound pathos, and I could not help feeling the old yet familiar sadness stored in memories from 50 years ago. The sadness was reinforced watching and reflecting upon each episode, as 55-year old and over viewers experienced again the images and the interviews which eventually tore our nation apart. The combined estimated war deaths total more than 1.3 million. Of those deaths, 58,307 were Americans, 28 were students from my high school, and three were my own classmates. All their names are now listed on the Vietnam War Memorial Wall. In viewing the documentary, one has a genuine sense of how one's formative story participated in our nation's tragic history.

At a time when our nation once again seems fragmented, an effect of the documentary might very well be to help reunite us through stories and history. If the documentary achieves this purpose, it will truly enable our nation, and indeed our world, to move beyond the tragedies of divisions and wars and toward the planets and the stars with a unified purpose and a real sense that the best of times remain ahead of us.

Rev. 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 September 25

Monday	7:00am	
	8:00am	Ed O'hara+
	5:30pm	Tim Winter+
Tuesday	7:00am	
	8:00am	Frances Spencer+
	5:30pm	Stephen M. MacDougall+
Wednesday	7:00am	Jeff Moran+
	8:00am	Richard Rodgers+
	5:30pm	Joseph Norpel+
Thursday	7:00am	
	8:00am	Richard Guggolz+
	5:30pm	Silvia Markowski+
Friday	7:00am	Constance McCabe
	8:00am	Jim Richeson+
	5:30pm	John Patrick Donahue+
Saturday	8:00am	Elizabeth Anne Donohue+

Pray for those who are sick: *Ana Luz Castillo; Molly Palmer*

Pray for those who are dead: *Henry West; Patricia Quist; Juana Roman; Rachael Elizabeth Bail; Anne Waggoner Zweben*

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; 5:30pm 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 at (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/register. 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 Cecilia Boudreau ppcpresident@trinity.org

Vice President Ellen Touns parishcouncil@trinity.org

WORSHIP



In the Footsteps of St. Ignatius and Early Jesuits: A Pilgrimage to Spain and Rome

Join Paul Campbell, S.J. **April 29-May 10** for an enriching and inspiring journey to northeast Spain and Rome to explore the life and times of one of the great spiritual visionaries of Christianity, St. Ignatius of Loyola. Our program begins with a contemporary of St. Ignatius, St. Teresa of Avila, as we explore her hometown and begin to gain insight into the challenges of the 16th century. We then journey to Loyola to visit St. Ignatius' family castle, the place where he began his spiritual journey. We travel with him across northeast Spain to Xavier, Zaragoza, Montserrat, and Manresa en route to Barcelona before heading to Rome to visit sites where he and his earliest companions formed the Society of Jesus and began to form the institutions that would serve the Church during a critical time in its history. Father Campbell knows these sites well and is eager to bring the events and times of St. Ignatius to life. The sites of northeast Spain are rich in history, art, and culture—including the breathtaking Sagrada Familia in Barcelona. In Rome, we will visit other monuments that make the city such a fascinating destination. To learn more and make a reservations by **October 15**, please visit www.trinity.org/pilgrimage.

IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY

Inner Peace in Divine Love

**An Ignatian retreat made in a small group
October 15-November 19**

Registration Deadline: **October 1**

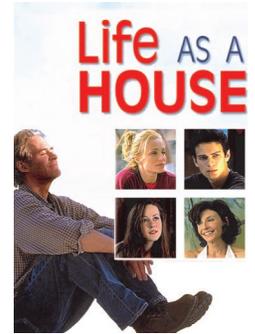
Inner Peace in Divine Love is the first of four retreats in the [First Spiritual Exercises](#). This retreat will focus on the loving relationship each of us has with God. Space is limited, so please fill out a registration form that can be found at the entrances to the church and chapel or online at www.trinity.org/ignatian-spirituality/retreats. For more information, please contact Martina O'Shea, moshea@trinity.org or (202) 903-2810.

Stay Connected!

Sign up for weekly updates at www.trinity.org/eLetter

Movie Moments of Grace 2017-18 Season

Join us to kick off the Movie Moments of Grace season with *Life as a House* **September 30** at 6:30pm in Trinity Hall. All are welcome to view contemporary films and join in small group discussion about how the film engages us as human beings at a deep emotional level. In the tradition of Ignatian Spirituality, reflection on this affective response can be a rich source of spiritual insight and self-discovery. Please RSVP to htmmog@gmail.com.



Explore and Discern Seminar

January – May, 2018

Application Due Before October 15

The seminar is designed to help individuals who are feeling drawn to the ministry of either *spiritual direction* or *spiritual companionship* to explore his/her desire and abilities for this ministry and to discern if indeed God is calling the person to further formation. Brochures are at the entrances to the church and chapel or online at www.trinity.org/ignatian-spirituality. Request an application packet from moshea@trinity.org or (202) 903-2810. Complete the application and return it to Martina O'Shea **before October 15**. Invitations to participate in the seminar will be sent out by December 1. church or chapel or at trinity.org/ignatian-spirituality.

YAC Fall Retreat—The Seekers' Retreat

Join us **October 20-22**, for the Seekers' Retreat, a weekend for adults in their twenties and thirties, married or single, who are seeking a deeper integration of spirituality in their lives. Young adult speakers, small and large group discussions, and quiet time for prayer and discussion will lead us to grow in understanding and faith about our deepest longings in relation to life, relationships, and God. Registration deadline is **October 12** at www.trinity.org/yac-retreat.

LOYOLA
CLUB

Jesuit Friends and Alumni Network of Washington DC

Fr. Gillespie to Speak at Fall Luncheon

Fr. Gillespie will be the guest speaker at the Loyola Club of Washington, DC's Fall Luncheon on **October 12**. The luncheon is from 11:30am-1:30pm at the University Club of Washington, DC. All are welcome. To register, and for more information about the club, please visit www.loyolclubdc.org.

Evening Prayers *continued from page 1*

Incense was burnt to symbolize the sacrifice of the day's labor, prayers rising to God, and the thanks and praise of the community offered to God. At dusk, the church's lamps were lit while Jesus was acclaimed as the light of the world and the sun that will never set. The light was then carried home from the church and used to light the lamps in the homes of the faithful, giving light to the house.

This rhythm of daily communal and ritual prayer developed into what we call the Liturgy of the Hours. The Liturgy of the Hours is comprised of the singing of psalms and hymns, a reading from scripture, a canticle from Luke's Gospel, and intercessory prayers at morning, midday, evening, and bedtime. These days, monastic communities like St Anselm's Monastery in Northeast DC keep a full course of hours. But, even in our neighborhood, Christ Church Georgetown observes Morning, Midday and Evening Prayer Monday through Friday.

At Holy Trinity, we have been celebrating Evening Prayer on special days throughout the year that do not require the celebration of the Eucharist (like All Souls and Ash Wednesday), but this year we are expanding our celebrations to include more special days on the calendar.

Evening Prayer provides a perfect opportunity to collect the day and offer it back in prayer to God, to pray for specific needs and intentions of our world, to use the words of the psalms to comfort and cajole, praise and offer thanks, to include more lay women and men in presiding and preaching ministries, and to pray ecumenically with our Christian brothers and sisters. Please save the date for our Evening Prayer series this year as we hope to expand and enrich our ritual vocabulary. All Evening Prayers take place at 7pm in the chapel unless otherwise noted:

All Souls Day – November 2 (Church)
Commemoration of the Jesuit Martyrs of El Salvador – November 16
Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe – December 12 (en español)
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – January 23
Ash Wednesday – February 14 (7:30pm, Church)
St Joseph the Worker – May 1

SOCIAL JUSTICE**Walk in the Footsteps of Fr. McKenna**

If your **September 30** is not busy enough, consider starting the day with a 5K walk beginning and ending at Gonzaga College High School and winding through Northeast DC, along K and I Streets, a path taken by Fr. Horace McKenna nearly every day! Registration begins at 8am and is \$30. Visit the website to learn more, www.fathermckennacenter.org.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/
FAITH FORMATION****First Reconciliation Parent Meeting #2**
September 24, 10:10am, Trinity Hall

This meeting offers practical information and materials to assist parents in guiding their child's preparation.

Baptism Preparation Session

October 14, 10am, McKenna Hall

Register online at trinity.org/infant-baptism

The Rewards are Eternal!

We are still in need of catechists at several grade levels. We have 700 children and youth who come each Sunday to learn about our faith. Please contact Mary Tull at REK6@trinity.org or Judith Brusseau at jbrusseau@trinity.org to learn more.

STEWARDSHIP**1792 Society: A Lasting Legacy**

We offer gratitude to God for the life of long-time parishioner Jean Wilkowski. Jean was a member of our 1792 Society and, as such, had made provision for Holy Trinity in her will. Upon her passing earlier this year, we received notice that she left our church a generous gift, of which we recently received the first installment. Donations like Jean's—offered in gratitude for the legacy and ongoing ministry of Holy Trinity—help us ensure that the Ignatian tradition of contemplative action continues in Georgetown through the spiritual disciplines and good works of our parish and school. If you have not already, please notify us if you have made provision for Holy Trinity in your estate, or if you would like to explore doing so. Numerous avenues exist to offer gifts of any size, many of which offer current and future financial and tax advantages to donors and their estates. Please contact Rock Schuler, Director of Stewardship, at (202) 903-2843 or (301)455-5437, or email rschuler@trinity.org.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL**2017 HTS Annual Fund**

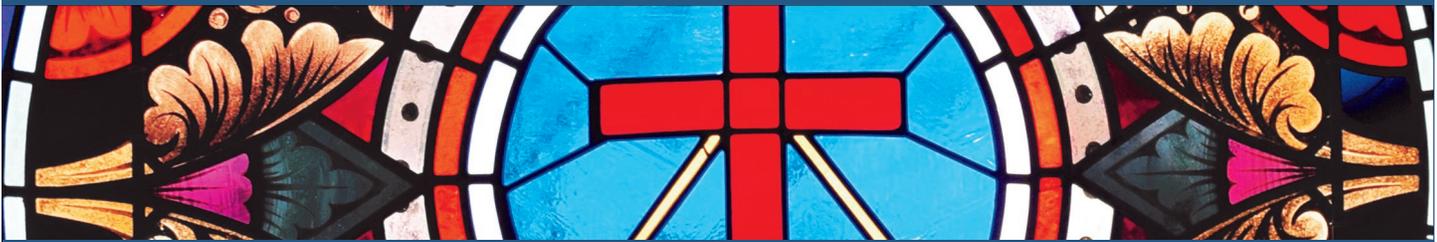
Give or pledge today at www.htsdc.org/support-hts!



Your gift to the HTS Annual Fund supports the mission of Holy Trinity as we prepare our students to work with initiative, act with integrity, and engage the world as a place in which God can be found in all things.

Golfing for Good!

Father Kevin and Holy Trinity School invite all parishioners to participate in the HTS Golf Classic, which supports need-based scholarships, on **October 23**. Sign up at www.htsdc.org or call (202) 337-2339 for more information.



Sunday, September 24

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 55:6-9/Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a/Matthew 20:1-16a

10:10 AM

Welcome Sunday!

McKenna Hall following 9am & 11:30am

Religious Education

Assigned Classrooms

10:10 AM

First Reconciliation Parent Meeting

Trinity Hall

10:30 AM

So Others Might Eat Meal Service

71 O Street, NW

3:00 PM

New Parishioner Meeting

McKenna Hall

Monday, September 25

MONDAY OF THE 25TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Ezra 1:1-6/Luke 8:16-18

7:30 PM

Separated, Widowed & Divorced Group

Neale Room

Tuesday, September 26

TUESDAY OF THE 25TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Ezra 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Luke 8:19-21

7:00 PM

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Faber Room

Wednesday, September 27

MEMORIAL OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Ezra 9:5-9/Luke 9:1-6

7:15 PM

Holy Trinity Book Discussion Group

McKenna Hall—C, groberstewart1@mac.com

Thursday, September 28

THURSDAY OF THE 25TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Haaggai 1:1-8/Luke 9:7-9

6:00 PM

Christian Meditation Group

Saint Ignatius Chapel

7:00 PM

Job Seekers Support Group

Georgetown Neighborhood Library (3260 R Street, NW)

7:00PM

Young Adult Faith Sharing

Saint Ignatius Chapel

Friday, September 29

FEAST OF SAINTS MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 or Revelation 12:7-12a/John 1:47-51

Saturday, September 30

MEMORIAL OF SAINT JEROME

Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15a/Luke 9:43b-45

7:30 AM

Zen Meditation

Parish Center Upper Room, rdrucker@aol.com

10:00 AM

March for Racial Justice

Lincoln Park, Washington, DC

10:30 AM

James Martin, S.J. "Building a Bridge"

Church

2:30 PM

Reflection on Interfaith & Racial Justice

McKenna Hall

6:30 PM

Movie Moments of Grace: "Life as a House"

Trinity Hall, htmmog@gmail.com

Sunday, October 1

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ezra 18:25-28/Philippians 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Matthew 21:28-32

10:10 AM

Religious Education

Assigned Classrooms

Daily Readings:

www.usccb.org/bible/readings

For a complete list of events, visit:

www.trinity.org/calendar

Join us for coffee & fellowship:

Sundays after 9am & 11:30am Masses