



HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Washington, DC

October 22, 2017

Building Your Toolbox for Justice

Go Forth to Love and Serve the Lord . . .



We end Mass every week with this instruction. But, do we know what we will do in the intervening six days to both love and serve the Lord?

*Amen, I say to you,
whatever you did for one
of these least brothers of
mine, you did for me.
(Matthew 25:40)*

We are told not just to go forth, but to do so in a very specific way: by helping the most vulnerable in our community.

Helping the most vulnerable in our community might be providing a meal, a warm coat, or even a safe place to sleep. That is beautiful charity. But it is often temporary. The next day or week the person we helped likely will find themselves in the same state of need as before we reached out. That doesn't mean we should not assist. God said "whatever you do" for the least of these; so, indeed, we should do whatever small thing we can whenever we can. Rather than less, as Catholics, we are called to do more.

We are called not just to provide charity, but to take a hard look at the structures of our society that cause so much need and to try and alter them. Justice work such as this may take a long time to bear fruit, and most of us do not have a background in transforming social structures. To do this work we need to educate ourselves, to dedicate ourselves to the long haul, and to support one another through prayer.

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No One Chooses to be Poor

Nineteen percent of DC residents live in poverty, many for generations. Beyond participating in local elections, how can the community, both individuals and organizations, ensure that plans and programs are created and implemented that will provide the best outcomes for our neighbors living in poverty? The answer: become educated on the issues and programs, listen, pay attention, make your voice heard! Good Faith Communities Coalition's Annual Meeting confronts the challenges facing the chronically homeless and families living in deep poverty. Our speaker, Jean-Michel Giraud, President and CEO of Friendship Place, presents a comprehensive program that addresses the challenges and works. Please join us on **October 29** at 1:30pm at Temple Micah, 2829 Wisconsin Avenue, NW. For more information, please contact

In Sickness & in Health: Coping and Hoping with Illness

The Order of Malta will again sponsor a Day of Healing and Reflection for Catholics in Northwest Washington who find it difficult to attend Mass and participate in other spiritual activities because of illness or physical challenges. The day will include talks by Father Gillespie, recitation of the Rosary, celebration of the Mass and Anointing of the Sick. There will be plenty of opportunity for conversation with our other guests. There is no charge and transportation will can be provided upon request. **October 28** at 9:30am-2pm at Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School. If you would like to attend or need additional information please contact Priscilla Ryan at (202) 364-7005 or

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Save the Date for Saints!

Communion of Saints Parade – Sunday, October 29, 2017



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

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**Living Our Mission:
Accompany One Another in Christ**

This week's column is written by Judith Brusseau, Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation & Religious Education

All of us at Holy Trinity—clergy, staff and volunteers—are committed to the safety of children. Recently, Pope Francis said that the church must collaborate with all forces seeking to promote child safety. While the Pope was speaking in a broader sense about the safety of children with respect to technology, his point is worth repeating so that all parishioners know what Holy Trinity and the Archdiocese of Washington are doing to promote child safety.

Since 1986, the Archdiocese has had written child protection policies, and these policies are updated as required. Anyone who works with children must complete an application with the diocese as well as with our parish. Part of this process is a criminal background check. Any adult who serves as a chaperone, small group leader, Confirmation team member, catechist, staff or any person wishing to assist in with youth, must be in compliance with the Archdiocese Child Protection Policy.

The Archdiocese provides mandatory educational sessions and ongoing professional development. We use the VIRTUS program, which allows us to offer ongoing training and monitoring and ensures that we are following established best practices.

Our Religious Education program uses a scalable module called "Circle of Grace." We begin in kindergarten with age-appropriate discussions and materials about the sanctity of their bodies and continue as the children age through the program. The children learn that God is present within their own "circle of grace" and begin to understand what is allowed within this space. Further, the children learn *how* to ask as well as *whom* to ask for help when boundaries are not respected. Fr. Gillespie affirms to the Archdiocese that the program has been presented to all grades.

We believe that it is important to have conversations with our students not only about their personal safety, but also about bullying and the safe use of technology. Our Raising Faith-Filled Kids program provides a platform to share information with parents so that they can have conversations with their children at home. As the Pope noted, a rise in technological exploitation of children worldwide makes this more important than ever.

You can find Holy Trinity's statement on child protection on our website at www.trinity.org/child-protection-policy and read more about the Archdiocese's Child Protection Program on their website at www.adw.org/childprotection. There are also a number of resources for parents there on such topics as bullying, relationships and technology.

If you have any concerns or questions, I'm more than happy to schedule a time for a confidential discussion. Please contact me at jbrusseau@trinity.org.

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 October 23, 2017

Monday	7:00am	Nancy DeFrancisco+
	8:00am	
	5:30pm	Rita Golden+
Tuesday	7:00am	
	8:00am	
	5:30pm	Keith Wheeler+
Wednesday	7:00am	
	8:00am	Clarke Bashelor+
	5:30pm	Geraldine Bray+
Thursday	7:00am	
	8:00am	
	5:30pm	Eugene & Mary Carol Muth+
Friday	7:00am	
	8:00am	
	5:30pm	Joseph A. Falzon+
Saturday	8:00am	Betty Schreiber+

Pray for those who are sick: *Molly Palmer; Howard Schaffer*

Pray for those who are dead: *Carole Skonberg; Irene Armbruster*

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
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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/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

All Saints Day

All Saints Day is celebrated **November 1** as a Holy Day of Obligation. Eucharist will be celebrated in the church at 7am, 8am, 10:30am (with Holy Trinity School), and

All Souls Day Evening Prayer & November Remembrances

All are invited to a special All Souls Evening Prayer on **November 2** at 7pm in the church. Those participating in this evening prayer will be invited to bring a framed photograph of deceased friends or loved ones and to inscribe their names in the Book of the Dead. The photographs and Book of the Dead will remain in the church throughout the month of November and will be included in our Sunday liturgies. If you are unable to participate at the November 2 Evening Prayer, you are invited to bring a framed photograph with you to Mass

Funeral Planning Workshop

Parish staff will lead a workshop on the preparation of funerals on **November 5** from 3:30-5pm in McKenna Hall. Rather than making some hurried choices at a time of crisis, staff will provide guidance about how to prepare your funeral or the funeral of a loved one in advance, mindful of the many dynamics that often surface at the time of death. We will study the essential elements of Catholic funerals and look at the many options one has in terms of readings, music, and liturgical ministers. Contact David Pennington dpennington@trinity.org with any questions.

The Mission Continues

If you, or someone you know, have ever considered serving God's people, the Church, as a Jesuit, then the Society of Jesus invites you to pray and discern if your passions and desires may lead you to a life with us. For almost 500 years Jesuits have been serving the Church as "men on a sacred mission." Through prayer, we aim to orient our own passions and desires with God's desires for the Church and the world. To explore if God is calling you to serve in Christ's mission as a Jesuit priest or brother, please visit www.jesuitvocations.org

IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY

Young Married Couples Faith Sharing & Fellowship



Young married couples (married fewer than 10 years) gather to pray and reflect on their faith life as a married couple. A program for young children (infant to 6 years) is provided in the adjacent room. **October 22** from 4-5pm in McKenna Hall. Contact Catherine Heinhold at

isadmin@trinity.org for more information.



MOVIE MOMENTS OF GRACE

Presents



Railway Man (2013, 116 min), a British movie about a former prisoner of war (Colin Firth) whose obsessive memories of his torture, at the hands of a Japanese officer many years before, up-ends his chance at love and a normal life, leading him to try to track down the officer to kill him. The final confrontation takes unexpected turns leading to reconciliation. Based on a true

story. Trailer: www.tinyurl.com/RailMan1

November 4, 6:30pm in Trinity Hall

Movie Moments of Grace is a ministry of the Ignatian Spirituality & Jesuit Identity Committee

SOCIAL JUSTICE

IGNATIAN FAMILY
TEACH-IN FOR JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D.C.
NOVEMBER 4-6



Ignatian Family Teach-In for Justice

Each year the Ignatian family (universities, high schools, parishes) gathers for a weekend of social justice and solidarity to learn, reflect, pray, network and advocate together. It is a place where people are empowered, re-energized, inspired, challenged, and supported by a community that sees faith and justice as integrally linked. This year's gathering will be **November 4-6** at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Crystal City. The parish has reserved a block of registrations for parishioners. If you would like to participate, please contact Kate Tromble at ktromble@trinity.org or (202) 903-2809.

Legal Access for Vulnerable DC Residents

Join us for a dialogue with the Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless and Tzedek DC around the issue of legal access for underserved communities in the District. The evening will include a workshop on looking at gentrification, the sources of power, and each of our roles in making DC a more just and livable city for all. This is a chance to learn more about these critical social justice issues, meet others who are interested in fighting for the rights of DC residents, and find out how you can get directly involved with Tzedek DC and the Washington Legal Clinic. **November 7, 7-9pm**, Jewish Community Center, 1529 16th St, NW, Washington, DC. Register at www.bit.ly/LegalAidProgram

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/ FAITH FORMATION

Adult Faith Formation

October 29, 10:10am, Chapel

500th Anniversary of the Reformation: Reformation Sunday *or* Common Commemoration: Moving Beyond the Fifth Centenary of Luther's Reformation. John Borelli, the presenter will draw from the common statement a year ago of Pope Francis and Bishop Younan (Lutheran World Federation) and make suggestions for a new look at ecumenical relations.

Protecting God's Children

The training session required to meet the compliance guidelines for volunteers to work with youth, as chaperones, small group leaders, catechists or during service opportunities, will be offered on **November 5, 12–3pm** in Trinity Hall. Register online early at www.VIRTUS.org as this session will fill up quickly. For more information contact Judith Brusseau.

RCIA Adapted for Children

This program reaches out to children and their families who have not been baptized as infants and wish to become Catholic. Please contact Judith Brusseau For more information.

PARISH LIFE

Job Seekers Support Group Resumes October 26

The Job Seekers Ministry at Holy Trinity is a Support Group for people who are unemployed, underemployed or employed in search of new work. The group provides mutual support and encouragement. Participants account for their progress and plans moving forward. In addition, they share their experiences and provide advice helpful to participants including networking connections and job leads. The Group meets weekly on Thursday evenings from 7pm to 9pm at the Georgetown Neighborhood Library. For more information, contact Joe Ryan, joeryan3@verizon.net or (202) 362-0704.

Book Discussion Group

On **November 1**, the Holy Trinity Book Discussion group will begin discussion of *Martin Luther: An Ecumenical Perspective*, by Walter Kasper, Paulist Press, and *A Shared Spiritual Journey: Lutherans and Catholics Traveling Toward Unity*, by Susan K. Wood and Timothy J. Wengert, Paulist Press. All are welcome. Discussions begin at 7:15pm, Wednesdays in the Lower School Big Room, and are facilitated by Dr. Tony Tambasco. Contact Bob Stewart for more information at grobertystewart1@mac.com

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

Toolbox for Justice *cont. from page 1*

This year, we will try to provide that education and support through a series, Building Your Toolbox for Justice, which will explore what it means to work for justice as a Catholic Christian. We will also work together to develop the practical tools individuals need to do that work within a parish setting, or beyond. Whether you can come to one, two, or all of the sessions, please consider joining us for what promises to be a rich exploration of Catholic justice and its role in our lives and the world today.

Where does the idea of justice come from in the Catholic faith?

November 4, 10am – 12pm, McKenna Hall
Fred Kammer, S.J. will explore the scriptural and doctrinal bases for justice and how the Church came to be involved in this work.

What does it mean to be part of a Jesuit parish that promotes justice?

December 9, 10am – 12pm, Lower School Big Room
Bill Kelley, S.J. will explore the Jesuit tradition of serving the faith and promotion justice and how that tradition continues on through current parishes.

What is the role of the laity in working for justice?

January 27, 10am – 12pm, Lower School Big Room
Kevin Ahern, author of *Structures of Grace* and assistant professor at Manhattan College, will lead a discussion about lay movements within the Catholic Church; what roles they have played in the past and continue to play as well as how parishioners might take a lead in working for justice.

What are these tools we keep talking about?

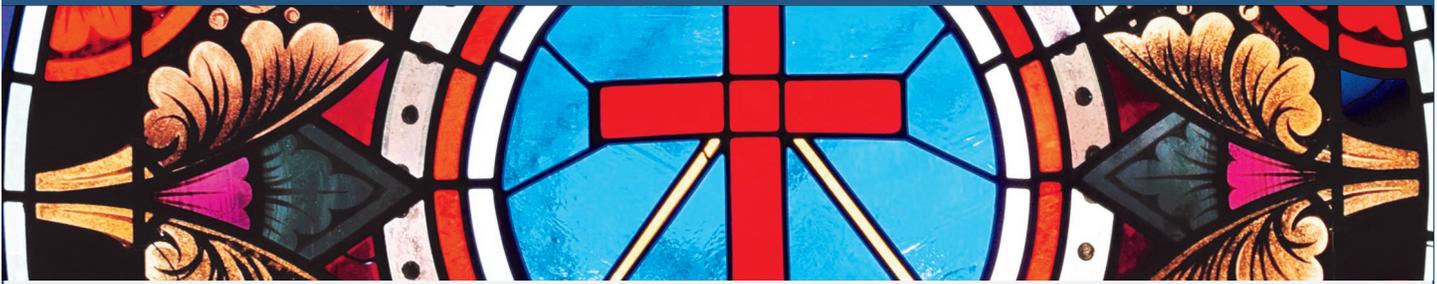
March 10, 10am – 12pm, McKenna Hall
Holy Trinity parishioners involved in justice work through advocacy and service will teach us practical tools like identifying an issue of justice, writing a letter to the editor, holding an effective meeting with an elected official, and organizing volunteers.

How do we identify where to use these new tools?

April 14, 10am – 12pm, Lower School Big Room
In this last session we will explore how we listen for and recognize God's invitation to work for justice. Both as we identify the issues we are called to work on individually and as a parish. We will conclude with a prayer service.



The Answer is B!
Drink Just Haiti Coffee which is produced by growers of our sister parish, St. Jean Baptiste. The coffee will be available for purchase after Mass on **November 5.**



Sunday, October 22

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isiah 45:1, 4-6/1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b/Matthew 22:15-21

10:00 AM

Altar Server Training
Church

10:10 AM

Religious Education
Assigned Classrooms

4:00 PM

Young Married Couples Faith Sharing & Fellowship
McKenna Hall

Monday, October 23

MONDAY OF THE 29TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Romans 4:20-25/Luke 12:13-21

7:30 PM

Separated, Widowed & Divorced Group
Neale Room

Tuesday, October 24

TUESDAY OF THE 29TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Romans 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21

7:00 PM

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)
Faber Room

Wednesday, October 25

WEDNESDAY OF THE 29TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Romans 6:12-18/Luke 12:39-48

7:15 PM

Holy Trinity Book Discussion Group
Lower School Big Room, groberstewart1@mac.com

Thursday, October 26

THURSDAY OF THE 29TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Romans 6:19-23/Luke 12:49-53

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, October 27

FRIDAY OF THE 29TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Romans 7:18-25a/Luke 12:54-59

Saturday, October 28

FEAST OF SAINTS SIMON & JUDE

Ephesians 2:19-22/Luke 6:12-16

7:30 AM

Zen Meditation
Parish Center Upper Room, rdruicker@aol.com

9:30 AM

Order of Malta Day of Healing & Reflection
Georgetown Preparation

10:30 AM

Grief Support Group Meeting
McKenna Hall-C, shullawr@gmail.com

Sunday, October 29

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Exodus 22:20-26/1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10/Matthew 22:34-40

Welcome Sunday

10:10 AM

Religious Education
Assigned Classrooms

10:10 AM

Adult Faith Formation
Chapel