



HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Washington, DC

January 21, 2018

Young Adults Lead a New Generation of the Faithful

At the 2014 World Youth Day, Pope Francis offered this message: “To you young people I especially entrust the task of restoring solidarity to the heart of human culture. Faced with old and new forms of poverty—unemployment, migration and addictions of various kinds—we have the duty to be alert and thoughtful, avoiding the temptation to remain indifferent.” Holy Trinity’s Young Adult Community (YAC) strives to live this message through our monthly YAC Mass, retreats, social events, faith sharing and service projects. Several young adults share what drew them here, and what feeds them:



Jon Zimmer

English writer and poet Samuel Johnson wrote, “People need to be reminded more often than they need to be instructed.” The many Jesuits who pastor and preach at Holy Trinity remind me to live my faith. Greg Schenden, S.J., who was my

spiritual director for a year, reminded me every week of God’s hope for me. The people I met at our sister parish, Maria Madre in San Salvador, remind me by their example to love as God does. It is easy to forget these days, but Holy Trinity keeps reminding me. And I am grateful.



Amanda Erickson

When I first moved to DC, I did a lot of church hopping. I struggled to find a parish that felt like a community. Finally, a friend recommended Holy Trinity. I came because I was impressed by the commitment to service and social justice. I stayed

because the church felt so alive. At Holy Trinity, I’ve had the opportunity to go on a retreat, help with service events and attend talks. Holy Trinity reminds me that a Catholic community doesn’t simply have to be a place to connect on Sundays—it can infuse every part of my life.



Victoria Thompson

I began attending Holy Trinity for Mass regularly and participating in the Young Adult Community after completing a year-long spiritual exercises in everyday life retreat at Seattle University. Being involved at a Jesuit parish has helped me

continue to be a “contemplative in action”—an Ignatian idea that was first introduced to me during college. With guidance from my spiritual director at Holy Trinity, I enjoy identifying the opportunities God presents to me to serve others and learn about myself.



Christopher Higby

When I first visited Holy Trinity, I was inspired by the involvement of the parish in such a wide array of social justice programs across DC. The parish clearly makes an effort to see God in all people. Since becoming a parishioner, I am

continually challenged to do the same.

Interested in learning more about our dynamic Young Adult Community? Email Victoria & Jose at yacs@trinity.org and visit www.facebook.com/trinityyacs for information about upcoming events.

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Where Have We Been and Where Are We Going?

January 21, 10:10am, Chapel of St. Ignatius

In the week of the Church Unity Octave (January 18-25), Anthony Tambasco, Ph.D., leads an adult education program on Interfaith Activity today

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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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.

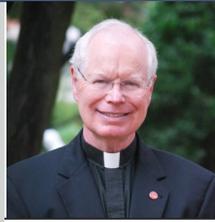
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From the Pastor's Desk

This weekend marks the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time in Year B of the Church's liturgical year. For some 30 Ordinary Sundays stretching from January 7 until February 11, and then from June 3 until November 18, we read passages from the Gospel of Mark.

As part of its three year liturgical cycle, the Church offers opportunities to understand the mission of Jesus through one of the three Gospels: Matthew, Mark or Luke. Because they are similar in what they say about the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, they are called the Synoptic Gospels.

Last year, in Liturgical Year A, we read from Matthew, and next year, in Liturgical Year C, we will read from Luke. The Gospel of John, meanwhile, has a distinct narrative style and is read during some Sundays in Lent, Easter and Christmas.

And so for this year, it is worth pointing out several noteworthy features to Mark's Gospel. For example, Mark often creates a sense of urgency through the use of sequences of clauses and sentences that begin with the word "and," and his frequent use of words such as "immediately" and "right away."

Written sometime between 66-70 AD to the emerging Church in Rome, when Roman Christians were persecuted by Nero (St. Peter and St. Paul were two of his victims), Mark's urgency could well have been due to a sense of danger and apocalyptic foreboding. It might be analogous today to a CNN reporter trying to get the news out as quickly as he can.

Mark's approach also conveys what theologians call the Messianic Secret. That is to say, Mark often has Jesus ask people to refrain from proclaiming his true identity as the son of God until the appropriate time. For Mark, that time is when Jesus dies on the cross, and a Roman centurion at the foot of the cross proclaims, "Truly this man was the Son of God" (*Mark 15:39*). Giving a Roman such an important voice suggests the Gospel writer sought to inspire his Roman audience.

The whole Gospel of Mark has been compared to a three-act drama. Act I, which is the first eight chapters of the Gospel, has numerous miracle stories with the action centered around Galilee and the highlight being Jesus's Baptism. Then, in *Mark 8:26*, there is a shift as Jesus moves into hostile territories where there are fewer miracles and more teaching, with the highlight being The Transfiguration (*Mark 9:2-8*). Finally, the Gospel's Act III opens with Chapter 11, when Mark describes Jesus's Jerusalem ministry with its culmination in his death and resurrection.

Recognizing Mark's theatrical approach, we might say every Sunday may be experienced as part of a play when we ask ourselves, *which act and scene will Mark have for us this week?*

Rev. C. 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 January 22, 2017

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| Monday | 7:00am | |
| | 5:30pm | Thomas & Catherine Hartigan+ |
| Tuesday | 7:00am | Jean Riley+ |
| | 5:30pm | Margaret Hochholz+ |
| Wednesday | 8:00am | |
| | 5:30pm | Charles Rader+ |
| Thursday | 8:00am | |
| | 5:30pm | Michael Giedroyc+ |
| Friday | 8:00am | |
| | 5:30pm | |
| Saturday | 8:00am | Maria Jose Carneiro Frota+ |

Pray for those who are sick: *For those we hold in our hearts*

Pray for those who are dead: *Alexander "Sandy" Brown*

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.

SACRAMENTS

Mass Schedule (*Check bulletin or website for Holy Days*)

Weekdays: 7am, 8am & 5:30pm in the Chapel (on N St.)

Note: Please see schedule for daily Mass times.

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.

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: Judith Brusseau, (202) 903-2807

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

Evening Prayer

Join parishioners in prayer to mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity with a special Evening Prayer **January 23** at 7pm in the Chapel. This is a welcome time to “offer prayers, hymns, and spiritual songs” as we look forward to Jesus’ wish that “all may be one.” Please invite family members and friends of any Christian tradition for this ecumenical prayer service.

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord & Blessing of Candles

February 2 is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, traditionally known as *Candlemas*, and commemorates the day that Mary and Joseph brought the child Jesus to the Temple for the first time. There, the prophets Simeon and Anna recognized Jesus as “a light of revelation to the Gentiles and the glory of Israel.” Because of its association with light and the end of the Christmas season (in the old calendar), Candlemas is a day when candles for liturgical or prayer use are blessed. We will celebrate a special liturgy **February 2** at 5:30pm in the Chapel with a procession and blessing of candles. Consider bringing the candles that you keep at home for prayer to Mass that day for a blessing.



IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY

A Lenten Retreat in Daily Life

Drawn from the Spiritual Exercises

February 11-March 24

Registration deadline is January 28

This individually directed six-week retreat, made in daily life, is for those who have already made an Ignatian retreat and are looking to go deeper. As part of this retreat, you are also asked to attend the opening session **February 11** from 3-5pm and the closing session on **March 24** from 8:30-10:30am.

Inner Peace in Divine Love Retreat at Georgetown Prep

February 18-March 25

Registration deadline: February 4

This retreat will meet on Sundays at Georgetown Preparatory School in North Bethesda, MD. Space is limited, so please register early.

To learn more or to register for a retreat, please visit www.trinity.org/ignatian-spirituality/retreats or pick up a brochure in the back of the church. For more information, please contact Martina O’Shea, moshea@trinity.org or (202) 903-2810.

Stay Connected in 2018!

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

Movie Moments of Grace



February 3, 6:30pm, Trinity Hall

Ixcanel (Volcano) (2016, 100 min), is a Guatemalan film in the Mayan language Kaqchikel. It tells the story of two strong women, a mother and daughter, as the daughter attempts to escape the old way of life where indigenous peoples are oppressively controlled by the wealthy elite, and women even more so. RSVP

to htmmog@gmail.com.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Building Your Toolbox for Justice: Catholic Lay Movements

We will continue our series on justice within the context of catholic social teaching **January 27**. Kevin Ahern, assistant professor at Manhattan College, will talk with us about structures of grace and the role of the laity in leading Catholic movements for justice. We will gather at 10am for coffee and 10:30am for the program in the Lower School Big Room. For more information and to RSVP, visit www.trinity.org/social-justice/whats-new.

PARISH LIFE

New Parishioner Orientation

If you are new to the parish or simply want to learn more about it, please join us **January 28** at 3pm in McKenna Hall. Meet Father Gillespie and members of the parish staff to learn about our ministries and activities. Light refreshments will be served and children are welcome. Tours of the parish campus will be given by our Holy Trinity Ambassadors. No RSVP required.

Trivia Night: A Parish Connection Event

February 2, 6pm, Trinity Hall

Join Father Gillespie and Holy Trinity School Principal Charlie Hennessy for an evening of fun and trivia. Hosted by the Home & School Association, proceeds will benefit Holy Trinity School. Dance to a live band and enjoy chili, beer and wine. Bring your friends or meet some new ones! Purchase tickets at www.trinity.org/trivia.

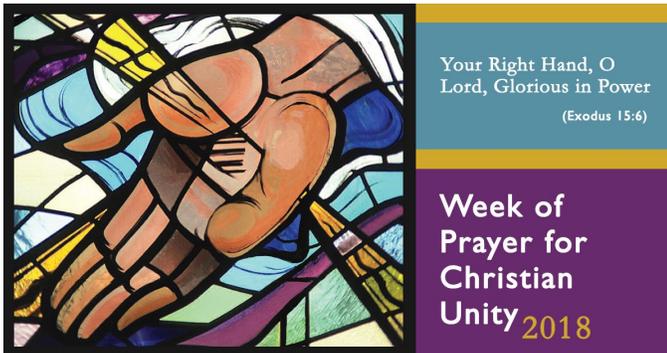
Aging Seminar Series

The Holy Trinity 50+ Community is hosting a speaker series for seniors and those who love and care for them **February 4** and **March 11** at 10:10am the Lower School Big Room. The February 4 program is *Aging with Grace: An Overview of the Spectrum of Services for Aging Well in the Washington Metro Area*. The array of services available for seniors can be confusing, expensive and overwhelming, especially during times of crisis. A panel of senior service experts will provide an overview of senior-focused services and make recommendations on ways to access and use those services most effectively. Questions? Email Cathi Coridan at cathi.coridan@verizon.net

Grief Support Group

Beginning **February 10**, Grief Support Group meetings will be held on six consecutive Saturdays to deal with the effects of such bereavement and to provide an enabling space for healing and spiritual renewal. All sessions will run from 10:30am-12:30pm. The first meeting is in the Parish Center Library. For more information, contact Richard Shullaw at shullawr@gmail.com or (703) 980-9884.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/ FAITH FORMATION



The Current Ecumenical Message: Be Bold, Creative, Joyful & Hopeful Together

“We can all breath more easily now that the Reformation year is over...although we have to be grateful for all the attention and educational opportunities it offered.” Bishop Brian Farrell emailed this last November. The senior Catholic ecumenist had been working full-time as he was quite busy in 2017—the 500th anniversary of Luther’s Reformation.

With Bishop Farrell receiving so many Lutheran and other delegations in Rome, the ecumenical character of the fifth centenary truly set 2017 apart from the previous four. This would have really surprised Luther! He regarded the papacy and clericalism as dead weight for the ship of church, better jettisoned for a true course. An anti-papal tone was the common thread for 1617, 1717, 1817, and 1917.

The 2017 theme was completely different. “Joint Commemoration” formally began October 31, 2017 in Sweden, with Pope Francis and Bishop Munib Younan, Lutheran World Federation (LWF) President, signing a common statement. Here are just two significant sentences: “Through dialogue and shared witness we are no longer strangers; rather, we have learned that what unites us is greater than what divides us,” and, “We call upon all Lutheran and Catholic parishes and communities to be bold and creative, joyful and hopeful in their commitment to continue the great journey ahead of us.”

Boldly and creatively, with joy and hope, accompany other Christians toward ever-deepening communion in

practice, prayer, and church life! A recent Pew Research Center study reports that a majority of Protestants and Catholics surveyed in Europe and North America feel they are more similar than different from each other. The new LWF President, Archbishop Panti Filibus Musa, put it this way: “We have begun our irreversible journey from conflict to communion and we do not wish to let it cease ever again.”

Archbishop Musa and Pope Francis come from the global south. The journey from center to periphery and back is well underway. The ecumenical movement, like the church’s center of gravity, is moving southward, yet, the Spirit prompts all to imagine their own frontiers of ecumenical relations. Latin American, African, Middle Eastern, and Asian Christians are confidently re-contextualizing church life and the gospel in their situations. We can do the same.

In a post-Reformation and post-Vatican II ecumenical moment, well beyond all beginnings, the journey ahead is for spiritual, pastoral and socially active Christian companionship. We already pray for the Christians communities of those who enter through the RCIA. We can do so much more for the pastoral needs of couples, families, and individuals, offering joy and hope, especially for the unaffiliated. We can imagine boldly and creatively the increasingly pluralistic character of contemporary Christian life.

Written by John Borelli, Ph.D., Special Assistant to the President for Catholic Identity and Dialogue, Georgetown University

Children’s Bible Story Hour

January 21, 10:10am in Lower School Library. The story of the Good Shepherd will be featured. No registration is required.

Parent Coffees

January 21: 7th Grade Parents

January 28: 6th Grade parents

Parents are invited to meet other parents, ask questions and offer insights. 10:15am, McKenna Hall. All are welcome!

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL

A Parent Workshop with Rachel Laser

Thursday, **January 25, 8am**, McKenna Hall

The Diversity Committee and Home & School

Association invite you to this conversation on race, identity and privilege with Rachel Laser, who will share tips and tools for navigating challenging conversations.

2018 Parish Pledge

If you are among our households who have yet to offer a 2018 gift or commitment, please return the pledge form that was in Fr. Gillespie’s stewardship letter or enter your pledge at www.trinity.org/development



Sunday, January 21

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jonah 3:1-5, 10/ 1 Corinthians 7:29-31/Mark 1:14-20

- 8:30 AM** **Coffee following 7:30am Mass**
Parish Center Library
- 10:10 AM** **Religious Education**
Assigned Classrooms
- 10:10 AM** **Adult Faith Formation**
Saint Ignatius Chapel
- 10:10 AM** **First Eucharist Parent Meeting**
Trinity Hall
- 10:10 AM** **Children's Bible Story Hour**
Lower School Big Room

Monday, January 22

MONDAY OF THE 3RD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10/Mark 3:22-30

- 7:30 PM** **Separated Divorced & Widowed Group**
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Tuesday, January 23

TUESDAY OF THE 3RD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19/Mark 3:22-30

- 7:00 PM** **Evening Prayer**
Saint Ignatius Chapel
- 7:00 PM** **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)**
Faber Room

Wednesday, January 24

MEMORIAL OF SAINT FRANCES DE SALES

2 Samuel 7:4-17/Mark 4:1-20

- 7:15 PM** **Holy Trinity Book Discussion Group**
McKenna Hall- C, groberstewart1@mac.com

Thursday, January 25

FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL THE APOSTLE

Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Mark 16:15-18

- 6:00 PM** **Christian Meditation Group**
Saint Ignatius Chapel
- 7:00 PM** **Job Seekers Support Group**
Georgetown Neighborhood Library (3260 R Street, NW)
- 7:00P M** **Young Adult Faith Sharing**
Saint Ignatius Chapel

Friday, January 26

MEMORIAL OF SAINTS TIMOTHY & TITUS

2 Timothy 1:1-8/Mark 4:26-34

Saturday, January 27

SATURDAY OF THE 3RD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mark 4:35-41

- 7:30 AM** **Zen Meditation**
Parish Center Upper Room, rdruecker@aol.com
- 10:30 AM** **Tools for Justice Seminar Series**
Lower School Big Room
- 2:30 PM** **S4J**
Shrine of the Sacred Heart

Sunday, January 28

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Deuteronomy 18:15-20/1 Corinthians 7:32-35/Mark 1:21-27

- 10:10 AM** **Religious Education**
Assigned Classroom
- 11:30 AM** **So Others Might Eat Meal Service**
71 O Street, NW
- 3:00 PM** **New Parishioner Orientation**
McKenna Hall

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