



# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Washington, DC

June 17 & 24, 2018

Please note: From June 29 through August 31, the Parish Center will close at 12pm on Fridays.

## A Father's Faith

By Tom McGrath

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St. Joseph seems to have been a man of few words but plenty of action... Through my prayer and reflection I have witnessed four wisdom principles in St. Joseph, the patron saint of fathers, workers and of the universal church.

*Every difficult family situation is best met with compassion.* "Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly" (*Matthew 1:19*). The story of Mary's unexpected and highly unusual pregnancy is so well known that it is hard to appreciate how scandalous this news would have been to Joseph... But the penalty for proven adultery at that time was stoning, and Joseph chose to exercise compassion... The grace to choose compassion opened up room for God to work in this situation and that made all the difference.

In my own life as a dad, I recall times when I've acted from righteousness and times when I've acted from compassion. Compassion always trumps righteousness because compassion flows from human connection rather than separateness.

*Expect God to speak to you.* And be willing to listen. "Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home'" (*Matthew 1:20*). Joseph must have been used to listening for the voice of God in his life. Other men would have slept through such a dream or chalked it up to bad falafel. But Joseph listened, and then he

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## World Refugee Day 2018

It has been more than seven years since the beginning of the Syrian conflict and more than 11 million Syrians - like the Cheikhos - have been displaced. As Christians we should welcome these refugee families, but the US Government is failing to do so. Only 11 Syrians have been admitted into the US to seek protection through resettlement in 2018.

Join us on **June 20**, World Refugee Day, as we stand in solidarity with the remaining 11 million displaced Syrians and call on our government to support them. We will gather with Jesuit Refugee Service at 3:30pm in Lafayette Park (by the Marquis de Lafayette Statue) to deliver JRS/USA's petition on Syria to the president. Fr. Gillespie will lead us in prayer followed by short remarks by JRS/USA Executive Director, Joan Rosenhauer. RSVP: Kate Tromble, [ktromble@trinity.org](mailto:ktromble@trinity.org)

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## Welcome Fr. Eric Studt, S.J.!

Fr. Studt was newly-ordained June 9 and will spend the summer at Holy Trinity before heading to the University of St. Andrews to begin a Ph.D.

Fr. Studt will celebrate his first Mass at Holy Trinity Sunday, **June 24** at 9:30am. Please join us in welcoming him at a reception in McKenna Hall immediately following Mass.

## 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.

**Emergencies Only:** (202) 903-2817

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## From the Pastor's Desk

Earlier this month, dozens of leaders from across the Catholic ecclesiological-political spectrum gathered for a series of meetings at Georgetown University. I had the opportunity to attend several of the sessions. Sponsored by the University's Initiative on Catholic Social Thought and Public Life and led by John Carr the meetings were titled, "Though Many, One: Overcoming Polarization through Catholic Social Thought."

The participants were influential leaders among whom at various times included: Cardinal Donald Wuerl, Cardinal Blase J. Cupich of Chicago, Archbishop Jose H. Gomez of Los Angeles, Helen Alvare and Dr. Robert George (leading Catholic conservative writers), Fr. James Martin, Sr. Teresa Maya (the head of the Leadership Conference of Women Religious) and PBS commentators Mark Shields and David Brooks.

Among the many ideas shared, I was especially drawn to the following: in her comments Sr. Maya stated, "We stay in our bubbles, with people we know.. feeding our fears, when we must realize we breathe the same air....Unless you can get to know the other, it can justify the most terrible thing....The antidote to fear is hope."

Cardinal Cupich also talked about fear as a major factor causing polarization, describing "merchants of fear" who are "telling and teaching" people aggressively in our culture. He, also finds that the "The cost of polarization is the division we face in our nation. We are not just separated by ideas but into groups. That's the difference between partisanship and polarization. Partisans used to be able to get things done, to reach across the aisle. But we are polarized, we have our own sources of information."

Helen Alvare expressed the need for contemplative dialogue when she stated, "I think we often refuse to credit different 'gifts' people bring to the discussion on issues, and so fail to learn from one another...Society being so materialistic also sharply divides people, which is coupled with the fact people are short on time and patience."

Perhaps Cardinal Cupich found the most fertile common ground among the three most recent popes, noting, "John Paul II told us what to do, Benedict said why we should do it and Pope Francis says, 'Do it.'"

Going forward from the conference, participants were challenged to bring the fruits of the conversations to their home dioceses and parishes. As your pastor, I invite parishioners and will ask our Parish Pastoral Council to consider the conference's central question: *How can faith help overcome divisions instead of contribute to polarization?* If you would like to discuss this question I invite you to contact any members of our staff, myself or members of the Parish Council whose contact information can be found at [www.trinity.org/ppc](http://www.trinity.org/ppc).

*Rev. C Kevin Gillespie, SJ*

## Daily Mass Intentions

### Week of June 18, 2018

Monday	7:00am	Pia Bustos
	5:30pm	Patricia & Matt Kraemer+
Tuesday	7:00am	Ricardo Davila+
	5:30pm	Leslie Warnick Kernan+
Wednesday	8:00am	Perri Katsantonis+
	5:30pm	Robert E. McLaughlin+
Thursday	8:00am	Ebony Campbell
	5:30pm	Doris B. Fitzgerald+
Friday	8:00am	Mary Louisa Nocita Kelly
	5:30pm	Irene Lum Perron+
Saturday	8:00am	Rito Panfil+

### Week of June 25, 2018

Monday	7:00am	Ted Spotts+
	5:30pm	Fladia McBorough+
Tuesday	7:00am	Mimi O'Hagen+
	5:30pm	Donald Dorsey+
Wednesday	8:00am	Fladia McBorough+
	5:30pm	Kenneth & Delores Bellis+
Thursday	8:00am	A.J. Abate+
	5:30pm	Grace J. Droste+
Friday	8:00am	Ellis Toups+
	5:30pm	Michael Normile+
Saturday	8:00am	Edward Potaski+

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

**Pray for those who are dead:** *Margaret Silsby; Evelyn Ready Perodeau; Pat & Priscilla Mahoney Granfield*

## PRAYER REQUESTS

To add a name to these prayer lists, contact Lisa Dittmeier at [ldittmeier@trinity.org](mailto: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, 9:30am, 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://www.trinity.org/register). Questions about registering can be directed to [registration@trinity.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:ppcpresident@trinity.org)

Vice President Ellen Toups [parishcouncil@trinity.org](mailto:parishcouncil@trinity.org)

## IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY

### Ignatian Training Program to Become a Spiritual Director or Spiritual Companion

At Holy Trinity and throughout the metropolitan area, there is a serious shortage of men and women who are well-formed in the tradition and practice of Ignatian spirituality. Through the generosity of parishioners who contributed to the 2013 Capital Campaign, Holy Trinity created a two-pronged training program that trains spiritual directors and spiritual companions in the Ignatian tradition - one that is accessible and affordable to individuals who have full-time work and family responsibilities. The next Ignatian Training Program will begin in September 2018 and **the deadline to apply is June 30**. For more information, pick up a brochure in the back of the church, visit [www.trinity.org/training-programs-in-the-ignatian-tradition/](http://www.trinity.org/training-programs-in-the-ignatian-tradition/), or contact Martina O'Shea at [moshea@trinity.org](mailto:moshea@trinity.org).

### Young Adult Community Faith Sharing

Young adults are invited to join this regular meeting every **Thursday** from 7-8pm. We use the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday as a starting point for a discussion of faith in our own lives. Dinner and fellowship in the Georgetown area to follow. No preparation is required. For the summer, we will be meeting in the Parish Center, in the Upper Room (2nd Floor), except for June 21 (offsite picnic). Contact: Mary and Alvin at [yacs+faithsharing@trinity.org](mailto:yacs+faithsharing@trinity.org).

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/ FAITH FORMATION

### Registration Continues for RE

Registration continues for Sunday Morning Religious Education. Register at [www.trinity.org/re-registration-k12](http://www.trinity.org/re-registration-k12). Please note that registrations will not be processed until tuition has been paid. Returning families are asked to register by **August 1**, new families are welcome to register at any time.

### First Reconciliation & First Eucharist

Registration is open for First Reconciliation/ First Eucharist Preparation 2018-2019 can be found on line. Visit our website to register now!

### Confirmation

Registration for Confirmation Preparation is open. Registration forms will be online. The deadline is **August 1**.

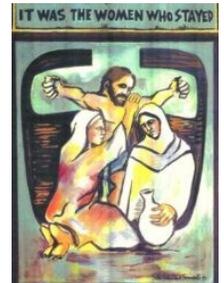
### Youth Ministry

Visit [www.trinity.org/youth](http://www.trinity.org/youth) to learn more about our High School RE program, volunteer as a peer minister, and explore service opportunities.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE

### Women Apostles in the Gospel: Deepening Our Understanding

Join us for a series exploring and reflecting on women in the Bible and women's perspective on the Bible. Our series will consist of three 4-week sessions—this summer, in the fall, and in the spring. Each session will have a specific focus, beginning with our exploration of and reflection on the lives of the women who stayed with Jesus through scripture, readings, imagination and art.



Led by parishioners Anne Koester and Liz McCloskey, our first 4-week session will begin **July 5** and will meet **July 12** and **19**. The series will culminate with a prayer service celebrating the feast of St. Mary Magdalene Monday **July 23**. If interested, please RSVP to Kate Tromble at [ktromble@trinity.org](mailto:ktromble@trinity.org) or (202) 903-2809 by **June 30**.



### Catholic Charities Mobile Unit Donations

Each month Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington dispatches a Mobile Response Vehicle to various locations to help meet the needs of those who are most vulnerable. Holy Trinity will collect items to donate on **June 30** and **July 1**. Items to bring (and place in the bins outside of church): Sunscreen (adult and child), soap and shampoo. Please contact Kate Tromble, [ktromble@trinity.org](mailto:ktromble@trinity.org) or (202) 903-2809, with questions. Thank you!

### Join the Social Justice Committee

The Social Justice Committee is seeking new members to help guide the parish in accomplishing its mission for a two to three year term. Interested parishioners should be passionate about social justice, willing to raise social justice visibility, ready to provide regular hands-on support to parish ministries, and interested in helping lead the work of the parish in this area. This is a "working board" that meets at least monthly with additional responsibilities outside of monthly meetings. Interested parishioners should contact Kate Tromble, [ktromble@trinity.org](mailto:ktromble@trinity.org).

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acted decisively on what he heard.

There were a few times while raising our daughters when my wife and I found ourselves bewildered as to what our next best step for them might be. And these words came to us one day—almost as if in a dream: “Love them through it.”

*Practice your religion;* it will help you discover who you are and why you are here. “According to the law of Moses they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord” (*Luke 1:22*). Joseph is a great example of how practicing one's religion can be life-giving and crucial to discovering one's truest identity and purpose...By observing the practices of his Jewish faith, Joseph experienced God doing what God always does: inviting us to open our hearts, realize who we belong to and discover our purpose in the world.

*We are all here to do some work.* “I must be in my Father's house” (*Matthew 2:49*). St. Joseph is known as the patron saint of workers, so it is not surprising to me that his son's teachings were full of references to work: “A sower went out to sow”; “A man built a tower”; “A woman came to draw water from a well.”

Parenting children is work. Often it is hard work—physically, emotionally and spiritually. How consoling it is as a parent to have the tools of the carpenter at my disposal—compassion, attunement to God's word, life-bringing religious practices, and an awareness that God too is at work in the world and at work in me...

## PARISH LIFE



### Thank You!

More than 500 parishioners gathered Sunday, June 10 for the Annual Mass and Picnic at Georgetown Visitation. The weather cooperated to provide us with a wonderful day of fun, food, music and games. We would like to thank the following people for their tireless help: Janice and Sean Wilder, Antoinette Allen, Richard Shullaw, Tom Strike, Anna Myers, Kirk Willison, Therese Drosti, Jenny Smulson, all of the servers, grillers, greeters and game helpers, David Pennington, Kathleen DeJardin and the Holy Trinity Choir members. Thank you for making the picnic such a success!

## 225th ANNIVERSARY

### Join a Committee

We are actively recruiting parishioners to be part of the planning. Are you interested in historic projects? Do you like event planning? Are you an expert at hosting a street fair? This is your invitation to join a committee and help shape our 225th anniversary year. Email Ashley Klick at [communications@trinity.org](mailto:communications@trinity.org) to learn more.

### Be a Sponsor

Support two historic milestones and enjoy a year of celebrations. In addition to showing your support of Holy Trinity and our work in Jesuit education, social justice and Ignatian spirituality, as a sponsor you will receive a full year (October 2018-October 2019) of unique opportunities to connect and engage with parishioners and our community. For more information on sponsorship packages, please contact Listi Sobba at [lsobba@htsdc.org](mailto:lsobba@htsdc.org) or visit our website at [www.trinity.org/225](http://www.trinity.org/225).

### Summer Reading Suggestions

We asked our Jesuit staff and ministry leaders for summer reading suggestions and will be sharing them in the coming weeks. Here are a few picks to add to your list:

#### ***The Soul of America: The Battle for Our Better Angels* by John Meacham**

Meacham, through the lenses of American history, provides rays of hope by contextualizing our nation's present divisive darkness. I especially enjoy this award winning author's references to philosophers and theologians so as to help the reader transcend our nation's social stressors. — *Kevin Gillespie, S.J.*

#### ***Grant* by Ron Chernow**

I'm reading this now, and it is both insightful and engaging—a fascinating look at this man and his times and how both continue to shape the present day. Grant has been both undervalued and underrated, both for his singular leadership in ending the Civil War and for his subsequent advocacy and actions on behalf of freed slaves. Made clear—and hopefully finally corrected for history—are the true motivations and travesties of the Confederacy, and the moral failures of those who led it, including Robert E. Lee, whose historical record in support of the ideals of the Confederacy until his death is laid bare. As an added plus, Georgetown makes occasional appearances, especially as the Grants lived in a Georgetown house prior to his presidency. Overall, a great book heralding and redeeming a truly great man.— *Rock Schuler, Director of Stewardship*