



HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Washington, DC

October 7, 2018

Please note: the Parish Center will be closed Monday, October 8 in observance of Indigenous Peoples' Day

Strength, Hope and New Life for the Church

By Anne Koester

In the face of the abuse scandal and cover-up that is weighing heavily on the hearts and minds of Catholics, I continue to find strength, encouragement and joy in the people who are seeking to become Catholic through the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) process. People seeking a deeper relationship with Christ and with a community of faith continue to come to us to explore becoming Catholic—of course, they are also concerned about the abuse scandal, and the RCIA team and their sponsors have had very honest conversations with them about it. We have all been grateful for these conversations, and we Catholics are inspired by and very much in awe of our inquirers, catechumens, and baptized candidates. They have a way of going to the very essence of our Christian faith and what it means to be Church. They are responding to the movement of the Holy Spirit in their hearts and to the good news of Jesus Christ; they are seeking to be part of a faith tradition that enriches their lives and helps them to make sense of our often chaotic world; they are looking to belong to a community that welcomes everyone and that is an authentic Christian witness; they are wanting to tap a rich spiritual tradition and a deep well of prayer and to embrace a sacramental worldview; and they are finding ways to participate in the Church's mission of working for a more just, a kinder and a more peaceful world.



I hear often from people who come to inquire about RCIA that they are drawn to Holy Trinity because of the welcome and vibrancy they find in our parish. They find here a strong sense of what it means to be *Church*. I would add that we are a community who understands that the RCIA is our responsibility by virtue of our own baptism and that our vocation requires us to be prepared to “give help to those who are searching for Christ” (RICA 9). We have “the obligation of spreading the faith” and giving “evidence of the spirit of the Christian community” by welcoming inquirers (RCIA 9).

Who might you invite to explore the Catholic tradition? Our RCIA participants include individuals who are not baptized, those who were baptized in other Christian denominations and individuals who were baptized in a Catholic parish but who have not participated in the Catholic Church beyond their baptism. The RCIA process at Holy Trinity is year-round—someone may begin at any time. There is an RCIA Inquiry session available every Tuesday evening at 7pm in the Faber Room. It’s our responsibility and privilege to walk with those who seek Christ.

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Washington, DC 20007

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awareness month**

Need help? You can always call 911, My Sister's Place 24-hour hotline (202) 529-5991 or the National 24-hour domestic violence hotline (800) 799-7233.

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

Recently, dozens of my high school classmates and I have been preparing to celebrate the 50th anniversary of our high school graduation from Monsignor Bonner High School. After decades, we have been engaged in reconnecting and recalling those formative four years--but in doing so, we have also recognize that the year of our graduation, 1968, was a tumultuous year in our nation and in our Church.

Indeed, to quote the opening lines of one of our high school books, "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times...." This famous opening sentence from *A Tale of Two Cities* by Charles Dickens seems to have captured the pathos of 1968, a dramatic year with the assassinations of Martin Luther King, Jr. and Robert F. Kennedy, the Tet Offensive of the Vietnam War and a host of controversies afflicting our nation and the Catholic Church. After this tumultuous summer of 2018, I find that Dickens' words may be applicable to the crises afflicting our nation and the Catholic Church. Concerning the latter, we do seem to be experiencing one of the "worst of times" so what can one parishioners or a parish do?

As mentioned in this column two weeks ago, our parish has entered into a *Season of Discernment* whereby hundreds of Holy Trinity parishioners have been engaged in a series of listening sessions so as to respond to the anguish and anger prompted by the Pennsylvania Grand Jury Report and the actions of Cardinal McCarrick. Participants' responses at listening sessions and feedback from emails to staff, phone calls and a form on our website were recorded and grouped into categories. The categories are: 1. What is heaviest in your heart?; 2. Next Steps: Overview; 3. Next Steps: Church Structure; 4. Next Steps: The Role of the Laity; 5. Next Steps: Survivors and their Families; 6. Next Steps: Prayer; 7. Next Steps: Additional Input from Website. You may find the responses arranged into these six categories on our website at www.trinity.org/feedback.

As a way of following up the listening sessions, all parishioners are invited to attend a parish forum in Trinity Hall Sunday afternoon, **November 4** from 2:30-5pm. Parishioners will be invited to join one of the groups arranged by the thematic categories so as to plan on possible actions and follow-ups.

It is my hope that parishioners will feel engaged and empowered from this meeting and have a meaningful and unifying experiences of our community of faith, rather than the feelings of anger, anguish and alienation prompted by the events from this past summer. Indeed, we may find in that through this *Season of Discernment* we may well help the Catholic Church to move from the "worst of times" to a renewal of hope for "the best of times."

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 8, 2018

Monday	7:00am	Michael Colangelo+
	5:30pm	Josefina Fernandes+
Tuesday	7:00am	Lisa Gross
	5:30pm	Greg Bellis+
Wednesday	8:00am	Vilmaa Umengan+
	5:30pm	G.A. Hagan+
Thursday	8:00am	Elizabeth Anton+
	5:30pm	Kevin Gallen+
Friday	8:00am	
	5:30pm	Josiane & Wilfred VerEcke
Saturday	8:00am	Bill Noonan+

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

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.

SACRAMENTS

Mass Schedule (Check bulletin or website for Holy Days)

Weekdays: 7am (Monday & Tuesday), 8am (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday) & 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 seasonally 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 Beth Gray at (202) 903-2806 or bgray@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 Prep: 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	Ellen Toups	ppcpresident@trinity.org
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IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY



MOVIE MOMENTS OF GRACE *Presents*

Movie Moments of Grace: "Coming Home"

Saturday, **October 13**, 6:30pm in Trinity Hall
Coming Home (2014, 111 min) is a Chinese movie about a man who is sent to labor camp during the Cultural Revolution, how this affects his wife and daughter and what happens when he is finally released. His daughter, who was forced from a dancing career to work in a textile factory, rejects him. His wife, now suffering from Alzheimer's, does not recognize him. He nevertheless finds a way to be by his wife's side and win the respect of his daughter. RSVP to htmmog@gmail.com. Trailer: www.trinity.org/cominghome.

Young Adult Community Fall Retreat: What is Your Life For?

November 2-4 (Register by: **October 14**)
 Do you wonder about the purpose of your life? Come and explore God's invitations to you on the YAC Retreat, an Ignatian weekend for adults in their 20s and 30s. Reflect individually and in small groups, listen to the experiences of a team of young adults, meet new friends, and celebrate the Sacraments, including Sunday Mass. Learn more and register: www.trinity.org/yac-retreat.

Jesuit Friends & Alumni Mass

Calling all Jesuit-educated graduates and friends of the Society -- you are invited to Jesuit Friends and Alumni Sunday 2018! Join parishioners, friends, family members and Jesuit graduates of all ages for fellowship and community building at the 5:30pm Vigil Mass on **October 20** in the Church. Join us for a reception in the Gardens by the Chapel following Mass.



SOCIAL JUSTICE

Small Toys Drive for Haiti

On **October 13 & 14**, we will collect small toys for the children of St. Jean Baptiste parish in Haiti. The toys will be distributed at St. Jean's annual children's Christmas party. We are asking for small toys only so that we can ship as many as possible to Haiti. Used or new toys are fine. For ideas of toys you might consider donating, please see www.trinity.org/social-justice/whats-new. You are welcome to ship toys directly to Holy Trinity c/o Kate Tromble, 3513 N St, NW, Washington, DC 20007 if you buy online. Checks made out to Holy Trinity with "toy drive" in the memo are also acceptable. **Please no stuffed animals.** *Mesi anpil!* (Thank you very much!)

13th Annual Unity Walk

Join our friends at the Good Faith Communities Coalition for the 13th Annual Unity Walk on **October 14** at 2:30pm at Washington Hebrew Congregation. The Unity Walk is a public celebration of solidarity and unity among different faiths and cultures in our region. Twelve houses of worship and religious centers along the Massachusetts Ave. route welcome walkers to visit their facilities, hear about their faith and rituals, and sample traditional foods. Walkers are welcome to join the walk at any point - and walk as long they wish! Ceremony will be at the Islamic Center, 2551 Massachusetts Ave NW, at 5:30pm.

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 3-4** at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Crystal City. The parish has reserved a block of registrations for parishioners. If you would like to participate, contact Kate Tromble at ktromble@trinity.org or (202) 903-2809.

Help Us Help Housing Up

As part of the parish's Capital Campaign, Holy Trinity contributed \$250,000 to Housing Up to renovate 12 permanent supportive housing units for homeless families in DC. The units are expected to be ready later this year, and we couldn't be more excited about them! We are now working through Housing Up's "Adopt-an-Apartment" program to furnish three of the units for the new tenants. Housing Up will provide all furniture for the units but has identified other specific needs, which we have reflected in registries found at www.trinity.org/social-justice/whats-new. Please consider contributing to this exciting project by purchasing items from these registries. For more information, please contact HousingUp@trinity.org.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/ FAITH FORMATION

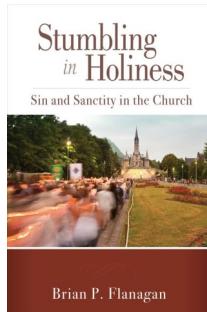
Reconnecting with the Catholic Faith

Landings is a new ministry for adult Catholics who are not actively practicing their faith but who are considering returning to the Church. Landings will meet on Saturday afternoons beginning **October 13**. Visit www.trinity.org/landings to learn more.

Stumbling in Holiness: Sin & Sanctity in the Church

October 14, 4:15pm, Chapel of St. Ignatius

Theologian Brian P. Flanagan addresses the ways in which both holiness and sinfulness condition the life of the pilgrim church. In particular, his book and talk here at Trinity will address how clearly naming and lamenting the failures of the church, including in relation to abuse of minors by clergy, is a crucial component of an authentic church. Brian is a parishioner of Holy Trinity as well as associate professor of theology at Marymount University.



STEWARSHIP

2019 Parish Pledge

October marks the entry point into an array of seasonal celebrations: autumn, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Advent, Christmas...and the annual Parish Pledge. Maybe adding the pledge to this list of venerable celebrations seems incongruous, yet the annual marking of the blessings God has given us is perfectly in keeping with the broader themes this time of year, especially Thanksgiving and Christmas. The pledge gives us a chance to mark what God has done for us this past year, rejoice in that grace, and make a commitment to share our blessings with others through our financial gift to God's mission and ministries.

That said, this year we recognize, in light of the abuse scandals within the Church, how difficult and problematic it is to consider making or renewing a financial commitment to the Church. As you decide how God wants you to give thanks for and extend your blessings this coming year, we hope you will consider:

- Churches like Holy Trinity that are trying to practice transparency and open dialogue, support change, and do lasting good in the world need your support.
- Designating your pledge for the Christmas or Easter Funds means 100% of your donation stays at Holy Trinity; the same for designating for a specific program such as Religious Education, Ignatian Spirituality or Social Justice. In this way, you can support our programs and the people they serve as well as our own staff.
- If in your conscience you cannot give to Holy Trinity or any of our programs, we hope you will redirect what you would have given to some other part of God's kingdom and work. Giving to support Jesus' work is a way to connect with God and shows the world the importance of that work.

Thank you for prayerfully supporting the work of our Lord Jesus Christ.

—Rock Schuler, Director Stewardship
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CELEBRATING 200 YEARS
2018
OF STUDENTS FOR OTHERS

200TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION WEEKEND
OCTOBER 20-22, 2018

STREET FAIR & REUNION
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20 — 10AM-2PM
36TH & O STREETS NW
RSVP: www.trinity.org/HTS200

200TH ANNIVERSARY MASS & RECEPTION
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21 — 2:30PM
CHURCH & TRINITY HALL
RSVP: www.trinity.org/HTS200

27TH ANNUAL GOLF & TENNIS CLASSIC
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22 — 12PM START / 5PM DINNER
ARMY NAVY COUNTRY CLUB
Register: www.trinity.org/HTSclassic

htsd.org/HTS200 @HTSgeorgetown

Holy Trinity Time Capsule



First Lay Principal

Ann Marie Crowley (née Santora) became the first lay principal of Holy Trinity School in 1979. Crowley started her career at Holy Trinity School in 1968 teaching 4th grade. Crowley was hired as principal by Father English

without a search committee for a whopping \$14,000 per year! She served as principal for 29 years. Lasting traditions from her time include: the Halloween parade, 8th grade parent meetings for high school placements, dances for 7th & 8th graders, the Gala, the Golf Classic, the Book Fair, the Uniform Exchange, Trivia Night and the Student/Faculty Game. Our beloved principal will always be an indelible part of Holy Trinity School's history!