



HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Washington, DC

June 2 & 9, 2019



Why Does Pentecost Come at the Time of Spring Harvest?

According to Acts, it was at Pentecost that the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostolic band. They were at prayer on the Jewish feast of Shavuot, which had a double significance in Israel. It was the time of the spring wheat harvest, and it also marked the day that the Lord God gave the Torah to the entire people.

So, you see, what the Good Lord gave to the people and what he asked in return were, both of them, measurable and metered.

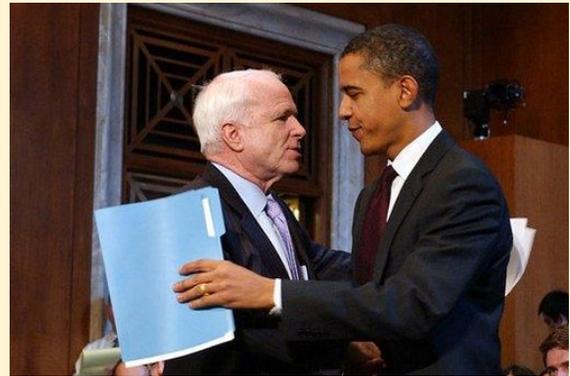
In Christian thought, we don't make much of the Holy Spirit coming at the time of the spring harvest feast, though it offers an important insight into the mission of the Spirit in the world.

Christ is the seed that has died, has been planted and has sprung again to life. The Spirit is the Lord of the Harvest. The Spirit brings it, brings us, to fruition. What Christ sows, the Spirit tills.

Watching the industrial revolution darken England's skies and land, the Jesuit poet Gerard Manley Hopkins sadly saw sin growing in tandem with progress, but he insisted that the Holy Spirit would again green God's harvest.

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Holy Trinity Time Capsule



Tim Russert's Funeral Unites Political Rivals

Tim Russert, a longtime parishioner of Holy Trinity, died suddenly on June 13, 2008. The beloved "Meet the Press" moderator, who also served as the Washington Bureau Chief for NBC News, managed to do in death what no living journalist had yet accomplished during a contentious campaign season: he got Barack Obama and John McCain to sit together and talk, quietly.

The New York Times wrote that it was specifically, "Russert's son, Luke, 22, who got the presumptive Democratic and Republican nominees together. He requested that they sit next to each other at his father's funeral at Holy Trinity Church in Georgetown. Then, in remarks from the pulpit, he exhorted them and other politicians to 'engage in spirited debate but disavow the low tactics that distract Americans from the most important issues facing our country.' At the end of the service, the two candidates embraced."

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Interested in exploring the possibility of becoming Catholic?

Anyone who wants to learn more about becoming Catholic is welcome to come to the **Inquiry meetings** that are part of the RCIA process and that are held **every Tuesday** evening at 7pm in the Faber Room, Holy Trinity Parish Center.
www.trinity.org/become-catholic

MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Jesuit Catholic parish that welcomes all to accompany one another in Christ, celebrate God's love and transform lives.

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From the Pastor's Desk

"Tis a season of changes. In addition to the seasonal changes of our natural environment, and besides the plethora of graduation ceremonies that have paraded across the academic world, changes are happening in our parish.

First, on May 21, Archbishop Wilton Gregory was installed as the new Ordinary for the Archdiocese of Washington. Besides attending the beautiful liturgy at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, I had the opportunity of having lunch with him two days later. He impressed me as a gracious and spiritual leader who exhibited humility and humor. I foresee him as bringing healing to a much-troubled archdiocese.

Another change will begin on June 3, when the main church will be closed for repairs. As many may recall the last parish campaign had one of its primary purposes that of making needed repairs inside and outside our ageing edifice. When the church reopens, hopefully by Labor Day, one will see a newly-painted church with an improved systems in audio and lighting, a new HVAC system and new and sturdier pews. These needed repairs will complete the Capital Campaign, which had for the church's interior the stated goal to "bring beauty and luster as well as improved functionality." Thanks again for all who donated to this campaign. As you may recall, three years ago the church's historic windows were cleaned, repaired and restored and this past Easter the lighting inside our sanctuary's *Crux Gloriosa* achieved a brighter glow, fitting of the resurrection theme.

Another notable change our parish is undergoing concerns staff. Kate Tromble, our Pastoral Associate for Social Justice, has accepted a position with the not-for-profit Results for America. Many of the creative and engaging social justice programs Holy Trinity offers are due to Kate's leadership efforts. The "Power of One" on June 15 will be Kate's last official event.

Additionally, Beth Gray, our Baptisms and Weddings Coordinator, will be moving to Texas with her husband Tracey and two children. Moira Duggan will serve as our new Baptisms and Weddings Coordinator.

Last, but by no means least, my brother Jesuit Fr. Tim O'Brien, S.J. will move on to doctoral studies in history at Johns Hopkins University. His last scheduled parish Mass will be June 30. In mid-July, Fr. Patrick Earl, S.J., who served the parish a decade ago, will return to Holy Trinity as a senior priest.

I know that I speak for the parish when I state that we shall certainly miss the dedicated and gracious ways these individuals have performed their respective ministries. Thank you Kate, Beth and Fr. Tim for your competent and compassionate companionship.

Rev. C. Kevin Gillespie, S.J.

Daily Mass Intentions

Week of June 3, 2019

Monday	7:00am	Knights of Columbus #224
	5:30pm	David Schofield+
Tuesday	7:00am	Jane P. Cartney+
	5:30pm	Ann Marie Bonsor+
Wednesday	8:00am	Terry Kircher+
	5:30pm	Jane Lydon+
Thursday	8:00am	Loretta Favret+
		Constant Odiekila
	5:30pm	Priscilla M. Granfield & Patrick Granfield+
Friday	8:00am	Charles Gill+
	5:30pm	Katherine O'Rourke+
Saturday	8:00am	Esther Ruelle

Week of June 10, 2019

Monday	7:00am	Marie H. Fanning+
	5:30pm	Kenneth & Delores Bellis+
Tuesday	7:00am	Theresa Benson+
	5:30pm	Michael Normile+
Wednesday	8:00am	Dale Cooter+
	5:30pm	David Schofield+
Thursday	8:00am	Elizabeth Keane+
	5:30pm	Tim Russert+
Friday	8:00am	Helen O'Shea+
	5:30pm	Marte Norbury+
Saturday	8:00am	Jose Salazar+

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, 9:00am, 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 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

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. Holy Trinity also offers RCIA adapted for Children for children and youth who are not baptized (ages 7 through high school) Please contact Judith Brusseau at jbrusseau@trinity.org for more information.

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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PRAY

Summer Mass Schedule

Due to the church closing for restoration work on June 3, our Mass schedule will change slightly this summer with most Masses celebrated in Trinity Hall. See www.trinity.org/summer for the complete schedule.

LEARN

Are You Curious About the Spiritual Exercises Journey?

We invite you for a one-hour conversation about the history of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, the gifts of making the Exercises, and the commitment needed to make the Exercises Journey: **June 8**, 4pm, Upper Room or **June 9**, 4pm, Upper Room. Registration is not required. Contact Martina O'Shea for more information at moshea@trinity.org.

Religious Education Enrollment

Enrollment is open but placement is dependent on availability beginning June 1. See more details www.trinity.org/faith-formation.



Women Who Acted with Resolve

The next session of our Women in the Bible series, Women Who Acted with Resolve, will begin again on **July 11** at 7pm. For more information, contact Anne Koester at akoester@trinity.org.

SERVE

Seeking Catechists for the 2019-20 Year

Think you might be hearing the call to serve as a catechist? We need those willing to share their faith with our youth. Visit www.trinity.org/volunteer for more information. We will support you throughout the year with lesson plans and materials! Contact Sandy Nguyen at REK6@trinity.org to learn more.

Holy Trinity eLetter

Stay connected this summer!
Sign up at www.trinity.org/eLetter

Power of One: Looking for 225 Volunteers!



At Holy Trinity, our faith and Ignatian tradition call us to build a more just world that upholds dignity, equality and access to social and economic opportunity for all. Our social justice ministry supports and facilitates living a life of justice and peace, and once a year we try to do this together as a parish. We call it the Power of One. We will celebrate and serve together on **June 15** as part of Trinity weekend. Opportunities for service around the DC area are available throughout the day. Help us reach our goal of 225 volunteers in celebration of 225 years as parishioners for others. All volunteers will receive a complimentary anniversary t-shirt to wear during the day. Visit www.trinity.org/power to register.

CONNECT

Annual Parish Picnic & Mass

Our Annual Parish Mass and Picnic will be held **June 16** from 10:30am-2pm at Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School. Mass will be celebrated at the Nolan Center at Visitation High School followed by a family picnic on the grounds. Hot Dogs, beer, iced tea, salads, snow cones and cotton candy will be served. Activities for kids include a moon bounce, Mandy the Clown, DJ Mr. Ricky, face painting and more! Bring the family and blanket or chairs!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ignatian Spirituality Project: Ambassadors of Hope

Holy Trinity is a supporter of the Ignatian Spirituality Project, which offers retreats for women in recovery from homelessness and addiction. This spring, ISP launched the Ambassadors of Hope, a formation program for ISP alumni volunteers who want to grow as ISP leaders. Team member Evelene Duhart has been selected an Ambassador through a competitive nationwide process. Parishioner Frances Kummer will companion Evelene in this journey. Congratulations Evelene and Frances! To learn more about ISP, visit www.isporg.org.

Photos & Reflections Needed

Do you have photos from a past retreat, event or Camp Trinity? Do you have a favorite story of a past priest or a cherished memory of Holy Trinity? Please send them to the committee for inclusion in an upcoming issue of Pilgrimage to Our Past! HT225@trinity.org.

Founder's Day

Founder's Day is **October 6**. We are in need of suggestions for food vendors and beverage sponsors. For more information, contact Ashley Klick at aklick@trinity.org.



Summer Media Recommendations

Summer is here! As in previous years, we have invited our priests, staff and committee members to share their favorite books, podcasts and binge-worthy shows to enjoy on any lazy days of summer that arise. Fr. Tim O'Brien, S.J. kicks off our series with the following recommendations:

***The Kingdom of Ordinary Time* by Marie Howe.** Howe's poetry speaks to the invisible, spiritual core of our everyday experience.

***What Are We Doing Here?* by Marilynne Robinson.** Though better known as a novelist, Robinson is also an essayist and offers insight on a wide range of contemporary themes in American life.

***The Life You Save May Be Your Own* by Paul Elie.** Elie's multibiography of Dorothy Day, Flannery O'Connor, Thomas Merton and Walker Percy is more than that: it's spiritual reading for American Catholics.

Stewardship Update

Notice on Giving Envelopes

Please note that the software provider of our parish database recently and accidentally changed *every* parish household record to indicate that envelopes should be sent to each.

Fortunately, we caught this before envelopes were mailed. However, restoring the accurate list is a challenge—we are working to avoid having to manually remove nearly 2,000 households.

This means those who have been getting envelopes *will* continue to get them—we are using an old list for the time being for orders. The old list does not include recent new orders. If you recently requested envelopes for the first time, we are not able to get them to you until we clean and then update the parish household records.

Recurring Credit Card Donations

The envelope error offers an opportunity to change from the envelope system to a recurring credit card or e-check donation, which gives the parish more consistent offerings and our supporters a third-party record of gifts. It is also a "green" choice! For more information and assistance contact Rock Schuler at rschuler@trinity.org.

Pentecost, continued from page 1

*The world is charged with the grandeur of God.
It will flame out, like shining from shook foil;
It gathers to a greatness, like the ooze of oil
Crushed. Why do men then now not reck his rod?
Generations have trod, have trod, have trod;
And all is seared with trade; bleared, smeared with
toil;
And wears man's smudge and shares man's smell: the
soil
Is bare now, nor can foot feel, being shod.
And for all this, nature is never spent;
There lives the dearest freshness deep down things;
And though the last lights off the black West went
Oh, morning, at the brown brink eastward, springs--
Because the Holy Ghost over the bent World broods
with warm breast and with ah! bright wings.*

The Trinity is at work in our world. The Son, who is seed, has been planted in our hearts. But there is a long, cold and often dry winter between seeding and harvest. We pass through so many trials and temptations in this life. We grow weary, doubtful, even listless. At times a life of grace seems all but spent. Yet, in our lives, the Spirit "broods with warm breast and with ah! bright wings."

God enters the world as actor only in the person of Jesus the Christ. God the Father plants us within the world, roots us in the Son. God the Holy Ghost, as spirit, cannot be seen, though we sense his presence in every work of grace. In the words of the Pentecost sequence:

*Where you are not, we have naught,
Nothing good in deed or thought,
Nothing free from taint of ill.
Heal our wounds, our strength renew;
On our dryness pour your dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away:
Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.
On the faithful, who adore
And confess you, evermore.*

Excerpted from Terrance Klein and republished with permission from *America Magazine*, originally published May 31, 2017.

Help Holy Trinity and Win \$100! End of Year Communications Survey

We are conducting an end of the year survey to get parishioner feedback and plan for next year. Those who submit a completed survey will have the option to be entered in a raffle to win: \$100 Amazon gift card, \$50 Amazon gift card or a Holy Trinity "swag bag" with merchandise valued at \$50.

Please help us serve you better by filling out the questions at www.trinity.org/survey or by completing a hard copy survey in the back of the church.