



# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Washington, DC

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## ADW Annual Appeal

By Rock Schuler

This weekend, the Archdiocese of Washington launches its 2020 Annual Appeal. Materials related to the appeal have been placed in the church and envelopes can be placed in offertory or mailed. Giving is also possible at [appeal.adw.org](http://appeal.adw.org).

Hearts Filled With Hope is the appeal's 2020 theme. As the ADW's talking points put it: *In the midst of these turbulent waters as a Church, we are reminded of Jesus's hand that is always extended forth to pull us from depths and bring us closer to Him.* Experience teaches us that living involves compromise. There is no moral purity; to exist in any relationship, to be connected to any organization or institution, to hold any job, even to do any act of charity and goodness, involves mixed motives and necessitates some level of moral compromise. The question each of us must answer is where do we draw our line in the sand? At which point does the compromise so erode the goodness as to render the goodness null and void?

The Archdiocese uses 100% of the money it raises in the appeal for some very good causes. Those causes are listed in the appeal's materials and will be discussed this weekend. Yet at the end of the day, when you think about pulling out your credit card or writing that check, you are the one who must decide if the goodness of these causes outweighs the Church's self-made turbulent waters.

Working as an employee of the ADW at Holy Trinity has shown me that all our staff members receive generous benefits from the ADW and are provided a far more humane work environment than would be found in other sectors of our economy. I also see firsthand that Holy Trinity needs the administrative and ministerial services provided by the ADW that a single parish cannot accomplish on its own.

There is no question that the world would be a lesser

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## So Far, That's My Story

By Mario F.

My name is Mario from Nicaragua, in Central America. I came to the U.S. on September 15, 2018. As a country, Nicaragua was facing special events (*NB: Mario is not able to describe the specific circumstances surrounding his asylum request until his hearing concludes in 2024.*) Three days after I managed to get to Canada (my final destination) after a stop in Detroit, MI, I was suddenly handcuffed and sent in a police car back to U.S. Customs & Immigration.

I could not believe it. Everything I planned changed. I was detained and spent six weeks at Battle Creek Detention Center. I had never been in a prison before. I do not regret it because I got a chance to know people from many countries with great hearts who looked after each other even though they never met before. I witnessed how humans from different faiths can come together in one God.

On October 22, 2018, during a regular talk with my brother, he mentioned there was a group who wanted to help me. My only response was "please confirm!" So, in fact, the next Friday while sitting down, a security guard approached me and asked if I was Mario F., to which I of course said "Yes, I am." He said, "What are you doing here? You have been released."

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## VIRTUS Training

**February 23, 12pm**, Trinity Hall. Register online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). This training is required for all those who work with youth as coaches, chaperones or catechists. Contact [REAdmin@trinity.org](mailto:REAdmin@trinity.org) for questions.

## 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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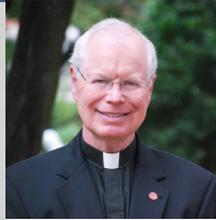
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## From the Pastor's Desk

Some years ago during my college days, I came upon a book titled *Images of Hope: Imagination as Healer of the Hopeless* by the Jesuit author Father William F. Lynch. A classicist by training, Lynch's book is a seminal text in the field of psychology and became a source of inspiration personally as I grew through my young adulthood. It, moreover, served as an important resource professionally as I researched, taught and developed my practice as a pastoral counselor.

In the book, Lynch cultivates themes of hope through discussions of hopelessness, the dangers of "either/or" thinking (what he terms "the absolutizing instinct") and the importance of using our capacities to imagine and to wish so as to hope. He seeds this important book with insights such as: "The two states of wishing and imagining seem always to accompany each other. Where there is no imagining there is no wishing; where there is no wishing there is no imagining. Imagining things rightly and fully is the most human of gifts."

It was Lynch's sense of hope that inspired my imagination when I considered this year's Archdiocesan Appeal, the theme of which is "Hearts Filled with Hope." Meant to be more than a slogan, the appeal's theme invites us to imagine how Holy Trinity is united in a common mission of evangelizing and service with our sister parishes and other Catholic institutions. Spread throughout the breadth of this large and multifaceted archdiocese, the faithful from 139 parishes are united in the hope of Christ.

According to the 2019 Catholic Directory, among the Archdiocese of Washington's institutions are: four Catholic hospitals, 81 health care centers, 31 homes for the aged, 12 day care centers, 61 special centers for social services, six centers for the residential care of the disabled, 16 high schools and 61 elementary schools. Moreover, religious catechesis is provided for 2,059 high school students and 21,510 elementary school students who do not attend Catholic schools. It is important to note that out of a total population of over 3 million, there are nearly 670,000 baptized Catholics, which constitutes 22% of the population.

It is not difficult then to imagine how many thousands of people of all ages, many of whom are not Catholic, are helped by this appeal. One way to consider the appeal's significant impact is to imagine that the works of the archdiocese provides to be an "ecology of hope." That is to say, through the proceeds of the appeal, environments are created and sustained whereby the lives of children, women and men are touched in mind, body and spirit.

According to Archbishop Wilton Gregory, 60 ministries are directly supported by the appeal. In his statement, the Archbishop remarks that the appeal is "a collective activity to advance the hope of Christ."

I invite you then to share in the hope of thousands by giving to the appeal. By so doing, you will be creating some of the "images of hope" that Christ has for the world.

## 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 February 17, 2020

Monday	7:00am	The Packer Family & Friends
	5:30pm	Joan Nelligan+
Tuesday	7:00am	Jim Laverty+
	5:30pm	The Carbajo Family
Wednesday	8:00am	Kobe Bryant+
	5:30pm	Fred B. Rooney+
Thursday	8:00am	John & Mary Pickitt
	5:30pm	Jim Lamb+
Friday	8:00am	Dr. Steven Carney+
	5:30pm	Jean M. Ronan+
Saturday	8:00am	David Shick+

**Pray for those who are sick:** *Patrice Kelly; Judy Myler*

**Pray for those who are dead:** *John Delaney; Marianne Lyons*

## PRAYER REQUESTS

To add a name to these prayer lists, please email [parishlife@trinity.org](mailto:parishlife@trinity.org) or call (202) 903-2801. 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.

## 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 (sign up at [www.trinity.org/eLetter](http://www.trinity.org/eLetter)) and website for announcement of dates and times.

## 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

### 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/Eucharist: Judith Brusseau, (202) 903-2807
- Youth Confirmation: Rebecca Hoesterey, (202) 903-2846
- Adult Confirmation: Judith Brusseau, (202) 903-2807

### Baptisms and Weddings:

- To schedule a Baptism or Wedding, contact Moira Duggan at (202) 903-2806 or [mduggan@trinity.org](mailto:mduggan@trinity.org).

### 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.

## 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 at [akoester@trinity.org](mailto:akoester@trinity.org) or (202) 903-2825. Holy Trinity also offers RCIA adapted for children and youth who are not Baptized (ages 7 through high school). Please contact Judith Brusseau at [jbrusseau@trinity.org](mailto:jbrusseau@trinity.org) or (202) 903-2807 for more information.

## LGBTQIA+ MINISTRY

Holy Trinity's commitment to accompany one another in Christ invites us to be more deeply aware of the diversity of our community and more welcoming to those who are marginalized by society or the Church. Our lay-led ministry embraces individuals who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning/queer, intersex, asexual and their families and friends. More information and upcoming meetings can be found at [www.trinity.org/lgbtqia](http://www.trinity.org/lgbtqia) or by emailing [LGBTQIA@trinity.org](mailto:LGBTQIA@trinity.org).

## 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. Contact President Chris Hannigan at [ppcpresident@trinity.org](mailto:ppcpresident@trinity.org) and Vice President Jim Thessin at [parishcouncil@trinity.org](mailto:parishcouncil@trinity.org).

## PRAY

### Praying in Sacred Space: A Lenten Practice

Saturdays, 4-5pm, Chapel of St. Ignatius  
**February 29**, March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4  
 You are invited to an hour of guided prayer using the Sacred Space booklets. Join our budding community of pray-ers as we reflect on Lenten Scripture passages. Registration is not necessary. Bring a friend! For more information, please contact Martina at [moshea@trinity.org](mailto:moshea@trinity.org).

## LEARN

### Next Sunday!

#### Continuing the Conversation: Raising Faith-Filled Kids

**February 23**, 10:10am, Lower School Big Room  
**Building Inclusive Communities by Understanding Differences.** Drs. Thea Bruhn and Roly Diaz will facilitate conversation following up on the February 9 presentation. This session is to offer time for further discussion on how we can continue to build an inclusive community at Holy Trinity.

#### Children's Bible Story Hour

**February 23**, 10:10am, Lower School Library  
 Children ages 3-5 are invited to attend Bible Story Hour in the Lower School Library. No registration is required; drop-ins are welcome.

#### Adult Faith Formation: How Jewish Traditions Influenced the Eucharist

**March 1**, 10:10am, Chapel of St. Ignatius  
 The Jewish roots of the Eucharist are critical for appreciating what Jesus was and is offering his friends: a new Passover, a new Manna and a new Bread of Presence. In this Lenten season, Fr. McDermott will help us come to a greater understanding of Eucharist.

#### Dying to Live

**March 1**, 4pm, Chapel of St. Ignatius  
 Join Danielle Vella, Jesuit Refugee Service's Reconciliation Program Director, to discuss her book *Dying to Live: Stories from Refugees on the Road to Freedom*. Featuring stories from across the globe, the book reveals the extraordinary courage, compassion and hope of the refugees and those who help them along the way. RSVP to [aklick@trinity.org](mailto:aklick@trinity.org).

#### Youth Ministry Service Learning Trip

Youth Ministry is holding a service learning trip to the Romero Center in Camden, NJ from July 20-25. We have 15 spots available for any rising 9-12 grade student. We are also seeking out two male chaperones and one more female chaperone. Email Rebecca Hoesterey at [rhoesterey@trinity.org](mailto:rhoesterey@trinity.org) if you are interested in attending or to learn more.

## SERVE

### Volunteer with Housing Up

Volunteers are needed **February 22** to create toiletry kits for the 700 residents Housing Up serves. Housing Up's mission is to provide families with opportunities to transform their lives and thrive through affordable housing and support services. Sign up at [www.trinity.org/volunteer](http://www.trinity.org/volunteer).

### Reversing Global Warming: An Introduction to Drawdown

**March 8**, 3-5pm, McKenna Hall  
 Join us for an inspiring and thought-provoking workshop to learn what actions you can take to be part of the solution to climate change. Project Drawdown is a coalition of more than 200 researchers and other experts from 22 countries led by author, environmentalist, and entrepreneur Paul Hawken. Attend this two hour workshop hosted by the HT Green Team to learn more about this comprehensive plan and meet others in our community who are actively working toward making a difference. RSVP is required at [www.trinity.org/RSVP](http://www.trinity.org/RSVP).



### Fund a Scholarship for St. Jean Baptiste

Holy Trinity collaborates with our sister parish in Haiti, St. Jean Baptiste, to offer scholarships for students who want to continue their studies after graduating from the parish's secondary school. Thanks to your generosity, our current awardees are studying nursing, law, engineering, political science, teaching and pharmaceutical science at universities and career schools. Following the success of graduates from the past four years, we will continue to make post-secondary study a viable option for future graduates. Tuition fees are \$1,500/year for university and \$500/year for career school. The HT/SJB Haiti Committee hopes to enlarge our team of sponsors, each of whom commits to donating \$200/year for four years. We will offer as many scholarships to the Class of '20 as our total funding received by June 1 will allow. To become a scholarship sponsor or learn more about the projects of the committee, contact Ashley Klick at (202) 903-2836 or [StJeanBaptisteHaiti@gmail.com](mailto:StJeanBaptisteHaiti@gmail.com).

### Upcoming Direct Service Opportunities

Volunteer opportunities are scheduled for April and May. On **April 18**, parishioners of all ages are invited to help clean up Dumbarton Oaks Park, and on **May 8-10**, Holy Trinity is hosting a drive for the Greater DC Diaper Bank. You may learn more about these opportunities at [www.trinity.org/social-justice](http://www.trinity.org/social-justice).



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place without the good accomplished by the Church—without its voice and actions on behalf of those the world would ignore and trample. And so this article is not a call to protest, nor is it an admonition to give. Instead it is asking you to weigh your heart and make a decision of conscience that brings you truly *closer to Jesus*.

*Hearts Filled With Hope.* My hope is that, through the appeal or in some other way, we all grow closer to Jesus as we pray and work on behalf of His mission of hope, so that every human being experiences through us that abundant life which is God's gift to every child of creation.▪

## CONNECT

### Next Sunday!

#### New Parishioner Orientation

Please join Fr. Gillespie and the ministry staff of Holy Trinity for the winter New Parishioner Orientation on Sunday, **February 23** at 2:30pm in McKenna Hall. Learn more about the parish, meet other new parishioners and take a tour of the campus. Light refreshments will be served and children are most welcome. No RSVP required.

#### Grief Support Group Meetings

The Holy Trinity Grief Support Group starts meeting on **February 29**. The group will meet for six consecutive Saturdays from 10:30am-12:30pm. For details and registration information, please [www.trinity.org/parish-life](http://www.trinity.org/parish-life).



#### Holy Trinity School Gala & Auction

Please join the Holy Trinity community for the annual school auction and gala on Leap Day, **February 29** at 7pm at Sequoia on the Georgetown waterfront. Last year's joint anniversary celebration provided a wonderful opportunity for fellowship across our many ministries. We hope that all parishioners will join the festivities as we enjoy the company of one another and support scholarship at Holy Trinity School. Tickets may be purchased at: [www.trinity.org/gala](http://www.trinity.org/gala). We look forward to seeing you there!

### So Far, That's My Story, cont. from page 1

Friday, October 26, was the day I call "The Miracle." Holy Trinity had paid my bond, made arrangements to spend a few days in Ann Arbor to finish up with the Detroit court, and then brought me to Washington, D.C. I have met great individuals and families since then, from Ann Arbor and here in D.C. The Holy Trinity Migrant Team individuals and families have opened their homes, fed me, provided me clothes, transportation and a roof over my head—and of course legal aid, which is a priority.

Every day I confirm more and more that this a "journey of faith." The faith we follow is a proactive faith, it is about "doing something" out there. The real work is not inside the temple, what happens during Mass is the most marvelous sacrifice of love.

You can support Jeanne, Margie or any other member of the Migrant Team. They are all great leaders. But do something. I say be a constant, not a variable. Be proactive and use your imagination on how to help others. Go to Union Station and meet Colleen on First Street, NE, say hi and bring her a lunch. Visit Van Ness metro station and meet Mr. Sanders or Mr. Wells, who by the way is a great painter.

Remember that most people are crossing the south border by any means. We come with only one attitude, "how to contribute," not the opposite.

So far, that's my story....▪

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Presidents Day Weekend Closings

There will be no Religious Education classes today, **February 16**.

The Parish Center will be closed **February 17**.

### Marriage Preparation

Are you planning on being married in the Catholic Church? You should begin sacramental preparation for your wedding at least six months prior to your wedding. Holy Trinity's six-class marriage-preparation session prepares you and your spouse for this lifetime commitment to each other within the faith community. Classes begin **February 20** meet on Thursday evenings and one Saturday morning. Advance registration is required. Please register right away; sessions fill up quickly. Learn more at [www.trinity.org/marriage](http://www.trinity.org/marriage).

### Baptism Preparation

A Baptism Preparation Session will be offered **March 7** at 10:10am in McKenna Hall. Please register at [www.trinity.org/infant-baptism](http://www.trinity.org/infant-baptism) or contact [REAdmin@trinity.org](mailto:REAdmin@trinity.org) for more details.

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