



# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Washington, DC

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## Celebrating God's Love Through Music

By Dr. Kathleen DeJardin

When considering part of our mission, “celebrating God’s love,” my immediate thought was I hope I do that by the way I live my life, using the gifts God has given me. That, naturally, led to my life of music, because music has literally been a part of my life forever.

My maternal grandmother was an organist on a one-keyboard Hammond in the choir loft at their parish church. I was honored and blessed to play that organ as I sang for her funeral. Know that music is a part not just of my life, but a part of all of our lives — Sunday Masses and throughout the liturgical year.

God has given all of us the gift of song (even those of you who believe you can’t really sing!), and as God lives within each of us, God is always present when we sing songs of praise and gratitude. Music is a sign of God’s love for us and our love for him, and so is both personal and communal. As a church musician nothing is more powerful, moving and joyful than when the assembly joins together in song. It is a way for all

of us to celebrate God’s love whenever we gather for liturgy.

I can tell you that the first Sunday we were able to sing from the hymnals at Mass, I literally cried tears of joy! The pandemic shutdown was devastating on many levels, but the loss of our assembly song was particularly tragic. We are now recovering our assembly song, but remember that the assembly *is* the primary choir at any liturgy, so sing our songs of praise and gratitude with gusto. That is your ministry as baptized children of God.

As assembly/primary choir we sing our way through the liturgical year, our music reflecting and heightening the words of the gospels and readings and affirming in song our Gospel mission. We sing songs of welcome (*Gather Us In*), songs of justice (*Canticle of the Turning*), songs of peace, (*Prayer of St. Francis*) and songs steeped in our Jesuit identity (*These Alone are Enough*). We sing a song commissioned for our 225th Anniversary, *Come and Be Fed*. We sing the carols of Advent and Christmas. The songs of Lent, Triduum and Easter. The songs and psalms of Ordinary Time.

There are other times we come together in song. Throughout the pandemic, Holy Trinity has gathered on Zoom for sung Morning Prayer. What a gift, Monday and Friday mornings, to begin our day with prayer and song! On November 2, we will gather at 7:00pm for sung Evening Prayer as we remember loved ones who have entered eternal life. As well, on March 2, we gather for 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Evening Vespers. Finally, the Memorial of St. Cecilia, patron saint of music, is November 22. On that day we observe her memorial with sung Evening Prayer followed by pie and hot apple cider. All are invited — watch the bulletin and eLetter and be a part of the St. Cecilia observance this year. Please do consider participating in these powerful liturgies.

So, music is one of the ways we can easily and joyfully celebrate God’s love. There are days when music will remind you of God’s gifts to the world and will lower your blood pressure and bring a smile to your face. Will lift your spirits. Will comfort your soul. Will give God great glory and praise.✠

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## MISSION STATEMENT

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## LIVING OUR MISSION

### ACCOMPANY ONE ANOTHER IN CHRIST

By Rock Schuler

Denethor II, the last Ruling Steward of Gondor, from J.R.R. Tolkien's *The Lord of the Rings*, imprinted upon me an enduring image of stewardship. Until I first read Tolkien's work in middle school, I had no idea what a steward was or what stewardship entailed. Denethor gave me my first – and to this day most important – lesson.

Denethor was the 26th in a line of Ruling Stewards charged with taking care of the Kingdom of Gondor in the absence of the King, whose line had been lost but which was prophesied to return. The initial Ruling Stewards understood their caretaking role and never allowed themselves to assume the prerogatives of the office of the King. Yet as time and generations passed without the return of a King, the Ruling Stewards grew bolder in their assumptions as they allowed to slip into forgotten myth the idea that a King would someday replace them.

And so when Aragorn II, true heir to the Kings of Gondor, appeared during Denethor's stewardship, Denethor was none too happy. He had forgotten that everything he had was not truly his, but held in trust for another. And so he resisted until his tragic end.

Tolkien was a devout Catholic. What I learned from his tale was that “all that I am and all that I have” is entrusted to me, to use in the service and on behalf of the One who is Lord of All, Jesus. Now I wish I could say I have always been faithful in keeping this ideal! Yet I do try to bring a consciousness of stewardship to every decision about how I spend my time and use my resources, including especially my money, given how it embodies our time and talents, and its power to accomplish either good or ill.

I try to prayerfully imagine and ask how Jesus would want me, at this moment or decision, using my gifts or spending my time or my money.

I read recently that those who showed mental health resilience during this pandemic were able to reframe negative circumstances more positively. It's not that they whitewashed the negative, but that they were able at the same time to find the positive. Loneliness and isolation might also make room for personal growth, or the pursuit of hobbies, or the rebalancing of priorities.

I wonder how our inner Denethors might fare differently if we were more consistently successful in framing our lives not as a series of competing demands but as privileged opportunities to be the stewards of Christ and his mission?

As we come to you this autumn asking for the commitment of your time, talents and financial resources, please prayerfully imagine how Jesus could be asking you to steward “all that you have and all that you are” so that you with others might more abundantly experience the transformation of God's love.

## 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 25, 2021

Monday	8:15am	Robert Gavrell+
	5:30pm	
Tuesday	8:15am	Alma Samonte Conty+
	5:30pm	
Wednesday	8:15am	James P. Thompson+
	5:30pm	John Studt+
Thursday	8:15am	
	5:30pm	William McCarthy+
Friday	8:15am	Charlotte Sartori+
	5:30pm	
Saturday	8:15am	Deborah Byrnes File+

**Pray for those who are sick:** *Al Heier; Ian Balutis; Meredith Render*

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

## 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:** 8:15am & 5:30pm (in the Chapel on N St.)

*Note: Please see schedule for daily Mass times.*

*Chapel is open on weekdays between Masses.*

**Saturday:** 8:15am — Chapel; 5:30pm Vigil — Church

**Sunday:** 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:30am, 5:30pm — Church;  
6:00pm — Holy Rood Cemetery

### 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: Anne Marie Kaufmann, (202) 903-2846
- Youth Confirmation: Anne Marie Kaufmann, (202) 903-2846
- Adult Confirmation: Anne Marie Kaufmann, (202) 903-2846
- Marriage Preparation: [readmin@trinity.org](mailto:readmin@trinity.org), (202) 903-2808

### Baptisms and Weddings:

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

### Sacrament of the Sick

Communal anointing is celebrated seasonally in the Chapel of St. Ignatius. 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 Anne Marie Kaufmann at [akaufmann@trinity.org](mailto:akaufmann@trinity.org) (202) 903-2846 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 Tania Chomiak-Salvi at [parishcouncil@trinity.org](mailto:parishcouncil@trinity.org).



## PRAY



### Ignatian Year Day of Prayer: From Grieving to Living in Hope

**November 6, 9:00am-3:00pm**, Choose in person or online Registration and more info at [trinity.org/dayofprayer](http://trinity.org/dayofprayer)  
St Ignatius invites us to “see all things new in Christ.” This invitation can include every human experience, including the experience of loss. The time of Covid-19 has given us many reasons to grieve, that is, to acknowledge the pain of loss. It can be the loss of a loved one, an associate at work or school, a close friend, or an acquaintance. We also grieve the loss of something important in our lives: our job, our home, financial security, health, the celebration of special events. Grieving is both a human and a spiritual experience, allowing God’s healing grace to touch us. This Day of Prayer will be led by Fr. Jim Wallace, CSsR and the Redemptorist Team for Evangelization and Parish Missions. Registration deadline: **November 1**.

### Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola - An Online Information Session

**November 13 and January 8, 2022, 11:00am**

*“Discernment is not only necessary when serious problems have to be solved, it is an instrument of struggle to follow the Lord better day by day and hour by hour.”* [jesuits.org](http://jesuits.org)

The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola are one way in our Catholic tradition to come to love as God loves. Throughout the 8-9 month retreat, made in daily life, the retreatant can grow in self-knowledge, deepen their intimacy with Jesus, and grow in their practice of discernment of spirits. Through this potentially life-changing journey, the woman or man becomes spiritually freer to respond generously and wholeheartedly to God’s invitations to love. Join us for an hour conversation about this gift that God gave the church through St. Ignatius. Contact Martina O’Shea [moshea@trinity.org](mailto:moshea@trinity.org) for the link to the online session.

### All Souls Day Evening Prayer

**November 2, 7:00pm**, Church

The Church remembers all of the faithful departed in a special way during the month of November. Please join the parish community for a sung Evening Prayer. All are invited to bring a framed photograph of any deceased friends and loved ones to Evening Prayer. If you are unable to participate on November 2, please bring a photograph on November 7 to be remembered in our liturgies during November. Photographs may be collected on November 21.

## LEARN

### Register for High School Youth Ministry

Do you have a high school aged child? If so, please sign him/her up for our high school youth ministry program through [trinity.org/enroll](http://trinity.org/enroll). For more information, please contact Anne Marie Kaufmann, [akaufmann@trinity.org](mailto:akaufmann@trinity.org).

## SERVE

### Volunteers Needed for Faith Formation: RE, RCIA, Youth Ministry and Baptism Prep

We are still in need of catechists for Sunday Morning Religious Education and RCIA Adapted for Children and facilitators for Youth Ministry and Baptism Preparation classes. If you are interested in helping in any of these areas, please contact Anne Marie Kaufmann at [akaufmann@trinity.org](mailto:akaufmann@trinity.org).

### Cereal Drive for Hope and a Home October 29

A healthy and nutritious breakfast is the most important meal of the day especially for children. Your donation of cereal, oatmeal, and pancake mix helps a local family get a nutritious start to the day. Donations may be dropped off at the Parish Center during business hours or shop our Amazon Wish List at [trinity.org/do-something-good-for-your-neighbor](http://trinity.org/do-something-good-for-your-neighbor).

### Open Slots: Groceries for Individuals and Families

Please consider signing up for a gift card, a protein purchase, a fruit or vegetable box/bag, and miscellaneous items. Items may be dropped off at Holy Trinity by 10am for distribution on Wednesdays. We do have freezer and refrigerator options for advance drop-off in McKenna Kitchen. These donations support two large families of 6 and individuals who are part of our Migrant Team: [signupgenius.com/go/2021support](http://signupgenius.com/go/2021support)

### Help Beautify the Holy Trinity Gardens

The Garden Ministry will be gardening on Saturday, **October 30** at Holy Trinity at 9:00am. Join us to the right of the chapel near the shed. Please bring a bottle of water. If you can join us, RSVP to [htrgardeners@gmail.com](mailto:htrgardeners@gmail.com).

## CONNECT

### Join Us for a Holy Trinity School Open House

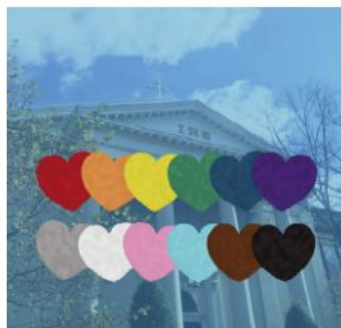
Learn more about Holy Trinity School and the admissions process at an upcoming Open House:

- October 27, 9:00am
- November 9, 9:30am
- November 15, 10:00am
- January 14, 9:30am
- January 27, 11:00am

Registration is available at [htsdc.org/visit](http://htsdc.org/visit). We begin accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year in October. Questions? Please contact [admissions@htsdc.org](mailto:admissions@htsdc.org).

**LGBTQIA+ Ministry****Women's Discussion:****October 25** at 7:00pmRSVP for the Zoom link on our web page: [trinity.org/lgbtqia-ministry](http://trinity.org/lgbtqia-ministry).If you have any questions, please contact Cerissa Cafasso at [lgbtqia+women@trinity.org](mailto:lgbtqia+women@trinity.org).**Men's Discussion:**

Join in person in the Parish Center's Upper Room or

online. RSVP for more info on our web page: [trinity.org/lgbtqia-ministry](http://trinity.org/lgbtqia-ministry).If you have any questions, please contact Bill Corcoran at [lgbtqia@trinity.org](mailto:lgbtqia@trinity.org).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



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**Tour Holy Trinity's Historic Holy Rood Cemetery****October 24, 10:00am-1:30pm**

Guides will provide details on the restored sacred space and the new columbarium just 1 mile from church. Weather permitting; street parking available - meet at the gate at 2126 Wisconsin Avenue NW.

**Holy Trinity Gardeners**

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**Parking Reminder**

For Sunday Masses, parking is usually available at Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School, located at 35th and Volta Streets, NW. Handicapped parking is located on the corners of 36th and O Streets, NW. You may use the ramp and follow the sidewalk to access the Church, Parish Center and St. Ignatius Chapel (access provided via the Parish Center's gallery hallway).

**Stewardship Update:  
In the Words of...**

*In the Words of... is the name of our pre-Parish Pledge Drive stewardship column. These are brief stories from ministry volunteers that testify to the impact their involvement has had on themselves and others. Each is tied to the theme of this Ignatian Year: To see all things new in Christ. Volunteers were asked to consider, "How has this ministry helped me see Jesus Christ in a new way?" or "What grace has this ministry brought me and/or others?" or "How has my involvement with this ministry deepened my conversion to Jesus Christ?" Our hope is that these testimonials will help all who give to support our ministries understand the good work they are helping to make possible. A heartfelt Thank You to everyone who offered written and/or video testimonials for the bulletin or eLetter.*

**Parishioner Testimonial: Mary Cain**

Ignatian spirituality is baked into my family. My grandfather dedicated his life to serving a Jesuit University and my father, brother, and myself all attended as well. So when I moved to DC five years ago I knew immediately that I wanted to attend a Jesuit parish and came to Holy Trinity my first Sunday. For a few months I just attended Sunday mass, but then I felt God calling me to greater involvement, so I started attending the Thursday night YAC Faith Sharing group.

That one decision opened so much to me, one of them being community. I met my husband through that group as well as many of my dearest friends. I've learned so much from sharing and listening to God in a group setting. Sometimes that is sharing sacred silence with others, other times it's lively debate, still other times it is a phrase that comes from a friend's mouth that I know is actually God speaking directly to me. My time with the Holy Trinity Ignatian Spirituality program has also given me opportunities to deepen my relationship with God through retreats. Prior to attending Holy Trinity I'd only been on a few youth group retreats that honestly weren't very meaningful to me. By contrast, Holy Trinity's retreats have been profound and deeply spiritual experiences. The weekend YAC retreats mix fellowship, peer talks, small group discussion, and reflection into a truly beautiful experience. The retreats in daily life have given me the opportunity to meet one on one with a spiritual director and a chance to work on my daily prayer practice, something I've always struggled with. These programs have helped me to "See God in All Things" whether that's the sunrise over the retreat center or my normal Wednesday morning.

These are just a few of the blessings that the Ignatian Spirituality Ministry has bestowed upon my life. I am profoundly grateful for these programs and for Martina and Catherine's dedication to serving our community and providing opportunities for others and myself to encounter God. —*Mary Cain*



**Sunday, October 24****THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Jeremiah 31:7-9 || Mark 10:46-52

**Monday, October 25****MONDAY OF THE THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

Romans 8:12-17 | Luke 13:10-17

**9:00am****Morning Prayer**

Zoom

**9:30am****Trinity Faith Sharing Group**

Zoom

**7:00pm****LGBTQIA+ Ministry Women's Discussion**

Zoom

**7:30pm****Separated/Divorced/Widowed Support Group**

Zoom

**Tuesday, October 26****TUESDAY OF THE THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

Romans 8:18-25 | Luke 13:18-21

**7:00pm****Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)**

McKenna Hall

**7:00pm****Trinity Faith Sharing Group**

Zoom

**7:30pm****Pray the Rosary with Fr. Gillespie**

Zoom

**Wednesday, October 27****WEDNESDAY OF THE THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

Romans 8:26-30 | Luke 13:22-30

**Thursday, October 28****FEAST OF SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE**

Ephesians 2:19-22 | Luke 6:12-16

**6:05pm****Christian Meditation**

Chapel of St. Ignatius

**7:00pm****Young Adult Faith Sharing**

Chapel of St. Ignatius

**7:15pm****Book Discussion Group**Zoom, [grobertstewart1@mac.com](mailto:grobertstewart1@mac.com)**Friday, October 29****FRIDAY OF THE THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

Romans 9:1-5 | Luke 14:1-6

**9:00am****Morning Prayer**

Zoom

**Saturday, October 30****SATURDAY OF THE THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

Romans 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29 | Luke 14:1, 7-11

**7:30am****Zen Meditation**Zoom, [rdruecker@aol.com](mailto:rdruecker@aol.com)**Sunday, October 31****THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Deuteronomy 6:2-6 || Mark 12:28b-34

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