



HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Washington, DC

October 10, 2021



The Indigenous Peoples of the DC Area

Captain John Smith's map of Virginia with Nacotchtank circled

This Monday, we mark Indigenous Peoples' Day to commemorate those who called these lands home long before Christopher Columbus and the colonization of the Americas. Indigenous Peoples' Day recognizes that Native people are the first inhabitants of the Americas, and urges us to acknowledge and rethink our history. While the federal holiday is still Columbus Day, in 2019 the DC Council officially renamed the holiday to Indigenous Peoples' Day. Virginia followed suit in 2020.

In our area, we know that people settled on the shores of the Anacostia and Potomac rivers as early as 9,500 BCE. The merging of the two rivers was an ideal location to fish, trade, and grow squash, beans, and corn (the three sisters). The people were known as the Nacotchtank Indians, and were part of the Piscataway Chiefdom with settlements stretching along the Potomac River.

Anacostia, a rendering of the word "Nacotchtank" by the

English Jesuits who came with Leonard Calvert in 1634, was the home of their most important leader. The village of Nacotchtank was the largest of the three American Indian villages located in the Washington area and is believed to have been a major trading center — in fact, the name came from the Indian word "anaquashatanik," which means "a town of traders." They were known for trading throughout the Chesapeake area and even trading fur with the Iroquois of New York.

For the Nacotchtank, the river was a source of food that provided fish in our temperate climate for approximately 10 months out of the year. The fertile lands around the rivers were ideal for growing, and evidence of crops has been found around what is now the Capitol, the Supreme Court, and the Library of Congress. The land also provided rich hunting ground populated with turkey, deer, and bison. The Nacotchtank lived in wigwams (longhouses) that looked similar to those of other tribes along the East Coast.

The three main villages of the Nacotchtank include the area between today's Bolling Air Force Base and Anacostia Park. A second town, Nameroughquena, most likely stood on the Potomac's west bank, in Arlington, opposite of what today is Theodore Roosevelt Island. Another village existed on a narrow bluff between today's Chesapeake and Ohio Canal and MacArthur Boulevard in the northwest section of the city. Additionally, remains of settlements and campgrounds

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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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LIVING OUR MISSION

TO BE CHRISTIAN, WE MUST FIRST SERVE THE POOR

By Jamie L. Waters

Scripture can challenge our ways of thinking and living. It calls on us to grapple with the world, and it can inspire good and bad actions with its diverse texts. The first reading and the Gospel should prompt appreciation and action, emphasizing the value of wisdom and the need to serve the poor.

The first reading comes from the Wisdom of Solomon, one of the books from the Greek canon of the Old Testament that is included in Catholic and Orthodox Christian Bibles. As in the book of Proverbs, Woman Wisdom is prominent in the book of Wisdom. Today's reading depicts a person praying for the arrival of Woman Wisdom, as she is more valuable and more loved than power, riches, health and beauty. The text reminds us to appreciate and seek knowledge and understanding, embracing wisdom in order to live rightly.

The Gospel from Mark reminds us to serve people who are poor, and it challenges us to live selflessly. In the Gospel, Jesus encounters a devout man who asks him what it takes to inherit eternal life. Jesus highlights five of the Ten Commandments: prohibitions against murder, adultery, stealing and bearing false witness and the affirmation to honor parents. According to Mark, Jesus also includes a prohibition against defrauding. This inclusion, which is lacking in Matthew or Luke's account, might have in mind the law against coveting a neighbor's possessions (Ex 20:17, Dt 5:21). It could be influenced by a law against withholding earned income (Dt 24:14), and it might reflect a problem of defrauding within Mark's community.

Jesus affirms Jewish laws and adds to them, insisting to the man: "Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." The interest in care for the poor is foundational to the Gospel. Jesus connects this action to the selfless love that he models through his ministry and through his sacrifice on the Cross. Moreover, he requires his followers to live with others in mind, emphasizing service, action and sacrifice. Note that Jesus tells the person to sell his items and then return to him, suggesting that the selfless action precedes entry into the faith community.

This Gospel is another reminder of putting faith into action. Sometimes this message is visible through Jesus' healing and service ministry, but today we hear of self-sacrifice as an aspect of full participation in faith in Christ. How do we respond to this command? The man in the Gospel is shocked and sullen over the command to give up his possessions. The disciples are astonished and consider this to be almost an impossibility. Difficult or not, the Gospel is clear in its insistence on care for the poor.

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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 11, 2021

Monday	8:15am	Elizabeth Anton+
	5:30pm	
Tuesday	8:15am	
	5:30pm	Sherwood Boehlert+
Wednesday	8:15am	
	5:30pm	
Thursday	8:15am	
	5:30pm	Joe Girgenti+
Friday	8:15am	
	5:30pm	Roger Leonard Buck+
Saturday	8:15am	Tom Pietrorazio

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, please email 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. Questions about registering can be directed to registration@trinity.org.

New parishioner orientations are held several times throughout the year. See the bulletin, eLetter (sign up at 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, (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, (202) 903-2808

Baptisms and Weddings:

- To schedule a Baptism or Wedding, contact Moira Duggan at 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 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 (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 or by emailing 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 and Vice President Tania Chomiak-Salvi at parishcouncil@trinity.org.

PRAY



Ignatian Year Day of Prayer: A Time to Grieve, a Time to Hope

November 6, 9:00am-3:00pm, Choose in person or online. 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**. Registration and more information can be found at trinity.org/dayofprayer.

YAC Retreat: Seeing All Things New in Christ

October 23, 10am-7:00pm, Mar-Lu-Ridge Retreat Center
Registration deadline: **October 11**



After a cannonball shattered St. Ignatius’ legs, he embarked on a spiritual journey of conversion and more closely following Christ. He started seeing the world and all things new with the eyes of Christ. On this one-day retreat, young adults (20s and 30s) are invited to explore the invitation to deeper conversion through peer and catechetical talks, and small group discussions, personal prayer, and the celebration of the Eucharist. Spiritual direction and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available, along with the opportunity to explore the retreat center’s hiking trails and beautiful views. Carpools provided. Register at trinity.org/yac-retreat.

LEARN

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. For more information, please contact Anne Marie Kaufmann, akaufmann@trinity.org.

SERVE

Volunteers Needed for Faith Formation

Sunday Morning RE - Catechists and Substitutes

Because of enrollment numbers, we are still in need of catechists for several grades to ensure that classes meet the required student/teacher ratio. If you are not yet ready to commit to teaching each week, consider being on our substitute list. For more information, please contact Sandy Nguyen, rek8@trinity.org.

RCIA Adapted for Children - Catechists

Each year we have several children who need to prepare for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. This group often includes children across several grades who are interested in becoming Catholic or in completing their sacraments of initiation. If you are interested in helping to guide these children in the process of preparation or if you would like more information, please contact Anne Marie Kaufmann, akaufmann@trinity.org.

Baptism Preparation Facilitators

Our Baptism Preparation program is looking to build a team of volunteers to plan and implement the monthly Baptism prep classes. If you would like to be part of this team or would like to learn more about what is involved, please contact Anne Marie Kaufmann, akaufmann@trinity.org.

High School Youth Ministry - Volunteers Needed!

Are you passionate about your faith? Would you like to share this with teens at Holy Trinity to help them grow deeper in their relationship with Jesus Christ? If so, consider joining our youth ministry team. Please contact Anne Marie Kaufmann at akaufmann@trinity.org.

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 14, 10:00am
- 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. We begin accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year in October. Questions? Please contact admissions@htsdc.org.

29th Annual Holy Trinity School Fall Classic

October 18, Army Navy Country Club

The 29th HTS Classic and Fall Cocktail Party is a community fundraising effort to support scholarship programs. Visit one.bidpal.net/htsclassic2021 for sponsor opportunities and to register.

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have been found scattered the full length of both rivers.

Archaeologists have also uncovered the remains of rock quarries in Rock Creek Park. Nacotchtank workers moved cut stone to nearby workshops where they chiseled it into arrow points, knives, axes and cooking vessels. They made soapstone bowls and pipes from another quarry near present-day Van Ness.

After the neighboring Province of Maryland began encroaching on Nacotchtank territory in pursuit of land for tobacco plantations, the Nacotchtank were forcibly removed. They were last recorded in the late 1600s as taking refuge on nearby Analostan Island (present-day Theodore Roosevelt Island). Over time, the small population that was left behind after battle and disease was absorbed by Maryland's Piscataway tribe.

It is estimated that in the 130 years following first contact, Native America lost 95 percent of its population. Although there are no known living Nacotchtank today, roughly 4,000 other indigenous people live and thrive in present-day Washington.✠

Learn More About the Indigenous People of DC and Beyond

Full list of links can be found at trinity.org/indigenous-peoples-day

- **Once As It Was: An Interactive Map of Major Historical Sites of the Anacostan Indians** by the DC Native History Project: onceasitwasdc.org
- The app **Guide to Indigenous DC** provides a walking tour featuring sites of importance to the Native peoples across the Nation's Capital. (Download via App Store/Google Play)
- The app **Native Land** shows the indigenous territories and languages in your location, or you can explore the map to learn about different locations. (Download via App Store/Google Play)
- Visit trinity.org/books for a **list of recommended books** for Indigenous Peoples' Day by the National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition
- Watch the **Women Who Stay: Women Who Weave in the Spirit** presentations which featured the voices of Native American women at trinity.org/women-who-stay
- Attend the in-person **American Indian Festival** in Prince George's County on October 16 to discover the rich and diverse culture and heritage education from the Native perspective: mncppc.org/709/American-Indian-Festival-Performances-On
- Watch online the **Native Cinema Showcase** hosted by Smithsonian's Museum of the American Indian from November 12-18: nmai.brand.live/c/native-cinema-showcase

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.



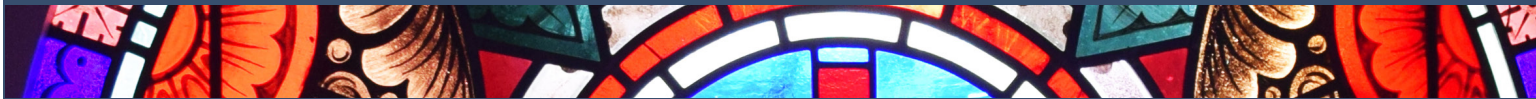
Parishioner Testimonial: Eric Nicoll

A few years ago, as Lent approached, I wanted to respond in a greater way to the call for almsgiving. I was aware of Holy Trinity's 50-year relationship with So Others Might Eat (SOME) since it was first established by Fr. Horace McKenna. So, I signed up for some volunteer shifts and continued to go to SOME as often as possible.

SOME's mission is to serve those in need with dignity and respect. The acts of pouring a cup of coffee, making a sandwich or just offering a smile to someone who has spent the night in a shelter or on the street reminds me that in their suffering, these are the faces of Christ. Like Christ, they have lessons for us. Participating in this ministry has been humbling, helped me to re-prioritize my life, and been a source of strength through some difficult times.

Because Holy Trinity's Social Justice program offers so many opportunities to help others, such as involvement with SOME, I always think of the parish as the "field hospital" that Pope Francis called us to be.

-Eric Nicoll



Sunday, October 10

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 Wisdom 7:7-11 | Mark 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

10:00am **Aging Wisely & Gracefully**
 Zoom
7:15pm **YAC Mass**
 Chapel
8:15pm **YAC Café**
 MacKenna Hall

Monday, October 11

MONDAY OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
 Romans 1:1-7 | Luke 11:29-32

9:00am **Morning Prayer**
 Zoom
9:30am **Trinity Faith Sharing Group**
 Zoom
7:30pm **Separated/Divorced/Widowed Support Group**
 Zoom

Tuesday, October 12

TUESDAY OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
 Romans 1:16-25 | Luke 11:37-41

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 13

WEDNESDAY OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
 Romans 2:1-11 | Luke 11:42-46

6:00pm **Ignatian Training Program**
 Zoom and Faber Room
7:00pm **Social Justice Committee Meeting**
 Zoom

Thursday, October 14

THURSDAY OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
 Romans 3:21-30 | Luke 11:47-54

6:05pm **Christian Meditation**
 Chapel of St. Ignatius
7:00pm **Young Adult Faith Sharing**
 Chapel of St. Ignatius
7:00pm **Marriage Prep 2022-1**
 McKenna Hall
7:15pm **Book Discussion Group**
 Zoom, grobtestewart1@mac.com

Friday, October 15

MEMORIAL OF SAINT TERESA OF JESUS
 Romans 4:1-8 | Luke 12:1-7

9:00am **Morning Prayer**
 Zoom

Saturday, October 16

SATURDAY OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
 Romans 4:13, 16-18 | Luke 12:8-12

7:30am **Zen Meditation**
 Zoom, rdruecker@aol.com
9:00am **Repetitio**
 Parish Center Library
10:00am **SOME Snack Bag Drive**
 Holy Trinity Church
10:00am **Baptism Preparation**
 McKenna Hall

Sunday, October 17

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 Isaiah 53:10-11 | Mark 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

10:00am **Reconciliation Parent Meeting**
 Trinity Hall