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November 21, 2021



Beginning the Church's liturgical year, Advent (from, "advenire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of Christmas. The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and also to the anniversary of the Lord's birth on Christmas. The final days of Advent, from December 17 to December 24, focus particularly on our preparation for the celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord. (From usccb.org)

Advent & Christmas Sacred Space Books

Looking for a way to pray through the Advent and Christmas seasons? Pick up a copy of *Sacred Space for Advent and the Christmas Season* in the back of the church this weekend. Each day includes a Scripture reading and points of reflection, as well as a weekly topic enhanced by six steps of prayer. Provided by Holy Trinity's Ignatian Spirituality & Prayer Ministry through the generosity of our parish pledge donors.

More Advent programs and offerings can be found on page 4

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I am Silent...and Expectant

How silently,
how silently
the wondrous gift is given.
I would be silent now,
Lord,
and expectant....
that I may receive
the gift I need,
so that I may become
the gift others need.

-Ted Loder, Guerrillas of Grace, Innisfree Press, Inc. 1984

Read Kathleen DeJardin's Thanksgiving & Advent reflection on page 2

Thanksgiving Mass

November 25, 10:00am, Church

The parish community will celebrate Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 10:00am in the church. Consider beginning Thanksgiving Day by giving God thanks and praise at the Eucharist.

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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LIVING OUR MISSION:

SILENT AND EXPECTANT

By Kathleen DeJardin

This week we celebrate Thanksgiving — a day we gather with family and friends to give thanks to God for the many gifts we have been given. Gratitude is one of St. Ignatius' main tenets and one our Holy Trinity family embraces in so many ways. We celebrate as parish family with a 10:00am Mass this Thursday and sing as one voice: "Now thank we all our God."

When we enter the church this weekend there will be noticeable changes. The light, with Daylight Saving Time having ended, will be different — especially for the Vigil and 5:30 Masses. There will be banners hanging, alerting us that something is happening. In the sanctuary you see the Advent wreath. You hear the cantor say: "As the winter nights grow longer, the days grow shorter and the earth grows quiet we proclaim: light against darkness; warmth against cold; hope against despair. As we gather to give thanks to God in this season of quiet, let us listen with the ear of our heart to the heartbeat of God within us."

The music and texts we sing have a different feel and sound. We do not sing the Glory to God. The Acclamations during the Eucharistic Prayer are a simple chant. There is a different atmosphere we experience. Introspective. Quiet. Reflective. Anticipatory.

Advent. We are resetting both our clocks and calendars. We begin planning our annual family Advent traditions. It has always been a challenge to truly celebrate and steep ourselves and our families in the season of Advent, so this week take some time to prepare yourself and your family for Advent 2021. Find your family Advent wreath or make this year you buy one or create your own with fresh greens. Buy the three violet and one rose candles. Experience the progress through the four weeks of season as you light the candle each week. Advent is a season of light in a time of darkness.

The world and our lives move so quickly, but Advent summons us to the beginning. We are reminded and enveloped in God's compassion and mercy for us as we begin a new liturgical year. We begin the Advent season marveling about the day of the Lord's coming as we sing "In the Day of the Lord." We acknowledge that the day of the Lord's coming is both an event both in the past and in our future. When we come to worship with Word and sacrament we come to understand that our encounter with the day of the Lord happens daily in our struggles and challenges and through the many decisions we make.

What will your Advent look and feel like this year? Will it be countercultural in any way? We think of Advent not only as a beginning, but as a time of waiting. We wait for the change of seasons and we wait for the brilliant colors of the fall leaves and some of us even wait for snow. But in our current Amazon 'order-today-delivered tomorrow' world, our world of drive-throughs and internet speed news cycles, waiting is virtually unheard of anymore. I remember growing up and waiting for the Christmas tree to be put up at home so that we could help decorate it, but that didn't happen until Christmas Eve! It was so difficult to wait for so long...What can you and your family do to keep this Advent a season of waiting?

One of the ways I keep Advent is by not listening to any Christmas music until Christmas Eve. Not easy! But the waiting ultimately feels good. Feels right. I enjoy my favorite Christmas music through the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, this year celebrated on January 9. Find a way to deeply experience waiting in the coming four weeks. To find some *silence* and *space*.

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 November 22, 2021

Monday	8:15am	
	5:30pm	Vincent Maracaccio+
Tuesday	8:15am	Luis Cruz+
	5:30pm	
Wednesday8:15am		Carol Larsen+
	5:30pm	Irene Lientek+
Thursday	8:15am	
	5:30pm	
Friday	8:15am	Thomas R. Crowley+
	5:30pm	
Saturday	8:15am	

Pray for those who are sick: Rosemary O'Neill Pray for those who are dead: Anna Hennessey

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;
4:00pm — Holy Rood Cemetery (Ends November 21)

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 baptisms@trinity.org or weddings@trinity.org, respectively.

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/lgtbqia 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 Tania Chomiak-Salvi at ppcpresident@trinity.org and Vice President Jennifer Dorsey at parishcouncil@trinity.org.



Praying in Sacred Space

Saturdays in Advent (starting November 27), 4:00pm, Zoom Praying in Sacred Space returns for the season of Advent! In this hour of prayer and faith sharing, all are invited to encounter the Advent scriptures in a way St. Ignatius introduces us to in the Spiritual Exercises. Tune in at 3:50pm. Zoom meeting ID: 852 6125 9285; Passcode: 889790 or get the link at *trinity.org/invitations-to-pray*.

Annual Icon Show

December 5, 10:00am-1:00pm, Parish Center Rotunda Holy Trinity's Iconographers' Guild is pleased to present its annual Icon Show in person this year. Let this unique prayer form draw you deeper into the gifts of Advent. Come and see finished works and works-in-progress, as well as the Holy Trinity Icon which was written by the Guild for the parish's 225th anniversary.



PRAY

World AIDS Day Mass

December 1, 5:30pm, Chapel of St. Ignatius

Join the LGBTQIA+ Ministry and other parishioners as we mark the annual observance of World AIDS Day in prayer and worship.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass

December 11, 2:00pm, Church

Celebrate the Feast Day of the patron saint of Mexico and the Americas. Followed by a Christmas Celebration and potluck in Trinity Hall. All are welcome!

LEARN

Travel to El Salvador with our Sister Parish Committee

Interested in learning about our January trip to San Salvador to visit our sister parish Maria Madre? Join the **December 1** information session at 6:00pm This virtual session will give you the information you need to discern whether the January 20-26, 2022 trip to El Salvador is right for you. Bring your questions, hopes and concerns. All are welcome. For more information, please email *mlegowski@gmail.com*.

Creating Bronze Homilies with Timothy Paul Schmalz

December 5, 4:00pm McKenna Hall To celebrate the new bronze sculpture installed outside the Chapel of St. Ignatius, we invite you to attend a presentation by Catholic sculptor Timothy Paul Schmalz. Tim will discuss the new sculpture, how and why it was created, and how it fits within the great collection of his other works which are installed in the Vatican and Rome. Tim will present a



slide show presentation and follow-up with time for questions. You are welcome to chat with Tim before and after the 5:30pm Mass.

Weekly Book Discussion Group

Thursdays, 7:15-8:45pm via Zoom

The weekly book discussion group has been meeting for more than 18 years, and generally reads four or five books a year. We meet weekly to discuss and debate current, timely books on contemporary Catholic topics. Dr. Tony Tambasco, a theologian and biblical scholar at Georgetown University, leads the discussions. All are welcome! The next three books for discussion are Luke's Jesus: Between Incarnation and Crucifixion by Joseph Blenkinsopp (discussion beginning December 2), Mercy in Action: The Social Teachings for Pope Francis by Thomas Massaro (beginning January 6), and Catholicty and Emerging Personhood: A Contemporary Theological Anthropology by Daniel P. Horan (beginning January 27). For more information and Zoom particulars, please contact Bob Stewart at grobertstewart1@mac.com.

SERVE



Support the 2021 Giving Tree

We will partner with 10 organizations for Giving Tree, and parishioners will have the option of making a financial donation, signing up to purchase an item, shopping the Amazon Wish List, or pulling a tag of a tree at Church. As we receive the wish lists from our partners, we will share and update the social justice ministry page and include updates in the social justice newsletter. Tree tags will be on display the week of Thanksgiving in the Church. We also welcome donations of wrapping paper, ribbon and boxes! Please drop off at the Christmas Trees at the back of the church or at the front desk of the parish center by **December 8**. For more information, email *aklick@trinity.org*.

Open Slots: Groceries for Individuals and Families

Please consider signing up to bring a gift card, food or other miscellaneous item. Items may be dropped off at Holy Trinity by 10:00am 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 six and individuals who are part of our Migrant Team: *signupgenius.com/go/2021support*.

CONNECT

The Separated, Divorced & Widowed Support Group

Our group meets Monday evenings at 8:00pm on Zoom, except on the 2nd Saturday, when it meets in person at Holy Trinity. Contact *jackharllee@gmail.com* for more information.

Christmas Caroling in Georgetown

December 13, 6:30pm

Join together with the parish and school for Christmas Caroling in Georgetown. Wear your festive attire and bring your singing voice. Meet in the Lower School Cafeteria and afterwards, come back to the courtyard for hot chocolate and cookies around the fire. No RSVP required, but for more information, please contact Sara Keese at swkeese5@msn.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 2022 Parish Pledge Campaign

St. Ignatius calls us on Thanksgiving – and daily! – to consider how we might give thanks for and share the blessings of God in our lives.

Our annual Thanksgiving/Giving Tuesday offering is one way to both give thanks for and share your blessings.

Another way is to offer a Pledge that financially supports our worship and sacramental life and makes possible all our ministries on behalf of others.

Your Thanksgiving offering may be made by returning the special offering envelope we mailed to you, or by giving through our website at *trinity.org/give/virtual-basket*, or by contributing at **#iGiveCatholic** (search Holy Trinity Georgetown).

Your Pledge, which is a non-binding intention and can be changed as needed anytime, may be made by returning the Pledge form recently mailed or by setting up a recurring payment schedule at Parish Pledge | Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Right now, our pledge payment processing company is offering us \$50 for every new recurring schedule set-up! You can also scan the below QR Code or text Pledge2022 to (202) 991-4483.



Thank you so very much for sharing the blessings God has brought into your life.



Thank You for Your Generosity!

We exceeded our goal to collect and raise money for 250 Thanksgiving meals. Thank you to the 152 donors who are helping us make meals available to families at the Father McKenna Center, Housing Up, and Hope and a Home, as well members of our Migrant Team and our custodial staff.

Sunday, November 21

THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Daniel 7:13-14 John 18:33b-37

3:00pm LGBTQIA+ Ministry Monthly Gathering

Neale Room

Monday, November 22

Morning Prayer MEMORIAL OF SAINT CECILIA 9:00am

Zoom Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20 Luke 21:1-4

HT Green Team Meeting 7:00pm

Separated/Divorced/Widow Support Group 8:00pm

Zoom

Tuesday, November 23

TUESDAY OF THE THIRTY-FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME 6:00pm **Ignatian Training Program**

Zoom Daniel 2:31-45 | Luke 21:5-11

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) 6:00pm

McKenna Hall

7:30pm Pray the Rosary with Fr. Gillespie

Zoom

Church

Wednesday, November 24

MEMORIAL OF SAINT ANDREW DŬNG-LĄC, PRIEST

Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 | Luke 21:12-19

Thursday, November 25

10:00am Thanksgiving Mass THURSDAY OF THE THIRTY-FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Dn 6:12-28 | Luke 21:20-28

Friday, November 26

FRIDAY OF THE THIRTY-FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME 9:00am **Morning Prayer**

Daniel 7:2-14 | Luke 21:29-33 Zoom

Saturday, November 27

SATURDAY OF THE THIRTY-FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME 7:30am Zen Meditation

Zoom, rdruecker@aol.com Daniel 7:15-27 | Luke 21:34-36

4:00pm Praying in Sacred Space

Zoom

Sunday, November 28

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Jeremiah 33:14-16 | Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

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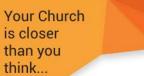
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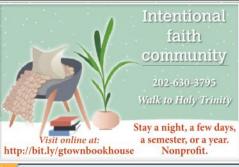
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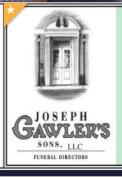
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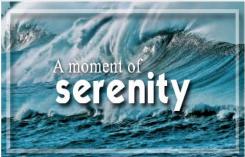
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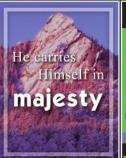


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