

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Washington, DC

March 12, 2023 Third Sunday of Lent



Where were you on March 13, 2013 when you first heard the news that a Jesuit had been elected pope? It seems hard to believe that ten years have passed since that historic day when Jorge Bergoglio, S.J. came before the crowd in St. Peter's Square. After greeting them with "Buonasera" and before giving his first papal blessing, he knelt before the crowd and asked for a blessing from them. The new pope thereby signaled that he would be not only a humble pope, but one who would stay close to the pulse of the people. Certainly in the past ten years throughout the world, great enthusiasm has been generated for the distinctive leadership of Pope Francis. As his fellow Jesuit and journalist Antonio Spadaro has remarked, "It seems that a great *parrhesia* has developed in the church, which is exactly what the pope asked and is asking for." Yes, Pope Francis has certainly welcomed a church where believers in Jesus Christ can speak freely and honestly. His promotion of a global synod offers one example of his legacy.

More examples of the pope's innovative pastoral imprint will be presented this Sunday morning, March 12 at 10:15 in Trinity Hall when another journalist, Victor Gaetan, will offer perspectives of the global diplomatic efforts with which Pope Francis has been engaged. In a recent book titled "God's Diplomats: Pope Francis', Vatican Diplomacy, and America's Armageddon;" Gaetan offers a comprehensive analysis of Pope Francis diplomatic method, that revolves around four principles: Time is greater than space; Unity prevails over conflict; Reality is more important than ideas; the Whole is greater than the parts.

In this comprehensive work, Gaetan demonstrates the ways the pope's method has been applied to the Church's diplomatic efforts in China, Colombia, Cuba, Kenya, Panama, South Sudan, Ukraine/Russia and the Middle East (Lebanon, Iran, Syria and Saudi Arabia).

Gaetan describes three signature abilities displayed by Pope Francis: as a Manager, viz. his "prodigious capacity for managing information, excellent memory and an authoritative decision making style–overall a talent for

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DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY - FRIDAY:

SATURDAY: SATURDAY (VIGIL): SUNDAY: 8:00 AM — Chapel 5:30 PM — Chapel 8:00 AM — Chapel 5:30 PM — Church 7:30 AM — Church 9:00 AM — Church, Trinity Hall, Livestream 11:30 AM — Church 5:30 PM — Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays, 4:30 - 5:15 PM — Church

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government-and he doesn't take vacations;" as a Missionary, "A core idea of missionary work is that all need to hear the Gospel messages, whether on salvation or on justice and a precursor to peace;" as a Mystic: "God works through human history. People can begin processes, but it is the Holy Spirit who brings our actions to fruition."

During the one-hour format, this Romanian journalist and I will engage in a question-and-answer segment that will include discussion of some of the diplomatic breakthroughs and surprises of Pope Francis' papacy. Further, we will discuss the pope's most recent trips to the Congo and Southern Sudan.

Finally, the audience will be invited to raise questions so as to share in our discourse. All in all, this discussion of the decade of Pope Francis's papacy will reveal what Father Spadara has proclaimed:

"This is a pontificate of fruits, yes, but also a pontificate of seeds, above all a pontificate of seeds. I think that with time, these seeds will grow, evolve and mature. We'll understand later what the fruits that have been planted during this time are" \$.



Newly elected Pope Francis appears on the central balcony of St. Peter's Basilica on March 13. Photo by Peter Macdiarmid/Getty Images.

PARISH SURVEY 2023

Is coming soon to all parish households via email and direct mail! This is a comprehensive survey of our parish life that will help us refine and enhance our mission as we begin to envision our post-pandemic future.

This survey is anonymous. Answers will be collected and analyzed by our contracted survey company. Please take the survey and be as frank and open as possible. You can complete the survey online after we email it to you, or via the hardcopy mailing, but we ask that one person does not do both. Different members of the same household can each take the survey online.

Thank you for your help and we will publish the results during the Easter season.

Parishioners in Action



30 parishioners gathered in the Chapel of St. Ignatius to pray the Eco Examen led by the Green Team.

Mass Intentions

Week of March 13, 2023

Monday	8:00am	Americo Pinho+
	5:30pm	Judith Baker+
Tuesday	8:00am	
	5:30pm	Anthony Rinaldo Dimedio+
Wednesday	8:00am	
	5:30pm	Margaret James+
Thursday	8:00am	
	5:30pm	Susan Keenan
Friday	8:00am	
	5:30pm	Sara Sosa+
Saturday	8:00am	

News & Upcoming Events



Today!

COFFEE & DONUTS

Please stop by the Donut and Coffee hour to meet social justice partners CAIR, Friends in Solidarity (Sudan), Don Bosco Cristo Rey High School, & L'Arche. On March 26, we will welcome Prison & Justice Initiative, So Others Might Eat and Christ House.



YOUTH GROUP UPCOMING MEETINGS

Youth Group Faith Sharing Today | 10:15 AM, Parish Center Library

TEN YEARS OF POPE FRANCIS' DIPLOMACY—A HIDDEN STRENGTH

Today | 10:15-11:15 AM Trinity Hall

Pope Francis did not come to the papacy with extensive experience in international diplomacy as did Pope



Pius XII and Pope Paul VI. Yet, the Holy Father has excelled, behind the scenes, in the diplomatic domain, from Cuba to South Sudan to the UAE. Join a discussion with journalist Victor Gaetan, author of "God's Diplomats: Pope Francis, Vatican Diplomacy, and American Armageddon" about this hidden aspect of the Francis pontificate. Victor Gaetan is senior international correspondent for the National Catholic Register. He contributes to Foreign Affairs magazine, America magazine, Catholic News Service, and others.

YAC MASS

Today | 7:15 PM, St. Ignatius Chapel

The Young Adult Community will hold its March Mass in St. Ignatius Chapel. All those in their 20s and 30s are warmly invited to attend and join the pot-luck cafe in McKenna Hall afterwards. For more information about the YACs, please visit *trinity.org/young-adults*.

Lenten Opportunities

Please visit *trinity.org/lent* to see the full listing of our Lenten opportunities.

PRAYING IN SACRED SPACE Lenten Saturdays | 4:00 - 5:00 PM, Zoom

March 18, 25; April 1

During Lent, you are invited to deepen your preparation for Easter and join others for an hour of contemplative prayer and faith sharing inspired by the Sunday scriptures. Please register at *trinity.org/ignatian-spirituality/invitations-to-pray*





LENT EXPOSITION & ADORATION

Each Wednesday, during March following the 5:30 PM Mass, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel and Confessions will be available. Come to experience reconciliation with the church through the Sacrament of Penance and time in quiet prayer before Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

2023 PILGRIMAGE The Treasures of Turkey & Greece: A Pilgrimage in the Footsteps of Visionary Men and Women

Fr Ben Hawley will be leading a pilgrimage to Turkey and Greece in October. The group will be limited to 25 people and some spots are still remaining. See the Parish Life Webpage or contact Lisa Dittmeier *parishlife@trinity.org* for more information. *trinity. org/pilgrimage-turkey-greece*

ST PATRICK'S DAY POTLUCK

March 17 | 6:30 PM, Trinity Hall

Let's gather for a festive Irish Celebration. Wear your green and get ready for some music, food and fun. Bring the family and friends. Kids are welcome. See the Parish Life Website to sign up visit: *trinity.org/parish-life*.

GARDENING MINISTRY

March 18, 25 & April 1, 15, 29 | 9:00 AM Save the dates for gardening and the garden party!

Please mark your calendars for gardening at Holy Trinity on the following Saturday mornings from 9 am to noon - ish. We meet at the shed to the right of the Chapel. All you need to bring is some water and gloves. RSVP to *htgardeners@gmail.com* if you can join us. Also, our annual Garden Party will be, **May 5** from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. Looking forward to seeing you in the gardens!

SHEPHERD'S FLOCK MASS & POTLUCK

March 18 | 4:30 PM, McKenna Hall

Please join us for the Shepherd's Mass 4:30 pm in the Chapel followed by a potluck dinner in McKenna on March 18. Shepherd's Flock serves those families, children and youth in our parish with special needs. All are welcome.

COOKING FOR SOME

March 18 | 6:30-8:00 PM Sign up at *bit.ly/3Zu0z7G* to help cook and assemble breakfast kits for the SOME collection on March 26. Teens,



parents and siblings are welcome! There will be dinner provided as well. Please use Sign Up Genius to pick what to bring.

LAUDATO DO!

Choose a reusable water bottle and commit to using it instead of purchasing individual, disposable water bottles. Did you know Holy Trinity has water bottle filling stations in Faber, outside McKenna Hall and outside Trinity Hall?

A VIEW OF THE LITURGY: THE IDEAL AND THE REAL WITH SR. CATHERINE VINCIE

March 19 | 4:00 PM, Trinity Hall. Join us for light refreshments at the Pre-Event Reception 3:00 PM, Upper School Cafeteria.

Sixty years ago this November, the Second Vatican Council issued the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy. What do we point to today as the basic principles of Catholic liturgy? What is wrong or missing in the liturgy? What



is the feminist perspective on liturgy? And what is the intersection between the Church's liturgy and the New Cosmology? Sr. Catherine will guide us through a thought-provoking discussion on the liturgy. Catherine Vincie, RSHM, is professor of sacramental and liturgical theology at the Aquinas Institute of Theology in St. Louis, Missouri. She is also past president of the North American Academy of Liturgy.

FAMILY STATIONS OF THE CROSS

March 24 | 6:00 PM in the Church followed by a Simple Supper in McKenna Hall.

Hosted by Holy Trinity's Faith Formation students in grades 3-8, Youth Ministry and At Home Catechesis will present the Stations of the Cross as seen through the eyes of children in the first century. Students in grades 3-8 will also feature artwork depicting the stations. Following Stations all are invited for a Simple Supper in McKenna. Please RSVP or volunteer to bring a main or side dish to the Simple Supper through this link: *bit.ly/3Y8eJde*. All are welcome.

A LENTEN EVENING OF PRAYER AND SONG

March 24 | 7:30 PM, Church

The Georgetown University Chamber Singers and Georgetown University Chapel Choir will join together with the Holy Trinity Triduum Choir to present "A Lenten Evening of Prayer and Song." This program will take place at Holy Trinity Church and will feature choral anthems of the season, assembly song, and prayer as we gather to reflect on this Lenten season. Please consider taking advantage of this unique opportunity to participate in an evening of wonderful choral music and shared reflection.

LGBTQIA+ MINISTRY EVENTS FOR MARCH



LGBTQIA+ Men's Discussion Group March 13 | 7:00 PM, Neale Room and on Zoom. Register for the zoom link at *trinity.org/lgbtqia-ministry*.

LGBTQIA+ Women and Marginalized Gender Discussion Group

March 16 | 7:00 PM, Zoom

Come discuss the role that forgiveness plays in our lives, whether it's learning to forgive our past selves or how we grapple with forgiving those who have hurt us for our LGBTQIA+ identities, and how we seek God's mercy in the midst of all this. Register for the Zoom link at *trinity.org/lgbtqia-ministry/*

LGBTQIA+ Full Ministry Meeting

March 19 | 1:00 PM, Zoom Jason Steidl, a theologian, gay man, and author of a new book, LGBTQ Catholic Ministry: Past and Present, will speak to us about his research for this book. Register for the Zoom link at *trinity.org/ lgbtqia-ministry.*

The Journey of LGBTQIA+ Catholic Parenting

March 26 | 10:15AM, Trinity Hall

Parenting is a journey and the path can be smooth, but also perilous, especially with an LGBTQIA+ family member. As we travel through Lent, two parishioners, Liz DeJesus and Thea C. Bruhn, share their journey experiences as Catholics and as mothers, one of a LGBTQIA+ child and the other as a LGBTQIA+ parent. Come share in their travelogue – when there are no road maps (or GPS), sometimes God is the only guide. There will be time for questions and discussion.

WEEKEND YOUTH GROUP OPTIONS

Saturdays | 5:30 PM Vigil Mass & 6:30-8pm Dinner in Neale Room

Sundays | 10:15-11:15 AM Breakfast in Parish Center Library

This schedule will continue until Palm Sunday.

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

During your Lenten journey, you are invited to begin considering your participation in the Sacred Paschal Triduum by which our community celebrates the memorial of the crucified, buried, and risen Lord.

EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

- April 6 | 8:00PM
- THE PASSION OF THE LORD
- **April 7** | 8:00PM

EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

• April 8 | 8:00PM

These days are the most sacred and solemn days of the year, during which we enter the mystery that transcends earthly time.

Daily Readings

SUNDAY, MARCH 12

3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

MONDAY, MARCH 13

MONDAY OF THE 3rd WEEK OF LENT

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

TUESDAY, MARCH 14

TUESDAY OF THE 3rd WEEK OF LENT Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 & 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

WEDNESDAY OF THE 3rd WEEK OF LENT

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

THURSDAY, MARCH 16

THURSDAY OF THE 3rd WEEK OF LENT

Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7,8-9; Lk 11:14-23

FRIDAY, MARCH 17

FRIDAY OF THE 3rd WEEK OF LENT

Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 & 17; Mk 12:28-34

SATURDAY, MARCH 18

SATURDAY OF THE 3rd WEEK OF LENT

Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

SUNDAY, MARCH 19

4th SUNDAY OF LENT 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

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NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

Welcome to Holy Trinity! We invite you to join our parish. You may register at *www.trinity.org/register* or click the **QR code below.**



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) 903-2832for 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*.

MISSION STATEMENT

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

PARISH CENTER

Phone: (202) 337-2840 **Fax:** (202) 337-9048 **Emergencies Only:** (202) 903-2817 **Hours:** Monday-Friday: 8:30am - 4:30pm Saturday & Sunday : Closed

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