

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Washington, DC

February 11, 2024



As we approach the sacred season of Lent, a time for personal and communal renewal, there are some changes and developments that I would like to bring to your intention.

First, at the end of the month Fr. Bill O'Neill, S.J. will be returning to us for several months from his refugee ministry in Kenya. You may recall that Fr. Bill was with us for several months last year and not only helped out with audio homilies and liturgies, but also provided talks on moral theology.

In addition, Fr. Jack Dennis, S.J. has been missioned by our Jesuit provincial, Father Joseph O'Keefe, to join the parish ministry team as a parochial vicar. Having had extensive experiences in high school and college ministries, Fr. Dennis brings a wealth of competencies. He will assume his responsibilities in early March.

On another note, you may recall that last year we began



a Strategic Planning process. Focus groups were convened to determine some of the salient issues and needs facing the parish. The information gleaned from these groups was used to develop a survey last spring in which some 1,100 Parishioners participated.

The results of this comprehensive survey of Holy Trinity members coalesced into six major themes:

- 1. The centrality of the worship experience, with strong satisfaction with the Mass and Liturgies today, and a healthy desire by many to support the ministries of worship.
- 2. A strong focus on social justice, which emerged as the leading area of personal interest by members, and their top three-to-five-year priority for the Parish.
- 3. The importance of building connections and a stronger sense of community within the Parish, which recurred perhaps more than any other issue – particularly among younger and newer members, and those who do not feel strongly connected to Holy Trinity today.
- 4. The priorities of engaging youth and embracing diversity, which seem to be reflected in a concern about the aging of the congregation, as well as in a spiritual imperative to reach out and welcome more diverse members of the community.

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DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY - FRIDAY: 8:00 AM — Chapel 5:30 PM — Chapel

SATURDAY: 8:00 AM — Chapel

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

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

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- 5. A focus on the role of women within the church, which is one of the highest three-to-five-year priorities for the Parish, and which is advanced almost as much by men at Holy Trinity as by women.
- 6. A hunger for spiritual growth and education, reflected in expressed interest in spiritual ministries and parishioners' own spiritual development.

Among the highlights of the Strategic Plan is a reiteration of the Mission Statement from which a Vision Statement has been developed.

We are a Jesuit parish that welcomes all to ACT:

• Accompany One Another in Christ - We make God's accompaniment of the world in Christ present through our accompaniment of each other. Walking together in the way of discipleship is a way of connecting faith and life experience, love of God and love of neighbor. Pope Francis calls us to an "art of accompaniment which teaches us to remove our sandals before the sacred ground of the other."

• Celebrate God's Love - The liturgy and the sacraments are essential to the life of Holy Trinity. Love of God opens us to hope and to the final horizon of our pilgrimage and nourishes us to better love our neighbors. In this way our labors and failures find meaning, recognizing that everything we have is from God to be given back in accordance with God's will.

• **Transform Lives** - Our many and diverse parish programs and ministries serve to touch and transform the lives of our parishioners and those whom we are called to serve. Guided by the Holy Spirit, in our love of God and love of neighbor, we work together to better be "a living witness to truth and freedom, to peace and justice, that all people may be raised up to a new hope."

Based upon the Mission Statement and the strategic planning process, the Strategic Planning Team developed the following Vision Statement: Inspired by our Catholic tradition and Ignatian spirituality, and empowered by our laity, Holy Trinity will be an innovative, forward-thinking, globally aware parish for all who wish to worship, learn and serve.

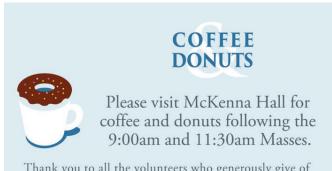
To present these and other dimensions of the Strategic Plan, we will have Town Hall meetings on **March 10 at 10:15 AM in Trinity Hall and 4:00 PM via Zoom.** Stephen Aubin, a member of the Strategic Planning Committee, will present. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

ACTION AFRICA & THE GRANDMOTHER PROJECT

February 11 | After Sunday Masses, McKenna Hall Please join parishioners active in Action Africa and The Grandmother Project during the hospitality hours this Sunday. Action Africa provides services in the vital areas of health, education, micro-enterprise development, and human rights for African children and families. The Grandmother Project works with both rural and urban communities in Africa to improve the lives of women and children, especially of girls, using an innovative Change through Culture approach. Parishioners and representatives from these organizations will be onsite to share their work while you enjoy your coffee and donuts!

SUNDAY YOUTH GROUP

February 11 | 10:10 AM, Walsh Building Room 399 (across from Wisemiller's Deli on 36th St NW) All high school students welcome!



Thank you to all the volunteers who generously give of their time to bring this important ministry to the Parish

Lent 2024 at Holy Trinity

Ash Wednesday, February 14

8:00AM | MASS, CHURCH 5:30PM | MASS, CHURCH 7:30PM | Vespers (Evening Prayer), Church

(ALL WITH DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES)

PRAYING IN SACRED SPACE

Lenten Saturdays starting **February 17**, 4:00-5:00PM on Zoom



You are invited to deepen your preparation for Easter and join others for an hour of prayer and faith sharing inspired by the Sunday scriptures. Come to one session or all. No registration necessary. Find

the Zoom link at *trinity.org/ignatian-spirituality/ invitations-to-pray*.

FROM YOUR LITURGY TEAM

At the start of Lent, Justin Connors will be joining our liturgy team as principal organist and choir director. Justin brings 25+ years of pastoral music experience.



While his primary responsibility will be to facilitate the ritual and liturgical music for the Saturday, 5:30 PM, and Sunday 9:00/9:30, and 11:30 Masses, Justin will collaborate with other members of our team to support the entire liturgical life of our parish. You may reach Justin at *jconnors@trinity.org*.

The other team members may be reached at: Tony Varas, *tvaras@trinity.org* Matthew Ogden, music, *mogden@trinity.org* Kathleen Haley, baptisms & weddings, *khaley@ trinity.org*

Over the next few weeks, Justin will be present during coffee and donuts, so please stop by and say welcome!

LGBTQIA+ FEBRUARY EVENTS

Families and Friends, February 11

10:15 AM, Neale Room All are invited to join the Families and Friends LGBTQIA+ Ministry to



discuss what the Bible actually says about LGBTQIA+ people, according to leading theologians. Discussion will be based on articles found at *outreach.faith/bible*

LGBTQIA+ Women & Marginalized Genders February 11 | 12:30 PM

An excursion and lunch in Georgetown, after the 11:30am Mass. Meet immediately after Mass outside the main (middle) doors to the Church. Contact Leah and Darby at *lgbtqia+women@trinity.org* for more information.

BEING SEEN, BEING HEARD, BEING ACCEPTED BEING BLESSED

A Retreat for our LGBTQIA+ Community

February 17 | 10:00 AM to 4:00PM, McKenna Hall Registration deadline is **February 12**

How would you live if you really believed you are created in the image of God? A God who sees you, hears you, and accepts you just as you are and invites you into abundant life. You are invited to gather in community, pray with sacred texts, and share in small and large groups. Retreatants will gather for the 5:30 pm Vigil Mass at Holy Trinity following this day-long retreat. Register at *trinity.org/ignatian-spirituality/ being-seen-being-heard-being-accepted*. Contact Martina O'Shea at *moshea@trinity.org* with questions.

BOWLING WITH YOUTH MINISTRY

February 24 | 2:45-5:00PM, Ft. Myer Bowling Center

See eLetter or Youth Ministry website for registration details. All families with middle and high school students are welcome!

TAX VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Migrant Familia and Friends need assistance filing their taxes. We will be having a Tax Prep workshop on **February 25** from 1-4pm at Holy Trinity. You do not need to be accountant to volunteer! For more information, please email *aklick@trinity.org*.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL: UNITED IN PURPOSE!

This is the final weekend for this year's Annual Catholic Services Appeal. Thank you to everyone who has already offered a gift! If you have not yet had a chance to do so, please prayerfully consider making a gift now by completing a commitment form located in the pews or at the back of the Church, or by making your gift at *www.givecentral.org/appeals-form-registration/acp65773a83eb64d/user/guest*, or via the provided QR code. Visit *adw.org/ways-to-give/annual-appeal/* to learn more about how the Annual Catholic Services Appeal benefits our parish and serves people in need throughout the archdiocese. It is our goal that

every parish family will participate this year. All gifts will be credited towards our parish goal. Thank you in advance for your generous response to the 2024 Annual Appeal.



DC JAIL VISITS WITH THE DOUGLASS PROJECT

The Social Justice Committee is coordinating DC Jail visits in collaboration with tithe recipient the Frederick Douglass Project for Justice. Our February 26 date is now full. Due to the overwhelming interest, we are discussing adding dates in March and April.

Of course, you may also visit independently of a formal Holy Trinity group. All visits are from 1-3:30pm. Please email *aklick@trinity.org* for information on future visits. Thank you.

YOUTH SUMMER RETREAT CONFERENCES

Save the Date for Notre Dame Vision (South Bend, IN) - June 24-28 OR July 8-12

Info Sessions on Zoom, **Feb. 12 & 14**, 6:30pm Zoom Link: *bit.ly/3OpctfH*

Save the Date for Ever to Excel (Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA) - **July 21-26** OR **July 28-Aug. 2** Please see *trinity.org/youth/youth-summer-experiences* for more information.



Those who are gluten intolerant and wish to receive Holy Communion should speak with a Mass coordinator before the start of Mass. The Mass coordinator is stationed near the entrance of the Church.

LARGE GRANT FOCUS: VIOLENCE PREVENTION IN YOUTH

2023-24 marks the 40th year that Holy Trinity Catholic Church has set aside a percentage of its income to address social justice concerns within the Archdiocese of the District of Columbia and beyond. The Tithe Program seeks to address root causes of social justice issues across the DMV. In 2014, Holy Trinity Catholic Church began allocating a tithe portion to larger social justice grants (>\$20,000) focusing on a priority theme identified each year. These grants have supported social justice work by addressing issues systemically or by making investments to help sustain service and advocacy-oriented work. The 2024 RFP focuses on the following priority theme: violence prevention in youth. We also evaluate small grant requests that address food insecurity, migration/ refugees, the environment, homelessness, returning citizens, advocacy and youth. In 2024, we are also interested in projects that address mental health in teens and environmental advocacy. For details on eligibility and the application schedule, please visit trinity.org/social-justice/tithe/

UPCOMING MIGRANT TEAM EVENTS

March 1: Migrant Familia Contemporary Stations of the Cross followed by a Simple Supper, 6:00 PM, Church

March 16: New Mentor Orientation, 10:00 AM Trinity Hall

PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN PLAYGROUP

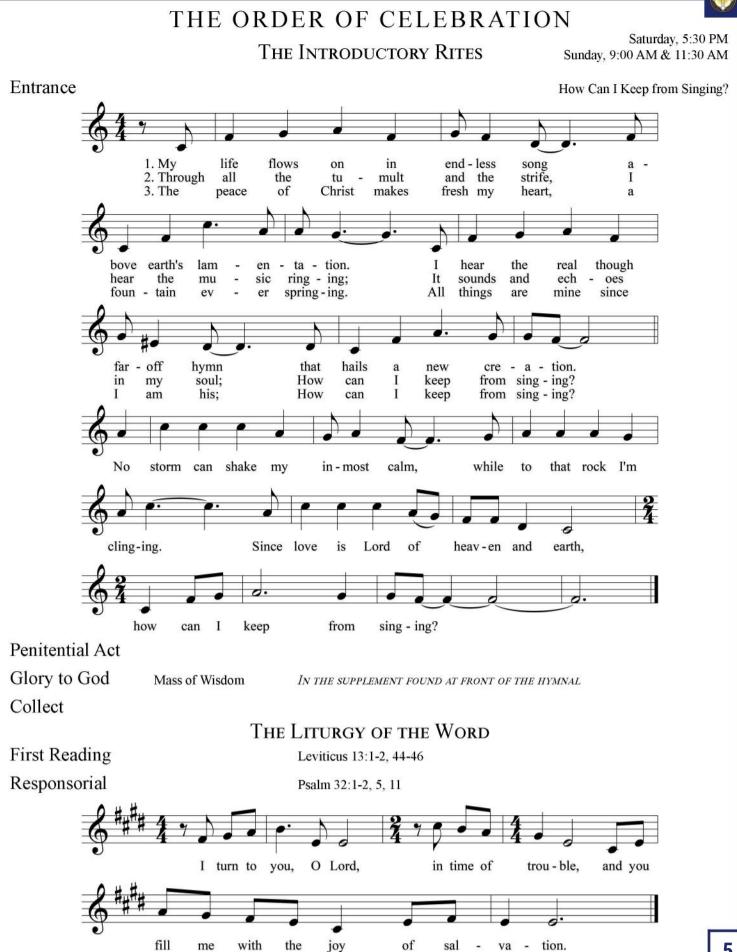
Sunday, February 18 | 10:15 AM, Upper Room Families with children aged 5 years and younger are invited to a playgroup in the Upper Room of the Parish Center (Level 2) NEXT Sunday at 10:15AM. Please e-mail *mary.cain323@gmail.com* with questions.

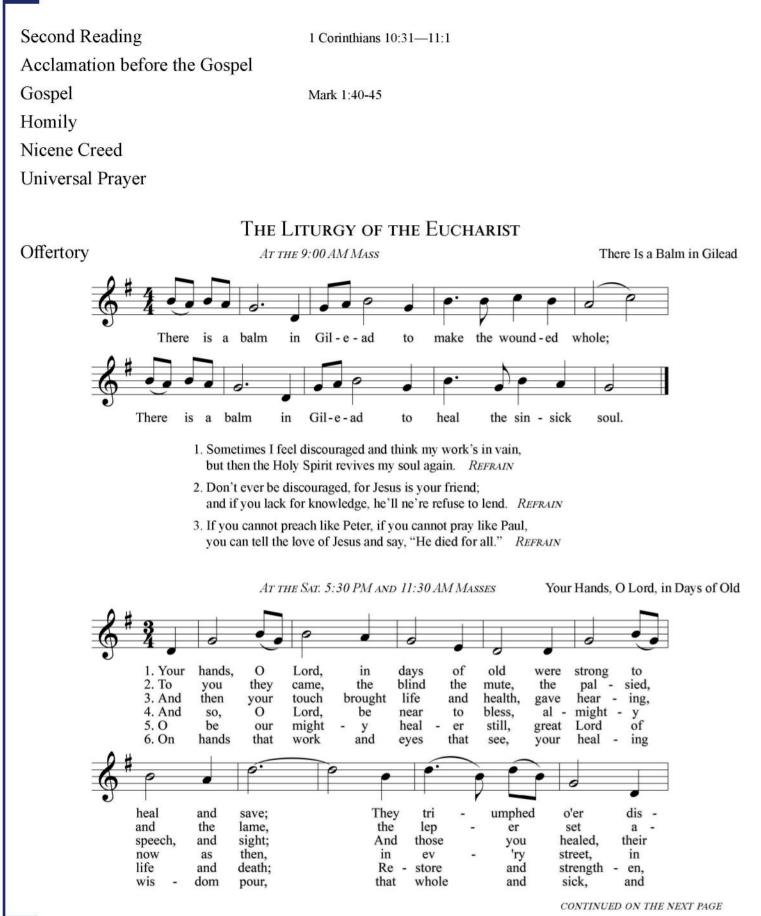
New Parishioner Orientation

February 25 | 4:00 PM, McKenna Hall.

If you are new to the parish or simply want to know more about our ministries, please join us for our Winter New Parishioner Orientation. Light refreshments will be served, and an optional campus tour will be available afterward. Children are welcome, and no RSVP is required. Please contact *parishlife@trinity.org* with any questions.

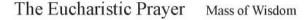
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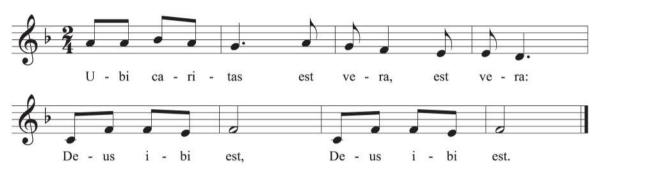
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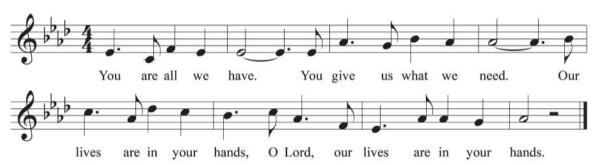
The Communion Processionals



You Are All We Have

Ubi Caritas

February 11, 2024



- 1. Protect me, Lord; I come to you for safety. I say, "You are my God." All good things, Lord, all good things that I have come from you, the God of my salvation. *REFRAIN*
- 2. How wonderful are your gifts to me, how good they are! I praise the Lord who guides me and teaches me the way of truth and life. *REFRAIN*
- 3. You are near, the God I seek. Nothing can take me from your side. All my days I rest secure; you will show me the path that leads to life. *REFRAIN*

Prayer after Communion

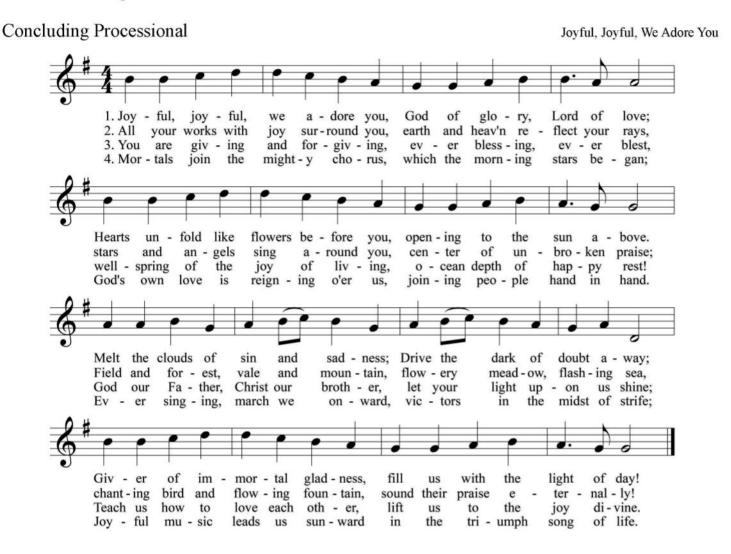


~ Cure of the man with leprosy - Cathedral of Monreale, Sicily, Italy

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Announcements

Solemn Blessing & Dismissal



MUSIC ACKNOWLEDGMENTS Entrance-How Can I Keep from Singing? text by Robert Lowry, 1826-1899, Tune: How Can I Keep FROM SINGING. Responsorial-Psalm 32 by Michel Guimont, © 1994 GIA Publications, Inc. Offertory-There Is a Balm in Gilead, African-American Spiritual, Tune: BALM IN GILEAD; Your Hands, O Lord, in Days of Old text by Edward H. Plumptre, © 1986 GIA Publications, Inc., Tune: NEW BRITAIN, 1831. Communion Processionals- Ubi Caritas by Bob Hurd, © 1996, 2004, Bob Hurd. Published by OCP.; You Are All We Have, by Francis Patrick O'Brien, © 1992, GIA Publications, Inc. Concluding Processional-Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You text by Henry van Dyke, 1852-1933, Tune: HYMN TO JOY arr. from Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770-1827. Selections used with permission under OneLicense.net A-701277.

WOMEN OF THE EXODUS

March 3 | 3:00 PM, Trinity Hall Hosted by Women Who Stay

Join Dr. Jaime Waters for an exploration of Women in the Exodus. In the story of the Exodus, we encounter God's concern for people who are oppressed, as God sees and hears the struggles of the Israelites and calls Moses to lead them out of Egypt. The dramatic accounts of the Exodus highlight Moses' role as liberator and lawgiver. But, there are several women in the traditions surrounding the Exodus who are crucial to the narrative and who are sometimes overlooked. This presentation will focus on the women who facilitate, intervene, lead, and inspire the Israelite community. It will consider how these women serve as important models for all of us today, particularly for responding to injustice and oppression. RSVP www.signupgenius.com/go/WWSMarch24

IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY SIMPLE SUPPER AND PRAYER March 8 | 6:30 PM, McKenna Hall

All are invited for a simple Lenten meal of soup and bread to nourish our bodies -- followed by a guided experience of Ignatian contemplation (imaginative prayer based in scripture) to nourish our souls. Volunteers are needed for cooking, setting up, serving and cleaning up. Please RSVP for the meal at *trinity*. org/ignatian-spirituality/invitations-to-pray. If you are able to volunteer, you may indicate that on the RSVP as well. Contact Catherine at *cheinhold@trinity.org* for more information.

WRITE A CARD TO A WOMAN IN RECOVERY

Through the Ignatian Spirituality Project, our parish sponsors retreats for women in recovery from homelessness and addiction. Receiving a card of encouragement on the retreat can lift a woman's spirits. Would you consider writing a card for an upcoming retreat? Cards are needed by February 21. For guidelines, scan the QR code:



MORNING PRAYER ONLINE

Mondays and Fridays 9:00 AM, Zoom

Morning Prayer is celebrated on Mondays and Fridays 9-9:45 am via Zoom. All are warmly invited to join whether once, occasionally, or regularly. Visit trinity. org/morningprayer for information and the link.

MASS INTENTIONS

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 12, 2024

MONDAY	8:00 AM
	5:30 PM Mary Anne Healy DiCapua +
TUESDAY	8:00 AM
	5:30 PM Maria Zelaya Aguirre +
WEDNESDAY	8:00 AM
	5:30 PM
THURSDAY	8:00 AM
	5:30 PM Katie Cassidy +
FRIDAY	8:00 AM
	5:30 PM Louis Tambini +
SATURDAY	8:00 AM

DAILY READINGS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 | 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1 | Mark 1:40-45

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

MONDAY OF THE SIXTH WEEK IN O.T. James 1:1-11 | Mark 8:11-13

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

TUESDAY OF THE SIXTH WEEK IN O.T.

James 1:12-18 | Mark 8:14-21

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

ASH WEDNESDAY

Joel 2:12-18 | Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY Deuteronomy 30:15-20 | Luke 9:22-25

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY Isaiah 58:1-9a | Matthew 9:14-15

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY Isaiah 58:9b-14 | Luke 5:27-32

New Parishioner Registration

Welcome to Holy Trinity! We invite you to join our parish. You may register at *www.trinity.org/register* or scan 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) 903-2832 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 Jennifer Dorsey at *ppcpresident@trinity.org* and Vice President Gail Louis 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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