

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

May 5, 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Migration With Dignity: A Reflection on the Kino Border Initiative By Arlene A. Pietranton

The Kino Border Initiative (KBI) *www.kinoborderinitiative. org* is a binational ministry on the border of Nogales, Arizona, USA and Nogales, Sonora, Mexico. Recently a group of seven Holy Trinity parishioners and two colleagues from St. Ignatius parish in Boston made a pilgrimage to Nogales in collaboration with KBI. Holy Trinity's connection with KBI started in 2017 thanks in large part to parishioner Margie Legowski who led several previous trips. Our April 2024 trip was thoughtfully coordinated and led by Eric Nicoll and Paul Wolfteich.

"Migration with Dignity" is KBI's vision. Their mission is to promote humane, just, and workable migration through:

- direct humanitarian assistance and holistic accompaniment of migrants,
- education and encounter between migrants and others that transforms people and communities toward solidarity with migrant, and
- policy advocacy in Mexico and the US.

KBI's Migrant Outreach Center in Nogales, Mexico is the heart of its humanitarian assistance and holistic accompaniment. Migrants who come there receive food, shelter, clothing, legal assistance, and medical attention.



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Soon after arriving, migrants meet with KBI staff who assist with securing temporary housing and work in Nogales, Mexico as most will wait for a period of time (days, weeks, or longer) for an asylum-processing appointment in the hope of entering the US legally.

A key part of KBI's education and encounter ministry is to work with groups like ours to inform and deepen our understanding. Upon our arrival we were greeted heartily by Pete Neely, SJ who helped to orient and prepare us for our three full days at the border. While there we had countless opportunities to think deeply about the humanitarian crisis, the importance of holistic accompaniment, and how increasingly complicated a challenging situation has become due to competing perspectives, interests, and priorities.

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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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Over the course of the next three days we:

- crossed the US/Mexican border twice quickly and easily, having only to show passports when reentering the US,
- toured downtown Nogales, Sorona a border town to which countless US citizens come and go freely each year to partake of the booming medical tourism,
- visited the Migrant Outreach Center two times where we helped with meal service; and had the opportunity to meet some of the individuals and families staying there and to hear their stories directly,
- visited with ranchers on the Arizona side of the border – who live in fear of the cartels that transport drugs and traffic migrants, at times across their ranches; and oppose "illegal migrants," but have installed drinking fountains on the wells on their ranch because they also don't want people who cross illegally into the US via their land to die of dehydration,
- met with US Border Patrol agents and toured the Nogales Border Patrol station – where we heard about surveillance and border protection activities related to the largely separate matters of drug smuggling by the cartels and migrants seeking to enter the US, and
- hiked through a section of the Sonoran Desert along the US/Mexican border.

The stories we heard were harrowing: family members who were killed for refusing to join a gang, homes that were repeatedly shot upon, small businesses that were crippled by shakedown fees, and so many more. In 2023, 83% of those who arrived to the KBI cited violence or political persecution as their primary reason for migrating (up from 67% in 2021).

The candid perspectives that were shared were compelling and sobering. Most migrants had endured a ubiquitous reality of extortion, robbery, and assault by gang and cartel members throughout the long journey as they fled for safety. At the Nogales port of entry, migrants are expected to use the Customs and Border Patrol app to schedule an asylum processing appointment. The CBP claims the app has increased efficiency and cut out smugglers, but the app requires access to a smart phone and data plan, as well as literacy and technological ability - as such, it can be a digital barrier to asylum for some.

Some migrants feel they cannot wait an unpredictable period for an asylum appointment, or are afraid their asylum appeal will be denied. They may choose to cross the border through one of the numerous gaps in the border fence. As the fence (or "wall") has been extended, the gaps (some of which are miles wide) are increasingly further from urban areas in remote and inhospitable terrain. Equally treacherous, those "routes" are now largely controlled by cartels that rob, extort, assault and/or kill migrants who try to cross on their own.

During our hike in the Sonoran Desert, we came across many items that had been left or lost by migrants along the way. Discarded food wrappers no longer needed, along with items essential to survival like shoes, socks, and even a birth certificate ... as well cherished keepsakes including photos of loved ones left behind, and a beautiful Our Lady of Guadeloupe medal. On the day of our walk, the hot and arid climate was countered a bit by pockets of vibrant wildflowers. But nothing offset the challenge of safely navigating the dry, uneven terrain scattered with rocks and pebbles, coupled with a proliferation of scrub bushes and overhanging mesquite tree limbs – brittle and sharp, creating an ever-present risk of a skin puncture that could become infected.

The Nogales port of entry is indeed a complicated place. While there we had the blessing to meet many migrants who, God willing, are en route to a safer and more secure life for themselves and their families. We are deeply grateful to them and to the dedicated and faith-filled KBI staff and volunteers (Pete, Ben, Joanna, Eileen, Inigo, Sr. Engracia, Tracey and so many others) who so eagerly welcomed us to learn with and from them. The Kino Border Initiative is a transcendent ministry of holistic accompaniment, human dignity and resiliency – a place where Matthew 25:40 "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me" is a way of life.

Holy Trinity offers us many ways to help migrants and others in need here in our community and abroad. For details, please subscribe to the weekly Social Justice newsletter at *trinity.org/social-justice/* 



### **Coffee & Donuts**

Please visit McKenna Hall for coffee and donuts following the 9:00AM and 11:30AM Masses.



# NONVIOLENT STEPS TOWARD A JUST PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Sunday, May 5 | 10:15 AM, Trinity Hall

All are invited to join Fr. Joseph Nangle, OFM and Marie Dennis of Pax Christi for this important discussion.

A concerted effort to address root causes toward a comprehensive, just peace in the Middle East is desperately needed. Courageous Palestinians, Israelis and their allies have already been building peace in the Holy Land with nonviolent tools – tools that could possibly lead toward the common dream of just peace and deep, lasting security for all.

#### FAITH FORMATION - THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 5 | 10:10 AM PreK-8th grade RE classes (Upper & Lower Schools) Shepherd's Flock (Faber) Sunday, May 12 | 10:10 AM PreK-8th grade RE classes (Upper & Lower Schools) Shepherd's Flock (Faber)

#### SUNDAY YOUTH GROUP

**Sunday, May 5** | 10:10 AM, Walsh Building Room 399 (across from Wisemiller's Deli on 36th St NW). All high school students welcome!

#### **NEW PARISHIONER WINE & CHEESE**

**Sunday, May 19** | 6:30 PM, Chapel Gardens All those who have registered in the past year are invited to meet & mingle at this annual reception in the beautiful Chapel Gardens. Please e-mail *parishlife@ trinity.org* to RSVP or for more information.

# NEWLY-MARRIED COUPLES SPRING BLESSING & RECEPTION

**Sunday, May 5** | 6:30 PM, Chapel Gardens If you were married at Holy Trinity in the past few years, join Fr. Gillespie and his fellow Jesuits for a special blessing followed by a reception in the Chapel Gardens. Contact *parishlife@trinity.org* to RSVP or for more information.

## HOLY TRINITY'S ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY

Friday, May 10 | 6:30 PM, Chapel Gardens

All are invited to a magical evening in the Holy Trinity Chapel gardens, featuring a festive reception with hors d'oeuvres & cocktails.



Tickets for the Garden Party are available at *trinity. org/garden-party-spring-awakening/*. Funds raised by the Garden Party directly support the seven Holy Trinity gardens.

If you are interested in volunteering at the party to set up, clean up, or make a dish, please contact Susan Gajewski at *susan.gajewski@gmail.com* 

# INFORMATION SESSION ON THE SPIRITUAL EXERCISES

**Saturday, May 11** | 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM on Zoom The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola are one way to come to love as God loves. Throughout an 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. Join us for an hour conversation about this gift that God gave the church through St. Ignatius. Contact Martina O'Shea at *moshea@trinity.org* for the link to the online session.

#### LGBTQIA+ FAMILY AND FRIENDS MINISTRY

**Sunday, May 12** | 10:15 am, Neale Room Queer 'Mothering': We'll discuss how it feels to embark on parenthood as an atyp-



ical family – families who do not fit the conventional wisdom that 'mothers are like this' or 'fathers are like this' and children are... well, exactly who God wants them to be.

#### WHAT IF. . . YOU FOUND OUT THAT BLACK WOMEN IN AMERICA DIE AT THREE TIMES THE RATE OF WHITE WOMEN WHILE GIVING BIRTH?

And what if you learned that 60-80% of those deaths we are preventable? Please join Holy Trinity's Healing Circle Zoom Call on **Saturday, May 11** at 10:00 am to learn about this health care crisis and what you can do to help turn it around. Speakers include: Iesiah "Esha" Harris, Ph.D., RN, Major Laura Segovia, U.S. Air Force, Ph.D., RN, Certified Nurse Midwife and Cynthia Izuno Macri, M.D.

#### **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS**

Holy Trinity's Grief Support Groups will begin meeting in May.

Spousal Loss - a **6-week session** will begin Thursday, **May 23** from 3:00-4:30 PM.

General Loss - a **6-week session** will begin Thursday, **May 16** from 6:30-8:00 PM.

If you have lost a loved one and would like to meet with other parishioners to process your experience through the lens of faith, consider participating in these newly forming groups. For more information, please contact *griefministry@trinity.org* or 202-903-2808.

#### YAC MASS AND CAFÉ

The Young Adult Community will hold its monthly Mass and Cafe on **Sunday, May 12** at 7:15pm in St. Ignatius Chapel. All those in their 20s and 30's are invited to attend and join the potluck in McKenna Hall afterwards. For more information about the Young Adult Community, please go to *trinity.org/young-adults*.

#### **ANNUAL PICNIC - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

The Holy Trinity Annual Picnic will be held on **Sunday, June 9**. Parish Life welcomes all volunteers to help prepare and run the event.

For more information or to sign up, please scan the QR code at right, or e-mail *parishlife@trinity.org*.



#### **ART SHOW NEXT WEEKEND**

Next weekend, **May 11 - 12**, the Art and Environment Ministry will sponsor a show of paintings by Sulpician Father Peter W. Gray in the hallway between the chapel and the rotunda. All works will be available for sale and a percentage of the proceeds will benefit our Migrant Familia programs. The subject matter of the work includes meditations and images of Father Gray's work in the UN, Afghanistan and Nepal, as well as current meditations on racism, migration and hagiography. A perfect Mother's Day shopping opportunity!

#### HAITIAN COFFEE SALES NEXT SUNDAY

The St. Jean Baptiste Committee will be onsite during the donut hours NEXT Sunday to sell Haitian coffee. Cash and checks are preferred!

#### ST. JEAN BAPTISTE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Since 2016 Holy Trinity has collaborated with our sister parish in Haiti, St. Jean Baptiste, to offer scholarships for students eager to continue their studies after graduating from the parish's secondary school, St. Raymond's. To donate to the St Jean Baptiste Scholarship Fund and to learn more about the various projects of the HT/SJB Committee, please contact *StJeanBaptisteHaiti@gmail.com*.



#### **THE THIRTEEN: BEAUTIFUL AS THE SKY Saturday, May 18** | 7:30 PM, Church

The highly-acclaimed choral ensemble "The Thirteen" return to Holy Trinity for a concert featuring choral masterworks under the baton of Matthew Robertson.

In this program, The Thirteen will explore moral beauty in three guises: the second World War, the American Civil War, and the women's rights movement in America.

For more information, or to purchase discounted tickets, please visit *trinity.org/concerts* 

# THE ORDER OF CELEBRATION

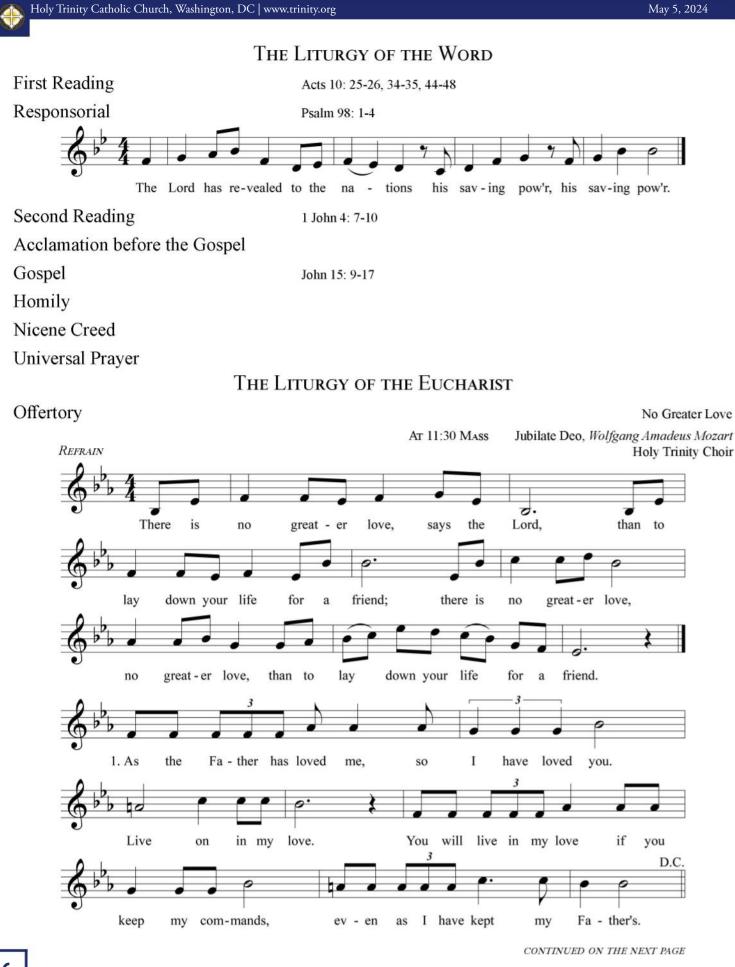
### THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Saturday, 5:30 PM Sunday, 9:00 AM & 11:30 AM



Glory to God~Gather Hymnals found in pews, #319

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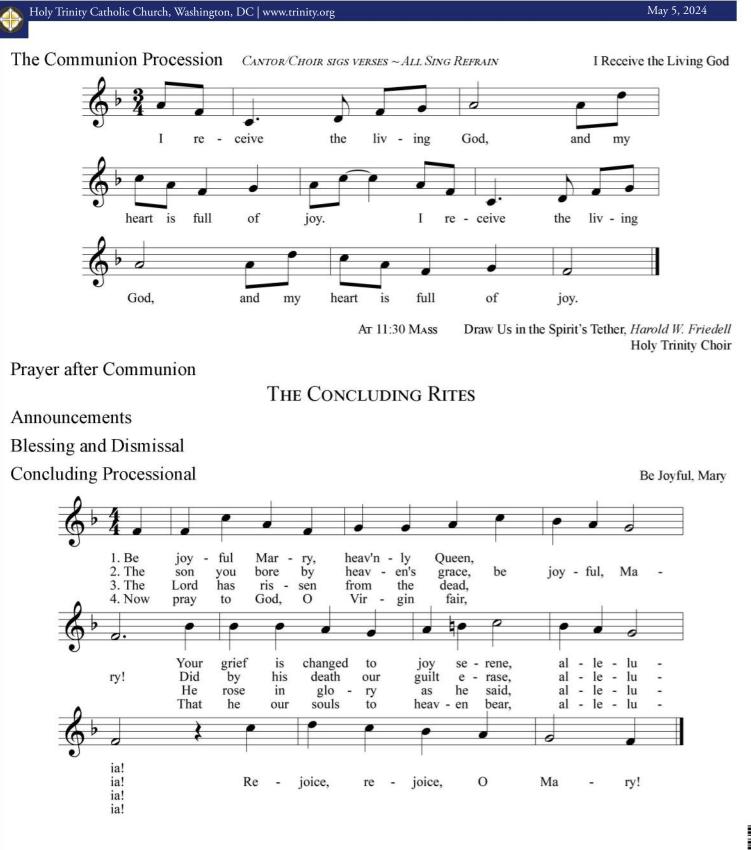




The Eucharistic Prayer

This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. ~John 15:12





MUSIC ACKNOWLEDGMENTS Entrance–Jesus Christ Is Risen Today Text: Surrexit Christus hodie, Latin 14th C. Tune: EASTER HYMN from Lyra Davidica, 1708. Blessing & Sprinkling of Holy Water– We Shall Draw Water by Paul Inwood, © 1988 Paul Inwood. Published by OCP. Responsorial–Psalm 98 by Michel Guimont, © 1994, GIA Publications, Inc. Offertory– No Greater Love by Michael Joncas, © 1988, GIA Publications, Inc. Communion Processional–I Receive the Living God text by Bernard Geoffroy, © 2011, GIA Publications, Inc. Tune by Doc Clément Jacob, OSB, © 1986, GIA Publications, Inc. Concluding Hymn–Be Joyful Mary text Regina caeli jubila tr. unknown. Tune: REGINA CAELI, 1584. Selections used with permission under OneLicense.net A-701277.

In addition to the weekend meals, the Social Justice Ministry has arranged for Holy Trinity parishioners to prepare, deliver, and serve a meal at partner organizations in DC and VA. Dates:

**6/13:** 6/13: L' Arche (DC) On site meal for 8- Open **6/14:** GMC Lunch (DC) To Go Meals for 60 - Open

If your committee, club, class, neighbors or friends would like to host one of these dates, please e-mail e-mail *aklick@trinity.org* for more information.

These meals are in addition to our weekend meals for the marginalized. All are welcome to sign up for an upcoming Saturday Supper - please visit *www.signupgenius.com/go/May2024#* 

#### NOVEMBER PILGRIMAGE TO SICILY Registration deadline: May 15

Father Ben Hawley, S.J., will be leading a Fall pilgrimage to Sicily which will visit important ancient Greek, Arab-Norman, & Jesuit sites in Palermo, Agrigento, Catania, Siracusa, Messina, Cefalu, and more. The pilgrimage will run 13 days, from November 3 to 15, 2024. If you missed last week's info sessions, you can find out more about the pilgrimage by visiting *trinity.org/pilgrimage* 

#### SUMMER EXPERIENCES EARLY BIRD DEADLINES - YOUTH MINISTRY

Register for middle school and high school service programs by Memorial Day (**May 27**) *trinity.org/youth/youth-summer-experiences/* 

# HOLY TRINITY COLUMBARIUM: A SACRED SPACE OF FINAL REPOSE

Holy Trinity's Columbarium at Holy Rood Cemetery is located at 2126 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, on a hillside overlooking Georgetown, about a mile from the church. The Columbarium is open to all, and over half of the available spaces have been sold.

For more information, please visit the Holy Trinity Columbarium website at *holytrinitycolumbarium.org*, or call (202) 903-2801.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

WEEK OF MAY 6, 2024			
MONDAY	8:00 AM Jeanne Garofalo +		
	5:30 PM John "Buz" Gorman +		
TUESDAY	8:00 AM The Dembroski Family		
	5:30 PM Timothy J. Mooney +		
WEDNESDAY	8:00 AM Roger Betancourt +		
	5:30 PM Christopher McCauley		
THURSDAY	8:00 AM Robert Angeles +		
	5:30 PM Anita Montanus +		
Friday	8:00 AM Tom Brand +		
	5:30 PM Vincent + Antoinette Manno and		
	Vincent Manno Jr. +		
SATURDAY	8:00 AM		

### **DAILY READINGS**

#### SUNDAY, MAY 5 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 | 1 John 4:7-10 | John 15:9-17

#### MONDAY, MAY 6

MONDAY OF THE SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER Acts 16:11-15 | John 15:26—16:4a

#### TUESDAY, MAY 7

TUESDAY OF THE SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER

Acts 16:22-34 | John 16:5-11

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

WEDNESDAY OF THE SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER Acts 17:15, 22—18:1 | John 16:12-15

#### THURSDAY, MAY 9

**SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD** Acts 1:1-11 | Mark 16:15-20

#### FRIDAY, MAY 10

FRIDAY OF THE SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER Acts 18:9-18 | John 16:20-23

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SATURDAY, MAY 11

SATURDAY OF THE SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER Acts 18:23-28 | John 16:23b-28

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

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

#### **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 using your phone:



#### **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 layled 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/lgtbgia* 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.

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