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December 29, 2024 Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

A Year-End Update From Advancement & Stewardship

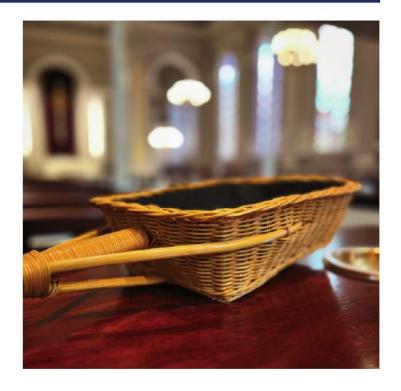
By Christopher Dake Director of Advancement & Stewardship

As the year draws to a close, I want to take a moment to reflect on our progress together and share what lies ahead for Holy Trinity Catholic Church in 2025.

What We Have Accomplished

Since I joined the parish staff in late July, it has been a busy and fruitful time. With the support of our community, we have:

- Welcomed a New Team Member: Hired Luis Garrido, our Database Manager and Gift Processor, who has been instrumental in managing parish giving and improving donor records. He will be introducing himself in January.
- Acknowledged Your Generosity: Sent acknowledgment letters to those who have sent contributions, ensuring your generosity does not go unnoticed.
- Launched the 2025 Pledge Campaign: This year's theme, Thanks for Giving, invites all of us to reflect on how our faith inspires our giving.
- Laid the Groundwork for the Future: Begun planning for the upcoming capital campaign, which will be crucial for addressing our parish's long-term needs.



Looking Ahead to 2025

The coming year will be a transformative one for our parish as we set new goals:

Enhancing Our Data: Cleaning and correcting our database is a top priority. Accurate records are essential to meaningful engagement and communication.

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We invite you to share your gifts with others in our parish 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

Saturdays, 4:30 - 5:15 PM — Church

RECONCILIATION:



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- **Improving Communication:** We plan to connect with you more intentionally, sharing stories and updates that reflect the vibrancy of our parish.
- Relaunching the 1792 Society: This initiative will recognize parishioners who have included Holy Trinity in their will, ensuring the future of our faith community.
- Launching the Silent Phase of the Capital Campaign: This quiet yet critical phase will set the stage for achieving our ambitious goals for our church's mission and facilities.

How You Can Help

We will need your help as we move forward. We need your help cleaning and updating our data, whether that means verifying your contact information or letting us know about changes in your household. When the time comes, we will reach out with simple ways to assist.

Capital Campaign

We will keep you informed about the progress of the capital campaign as we reach milestones together. Transparency and collaboration will be the foundation of our success.

Supporting Holy Trinity

Thank you for considering giving to the Pledge Campaign. Compared to last year, we are a bit behind in the number of participants and funds raised. We are grateful to everyone who makes Holy Trinity a philanthropic priority. If you would like to make a gift today, please use the QR code below.

We will send tax receipts to all parishioners at the end of January for tax preparation. We ask for patience as we continue to clean and correct our data and transition into a new record-keeping system.

Thank you

I am deeply grateful for your support during these first months of my role. I have met many of you in

various settings and am so grateful for the kindness and education I have received. As we turn the page toward 2025, I'm thankful to be a part of this faith journey with you. I hope to see you at Mass throughout the year.

With gratitude, I wish you a blessed and joyful New Year!

The parish giving page and process have been streamlined to eliminate any confusion and make the process of pledging simple and straightforward.

To give to the annual pledge, please scan the QR code at right, or visit *trinity.org/give*

Thank you!



NO SUNDAY FAITH FORMATION

There will be no RE classes and no Shepherd's Flock on December 29 due to the Christmas and New Year's holidays. We will see you again in the new year on **Sunday, January 5**!



NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS



LGBTQIA+ Women and Marginalized **GENDERS GROUP**

Sunday, January 5 | 11:30 AM

Join us for Mass followed by lunch in Georgetown. Contact Ally and Claire at lgbtqia+women@trinity.org for more information.

EPIPHANY CELEBRATION

Saturday, January 4 | 7:00 PM, McKenna Hall

Holy Trinity Youth Ministry invites all families to an Epiphany Celebration. Come learn about the celebration of the Epiphany with food and games for all ages. Register by scanning the QR code or contact Rudy at rdehaney@trinity.org.



BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

During the holiday season, many of us look forward to gatherings and traditions. However, for those who have lost a loved one, this time of year can bring feelings of grief and longing. The "empty chair" at the table serves as a poignant reminder of their absence.

Our bereavement ministry is here to help you through this time. Our faith reminds us of hope, healing, and the promise of eternal life. May you find peace in the memories of the deceased and strength in the love that surrounds you.

On Saturday, January 11 you are invited to join us at 10:00 a.m. in McKenna Hall for a grief support group "Navigating grief during the New Year".

We will also begin a six consecutive week grief support group on Saturday, February 1 through March 8.

These sessions will provide a safe and confidential place for sharing struggles with grief. It will provide patterns in the grieving experience and ideas for coping.

Should you be unable to attend these dates but are interested in participating at a different time or perhaps on Zoom, please let us know.

For more information and/or to register, please e-mail bereavementministry@trinity.org or call 202-903-2808.

JOIN THE SATURDAY SUPPER TEAM IN 2025! January 4 and January 11

Every month members of the Holy Trinity community make and serve a meal for guests at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church in Georgetown. This interfaith effort is now in its 11th year. Children ten years

and older are invited to be part of the hospitality. We will kick off 2025 with meals on January 4 and January 11. To sign up, please scan the QR code. Thank vou!



WOMEN WHO STAY: THE WOMEN WHO WROTE THE BIBLE

Beginning Monday, January 13

Yes! In fact women did write parts of the Bible, In this 8 week course, we will peel back the invisibility cloak that has hidden women's authorship. Focused mostly on the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament, participants will discover and delight in women's voices in scripture. This is a hybrid course with recorded lectures by Dr. Lizzie Berne DeGear of St. Francis Xavier Church (NYC) followed by in-person discussions at Holy Trinity led by Liz McCloskey and Jane Varner Malhotra. The series will begin on Monday, January 13 at 7pm. There is a \$75 fee to participate. For a complete schedule and details, please e-mail aklick@ trinity.org.

YAC MASS

The Young Adult Community will hold its January Mass on January 12 at 7:15 pm in St Ignatius Chapel. All those in their 20s and 30s 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.

ABIDING IN GOD'S LOVE: AN IGNATIAN RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE

January 26 - February 1

Registration deadline: January 12

This week-long retreat, made at home in the midst of daily life, invites you into a deeper relationship with God through prayer in the tradition of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Learn more and register at trinity.org/ignatianspirituality/gods-abiding-love-retreat.



THE LAND IS NOT OUR OWN January 2025

The Social Justice Ministry will host The Land is Not Our Own beginning January 2025. Join us in standing with Indigenous communities to protect our sacred land, air, and water.

The Land is Not Our Own: Seeking Repair Alongside Indigenous Communities is a small group dialogue, spiritual reorientation, and entryway into a lifelong commitment to honoring God's Creation and protecting Native rights. It is an 8-week commitment that will meet virtually on Tuesday evenings at 7pm. E-mail Ashley at aklick@trinity.org if you are interested in learning more.

MLK DINNER AND PRAYER WALK

Saturday, January 18 | 7:00 PM, McKenna Hall Holy Trinity Youth Ministry is inviting all parishioners to attend a MLK Weekend Dinner & Prayer Walk on Saturday, January 18. Our theme is 1965-2025: March Towards Justice Across Generations. The dinner and program will begin at 7pm in McKenna Hall, and the walk will take place after the dinner. Service hours are available for youth at this event. Contact Rudy at rdehaney@trinity.org or 202-903-2846 for more information.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, January 23 | 9:00 - 10:30 AM

The final HTS Admissions Open House of the academic year will begin with a presentation from Principal Katy Williams, followed by a tour of the campus led by HTS students and parent volunteers. Please register by scanning the QR code at right:



MORNING PRAYER ONLINE

Mondays and Fridays | 9:00 AM, Zoom

Morning Prayer is celebrated on Mondays and Fridays 9-9:45 am via Zoom. Visit trinity.org/morningprayer for information and the link.

INFO SESSION ON THE SPIRITUAL EXERCISES

Saturday, January 18 | 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 Dan Cardinali at retreats+Dan@trinity.org for the link to the online session.

HOLY TRINITY & HAITI

Please save the date to learn more about Holy Trinity's commitment to our sister parish, St. Jean Baptiste.

On January 25 we will host a conversation with Nathaie Jn-Baptiste, our first Haiti Scholarship student (now working as a nurse in NYC) and leaders of the St. Jean Baptiste Sister Parish Committee.

On January 26, Ed will lead an engaging discussion about poverty in Haiti and what is needed to transform the lives of Haitians. Ed will speak at 10:15am in Trinity Hall. For more information, please email aklick@trinity.org

INCARCERATED & RETURNING CITIZENS MINISTRY

Over the past year, a group of parishioners has been exploring relationships with the Frederick Douglass Project, Freedom house and Friends of Guest House. We will continue to develop these relationships in 2025.

Through the Frederick Douglass Project parishioners are invited to visit the DC Jail in person for a conversation with the incarcerated men and women. We will participate virtually with Bent Correctional on January 22 from 6-8pm and will participate in person on March 24 from 1-3:30pm. To sign up for one or both of these gatherings, register at www. douglassproject.org/visitation-participation and indicate you are with Holy Trinity.

If you would like to join the email list for updates on this work, please e-mail aklick@trinity.org.

THE ORDER OF CELEBRATION

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

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

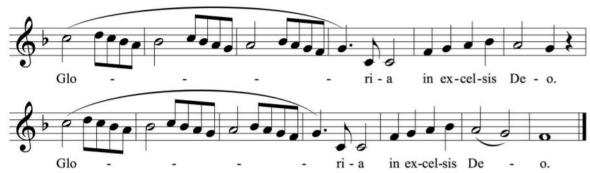
Entrance

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing



Penitential Act

Glory to God



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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Sirach 3: 2-6,12-14

Responsorial

Psalm 128: 1-5



Second Reading

Colossians 3: 12-17

Acclamation before the Gospel

Gospel

Luke 2: 2:41-52

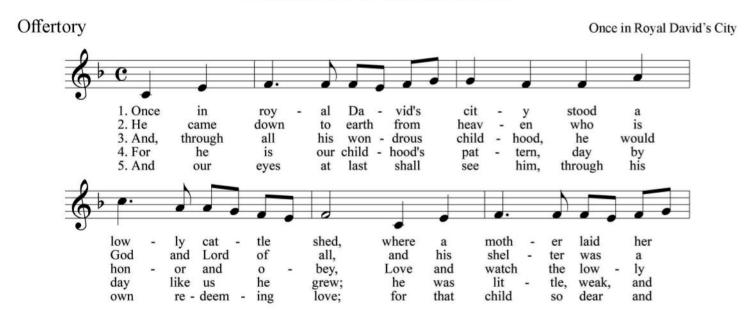
Homily

Nicene Creed

Universal Prayer

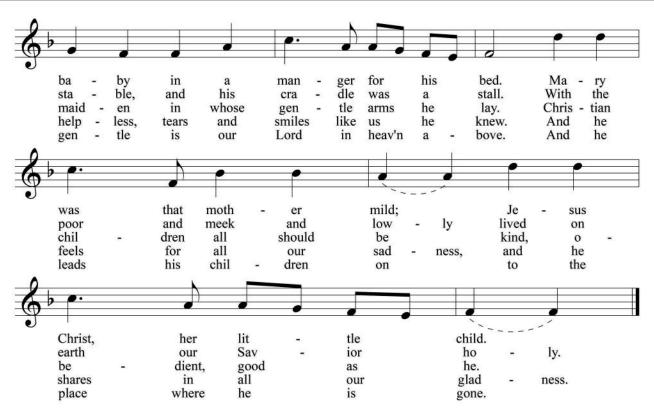


THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST



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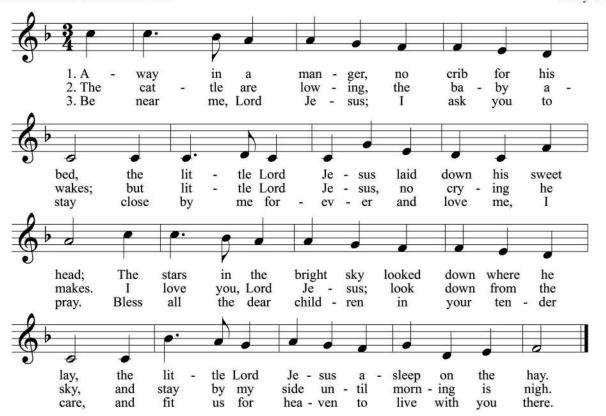




The Eucharistic Prayer

The Communion Processionals

Away in a Manger



O Little Town of Bethlehem, Gather #446



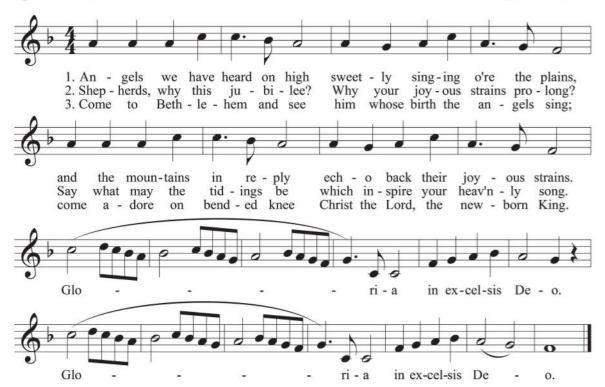
THE CONCLUDING RITES

Announcements

Solemn Blessing & Dismissal

Concluding Processional

Angels We Have Heard on High





Music Acknowledgments Entrance—Hark! The Herald Angels Sing Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788. Tune: Mendelssohn by Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-1847. Gloria—Christmas Gloria by Daniel W. Laginya, © 1986 GIA Publications, Inc. Responsorial—Psalm 128 by Michael Guimont © 1994 GIA Publications, Inc. Universal Prayer — Trilingual Intercessions, by Michael Hay, © 1994 World Library Publications. Offertory—Once in Royal David's City Text by Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818-1895. Tune: Irby. Communion Processional—Away in a Manger, Text vs. 1,2 anonymous, vs. 3 by John T. McFarland, 1851-1913. Tune: Mueller by James R. Murray, 1841-1905. Concluding Processional—Angels We Have Heard on High, 18th Century French Carol, tr. from Crown of Jesus Music, London, 1862. Tune: Gloria, Traditional French Carol. English translation by James Chadwick, 1813-1882. Selections used with permission under OneLicense.net A-701277.



SAVE THE DATE:

WINTER NEW PARISHIONER ORIENTATION

Sunday, February 9 | 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. Children are welcome and no RSVP is required.

Please contact *parishlife@trinity.org* with any questions.



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 nearly three-quarters of the niches have been sold.

For more information, please visit the Holy Trinity Columbarium website at *holytrinitycolumbarium.org*, or e-mail *htcolumbarium@trinity.org*.



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.

MASS INTENTIONS

WEEK OF DECEMBER 30, 2024

MONDAY 8:00 AM Nicholas DeCarlo +

5:30 PM Anne Claire Weiswarser +

TUESDAY 8:00 AM

5:30 PM Jerry R. Dempsey +

WEDNESDAY 8:00 AM

5:30 PM

THURSDAY 8:00 AM

5:30 PM Richard V. Allen +

FRIDAY 8:00 AM

5:30 PM

SATURDAY 8:00 AM Victoria Helen Miles +

DAILY READINGS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 | Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 | Luke 2:41-52

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30

THE SIXTH DAY IN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

1 John 2:12-17 | Luke 2:36-40

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31

THE SEVENTH DAY IN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

1 John 2:18-21 | John 1:1-18

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1

SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Numbers 6:22-27 | Luke 2:16-21

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2

MEMORIAL OF SAINTS BASIL THE GREAT AND

GREGORY NAZIANZEN 1 John 2:22-28 | John 1:19-28

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3

CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY

1 John 2:29-3:6 | John 1:29-34

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4

MEMORIAL OF SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON

1 John 3:7-10 | John 1:35-42



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:



ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) 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 OCIA 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/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 PPC President Gail Louis at parishcouncil@trinity.org with any questions.

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