

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

March 30, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Lent

The College Ground Cemetery by Peter J. Albert, Holy Trinity History Committee

In 1817, Benedict Fenwick, S.J., at the time both pastor of Holy Trinity and president of Georgetown College, opened a "new burying ground" for the parish. Set in the northeast corner of the Georgetown campus, it would replace Holy Trinity's existing cemetery, which was located next to the church. The new ground served as the main parish cemetery until 1833, when the Upper Grave Yard, later called Holy Rood Cemetery, was opened.

Fr. Fenwick divided his new cemetery – the College Ground – into two parts, one "for the poor" (where there was no charge for the graves) and the other "for those who pay." His cemetery "Regulations" did not segregate the cemetery racially, but specified that "None but Catholics" were to be buried there.

Some 900 Holy Trinity parishioners died between 1818 and 1833, and since some burials in the College Ground continued after that, historian Carlton Fletcher estimates that the total number buried there was near 1,000. In the 1950s, the university transferred the remains of some 50 bodies, "more or less," from the College Ground to Mount Olivet Cemetery to make room for expansion, leading Fletcher to conclude "that ninety-five percent of the people buried in the College Ground were left there."



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Comparing the number of burials recorded in the cemetery account book between 1819 and 1822 (131), the years when its information is most complete, with the

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DAILY MASS SCHEDULE				
Monday - Friday:	8:00 AM — Chapel 5:30 PM — Chapel			
SATURDAY:	8:00 AM — Chapel			
	5:30 PM — Church 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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number of deaths recorded in those years in Holy Trinity's parish death register (262), suggests that as many as half those who died may have been buried in the "poor" section, which would have included both Whites and African Americans. By comparison, between 1835 and 1840, 58% (197) of Holy Trinity's burials were gratis burials.

Between 1818 and 1822, the cemetery account book notes the burials of some 29 African Americans in the for-pay section of the College Ground, comprising 19% of all those buried in the for-pay section of the College Ground in those years. How many African Americans were buried in the "poor" section we cannot say, but between 1821 and 1828, Holy Trinity's parish death register indicates that African Americans accounted for at least 26% of the deaths recorded in the parish.

Reading through the entries recording interments in the College Ground between 1818 and 1822, one is struck by the sheer number of children who were buried – of the 156 burials recorded in these years, 81 (52%) were interments of children, that is, those under 12 years of age. Stunning as these numbers may appear to us, they are close to the historical average of childhood deaths in the United States for this period.

In 1820, shortly after the establishment of the College Ground cemetery, the cemetery account book begins to note burials at half or less than the price stipulated in the Cemetery Regulations. This range of pricing – burials at full-pay, at half-pay, and gratis – was a practice that was then followed at Holy Rood Cemetery in the following years.

Unlike the Regulations for the College Ground, the Regulations for the Upper Grave Yard, dated 1835, clearly specified that cemetery's racial segregation, with one area for African Americans and another for Whites. Between 1832 and 1840, Holy Trinity's death register recorded 432 burials in the Upper Grave Yard. Of these, 241 (56%) were White burials and 191 (44%) were African American burials. This is only a brief glance at some of the salient features of the account book kept in conjunction with the College Ground cemetery. For a more substantial look, see "Two Early Holy Trinity Cemeteries – the College Ground and the Upper Grave Yard," by Peter J. Albert newly posted at *trinity.org/history-committee/*

Concerts at Holy Trinity

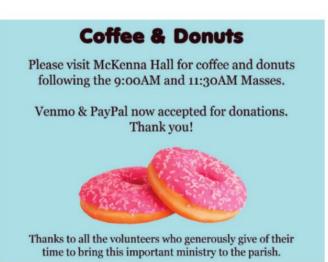
THE RESTON CHORALE

Sunday, March 30 | 3:00 PM, Church (doors open at 2:30 PM)

Holy Trinity is proud to welcome the acclaimed Reston Chorale under the direction of David Lang, featuring members of the Holy Trinity Choirs, presenting Gabriel Fauré's *Requiem* and selections from Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's *Solemn Vespers* (K. 339).

Admission is free; your donation is welcome at the door.

To find out more about this or other concerts at Holy Trinity, please visit *trinity.org/concerts*



NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS



CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS Sunday, March 30 | 10:15 AM, Trinity Hall Wednesday, April 2 | 7:00 PM on Zoom

To continue our series on Faith, Hope, and Mental Wellness, we will be hosting a conversation for parents, grandparents and other family members about children's mental health, facilitated by Bridget Tansey, School Counselor at Holy Trinity School, and Anne Marie Kaufmann, Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation.

The event will be in person this Sunday, March 30 at 10:15AM in Trinity Hall and will be repeated via Zoom on Tuesday, April 2 at 7:00 PM. Registration for childcare and for the Zoom link are at *www.trinity*. org/adult-faith-formation

PRAYING IN SACRED SPACE

Lenten Saturdays | 4:00 - 5:00 PM, Zoom Remaining dates: April 5; April 12

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. Come to one session or all - no preparation necessary. All are welcome!

Please register by scanning the QR code at right, or by visiting *trinity.org/* ignatian-spirituality/invitations-to-pray.



REGISTER NOW FOR THE YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY SPRING RETREAT The Seekers' Retreat

April 26 (with optional overnight) | Mar Lu Ridge, Jefferson, MD

Registration deadline: April 14

Holy Trinity's Young Adult Community invites adults in their 20's and 30's to join in reflection, prayer and sharing with others seeking the ways that God leads us to self-knowledge, understanding what's important, and to our deepest desires. The retreat includes peer talks, small group discussions, prayer, Mass, and opportunities for the Sacrament of

Reconciliation and spiritual conversation. For more information and registration, visit *trinity.org/yac-retreat* or scan the QR code at right:



YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY FAITH SHARING Thursdays | 7:00 PM

Using the Gospel for the next Sunday as a starting point, young adults meet every Thursday from 7:00 to 8:00 PM to discuss faith in their own lives. All adults in their 20's and 30's are invited!

The first Thursday of the month is on Zoom. The remaining Thursdays are in person in St. Ignatius Chapel. Please e-mail Maureen at *yacs+faithsharing@* trinity.org for the Zoom link.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY SUPPORT GROUPS

Unlike structured grief programs, a drop-in group offers a more flexible format where participants can attend as needed, without a long-term commitment.

- Sat. April 26 | 10:00-11:30AM
- Sat. May 31 | 10:00-11:30AM
- Sat. June 28 | 10:00-11:30AM

Registration is strongly encouraged please scan the QR code at right, or contact Lisa Colaianni at bereavementministry@ trinity.org. Thank you.



HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL AND PARISH ARE HIRING Holy Trinity School is hiring for the following positions:

- Kindergarten Teacher for the 2025-2026 school •
- Middle School Religion Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year.

Please visit htsdc.org/careers for full descriptions and application instructions.

Holy Trinity Parish is hiring for the following positions:

Campaign Manager

Please visit trinity.org/jobs for full descriptions and application instructions.



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.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL SEEKS FOUR MEMBERS

Beginning in May, parishioners will be electing four parishioners to the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC). PPC members are advisors to the pastor, and assist the pastor in discerning, articulating, and communicating to other parishioners the identity and mission of the parish. They also work with the pastor and parish community to assure fidelity of the parish's activities to that identity and mission. PPC members serve three-year terms.

Please consider whether this is your time to serve, encourage our fellow parishioners to serve, and vote in support of candidates you believe will best serve our beloved parish. If you are interested in learning more, please join us at our regular monthly PPC meeting on April 16 for an open Q&A on the role of the PPC and the responsibilities of its members. All are welcome either in person or by Zoom.

IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY RESOURCES FOR DIFFICULT TIMES

Our current political situation has continued to have a deep impact on our parishioners. Ignatian spiritual practices offer tools to help us ground ourselves in the Lord during times of job loss, political upheaval, and concern for those who are vulnerable. Please see the **Ignatian Spirituality Resources** *trinity. org/ignatian-spirituality/resources/* page (right under the Lenten resources) for articles, videos, and book recommendations for navigating our current times with God's help

JUST FAITH: GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION

Thursdays beginning May 1 | 6:30 PM, Faber Room Registration required.

Over the course of 8 sessions, participants accompany one another in confronting the painful reality of gun violence as they engage in holy dialogue across their differences and discern how their faith calls them to respond. Together, participants explore data-driven research around gun violence in America; encounter stories, poetry, and art from gun violence survivors, faith leaders, and activists; learn spiritual practices to help process this emotionally-difficult topic; and receive practical tools for gun violence prevention.

For registration information, please e-mail *aklick@ trinity.org*

GARDENERS NEEDED THIS SPRING!

Spring Saturdays | 9:00 AM, Chapel Gardens Gardeners, please join us at Holy Trinity on the following Saturdays from 9 am to noon-ish: **April 12**, **April 26**, and **May 3**.

We meet at the shed which is to the right of the Chapel. Please bring a bottle of water, gloves, and hand gardening tools if you have them. RSVP to *htgardeners@gmail.com*.

Save The Date: Holy Trinity's Annual Garden Party Friday, May 9 | 6:30 PM, Chapel Gardens

You are invited to a magical evening in the Holy Trinity Chapel gardens, featuring a festive reception with hors d'oeuvres & cocktails. Tickets are \$50 - visit *trinity.org/gardenparty* for more information.

HOLY TRINITY MIGRANT FAMILIA UPDATE

We invite you to consider where you may be called to act with and for our families in the coming months. We now accompany 28 families from 13 countries. All of the adults and children in our *familia* are pursuing a legal pathway to life in the United States.

Ways You Could Help:

- Entry level job opportunities in landscaping and hospitality.
- Donated cars requested for two families.
- Healthy food donations for the March 23 workshop.

To learn about volunteer opportunities and join in the work of accompaniment, please e-mail *migrantteam@ trinity.org*

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.

SATURDAY SUPPER - SERVICE OPPORTUNITY April 12

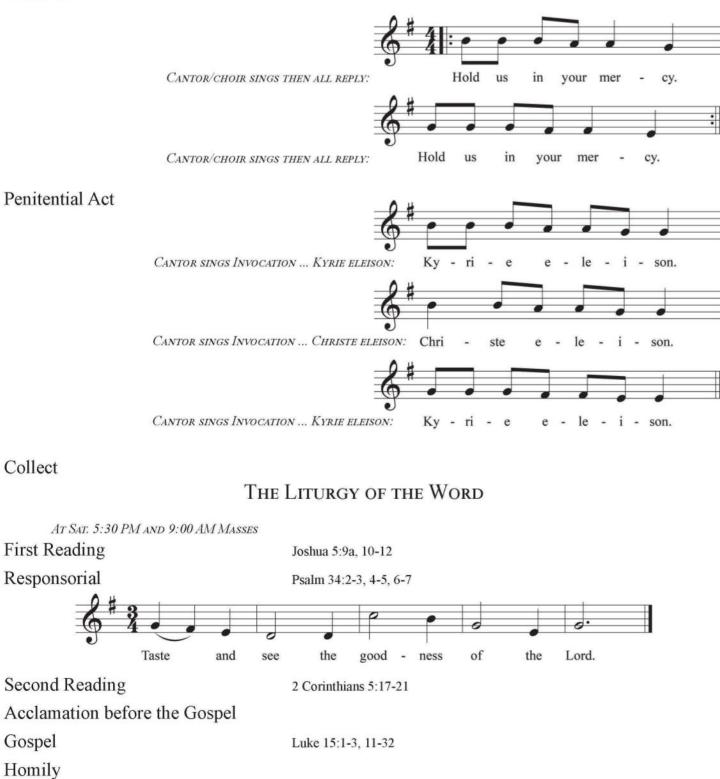
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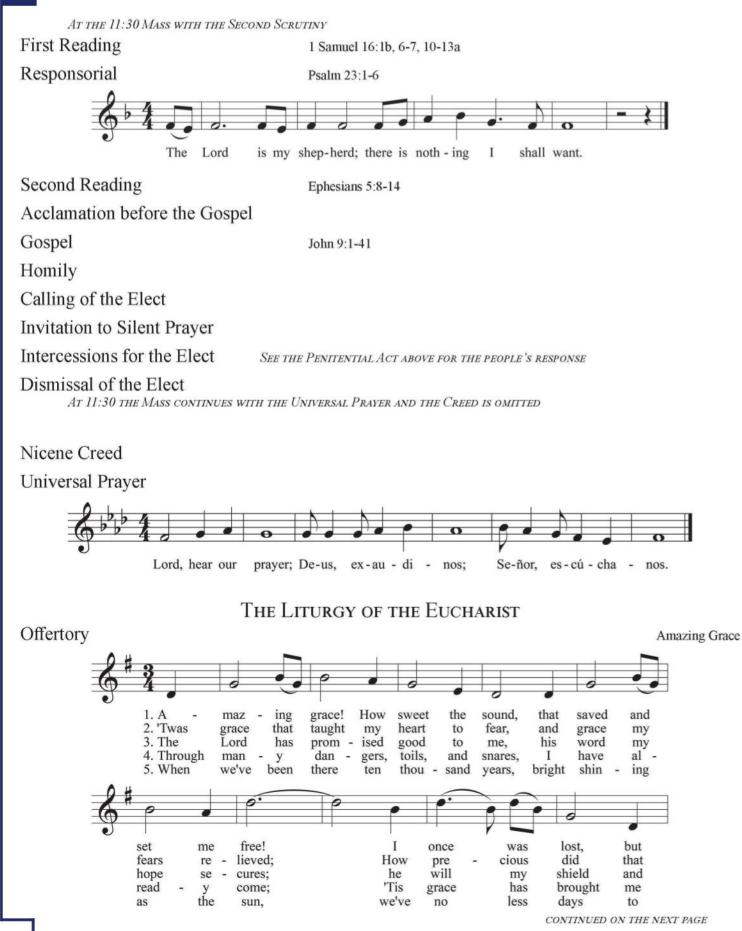


THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

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

Entrance







AT THE 11:30 AM MASS Miserere, Domine, Nicholas Palmer Holy Trinity Choir

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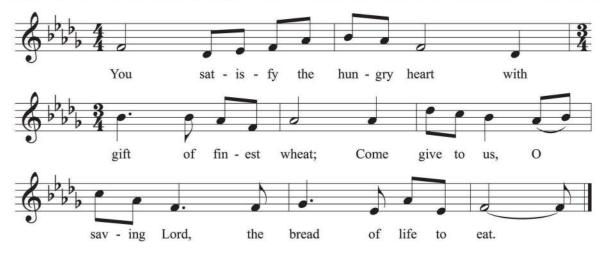
The Eucharistic Prayer

The Communion Processionals

Assembly refrain I ~ at Sat. 5:30 and 11:30 Masses ~ Verses sung by cantor/choir all respond with the following:



Assembly refrain II ~ at Sat. 5:30 and 11:30 Masses ~ Verses sung by cantor/choir all respond with the following:



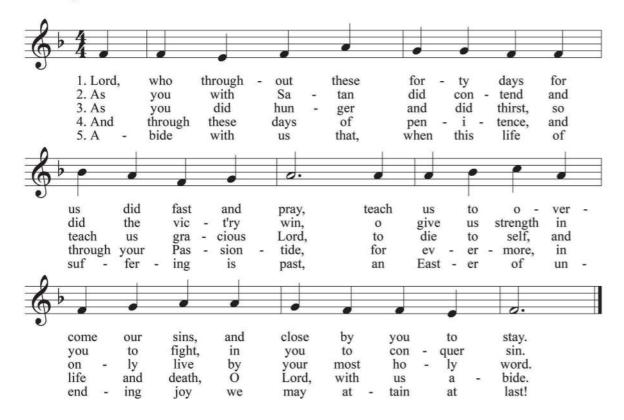
AT 9:00 AM MASS ALL SING TOGETHER I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light, Gather #593 Jesus, the Lord, Gather #491

Sending Forth of the Ministers to our Homebound Prayer after Communion

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Announcements

Solemn Blessing & Dismissal



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HELP US KEEP OUR PARISH RECORDS UPDATED!

Holy Trinity has e-mailed parishioners to verify and update contact information in our records. The e-mail came from *development@trinity.org*

When you receive our e-mail, please review your information and provide any necessary corrections. Your prompt response will help us maintain accurate records and serve our parish community more effectively.

If you have any questions or need assistance, don't hesitate to contact our Director of Advancement and Stewardship, at *cdake@trinity.org* or 202-903-2837. Thank you!

PARISH LOST & FOUND

Numerous items get left behind after Mass and parish events - umbrellas, hats, reading glasses, etc. The parish lost & found is located in the sacristy behind the main Church.

Due to space concerns, the lost and found is cleaned out monthly, with items being donated. Thank you!



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*.

MASS INTENTIONS

WEEK OF MARCH 24, 2025

MONDAY	8:00 AM	Charles P. O'Connor +
	5:30 PM	Maria Cristina
		Samudio Price +
TUESDAY	8:00 AM	
	5:30 PM	Margaret Vulpi +
WEDNESDAY	8:00 AM	
	5:30 PM	Maeve McKean & Gideon
		McKean +
THURSDAY	8:00 AM	
	5:30 PM	Sophie Ruotolo +
FRIDAY	8:00 AM	
	5:30 PM	Sophie Ruotolo +
SATURDAY	8:00 AM	

DAILY READINGS

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a | Eph 5:8-14 | John 9:1-41

MONDAY, MARCH 31

MONDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT Isaiah 65:17-21 | John 4:43-54

TUESDAY, APRIL 1

TUESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12 | John 5:1-16

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

WEDNESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT Isaiah 49:8-15 | John 5:17-30

THURSDAY, APRIL 3

THURSDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT Exodus 32:7-14 | John 5:31-47

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

FRIDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22 | John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

SATURDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

Jeremiah 11:18-20 | John 7:40-53

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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