

# PARISH LIFE

A PUBLICATION FOR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS  
OF HOLY TRINITY PARISH

## MASS SCHEDULE

**SATURDAY VIGIL MASS** 5:30 PM

**SUNDAY MASS** 7:30 AM  
9 AM\*  
11 AM\*  
5:30 PM

*\*KidZone (for 1 year old – TK) is available during the 9 and 11 AM Masses. Little Saints (TK-1<sup>st</sup> grade) and Children's Liturgy of the Word (2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grades) available September through May during the 9 and 11 AM Masses.*

**MONDAY – FRIDAY MASS** 8:15 A.M.

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**  
*Saturday at 4:30 – 5:15 P.M. or by appointment.*

Fr. Lawrence J. Beck\*  
**PASTOR**

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*\*Member of Senior Leadership Team*

## Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish!

*We are grateful you are celebrating Christmas with us!*

Whether you have been with us from the very early days in the Silva Valley Gym or whether this is your first visit, we welcome you to Holy Trinity Parish!

Although we are blessed with a community that loves our parish, we also realize that one in three Catholics is no longer “connected” to the Catholic Church. An important mission here at Holy Trinity is to reach out to disconnected Catholics. We hope they will take another look at us — and we think they will find that Holy Trinity isn't the “typical” Catholic parish!

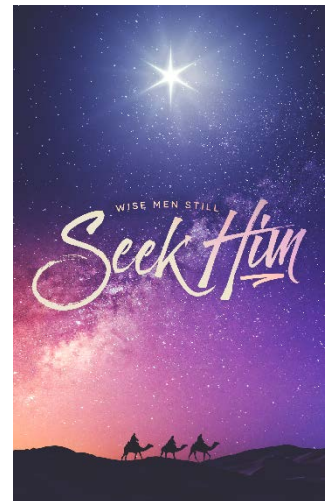
We think a good look might show that Holy Trinity isn't the church people might have grown up with — or the church some might have turned away from.

We have over 60 ministries — so there's a place in which everyone can fit! We place a priority on being friendly and welcoming. We believe in meeting people “where they are,” recognizing that we each have our own journeys. We want our parishioners to know they matter to God — and to us. And, although we are in the serious business of faith, we insist on having fun. . . and laughing a lot!

The pages of this Annual Parish-Life Report will give you a better view of our parish, our parishioners and our ministries. We hope you will find something in these pages that piques your curiosity — and we hope that we will see you again soon as you continue your journey of seeking our Lord!

On behalf of Fr. Larry and the entire parish staff,

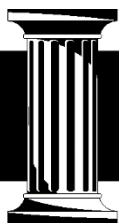
*we wish you a blessed Christmas and a joyous 2019!*



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## PRAYER

Acting as Christ the Priest, a parish committed to stewardship strives to nourish each person through prayer, strengthening our relationship with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and focusing on the Eucharist, the "source and summit of the Christian Life."

And then God said, "Let there be light..."



The Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday is the liturgical highlight of the year! We start in darkness, and then the giant fire is lit outside the church, symbolizing Christ's Light sent into the world!

Holy Saturday, April 20, 2019, beginning at 8:15 p.m.

## A PLACE FOR EVERYONE. EVEN THE LITTLEST ONES.

We know Mass can be a challenge with squirmly little ones. So we have designed faith-based places just for them – while Mom and Dad worship at Sunday morning Mass.



KidZone serves kids 12 months through pre-K

Holy Trinity Parish's

**LITTLE SAINTS MINISTRY**  
Teaching TK – 1<sup>st</sup> Graders to Know and Love Jesus

Little Saints ministers to our TK-1<sup>st</sup> grade children

## Need a Little Something to Help Focus You for the Week?

Sign up for our weekly meditation – *Something to Think About* – that is emailed every Monday morning. It's a really quick read, but thought-provoking too.

Just send the word "subscribe" to  
HTP@holyltrinityparish.org.



## Prayer by the numbers

Seats in the Church:	912
Pews in the Church:	30
Average number of worshippers at regular weekend Masses:	1,768
Estimated number of worshippers for all Christmas Masses:	3,985
Estimated number of worshippers for all Easter Masses:	4,323
Total number of Masses celebrated each year:	over 450
Number of lay ministers needed each weekend to help with our five Masses:	about 153
Number of poinsettias used at Christmas:	103
Number of times the banners and liturgical environment are changed out at Mass:	16
Number of infants baptized in the last year:	35
Number of parishioners who received the Sacrament of First Eucharist this year:	74
Number who received the Sacrament of Confirmation this year:	78
Number of weddings in the last year:	11
Number of funerals in the last year:	35
Height of the fire for Easter Vigil (in feet):	8
Length of the Easter Vigil (in hours):	2.5
Number of parishioners to which our Homebound Ministry takes communion:	24
Songs sung at Masses during the year:	1,300

More info: <http://holyltrinityparish.org>

...worship...



## FORMATION

*Acting as Christ the Teacher, a parish committed to stewardship emphasizes, through evangelization and catechesis, the development of households of faith, where our Catholic story as the Body of Christ is lived and shared with one another.*



We know joining a Scripture study can sound a little intimidating, but our groups are low-key and fun. And they are just six weeks long. Why not give one a chance?

**The Compassionate Savior:** Tues mornings, Jan 8 - Feb 5  
**God's Gift of Hope:** Weds evenings, Jan 9 - Feb 13  
**I Am the Bread of Life:** Thurs mornings, Jan 31 - Mar 21

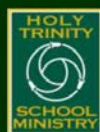
### Six Weeks with Scripture

More info: [ffm@holytrinityparish.org](mailto:ffm@holytrinityparish.org)



Join Us for a Faith-filled Educational Journey  
from TK through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade!

**OPEN HOUSE** | **SUNDAY, JAN 27**  
**12 NOON – 2 PM**



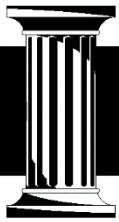
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## Formation by the numbers

Number of children enrolled in the school ministry:	244
Number of children in our new TK program:	10
Average tuition charged in the Sacramento Diocese in 2015-16:	\$4,932
Actual annual cost of educating a child in our school ministry:	\$7,004
Tuition at the Holy Trinity School Ministry: <i>(tuition is really that low – because we are a stewardship parish)</i>	\$2,400 or less
Baggies of ice the school ministry uses for boo-boos in a year:	2,800
Number enrolled in weekly Faith Formation classes:	110
Number of weekly Faith Formation classes:	10
Number in Sunday's "Partners in Faith" formation sessions:	270
Number of catechists who teach Faith Formation classes:	40
Years our longest-serving catechist has taught at Holy Trinity:	22

...I learn[.]





## HOSPITALITY

*Acting as Christ the Shepherd, a parish committed to stewardship is a true community of faith that welcomes, honors, and involves every person in the life and work of the Church, acknowledging the blessing of our richly different backgrounds and experiences.*



We know there are many people at Mass this Christmas who have been away for a while, but the "welcome mat" is always out for you.

If you know of someone who has been away from the Church and is interested in coming back, please invite them to

### **CATHOLICS COMING HOME.**

We will meet on Sunday, Jan. 13 and Jan. 27 and Feb. 3 from 10-11 a.m. in Room 203 of the Education Center.

More info: [ffm@holyltrinityparish.org](mailto:ffm@holyltrinityparish.org)

## Hospitality by the numbers

Total number of registered households:	4,210
Total number of individuals:	11,271
Parishioners under 5 years of age:	236
Number of females registered:	5,853
Number of males registered:	5,764
Parishioners registered since Day One:	345
Parishioners registered in last twelve months:	467
Number of parishioners named Jesus:	6
Number of parishioners named Mary:	187
Number of parishioners named Joseph:	92
Estimated number of emails sent to staff each year:	890,000
Estimated number of phone calls made or received each year:	14,020
Rating on our Facebook page ( <a href="https://www.facebook.com/holytrinityedh">facebook.com/holytrinityedh</a> ):	4.8 out of 5

Let's get acquainted ... or even reacquainted.



If you are new, still "finding your way" or been away for a while and just want to get reacquainted with your parish, please join us as our guests at our "Hospitality Sunday Breakfast" on Sunday, March 10, after the 9 and 11 a.m. Masses. This will be a time to meet some of our leadership and fellow parishioners, find out a little more about Holy Trinity — and get a great breakfast!

More info: <http://holyltrinityparish.org>

## COME FOR JESUS



## STAY FOR DONUTS

It's been our tradition since the beginning: we serve complimentary donuts — *more than 20,000 a year, believe it or not* — after each of our morning Sunday Masses. The kids love the donuts. The adults love the opportunity to connect with one another. And the donuts.

# ...connect...



## SERVICE

*Putting into action our commission as Christ the Shepherd, Priest, and Teacher, a parish committed to stewardship serves the many needs of its own parish family, as well as the needs of the larger community and the world.*



Painting a fence, weeding a garden, or cleaning gutters may not seem like a big deal—but for some in our community who can't physically or financially handle the task, the problem can be overwhelming. Our Holy Trinity Community Servants (HTCS) use their hands, feet – and hearts – to assist with home and yard projects for those in need.

*If you need help – or want to help – please contact us at [htp@holytrinityparish.org](mailto:htp@holytrinityparish.org).*



Holy Trinity Parish has planned a mission trip for 20 adults and youth to work with the people of Haiti180, our partner in southwestern Haiti.

We will be the hands and feet of Jesus. And we will be sharing the Good News with our Haitian brothers and sisters.

*Prepare to change lives – and to have your life changed.*

More info: <http://holytrinityparish.org>

## Service by the numbers

Coats and blankets collected during annual drive:	243
Planter boxes in the Parish Garden, where: all crop is donated to the Upper Room:	20
Mops used by our cleaning ministry each Friday when the Church is cleaned:	5
Visits our deacon makes in a year to prison to visit the incarcerated:	10
Cases of school supplies sent to Haitian schools:	32
Ornaments on the 2018 "Giving Tree" to help the poor and needy:	735
Number of local charities assisted by our Christmas Giving Tree:	7
Estimated value of all goods donated for the Giving Tree:	\$79,430
Families who make their Stewardship of Treasure gifts electronically:	261

As stewards of all that God has entrusted to our care, at Holy Trinity, we take seriously our Christian mission to share what we have with others.

*We believe in sharing.*



# 30%



*We believe it's great to give.*

Each year, our parish gives away to those who need help – *the poor, the hungry, the marginalized, the homeless* – an amount equal to 30% of our annual Sunday collection.

More info: <http://holytrinityparish.org>

# ...serve...

# FOR GOD. FOR LOVE. FOR LIFE.

In 1992, a group of 600 people came together to form a new Catholic faith community in western El Dorado County. They had no land, no church, and no buildings.

What they did have was a desire to share Christ with all they encountered.

Today, that community is known as Holy Trinity Parish.

A little over 25 years since its founding, Holy Trinity Parish has grown to be a vibrant, Christ-centered community of over 10,000 parishioners.

Although set in an idyllic setting high on a hill, what makes the parish most special is the people who make up our community – generous stewards who have made a deliberate decision to live as missionary disciples of Jesus Christ.

We want all people to **KNOW JESUS PERSONALLY** – because it is from this personal and intimate relationship that we come to know God's love for each of us.

Then, blessed by the Spirit, we go forth to introduce others to Christ, sharing the Good News of the Gospel.

At Holy Trinity, we are committed to the journey together – because, at Holy Trinity, we are

**FOR GOD.  
FOR LOVE.  
FOR LIFE.**

We hope we can walk with you on your own journey with Christ.





# WHO REALLY NEEDS JESUS?

OUR MISSION IS FOR ANYONE WHO WANTS TO INVIGORATE THEIR FAITH.

THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR BUSY PEOPLE TO QUIET THEMSELVES A BIT TO LISTEN AND TO HEAR THE VOICE OF GOD ... **To Know Jesus. Personally.**

BOTH EVENINGS INTERTWINE HUMOR, STORYTELLING AND PRAYER.

OUR PRESENTER, MIKE PATIN, USES ENERGY, HUMOR AND STORIES TO AFFIRM GOD'S GOODNESS AND PRESENCE AMONG US, WHILE INVITING US TO TAKE THE NEXT STEP IN OUR JOURNEY WITH GOD.

**MONDAY & TUESDAY JANUARY 28 & 29 7-8:15 PM**

CHILDCARE AVAILABLE IF RESERVED IN ADVANCE AT 530-677-3234



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explore  
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## Try Alpha

Adult: Tuesday mornings, 9 - 10:30 AM, beginning February 12

Adult: Wednesday evenings, 6:30 - 8 PM, beginning February 6

**NEW** Adult: Friday evenings with child care, 6:30 - 8 PM, beginning February 8

Youth: Sunday evenings, 6:45 - 8:45 PM, beginning February 10

*Sign up & more info at [www.HolyTrinityParish.org/alpha](http://www.HolyTrinityParish.org/alpha)*

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