

# MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5:30 PM

SUNDAY MASS 7 AM  
9 AM  
11 AM

MONDAY - FRIDAY MASS 8:15 A.M.

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

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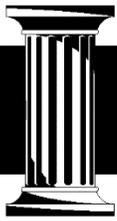
## November 22, 2020 • Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

**Please continue to check our bulletin and website for updated information:**  
[www.holytrinityparish.org](http://www.holytrinityparish.org)

### Upcoming Events:

- Nov. 26 Thanksgiving Day Mass 9:00 AM (Outdoor & Live Stream)
- Dec. 6 or Dec. 10 St. Oscar Romero Confirmation Group (Year 2) Mandatory Zoom session
- Dec. 7 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 6:30 PM (Live Stream only)
- Dec. 8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 8:15 AM (Live Stream only)
- Dec. 11 Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass (TBD)
- Dec. 15 Advent Confessions 6:30 – 8:00 PM

**\*Note: No Sunday 5:30 PM Mass**



## 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.*

### Christmas Floral Donations

The Liturgical Environment Ministry is seeking donations for our Christmas poinsettia plants, greenery and floral arrangements. You may make your donation in memory of a loved one. A mass for those intentions listed will be offered **Sunday, January 3** at 7:00 AM.

Donation envelopes are in the pews and at the back of the nave. Your continuing generosity helps us create a beautiful worship environment for our parish Christmas celebrations.

### Youth Ministry-Advent Homeless Gift Bag Collections

Let's share the joy of Christmas giving with blessing bags for our most vulnerable homeless neighbors. Please sign up at the link below to drop off a gift set to our Youth Group box in the Narthex during the month of November. Most of these items can be found at the Dollar Store or inexpensively through Amazon. We will gather our gifts and turn them into beautiful Christmas gift bags at our **December 13** Advent Celebration/Christmas social:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49AAAD28ABFACE9-christmas>. This link is also on our parish webpage at [www.holytrinityparish.org/ym](http://www.holytrinityparish.org/ym).

### Advent Prayer Books

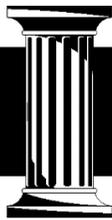
As we approach the season of Advent, you may wish to reflect on the daily Scripture readings using the Advent booklet, "Daily Reflections for Advent & Christmas – Waiting in Joyful Hope". The booklet is available in the Narthex. A \$ 1.00 donation is requested and we ask that you please take one per family.

### Homebound Ministry

We are reactivating our Homebound Ministry to visit and bring the Eucharist to those members in our parish who are not able to attend Mass in person. Under the COVID-19 Guidelines, we have had to make adjustments in who may serve as a minister to the homebound and how they bring the Eucharist to those who have requested a visit. If you are able to serve in this important ministry, please contact Margaret Kirchgater at [mkirchgater1@yahoo.com](mailto:mkirchgater1@yahoo.com). All homebound ministers, new ministers as well as those who have served previously, will need to attend a training. If you missed the Live Stream training on November 10, it is available on the parish website. Go to [HolyTrinityparish.org](http://HolyTrinityparish.org) and look at the "HTP Live Stream on YouTube" link. After viewing the recorded training, please contact Margaret Kirchgater.

### Annual Catholic Appeal

Thank you to those who have already made a gift to the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal. Your gift will make a difference in someone's life. As of November 15, parishioners have participated this year at our parish pledging \$52,431. If you have not yet made a donation, it's not too late! Prayerfully consider a gift. No contribution, no act of charity is ever too small or insignificant. Envelopes are still available in the church or the Parish office. Don't forget, 25% of what you give is returned to our parish. This year, Appeal funds will be used to support our Human Concerns ministry.



## 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."*

### Advent Preparation

Especially during this pandemic, as we approach the season of Advent which starts on **Sunday, November 29**, we may wish to consider how our families observe this season of preparation. Make this Advent a time for some quiet stillness in our homes. Perhaps we could center the evening prayer on a ritual of lighting the Advent Wreath or a similar tradition, like the Jesse Tree. As you light the candles on the Advent wreath, the family may all say a short prayer like: "**Come, Lord Jesus; Come, Lord Jesus; Come and be born in our hearts.**" You may also wish to use the daily scripture readings, reflections and suggested actions for each day from the Advent booklet, "*Daily Reflections for Advent & Christmas*" The booklets can be picked up in the Narthex when making a visit to the church.

### Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass - TBD

We hope to have a bi-lingual Mass to celebrate "Our Lady of Guadalupe" on Friday, **December 11** at 6:30 PM. Due to current Covid-19 restrictions, we can't determine that yet. Please continue to check the bulletin and our website for updated information.

*For DAILY READINGS*

*Please visit us @ [holytrinityparish.org](http://holytrinityparish.org) or*

*[www.usccb.org/bible/readings/112220](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/112220).*

### Thanksgiving Day Mass

Holy Trinity's Thanksgiving Day Mass will be **outdoors and live streamed at 9:00 AM**. There are many demands on families on this day, especially this year, so wouldn't it be a good idea to start the day at Mass to thank God for our blessings? As in past years, parishioners are asked to bring grocery items that can be carried down in procession to the altar during the Offertory. All food donated will be brought to the Upper Room to help feed others. Parishioners may also bring bread and wine or a non-alcoholic beverage to Mass to be blessed for your dinner at home. Monetary collections from this Mass will be donated to SHARE.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

##### Monday, Nov. 23

8:15 AM Ed Cordes, deceased, by Jim & Mary Hopp

##### Tuesday, Nov. 24

8:15 AM Anthony Doan, deceased, by Annhong Doan

##### Wednesday, Nov. 25

8:15 AM Samantha Pham's family, special intention

##### Thursday, Nov. 26

9:00 AM Joseph Brooks White, deceased, by LK Sturgeon

##### Friday, Nov. 27

8:15 AM Sang Nguyen family, special intention, by Samantha Pham

##### Saturday, Nov. 28

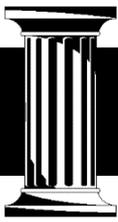
5:30 PM Batolomeo Hien Pham, deceased, by his family

##### Sunday, Nov. 29

7:00 AM Doug Littlen, deceased, by Paul Cowdery

9:00 AM Richard Martin, deceased, by Martin family

11:00 AM Parishioners of Holy Trinity



# 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.*

## Questions for Faith Sharing November 29, First Sunday of Advent

In next week's Gospel, Mark 13:33-37, we are called to watchfulness and discernment. We are indeed in the season of Advent. We are told to be alert while we await the coming of Christ. We need to seek God incarnate in those we feed, clothe and tend. Although Mark's message was first addressed to Christians of the first century, we too are invited to actively await the Kingdom of God.

### Reflection for families:

- How do you intend to enter into this season of waiting?



## Pick of the Week

**Daily Reflections** – Spend 3 to 4 minutes each day with Dr. Tim Gray as he breaks open one of the daily Mass readings. His insightful reflections are ended with an “Action Item” to concretely apply the daily readings to your life.

Don't forget to [get the app](#) (available for both iPhones and androids). Take Formed.org with you wherever you are!

To learn more about **FORMED.org** go to:

[www.holytrinityparish.org/formed](http://www.holytrinityparish.org/formed)

## Confirmation Groups Update

<https://www.holytrinityparish.org/sacraments>

### St. Philip Neri Group

Congratulations again on receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation last month! Over the next several weeks, Confirmation certificates will either be given to your siblings at Holy Trinity School or placed in your family Faith Formation file in the narthex. A link to order photos of the Confirmation Mass will be emailed. Stay involved! You are invited to join our Youth Ministry Group. Check out all the activities on their website: <https://www.holytrinityparish.org/ym>

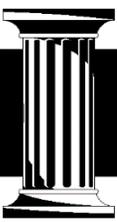
### St. Oscar Romero Group (Year 2):

This month the Confirmation Team will be making visits to your Faith Formation classes. Take the opportunity to ask all your questions about Confirmation preparation!

- **Next Mandatory Combined Confirmation Session:** LifeTeen Purpose "Fault" via Zoom **December 6** (12:30 - 2:00 PM) OR **December 10** (6:30 -8:00 PM). Information and the Zoom link will be emailed to you.
- **Service Hours:** Emails are sent monthly with suggestions for Ministry Hours AND Service Projects. We ask each candidate to complete 10 Ministry Hours and 2 Service Projects before May 2021. Don't wait until the last minute to get started! Please contact us at the Faith Formation Office if you have any questions ([LMacys@holytrinityparish.org](mailto:LMacys@holytrinityparish.org)).
- **Sacrament of Confirmation:** The Saint Oscar Romero Group will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on October 17, 2021 at 1:30 PM. The Morning of Reflection for candidates and sponsors will be held on October 16, 2021.

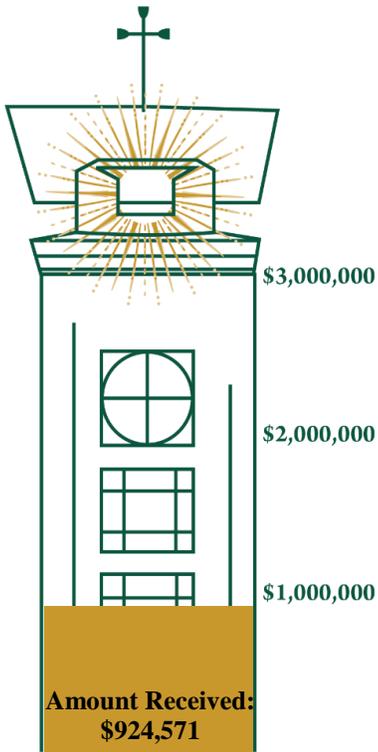
### St. Perpetua Group (Year 1):

If you have a student who would like to begin the preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation, you should already be registered. If not, please contact Linda Macys at the Faith Formation Office as soon as possible ([LMacys@holytrinityparish.org](mailto:LMacys@holytrinityparish.org)). Our first session will be in January 2021.



# 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.*



Thank you for your generous and on-going stewardship of Holy Trinity Parish. Because of you, in the midst of many challenges, we continue to move in our purpose.

Pre-pandemic Campaign Goal: \$3.5M

Total Pledges as of 9/30/2020: \$2.7M

Total Amount Received as of 9/30/2020: \$924,571

**Stewardship** "... giving thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light." (Colossians 1:12)

God desires for us to be happy, to have joy-filled lives that radiate His love! Some see the Ten Commandments as being restrictive and telling them what they *can't do*, stewards see them as guides for living a joy-filled and peaceful life.

Most problems arise when we put our needs first or spend most of our time trying to acquire "things." Instead, try putting God first in all things. Thank you for responding with your Time, Talent and Treasure for His Glory.

## Thanksgiving cards for the homeless

As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving this year, there are many in our community who are homeless. The Human Concerns Ministry would like to reach out with a small gift to let them know they are not forgotten. We are asking that you consider writing a Thanksgiving card or personal note and including a \$10.00 gift card from the Dollar Store or McDonalds (Dollar Store is preferred). Your cards will be given to the homeless with their Thanksgiving meal from the Upper Room. Please bring your cards to the church and place them in the wooden box in the Narthex by **November 24**. May God continue to bless you.

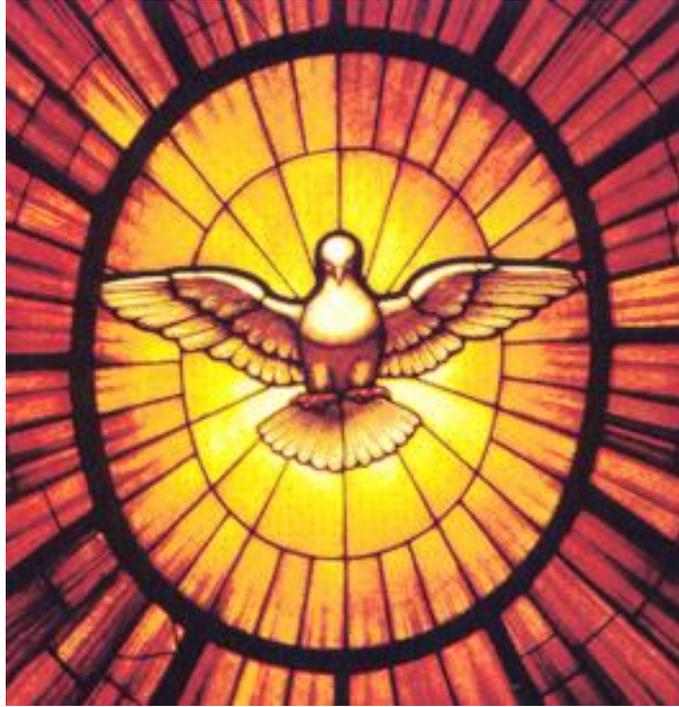
## Giving Tree

Our parish Giving Tree provides a way for our collective parish family to support those in need throughout El Dorado County, Haiti and Kenya. Our 2020 Christmas Giving Tree will serve agencies and organizations that meet the needs of families throughout the year. Due to Covid concerns there will be no ornaments on the tree to choose this year and no tangible gifts. Parishioners can make a donation to their charity of choice with gift cards or checks. There will be a red treasure box located next to the Giving Tree for your donation cards and checks.

If you are not yet attending mass you can drop off your donation to the parish office or for all charities you could do an electronic funds transfer and make a note in the comments section as to which Giving Tree charity and/or gift card you prefer. Our charities have requested the following:

- Mother Teresa Maternity-Amazon, Walmart, Target, Costco, Safeway and ARCO Gas
- Jobs Shelters-Amazon and Walmart
- St. Patrick's Clothes Closet-Dollar Store and Walmart
- New Morning Shelter-Visa (outings w/kids), Target, Walmart, In n Out, Taco Bell, McDonalds, Home Depot
- Haiti and African Orphans-checks or electronic funds transfer

We thank you in advance for making Christmas a little merrier for those in need.



*Veni Sancte Spiritus*

## **Adult Confirmation Classes**

**Beginning January 20, 2021**

**Wednesdays, 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm via Zoom**

The Adult Confirmation process is a joyful interactive opportunity for practicing Catholics who missed the opportunity when younger, for whatever reason, to complete their full initiation into the Catholic Church. This 12-week journey emphasizes the basics of Catholic teaching, respecting the adult audience's concerns, questions and responsibilities.

The top reason adults hesitate to pursue this sacrament is a fear of not knowing enough. Please don't let that stop you. That's what we're here for! We'd love to accompany you on the journey so that you can live in the fullness of our beautiful Catholic faith.

**Contact the Faith Formation Office to register**

**(530-677-3234, option 5)**



## Holidays Survival Tips after the death of a loved one

For the bereaved, coping with the Holidays is especially challenging in these extraordinary times compounded by the fact that the funeral service was far from normal. Now you must figure out how to celebrate the Holidays without your loved one and, likely, without the physical presence of those you care the most. After all the Holidays are about spending time with family and friends in the midst of many family traditions from years past. This year changes are inevitable. You may choose to scale back, make new traditions or do something different.

Here are a few practical tips.

- **Take care of yourself as you grieve.**
  - Be kind and gentle to yourself.
  - Don't be afraid to express your feelings – allow others to comfort you.
  - To minimize stress do not take on too much.
  - Enlist help from those you trust or from a professional.
- **Plan ahead.**
  - Make a plan on how you will spend the holiday, or what you will do or not do on that day – be sure to inform others in advance.
- **Do something for others to lift your spirits.**
  - Volunteer for a cause meaningful to you or meaningful to your loved one.
  - Donate a gift or money in your loved one's name.
- **Celebrate.**
  - Hang a stocking for your loved one and fill it with notes from people with their thoughts, feelings or stories. (Ask people to forward notes online.)
  - Light a candle as a symbol of Jesus' birth, and say a prayer for your loved one.



### **Four Candles:** *A Holiday Memorial for your loved one with the family*

*“As we light these four candles in honor of you, we light one for our grief, one for our courage, one for our memories and one for our love.”*

**Light the 1<sup>st</sup> candle:** *“The light of this first candle represents our grief. The pain of losing you is intense. It reminds us of the depth of our love for you.”*

**Light the 2<sup>nd</sup> candle:** *“The light of this second candle represents our courage to confront our sorrow; to comfort each other; to change our lives.”*

**Light the 3<sup>rd</sup> candle:** *“This third candle is a light to all of our memories of you. To the times we laughed, times we cried, the times we were angry with each other, the silly things you did, the caring and joy you gave us.”*

**Light the 4<sup>th</sup> candle:** *“This fourth candle is the light of our love. As we enter the holiday season, day by day, we cherish the special place in our hearts that will always be reserved for you. We thank you for the gift your life brought to each of us. We love you and miss you, [say the name of loved one].”*

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