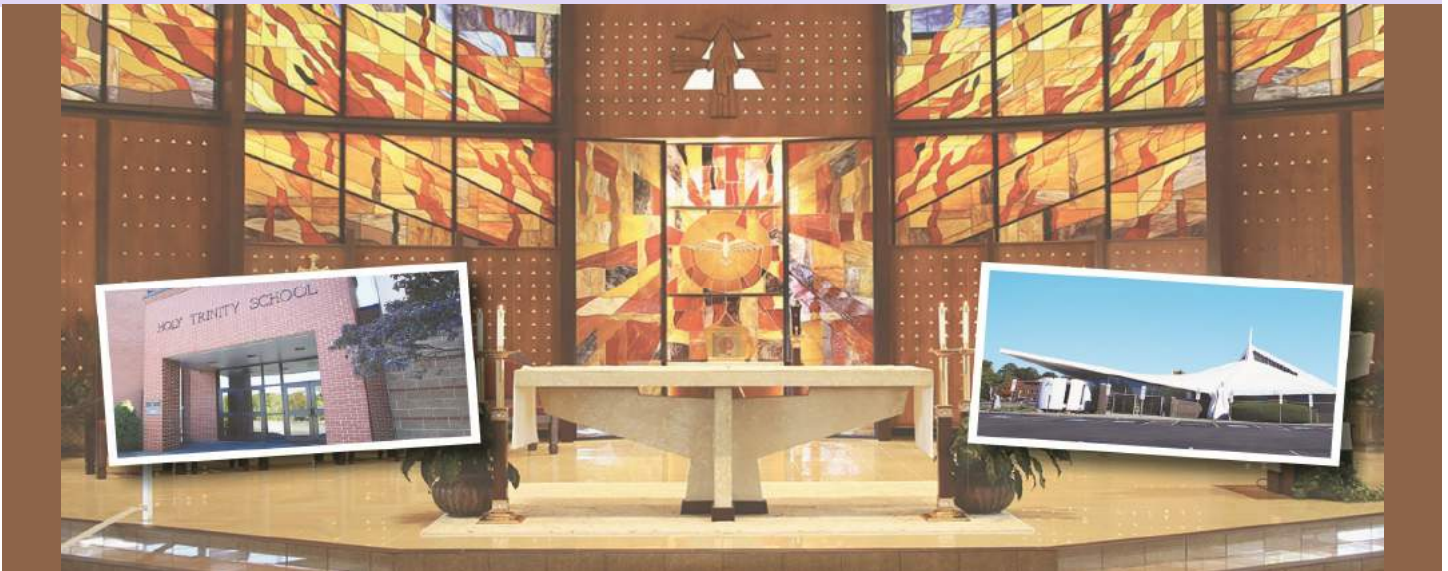


HOLY TRINITY PARISH

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, 7:00pm
Weekdays & Sat. 8:15am
Thursday 6:30pm

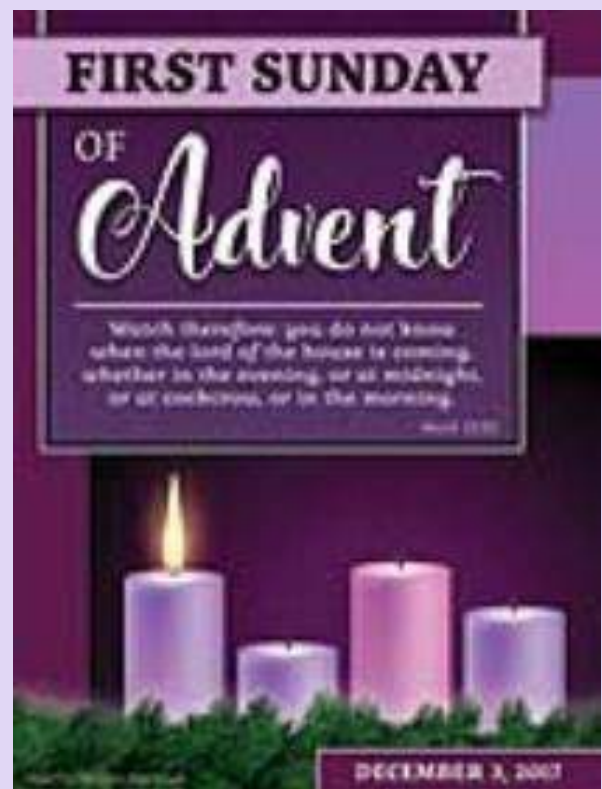
RECONCILIATION

Thursday 7:15pm
Saturday 11:30am, 4:00pm, By Appointment

ADORATION

Thursday 7:00-8:30pm
First Friday All Day & All Night

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December 3, 2017

Date	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Lectors	Altar Servers
Saturday, Dec. 9 5 pm	Kenneth Zern, Stanley Drake, Christine Drake, Linda Gomulka, Daniel Sullivan, Mary Pat Sullivan, Dennis Kocsuta, Kathryn Polliard, Andrea Kurtz	Michael McGinley, Mary Stevens	Henry Barbisch, Sage Sonnet
Sunday, Dec. 10 8 am	Christine Batiste, Robert Baker, Karen Baker, Merritt O'Rourke Donoghue, Terry Donoghue, Frank Vietmeier, Susan Vietmeier, Mary Dirda, Thomas Dirda	Russell Ernst, Bonnie Pendergast	Anna Christine Parker, Joseph Robert Parker
Sunday, Dec. 11 10 am	Brenda Mack, James L Burns, Jr, Lisa Pompeani, Nancy J Barner, Kathleen Gennuso, Richard Gennuso, James Manion, Debbie Manion, Susan Ruscoe	Ramond M Ruscoe, Kenneth G Buckley	Jacob Merlo, Melaina Merlo
Sunday, Dec. 12 12 pm	Charles R Donna, David Martin, Gregory Leininger, Andrew Lezzi, Bernadine Parrish, Diane Moran, Al Jamiolkowski, Margaret Jamiolkowski, Joyce Polovich	Mary Alice Farren, Denise Carr	Michael Leininger, Joseph Leininger
Sunday, Dec. 13 7 pm	Hackney-Fierro, Cynde, Mary Weibel <Minister Needed> <Minister Needed>	Melissa Cullin, Susan Leininger	Evelyn Minzer, Ryan Gehring

8:15 AM WEEKLY ALTAR SERVERS

- Mon., Dec. 4**—Grace Murray, Ricky Murray
- Tues., Dec. 5**—Henry Barbisch, Liam McAndrews
- Wed., Dec. 6**—Hunter Gorsuch, Tanner Gorsuch
- Thurs., Dec. 7**—Gianna Kennelly, Natalie Krulac
- Fri., Dec. 8**—Josephine Einloth, Lucy Einloth

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
- Tuesday:** Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37
: Lk 10:21-24
- Wednesday:** Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37;
- Thursday:** Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
- Friday:** Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
- Saturday:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8
- Sunday:** Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday:** First Sunday of Advent
- Monday:** St. John Damascene
- Wednesday:** St. Nicholas
- Thursday:** St. Ambrose;
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- Friday:** Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Saturday:** St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

BLESSED MOTHER GROTTO



Remember your loved ones by ordering an engraved Memorial Brick for placement in our Blessed Mother Grotto. Cut-off date for orders is February 23, 2018. Order forms are always available. If interested, please ask one of our Ushers and they will be happy to provide one for you.

The Immaculate Conception is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are scheduled as follows:
Thursday, Dec. 7—6:30 pm
Friday, Dec 8—8:15 am, 12 pm, 7 pm

SCHEDULING OF 2018 MASSES

Mass Intention forms are available in the rectory office. Intentions can also be mailed to the office. Three Mass intentions with dates are permitted (only 1 Sunday or 5 pm Saturday); other Mass intentions can be placed in our backlog.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Charles Bastyr, Clare Beer, Dolly Blumling, Sara Bobro, Stanley Bokoski, Theresa Boros, Anthony Davis, Hazel Dolence, Phyllis Downs, Carol Holzapfel, Sylvia Janosov, Laura Kammermeier, Steven Kanuch, Lorraine Kriger, Vickie Lawhorne, Sandra Kutzavitch, Msgr. Lamonde, John Leaman, Lori Leaman, Victor Mancini, Betty Matyaz, Dolores McGuire, Patricia Misklow, Diane Moorhead, Chuck Moran, Jean Moran, Shelly Morgan, Eddie Nagel, Betty Ann Navickas, Jude Ostrowski, Barbara Placek, Margaret Ruprecht, Dante Sabatucci, Marie Sabatucci, Evelyn Schiefer, Fran Smith, Marian Stangler, Harry Suehr, Leona Warren, Patricia Zerishnek. If you know of anyone who is ill and would like to receive the sacraments, please let Fr. Ken know.

PARISH DONATIONS FOR THE WEEKEND OF November 18/19, 2017

\$ 9,185.00 Regular Sunday Envelope
\$ 1,846.50 Parish Share (PSP)
\$11,031.50 TOTAL

\$ 4,639.00 Religious Retirement

Thank you!

OPLATKI WAFERS

Oplatki wafers are available in the Parish Office during business hours or in the Bride's Room for a donation of \$1 a packet, which includes 4 wafers (3 white and one pink).

RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED

Dec 4 —Dec 8

The Rectory Office will be closed for repairs during the week of December 4th and will reopen on Monday, December 11th. Priests will be available if there is a sacramental emergency.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Sun., Dec. 3 — First Sunday of Advent; CCD Classes; Baptisms during 12 Noon Mass; Feed the needy; High School Youth Group 5 to 7PM, Ministry Center
Mon., Dec. 4 — Parish Mission, 7PM, Church; Robison Farmers Market 3:00-5:00 PM
Tues., Dec. 5 — Parish Mission, 7PM, Church
Weds., Dec. 6 — Parish Mission, 7PM, Church
Thurs., Dec. 7 —6:30 Mass in Anticipation, exposition, confession and benediction at 8:15 AM
Fri., Dec.8 —Immaculate Conception — Masses at 8 AM, 12 Noon and 7 PM; First Friday
Sun., Dec. 10 —Second Sunday of Advent CCD Classes

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL'S FEED THE NEEDY WEEKEND December 2-3, 2017

"It is more blessed to give than to receive." — Jesus, in Acts 20:35

The next St. Vincent de Paul's Feed the Needy weekend will take place this weekend, December 2-3. The food pantry is in need of the following items: Canned Chicken, Canned Tuna, Canned Fruit, Canned Tomatoes, Diced Tomatoes, Spaghetti Sauce, Pasta, Noodles, Pancake Syrup, Pancake Mix, Tuna Helper, Manwich, Soups.

Food donations and monetary donations are appreciated.

Thank you for your generosity.


ADVENT RESOURCES available on **Formed.org**. The following Advent resources are available on Formed.org: watch The Nativity Story with family; listen to Prepare the Way of the King; for children: Kristoph and the First Christmas Tree; read Come, Lord Jesus. All these resources and many more are available at this web site. Holy Trinity subscribed to this web site. Anyone can access the content on this site after setting up an account and using our parish code 6KVJ66. There are piles of good Catholic content available for your viewing or reading pleasure. Be sure to sign up today and take advantage of this resource.

CHRISTMAS CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Every Thursday after 6:30 pm Mass
Saturday's at 11:30 am and 4:00 pm
Wednesday, December 13th — The Light is on for you Confessions, 6:00 to 9:00 pm
Tuesday, December 19th — Parish Penance Service, 7:00 pm



THE *crib* THE *cross* & THE *gift*



ADVENT PARISH MISSION
WITH FR. DAVE PIVONKA, TOR
Come and be renewed in your faith!

DECEMBER 3 - 6 2017

DON'T MISS OUR PARISH ADVENT SERIES!

Join us December 4-6 at 7 pm for a three-night series with Fr. Dave Pivonka, a dynamic and sought-after speaker, creator of The Wild Goose series and popular Catholic Author! You may recognize Fr. Pivonka from the first night of the Life in the Spirit Seminar we hosted two years ago.

"The Crib, the Cross, and the Gift" series is sure to uplift, inspire, and invite you into a deeper relationship with God. No matter where you are in your Faith, this will be a powerful opportunity to encounter Jesus. So come! Come together as a parish! Come with friends and neighbors! Come and encounter Him again, encounter Him in a new way, or encounter Him for the first time. Kick off a powerful, faith-filled, peaceful Advent.

Teachers and catechists will receive catechetical credit for each talk they attend. RSVP today at holyltrinityrobinson.org! Contact Erin Stuvek (estuvek@holyltrinityrobinson.org) with any questions.



ROBINSON FARMERS MARKET

HOLIDAY MARKET

FRESH · LOCAL · CHRISTMAS!

DECEMBER 4, 2017

3:00 - 5:00pm



BAPTISMS

We would like to welcome the following newly baptized infants into our parish community:

Jack Joseph Harbison, child of Jason and Dara (Rinchuse) Harbison

Caleb Wyatt Lewis, child of Damon and Kristin (Steiner) Lewis

Jack Thomas McHugh, child of Bryan and Julia (Terpack) McHugh

Amelia Ann Metts, child of Geoffrey and Nicole (Kriger) Metts

Sienna Carmen Page, child of Ryan and Julie (Bonacci) Page

Madilynn James Stanley, child of Kevin and Lauren (Stenger) Stanley

Rocco Anthony Stoffella, child of Adam and Brittney (Horvath) Stoffella

Sadie Palma Thiry, child of Benjamin and Colleen (Binns) Thiry

We congratulate these infants, their parents and god parents. May God continue to pour forth his blessings on them.

CONFIRMATION

*The retreat will be held on **Saturday, February 24th** at Holy Trinity.

*The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on **April 10th at 7 PM.**

Bishop Waltersheid will be conferring bishop.



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***ADVENT SERVICE:** At the beginning of each class session today, a Liturgy of the Word service will be celebrated. Students are to report to their classrooms, as usual.

*The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on **Saturday, December 16th**, for grades 3-8. Please meet your teachers, in church at 10:15.

BISHOP CANEVIN NEWS

Christmas in the Courtyard — Bishop Canevin High School extends a warm holiday invitation to parishioners for Christmas in the Courtyard on **Wednesday, December 13 from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm.** The school's choir and band will perform traditional Christmas carols as well as a few new selections to help celebrate the joy of the season. Beginning at 6:30 pm, stroll the school decorated first floor while you enjoy refreshments and a casual pre-concert, followed by the formal concert in the school auditorium at 7:30 pm. There is no charge for admission and all are welcome.

Financial Aid and Scholarship Seminar will be held on Wednesday, **January 17, 2018** in the school library for parents interested in learning about Bishop Canevin's financial aid application process, guidelines, and qualifications, **and** scholarship opportunities. To register call 412-922-7400, ext. 215.

ON MISSION FOR CHURCH ALIVE

The Work of God's Hands – Today we begin the season of Advent, our annual time of joyful expectation as we await the coming of Jesus Christ. Our waiting is two-fold. More immediately, we anticipate the celebration of Christmas and the anniversary of the Son of God coming as one like us to love us and to set an example for us to follow. At the same time, we actively await the time when Christ will come again in glory and call all people to himself. Throughout the Advent season, as in today's Gospel, we will hear the call to be alert and ready for the Lord's coming that we might not be caught off guard. That readiness includes allowing the God who created us in his image to continue to form our hearts and lives to be more like His own, for "we are the clay and [He] the potter." As we also anticipate the changes coming in our parishes as part of the On Mission for The Church Alive! initiative we place our trust in God as he continues to form us and our parishes. May our hearts be formed in patience and peace as we work to build up new communities of faith. May our parishes be formed in vibrancy and unity as places of warm welcome and firm faith. Visit onmissionchurchalive.org to learn more and to stay informed.



December 2 & 3

Classroom Spotlights



3rd Grade

On November 8th the third graders at Holy Trinity School welcomed a special guest into their classroom, Mr. Sam Duerr. Mr. Duerr owns Duerr Packaging and is a member of The Parkway West Rotary Club. Parkway West Rotary club is a local chapter of Rotary International. This is an international service organization whose stated purpose is to bring together business and professional leaders in order to provide

humanitarian services, to encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and to advance goodwill and peace around the world.

The Rotary Club generously donated 31 dictionaries to the 31 third grade students, and led a presentation about the dictionary. The students learned how to use the reference pages and pronunciation key, located words, and even attempted to say the longest word in the English language. This visit coincided perfectly with the novel the HTS students are reading called Frindle. Frindle is a story about a boy named Nick, who takes on his teacher, Mrs. Granger, and her love of the dictionary by creating a brand new word-frindle. Holy Trinity School extends a heartfelt thank you to the Parkway West Rotary club for their support of education and our school!

Preschool -Thanksgiving



Miss Folino's and Miss McGuire's 4 year old preschool classes joined together to celebrate Thanksgiving. The classes reenacted the first Thanksgiving by dressing like pilgrims and Native Americans and having a feast. The children enjoyed sharing thankful thoughts, a story, and yummy Thanksgiving foods together.

Miss McGuire's 3 year old preschool class performed a Thanksgiving prayer service for family members. The students celebrated the giving season by sharing what they are thankful for, singing songs, and thanking Jesus for His blessings.



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If you want more information about our school please contact Leslie Williams at htsadvancement@holytrinityrobinson.org or 412-787-2656

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP
TODAY — SUNDAY
DECEMBER 3rd
5pm — 7pm
Ministry Center**

All Teens in 9th — 12th grades are welcome!!

Food — Games — Fun — Small Groups

For more information please contact
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**Advent Reflections: Waiting in hope
A time of preparation**



BEST ADVENT EVER

Advent is just around the corner. Do you want to get the most out of Advent? Several resources have been purchased to help us focus on the 'reason for the season.' Check the tables near the doors of the church for the many resources. Another way to make this the *Best Advent Ever* is sign up for Dynamic Catholic's *Best Advent Ever* program. On your computer go to DynamicCatholic.com/signup to receive daily emails with short inspirational videos. Throughout Advent you will discover how to slow down and find joy on preparing for Christmas. By the way, last year nearly one million people participated in this free email program. You can do the same and have a life-changing experience this Advent. What can be better? It's free. Go to DynamicCatholic.com/signup

**CELEBRATION OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE
DECEMBER 12TH
The Cathedral of St Paul**



Program
5:30pm Eucharistic Adoration
6:30pm Rosary
7:00pm Mass
From 5:30pm some priests are going to be available for confessions.

Let us pray to HER so she will always keep the Church Alive!

**2017 Clinton Park Christmas Light Up
Celebration Donation**

In November 2015, our Knights of Columbus Council #11279 created and donated "Keep Christ in Christmas" sign. The sign was donated to the Clinton Park Christmas Light Up Celebration for their annual drive thru display.

Once again, our sign has already been set up in Clinton Part by volunteers of the Christmas Light Up Celebration organization. It will be on display from November 18th thru January 7th every day for the public to see from 5pm until 10pm. The admission fee/donation to drive thru the Light display is still only \$10 per car and you may ride thru the display multiple times during your visit.

The mission of the Clinton Park Christmas Light Up Celebration is to generate unity within our community by celebrating the Christmas Spirit together and to bring positive attention to our township from those outside its borders.

CONGRATULATIONS BRENDAN!

Our Music Director, Brendan Barker began a part time position at Duquesne University earlier this fall within his alma mater, the Mary Pappert School of Music. Brendan now serves as an adjunct professor of music performance and directs the Pappert Men's Chorale. He has also been working alongside Dr Ann Labounsky in her sacred organ and choral literature course as a guest lecturer on the choral works of J.S. Bach.

Congratulations Brendan!

Parish Mission Statement:

We, the members of Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Parish, inspired by the Blessed Trinity and honored to call ourselves disciples of Jesus Christ, strive to glorify God with our lives by promoting reverence for the Eucharist as the source and summit of our faith. We continually catechize parishioners of all ages, guiding them into a personal relationship with Jesus. We encourage all members to give of their time, talent and resources, and we commit to evangelize those within our parish and the community at large.

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Please indicate the duration you would like your item to appear in the bulletin. ** Inclusion is subject to approval and space availability**

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Child and Youth Services Allegheny County: (412) 473-2000
Child Care Information Services: (724) 228-6969
Mental Health Services Allegheny County: (412) 454-9000
Cyber Tip Hotline: (800) 843-5678

CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY IF A CHILD IS IN IMMINENT DANGER FROM ABUSE