

Church of the Holy Spirit



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Holy Trinity Church



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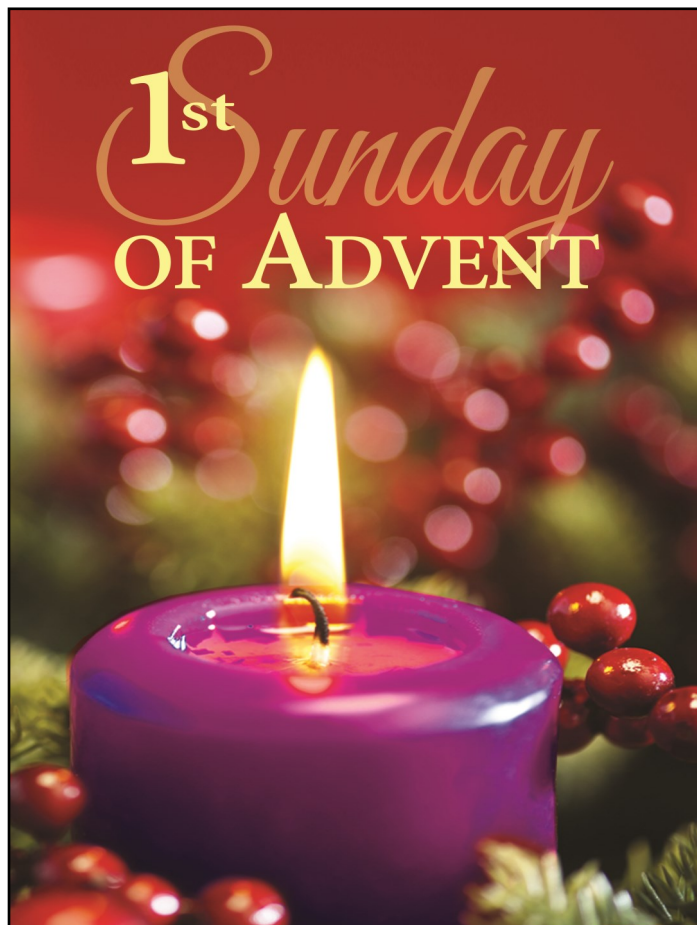
OFFICE HOURS FOR HOLY TRINITY PARISH : Monday-Thursday 9:00 A.M. - 2:30 P.M. Closed Friday
OFFICE HOURS FOR HOLY SPIRIT PARISH: Monday-Thursday 9:00 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. Friday 10:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M.
(Closed 12:30-P.M.-1:30 P.M. for lunch)

Rev. Matthew Wetsel, Pastor

Matthew.Wetsel@rcda.org

Rev. Donald Czelusniak, Pastor Emeritus

Larry Groesbeck, Deacon



**1st Sunday
OF ADVENT**

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT served by:

Liz Anderson, Pastoral Assoc. for Business Administration
Jaime Kosowicz, Parish Secretary, Bulletin Editor
Ann Simonson, Faith Formation & Youth Ministry
Clarence Veeder, Cemetery Director
Adam Valachovic, Buildings & Grounds
Tom Cichy and Lisa Stanyon, Trustees

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil - 4:00 P.M.

Sunday - 11:30 A.M.

Daily Mass - Thursday & Friday 8:30 A.M.

HOLY TRINITY served by:

Jeannie Popp, Parish Secretary, Cemeteries & Finance

email: (jpoppp@holytrinityjohnstown.com)

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Cindy Kollar, Faith Formation Coordinator

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Kevin Quinn, Buildings & Grounds

Frank DeRosa and Bob Schultz, Trustees

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Sunday - 8:00 A.M. & 10:00 A.M.

Daily Mass - Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Every Saturday 3:15 P.M. - 3:45 P.M. at Holy Spirit. Also,
First Wednesday of the month following devotions,
alternating monthly between parishes.

BAPTISM: First time parents are required to receive instructions. Call parish offices.

MATRIMONY: Pre-Cana is expected. Call parish offices at least six months in advance.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): Call the Parish Offices.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK & HOMEBOUND: If you are planning a surgery, ask one of our priests to celebrate the Sacrament after one of our weekend or daily Masses. Seriously ill or home bound should call the office.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL: At The Church of the Holy Spirit.

CEMETERIES: Call parish offices.

MOTHER TERESA'S CLOSET: Emergency household and personal care items available at Holy Trinity Parish.

DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT: Items are available, free of charge, at Holy Trinity Parish for those in need.

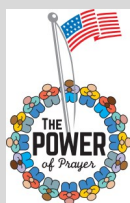
WEDNESDAY DEVOTIONS: 3:00 P.M.
In December the Wednesday Devotions will be at Holy Trinity with the Divine Mercy Chaplet in the presence of the exposed Blessed Sacrament. Prayer to Our Lady Undoer of Knots, Prayer for Vocations, Benediction, Divine Praise and closing prayer.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 P.M. at Holy Spirit
Sunday: 8:00 A.M. at Holy Trinity
10:00 A.M. at Holy Trinity
11:30 A.M. at Holy Spirit

Weekday Masses: 8:30 A.M.
Tuesday & Wednesday at Holy Trinity, Johnstown
Thursday & Friday at Holy Spirit, Gloversville.

Confessions: 3:15 P.M.— Saturday at Holy Spirit AND First Wednesday of the Month following devotions, alternating monthly between the parishes.



OUR COUNTRY NEEDS OUR PRAYERS:
Please join us to pray the Rosary to Our Lady of Fatima on the first Saturday of each month at 10:00 A.M. at the Trackside Homes meeting room in Johnstown.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE:

1st Sunday in Advent

Tribulation. Wildfires. Tsunamis. Moral corruption. Disease. War. We tend to associate these things with the end times, and perhaps for good reason! In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "People will die of fright in anticipation of what is coming upon the world." Not exactly putting us in the Christmas spirit, is it? During Advent, we anticipate a celebration of Christ's first coming. There is a quiet stillness about our waiting, or at least we try to encourage that in ourselves. Perhaps we have an Advent devotional or we take time to pray together as a family around the Advent wreath.

But Jesus did not come only once into history. During Advent, we remember that he will come again. You may remember the rapture craze in the early 2000s, when a series of books and movies envisioned a future where Jesus was coming soon and all the true believers had been whisked away. Everyone else had one more chance to repent before things really went to hell...literally, in this case!

But is that what Jesus is talking about here? The truth is, we don't know what Jesus' Second Coming will be like. The actual return of Christ - though sudden and perhaps frightening to some - should not frighten us. Despite all the stories we may have heard about the apocalypse, the advice of Jesus is not to hang our heads or cower in fear. "Stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." In a certain sense, we are already living in the end times. We already encounter great tribulation. We all find it easy to get distracted or discouraged in the grind of daily life. Today's Gospel reminds us that vigilance for God's presence is needed now.

EXTENDED CONFESSIONAL HOURS: Fr. Matt will offer the sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday, December 13th 2:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M. in the Holy Trinity Confessional.

PILGRIMAGE OPPORTUNITY: Fr. Matt will be leading a pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, and Barcelona from October 6th –October 15, 2019. For more information, please speak with Fr. Matt and take an informational brochure from the entrance of the churches.

CHURCH & ROOM RESERVATION: Please contact the office to make a request for using the church and/or a room in the hall. This will help the parish to be as fair as possible to the various organizations that use the church's property. If you need to have a standing reservation for a set day and time, please make sure that your request includes that. Thank you! ~Fr. Matt

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 2, 2018

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]/1 Thes 3:12—4:2
Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-
Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]/Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37
Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]
Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31
Saturday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6,
11-12/Lk 1:26-38
Next Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11
Lk 3:1-6

December 2, 2018

The Church of the Holy Spirit
Collection information for the week of:
November 25, 2018



Holy Trinity Parish
Collection information for the week of:
November 25, 2018

Regular Collection 11/18/18	\$3,055.00
Envelopes	\$2,142.00
Loose	\$569.00
Online	\$344.00
Attendance 4:00 P.M. 185 11:30 A.M. 134	
Regular Collection 11/25/18	\$3,113.00
Envelopes	\$2,414.00
Loose	\$422.00
Online	\$277.00
Attendance 4:00 P.M. 193 11:30 A.M. 151	
Bishop's Appeal Assessment:	\$41,115.00
187 Gifts	\$41,115.00
Capital Campaign Assessment:	\$355,210.00
Gifts	\$469,065.00

Regular Collection 11/25/18	\$2,959.00
Envelopes	\$2,725.00
Loose	\$234.00
Fuel	\$20.00
Human Development	\$197.00
All Saints	\$33.00
All Souls	\$50.00
Christmas Flowers	\$506.00
Faith Formation	\$50.00
Attendance 8:00 A.M. 91 10:00 A.M. 145	
Bishop's Appeal Assessment:	\$46,951.00
Townsend fund	-\$20,000.00
88 gifts	\$21,717.00
Balance	\$5,234.00
Capital Campaign Assessment:	\$250,551.00
188 gifts	\$231,953.88
Balance	\$18,597.12

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 8 & 9

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>
4:00 P.M.	Sandy Yacobucci Trina Zimmerman	Rich & Barbara Tucci, Sherry Collar	Michael Nichols Kristen Farley
11:30 A.M.	Jamin Clemente Matt Trainor	Mike Shrader, Pam Bray, John Stewart	Bridget Will, Alex Towne, Joey Wittemeyer, PJ Clet

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>
8:00 A.M.	Karen Sagan	Eva VanAlystne, John Sagan, Rebecca Weiderman	Michael Sagan
10:00 A.M.	Sixth grader	Father Murphy, Ronnie Quinn, Kevin Quinn	Volunteer (2)

Wells House/Pineview Commons: Jane Sitterly & Carol Bartholomew

JOYOUS SOUNDS OF THE SEASON featuring Olivia Esposito, Paul Whitney, Sam & Jessica Zimmerman, Don Ambrosino & Sue Shrader. Please join us in the Church of the Holy Spirit on December 9th at 3:00 P.M. The concert will benefit Mother Teresa's Closet. Free will donations and household items will be accepted.



The Sisters of the Holy Spirit will hold their Christmas dinner on Monday, December 3rd at 6:00 P.M. at the Holiday Inn, Johnstown.



Thank you for your continued support and your thoughtful donations. Thank you to all our volunteers who work so hard at keeping the store open six days a week. Without all of you there wouldn't be a store! We pay our rent and the rest is given away. All of our profits go to charity.



MOTHER TERESA'S CLOSET:

We are in need of bar soap, deodorant, feminine products, kleenex, paper towels, laundry detergent, cleaners, toilet paper & shampoo. Monetary donations are also welcome. Thank you to all who support this ministry. We are grateful for your time, donations and your kindness both from Holy Trinity and Holy Spirit churches.
~Outreach Committee

Thank you to all those who donated to the food baskets for Thanksgiving Dinner sponsored by MTC.

We will be sponsoring families for Christmas this year. If you would like to help in any way please contact the office for information. We will also be donating food baskets to these Christmas families.

Christmas ornament sale to benefit Mother Teresa's Closet will be held after Masses on Sunday.

First Sunday of Advent

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT FAITH FORMATION NEWS:

Ann Simonson, Faith Formation Coordinator
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HOLY TRINITY PARISH FAITH FORMATION NEWS:

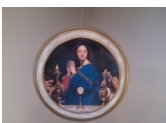
Cindy Kollar, Faith Formation Coordinator
email: ckollar@holytrinityjohnstown.com

Sunday, December 2nd, 10:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. the 3rd Annual Vendor/Craft Event will take place in the Holy Spirit gym. Come and shop with more than 24 vendors and crafters for home décor, Christmas items, jewelry, clothing, local honey products and so much more. Food and raffles will also be a part of this event. Thank you to the M.O.F.I.A for putting on this wonderful event for our parish community.

The Knights of Columbus is working with our Faith Formation Program on a poster contest called "Keeping Christ in Christmas." All children ages kindergarten to 14 yrs. have been given a participation packet for this contest. If your child has not received one, please let Ann Simonson know. All posters must be turned in by December 2nd. On Tuesday, December 18th, there will be a judging reception in the Holy Spirit gym at 6:30 P.M. where ALL the entries will be displayed. After the contest, the posters will be displayed in the church for the Christmas season. The participation packet has all the rules and necessary information for the contest.

The Youth Ministry Program will be participating in a "Giving Tree Project" again this year with Friday's Table. Gift tags are filled out by the Friday's Table participants with the help of the teens from the Youth Ministry Program. The tags are put on a tree in Spirit Central for the teens to take and bring home so they, along with their families, can shop for the person they picked. The gifts will then be delivered to Friday's Table by the teens before Christmas. If anyone in the parish would like to donate any items such as blankets, gloves, hats, etc., please drop your donation off to the office before Sunday, December 16th. Labeled "Friday's Table Giving Project." This is a total different project than the gift tag trees we did for Maternity Services in the past. If you have any questions, please contact Ann Simonson.

Sunday, December 2nd, The Schine Gallery, located in the Historic Schine Memorial Hall at 40 N. Main Street in downtown Gloversville is presenting the 5th Annual Holiday Exhibit, "Schine on The Holidays-2018". The exhibit is featuring Ann Simonson's inspirational photography. Ann is Holy Spirit's Faith Formation Coordinator. In addition there are many decorated theme Christmas trees with complementary songs and quilts. Also exhibited are vintage red, white and gold quilts. Donations accepted for CAPTAIN Community Human Services.



Adoration of Our Lord "Prepare the way of the Lord."

Perpetual Adoration Chapel at Holy Spirit.
Jesus listens to your heart. Come and visit Him in the Adoration Chapel.

As we prepare for the season of Advent, let us ask ourselves what are we doing to prevent the anxieties of daily life from looking for Christ? How can my family prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming?

First Sunday of Advent: Hope

"Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man"

Catechists from Holy Trinity and Holy Spirit, please make sure to RSVP to Ann or Cindy in regards to the catechetical night of reflection on **December 6th** at Holy Trinity Parish.

Sunday, December 9th, we will celebrate the 6th Grade Class Mass at 10:00 A.M. at Holy Trinity. Please keep these young people in your prayers as they prepare to participate in the Mass.

Sunday, December 9th, Fr. Matt will do a recruitment of altar servers for the teens in junior high school during our Faith Formation classes.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: All are welcome to attend one of our adult groups. Holy Trinity meets on Tuesday at 9:15 A.M. in the Parish Center. Holy Spirit meets on Tuesday at 10:00 A.M. in the Café. Please join us!

Advent—Preparing for Christmas, Journeying in Our Faith. Join us for "Door of Mercy-Exploring God's Covenant with You." The program will be held each week on **Tuesdays at the Church of the Holy Spirit, 10:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M. and Wednesdays at Holy Trinity, 6:30 P.M.-8:30 P.M.** This video/discussion program explores God's covenants with His people throughout Salvation History. For more information call Ann Jones at Holy Spirit or Veronica Quinn at Holy Trinity.

Friday December 7th at 5:30 P.M. please join us in the parish hall at Holy Trinity following the Holy Day Mass for pizza and a short movie about Our Lady of Fatima.

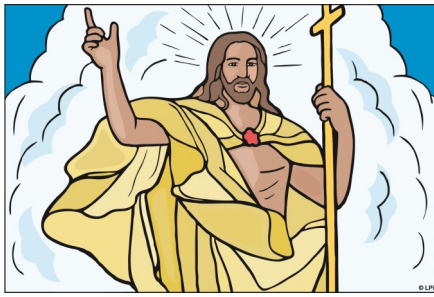
THE HOLY TRINITY MEN'S GROUP will sponsor a Spiral Ham Dinner on December 11th. Social hour begins at 5:00 P.M. with dinner to follow at 6:00 P.M. The Speaker will be Loraaine Hohenforst, PhD from BOCES. Ticket will be sold after Sunday Mass at Holy Trinity.

THE HOLY TRINITY ROSARY SOCIETY will meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 P.M. in the hall meeting room.

We will have our Rosary Society Christmas Gathering on Sunday, Dec. 2nd at 4:00 P.M. at Sam's.



Church of the Holy Spirit & Holy Trinity Catholic Church



“Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.” - Lk 21:27-28

HOLY SPIRIT MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 2, 2018

- SAT. 4:00 P.M.** **NANCY JAVARONE**
REQUESTED BY GAETANO JAVARONE
RAYMOND FARHART (1ST. ANN)
REQUESTED BY BROTHER, MAURICE &
FAMILY
ANTHONY GUIFFRE (4TH ANN)
REQUESTED BY WIFE & FAMILY
REV. MICHAEL D. CLEMENTE
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
JOHANNA HERRLETT
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
- SUN. 11:30 A.M.** **CAROLYN & HANK RENZI**
REQUESTED BY NIECES AND NEPHEWS
MARY ROSE POLENSKI
REQUESTED BY ESPER FAMILY
LLOYD HENRY
REQUESTED BY JOHN MCCALL & FAMILY
LOUIS MENDETTA
REQUESTED BY DON & COOKIE FLEISCHUT
**MARGARET & RICHARD
RUBSCHA**
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
- MON. 8:30 A.M.** **NO DAILY MASS**
- TUES. 8:30 A.M.** **MASS AT HOLY TRINITY**
- WED. 8:00 A.M.** **MASS AT HOLY TRINITY**
- THURS. 8:30 A.M.** **MICHAEL GERAGHTY, SR.**
REQUESTED BY FAMILY
FOR AMERICA
LOU MENDETTA
REQUESTED BY STANYON FAMILY
- FRI. 8:30 A.M.** **MEMORIAL MASS**
- SAT. 8:30 A.M.** **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**
- SAT. 4:00 P.M.** **JOHN HEIMER, JR.**
REQUESTED BY WIFE & FAMILY
CATHIE SCHONBECK
REQUESTED BY JOHN & ANGIE SAVAGE
JEFFREY PELOSI
REQUESTED BY MOM & DAD
SALVATORE ZARELLI
REQUESTED BY EMILIA DECCO
ROBERT GRANT
REQUESTED BY WIFE & FAMILY
- SUN. 11:30 A.M.** **GERTRUDE BERNADETTE &
BERNARD TIMOTHY MULHALL**
REQUESTED BY ESTATE OF IRENE MULHALL
SALVATORE ZARRELLI
REQUESTED BY RALPH CAMPANILE
JOSEPH LAPORTA
REQUESTED BY WING & VANSKIVER
FAMILIES
TERESA AVELLINO
REQUESTED BY ANTHONY AVELLINO &
FAMILY
MARY AVELLINO ZAMBRI
REQUESTED BY ANTHONY AVELLINO

HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 2, 2018

- SUN. 8:00 A.M.** **MICHAEL AND STANLEY
PIEHUTA (ANN)**
REQUESTED BY JOHN & MARY PRADELSKI
& FAMILY
**HELEN FITZPATRICK CASTELLANO
(50TH ANN)**
REQUESTED BY DAUGHTER, MARY LANDRIO
MARY SILIGATO (B'DAY)
REQUESTED BY CHILDREN
MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
- SUN. 10:00 A.M.** **PETER S. WILSON (26TH ANN)**
REQUESTED BY LISE & FAMILY
MIKE KIRKPATRICK
REQUESTED BY TOM & DENISE WALSH
FRED FAGAN
REQUESTED BY JANE POLLAK
**LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF
THE HOLY TRINITY ROSARY
SOCIETY**
- MON. 8:30 A.M.** **NO DAILY MASS**
- TUES. 8:30 A.M.** **FRED FAGAN**
REQUESTED BY ROSANNE MELITA
GEORGE BEVINGTON
REQUESTED BY VERONICA & KEVIN
- WED. 8:30 A.M.** **FOR AMERICA**
- THURS. 8:30 A.M.** **MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT**
- FRI. 8:30 A.M.** **MASS AT HOLY SPIRIT**
- FRI 5:30 P.M.** **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**
- SUN. 8:00 A.M.** **END ABORTION**
REQUESTED BY RESPECT LIFE GROUP
ROSE CELLARY (1ST ANN)
REQUESTED BY JOHN & TIM
MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
- SUN. 10:00 A.M.** **PATRICIA LANOIS**
REQUESTED BY LEE LANOIS
DOROTHY HANCHAR (4TH ANN)
REQUESTED BY LOVING DAUGHTER, DEBORAH
KRISSY SCHWARTZ (7TH ANN)
REQUESTED BY DAD
FRED FAGAN
REQUESTED BY HOLY TRINITY FAMILY & STAFF

Please pray for Gladys Meola, Jackie Swatt and all who have gone to their heavenly reward and all who are sick or recuperating at home or in nursing homes.



Children's bulletin
"Watching for Signs."

These bulletins are available at the entrances of Holy Trinity Church.