

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

5th SUNDAY OF LENT

March 17, 2024



This parable about the wheat that dies to bear fruit draws us into the heartache and miracles of Easter and spring. Seeds have to die to fulfill a life that is more than a single, solitary event. Our lives will end with death that then give way to life in eternity.

It is mind-bending and heart-wrenching to become healthily detached from death. We do not need to be afraid of everything passing away when we know that Jesus showed us that God will not waste any suffering or death: the Creator will use all of it to make new life!

Teach us Lord, to place all our hope in resurrection!

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May the road rise
to meet you.

May the wind be always
at your back.

May the sun shine warm
upon your face.

And rains fall soft
upon your fields.

And until we meet again,

May God hold you in
the hollow of His hand.

Easter Triduum



HOLY THURSDAY—March 28: *(Incense will be used)*

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00pm.

Please bring bells to ring at the Gloria.

You are invited to visit the Blessed Sacrament until midnight.

GOOD FRIDAY—March 29: *(A day of fast and abstinence)*

Confessions from 9:00—11:30am.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion:

Services at 12:00 noon and 3:00pm.

HOLY SATURDAY—March 30: *(NO 5:00pm Saturday Mass)*

Blessing of Easter food baskets will take place at 12:30pm.

EASTER VIGIL: 9:00pm *(Incense will be used).* Please bring bells to ring at the Gloria.

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES at HOLY TRINITY—March 31:

Mass at 9:00 and 11:00am *(Incense will be used at the 11:00am Mass only).* Please bring bells to ring at the Gloria.

(NO Children's Liturgy or 6:00pm Mass on Easter Sunday)



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:

For more information please contact Sister Susan at 780-968-5543 or email her at: holytrinitycwl.president@gmail.com



CHANGE OF DATE FOR THE GENERAL MEETING to:
Wednesday, March 27 at 7:00pm in the MD room.

Additional copies of the book "Walking Together" may be ordered through Sr. Susan holytrinitycwl.president@gmail.com. Last call to join our book study "Just Church". Again contact Sr. Susan. If you are interested in attending the Diocesan Convention on April 26th and 27th, contact Sr. Susan! We will be celebrating the feast of **Our Lady of Good Counsel at the 9:30am morning mass on April 26th**. More details to follow!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS—HOLY TRINITY COUNCIL:

For more information contact Brad Medernach at 780-984-1728. Membership kofc.org/JoinUs

Knights of Columbus Icons – The Knights will be hosting the Silver Rose icon at the parish from March 15 – 17, as well as an icon of St. Joseph from March 18 – 24. Come and see these beautiful icons!

Knights Spiritual Retreat – The Knights will be hosting a Council spiritual retreat on March 23, beginning with Mass at 8AM followed by a series of 3 spiritual talks by Fr. Paul. Lunch will be provided. To register, please contact Brad Medernach at bmed@telus.net

Wednesday, March 20 at 7:00pm—General Meeting.

CALLED TO PROTECT:

Called to Protect session will be held online **Wednesday, March 20 from 1:00 to 3:00pm**. Here is the link to the registration:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1GAobpmjacMseyLcR4xoEuiNmphJkJFxiIxPo7r2Eg/edit>

Another online session takes place on Saturday, **March 23, from 9:30am to noon.**

Here is the link to the registration: <https://forms.gle/E3pKajsGt8PZGPKQ9>

A friendly reminder to **please lock your vehicle when attending Mass, or any other function at Holy Trinity.** There have been a couple of incidents in our parking lot. Thank you!



SYNOD PART I: THE FACE OF THE SYNODAL CHURCH

4. People in Poverty, Protagonists of the Church's Journey:

c) Poverty is not just of one kind. Among the many faces of those in poverty are those who do not have the things they need to lead a dignified life. There are also migrants and refugees; indigenous peoples, original and Afro-descendent peoples; those who suffer violence and abuse, in particular women; people struggling with addiction; minorities who are systematically denied a voice; abandoned elderly people; victims of racism, exploitation, and trafficking, especially minors; exploited workers; the economically excluded, and others living on the peripheries. The most vulnerable of the vulnerable, on whose behalf constant advocacy is needed, include the unborn and their mothers.

Please note all quotes are taken from the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops: A Synodal Church in Mission Synthesis Report.



MAIN FLOOR: OL—Our Lady's; SJ—St. Joseph; L—Library; C—Church; **Chpl.**—Chapel; **BR**—Board Room.

UPSTAIRS: KC—Knights of Columbus Room; **MD**—Martin de Porres Room; **KR**—Kateri Room; **CR**—Classrooms; **LZM**—St. Louis and Zelig Martin; **SF**—St. Faustina Youth Room; **CA**—Blessed Carlos Acutis; **SA**—St. Anne's Kitchen; **SJPII**—St. John Paul II Classroom; **STL**—St. Therese of Lisieux; **AR**—All rooms upstairs, excluding the KC Room.

MONDAY March 18 9:30am MASS

10:00am CWL—MD
6:00pm CWL—MD
6:30pm First Communion Class—C
6:00pm Encounter—SJ, H, CR, KC

TUESDAY March 19 6:30pm MASS

9:00am SJP2 Gr. 7 Retreat—H, C
1:00pm Small Christian Communities—L
6:00pm Catechism—CR
7:15pm RCIA—OL
7:15pm Surviving Divorce—SA
7:15pm Bible Study—H
7:15pm Choir—S—C
7:15pm Grief as a Journey—SJ

WEDNESDAY March 20 9:30am MASS

(Adoration from 10:00am to 9:00pm)

12:30pm Homeschoolers 2—CA
1:00pm Senior—KC
1:00pm Canadian Blood Services—H
7:00pm RCIT—CA
7:00pm K of C—General Mtg.—KC

THURSDAY March 21 9:30am MASS

10:00am Quilters—KC
10:15am Bible Study—H
12:30pm Choir—B—C

FRIDAY March 22 6:30pm MASS

5:30pm ADORATION AND MUSIC
(No Stations of the Cross)

10:00am Healing Shawls—MD
10:45am St. Joseph Staff—C, KC
7:15pm Choir—C

SATURDAY March 23 5:00pm MASS

3:00—4:45pm CONFESSIONS

8:00am K of C Retreat—C, H
1:30pm Palm splitting—H
3:00pm Hall set-up
6:15pm Healing Service—C

SUNDAY March 24 9:00 & 11:00am MASS

8:30am Rosary (Souls in Purgatory)—OL
10:30am Rosary for Unborn—OL
6:00pm MASS
7:00pm Youth Leader Mtg.—MD



SACRAMENTS:

FIRST COMMUNION:

Please continue working on your “We Share in the Eucharist” book.



CONFIRMATION:

Please continue working on your Mass Journals.

ALTAR SERVERS’ TRIDUUM WORKSHOP:

In preparation for the Triduum and Easter Masses—Father Paul will have a special training session on **Tuesday, March 26 beginning at 4:15pm. Please come for 4:00pm.** Those serving at the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses, please bring bells, if you have them.



HOLY TRINITY SENIORS!

The next gathering of the Holy Trinity Seniors Group is **Wednesday, March 20th** at 1:00pm. What was your most memorable Easter from your past? or What was the Easter tradition in the household of your growing up?

“Seniors Caring and Sharing”

“Father, glorify your name.” Glory is the characteristic of God. Glory—brightness, dignity, beauty, majesty, splendor, honor—is given to God by God’s people. We, as God’s people, are called to give God the glory in everything that we do with our lives. Greeks (non-Jews) have come to the disciples and asked to see Jesus. Jesus’ discourse is capped with the world, “I, when I am lifted, up will draw all people to myself”. Remember, our neighbors include all God’s people.



How do we give each person we encounter glory & dignity?

This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace—Caritas Canada’s **Reaping our Rights** campaign invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity. **Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world.**



“Development and Peace — Caritas Canada accompanies, supports and respects our institutional autonomy. It creates a climate of trust. I thank our sisters and brothers in Canada for their solidarity, a solidarity that generates life opportunities, that accompanies the dreams of women and men, of families, of communities and territories. **Thank you!**”—Eva Colque, Executive Director, Fundación NUNA, a partner in Bolivia. Help create hope and dreams of the communities we support in the Global South by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at devp.org/give. **Thank you!**

EASTER FLOWERS FOR CHURCH DECORATION:

Name: _____ # of plants at \$20. each _____
Name(s) to be remembered: _____

The flowers will remain in the Church during the Easter Season as a memorial of a loved one who has passed on or someone that is not able to be present with us at Easter. Thank you for your donation.



PARKLAND PREGNANCY SUPPORT CENTRE

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The Catholic Women’s League council is inviting all parishioners to join us in our Lenten project to support the *Parkland Pregnancy Support Centre*. This is a wonderful opportunity to show that we are Pro Life! If you would prefer making a cash donation you can do an e-transfer to: holytrinitycwl.treasurer@gmail.com or cash or by cheque to Holy Trinity CWL Council. Drop off in the office.

They are in need of: feminine hygiene products, shampoo and body wash, toothpaste and tooth brushes and diapers—sizes 4, 5, 6 or pullups.

Girls’ clothing: Sleepers—sizes 0 to 24 months and tops—sizes 0 to 24 months. The clothes can be “gently” used, but must be in good condition. Your donations can be dropped off in the front foyer of the church. Thank you.

SCHEDULE CHANGE FOR THE HEALING SERVICE:

A Hope and Healing Encounter



The next Healing Service has been changed for this month only, and will take place this coming **Saturday, March 23 following the 5:00pm Mass.** (approx. 6:15pm)

There will be a **Healing School, May 24-25** here at Holy Trinity. The public is welcome to register; you do not need to be a current student of Encounter Ministries to attend. The healing service will follow the 5:00pm Mass that weekend. Please register for this school on the Encounter School of Ministry’s website.



HEALING SHAWLS:

Parishioners, if you are in need of a “Healing Shawl” please contact Femia at 780-963-3149.

Enter into Holy week with music and Adoration!

Please join us **Friday, March 22nd from 5:30 -6:30** for an hour of Lenten reflections with a cappella music and the chance to truly be in the presence of our Lord Jesus in Adoration. **Mass will follow at 6:30pm.**



****Please note that Adoration will replace the Stations of the Cross for this last Friday in Lent.**

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES



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Called to Protect Co-ordinators:
Brad & Bernie Watters 780-963-1167



5 LOAVES 2 FISH

This program allows us to assist those who find themselves in need. For more information, please contact Deacon Wesley Turton at 780-221-2265 or email him at wesley.turton@caedm.ca

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