



Prayer



We usually hear about the necessity to pray, especially during this time of Lent. But, what is prayer? Prayer simply is to talk to God. Think about God as your best friend. We usually want to talk to our friends to tell them our concerns, problems, goals, success, and so on. If God is our best friend, we should tell Him everything about ourselves. For instance, Saint Teresa of Avila refers to the early stages of prayer as “frequent solitary conversation with Him who, as we know, loves us.” God loves us very much, and He desires to talk to us. For this reason, we need to try to pray always, anytime, anywhere. Jesus frequently says to us in the Gospel that all of us need to pray always (cf. Lk. 18:1-8).

There are different forms of prayer:

Blessing or adoration prayer: We can bless people or things, wishing for them all of God’s gifts. For example, we can bless our children before they go to sleep or bless our meals before eating. Moreover, we can bless God in response to God’s blessing for us. One way to bless or adore God is going to the Blessed Sacrament and to worship Him because we recognize that we cannot do anything without Him.

Petition prayer: We ask God for our necessities; e.g. we ask God for our health or economic situation. We express to God our concerns and trust in God’s providence. We believe that God will help us always. We need a spirit of humility in this prayer, recognizing that without God we cannot do anything.

Intercession prayer: We ask God for the necessities for someone else. For instance, we pray for a brother, our mother, our father, or a friend who has a problem or hard situation in their lives. Also, we ask Jesus, the Holy Spirit, or one of the saints to intercede for us or for somebody else before God, the Father.

Thanksgiving prayer: We recognize that God has done wonderful things in our lives and say thanks to Him. For example, we say thanks to God for your job, your children, or your life. The Eucharist is a thanksgiving prayer. Next time that we go to the Mass, do not forget to say thanks to God.

These are some ways to pray. We can always pray using common prayers, such as the Lord’s Prayer, Hail Mary, the Holy Rosary, the Stations of the Cross, and so on. These prayers are very important in the Church because they are part of the tradition of the Church, and when we pray these prayers, we spiritually join with the rest of the community.

Let us pray always, at all times, in any place. God is always there to listen to us because He is our best friend who loves us very much.

God bless you, and may the Blessed Virgin Mary be with you always!
Fr. Jorge Ramirez

Our Mission

We are a Catholic faith community blessed with the joy of God’s love. Together we share this love with all who hunger for God’s presence in their lives. We follow Christ who taught us to find God by giving our lives in service to others and gathering to celebrate a Eucharist that welcomes everyone. Join us on this journey!

PASTORAL EMERGENCIES: If you have a pastoral emergency after office hours; please call **(315) 604-8070**.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES: Saturday (vigil) **4:30 p.m.**
Sunday **8:30 a.m.** and **10:30 a.m.**

DAILY MASS TIMES: Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Call Tricia Kull, Faith Formation Coordinator at 265-4750

HOSPITAL VISITS: Please call the Parish Office in advance, if possible.

NEW MEMBERS: We welcome new members! Please introduce yourself after Mass to the Pastor and stop by the Parish Office to register. Members moving to another parish, changing address or phone numbers, please notify the Parish Office promptly.

FAITH FORMATION: See our website or contact Tricia Kull for more information at (585) 265-4750 or Tricia.Kull@dor.org

- Religious Education Classes offered for Grades 1-7 in our Sunday Program or Family Program.
- Sacrament Preparation for First Penance and First Holy Communion (two-year program) for Grades 2 and over.
- Confirmation Preparation (two-year program) for Youth in Grades 8 and over.
- RCIC to prepare children ages 7-17 to enter fully into the Catholic Church through Baptism.
- Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sundays (October - June) during our 10:30am Mass for Grades Pre-K - 3.
- Children, Youth, and Family opportunities to gather in fellowship throughout the year. Watch our monthly newsletter for more information.

Becoming Catholic

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults is a spiritual journey for adults interested in joining the Catholic Church through Baptism or in completing the Sacraments of Initiation. For more information, please contact Fr. George or Mary Kramer.

Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion

On Sunday, February 18, our RCIA participants and their sponsors traveled to the Cathedral to attend a diocesan celebration of their faith journey. Catechumens Brett Lane, Patrick Walsh, Jayden Cooper, and James Harold entered their names in the Book of the Elect, indicating their desire to turn their lives over to God and be enrolled among his chosen ones. Kyle Beyea, Yusuf Sesay, Naomi Vaquera, Brianna Purcio, Jenna Randazzo, and Amanda Fuhr, already baptized in Christ, expressed their desire to continue their walk with him and become fully initiated in the Catholic Church.

Please pray for these individuals during this period of prayer and reflection as they prepare to receive the sacraments at Easter.

FROM THE FAITH FORMATION OFFICE



OPERATION RICE BOWL

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) organizes a program each year called Operation Rice Bowl, which is a great way to practice almsgiving during Lent. The idea is that you keep a cardboard bowl in your home and put in spare change to help those in need throughout the world. During this holy season, it is especially important to come together as a family and reflect on those in our community and beyond who are in need. If you would like to participate, the CRS Rice Bowls may be found at every parish entrance.

We will collect your **CRS Rice Bowl** through **Sunday, April 7** and it may be turned into the Faith Formation Office or Main Parish Office.

Thank you for your generosity!

Attention Young Adults!

Have you heard about Converge??

Converge Young Adult Ministry was founded in 2022 through the collaboration of Peace of Christ Parish, Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Parish, and the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community. Check out the website <https://www.converge-roc.com/> or attend this month's event at I-Square

YOUNG ADULT

I-SQUARE GAME NIGHT

Games - Food - Fellowship

FEBRUARY 2024

Thursday, February 29
6:30 - 8:30 pm

I-SQUARE (Irondequoit)
400 Bakers Park, 14617

Enjoy conversation and games near 4 convenient eateries!

First Bubble Tea is on us!

www.converge-roc.com

Altar Candles will burn this week for the following:



The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in Loving Memory of Father William Hart (25th Anniversary), req. by Holy Trinity parishioners.

Our Blessed Mother's Altar Candle will burn in Loving Memory of Gilda Forester, req. by Bob & Emily Brunner.

St. Joseph's Altar Candle will burn in Loving Memory of Gilda Forester, req. by Bob & Emily Brunner.

If you would like a candle in memory of a loved one or for special intentions, please call the parish office.

A REMINDER: If you need a devotional candle lit immediately for a loved one, a special occasion, or special intentions, you are invited to light the small votives that are on the side altars of the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph. They will burn for about 4-5 hours.

Woman's Gold Ring Found

Please call the Parish Office at 585-265-1616 to claim.

Ministry Corner Men's Group

The Holy Trinity Men's group meets on the second Saturday of the month, September through May. We meet in the Wing Room, (across from the main office on the mezzanine level of the church), from 9 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Any man is welcome.

Our meeting starts with a shared song and prayer. We usually watch a video resource about our life of faith and discuss it with each other. We move on to conclude our time together by praying for each other and our concerns.

If you are a man interested in finding support for your Catholic faith, come and share a donut and a cup of coffee and enjoy this fellowship.

Next Meeting:

Saturday, March 9, 2024 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Holy Trinity Church - Wing Room

Flowers for Easter



If you wish to make a donation to our Easter Flower Fund, you may do so by either calling the Parish Office or placing the name or the intention in an envelope and dropping it in the collection baskets in the front of the sanctuary.

Thank you!

Stewardship by the Book

Abraham was prepared to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. St. Paul reminds us that God Himself "did not spare his own Son". Are my gifts to the Lord— of my resources, of my time, of myself - also sacrificial?



We thank those who have given generously to the CMA. The CMA helps our Church and our parish in so many ways.

Join our appeal and give back what you can, so that we remain strong and able to do God's great work!

If you wish to give to the CMA, there are envelopes at all the entrances and at the Welcome Desk in the Gathering Space.

GOAL:	\$185,000.00
TOTAL TO DATE:	\$156,453.89
DONORS:	484
% TO GOAL:	84.57%

**totals as of February 21st*

January 2024 Totals

Blessings to all who donated through the mail, on line and dropping off at the Parish Office. We continue to strive to maintain our goals for the month. Holy Trinity is grateful for your continued support.

Please consider going online to give - Call Tim Reetz @265-1616 ext. 304.

GOAL:	\$ 68,120.00
OFFERTORY ENVELOPES	\$ 38,988.27
LOOSE COLLECTION:	\$ 2,798.00
HOLIDAY	\$ 1,746.00
CHILDREN'S OFFERING	\$ 53.41
ONLINE GIVING	\$ 24,258.50
VARIANCE:	\$ <275.82>

Attendance for February 17/18: 867
Penny Sunday for the Missions in Kenya \$4402.97

Tithing: *Stewardship in Motion*

It is easy to make your financial contribution to Holy Trinity Church by automatic withdrawal directly from your bank account with no charge to you using our electronic Intentional Giving Program.



The Eucharistic Revival: A Year of Parish Revival

Jesus is alive and present in the Eucharist.

Holy Trinity is presenting a seven part video and discussion series intended to draw upon the insight of some of the best leaders and presenters the Church has to offer. **Starting February 29 at 6:30pm**, we will gather in Trinity Hall every other week for a viewing of a video session followed by group discussion. The gatherings will be about 90 minutes and light refreshments will be served. Sign up sheets will be located on the Welcome Desk in the Gathering Space after Mass on February 24-25th. Registration is encouraged for planning purposes, but all are welcome, even if you do not have the opportunity to sign-up.

More information about the movement can be found at www.eucharisticrevival.org, on the posters located on the parish bulletin boards, or from the friendly faces at the sign up table.

Please email Michael Schoene with any questions at spiceschoene@aol.com

Each session can be enjoyed as a stand alone session. If you can't make every session, please join us for those that you are able. We hope to see you for Week 1: "Our Story" for an informative and engaging look at God's Word and how it shows His plan for us. All are welcome.

**February 29, 2024
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Trinity Hall**

Due to the nature of the series, we are unable to livestream this event. If you are not able to come for the Eucharistic Revival reflection you are invited to watch the videos at home. Just scan the QR code below.



"What's Our Story"

"Lent is a time of renewal for the whole Church, for each community and every believer. Above all it is a time of grace."

- Pope Francis

Eucharistic Adoration Holy Trinity Church this week



The better that you know Jesus,
The more that you will love him.

Thursday 3:00 to 4:00 PM

Litany of the Sacred Heart
Silent Adoration
Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Friday 9:30 AM to 6:30 PM

Silent and personal Adoration, Reflection, and Conversation with Jesus and you.

Jesus is waiting!

RETROUVAILLE A LIFE LINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES **Stress in Your Marriage?**

Retrouaille (pronounced retro-vi, meaning rediscovery) is a program for married couples who feel disillusioned, frustrated or angry in their marriage.

- ◆ Some don't want to air dirty laundry at counseling.
- ◆ Some are counseling but going nowhere.
- ◆ Sometimes life-changing events occur (car accident, illness, addictions) and most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouses about it.

This world-wide Catholic program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage.

Our next program starts March 22nd. Please call **585-293-1552** with confidential questions or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.org

Mass Intentions: February 24th - March 3rd

Saturday - SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

February 24, 2024

4:30 p.m. (VIGIL) For the people of Holy Trinity, living and deceased

Sunday -

February 25, 2024

8:30 a.m. Special Intentions of the Gallina Family, req. by Dave & Jean Wolf in gratitude

10:30 a.m. † Anne Dorsey, req. by Bill & Lisa Gooley

Monday - Lenten Weekday

February 26, 2024

9:00 a.m. † Bill Clark, req. by Dan & Judy Cass

Tuesday - St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

February 27, 2024

9:00 a.m. † Bernadette Sippel, req. by Dave & Mary Lou Coriale

Wednesday - Lenten Weekday

February 28, 2024

9:00 a.m. † Robert Trout, req. by Will & Linda Trout

Thursday - Lenten Weekday

February 29, 2024

9:00 a.m. † Robert & Dolores DiNardo, req. by Mary Kay Marcellus

Friday - Lenten Weekday

March 1, 2024

9:00 a.m. † Robert Farrell, req. by Mary Kramer

Saturday - THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 2, 2024

4:30 p.m. (VIGIL) † Karl Steigerwald, req. by the Knights of Columbus #4618

Sunday -

March 3, 2024

8:30 a.m. For the people of Holy Trinity, living and deceased

10:30 a.m. † Thomas Papaleo, Jr., req. by family

This Week at Holy Trinity Church

Tuesday, February 27

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Cursillo - Wing Room

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Legion of Mary - Marian Room

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Confession - Church

Wednesday, February 28

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Webster Hope Garage Sale donation drop off - McGivney Center

Thursday, February 29

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Adoration - Church

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Eucharistic Revival Series "Jesus and the Eucharist" - Trinity Hall

Friday, March 1

8:30 a.m. Rosary - Church

9:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Adoration - Church

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - Church

Saturday, March 2

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Confession - Church

Sunday, March 3

10:30 a.m. Children's Liturgy - Church



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MASS TIMES:

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Vigil

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday: 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.. (Oct. - June)

(no Tuesday confessions during the summer)

If you find that you are unable to attend Mass in person, you may view our live-stream at <https://livestream.com/accounts/18862485/events/5598269>

Victims of sexual abuse should always report to the civil authorities. To receive help and guidance from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester contact our Victims Assistance Coordinator:

Deborah Housel at 585-328-3228, ext. 1555 or 1-800-388-7177 ext: 1555 or email to victimassistance@dor.org housel@dor.org



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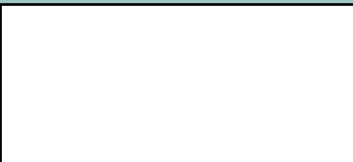
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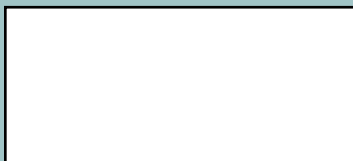
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