



March 17, 2024

Church of the Most Holy Trinity

*The Parish that We Dream
is the Parish that I Help to Build*

PANCAKES

Let me share with you this story I found on the Internet (https://shinda-chan.livejournal.com/16130.html?utm_source=3userpost)



“Six year old Brandon decided one Saturday morning to fix his parents pancakes. He found a big bowl and spoon, pulled a chair to the counter, opened the cupboard and pulled out the heavy flour canister, spilling it on the floor. He scooped some of the flour into the bowl with his hands, mixed in most of a cup of milk and added some sugar, leaving a floury trail on the floor which by now had a few tracks left by his kitten. Brandon was covered with flour and getting frustrated. He wanted this to be something very good for Mom and Dad, but it was getting very bad. He didn’t know what to do next, whether to put it all into the oven or on the stove, (and he didn’t know how the stove worked)! Suddenly he saw his kitten licking from the bowl of mix and reached to push her away, knocking the egg carton to the floor. Frantically he tried to clean up this monumental mess but slipped on the eggs, getting his pajamas dirty. And just then he saw Dad standing at the door. Big crocodile tears welled up in Brandon’s eyes. All he wanted to do was something good, but he’d made a terrible mess. He was sure a scolding was coming, maybe even a smacking. But his father just watched him. Then, walking through the mess, he picked up his crying son, hugged him and loved him, getting his own pajamas dirty in the process. That’s how God deals with us. We try to do something good in life, but it turns into a mess. Our marriage gets all sticky or we insult a friend or we can’t stand our job or our health goes sour. Sometimes we just stand there in tears because we can’t think of anything else to do. That’s when God picks us up and loves us and forgives us, even though some of our mess gets all over Him. But just because we might mess up, we can’t stop trying to ‘make pancakes,’ for God or for others. Sooner or later we’ll get it right, and then they’ll be glad we tried.”

Pope Francis reminds us that it is not easy to trust in God’s mercy because our sins do not allow us to go to His Presence and enjoy His love and mercy. The Pope says during his homily on March 17, 2013, “It is not easy to entrust oneself to God’s mercy, because it is an abyss beyond our comprehension. But we must! ... ‘Oh, I am a great sinner!’ ‘All the better! Go to Jesus: He likes you to tell him these things!’ He forgets, He has a very special capacity for forgetting. He forgets, He kisses you, He embraces you and He simply says to you: ‘Neither do I condemn you; go, and sin no more’ (Jn 8:11).”

Let us not be afraid to go to the sacrament of reconciliation and to experience the wonderful mercy of God. Let us remember that our parish offers this wonderful sacrament on **Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 3:00 p.m.** In addition, there will be an evening of **penance service with individual confessions this Monday, March 18th at 7:00 p.m.** You can also call me and ask for an appointment for confession.

God is our Father who is always ready to forgive us regardless of what we did. The only condition to receive His forgiveness is to want to receive God’s forgiveness. Let us make a good examination of conscience and go to this marvelous sacrament.

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.

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.

Legion of Mary

Our Legion of Mary is an association of Catholic men and women under the leadership of our Blessed Mother and the influence of the Holy Spirit.

The Legion's work consists of the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy, homebound and nursing home visits, assistance at funerals and any other assignment given by our Pastor. The Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday @ 9:30 am. in the Marian Room.

The Legion also uses a **Prayer Chain** dedicated to those with special needs. **If you have a loved one or yourself who may be in need of prayers, please call the parish office @ 265-1616 or email norazark@aol.com** to be placed on their prayer chain.

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.

Stewardship by the Book

"If anyone would serve me", says Jesus in today's Gospel, "let him follow me; where I am, there will my servant be." In what ways is Jesus inviting me to follow Him? What service is He asking of me?

FAITH FORMATION and YOUTH MINISTRY

First Holy Communion Retreat

On Saturday, March 16, our parish children preparing to receive their very First Holy Communion will gather together for a special retreat. A retreat is a time to step aside from normal activities and routines and focus on God and our faith. Our First Holy Communion Retreat is a time for our children to think about the sacrament that they will soon be celebrating for the first time. Their parents will participate with them as this can be a "First Holy Communion" for them as well as they witness the Faith anew through the eyes of their child.

God, our Father, we thank you for bringing our children and families together for this special time of reflection and prayer. Be with them as they continue to prepare to receive Holy Communion. Bless all of those in the Church who are preparing to receive the Eucharist for the first time. We ask this, and all things, in the name of Jesus Christ, who is Lord, forever and ever. Amen.



Come and experience the beautiful sacrament of reconciliation and healing on Monday, March 18, at 7:00 pm.

Communal prayer and examination of conscience will be followed by private, individual confession and absolution. Guest priests will be in attendance to hear confessions.

Reconciled with God and each other, we can renew our baptismal promises and celebrate the good news of Easter with faith, hope, and joy.

Confessions on Tuesday, March 19 are cancelled.

Altar Candles will burn this week for the following:



The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in Loving Memory of Michael Gaglio, req. by Pat & Jimmy Gaglio.

Our Blessed Mother's Altar Candle will burn in Loving Memory of Arthur LaBelle, req. by daughter, Anita LaBelle.

St. Joseph's Altar Candle will burn for the Special Intentions of all single and married men.

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.

March Penny Sunday March 16/17



In early 2021, the finances of Cabrini Parish forced the decision to close Saint Michael Church on N. Clinton and Clifford. Thankfully such decision was delayed for some months which allowed for some creative thinking as to how to better use all the unused buildings the parish was holding in great locations to provide services to the community. In July 2021, the idea of Rochester Hope was conceived, under the direction of Father Daniel Ruiz, as a separate not-for-profit non-religious corporation to relieve the parish of the upkeep of its unused buildings and bring services and caring hands to the heart of our city. In January 2022, Rochester Hope was incorporated as a 501(c)3 and begun activities with a Food Pantry and Services Fair every Saturday from 9 AM to 3 PM. Expenses to purchase food from Food Link runs \$1500.00 a week. There is such a huge need, and so much remains to accomplish. With your most generous donation we can achieve it together!

Please Remember in Prayer Our Beloved Dead



Albert Williams and those who mourn for him.

Ministers Needed for Triduum and Easter Liturgies

Liturgical ministers, if you have not already done so, please sign up to serve at the Holy Week and Easter liturgies. We have many roles to fill, especially at the 10:30 am mass on Easter Sunday. Please take a moment to log into the ministry software and let us know how you can help our parish commemorate the passion, death, and resurrection of the Lord. We are blessed by your service!

Catholic Ministries Appeal Update



As of this date, 496 families have contributed to the CMA. We thank those who have given generously and ask all who have not yet given to prayerfully consider doing so.

The CMA helps our Church and our parish in so many ways. Please consider all the ways that God has blessed you and your family and think how the Church has brought goodness into your lives. Join our appeal and give back what you can so that we remain strong and able to do God's great work!

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| GOAL: | \$185,000.00 |
| TOTAL TO DATE: | \$161,003.89 |
| DONORS: | 496 |
| % TO GOAL: | 87.3% (as of March 13th) |

February 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.

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| GOAL: | \$ 68,120.00 |
| OFFERTORY ENVELOPES | \$ 50,142.19 |
| LOOSE COLLECTION: | \$ 3,603.55 |
| HOLIDAY | \$ 120.00 |
| CHILDREN'S OFFERING | \$ 40.48 |
| ONLINE GIVING | \$ 22,201.50 |
| VARIANCE: | \$ 7,987.72 |

Attendance for March 9/10: 878



WEBSTER HOPE FOOD DRIVE & GARAGE SALE DROP OFF

**March 23, 2024
10:00 a.m. - Noon
McGivney Center**

Webster Hope will be having a food drive on Saturday, March 23rd from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. They will also be collecting household items for their garage sale at this event. You do not need to leave your car! Just pull up to the McGivney Center (Knights of Columbus building behind Holy Trinity Church) and volunteers will remove donation for you. Please see their website at www.websternyhope.org for a list of items accepted for donation.

Urgent need food items:

- Ground coffee
- Cooking oil
- Tuna, albacore
- Sugar
- Brownie mix
- Ketchup, mayonnaise, salad dressing
- Canned corn
- Jarred spaghetti sauce
- Toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, bar soap, deodorant, and toothpaste)
- Laundry detergent and dish soap



CONTACT US
585-265-6694
Websternyhope.org

PENNY SUNDAY THANK YOU LETTER

February 20, 2024

Dear Friend,

Thank you for donating to Cameron Community! Your gift of \$3,630.70 will help maintain essential resources and services in our urban neighborhoods and empower our most challenged residents to envision and achieve a brighter future.

Cameron's service to the community is only possible through the generosity and participation of caring people like you. Again, thank you for your donation.

With Warm Regards,

Olivia Kassoum-Amadou
Executive Director



OPERATION RICE BOWL

Continue collecting spare change in your cardboard bowl to help those in need around the world. If you need another, you can find the CRS Rice Bowls 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.



"And he said to all: If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me."
Luke 9:23.



**Hello? Are you available?
I have a request for you...**

Several parishioners have received text messages or emails from what looks like Fr. George. These messages are asking for "a favor" or "assistance" or may even start with a direct request for some type of gift cards.

THESE ARE NOT FROM FATHER GEORGE.

If you are unsure about any communication you receive from Father George or another staff member, especially if it is asking for money, please contact the office directly at 585-265-1616.

Legitimate messages from someone on staff will be from an email address ending with @dor.org. Other characteristics of scam emails are unusual punctuation and no subject or signature line.

Come and Experience the Living Word

Bible Study

Holy Trinity Church
Trinity Hall

Wednesday, March 20th 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 21st 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Mass Intentions: March 16th - March 24th

Saturday - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 16, 2024

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

Sunday -

March 17, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Matthew Leonardo, req. by mom & dad

10:30 a.m. † Matt Haas, req. by mom & dad

Monday - Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

March 18, 2024

9:00 a.m. † Grace Grodon, req. by Jim & Dawn Waver

Tuesday - ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

March 19, 2024

9:00 a.m. † Robert Buckert, req. by Bob & Emily Brunner

Wednesday - Lenten Weekday

March 20, 2024

9:00 a.m. † Edward McCoy, req. by Steve & Carol Yahoodik

Thursday - Lenten Weekday

March 21, 2024

9:00 a.m. † Celine Rank, req. by Jim & Nancy Rank

Friday - Lenten Weekday

March 22, 2024

9:00 a.m. † Michael Gaglio, req. by Florence Gaglio

Saturday - PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

March 23, 2024

4:30 p.m. (VIGIL) † Frances Horgan, req. by Sheila Vaeth

Sunday -

March 24, 2024

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

10:30 a.m. † Mary Ricci, req. by Kathy & Joe DiMaria

This Week at Holy Trinity Church

Monday, March 18

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Day of Penance - Church

Tuesday, March 19

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

3:00 p.m. Book Club - Wing Room

*Confessions cancelled this evening

Wednesday, March 20

9:30 a.m. - St. Monica Ministry - Church

1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Stitching Group - Wing Room

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Bible Study - Trinity Hall

Thursday, March 21

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Bible Study - Trinity Hall

3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Adoration - Church

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Holy Hour - Church

Friday, March 22

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 23

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Webster Hope Food Drive & Garage

Sale drop - off - McGivney Center (behind church)

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

Sunday, March 24

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>

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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
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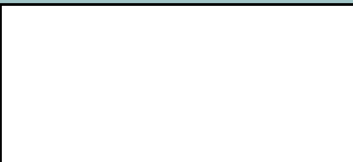
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