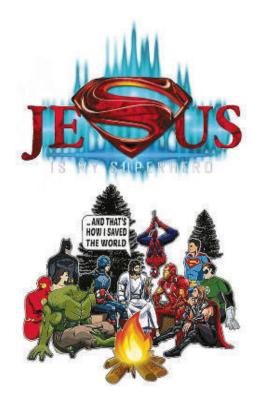


Jesus Christ is the One and True Hero



How many of us have gone to the theater to enjoy a good movie? I think most of us go to relax and enjoy a good time, whether it is watching an action, horror, comedy, science fiction, or superhero movies. I confess that I like movies a lot, and I am fascinated by the superhero movies. Superman is one of those heroes that I wanted to be when I was a child and that possibly some of you wanted to be as well. But the problem with the movies is that when it is over, life continues its course. Even though Superman may have saved the world, our life continues in the same form, with the same routine.

We, Catholic Christians, just lived through Holy Week where we celebrated the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is the only true hero because with His death on the Cross and His resurrection from the dead, He has saved all of us; in other words, He has saved the whole world. And although we have certainly seen many movies about the life of Jesus of Nazareth, we know and strongly believe that Jesus is not a character invented by a writer and also acted in a Hollywood movie, but He is a real person who loves us immensely. He protects us from our enemies as a shepherd protects His sheep from the wolf that wants to devour them, just as the Lord Jesus tells us: "I give my life for my sheep" (Jn. 10,14).

The Lord Jesus takes cares of us always, and we should always follow Him. In the same way, Christ Jesus, by the immense love that He has for us, sends the Holy Spirit, so all of us can obey the Lord through our love for Him and for our brothers and sisters. Jesus says: "As the Father loves me, so I love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in

my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in His love. I have told you this so that joy may be in you and your joy may be complete" (Jn. 15:9-11). Hence, Christ is the true hero among heroes because He is not a selfish being who wants power only for himself, but He gives us his power, His strength so that we may follow His steps and make this world a better one.

When a mother worries about her children, when a teacher prepares his lessons with care so that his students may learn, when a policeman ensures the safety of the citizens, or when a priest celebrates the Eucharist with love, all of them are heroes because they have in us the same Spirit of Christ. You and I have the Holy Spirit. And when we manifest the Holy Spirit in our lives, we are true witnesses of the Resurrection of the Lord. We did not just live a week where something that seems fictional was narrated, but we commemorated the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of the Lord. That is why St. Luke reminds us in his Gospel that we are witnesses of these things (Cf. Lk. 24,48). Let us live the Resurrection of the Lord with immense joy, and let Him be the true and only hero among heroes.

God bless you, and may the Blessed Virgin Mary be with you always!

Fr. Jorge Ramirez

<u>PASTORAL EMERGENCIES</u>: 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.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Saturdays from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Tuesdays from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Oct. - June or by appointment with a priest.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Arrangements for marriage for registered parishioners must be made at least six months in advance through the Parish Office. Preparation includes meetings with the pastor, Pre-Cana and the Fully Engaged inventory.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: The Eucharist and Sacramental Anointing are available to the homebound and those in need. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday - 3:00 - 4:00 p.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.

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.

FROM THE FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) 2024

GOD IS GOOD!!

The Eucharist Through Salvation History



July 8-11, 2024 (Monday – Thursday) 9:00am – 12:15pm

Children ages 4 through 5th Grade are invited to join us for four fun-filled days of stories, puppet shows, music & motion, indoor and outdoor games and activities, art projects, and snacks to explore the Bible, Church teaching, and the Saints!

Registration is now open for **CAMPERS** as well as **YOUTH LEADERS** (grades 6-12) and **ADULT VOLUNTEERS**. Safe Environment training is required for all volunteers over 13 years of age. Email **Tricia.Kull@dor.org** for more details.

Advance registration is required, space is limited! Registration forms are available on our website, at the Welcome Desk, in the Faith Formation Office, or by emailing <u>Tricia.Kull@dor.org</u> for more information.

Please complete your VBS Registration Form and send it in along with the Registration Fee to secure your child's spot in our program. Once capacity is reached registration will be closed.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

- Justin Moore and Lindsey Sicker
- III Ian Pawluckie and Tiffaniann Hernandez



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!

Altar Candles will burn this week for the following:



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in Loving Memory of Roger Huck, req. by Peg and Ray Wilcox.

Our Blessed Mother's Altar Candle will burn in Loving Memory of Fred and Jim Mason, req. by family.

St. Joseph's Altar Candle will burn for the Special Intentions of the Schoene Family.

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.

Please Remember in Prayer Our Beloved Dead



Paulette Grzankowski, Patricia Naylon, and Robert Bonanno, and those who mourn for

Holy Trinity's Ministry Corner



St. Monica Ministry

St. Monica is the patron saint of mothers, whose unceasing prayers led to her son, St. Augustine, who had lived away from the teachings of the church as a youth, becoming a doctor of the church.

This group is open to anyone wishing to join in prayer for people who have left the Catholic Church. The meeting will include praying the Rosary as well as specific prayers for those who have been away from the faith. If you are unable to join this group for prayer, there will be a box near the Book of Remembrance at the back of the Church to add the first name of your loved ones who have fallen away from the practice of the faith and sacraments. May you be encouraged knowing that your loved ones are being prayed for.

The group meets every first and third Wednesday of every month. The next meeting is Wednesday, May 1st following the 9:00 a.m. daily Mass.

If you have any questions, please contact Julie Ellender at 585-455-6189.

Senior Ministry Events

Don't miss out on the following upcoming Senior Ministry Events!



Monday, May 13. Pathway to priesthood; Fr. George's journey from Colombia to Webster. Trinity Hall 1:30 p.m.

Monday, July 16. The Aging Process: Concerns, Myths, and Staying Healthy. Trinity Hall 1:30 p.m.

Legion of Mary

Attention all Legion of Mary members:

Do you have an extra Legion of Mary handbook? If so, please return to the Parish Office so that the books can be distributed to new Legion members. Thank you!

Catholic Ministries Appeal Update



As of this date, 515 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.

\$185,000.00 **GOAL:** TOTAL TO DATE: \$164,803.89 DONORS: 515 % TO GOAL:

89.08% (as of April 17th)

March 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: 85,150.00 **OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** 48,881.03 LOOSE COLLECTION: 6,935.91 **HOLIDAY** 9,026.00 CHILDREN'S OFFERING 59.86 23,701.50 **ONLINE GIVING** 3,454.30 VARIANCE:

Attendance for April 13/14: 919

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The Eucharistic Revival: A Year of Parish Revival

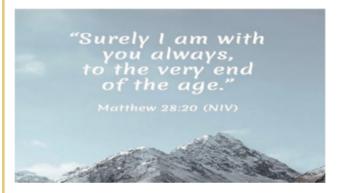
Reflecting on Session 5: Jesus and the Eucharist. God Is With Us

Life can be *a lot*. Challenges with health, finances, raising a family, retirement, and building a career can all cause uneasiness. On the other hand, life can give us cause for celebration too. In between the challenges and celebrations, there is a lot of "regular life" that we consider routine. During all these times in life, do we recognize that we are never alone? Out of an abundance of love for you, God is with you, always. Not only is God with you, He desires to have a relationship with you.

In the thick of daily life, it can be hard to recognize that God is with us. How can we be sure that He is there? The answer is, God told us He would always be there. "Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand" (Isaiah 41:10). "It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed" (Deuteronomy 31:8). These passages are a couple of my favorite passages where God reassures that He is present, but the Old Testament is full of similar examples of God being with His children as they face adversity. Job, Moses, and Abraham all accomplished great things because they recognized that God was with them.

Today, God is with each of us, just as He was with those in the Old Testament. Jesus reassured us of this when He said, "And behold, I am always with you, to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20). We are fortunate today to have a visible sign of Christ's presence with us, the Eucharist. Each time we receive the Blessed Sacrament, we are physically and spiritually receiving Christ. We are so loved by God, that He enters our physical being to be part of us. The next time you are faced with a challenge in life, or are celebrating one of God's Graces, this is a good opportunity to receive the Eucharist at daily Mass, as a reminder that God is always with you.

Join us again, or for the first time, at the next session, "God is With Us". We will gather <u>Thursday, April 25 at 6:30pm in Trinity</u> Hall. Sign up is in the Gathering Space, but of course, if you find yourself available, all are welcome!



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 this QR code.

"God is With Us"



Save the Date!

Friday, August 16! Holy Trinity is going to the Rochester Redwings!

A Friday night with baseball, fireworks, and loads of fun!

Details to come!





Mass Intentions: April 20 - April 28th All weekday and weekend Masses will be live-streamed

Saturday -

April 20, 2024

4:30 p.m. (VIGIL) † George & Mary Freundschuh, req. by Bill & Chrissy

SUNDAY - FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER April 21, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Anne McMahon, req. by Mary Dolan 10:30 a.m. For the people of Holy Trinity, living and deceased

Monday - Easter Weekday April 22, 2024

9:00 a.m. † Joseph LaTempa, req. by daughters

Tuesday - St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr

April 23, 2024

9:00 a.m. † Daniel Mahoney, req. by the Kraft Family

Wednesday - St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr April 24, 2024

9:00 a.m. † Thomas Ouimet, req. by Jim and Angela Kuhn

Thursday - St. Mark, Evangelist

April 25, 2024

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

Friday - Easter Weekday

April 26, 2024

9:00 a.m. † Gus and Yolanda Ingrassio, req. by sons

Saturday -

April 27, 2024

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

SUNDAY - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER April 28, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Roberta Stevenson, req. by Robert Stevenson 10:30 a.m. † Anthony Graff, req. by wife, Theresa

This Week at Holy Trinity Church

Tuesday, April 23

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

9:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Legion of Mary - Marian Room

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

Wednesday, April 24

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Webster Hope Garage Sale Dropoff - McGivney Center

Thursday, April 25

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

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Eucharistic Revival Session 5 "God is With Us" - Trinity Hall

Friday, April 26

8:30 a.m. Rosary - Church

Saturday, April 27

3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. Confessions - 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 victimsassistance@dor.org housel@dor.org



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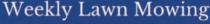
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