

Most Holy Trinity Parish

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Wondrous God, Prince of Peace, the Holy One of all ages;
...our God's reign is forever.*

Isaiah 9:1, 5; Luke 1:1-33



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MISSION:

We are a people graced by God, who come together as a community of faith, supporting each other as we live and celebrate the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Parish Mass Schedule: 9:30 AM Sunday (church); 4:00 PM First Saturday of the Month (rectory chapel)

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A light shines over us and within us. We see the glory of God bringing light and hope in our everyday lives. That is where our God wants to be.

Through Jesus, love is lavished upon all.

Because of Jesus, true goodness and hope embrace every moment, every breath. A new dignity surrounds our homes and our work, our joy, and our neighborhood.

In the grace of this Christmas, our hearts are opened to the generous gift of God's love in Jesus. Being renewed in this spirit of generosity, we share our Christmas joy!

– Sister Janice



MASS INTENTION

During the Christmas Season: Most Holy Trinity parishioners, friends, and benefactors

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 1

New Year's Day: Feast of Mary, the Mother of God, 9:30 am, Mass

Presider: Father Gerry Kleba

Lector, First Reading: Meg Reask; *Second Reading:* Mattie Patterson

Eucharistic Ministers: Brenda Tillman, Sharon Ryan

Sunday, January 8

The Epiphany of Jesus

Presider: Father Dan Kearns

Lector, First Reading: Rochelle Jones; *Second Reading:* Robin Feeherty

Eucharistic Ministers: Sister Luanne, Doris Speed



WE HOLD IN HEART AND PRAYER: Ed Deason, Tom George, Mary Lee Howard, Doris (Feeherty) Janz, Ethel Long, Joetta Lukowski, Mary Meyer, Sharon Morrow, Marta Reyna, Sargeant Steve Salvaggio (co-worker of Lt.Col. Rochelle Jones), James Smith, Amanda Suchara, Daniel Thompson (Mary Grayson's relative), John Towles, and the Tracy and Usanga families.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8: A CELEBRATIVE GATHERING

Epiphany is the origin of Christmas gift giving. At this Mass we celebrate wise seekers bringing gifts to Jesus. We celebrate Most Holy Trinity and the gifts all of us are and bring to this faith community. We gather after Mass with humble hearts receiving gifts that our faith community offers to each other. With joy and gratitude, we receive others into our hearts in this beautiful season. *All are invited to come to the Rectory for visiting and refreshments.*

CARE TEAM: This ministry involves sending birthday cards each month to those who are celebrating a birthday and sending a card to those homebound or ill. Another person is being sought to help with this ministry. The cards and stamps are provided. A schedule is set up so each minister sends cards of celebration and concern every third month. If you would like to serve in this ministry, please contact S. Janice at (314) 241-9165.



CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS TO ALL

We wish the greatest joy and happiness to everyone this Christmas Season and always.

This blessed Emmanuel is our star to follow, a light in our darkness, and strength for our life's journey.

– The Staff
Mary Busciglio, Paul Hasser
and Sisters Gail and Janice

THE SEASON OF JOY

"The joy of the gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus. Those who accept his offer of salvation are set free from evil, sorrow, inner emptiness and loneliness. With Christ, joy is constantly born anew." – Pope Francis.

Francis' reminder that joy born anew is what we celebrate at Christmas — the incarnation of the Word made flesh, when God breaks into human life to take on human flesh in the person of Jesus of Nazareth. The words of Isaac Watts' traditional Christmas carol are true, "Joy to the world, Jesus is come." This joy permeates the essence of our lives.