

Most Holy Trinity Parish

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Live as children of light.

Ephesians 5:9

LEAN into NOW



ALIVE in LIGHT

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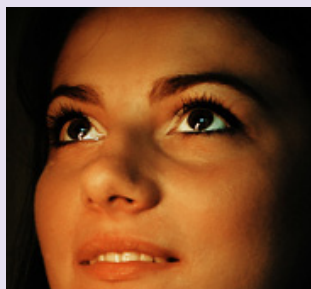
MISSION:

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)

Live as children of light. –Ephesians 5:9

At baptism a candle is lit from the Easter Candle and given to the godparents of the baptized. The godparents are asked to keep the light of faith burning brightly in the life of the newly baptized. The baptized become children of light, who see more clearly as Jesus sees.



We are surrounded by people often without interacting with them. To be seen is a deep longing within all. Jesus saw the man in today's gospel in a way that led him to see what the blind man desired. Jesus acted without being asked. In this Lent let us look deeper at others so that they feel seen. Let us listen and respond so that each one knows they are heard. Let us be alive in the light of Christ connecting with others, seeing them as Jesus sees them.

– Sister Janice



**OPEN WIDE
THE DOORS**
Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church

WE HOLD IN HEART AND PRAYER: Philip Brown, Ed Deason, Joan Hasser, Mary Lee Howard, Doris (Feeherty) Janz, Lester Jones (Uncle of Rochelle Jones), Paul King, Ethel Long, Joetta Lukowski, Mary Meyer, Sharon Morrow, Marta Reyna, James Smith, John Towles, and the Tracy and Usanga families.

SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 9:30 AM

Presider: Bishop Mark S. Rivotuso

SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 9:30 AM

Presider: Tom Melancon

Lectors: First Reading: Madonna Buhr; *Second Reading:* Korky Buhr

Eucharistic Ministers: Kenneth Patterson, Sharon Ryan

COLLECTION: 3/5/23 - \$585.00

EVANGELIZATION 101 WORKSHOP: Planning Area 2, April 1, 2023. St. Francis Xavier (College) Church, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. This workshop presents the beginning fundamentals of evangelization. This is a free workshop offered to anyone who wants to grow in sharing their faith. Please register in narthex of the church.

 **MASS INTENTION**

Sunday March 19, 9:30 AM: Yvette Patterson

WELCOME BISHOP RIVOTUSO. Every year Bishop Rivotuso comes to celebrate Mass with us. He enjoys being with our faith community. Since 2011, Bishop Rivotuso has served as vicar general for the Archdiocese of St. Louis, assisting the archbishop in the administration of the archdiocese.

CONGRATULATIONS KENNETH PATTERSON!

Kenneth is nominated to be named Catholic Man of the Year by the St. Vincent Society. This award honors unpaid volunteers, who contribute outstanding service to Church and community in the humble spirit of Saint Joseph. The inspiration offered by those nominated for “Catholic Man of the Year” is a gift that keeps on giving. Numerous lives are touched through their generosity and faith-filled contributions of time and talent for our Catholic Church and community. The Dinner and Award Ceremony is Sunday, March 19, at the Hilton St. Louis Frontenac. The award presentation will be made by the Most Reverend Mark Rivotuso, Auxiliary Bishop of St. Louis.

RITE OF ACCEPTANCE AND WELCOME: Sunday, March 26, Aryn Bostic will declare her intention to profess the Catholic Faith. We welcome her to share in our community of faith.

BRILLE SIGN LANGUAGE hanging on the branch in the sanctuary visually portrays the gospel story of the healing of the unnamed blind man even without the man asking to be healed. As light of the world, Jesus' mission is to heal the spiritually blind. Let us approach Jesus who sheds light on our blindness and enables us to give witness to the works of God as the healed blind man did.

HYDE PARK TREES: THE Hyde Park Neighborhood Association in conjunction with Planting Shade brings the opportunity to plant trees or bushes at your house and in your neighborhood on April 15th! Please tell your neighbors to fill our city with green! This invitation includes zip codes 63106 and 63107. After you have decided on a tree or a bush, get in contact with nathan@plantingshade.org or call 314.604.5909 to confirm your tree selections address.

MASS OF RESURRECTION for John Kelly, Saturday, March 25, 10:00. The Presider is Father Richard Stoltz, a friend of the Tracy family. Most Holy Trinity extends condolences to Mary Kelly, wife of John Kelly and to Joe Tracy, at the death of his nephew. We pray with Mary and Joe as they experience this loss. John now knows deep peace in the embrace of our loving God.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Sunday morning after Mass. Prayers were written by the Liturgy Committee whose desire it is to open wide our doors to our suffering world. Please stay to offer these prayers through a reflection on Jesus' path to Calvary.



The Paschal Triduum For Everyone

This is why we are here: to enter, to enter into the Mystery. – Pope Francis

We glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered. – Galatians 6:14

The Paschal Triduum is the heart of the liturgical year. This sacred season brings us more deeply into the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The Sacred Paschal Triduum, Three Days, is a time to focus on this central paschal mystery of Christ. This liturgical season is also the most significant. During these days the Church invites us to go deeper into the central mystery of our faith. The Triduum is prayer celebrating the Paschal Mystery.

The one prayer of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday is the opportunity to enter more deeply into the experience of God's extraordinary love. The liturgy of these holy days immerses us in words, sights, and sounds that shape and inspire our praying, our thinking and our living. Participation in the Triduum is an opportunity to meet Jesus.

Like the woman who anointed the feet of Jesus a few days before he died, we are invited to pour out the treasure of our love, our prayer, and our time, in order to be more fully with Christ. We set aside other concerns and activities in order to pray together with the Church and as Church.

– adapted: *Glory in the Cross*, Corinna Laughlin, LTP publication

1. How do you participate in the days of the Triduum – Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday? What memories remain with you from these liturgies?
2. What is the significance of wearing a cross or having one in your home?
3. How do you to “glory in the cross?”

EASTER LILIES. Please honor a loved one with beautiful Easter lilies that will adorn our church for the Easter season. Complete the slip below, put it in an envelope with your donation & drop it in the collection basket by Sunday, April 14th. Your donation helps defray the flower cost.

Your name

Name of person to be honored



ABOUT LAETARE (REJOICE) SUNDAY: We rejoice as we enter the second half of this Lenten season. Today is named for the entrance antiphon which sings: “Rejoice, Jerusalem!”

This Sunday is a foretaste of Easter joy. This joy is born of our life in Christ. The Eucharistic banquet offers heavenly Bread of Life for the whole world. In our homes, our meals add to our Laetare joy as we lean into the light of Jesus in quiet gladness.

EMBRACE EQUITY: This is the theme of Women’s International Day. Let us actively create a gender equality just world: a world free of bias, stereotypes, and discrimination; a world that’s diverse, equitable, and inclusive where difference is honored and celebrated. Together we recognize all women’s equality.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH: Sunday March 26, we welcome our speaker, The Rev. Earl G. Strauther, who serves as the Deputy Director of Gene Slay’s Girls & Boys Club of St. Louis which serves over 800 youth annually. He is assistant pastor of St. Peter AME Church of St. Louis.

One of Rev. Earl’s passions is to teach the intersection between black history, liberation theology, the justice of Jesus and the grace of God for God’s people. He preaches a historic text to inform our contemporary lives.

THANK YOU volunteers for successful fish fries. Your dedication and service to guests is outstanding. We

pray for strength to keep our energy ever-vibrant as we continue the next three weeks.

WE CONTINUE TO WANT 5 CAKE MIXES of the same kind and 4 icing but not the Baker’s Choice brand. Thank you for your donations to offer such tasty desserts.

THURSDAY, MARCH 25, FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION: The annunciation is a faith event. Mary’s faith invites God’s entrance into history. This faith event keeps happening, bringing into the ordinariness of life, a message of God’s gracious care for all. We too walk by faith, responding to God’s call daily, with courageous love and compassion to all those we meet.



‘The Annunciation’ (1437-46) by Fra Angelico

CELEBRATE OUR NEIGHBORS: ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC ACADEMY, 4720 CARTER AVENUE

On October 25, 1931. St. Engelbert, parochial school was dedicated and established to serve the children of German families. The school became St. Engelbert Focus School in July 1989 and was named St. Louis Catholic Academy. Today, St. Louis Catholic Academy serves 180 students Kindergarten – 8th Grade.

We are excited to witness the Archdiocese of St. Louis’ educational mission come to life at St. Louis Catholic Academy. Our goal is to grow successful children through a quality, Catholic education. Our dedicated faculty meets each child where he or she is, working together to move them forward. As community, we celebrate our similarities and differences as we achieve academic success.



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Third Sunday: Father Tom Melancon
Fourth Sunday: Father Dan Kearns

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