

Most Holy Trinity Parish

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*Jesus came, although the doors were locked,
and stood in their midst and said,
“Peace be with you.”*

John 20: 26

Believe

*Jesus came,
though the doors were locked*

the
qualities of
PEACE
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Blessed

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Receive

Reflection: Janet Mallak, SSND; Design: Joyelle Proot, SSND

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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The doors where the apostles stayed after the death of Jesus were locked, hoping to never be opened wide. Their fear was intense. Then Jesus opened wide the doors of their heart, came in, gave them his peace, and let them know that he will always be with them.



What blessed assurance this story gives. When we believe that God seems absent, God opens wide the doors and enters our struggles. We are encouraged and find strength in this experience of God's great love for us in Christ. While we may experience difficulties, we also take heart in the promise of eternal life and love through Jesus.

Receiving grace gives us the courage and compassion to stand with others who live in fear and uncertainty. Jesus readily offers peace and mercy. Through grace we also readily offer God's healing peace and mercy.

– Sister Janice

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, APRIL 16, 9:30 AM

Presider: Father Tom Melancon

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 9:30 AM

Presider: Father Dan Kearns

Lectors: First Reading: Meg Reask; *Second Reading:* Kenneth Patterson

Eucharistic Ministers: Korky Buhr, Brenda Tillman

COLLECTION: 4/1/23 - \$2,250.00

 **MASS INTENTION**

Sunday April 16, 9:30 AM: Barbara Russell, Vickie Deason and Willy Howard

We welcome all who are visiting today!

We invite you to join us every Sunday at 9:30am and on the first Saturday of the month at 4:00pm.

EARTH DAY AT TRINITY: Saturday, April 22, St. Raphael's church offers their help for a clean-up day. This is one of the many ways that St. Raphael's has become a sister parish to us.

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION, Saturday, April 29, 10:30. Theme: "We are One Body in Christ." Procession begins at Sts. Teresa and Bridget and ends at St. Alphonsus "Rock" church. Attendees are encouraged to park at the Rock and walk or ride the shuttle to Sts. Teresa and Bridget church. Refreshments will be served at St. Alphonsus "Rock" following the procession. This is a "Corpus Christ" event to renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with Jesus and each other as "One Body of Christ."

FATHER ART CAVITT, Sunday April 30: We welcome Father for Mass. He will also speak about the Annual Catholic Campaign (ACA). His preaching style and singing is well-known in north St. Louis and beyond. Come celebrate this Sunday. Enjoy engaging leadership in prayer.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: This morning, Sunday, April 16, following Mass, in the rectory.

LITURGY MEETING: Thursday, April 13, 1:00 in the rectory



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

In the 175 years as parish, there are many significant facts about Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church history:

1. In 1850, the owners of Farrar's addition offered Archbishop Kenrick a parcel of land with the hope of promoting a German settlement. A condition of the gift was that a German Catholic church and school be built on the site within six months. In the process, Holy Trinity became St. Louis' third German language parish. It soon was known as the "Cathedral of the North."
2. The superlative "Most" was added sometime near 1932; the reason for the addition is unknown.
3. Holy Trinity is older than many St. Louis landmarks such as: Anheuser Busch Brewery, Ralston Purina, St. Louis symphony, Missouri Botanical Garden, Washington University, Eads Bridge, Forest Park Mallinckrodt Chemical, and Union Station.

The Easter Season

The fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday are celebrated in joy and exultation as one feast day, indeed as one “great Sunday.”

Our Paschal candle remains lit.

This blazing symbol shines as a constant reminder to celebrate this lasting reality of the risen Christ.

The Scriptures of the seven Sundays of Easter engage us in the season of Easter.

This is a season of rejoicing and calls us to be the Living Word of each Eastertide Sunday.

It is the season when we hear and ponder the beginnings of the Church, the gifts of the Spirit, the meaning and mission of discipleship, and the call to live the Eucharistic life.

These fifty days prepare us to be empowered by the coming of God’s Spirit. God calls us beyond the Easter celebration and invites us to live what we’ve celebrated in all the moments of our life.

INVEST IN OUR PLANET

The theme of EARTH DAY, APRIL 22, 2023, is focused on engaging governments, institutions, businesses, and the more than 1 billion citizens who participate annually in Earth Day to do their part all accounted for, all accountable.

Some things to do to care for our common home:

- Promote climate literacy in every school
- Refuse the use of plastics.
- Plant trees.
- Use voting power to protect the planet.
- Join in an effort to clean-up communities, parks, lakes etc.
- Educate yourself on companies that use sustainable practices in making clothes.



EASTER MEMORIAL

Thank you to all parishioners who contributed to beautifying our church and remembering loved ones through Easter flowers.

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In Memory of

Michael Bowers, Ruth Mitchell,
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Harry and Rita Hafer,
Cecilia Rasmussen,
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Mary Trudell



CONTRATULATIONS TO OUR LECTORS AND CHOIR

"I want to say how excellent the lectors are in your church. They are that way every Sunday but today there is a lot more to read. It is obvious that the lectors really practice proclaiming the Word of God. It is very impressive. Tell the folks that. My compliments to the choir this morning. They deserve a pat on the back!"
A voicemail on Palm Sunday from Father Gerry Kleba

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First Sunday: Father Gerry Kleba
Second Sunday: Father Dan Kearns
Third Sunday: Father Tom Melancon
Fourth Sunday: Father Dan Kearns

Saturday Presider:

Father Tom Bryon

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