

# Most Holy Trinity Parish

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*The shepherd walks ahead of them,  
and the sheep follow,  
because they recognize their shepherd's voice..*

*John 10:1-10*

**LISTEN**  
**heart voice**  
**whispers**



**YOUR NAME**

*Reflection and 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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Imagine how comforted and safe that little sheep on the cover feels being embraced by the little boy and his dog! We imagine ourselves being so comforted and assured at hearing Jesus' voice, his embracing us when we are uncertain and anxious.



Jesus calls us by name, giving security and peace, overwhelming us with goodness and concern. We are held tenderly in the mystery of God's infinite love and desire for our happiness.

*Prayer: Jesus, Good Shepherd, your love surrounds us so totally, that only goodness follows us all the days of our lives. No matter where we wander in our busy lives, you always bring us back through the gate into the home of your heart.*

– Sister Janice

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

**SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 9:30 AM**

*Presider:* Father Art Cavitt

**SUNDAY, MAY 7, 9:30 AM**

*Presider:* Father Gerry Kleba

*Lectors: First Reading:* Melita Long; *Second Reading:* Nicky Hoxworth

*Eucharistic Ministers:* Mattie Patterson, Doris Speed

**COLLECTION:** 4/23/23 - \$1,547.00

**CELEBRATE OUR NEIGHBORS: LOYOLA ACADEMY 3851 WASHINGTON BLVD. ST. LOUIS, MO 63108**



**WELCOME FATHER ART CAVITT!** 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.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our newly elected parish council members: Michael Freymuth, Doug Rasmussen, Brenda Tillman and Christine Trudell. The alternate is Robin Feeherty. Thank you to Meg Reask who has completed her service on the council.

**THANK YOU,** Robin Feeherty, for your work in organizing this election and presenting the profiles of the candidates. We appreciate your effort to make the election process efficient.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** Sunday, May 7, after Mass in the Rectory. We will ask a blessing for the Parish Council at Mass.

**INVITATION REPLY:** Please return your attendance reply as soon as possible to help us plan for the 175th Celebration.

**T-SHIRTS:** This is the last Sunday to place your order.

**CHOIR PRACTICE** Thursday, May 11, 7:00–9:00 pm for all who would like to sing in the choir for the May 14, 175th celebration. **ALL ARE WELCOME.** Let's make this the most joyous praise in gratitude for all the blessings given to Most Holy Trinity over these many years.

**NEW RESIDENCE:** Diana Schmidt, Holiday Briarcrest Estates, 14525 Clayton Rd, 63011.

 **MASS INTENTION**

**Sunday April 30, 9:30 AM:** Homebound parishioners: Philip Brown, Mary Busby, Mary Green, Theresa Higgins, Mary Lee Howard, Ethel Long, Joetta Lukowski, Mary Meyer, Diana Schmidt, James Smith and Marie Tolbert

Founded in 1999, Loyola Academy of St. Louis is a Jesuit middle school for boys who have the potential for college preparatory work, in the midst of challenging social and economic circumstances. The Loyola community programming supports families in preparing each student to achieve his full potential in the Ignatian tradition. The school inspires its students to lives of service, faith, and leadership using their God-given gifts.

# BEGINNINGS



Within seven years of the construction of the first church, it became necessary to form a daughter parish, St. Liborius. On its 50th anniversary, a second Holy Trinity Catholic Church was built on the corner of 14th and Mallinckrodt. Soon, in this fast-growing neighborhood, it became necessary for the daughter churches of Holy Cross, Perpetual Help, and St. Augustine to be established.



A year after the founding of the Parish in 1848 a school was established for 13 boys on the site of the present rectory. In 1871 a new boys' school was built on 14th and Mallinckrodt. The first and second floors provided classrooms for 300 students. The third floor was a hall for meetings and social gatherings. The Franciscan Sisters of Oldenburg staffed the school.

In 1864 plans were designed for a new rectory. In 1869 the basement of the church became a chapel, conference room, and baptistry.

The St. Cecilia Sodality was formed in 1878. It was known for its leadership in church singing.

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

In 1889, forty years after its founding, the magnificent church of today was erected. In 1909 the present Rectory was built. On

September 29, 1927, a tornado severely damaged the sanctuary of the church.

Fathers Arthur Bromschwig, John Vogler, and John Kerber each guided the faith community from 1966 through 1976. Later pastors were Fathers David Ratermann, Tom Dempsey, Father John Walsh.

In 1992 Father John Reiker led the parishes of Holy Name, Perpetual Help, St. Liborius and Holy Trinity on a new journey together. Guided by Vatican II, the interior of the church was redesigned, the altar of celebration was moved in the midst of the congregation, the sanctuary furnishings, pews, Holy Oils, and choir placements were reconfigured.

Pastors John Reiker and Rich Creason graced Holy Trinity church with leadership that created our Vatican II faith community of today.



## Trinity Prayer

God for us,  
 God alongside us,  
 God within us,  
 O Holy Trinity.

– Richard Rohr (adapted)

The icon of the Trinity rests in relationship to the 3 holy oils in the narthex, welcome area of our church. Andrei Rublev painted this Trinity icon in 1411 for the abbot of the Trinity Monastery in Russia. It remains one of the most recognized and revered Trinity images.

This sacred image welcomes each person who comes into our church to be enfolded in the extraordinary

love relationship of the Trinity. We, the community of faith, complete this circle of love as we celebrate with all at the Eucharist table.

With reflection we more deeply understand that all activity in this world bears fruit only within this divine circle of Love.

### 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.

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

#### Saturday Presider:

Father Tom Bryon

**Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA), Preparations for Baptism, Confirmation, Marriage:** Contact Sister Janice at 314.241.9165