

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – AUGUST 1, 2021

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We, the Holy Trinity Parish Community, seek to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ by sharing our faith through committed efforts to know, love and serve God. -Mission Statement



18th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." - Jn 6:33

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Parish Office Hours Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
www.htscatholic.com

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
Call the Parish Office for an appointment

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Call the Parish Office at least six months prior to possible wedding date

INFANT BAPTISM PREPARATION

Contact the Parish Office

SUNDAY MASSES

Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m.
and 10:00 a.m.

Saturday (Vigil): 5:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Friday Noon
Wednesday 5:30 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00-4:45 p.m. in the confessional
or by appointment

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Prayer and Worship

New Priest Assignments: Advice For Times of Parish Upheaval

by Melissa Johnson, Faith & Life, Love and Relationships

So, your beloved parish priest of the past many years has been given a new assignment in another city, what do you do? You may have spent years getting to know him, or you may be brand new to the parish. You may have gone through marriage prep, RCIA or the baptism of one or many children with him. He may have counseled you in tough times—the loss of a child, the loss of a spouse—and he may have been the guiding light at your children’s religious education classes. Now, the Archbishop has seen fit to uproot him and send him off to another parish an hour’s or more drive away.

First off: don’t panic.

It may seem like the worst possible thing (or the best possible thing, depending on how you feel about your priest!), but as long as you still have Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, you’re still on solid ground. The Church has existed for two millennia and counting; this one small blip in your spiritual life isn’t spelling any sort of downfall.

Jesus said He’d be with us until the end of time—so, take courage and have confidence!

Secondly, priests aren’t often given life-long assignments to parishes anymore.

There just aren’t enough priests to go around. In my diocese, priests are most commonly given a six-year term before they’re reassigned—usually to a greater role of responsibility or a larger parish (or even several parishes). So, pray for vocations! I read somewhere that it isn’t that God *isn’t* calling young men to the priesthood like He used to, but that young men often simply aren’t answering Him. Encourage and promote vocations wherever you can. Too often the reaction to discernment (the purposeful and prayerful quest for one’s own vocation) is met with disappointment, outright discouragement, or even fear by family and friends. How often does the still, small voice within become overwhelmed by the loud noise and expectation of the world?

Back to your new priest. Once you’ve said your goodbyes and shed your tears and given your farewell gifts to the outgoing priest, what should one expect?

In our parish, we almost always are assigned a new or not-long ordained priest. We’re also attached to the local university Newman Center, and our priest is their chaplain. This leads to all sorts of worry. What will the new priest be like? What is his ‘liturgical style’? Will he be grumpy, or friendly, or will he like certain foods? In short, the subtext to the questions are always not so much “Will he like us?” but “Will we like *him*?” Catholics—like most humans—have the tendency to think their particular way of doing things (I mean *theirs*, and not necessarily the *Church’s*) is the one and only way. If this priest isn’t saying the rosary 24/7 and offering every third prayer to the Blessed Virgin, *can he really be a priest at all?* Nonsense, of course. Even brand-new priests have gone through several years of seminary—including theology—and they haven’t just fallen off the turnip truck, despite what your Nan might think of his shoes. He hasn’t entered the priesthood without many years of consideration, prayer, and thought, even if he might look somewhat like a college freshman. Alternatively, in the eyes of younger parishioners, he will know a thing or two about life and how to grow closer to Jesus, even if he knows as much about Fortnite as you do. It’s best to think of things in the light of common courtesy. **Don’t expect the new priest to be exactly like the previous priest;** don’t constantly tell him that Fr. So-and-so said Mass much more convincingly, and DON’T expect him to know every eccentricity and preference of the parish. Have some charity and kindness for the newcomer; expect him to be anxious about his new responsibility, as well. To welcome him, the parish will probably form a committee; if not, introduce yourself after Mass (not before!) and invite him to dinner at his own convenience, preferably in a way that isn’t awkward. (Consider: you’re a stranger; he mightn’t be extroverted; he might have dietary issues; he might not be comfortable with every invitation.) **Be welcoming, but not pushy.** It may come as a surprise, but priests are quite human after all and often have their limit of new people, places, and agendas that they can process at any one time. Think how you felt on your first day on the job—*anxious, self-conscious, eager, unsure.* It’s nice to know you’re wanted and that people are supporting your efforts, but it’s also nice when people respect your personal space and dignity.

Above all else, don’t assume familiarity.

You may have been best chums with the previous priest, but it doesn’t mean this one will get along with you as well, or at all. Often we expect of priests what we wouldn’t even expect of new neighbors: complete familiarity, which takes time and respect. And remember: he wants the best for you—that you are drawn always to Jesus Christ through the Sacraments and prayer, until you are with Him in heaven.

Your salvation and the love of Christ is why he became a priest; it’s why he’s now given the responsibility of shepherding your parish, and it’s the most important thing to him above all else. Try to keep that in mind when asking him to chair the garden club or have the Knights of Columbus over for cigars.

After all—for all you know, he may not smoke.

THE WORD OF THE LORD

First Reading—Then the LORD said to Moses, “I will now rain down bread from heaven for you. Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus I will test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not.” (Ex 16:4)

Psalm—The Lord gave them bread from heaven. (Ps 78)

Gospel—“I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst.” (Jn 6:35)

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 31

9:00 a.m. Margaret & Wiatt Binder

5:00 p.m. †Russell Jorgensen

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1

7:00 a.m. Rosalie Eggen

8:30 a.m. †June Golombowski

10:00 a.m. Holy Trinity Parish Families

MONDAY, AUGUST 2

Noon Galloway Family
(special intention)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3

Noon †Delores Goodman

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4

Noon †Rick, Pat, & Doug Higham

5:30 p.m. Rosalie Eggen

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5

Noon †Clifford Neal Bickford

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6

Noon †David Donelson

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7

9:00 a.m. Glennon Green
(special intention)

5:00 p.m. †Michael St. Peter



Stewardship



“Stewardship is about recognizing and receiving God’s gifts and sharing them proportionately and sacrificially. It’s about following Jesus Christ. It’s about conversion.”

Diocesan Development Fund Prayer

God of all goodness,
source of all blessings,
open our hearts to receive

Your love,
and strengthen our efforts
to build up Your

Church in southern Missouri.

Help us to be good and faithful
Stewards of the gifts You
have given to us.

Guide us as we discover new ways
to serve You
in serving our neighbor.

Bless all those who participate
in the DDF Campaign.

May we share our gifts of time,
talent and treasure
as true disciples

in our One Church, from East to West:

Loving, Serving, and

Sharing Jesus.

Amen

Please Pray for...

Gerald Balzer	Michael Diekemper	Nancy Jeffryes	Sandi Seid
Gary Becker	Rosalie Eggen	Aurora Jones	Damon Swisher
Joyce Blades	Don Fields	James Kresta	Debbie Thompson
Kim Brick	Norene Fields	Glenn Kristek	Ralph Telscher
Dan & Carol	Carol Floyd	Mary Francis Kroutil	Val Vaughan
Blomgren	Sandy Gabbert	Corine Larson	Darlene Verheyen
Mary Bonds	Barbara Gates	Erin Leigh	Anne (Denner)
Pat Bramer	Elizabeth Haggard	Pat McDonald	Wayne
Ronald Buhring	Barbara & Don	Calvin McKenzie	Brian Wallace
Jane Buono	Hiatt	Cindy Meyer	Timothy Young
Carson & Kellen	Judy Hollan	Diana Mullen	
Clark	Pearl Hollan	Michael Overbey	<i>If you are aware of a change that needs to be made to our prayer list please call the parish office. Thank you!</i>
Tom Carter	Savannah Hollan	Patti Provance	
Rod Clifton	Rita Holt	Beth Raidel	
Paul Collins	Kim Huber	Sr. Kathy Reichert	
Sue Crayton	Joan House	Irene Roth	
Jesse Duncan	Mary Hunt	Jim & Margaret	
Farah Diel	Brett Jeffryes	Schatz	

PRACTICING GRACIOUSNESS IN THE DESERT

Looking back over the journey of parenthood, most parents know there were days when they traveled the extra mile for their children. And then, it happened: the attitude. The request for the smallest thing from one of them is met with disdain or bewilderment. Sometimes you can be made breathless with the ingratitude of another person who takes so much and with so little shame, only to scoff at the idea that they, too, give even the smallest amount.

But if we're being honest with ourselves, we will admit that we do the exact same thing to God. Haven't we all been the Israelites in the desert at one point or another? God has parted our Red Sea in some way. He's led us out of some great trial, given us some great blessings. But then we run into a little resistance somewhere along the way and we throw up our hands. How could you do this to us, Lord? How could you ask this of us? No, I can't go any further. No, I won't do any more. Persisting in the blindness to the many ways God continues to protect us is nothing short of a temper tantrum. It robs our Everyday Stewardship of its graciousness, of our ability to accept with joy the trials of life because we are also constantly aware of its blessings.



Thank You for Supporting our Parish

We thank you for the many ways you support our beautiful parish, please know that your gifts go a long way to make a difference for good and through your generosity, the gospel continues to be preached here in Springfield and beyond. We bless and thank you for your kindness and generosity.

COLLECTION REPORTS

Our Gift To God Week Ended July 24, 2021

	Actual	Budget Average
Envelopes	6,800.28	12,562.00
Plate	380.00	1,812.82
Web Donations	6,274.00	4,437.18
Building Fund	9,392.00	2,981.89
Other Donations	0.00	1,384.26
Total for Week	22,846.28	23,178.15

Please remember Holy Trinity Parish in your will!

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Parish News

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, August 2
 1 p.m. Knitting/Crocheting group meets
Wednesday, August 4
 6 p.m. Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
 6:30 p.m. Men's Study and Prayer Group
Friday, August 6
 10 a.m. First Friday Social Hour Ages 55+
Saturday, August 7
 4 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation

Society of St. Vincent de Paul



Thank you for supporting SVDP with your monthly donations. With your donations we are making a difference in our community helping the poor. Every month we receive phone calls at our parish asking for help with City Utilities bills and gas cards. Have you ever thought about answering the call to help the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? The next meeting will be August 4th at 6 p.m. at Holy Trinity in the Fr. Allen room. Together we can make a difference to help people in need in our community.



ADORATION AT HOLY TRINITY

Please observe social distancing.
Adoration Hours
 Weekdays 1pm-5pm
Adorers Needed
 Monday at 4 pm, and Friday 3pm
 Please consider spending time with our Lord in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in our parish.
 Call Marilyn Gibson at 417-224-4043.

SENIORS FIRST FRIDAY SOCIAL HOUR

Fr. Patrick invites all parish members who are ages 55+ to attend the First Friday Social starting Friday, August 6th, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fr. Reidy social hall. The monthly "First Friday Social" will be a great opportunity for parishioners to visit.



Fr. Patrick or Fr. Andrew will discuss news in the parish or a subject of their choice. This event will include coffee, water, juice, and some light pastries. Parishioners are welcome to eat or drink and allow one hour of fasting before the Noon Mass.

At 11:30 a.m. parishioners are welcome to go to the main sanctuary for reflective prayer time before the First Friday Noon Mass. This will be a monthly event on the First Friday. We will encourage social distancing and those who want to wear face masks are always welcome to do so.



Rediscover God's love in the Sacrament of Reconciliation!

Saturday 4 p.m.— 4:45 p.m.
 or call the parish office to set up an appointment time.



"Getting vaccinated is an act of love: love of neighbor, love of self, love of our community. I encourage everyone to get vaccinated."
 Bishop Rice
 Sunday, July 18th
 Springfield News-Leader.

KNITTING/CROCHETING GROUP



Even Jesus needed "yarn" help from his dad as depicted on our visiting Flat St Joseph. Feel free to join our knitting/crocheting group on Mondays from 1-3pm in the Parish Center. Call Connie: 417-425-2367 with any questions.

USHER AND GREETER MINISTRY



Would you consider committing one or two Masses a month as a greeter and usher? Responsibilities include: opening doors, greeting people with a smile, helping people find seats, assisting with the collection, directing the communion lineup and straightening up after Mass. Please sign up by contacting the parish office. Thank you to Curtis Dement, Glenn Harris, Kim, Chris, & Evan Otradovec for recently signing up to help our parish family. This is a great ministry opportunity for parents and students ages 14+ to work together to make a difference in our parish.



K of C Holy Smokers "Our Meats Are Heavenly"

On August 15th, after Mass stop to pick up your meat. Thanks again for your support and we look forward to seeing y'all on Sunday August 15th!

DIOCESAN DEVELOPMENT FUND CAMPAIGN

To date, 322 families have given \$200,021.80 toward our parish goal \$228,349. Thank you! If you have not yet made your pledge, please add your gift—whatever the amount - in unity with those who have already given by returning a pledge card. Across the diocese, \$2,404,475 has been pledged toward the \$2,650,000 goal. The diocese and Church in Southern Missouri needs your participation.



Faith Formation and Youth



Sharing the Gospel in the Domestic Church



Jesus said, "God wants you to have faith in the one he sent." The one he sent was Jesus. If you believe in Jesus Christ you will love God above all else and love your neighbor as yourself. Full of love, you can do the works of God. You feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, visit those in prison, visit the sick,

and bury the dead

Prayer

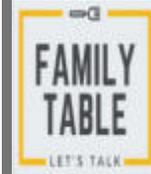
Holy Spirit, give me food to share with the hungry

Something to Draw

Draw yourself giving clothing and shoes you have outgrown to the needy.

Mission for the Week

I will make a get well card for a sick person in my family.



Questions to Share at the Dinner Table
John 6: 24-35

Key Passage: "When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and came to Capernaum looking for Jesus."

Question: What efforts do you make to find Jesus in your life?
Children: What helps you believe in things you cannot see?

VIRTUS TRAINING

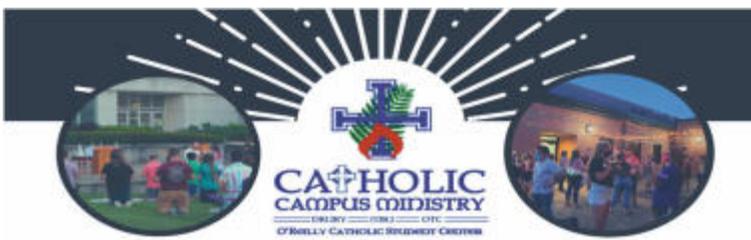
Preregistration is necessary: go to www.virtus.org and click on "registration" on the left or call your parish/school office for assistance. If you do not have access to the internet and are unable to register online, please call the local parish, school or institution where you are employed or volunteer. Live, in-person "Protecting God's Children" adult awareness training sessions are now available. New registrants are encouraged to take the live training, but the Online training will remain available as an alternative for the remainder of the year. In person training will be offered at the Catholic Center on Thursday, August 5th from 8:30, Friday, August 20th from 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., and Saturday, August 28 from 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

A Gift For our Parish An Online Resource for Catholic Families

Father Patrick invites all parishioners to sign up for FORMED, an excellent Catholic resource complete with thousands of videos and talks to help families in learning more about the faith wherever they may find themselves. Please take a few minutes to sign up and also download the app for easy access. There is no cost to parishioners for FORMED. You can find the App on many streaming devices like Roku or Smart phones.

Following are the sign-up instructions:

1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign Up
3. Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization"
4. Find **Holy Trinity** by parish name, address, or zip code
5. Enter your email - and you're in!



WELCOME WEEK 2021

AUGUST 18-27

WEDNESDAY

AUG 18

7-9 P.M.

SAND VOLLEYBALL, YARD GAMES, & BONFIRE

Unpack your stuff and come by any day (or all three!) for a chill evening to get to know a few people, play some games, make some s'mores, and get excited for Welcome Week!



THURSDAY

AUG 19

7-9 P.M.

FRIDAY

AUG 20

7-9 P.M.

SUNDAY

AUG 22

11:00 A.M. OR

7:30 P.M.

MASS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Join us for either option of the Opening Mass - both are followed by donuts and coffee! Meet at the Bear Statue before Mass at either 10:30 a.m. or 7:00 p.m. to walk over to the O'Reilly Catholic Student Center.



847 S. Holland Ave. (Behind Strong Hall)

MONDAY

AUG 23

7-10 P.M.

YARD GAMES, TACOS, & MUSIC

TUESDAY

AUG 24

7-10 P.M.

GAMES ON MSU CAMPUS

WEDNESDAY

AUG 25

7-10 P.M.

BBQ & SAND VOLLEYBALL

THURSDAY

AUG 26

7 P.M.

MASS ON MSU CAMPUS & ANDY'S

FRIDAY

AUG 27

4 & 7 P.M.

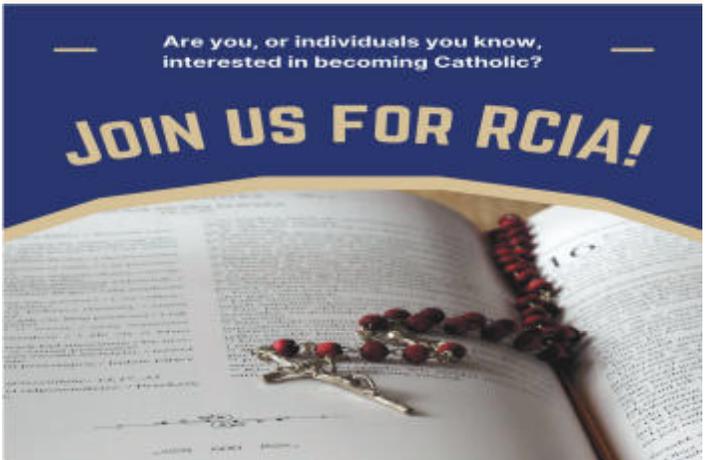
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ST. JOSEPH ANNUAL PARISH GARAGE & BAKE SALE

Friday, August 13th and Saturday, August 14th from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Parish Hall gym at 1115 N. Campbell Ave. Springfield. If you have any questions, call Mary Kenslow at 417-838-3121 or Velma Wagner at 417-818-4848.

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Beginning Experience of Springfield is offering a 10 week class, "Coping with Life Alone". This class is designed to help individuals work through the trauma of losing a spouse through, death, divorce or separation. **Coping** is Christian based and open to all faiths. Join us for this supportive, and uplifting ten week series, or recommend **COPING** to others. This class will be held on Thursdays, beginning August 12, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church. Cost is \$30 scholarships are available (no one is excluded because of inability to donate). Call Diane at 417-859-0175 or Donna at 417-529-1085 for questions. <https://beginningexperience.org/>

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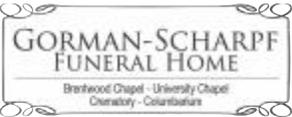
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