

# Most Holy Trinity Parish

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## Mission Statement

We, the Catholic community of Most Holy Trinity Parish, rich in diversity, strive to achieve the unity that is the essence of God and the heart of the Church. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we are called to be faithful stewards of the apostolic tradition, to stir into flame the gifts of God the Father, and to evangelize through our action as witnesses to our Lord, Jesus Christ.

May 16, 2021



## 7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I do not ask that you take them out of the world but that you keep them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth. Your word is truth." - Jn 17:15-17

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### Pastor:

Rev. Gregory Loughney

### Parochial Vicar:

Rev. Jaime Perez-Restropo

### Permanent Deacons:

Alan Baranski  
Jose Mendoza

### In Residence:

Msgr. John Bergamo

### Retired Deacon:

Ron Verkon

### Parish Pastoral Council:

Jen Beers  
Wayne Beers  
Cindy DeLuca  
Gladys Guardia  
Benito Juarez  
Joe Matarazzo  
Barb Page  
Danielle Rake  
Nancy Santi  
Ginger Walsh  
Eileen Ziobro

## Parishioners of the Parish

In the Roman Catholic Church of the United States of America, a member is considered “active” when “one is registered and actively participates in the liturgical and pastoral life of the parish through the generous, sacrificial and proportionate sharing of his/her God-given gifts of time, talent and treasure.”

As a Catholic and registered parishioner of the parish, I am expected to:

- ◆ Regularly attend and participate in Sunday Mass – preferably as a family
- ◆ Regularly participate in the sacramental life of the Church
- ◆ Develop and practice an ongoing personal/family prayer life
- ◆ Witness to the teachings of the Church by my manner of living life
- ◆ Seek to understand and practice what it means to be and live as an active and committed Christian steward in service to the parish and the Church
- ◆ Commit annually to a generous, sacrificial and proportionate commitment of my time, talent and treasure in service to the mission of the parish and the universal Church without counting the cost or any expectation of something in return
- ◆ Recognize, understand, and accept my need to regularly give and share rather than giving and sharing only when there happens to be a need
- ◆ Acknowledge, as a registered parishioner, that I am to participate in the mission of the parish rather than being only a spectator.
- ◆ Realize the necessary and ongoing importance of love, generosity, faith and family.

Let us remember, it is only through God’s love that we receive the gift of life. In the course of our lives, we are the recipients of God’s grace and giftedness. Through our Baptism, we are called to serve as God’s disciples, sharing - *in gratitude* - His gifts and grace in loving service of God and neighbor.

Our expectations within this gift of life must not be allowed to take precedent over what is expected of us in gratitude thereof. “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” (Mt. 16:24)

## Email Addresses

Main Office: mht-poconos@outlook.com

Bulletin: mht-bulletin@outlook.com

## Modified Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday

*9:00am - 12 noon*

*Call or email to contact us.*

## Daily Mass

Monday - Friday 8:15am

## Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 8:00am, 10:30am  
12:00pm - Spanish

## Reconciliation

Saturday 2:00pm - 3:00pm

*Other times available by appointment.*

## MHT Parish Mass Intentions

5/17	8:15am	Angelina Gargano	Lenny Rivera
5/18	8:15am	Bill Ebert	Peter & Nancy Santi
5/19	8:15am	Joseph Martinez	Anonymous
	7:00pm	For the People	The Pastor
5/20	8:15am	Vincent Martinez	Anonymous
5/21	8:15am	Sister Clarine OSF	Anonymous
5/22	4:00pm	Patricia P. Sullivan	Rob Sullivan
5/23	8:00am	Kathleen Raimondo	Dolores Feeney
	10:30am	Parishioners who died in the month of April	MHT Ladies Guild
	12:00pm	For the People	The Pastor

# Safety Measures when Attending Mass

- All parishes should resume their pre-pandemic Mass schedule as soon as possible, if they have not already done so unless changes were made for reasons other than COVID-19.
- If they have not already done so, parishes are to restore Holy Communion to its proper place in the Mass.
- Restrictions requiring separate entrances and exits are lifted.
- While pews should be marked with tape/ropes or another method to indicate appropriate physical distance between individuals or family members of the same household, every effort should be made to maximize the amount of space available to the faithful as we encourage their attendance at Mass.
- The practice of taking temperatures prior to entering the church and the use of plexiglass shields for the distribution of Holy Communion is to cease. The practice of taking reservations in order to attend Mass is highly discouraged, unless a particular parish is unable to accommodate the faithful who wish to attend Mass on a regular basis. In such instances, it would be advisable to schedule another Sunday Mass if possible.
- In the instance of a special need or function within a liturgy, a single adult attendant may assist the priest. While the use of youth altar servers is an important ministry in the church, young altar servers should still not be used at this time until vaccines become readily available to those under the age of 16.
- The Sign of Peace is to be reinstated without physical contact between non-family members.
- A small group of singers (maximum six) may be utilized by a parish at this time only if proper physical distancing is able to be maintained. Full choirs are not yet able to resume.

<p><b>6 ft Safe, Social Distancing</b></p> 	<p><b>Masks On Covering Nose and Mouth</b></p> 	<p><b>Sanitize Hands before Communion</b></p> 
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## Attention Residents of Paradise Township

We were asked by the Township to share the following with you:

On the May 18, 2021 Primary Election, the following question will be on the ballot: “DO YOU FAVOR THE ISSUANCE FOR LICENSES TO CONDUCT SMALL GAMES OF CHANCE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF PARADISE, MONROE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA?”

It is important that Paradise Township residents answer YES to this question as this will determine if fundraising such as bingo, tricky trays and raffles will be able to be held in the Township again.

# Gardening for God

Blessed with an abundance of land, we would like to begin work to develop gardens on our property which can serve as spiritual oases that provide a peaceful place for prayer, quiet spaces for contemplation, and a welcoming respite for our friends and neighbors alike.

This ministry will care for the cultivation of flowers, plants and landscaping around our beautiful, rural campus. We will work the earth to create reflective landscapes and to present the natural beauty of creation. We are asking parishioners and friends from neophyte to master gardeners to share their horticultural talents in a social environment. We will design, plant, transplant, water, weed, prune, rake and sweep to transform our parish campus into a beautiful place of prayer and contemplation. In the process, ministry volunteers experience God through the beauty of nature and in the friendships that are formed.

For more information and to volunteer contact the parish office at [mht-poconos@outlook.com](mailto:mht-poconos@outlook.com).



Given the size of our property and a desire to exercise good stewardship we are looking for volunteers to help with lawn care. We need people to help with cut the grass and trim around the buildings. Ideally we could form four (4) teams of volunteers so that each team works once a month.

For more information and to volunteer contact the parish office at [mht-poconos@outlook.com](mailto:mht-poconos@outlook.com).



“When we see a beautiful garden or a beautiful flower, let us think that there we behold a ray of the infinite beauty of God.”

- St. Alphonsus Liguori

It is our desire to plant gardens on our parish property that will create a beautiful environment that is welcoming and a peaceful way to begin our worship experience. Also, several of our intended gardens will provide a place for quiet contemplation and prayer. We are inviting individuals and families to adopt plants which will be used to make our gardens beautiful.

Any and all donations are welcome. Please consider adopting a tree, bush, grass, or flower for mom as we prepare to celebrate Mother’s Day. All memorial / honorarium donations will be recognized in the bulletin and Facebook.

Again thank you for support as we continue to Build the Kingdom, Build the Parish and Build our Home.

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## THANK YOU!

We would like to express our sincerest appreciation to the parishioners who volunteered their time and equipment to plant our new trees, bushes, and grasses.

Furthermore, we thank those parishioners who most generously donated the monies to date for these plants.

It is a momentous task, but together — and through the generous sharing of time, talent and treasure — we are *Building the Kingdom, Building the Parish, and **Building** — and beautifying — Our Home!*





## HELP WANTED!

### Bakers needed!

There will be a Bake Sale after all Masses on Memorial Weekend, May 29th and May 30th. Proceeds will benefit our Building Fund. Please drop off your baked goods before the Mass you attend that weekend.

Any questions feel free to call Diane Edwards at 570-269-9031



The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Baby Bottle Campaign to raise money for the purchase of an Ultrasound machine that will be donated to the Greater Hazelton Pregnancy Center.

Your donations will be greatly appreciated and Baby Bottles need to be returned by Father's Day, June 20th. Baby Bottles will be available after each Mass and in the Lobby. Any question please call.

Alex Tasselmyer 570-460-5163

Bill Musa 908-500-1174

Bill Jones 570-460-0678

## Ongoing help is needed at the Msgr. McHugh Center!

There are a variety of tasks to complete including cleaning, to painting, to repairs, etc.

We will meet each Tuesday from  
8:30-10:00am and 6:00-7:30pm.

If you can join us for one of those times please  
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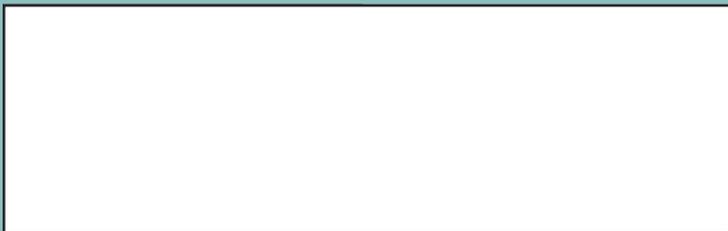
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