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Parish Office Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday
9:00am - 12 noon

Monday and Thursday
9:00am - 4:00pm

Pastor: Rev. Gregory Loughney

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Jaime Perez-Restropo

Permanent Deacons: Alan Baranski, Jose Mendoza, and Ron Verkon

In Residence: Msgr. John Bergamo

October 17, 2021

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Mk 10:43-45

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Daily Mass

Monday - Friday 8:15am
Spanish Wednesday 7:00pm

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.

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Parish Chapel in the Msgr. McHugh Center

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.

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.

Modified Parish Office Hours through November 15, 2021

Monday through Friday
9:00am - 12 noon

Eucharistic Adoration
and Holy Hour

Mondays
6:00pm to 7:00pm
Parish Chapel in the
Msgr. McHugh Center

MHT Parish Mass Intentions

10/18	8:15am	Angelina Gargano	Lenny Rivera, Jr.
10/19	8:15am	Deacon John Friel	Marquerite & Charles Morrow
10/20	8:15am	Parishioners Who Died in the Month of September	Ladies Guild
	7:00pm	For the People	Pastor
10/21	8:15am	For the People	Pastor
10/22	8:15am	For the People	Pastor
10/23	4:00pm	Frances & Steven Matula, Sr.	Matula Children
10/24	8:00am	Gloria Fidanzato	The Garber Family
	10:30am	Angelo Talerico	Marguerite Morrow
	12:00pm	Maria De Juarez	Grandchildren

Faith Formation Classes

Classes for Grades K - 8th have begun. Class starts at 9:00am and ends at 10:15am at the Msgr. McHugh Center.

For students in grade 9, Confirmation Classes are held the first Saturday of each month. Class begins after the 4pm Mass and concludes at 7pm. All classes are held at the Msgr. McHugh Center.

Attention High School Students

We are starting a program for high school students (grades 9-12) that will focus on faith, service, and community. Our first meeting is on Saturday, October 16th beginning after the 4pm Mass and ending at 7pm. Come join us!

Renovation Support

Our development expenditure from June 2020 through June 2021 has totaled over $1.13 million dollars. With our building fund and savings depleted we are in need of your support to continue our renovations. Currently we are working on the Men's and Women's Restrooms located between the former gym and cafeteria.

Women's Restroom

Toilet	$250
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Hand Dryer	$115
Sink	$340
Faucet	$89
Faucet	$89
Mirror	$43
Mirror	$43
Stall Dividers	$2890
LED Light	$38
LED Light	$38

Men's Restroom

Toilet	$250
Urinal	$166
Urinal	$166
Hand Dryer	$115
Sink	$340
Faucet	$89
Faucet	$89
Mirror	$43
Mirror	$43
Stall Dividers	$1384
LED Light	$38

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 17, 2021

Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/ Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

Monday: 2 Tm 4:10-17/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Lk 10:1-9

Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15, 17-19, 20-21/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 17 [8 and 9]/ Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8]/Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]/Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 [68]/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 17, 2021

Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Luke, Evangelist

Tuesday: Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

Wednesday: St. Paul of the Cross, Priest

Friday: St. John Paul II, Pope

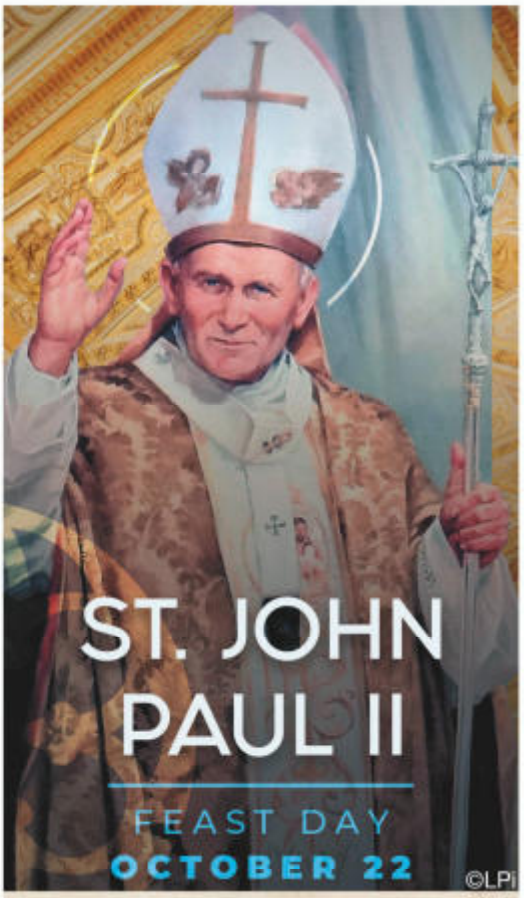
Saturday: St. John of Capistrano, Priest; BVM

Next Sunday: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

It's the positions of power and great authority that people often admire. We equate success with six figure incomes, high positions, management, and influence. We even go above and beyond to find favor with our bosses so that we can get a little extra recognition and maybe the next promotion when it comes up. This is the way of the world. Those who have their values set on earthly things are going to work by earthly rules. We forget that it doesn't work that way in the Kingdom of God. Success is measured not from the place of status, influence, or prestige but from the place of humility, service, and sacrifice. The authority that one hopes to achieve is not an authority over others but an authority that comes from wisdom and developing one's relationship with God. Jesus flips the tables on our priorities. Even the first disciples had a tough time understanding this. They really thought that they would somehow receive a privilege or bonus from being faithful. We often operate under that same illusion.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. John Paul II was born Karol Wojtyla in the small Polish town of Wadowice. During World War II, when the Nazis invaded Poland, Karol secretly studied for the priesthood in an underground seminary. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1946, appointed Archbishop of Krakow in 1964, and three years later he was made a cardinal. In 1978, he was elected the 264th pope, where he took the name John Paul II.

St. John Paul II made evangelization a key part of his papacy and made pastoral visits to all parts of the world. In 1981, he was shot twice in an assassination attempt. Following Jesus' example of compassion, he later met with his would-be assassin in his prison cell, where he forgave him for what he had done.

St. John Paul II was well-known to be an active sportsman throughout his life, hiking and skiing well into his 60s. In 1992, his health began to decline, and it was later discovered that he suffered from Parkinson's disease, a degenerative disorder of the central nervous system.

Near the end of his papacy, it became difficult for him to speak, and his poor health and physical suffering made public appearances difficult. Still, he continued his pastoral work. He died April 2, 2005, and he was declared blessed on May 1, 2011. He became a saint on April 27, 2014.

LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING to the Call

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

What's in it for me?

I think we've all been guilty of looking at a situation and wondering what's in it for us. It doesn't matter if it's a particular work assignment, someone at the parish asking for help with the mission trip bake sale, or your spouse asking if you'll take over the grocery shopping this week. Often, our first reaction to one of these requests is a heavy sigh and the thought: "If I do this, what will I get?"

Sometimes it surprises us to realize that the Apostles were no different. We tend to idolize these contemporaries of Christ as giants who walked with the Savior. But in reality, these individuals were merely human beings struggling to commit to the task of everyday stewardship.

In the Gospels, we see glimpses of them longing for praise and affirmation. We see them jockeying for positions of power within the group of twelve. We see them expect earthly rewards like honor and admiration. We see them acting a lot like us.

But in the end, we see them transformed by the grace of God. Like all the saints, their holiness stems from their commitment to their call. They stumble through, and as they stumble, they keep trusting God. They keep turning to Him. They keep asking for help. They don't give up just because they keep failing at it.

We are defined by what we give when we have no hope of being reimbursed, rewarded, or recognized. The Apostles understood this, eventually, and they gave accordingly. Most of them gave their very lives.

Remember, they're just like us. If they can do it, we can too.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

Are Catholics allowed to visit psychics? Why or why not?

Answer:

It's part of human nature to experience some sense of unease and fear about the future. This can lead some people to seek out the services of psychics or consult horoscopes or turn to other occult practices or resources (e.g. Ouija boards or tarot cards). The Catechism of the Catholic Church is very clear that Catholics should avoid such practices: "Consulting horoscopes, astrology, palm reading, interpretation of omens and lots, the phenomena of clairvoyance, and recourse to mediums all conceal a desire for power over time, history, and, in the last analysis, other human beings, as well as a wish to conciliate hidden powers. They contradict the honor, respect, and loving fear that we owe to God alone" (no. 2116). Despite the uncertainties we might feel, we are called to have faith and trust in God, confident of God's desire for what is best for us. This means that we are called to surrender, to pray and to reflect on how we can best move into the future in hope, knowing that God is with us.

Hymns

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

I sing the mighty pow'r of God, that made the mountains rise, That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies. I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day; The moon shines full at His command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord, who filled the earth with food, Who formed the creatures through the Word, and then pronounced them good. Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye, If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky.

There's not a plant or flow'r below, but makes Thy glories known, And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from Thy throne; While all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care; And everywhere that we can be, Thou, God, art present there.

Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best Thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my battle Shield, Sword for the fight;
Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight;
Thou my soul's Shelter, Thou my high Tower:
Raise Thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine Inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won,
May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

Holy God We Praise Thy Name

Holy God, we praise Thy Name;
Lord of all, we bow before Thee!
All on earth Thy scepter claim,
All in Heaven above adore Thee;
Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign.

Hark! the loud celestial hymn
Angel choirs above are raising,
Cherubim and seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising;
Fill the heavens with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord.

Lo! the apostolic train
Join the sacred Name to hallow;
Prophets swell the loud refrain,
And the white robed martyrs follow;
And from morn to set of sun,
Through the Church the song goes on.

Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, Three we name Thee;
While in essence only One,
Undivided God we claim Thee;
And adoring bend the knee,
While we own the mystery.

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