



# Holy Trinity Happenings

December (2018),  
January, February (2019)

## Holy Trinity School News

*by Brandon Kulka, Principal*



Dear Parishioners,

It's been an exciting first semester at Holy Trinity Catholic School, and there's only more to come! This past semester, our students have continued their focus on virtue. Every two weeks our students are introduced to a new virtue, and we focus on learning and living out that virtue. If you have joined us for any of our Friday Mass celebrations you have seen our virtue treasure chest. At Holy Trinity we recognize that living a life of virtue is living a life that is rich with treasure. Some treasures are put in a chest and are deeply buried, but not *our* virtues. Our virtues are treasures we hold in our hearts that we continually open and freely give to our community. The beauty of this treasure is that the more we share it with others, the more we are blessed by the Lord! As we move into the second semester, we will be focusing on the cardinal virtues and the role they play in our lives of faith.

At Holy Trinity, we are on a continuous journey with our families to form Saints and Scholars. We recognize we cannot do this alone, we partner with parents, but we also seek help from our community. Thank you for being our partners as we continue forming our students in the Catholic Faith.

Your support is essential for us to live out our mission. Through your time, talent, and treasure, we are bringing our students closer to an everlasting love with Christ. Your financial support is deeply appreciated in our efforts, but there are many other ways you can support our mission. We would love to welcome you into the building. Here are some great opportunities to partner with us in our journey:

**Visiting Artists** – If you're an artist, or simply enjoy helping students discover their talents, we invite you to come visit! If art has played a role in your life, please let us know. Perhaps you can share your story with our students or assist our art teacher, Nancy Sasala, as she continues developing the talents of our up-and-coming artists!

**Guest Readers** – Over and over again studies show the strong correlation between reading and long-term academic success. In regards to the ability to read and comprehend, students develop at different reading levels, but in terms of hearing and comprehending, students typically comprehend at a reading level several grades higher than where they are currently. Help us develop these young readers by being a guest reader! Reading to our students is my absolute FAVORITE thing to do in school. If you would like to join in the fun, please let me know. Guest readers are always a welcome addition in the classroom!

**Tutors and 1-on-1 Instructions** – Our talented and dedicated staff is passionate about their work, but we are always looking for further opportunities to engage our students and further develop their talents. Are you passionate about education? Would you like to share that passion with our students? After school tutoring and 1-on-1 instruction is an incredible gift to give to a young student.

If you are interested in any of these opportunities, please don't hesitate to call the school at (419) 644-3971 or e-mail Principal Kulka at [bkulka@htassumption.org](mailto:bkulka@htassumption.org)



God Bless

Pastoral Associate Of Evangelization & Outreach *by Sarah Roof*



# High School Teens

We want you! Yes, YOU!!

**Our older youth** grades 9-12, are invited to join Y Disciple, Sunday evenings twice a month for 90 min. from January to May. The program consists of 5 small group sessions and 3 large group sessions where all small groups would come together here at the parish for group activities, community service opportunities and fellowship.

**Parents**-If you are interested in having your teenager involved in a small group that involves a caring adult mentor team, a small group of supportive peers and encouraging parents who open their homes and offer hospitality, this program is for you and your high school teen!

**This is a fun and dynamic way to share and live our faith!**

We have 3 “small” groups to choose from - Come and get involved ! Session starts Sundays in Jan. 2019— 6-7:30 pm.

Questions or to sign up- call Sarah Roof at 419-644-4014

Starting a new session in Jan. (The Sacraments) - All sessions are 6-7:30pm

Jan. 13 & 27- small groups in the homes—

Feb. 10-Large Group Night-service project-TBA—

Feb. 24-small groups in the homes.



Holy Trinity will be continuing our Lenten Faith Groups and we want all of you to participate!!! There will be several groups, various locations and days/times where people will gather in homes and talk about life/faith. We encourage you to sign up to be a part of a small group to deepen your Lenten journey. More details to come. Please call Sarah at the Parish Office at 419 644 4014 if you have questions or want to sign up, because small groups matter to grow spiritually!!



We've had a great start to our PREP program this year and look forward to all that 2019 brings. Please be aware of how many classes that your child(ren) miss.

Please keep all the children and the teachers in your prayers as they prepare for and celebrate their sacraments. Some upcoming dates to remember:

Sun. Dec 9: PREP & all baptismal certificates turned in

Wed. Dec 19: Advent Penance Service

Sun. Jan 13: PREP & Mass-8:30am

Wed. Jan 16: 2nd Grade First Reconciliation in church 6:30pm



## CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

### Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday, December 7

6:15 pm (Assumption)

Saturday, December 8

9:00 am (Marygrove)

### Holy Trinity Advent Penance Service

Wednesday, December 19—7:00pm

### Day of Grace (Confessions)

Sunday, December 23rd

12:00 –5:00 pm

### Additional Confession Opportunities

Tuesday—Friday

1/2 hour before daily Mass

### Christmas Eve

Monday, December 24

4:00 pm (Assumption)

4:30 pm (Marygrove)

10:00 pm (Assumption)

### Christmas Day

Tuesday, December 25

9:00 am (Assumption)

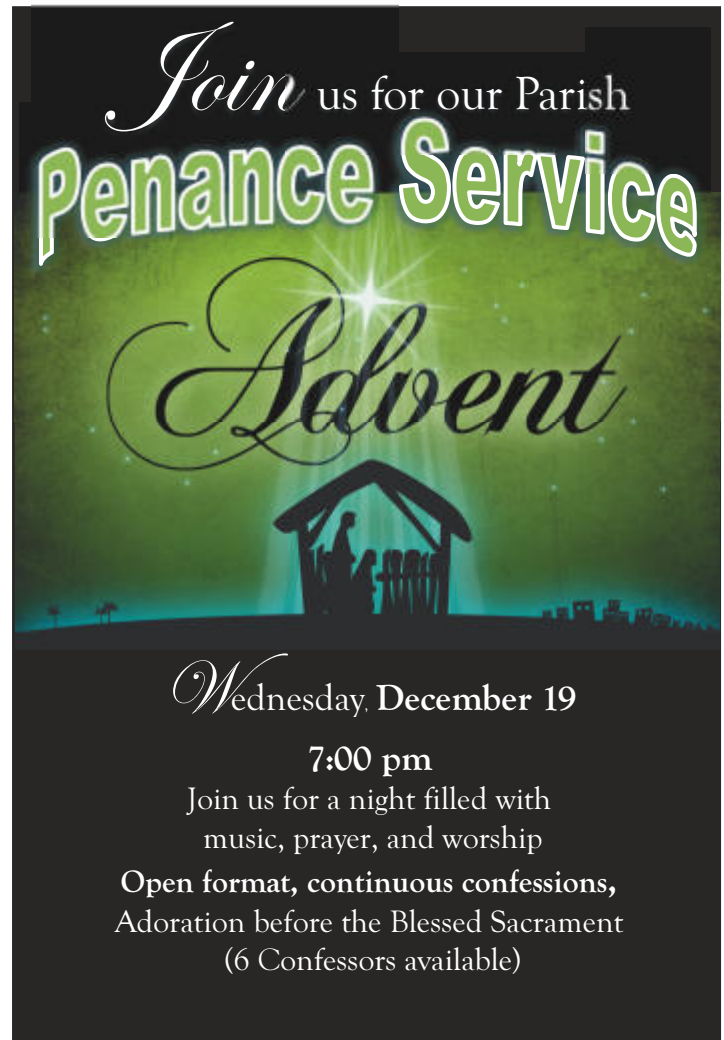
### Feast of Mary, The Mother of God

Monday, December 31

6:15 pm (Assumption)

Tuesday, January 1

9:00 am (Assumption)



Join us for our Parish  
**Penance Service**

*Advent*

Wednesday, December 19

7:00 pm

Join us for a night filled with music, prayer, and worship

Open format, continuous confessions, Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament (6 Confessors available)

"We invite everyone to join us for

## **IGNITE!**

3rd Wed. of the month at 6:30 pm Meal at 5:30 pm

Mark your calendars: Jan. 16, Feb. 20

Witness, Praise, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament,  
Music and Confession



Our Advent  
"Giving Tree"  
collection is underway!  
Take an envelope off  
the tree today!  
Thank –you  
for your generosity to  
help those in need!

## Altar Rosary Society

by Vicki Spenthoff

Thanks to everyone who gave a donation to our annual "Bakeless" Bake Sale. We appreciate your support for the Altar Rosary Society.

Mark your 2019 calendar for Sunday, February 10th after the 10:30 Mass for our Card Party/Raffle in the Holy Family Room. Lunch will be offered. Watch the bulletin for more details. Hope to see everyone there.

Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year to everyone.



### Holy Trinity Parish – Inclement Weather guidelines for Fulton County

**Level 1 Snow Emergency**—Use extreme caution. Masses will be celebrated at the parish. All parish & school programs continue at the discretion of the ministry leader.

**Level 2 Snow Emergency**—Necessary travel only. Weekend and daily Masses will be celebrated at the parish. Daily Mass should be attended only by those that feel safe to do so. All parish & school programs are cancelled.

**Level 3 Snow Emergency**—Emergency vehicles only. All others are subject to being ticketed or arrested. All weekend, holy day, & daily Masses are cancelled, along with all parish & school programs, and the parish office is closed.

## Start the Advent season off with us- Join us for a Movie Night!

Saturday December 8, 2018      6:00 pm—8:30 pm (after Mass, Heritage Room)

Soup Dinner provided, You are welcome to bring an appetizer/snack to share!

“Power In My Hands” is a film that uncovers the beauty, timelessness and power of the rosary.

Prominent individuals including *Philip Rivers*, quarterback for the NFL Los Angeles Chargers (formerly San Diego) and *Jeff Cavins*, biblical scholar, and others will not only present the beauty and power of the rosary, but also share their personal witness to this power in one’s hands.

All are welcome to attend ! Please RSVP for food count to

Nancy Lee (419-644-9479) or Kathy Bettinger (419-466-8260) or for more information



## St. Vincent de Paul Society

by Denver Mossing

Did you know that there are over 100,000 trained St. Vincent de Paul volunteers in the United States alone? Every year this group of dedicated individuals combines for more than 17.5 million hours of service work to the less fortunate, helping more than 20.9 million people.

It is difficult to see Christ in the poor. Sometimes, it is even more difficult to see Him in someone in our own parish. Our Lord keeps saying to us: If you find it difficult to see Christ in the poor or in the person who annoys you in your own parish, begin by trying to be Christ to such people: to say nothing, to do nothing which Christ would not say or do. That calls for faith. Let us not be discouraged at our failures in our service of the poor or by our failures in fraternal charity. With the grace of Jesus Christ we must keep trying. (McCullen, *Deep Down Things*)

The next distribution dates are – December 19th, January 23rd & February 27th.

If you would like to know more about the Society of St. Vincent DePaul you can go to <http://www.svdpusa.org>.

## Remembering....

**Michael Iozzo**, 80, passed away on July 9, 2018. He is survived by his wife, Priscilla, children, Vittoria (Frank) Incorvaia, Joseph (Marie), and Antoinette (Mark) Bennett, 6 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Rosa.

**Nelda Langenderfer**, 92, passed away on July 16, 2018. She is survived by her children, Michael (Cynthia), Ann Chapp, Mark (Kate), Kay and Lance, 6 grandchildren & 6 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Cliff, her father and 4 brothers.

**Fred Shininger**, 81, passed away on August 16, 2018. He is survived by his wife, Margie, children, Bill (Cindy), Charles (Diane), Cheryl (Mark) Kolb, Kathy (Roy) Miller, Janey (Chris) Gilligan, Jay (Vicky) and 20 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his 3 sisters.

**James Cook**, 65, passed away on September 4, 2018. He is survived by his wife, Debra, his mother, Virginia, daughter, Alicia, 2 grandchildren, 4 sisters and 1 brother. He was preceded in death by his father, Leroy Cook and sister, Carol Spencer.

**David Mossing**, 65, passed away on September 11, 2018. He is survived by his siblings, Janice Moon, Elaine (Philip) Terman and Denver (Sally) and his beloved nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

**Mary Glanz**, 69, passed away on September 22, 2018. She is survived by her children, John (Lisa), M. Melissa Donnelly, Laura (John) Dillon and Rochelle (Kevin) Whitmore and 22 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Roger, and her parents.

**Valerie Shaffer**, 66, passed away on October 2, 2018. She is survived by her husband, Richard and daughters, Sarah Davis and Lisa Moffitt and 4 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her father.

**Gary Nichols**, 80, passed away on October 2, 2018. He is survived by his wife, Irene and children, Donna (Ron) Loar, Cindy (Jeff) Wilson, Julie (Troy) Double, Gary (Tina), Colleen Reeves, Debbie (Bart) Warner, Angie (Keith) McRitchie, 14 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, grandson, Eric and 4 brothers.

**John Bahus**, 83, passed away on October 19, 2018. He is survived by his wife, Caroline, son, Eric (Julia) and brother, James (Sumie). He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Andrew and sister, Margaret Johnson.

**Lynn Langenderfer**, 48, passed away on October 30, 2018. She is survived by her parents, Mary Ann and Larry, sister, Amy (Dan) Johannsmeier, brothers, Matt (Ania) and Mark (Lori), many aunts, uncles and cousins.

**Don Elliott**, 56, passed away on November 6, 2018. He is survived by his wife, Carla and daughters, Erica (Mike) Micel, Laura (Ben) Zawodni, Jessica and Leah, granddaughters, Alyssa, Hailey and Norah, parents, Donald and Marilyn Elliott; 1 brother and, 2 sisters, special daughter Rebecca Woody and former wife, Becky Thompson.



### Newly Baptized

**Matilda Fandrey**, daughter of Kevin & Chelsea

**Gilbert Eisel**, son of Benjamin & Erica

**Chase Stasa**, son of Jacob & Ashley

**Leo Simon**, son of Jacob & Laura

**Richard Vasque**, son of Nicholas & Stephanie

**Neveah Savage**, daughter of James & Savannah

**Baylor Cass**, daughter of Tony & Jessica

**Logan Rober**, son of Ryan & Amanda

*Welcome*

### New Registered Parishioners!

**Thomas & Barbara Blanchard**

**Michael Wheeler & children, Emily, Katherine & Michael**

**Neil & Lucy Duhon**

**James Savage & Savannah Karl & daughter Neveah**

**Todd & Amy Bieber & children, Cooper, Gus & Murphy**

**Chad & Kari Vaculik & children, Joshua & Ashlyn**

## *Securing our Legacy – Fulfilling our Mission: Campaign Update*

Thank you for all of those generous parishioners who have made a contribution to *Securing our Legacy – Fulfilling our Mission*, our Church Addition and Debt Reduction campaign. We are steadily nearing our goal for the campaign, with a current pledge total of over \$1.4 million dollars, and close to 200 pledges made, but we are in need of every family's help if we hope to meet our goal of **\$1.6 million**. We are excited about the response to the campaign thus far and the amount of support that has been pledged over these last two months. We look to continue to build on this momentum and push through to our goal over the next few weeks, in hopes of closing out our campaign by the end of December.

We understand that a pledge toward the campaign is one of a *sacrificial nature*, one that takes time to discern, pray over, and discuss what is feasible for your family. We hope that after taking some time to reflect on a pledge, that you are able to understand the impact your *sacrificial gift* will make toward the future of our parish. A gift will help our parish reduce the current debt on our school building, improving our overall financial position, and helping to open the door to future opportunities of new resources to our parish & school. In addition to this, a gift will also help us gain much needed improvements to our current church building, including restrooms, improved handicap accessibility, and gathering space. These improvements will allow for a more welcoming church environment, helping our parishioners to grow in fellowship, and creating a heightened experience of the weekend Masses. Overall, this campaign will be a blessing to our parish in many ways.

As a reminder, if you have not yet returned your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible. There are many different ways to give toward the campaign, some of which are *highlighted below*. Keep in mind that a gift made either directly toward the debt, or directly toward the church addition will be honored. Gifts that are not designated will be split  $\frac{3}{4}$  to the church addition and  $\frac{1}{4}$  to the debt. If you have further questions about the campaign, please contact me at the parish office at 419-644-4014, ex. 202, and I will be happy to help assist with these.

Thank you again for your support, and God Bless!  
Chad Gurica, Business Manager



### *Your Commitment*

#### **Stocks and Bonds**

There are added advantages to giving stocks, bonds and securities. You not only take credit for a charitable gift at its present value, but if held for more than a year, you are also exempt from paying tax on the profit realized from the original investment. Talk with your financial advisor for more information on making these types of charitable donations.

#### **IRA Gifts**

If you are over 70 1/2 years old, you may also be eligible to make a charitable gift from your IRA assets of up to \$100,000 per year with no tax complications. These types of gifts must be transferred directly and count toward your minimum required distribution. Again, it is always a good idea to speak with your financial advisor for more information.

#### **Tax Deductible Gifts**

All gifts are tax deductible as provided by law. Receipts will be provided upon request.

#### **Wills and Bequests**

Providing for Holy Trinity Catholic Parish in your will can have significant federal and estate tax advantages. For additional information, please contact the Parish Office at (419) 644-4014.

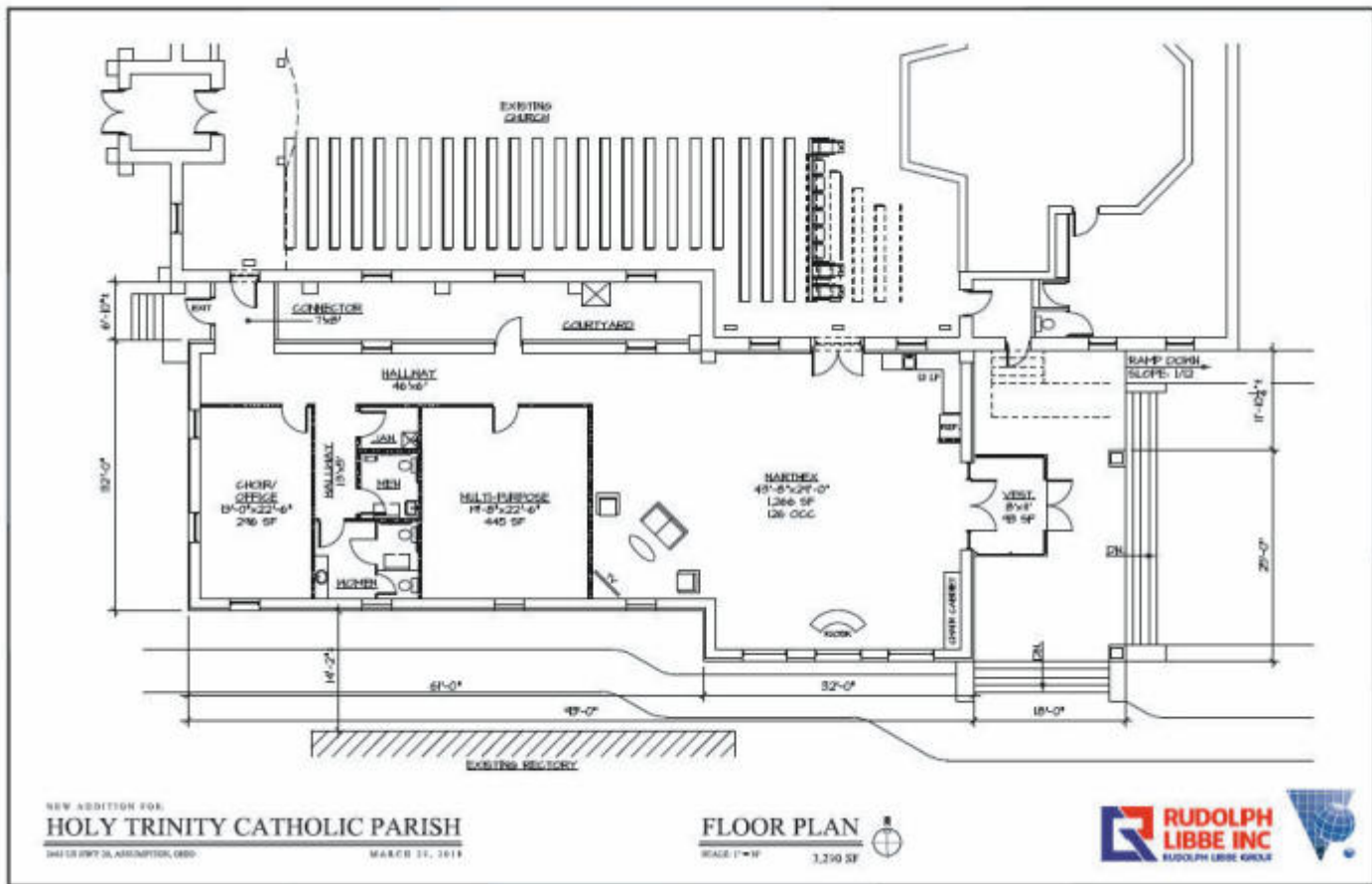
#### **Matching Gift Programs**

Many firms have matching gift programs to provide incentives for their employees to make charitable donations. Many companies will especially match gifts given to Capital Campaigns that include a school or educational component such as we have. Please ask your human resources or personnel department for a matching gift form. The employee must initiate the process. Both current and retired employees may be eligible.

#### **Pledge Payments**

You will receive reminder notices in accordance with the payment method you select. Please make your checks payable to: *Holy Trinity Campaign Fund*.

# Securing Our Legacy - *Fulfilling Our Mission* Capital Campaign



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**HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC PARISH**  
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SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"      3,250 SF





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**CWV Auxiliary** *by Margie Gillingham*

First of all, we want to send multiple thanks to everyone of the parish for supporting our Veterans by donating their time and saving coupons to aid our overseas troops. We will continue this project thru the New Year 2019, for cutting coupons is rewarding and much appreciated.

Our Fall Euchre fundraiser was a grand success. Thank you to all those who participated and made it possible to donate to the Fulton County Veterans, aiding the county homeless veterans. Also, donations were given to the Fisher House, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Holy Trinity School, Heartbeat of Toledo and the Altar Rosary Society. Added plans, are to collect winter items and lap blankets along with any other useful items, to be placed around the Fulton County Veteran Service Office Christmas tree.

We are dedicated CWV Auxiliary, organized since 1955, for the purpose to stand behind our veterans who gave of their time fighting for our country's freedom. We are a non-profit organization, always remembering our motto for "God - Country - Home."

Our meetings are on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7pm for total of 6 meetings with 3 social gatherings. No meeting is held in January or February. Anyone who has a history of a military family member and is interested in joining, feel free to call Deanna Whipple (419) 822-7108 for an application.

Wishing everyone a Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year!



**2018 PARISH FALL FESTIVAL**

The Festival Committee would like to thank each and every person who contributed to the 2018 Holy Trinity Fall Festival. We couldn't have done it without all of our hardworking volunteers. Thanks for another great year, and we look forward to seeing you in 2019!

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