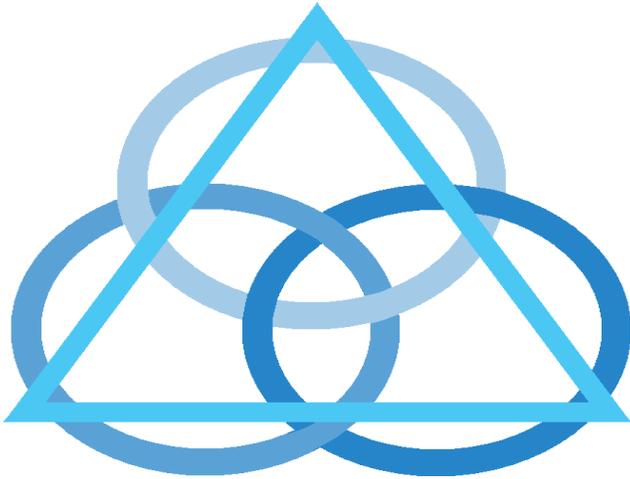


**A Trinity of Persons,
One Eternal God:**



**Praise and Honor to You,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!**



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



A voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." - Mt 3:17

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**CHURCH OF THE
MOST HOLY TRINITY**

TRINITY, INDIANA

7321 East State Road 67 · Bryant, IN 47326-9636

Served by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood

Welcome to Our Parish

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Parish Pastor:

Father Kenneth G. Alt, C.PP.S—altkg5178@gmail.com

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Betsy Minnich—secretary@htcc1861.com

Bookkeeper:

Bev Westgerdes

Religious Education:

Linda Wellman, Director; Lori Jutte, Assistant Director

Choir Director:

Agnes Schoch

Organist:

*Katie Hamberg, Maria Knapschaefer,
Leah Muhlenkamp & Tim Muhlenkamp*

Mass Schedule:

Weekend Masses

Saturday, 7:30pm; Sunday, 7:30am, 9:30am

Daily Masses

*Monday-Tuesday, Thursday-Saturday 7:30am
Wednesday 7:00pm*

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, 8:00am-9:00am

Confessions:

*Saturday (After Morning Mass & Evening Mass)
Anytime by Request*

Baptism: *Will be set up on an individual basis*

Marriage: *Please contact Father at least 6 months prior to intended date of wedding*

Parish Council Members:

Kent Muhlenkamp (President), Larry Alig, Scott Bruggeman, Crystal Fullenkamp, Brian Link, Laurie Muhlenkamp, Leon Muhlenkamp & Kristin Westgerdes

Bulletin: *Please submit items for the bulletin to the Parish Office in writing/email by Sunday evening*

Missions: *On the 1st Sunday of each month, a 2nd collection is taken up to support needs of the South American Missions in Peru served by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood*

12 JANUARY 2020

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TODAY	9:30 am	RELIGION CLASSES (Pre-K/Kindergarten)
	10:30 am	RELIGION CLASSES (Grades 1-8)
Monday	1:00 pm	Rosary Makers' Meeting
Tuesday	7:30 pm	Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday	8:00 pm	RELIGION CLASSES (Grades 9-12)
Thursday	8-9:00 am	Eucharistic Adoration
Friday		
Saturday	8:15 am/pm	Confessions
Sunday	9:30 am	RELIGION CLASSES (Pre-K/Kindergarten)
	10:30 am	RELIGION CLASSES (Grades 1-8)

MASS SCHEDULE

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Saturday	January 11	
	7:30 pm	Living & Deceased of the Parish
Sunday	January 12	
	7:30 am	Doris Reinhart (Anniversary)
	9:30 am	Marty Muhlenkamp (Anniversary)
Monday	January 13	Weekday (Ordinary Time)
	7:30 am	Deceased of the Muhlenkamp/Kuess Family
Tuesday	January 14	Weekday
	7:30 am	John Bricher
Wednesday	January 15	Weekday
	7:00 pm	Liv./Dec. of the Lengerich & Welling Families
Thursday	January 16	Weekday
	7:30 am	Poor Souls
Friday	January 17	St. Anthony, Abbot
	7:30 am	Bob Schmit
Saturday	January 18	Weekday
	7:30 am	Thelma Schindler
	1:30 pm	Wedding of Emily Westgerdes & Stewart Alig
SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME		
	7:30 pm	Luella Reinhart
Sunday	January 19	
	7:30 am	Marion & Madonna Collins
	9:30 am	Living & Deceased of the Parish

PARISH SUPPORT

22 DECEMBER 2019

SUNDAY		
TOTAL	.....	\$ 4,274.00
Envelopes	.....	\$ 3,865.00
Loose	.....	\$ 409.00
Envelope Avg. (31)	.....	\$ 124.68
Overall Avg. (160)	.....	\$ 26.71
OTHER		
Candles	.....	\$ 66.00
Hall Rental	.....	\$ 75.00
Catholic Moment	.....	\$ 20.00
Christmas	.....	\$ 210.00
Christmas Flowers	.....	\$ 40.00
Riley Child. Hosp.	.....	\$ 15.00
<i>Recom. Weekly Contribution is \$30.00</i>		

UP & COMING

- 25 January (Saturday)**
First Confession with Breakfast for Second Graders—8:30am
- 2 February (Sunday)**
Coffee/Donuts provided by the Men's Sodality—after both Masses
- 10 February (Monday)**
A Biblical Walk...Meeting—7:00pm
- 11 February (Tuesday)**
Parish Council Meeting—7:30pm

BANNES OF MARRIAGE

III Emily Westgerdes & Stewart Alig

How to Submit Mass Intentions

If you have a friend or loved one who is living or deceased, or if you have a special intention for which you'd like to have a Mass said, please consider submitting a Mass intention. Mass intentions can be dropped into the week-end collection basket via an envelope marked "Mass Intentions". When requesting an intention for a specific person or special need, please include a note within the envelope, specifying for whom/what the intention is being requested, include any particular dates that may be important for the intention (i.e. anniversaries, birthdays, or death dates), a name/phone number for contact, and also a payment of \$10 for each separate intention. If you have any questions regarding Mass Intentions, please feel free to contact the Parish Secretary at (260) 997-6450.

*****Please note: Specific dates occurring after the month of June 2020 cannot be requested at this time due to the unknown Mass schedule for the newly formed Pastorate.**

	7:30 PM	7:30 AM	9:30 AM
Servers	Mitchell, Carter & Clark Wellman	Ryan Wellman/Gavin Muhlenkamp	Grade 9 Students
Lectors	Angela Reinhart	Rachel Muhlenkamp	Grade 9 Students
Distributors		Dylan Rose	Krista Stauffer/Tracy Fifer/Marg Reier
Ushers	Ken Reinhart/ Roger Wellman	Carl Muhlenkamp/Mitch Leuthold	Grade 9 Students
Gifts			Grade 9 Students
Rosary			Grade 9 Students

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BBQ Pork Chop Dinner

Sunday, February 16th

**11:30am-1:00pm ~ Open for dine-in or carry-out
\$8.00 per person ~ Presale Tickets Only**

Tickets available for purchase after Mass: the weekend of January 25-26 & February 1-2. Thank you to all who support the Ladies' Sodality in this fundraising effort!

MARY: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother

This **Lenten** adult education program will last 8 weeks, beginning on Monday, February 10th at 7:00pm. All adults are welcome to join!

Please sign-up in the back of church. Sign-up will end Sunday, January 26th. Participation in the program will require the purchase of a study guide/workbook for \$25.00.

If you'd like to reserve your spot, pay for materials, or have further questions, please contact Carl Zepeda at (419) 363-2116.

After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him. (Mt 3:16)

"Laughter: The Sanity of the Family"

with Dr. Ray Guarendi, Sat. Feb. 8, 2020, St. Henry American Legion. With humor and real-life examples, Dr. Ray addresses widespread myths, cultural influence, and the daily challenges of family life and parenting. Enjoy a very entertaining evening filled with practical advice and proven techniques to build stronger, happier, healthier families. \$35/couple. Doors open 6:00 pm. Dinner and drinks and more. Engaged couples welcome. Call or text 419-790-8093 for tickets. Visit www.drray.com and "Evening for Married Couples" on Facebook.

SNOW REMOVAL SIGN-UP

- Friday, January 10-Thursday, January 16:
Steve Reier/Tony Hamberg Families
- Friday, January 17-Thursday, January 23:
Larry Alig/Steve Fullenkamp Families
- Friday, January 24-Thursday, January 30:
Ryan Wellman/Matt Minnich Families

The Musings of Our Pastor

What a profound and bewildering trauma it is, when someone experiences the loss of one's identity, direction and purpose in life! All of life can be thrown out-of-kilter in a big way, and it may become exceedingly difficult for these individuals cope with or to handle appropriately even the most basic of life's day-to-day responsibilities. Sadly, from a fundamental spiritual or moral perspective, it must be acknowledged that far too many individuals in today's world have, in fact, experienced the loss of their identity, direction and purpose in life for all practical purposes. Within this context, we ponder the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which marks the close of the Christmas Season.

The Baptism of the Lord in the Jordan River by John reveals and acclaims the true identity of Jesus, when the voice from heaven is heard to say: "This is my Beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." The fundamental direction of the 3-year public ministry of Jesus, following his baptism by John in the Jordan, is toward Jerusalem, where his humble and obedient bond of unity with the Father's mission of redemption will bring him to the Cross of Calvary on Good Friday, and to his Glorious Resurrection on Easter Day. Many attempts were made to knock Jesus off course and to cause him to lose his sense of direction, but all such attempts met with failure because Jesus knew where he was going and what he needed to do for the sake of all humanity. All along the way on his journey to Jerusalem, the purpose of Jesus in his life and ministry was to bring sight to the blind, liberty to captives, forgiveness to sinners, healing to the sick, justice and hope to the poor or broken-hearted. One thing is absolutely clear from our reading of the Gospel portraits of Jesus given to us by the Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Jesus never suffered from the bewildering trauma of experiencing the loss of his identity, direction or purpose in life.

Being brought to new life in Christ through the saving waters of Baptism is a once-in-a-lifetime experience for Christian people of faith. Baptism is fundamentally a "defining moment", which means that a person is not baptized a second or third time. Baptism affirms and celebrates our true identity as sons and daughters (i.e., children) of God and as disciples or followers of the Lord Jesus Christ. Baptism provides Christian people of faith with a sense of direction in life, which is the quest to arrive at the goal of Eternal Life with God in Heaven after death. Baptism also gives Christian people of faith a very challenging and a very fulfilling purpose in life, which is to "be Christ" for others through endeavors animated by the compassionate love, justice, forgiveness, humility and generosity of Jesus himself. It is not the custom in the Catholic Church to rebaptize individuals, but to focus on the timely work of "continuing conversion" by harking back to the experience of baptism, in order to embrace with new zeal and commitment all of the important responsibilities of Christian discipleship that flow out of the celebration of baptism. Baptism provides ongoing graces of divine support, which can help us to stay faithful to the work of God over the long haul of earthly life.

In so far as many Catholic-Christian people in today's world no longer place much value on their own baptism or the new life they acquired in Christ Jesus through the waters of baptism, it is likely, unfortunately, that they have lost their sense of identity, direction or purpose in life from a spiritual/moral perspective anyway. In the bond of charity, let us lift them up in prayer and ask the Holy Spirit to rekindle the embers of faith deep within their hearts and within their day-to-day lives. God bless you. —Fr. Ken