

June 15, 2025  
The Most Holy Trinity

The Hope That Does Not Disappoint

Once while traveling in Montana, my children and I found some rocks that the locals call “wishing stones.” Legend says that tracing with a finger the rock’s single white stripe of calcite, while at the same time thinking of a hope, guarantees the dream will come true.

We might wish for rain to nourish a garden or hope our team wins the game or hope a loved one will be healed. But an old adage tells us to be careful about what we wish for—because our limited human capacities cannot always imagine or discern what is best for us and for others. Very often, what we hope for is comfort, and what will make our lives easiest. And when those types of hopes are fulfilled, we might feel satisfied, but only temporarily. Soon we find ourselves hoping for something new.

On this solemnity we reflect on a much deeper mystery than wishing stones and mundane hopes, one central to the Christian faith: the most holy Trinity. All three readings attempt to explain aspects of this complicated belief. For me, the second reading encapsulates all we need to know about the triune God because it explains the theological virtue of hope, a hope that cannot be acquired by human effort.

The goal of virtually every letter from St. Paul to the early Christians, now addressed to us, is to fortify faith. The former Saul, who was transformed by meeting a member of the Trinity along the road to Damascus, understands in a special way the difference between human hope and the virtue that is infused in us only through baptism and the sacraments.

In chapter eight, Paul tells the Romans that “Hope that sees for itself is not hope.” He explains how hope seen through the Trinity offers greater rewards than satisfaction. To Paul, hope is a person, the Resurrected Christ. He tells us that if we define hope through the Son’s works of love and mercy by continuing that work ourselves, we’ll experience peace beyond ordinary understanding. We will recognize that peace as divine companionship, when we accept a gift offered by another member of the Trinity, the Father.

That gift is grace. And only grace can elevate our senses beyond what we see, beyond what we wish for, beyond worry and desperation, and toward concrete awareness of the third manifestation of the triune God, the Holy Spirit. Grace gives us courage to seek the Spirit’s help in strengthening our virtue of hope.

So while wishing stones might be entertaining to find and treasure, the only hope that never disappoints is fortified by the Trinity: the hope that God’s perfect and abundant love will be “poured into our hearts.”

—Reflection by Jean P. Kelly at <https://uscatholic.org/>

**Jubilee Year of Hope**  
**Quote from the Bible on Hope**  
**“They that hope in the LORD will renew their strength . . .”—Isaiah 40:31**



The Solemnity of the  
MOST HOLY TRINITY

The Father is God, the Son is God,  
the Holy Spirit is God, yet we do  
not speak of three Gods, but only  
one God. They have the same  
nature, substance, and being.

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God our Father, who by sending into the world the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification made known to the human race your wondrous mystery, grant us, we pray, that in profession of the true faith, we may acknowledge the **Trinity** of eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen

*Come Offer Fr. Leo “Well Wishes”  
in his new assignment*

*Saturday, June 28, 6:30—8:30 p.m.*

*Wagoner Civic Center*

*Pulled Pork Sandwiches and Cake Provided*

*Please Bring a Side Item to Share and card/  
pictures for an album for him on this last  
weekend with us!*

**The Shepherd’s Field Group will be in  
the vestibule this weekend selling items  
to benefit the Holy Land.**

**Bishop’s Anniversary Mass for Milestones**

**for those celebrating marriage anniversaries  
this year for 25, 40, 50+ years of marriage**

**Sunday, June 22nd**

**Holy Family Cathedral, Tulsa**

**Reception to follow in the Heiring Auditorium**

Happy Fathers’ Day

*“Bless my father as he delights in Your commands,  
and let his godly influence impact future  
generations.”*

—Psalm 112:1-2

Breakfast

**\*Breakfast in June\* will be provided by M&M to  
celebrate our parish Fathers on Fathers’ Day**

**This Sunday, June 15th, after 8:30 a.m. Mass**  
Visitors Welcome!



**JULY 21–25, 2025**  
**DAYTIME (GRADES 1–8)**

- 9am - 3pm
- St. Vincent DePaul Church, Coweta
- Bring your lunch!
- Snacks provided.

**JULY 20–24, 2025**  
**EVENING (GRADES 9–12)**

- 7:30 - 9:30pm
- Holy Cross Church, Wagoner
- Snacks provided.

**REGISTER NOW**

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Please continue to pray for an end to abortion and the protection and sanctity of all human life.

*Welcome Autumn Carrisalez!*  
*Happy to welcome Autumn to our Holy Cross Family.*

The Holy Cross Catholic Charities  
Mobile Food Pantry

Thursday, June 26th

10 a.m.—Noon

Food Boxes Available &  
Distributed while supplies last  
using a drive-through format.



Contact Earlyne, if you can volunteer to help.

Outreach to the Sick and Homebound

There are request cards in the vestibule to request communion and/or a home visit for the sick or homebound. Please complete a request card and place in the offering basket or contact Dcn. Jim.

Thank You for Your Support of the Altar Flowers

Month of June By Richard Senner For Donna Senner

Mass Ministers

	Ushers	Eucharistic Min	Reader	Servers
Sat 6/14—5 pm	Laura Rodriguez	Carolyn Greer	Charlie Moe	Larry Chedofsky
	Paul Rodriguez	Linda Steinheil		
Sun 6/15—8:30 am	Chris Holland	Chris Holland	Chris Holland	Carlos, Liam, Makenna,
The Most Holy Trinity	Mike Hickman	Rosemary Bruner		& Kaygan
Sat 6/21—5 pm	Judy Helms	Laura Rodriguez	Dorene McMahan	Larry Chedofsky
	Richard Helms	Paul Rodriguez		
Sun 6/22—8:30 am	Mike Hickman	Katzy Hale	Candace Stuart	Elizabeth, Liam, Aceah,
Corpus Christi	Seth Yoder	Bille Cummings		& Amelia



### Holy Cross Mission Statement/Prayer

Almighty God, the mission of Holy Cross Parish is to bring the love of Jesus Christ to our community and to the world. As your disciples, help us love others, pray for all souls, proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and bring all people into the fullness of your Kingdom. Through Christ, our Lord, Amen!

#### *Offerings from June 7-8*

General Weekend Collections	\$2,745.33
Capital Improvement Fund	\$150.00
Building Projects Fund	\$239.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,134.33</b>

*Your Generosity & Support is Always Appreciated!*

#### *Pray for Those Currently Serving in the Military*

*Andrew Higginbottom      Kendall Woodard*  
*Craig Dorsey                Anthony Guariglia*



*Happy Birthday!*



Ari Kuehn 6/1	David Yakstis 6/18
Bille Cummings 6/1	Angela Jones 6/22
Vincent Kolb 6/1	Dorene McMahan 6/22
Mary Feichtinger 6/2	Judy Helms 6/24
Craig Campbell 6/9	Eileen Sommer 6/24
Bryan Robinson 6/15	Brian Kolb 6/25
Jack Duffy 6/16	Richard Helms 6/28
Raydean Yoder 6/17	Jane Linz 6/30



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*Also, **Sign Up** in the foyer to receive a copy of the bulletin each weekend in your email!*

*Blessed are they that Hope in the Lord!*

#### **This Week's Daily Readings—June 15-21**

Sunday	Prv 8:22-31/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15
Monday	2 Cor 6:1-10/Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday	2 Cor 8:1-9/Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday	2 Cor 9:6-11/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday	2 Cor 11:1-11/Mt 6:7-15
Friday	2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Mt 6:19-23
Saturday	2 Cor 12:1-10/Mt 6:24-34

\*Daily Readings (and link to full biblical text) also available on Holy Cross Website:  
**www.holycross-wagoner.org**

*June*

*Altar Linens*

*Kay Rodriguez*

#### **FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING**

Jean Podeyn, sister of Jackie Spieker  
Judy Wright, parishioner  
Becky Harding, parishioner  
Hope Watson, parishioner  
John Spieker, husband of Jackie Spieker  
Marie Herndon, parishioner  
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**WELCOME VISITORS & NEW PARISHIONERS!**

#### **MASS TIMES**

**Saturday Vigil — 5:00 p.m.**

**Sunday — 8:30 a.m.**

**2nd Sunday (Latin) — 10:30 a.m.**

**Tuesday & Friday — 5:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday & Thursday — 8:30 a.m.**

**First Sat. of Each Month — 8:30 a.m.**

#### **ADORATION AND BENEDICTION**

**Fridays following 5:00 p.m. Mass**  
**1st Wed. of the Month — 6:30 p.m.**

#### **CONFESSIONS**

**30 minutes before weekend Masses**  
**or by appointment/request**

#### **BIBLE STUDY**

**Wednesday mornings — 9:15 a.m.**

#### **THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS**

**Prv 8:22-31/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15**

**Breaking Bread Book**

**Pages 179-180**

**Vatican II Hymnal**

**Pages 518-519**

