



TRINIDAD AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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PARISH OFFICE

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MASS TIMES

Saturday (Anticipatory): 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM

Monday-Friday: 8:00 AM (Rosary at 7:30 AM)

Wednesday: 5:30 PM (at Office Chapel)

First Saturday: 9:00 AM (Nov-Apr at church,
May-Oct at Ave Maria Shrine) Rosary at 8:30 AM

CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday: 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM

MISSION CHURCHES

San Isidro Church (Vigil, CO)

1st & 3rd Saturday: 4:00 PM

Confession from 3:15—3:45 PM

St. Ignatius Church (Segundo, CO)

2nd & 4th Saturday: 4:00 PM

Confession from 3:15—3:45 PM

Check Bulletin for 5th Saturday Mass location.

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SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

BAPTISM OF INFANTS: Please call Ingrid Zamora to begin preparation for the Baptism of Children 6 years and under.

HOLY MATRIMONY: Engaged couples should contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to the intended wedding date.

ANOIDING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office during regular business hours. For after hours emergencies, contact the priest's cell phone numbers (found to the left)

BECOMING CATHOLIC: Please call the Parish Office to learn more about becoming a fully initiated member of the Roman Catholic Church. Classes run September-May.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY: If you are ill or homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact the Parish Office.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Every Wednesday at the Office Chapel from 8:30 am-5:15 pm.

THIS WEEK'S HAPPENINGS

Mon., Sept. 11: Stations of the Cross for the Holy Souls in Purgatory following Morning Mass

Tues., Sept. 12: Bible Study at Holy Family Hall (12:30 pm or 5:30 pm)

Wed., Sept. 13: Eucharistic Adoration at Office Chapel (8:30 am—5:15 pm)

Seminarian Committee Meeting at Parish Office (4:30 pm—6:30 pm)

Sat., Sept. 16: Rosary prayed in the church at 3:15 pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for the 2023-2024 school year is open! Forms can be found at all entrances of the church and at the Parish Office.

A mandatory parent meeting will take place **NEXT Sunday, September 17 at 10:00 am in Sebastiani Gym**. Classes begin the following Sunday, September 24. Any questions, please contact Alicia Massarotti at 719-846-3369, ext. 130.

*Praise
the Lord
Oh my Soul!*

MASS INTENTIONS			
Sat	9/9	4 PM	Leo & Dora Corral, Vivien Febbraro, Stephanie Stathis, The Ozzello & Paolucci Family, The Barela & Vigil Family, Relief of the Souls in Purgatory (Anv. Charles Langowski Jr.)
Sat	9/9	4 PM	St. Ignatius Seth Abeyta, All Souls in Purgatory
Sun	9/10	7 AM	Mac McCurley, Linda N. Johnson, Lindina Elrod, Robert Bence Sr., Michael Dieter, Rosalie Amidei, Stephanie Stathis, Viola Moore, Carole Quinn, Bart Ribauda, Healing for Laura Crighton
Sun	9/10	9 AM	Egle Debono, Evelyn J. Casias, Sam & Frances Garbo, Lou Girodo, Kris, Kari & David Patrick, Special Intention, Ruben A. Gonzales, Healing of Dale Iten, The Modica & Sukar Families, Healing of Ruth Ann Prince
Sun	9/10	11 AM	Jim Gagliardi, Matthew Bondoc, Moises Cisneros Jr., Evelyn Valdez, Joan Dubis, Special Intention of Brenda Gallegos, Living & Deceased Members of Our Lady of Guadalupe Society
Mon	9/11	8 AM	Rosalie Amidei, Scott Redfield, Louis Barela
Tue	9/12	8 AM	James & Justa Ozzello, Special Birthday Intention
Wed	9/13	8 AM	Living & Deceased Members of the Gyrman & Fabec Families
Wed	9/13	5:30 PM	Chapel For the Intentions of Our Parishioners
Thu	9/14	8 AM	Rosalie Amidei
Fri	9/15	8 AM	Mary Roberts, Healing of Yvonne Marques (Anv. Albert Guadagnoli)
Sat	9/16	4 PM	Vivien Febbraro, Gene & Benita Salbato, Nick Furia, Leo Hadad, Special Intention for Jim & Joelle Sissons, Deceased Members of the Ralph Sr. & Julianita Garcia Family (Anv. Barbara Lovato)
Sat	9/16	4 PM	San Isidro Seth Abeyta, All Souls in Purgatory
Sun	9/17	7 AM	Anna Ruth Hickey, Gregory Mikolajchak, Frances Mullock, Kelly Greene, Carole Quinn, Deceased Members of the Maes & Sandoval Families, For Souls Closest to Heaven, Healing for Gail B. & for Sharon Scoffield
Sun	9/17	9 AM	Mary Kathryn "Skip" Simons, Ruben A. Gonzales, Jamie & Desiree Aragon, Matt Martinez, Healing of Dale Iten (Anv. Lucy Paolucci)
Sun	9/17	11 AM	William B. Hammond, Matthew Bondoc, Moises Cisneros Jr.

AMD & RESTORATION NUMBERS

RESTORATION FUND	AMD
BALANCE	
\$225,031.90	Amount Assessed \$43,269.16
	Amount Paid \$15,260.00
	Balance Due \$28,009.16

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE	
Saturday September 16 4 pm	Proclaimer: Tom Perry Server: Sariyah Gutierrez Euch. Ministers: Lynn S. (H), Sue H., Tom P. Hosp. Ministers: Paul M., Carl S., Volunteers
Sunday September 17 7 am	Proclaimer: Louis Rino Server: Jim Sissons/Alexis Malespini Euch. Ministers: Joelle S. (H), Carol G., Joan M. Hosp. Ministers: Joelle S., Alfred S., Pete D.
Sunday September 17 9 am	Proclaimer: Audrey Baca Server: Kathleen Griego Euch. Ministers: Jim C. (H), Becky B., Deb H. Hosp. Ministers: Frank S., Nick S., Mike D., Sam M.
Sunday September 17 11 am	Proclaimer: Jeb Crummer Server: Bernard Peretto Euch. Ministers: Susan E. (H), June T., Linda P. Hosp. Ministers: George T., James L., Volunteers

PARISH EVENTS/NEWS

LA JUNTA DEANERY EUCHARISTIC GATHERING

As apart of the Parish Year of the Eucharistic Revival, a Deanery Eucharistic Gathering will take place **Saturday, October 28 at Our Lady of Guadalupe/St. Patrick Church in La Junta**. This event presents the opportunity to gather with other parishes in our Deanery to celebrate our faith in our Eucharistic Lord! This is a one-day-only event so don't miss it. All our parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend. Registration sign-up sheets can be found at all entrances of the church and at the office. Please feel free to call the office with any questions. More information to follow. *(FYI all Deaneries of the Diocese will have a Gathering, however, since we are apart of the La Junta Deanery, we would like our parishioners to attend the La Junta Gathering.)*

RAFFLE TICKETS

We are about a month away from the Bingo/Raffle event and have received **57%** of the tickets back. If you have any tickets you do not intend to buy or sell, please return them to the parish office as soon as possible so others can enter for a chance to win. Any tickets being returned in the collection need to be in a sealed envelope. Thank you!

CALLING ALL BAKERS!

This year, for the Bingo/Raffle Fundraiser, we are asking our parishioners to donate the desserts to be served alongside the meal. We are looking for cakes, cookies, pies, whatever your specialty is. Items may be dropped off at Sebastiani Gym on **Saturday, October 7 after 1:00 pm**. We appreciate your support!

2023 BLUE MASS

The annual Blue Mass to honor all First Responders in our community will take place **Sunday, September 24 at the 9:00 am Mass**. All are welcome to attend!



23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

THEME: TRUE LOVE: A DEBT WE OWE EACH OTHER

Ref. 1st=Ezk.33:7-9. 2nd=Rom.13:8-10. 3rd=Mtt.18:15-20.

When St. Paul tells us (2nd reading) that 'we should owe nothing to anyone except love' (Rom.13:8), he wants us to understand that Love is both 'a debt & a duty'. Love, here, does not refer to anything sentimental. As a 'debt', it is something we must 'pay' to escape condemnation & as a 'duty', something we should do to earn our rewards. It is the greatest commandment of God & our way of salvation. Jesus made this clear in His answer with the story of the Good Samaritan to the Lawyer who asked Him, 'Teacher, what is the greatest commandment in the law' (Mtt.22:34-40). Hence, St. Paul describes love (2nd reading) as 'the fulfillment of the law of God' because, it does not allow us to sin against God & does no evil but good to our fellow humans. How does this happen?

As a duty, Love is a task that demands courage & compels us to accept or preach the word of God. Hence, God informs Ezekiel & all of us (1st reading) of the duty to speak out/talk to those around us to change from their bad/sinful ways of life to avoid being held accountable for their sins. This is a duty most Christians, especially Catholics, are weak to carry out in our world of today. We fail to do so most times because we want to protect our pride or avoid 'hurting' the feelings of others – our children, spouses, parents, friends, colleagues, political admirers, etc. It could also be because we do not want to lose our friends, hurt the feelings of another, be disrespected/ignored or be described as being 'judgmental'. We have to know that the duty of love takes us out of our comfort zones to transform others not just for earthly joys but, most importantly, for the salvation of souls. We should not be afraid to carry out the 'duty of love' for any of the above-mentioned reasons after all, God did not assure us that the people we talk to will listen to us or accept our pieces of advice. If they listen to us, that will be wonderful, but if they do not, we would have let ourselves off the hook of any blame from God. Sometimes I feel that I may have a lot to answer God for the things I did not say or do to make people change their ways of life for good & it frightens me. I do not know about you. May God give us the courage to do what we have to! On the other hand, we should see the readings of today as talking to us directly. We should not see them as directed to others - politicians, abusers or the 'bad guys' out there. We can do so much for our salvation by talking to ourselves instead of waiting for someone else.

Because of the delicate nature of this duty and since it is a duty in love, Jesus tells us the steps to follow to win our brothers/sisters & friends back to God. First, He wants us to take an inter-personal approach. This helps to build mutual respect, which could make the person open up to you. It further gives us the opportunity of knowing the influences or backgrounds leading the person into errors/sin & how best to advise or correct him. This does not mean helping the person to hide in his sins. If this does not work, Jesus advises us to involve one or two persons. These must be someone/those who mean much or have influence in the person's life. Where the 2nd step fails, Jesus advises us to involve a larger group who share the same ideals & faith with the person. When all these fail, Jesus said that we should treat the person as 'a Gentile or Tax Collector'. From a spiritual perspective, this comment from Christ does not call for hatred, condemnation or banishment but a call to intensify our prayers for sinners & for all who are not conscious of the 'sinfulness' of their actions/behaviors (including you & I). Jesus could not have meant a literal application of His statement because he himself had visible interactions with tax collectors & sinners in the scriptures. Recall that His contact with Matthew (Mtt.9:9-13) & Zacchaeus (Lk.19:1-10), who were tax collectors brought them to conversion & discipleship. He never turned His back on any Gentile or tax collector who sought His help. Hence, in the concluding part of the gospel of today, Jesus places great value on the prayer of the Church & our coming together to pray as a family or group. This does not discourage private prayers but shows the power of coming together in love to pray as a people, family or group with the same faith, hope or aspiration. Next, the 'power of binding & loosing', which Jesus first gave to Peter in Mtt.16:18 is now extended to the other Apostles (Mtt.18:18) to work on His behalf in collaboration with Peter & with each other to save people from their sins & bring the faithful to the glory of heaven.

Dear friends, the 'debt & duty' of Love demands urgent and courageous attention in our times. We must get involved immediately to save our souls & those of others for as St. James said, 'Whoever brings back a sinner will save the sinner's soul from death & win for himself the forgiveness of many sins' (Jm.5:20). Let us keep praying & correcting each other with love to make our world a better place to live and heaven a sure place to go.

Remain blessed! Fr. Timothy

HOLY TRINITY BINGO/RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2023

SEBASTIANI GYM

DOORS OPEN AT 5 PM

[AFTER THE 4 PM MASS]

Mexican Food

prepared by Our Lady of
Guadalupe Society

Bingo Sponsored by
Knights of Columbus
begins at 6:30 PM

Popcorn
\$1/bag

RAFFLE DRAWING AT 8:00 PM

1st Prize \$1000
2nd Prize \$500
3rd Prize \$250

Win a
Door Prize!

COME SUPPORT THE HOLY TRINITY CHURCH RESTORATION PROJECT!

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL



Why are we entering into Eucharistic Revival?

9 Signs of Eucharistic Revival

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Missionary Hearts

We want to take the Good News of Jesus Christ to others. We want them to hear of the saving love and mercy of Jesus. We want them to find the joy and peace and healing that only He can bring. If you have been Baptized and Confirmed, you have the gifts you need for this work. In the Eucharist, you are strengthened for this work, with His power, not your own, so that your works and the fruit do not depend on you. Let us pray for missionary hearts.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

PUEBLO DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN 2023 CONVENTION

Friday, September 22

St. Joseph Church, Pueblo

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