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HOLY TRINITY

Fr. George Darling, Pastor

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE
Weekday Mass:
Tuesday, Thursday: 8:30am
Wednesday: 10:30am
Weekend Mass:
Saturday: 4:30pm
Sunday: 9am & 11am

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturdays at 3:30 pm or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Parish registration of six months is required. Preparation session required. Contact the parish office for details.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY
Contact the parish office a minimum of six months prior to the preferred wedding date. Marriage preparation sessions are required.

PARISHIONER MEMBERSHIP
New members are always welcome to our Parish. Parishioner status is maintained by registration in the parish, active participation in weekend liturgies and full participation in the parish stewardship program. All family members 18 years and older should be individually registered with the parish. Parish membership and participation is required of those desiring the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation and Matrimony.

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Masses for the Week

Sat, June 3	**VIGIL: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**
4:30 pm	Gene Borek
Sun, June 4	**THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**
9:00 am	Parish Family
11:00 am	Frank Herman
Mon, June 5	**ST. BONIFACE, BISHOP & MARTYR**
	No Mass
Tues, June 6	**WEEKDAY**
8:30 am	Dorothy Riordan
Wed, June 7	**WEEKDAY**
10:30 am	Richard Walton
Thurs, June 8	**WEEKDAY**
8:30 am	Marion Kolenda
Fri, June 9	**WEEKDAY**
	No Mass
Sat, June 10	**VIGIL: THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD**
4:30 pm	Leo Boruta
Sun, June 11	**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD**
9:00 am	Chet & Harriet Liszewski
11:00 am	Parish Family

Sacred Scripture

Readings for the Week of June 4, 2023

Sunday	**The Most Holy Trinity** Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; (Ps) Dn 3:52-55; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18
Monday	**St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr** Tb 1:3, 2:1b-8; Ps 112:1-6; Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday	Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112:1-2, 7-9; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday	Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Ps 25:2-5b, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday	Tb 6:10-11, 7:1bcde, 9-17, 8:4-9a; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 12:28-34
Friday	Tb 11:5-17; Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-10; Mk 12:35-37
Saturday	Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; (Ps) Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7-8; Mk 12:38-44
Sunday	**The Most Holy Body and Blood** Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; 1 Cor 10: 16-17; Jn 6:51-58

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By George….

From a commentary on the Gospel of John by St. Cyril of Alexandria, bishop:

"After Christ had completed his mission on earth, it still remained necessary for us to become sharers in the divine nature of the Word. We had to give up our own life and be so transformed that we would begin to live an entirely new kind of life that would be pleasing to God. This was something we could do only by sharing in the Holy Spirit.

It was most fitting that the sending of the Spirit and his descent upon us should take place after the departure of Christ our Savior. As long as Christ was with them in the flesh, it must have seemed to believers that they possessed every blessing in him; but when the time came for him to ascend to his heavenly Father, it was necessary for him to be united through his Spirit to those who worshiped him, and to dwell in our hearts through faith. Only by his own presence within us in this way could he give us confidence to cry out, *Abba, Father,* make it easy for us to grow in holiness and, through our possession of the all-powerful Spirit, fortify us invincibly against the wiles of the devil and assaults of men.

It can easily be shown from examples both in the Old Testament and the New that the Spirit changes those in whom he comes to dwell; he so transforms them that they begin to live a completely new kind of life. Saul was told by the prophet Samuel: *The Spirit of the Lord will take possession of you, and you shall be changed into another man.* Saint Paul writes: *As we behold the glory of the Lord with unveiled faces, that glory, which comes from the Lord who is the Spirit, transforms us all into his own likeness, from one degree of glory to another.*

Does this not show that the Spirit changes those in whom he comes to dwell and alters the whole pattern of their lives? With the Spirit within them it is quite natural for people who had been absorbed by the things of this world to become entirely otherworldly in outlook, and for cowards to become men of great courage. There can be no doubt that this is what happened to the disciples. The strength they received from the Spirit enabled them to hold firmly to the love of Christ, facing the violence of their persecutors unafraid. Very true, then, was our Savior's saying that it was to their advantage for him to return to heaven: his return was the time appointed for the descent of the Holy Spirit."

This Week in our Parish

Sun June 4: 9am-noon **Confirmation Class w/Sponsors,** Church, Office
Mon June 5: 6:30pm **ASA Graduation Mass,** St. Jude Church
Tues June 6: 9:00am-1pm **Eucharistic Adoration,** Church
Thurs June 8: 6:30pm **Ladies Revive Basketball Group,** Family Center

Summer Office Hours

The Parish Office will be closed on Friday's during the summer when school is not in session, beginning **June 16th**. The office hours, Monday thru Thursday, will be 8:00am-4:30pm.

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Summer Tithing

With summer here and many of you away on vacation, have you remembered to drop off your contribution envelopes? If not, automatic giving might be a good solution for you. You can make your weekly or monthly Parish contribution via an automatic deduction from your checking or savings account. You can find a form in the stewardship tower in the narthex or in the Parish Office. Fill out the form and return it to the Parish Office by mail, hand deliver it, or you can drop it in the collection basket at Mass on the weekend. There is also a form on the parish website that can be downloaded, filled out and returned to the Parish Office.

Stewardship - Week of May 27 & 28

Week 48/52

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Total Stewardship this week	$14,386.90
YTD	$625,131.64
Budget YTD	$636,923.08
Last YTD	$639,064.85
5% Tithe this week	$719.35
YTD Tithe	$31,256.58

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Homebound Parishioner of the Week

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers our parishioner Gloria Colon. Cards may be sent to Clark Home, 1551 Franklin St SE #2028, 49506. Let Gloria know you are a parishioner and that you are thinking of her.

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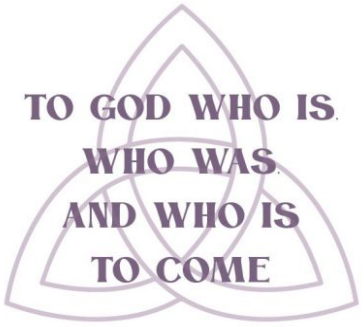
Please Pray for Us

As we finish out the school year this week, we ask all parishioners of our founding parishes to pray for the faculty and staff at ASA as we strive to form saints to serve all. We also ask that you keep our students and families in your prayers, as well, as they grow in Christ throughout the summer at home. Through Christ all things are possible!

ASA's Atrium Program

All Saints Academy's atrium program uses the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd approach for religious formation of students 3-12 years of age. The curriculum is constructed so that it accommodates and nurtures the faith, moral and psychological states of the child's growth. The themes are offered in such a way as to develop the precious religious potential present in every child: the capacity to love and be loved. To learn more, we invite you to watch the last video in our Day in the Life series highlighting our atrium program on our Facebook page, website, or Youtube channel.



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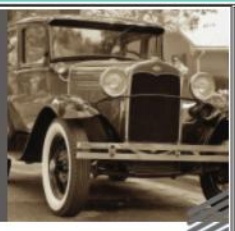

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