

Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church

111 South Cass Avenue ♦ Westmont, Illinois 60559

Pastor

Very Reverend William De Salvo, V.F.
Dean of the Eastern DuPage Deanery

Parochial Vicar

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Senior Priest in Residence

Reverend Gerald Tivy

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Deacon Thomas Jagielo

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Religious Education

Mrs. Karen Bettinardi

Principal of Holy Trinity School

Dr. Charles Terry

Director of Music

Mr. Larry LaLonde

Youth Minister

Mrs. Pamela Simon

Business Manager

Mrs. Mary S. Safko

Plant Manager

Mr. Bruce Barker

Parish Secretary

Ms. Susan McCowan

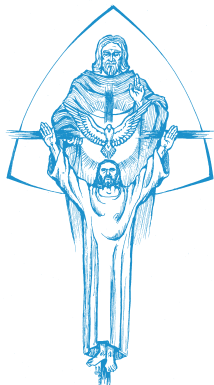
Counseling Services

Provided by Spiezio and Affiliates

Tracy Nemecek, MA, LCPC ~

Parish Counselor

968-1366 extension 450



Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses ~

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.
Sunday evening: 7:00 p.m.

Daily Mass ~

Monday — Friday: 6:15 & 8:15 a.m.
Saturday: 8:15 a.m.

Holy Day Masses ~

Vigil Mass at 7:00 p.m.
Masses on the day:
6:15, 8:15 a.m., Noon,
5:00 and 7:00 p.m.

Saint Peregrine Devotions

Devotions in Honor of St. Peregrine, the patron saint of those who suffer with cancer or any incurable disease or condition, are held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart Chapel of Eucharistic Adoration

The Eucharist is exposed for solemn adoration 24-hours a day, 7 days a week. The chapel is available for silent, private prayer. Located in the Mother of Life Wing, the Chapel can be entered through the single door [left of the main entrance] off of Richmond Street. The door is unlocked from 5am - 10pm seven days a week. During the night hours access is with a key-card or digital code. Contact the Rectory for details.

Phone Numbers

Rectory ~
phone ~ 630/968-1366
fax ~ 630-968-7846
Religious Education & Youth Ministry
phone ~ 630/968-5978
School ~ Preschool - 8th Grade
phone ~ 630/971-0184
fax ~ 630/971-1175
Music Director
phone ~ 630/788-7425

New Parishioners

Please register by coming to the Rectory or by phone.

Baptisms

Celebrated the Second and Fourth Sundays of the month. Parents must attend a Baptismal Preparation meeting before the Baptism takes place. Sessions are held the first Tuesday of the month. Call the Rectory to register.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday from 3:15 - 4:15 p.m.
Sunday evening: 6:00 - 6:45 p.m.
Confessions are also heard by appointment with one of the priests.

Marriages

Arrangements must be made at the Rectory at least six months in advance. Please contact the Rectory before making any other arrangements.

Visits to the sick

Catholic Chaplains are assigned to hospitals to administer the Sacraments within the particular institutions. Because of changes in hospital admitting policies, it is necessary to inform the Rectory when a parishioner is admitted to the hospital and would like a visit from one of the parish priests or deacons. Visits are made to Hinsdale and Good Samaritan Hospitals. Please contact the Rectory for communion to the homebound.

Funerals

It is the responsibility of the parish to bury their dead. The funeral director will contact the Rectory regarding arrangements. Funeral Liturgies are ordinarily celebrated at 9:30 a.m. No specific offering is required in connection with the funeral liturgy.

Parish Website

holymontwestmont.org

January 10, 2010

The Baptism of the Lord

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 9

4:30 p.m. Stella Scutti

Sunday, January 10

7:30 a.m. Sophia Trantina

9:30 a.m. Ruth Sonoff

11:30 a.m. People of the Parish

7:00 p.m. Rocco Pacelli

Monday, January 11

6:15 a.m. George Sirovatka

8:15 a.m. Robert Pacheco

Tuesday, January 12

6:15 a.m. Joan Lenard

8:15 a.m. Ann Saif

Wednesday, January 13

6:15 a.m. Janet Reyes

8:15 a.m. Sylvia McCabe

Thursday, January 14

6:15 a.m. Walter Braun

8:15 a.m. Richard Holpuck

Friday, January 15

6:15 a.m. Intention of Michael Noonan

8:15 a.m. Julia Juricek

Saturday, January 16

8:15 a.m. Irene Kubat

4:30 p.m. Robert Edler

Sunday, January 17

7:30 a.m. Dorothy Kelly

9:30 a.m. Martin Boland

11:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the
Mastro/Coffey Families

7:00 p.m. Sandra J. Planell



IN YOUR CHARITY, REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

Those who are sick, in need of the Lord's healing:

Calvin Herion, Marguerite Schoenauer, Ralph and Carmela Wakerly, Archie Lucas, Fran Possidoni, Sheila McGovern, Marie Barta, Lucy Lejeunesse, Sarah Clanton, Rose Printy, Barbara Rovtar, Florence Sobolewski, Jane Martini, Karen Fijolek, Genevieve Serafin, Joseph Valentino, Jim Niehoff, Ray Jilek, Sr., Matthew Cylinski, Antonio Guzzo, William Ealy, Joseph Schaefer, Frank Johanik, Jim Marble, Elio Papucci, Lucille Sytko, Shirley Buckley, Margaret Prokop, Marty Bauler, Howard Schumacher, Charles Tucker, Megan Wise, Mateo Gramstad, Paula Majercikova, Edward Putlak, Helen Stevens, John Krause, Ivan Fernandez, Isabella Rodrigues, Nora Brady, Victor Garcia

Dear Parish Family,

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord Jesus, the beginning of His public ministry, and the end of the Christmas Season. As we put away the Christmas decorations for another year, make sure you don't "pack away" your heart and all of the good feelings and wishes of this Holy Season.

At the Lord's Baptism, the heavens were opened, the Holy Spirit was seen as a dove descending and coming upon the Lord... the Father's voice was heard, *This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.* In the Sacrament of Baptism, the Father's favor is extended to all of us. Each of us must respond to the mission given to us in our own Baptism, and make Jesus known in all that we say and do.

Christmas ends today... but the blessings and encouragement of faith we have received in this beautiful season should continue throughout the coming New Year. Make the effort to stay close to Jesus, share your faith, and become stronger in your practice of our Catholic Faith. In the waters of Baptism the Lord has given us a wonderful gift... hope in Eternal Life ... if we are faithful to Him.

Memorials for the renewal of Holy Trinity Church are now available. Information was sent to your home and was included in the Christmas bulletin. It is also available in the pamphlet rack in the vestibule of the church [near the Heritage of Faith Campaign posters]. A variety of memorials exist, available at a number of different financial gift levels. Hopefully, many of you will take the opportunity to provide much-needed funds for the third phase of our Heritage of Faith Campaign, and make a lasting gift and remembrance of your loved ones through the offering of a memorial.

Please read carefully the information I sent out, and make a memorial soon. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or our Business Manager, Mrs. Mary Safko. A variety of ways exist for you to make your memorial gift, and you can take up to five years to pay off your gift. When we're finished with this first part of the third phase, the church will truly be a beautiful and fitting house for the Lord in our midst.

Don't forget: All of the plans for the church go on, **ALONG WITH** the plans for the building of our much-needed Parish Center and Gym. Revenues raised in this third phase of the Heritage of Faith Campaign will be used to fund **BOTH** parts of the project — the repair and renewal of our church and the building of the Parish Center. Meetings are being held for you to take part in the process of planning our Parish Center. Times are published in the bulletin.

Take an active part in the mission, the Heritage of Faith that IS Holy Trinity Parish. Make your memorial gift **TODAY**, and/or pledge to the Heritage of Faith Campaign so that we can move ahead with plans to repair and renew the church this summer.

God's blessings on you and your family!

Father De Salvo

VARIOUS OFFERINGS UPDATE

The offering for the weekend of December 19/20 amounted to \$24,827. Of that amount, 46 parishioners gave \$6,031 automatically through electronic checking/credit card deductions. Children's envelopes totaled \$25.

The collection for Retired Religious amounted to \$5,489.

The offering for the weekend of December 26/27 totaled \$14,314. Children's envelopes amounted to \$17.

The collection for the Holy Day on December 31/January 1 amounted to \$9,231.

The offering for the weekend of January 2/3 amounted to \$18,198. Of that amount, 34 parishioners gave \$4,474 automatically through electronic checking/credit card deductions. Children's envelopes totaled \$44.

To date, the Christmas offering totals \$38,493. *If you have not yet made your contribution toward the Christmas collection, we would appreciate your doing so at your earliest convenience, especially those who contribute regularly and generously through automatic debits from their bank accounts. There is still time for everyone to make a contribution. The annual Christmas collection is a necessary part of our overall parish budget.*

If you would like to make your contributions to the Church electronically, please contact Mary Safko, our business manager, at the Rectory 630.968.1366, ext. 119.

The weekly budgeted amount for the 2009/10 fiscal year, which began July 1, is \$19,000.

May God bless you for your continued generosity.

Flame of Faith

Six candles burn perpetually around the Blessed Sacrament in the **Sacred Heart Chapel of Eucharistic Adoration**. Intentions listed below are remembered for ONE WEEK [Sunday to Sunday]. The burning candles serve as a constant prayer before the Lord, present in the Blessed Sacrament. Envelopes for you to have your intentions remembered and prayed for are available in the lobby of the Adoration Chapel. The candles will burn this week for the following intentions:

- † In memory of Louise Capra Canino
- † God's blessings on Jason, Joseph and Teresa
- † All the lonely people
- † Father Dudley
- † Aidan Manning
- † Repose of the soul of George Sirovatka

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord Jesus *The End of the Christmas Season*



The gospel for today's feast, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, brings us to the River Jordan and tells us of the unique historical event of Jesus' baptism. We know that John the Baptist lived and preached on the banks of the Jordan in the period prior to the coming of Jesus with his teaching and public ministry. This is why he is brought to our attention on various occasions during Advent, at Christmas, and today on the feast of Our Lord's Baptism. In Advent he is the forerunner and messenger of our Redeemer, calling us to prepare the way for the Lord Jesus. Today we see him as *The Baptist*, administering the baptism of repentance, which is different from the sacrament instituted by Jesus.

When he baptized people, John called them to repentance and urged them to interior conversion to God. All those who came to be baptized by him saw this action as a sign of repentance, and they did truly repent. However, today that baptism of repentance is transformed into the baptism of revelation. Jesus has no need of repentance when he comes to John the Baptist. He comes, rather, to transform human repentance into divine grace with the baptism of revelation. Thus He reveals Himself to John and His disciples and listeners, and the Holy Trinity itself bears witness to it. This revelation tells us that the baptism of repentance is transformed into the baptism of revelation, pointing the way to the baptism of grace that will be established by the Redeemer.

When considered in the perspective of Christmas, today's feast becomes even more expressive, commemorating, as it does, the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan. Each year the liturgical cycle in this period gives us a fresh look at the mystery of the Incarnation, in which God became man and revealed Himself to us, thus enabling us to draw closer to Him.

With today's feast, Christmas comes to an end. We have celebrated the history, mystery, and majesty of our God who loves us. He loves us so much that He came and became like us in everything but sin... He became one of us. The Baptism of the Lord Jesus brings to a close our celebration of Christmas. Let's make sure we keep the spirit of Christmas alive in our hearts and homes throughout this coming New Year.

With special thanks ...

Our beautiful celebrations of Christmas were made possible because of the efforts of so many people who worked long and hard. I want to thank everyone who added to the beauty of the season.

Beginning with our celebration of Thanksgiving in November [when the holiday season began], and continuing with our celebrations of Our Lady of Guadalupe and Simbang Gabi — the days throughout the holiday season have been filled with joy and great care on the part of many people.

The liturgical celebrations of Christmas are our focus and receive our greatest effort. Special thanks goes to Pam Simon for all the work she did to help prepare the Christmas liturgies, especially with our young people. And of course, thanks to Larry LaLonde and all those who formed our choirs for Christmas... as usual, the music was beautiful. Bruce and Moira Barker, Joe Kubat, and Sue McCowan did a beautiful job decorating both the inside of the church and our parish property. Thanks also to all the liturgical ministers and their coordinators for a job well done. I hope and pray that the Lord is pleased with our efforts for Him!

I know that when you begin to thank people by name, its inevitable that someone will be overlooked. I assure you, it is not intentional. I am grateful to everyone who had any part in making our Christmas so beautiful. The parishioners, volunteers, staff and clergy of the parish have prayed, played, and worked together so beautifully, as usual. I do want to offer a special word of thanks to Father Jan, Father Tivy, Deacon Tom and Deacon Bill for their efforts throughout the year. They are truly dedicated and giving servants of the Gospel. We're fortunate to have them at Holy Trinity.

So many people have shown the Priests their appreciation, their love, and respect with Christmas cards, gifts, monetary gifts, and bakery items brought to the Rectory. We thank all of you for the kindness and love you have shown us during this Holy Season. I offer a special word of thanks to those of you who have helped Father Jan and me to care for Father Jerry Rogers — a longtime priest-friend of mine, recovering from major surgery in our Rectory for the next few months. Your generosity and care has meant so much to all of us.

Our celebration of Christmas has been made special because of your continued kindness. God bless all who are so good to us.

Have a blessed and happy New Year,
Thanks and God Bless!

Father De Salvo

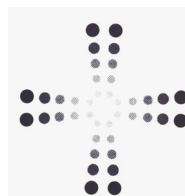
Heritage of Faith

Ways YOU can support the Campaign... and get more involved!

As we begin the third phase of the Heritage of Faith Campaign and its projects, a number of opportunities exist for you to support the Campaign, get more involved, and make a lasting memorial to honor family, friends, and significant events in your life. A memorial can be a LASTING tribute to those you love, and a “thanksgiving offering” to God for His blessings! We’re getting ready to repair/renew our church AND build our long awaited Parish Center and Gym.

The following opportunities exist... contact the Rectory Office (630.968.1366) or see the Campaign display in the vestibule of the church for details.

- Pray for the Parish and the Heritage of Faith Campaign! Sign up for a specific hour of Eucharistic Adoration in the Sacred Heart Chapel of Eucharistic Adoration.
- Be informed about the needs, plans, and projects associated with the Heritage of Faith Campaign. Being informed is a great FIRST STEP to help support and fund this major undertaking for our parish. Being well-informed is part of good stewardship.
- Make a pledge or one-time gift to the Heritage of Faith Campaign. If you’ve already finished paying on a pledge, continue to send payments, increasing your gift to the parish.
- Purchase a brick for the pavement of the **Holy Trinity Mother of Life Prayer Garden** ~ *to provide a beautiful, tranquil, out-door space for learning and relaxation.* Each memorialized brick will be inscribed with YOUR memorial inscription.
- Check out the list of major memorials for the Heritage of Faith Campaign and its projects. Information was sent to your home. It is also available in the pamphlet rack in the vestibule of the church [near the heritage of Faith Campaign posters]. A variety of memorials exist, available at a number of different financial gift levels. Payments can be spread over a five-year period. Hopefully, many of you will take the opportunity to provide much-needed funds for the third phase of our Heritage of Faith Campaign, and make a lasting gift and remembrance of your loved ones through the offering of a memorial



Be Remembered in Our Prayer Garden

Are you looking for a permanent way to commemorate a **Baptism, First Communion, Graduation, Wedding, Anniversary, Friend, or passing of a loved one?** Why not order an engraved brick in our Mother of Life Wing Prayer Garden? Immortalize that special occasion or the name of a special person, and that important date, to be placed in the patio being built outside of the Library [near the East Parking Lot] in the Mother of Life Wing. This special place, complete with a statue of Jesus and the children, will be used by our school children, religious education students, and parishioners of Holy Trinity Parish for reading, study, discussion, prayer, and meditation. The patio bricks will be engraved with your memorial message to last a lifetime! We're hoping to get enough sponsors to be able to have the patio laid in the Spring of 2010... and finish off our renovation of the Mother of Life Wing.

For information, call Mary Safko in our Parish Business Office [630/968-1366] and/or simply fill out the information form below. The Office will contact you with further details/information.

Memorial Prayer Garden Brick

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Enclosed is my check for \$250 for EACH BRICK

Total number of bricks: _____

Amount enclosed: _____

Memorial to read: In memory of... [for the dead]
In honor of... [for the living]

*CIRCLE HERE if you want to pay with credit card

**you will be contacted to confirm the inscription

Parish Center Plans Begin

Members of the *Heritage of Faith Planning Committee* will be available on the following dates and times to meet with individuals or groups concerning the development of the Parish Center/Gymnasium. These meetings will take place in the St. Michael Conference Room across from the Sacred Heart Chapel. Your thoughts and ideas are encouraged and welcomed. The gathering of parish-wide input is the key to making this project a success.

January 15 January 22
3-5 p.m. 6-9 p.m.

Please call Judy Deady at 630-399-7074 to schedule an appointment.



Please join us for our next regular YM meeting this Sunday, January 10th from 5 to 6:45 p.m. in Holy Family Hall.

Jeremiah Day is a day for boys in 7th through 10th grade to grow closer to God and visit Mundelein Seminary. This year, it will be held next Saturday, January 16th from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Registration is \$5. Please contact Pam Simon if you are interested to obtain registration information and a permission form.

Contact Pam Simon at 630-9068-5978, ext. 101 or email psimon@holytrinitywestmont.org for more information.

**2010 Dinner Dance
"Mardi Gras"**

We Need Your Help...

Volunteers are needed to assist at the dinner dance on February 12 in various capacities. *If you can offer a few hours of your time to this worthwhile event benefiting our children, please contact Margie Donnell at mdonnell@yaneklaw.com or 312.823.3263.*

***** We are also in need of gifts/donations and services to be auctioned off at the event.*****



Parents of Holy Trinity School and Religious Education Second Graders: Tomorrow, January 11th is the date of the First Eucharist Parent Meeting. The meeting will take place in Holy Family Hall at 7 p.m. At least one parent of every second-grade student should attend. Father will speak on the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, and material will be given to each parent to help prepare his or her child to receive First Holy Communion on May 8th.

FCFF sessions resume on Wednesday, January 13th with Group A. *Due to the observance of Martin Luther King Day, the scheduled day for Group B has changed. Group C meets on Wednesday, January 20th and Group B will meet on Monday, January 25th.*

We hope that everyone had a joyful Christmas Season and we ask for God's Blessings on all during this New Year.

Mark Your Calendar...



**Winter
Clothing Drive
Weekend of
January 23/24**

Spiritual Journey to Italy!

*Join on a Parish Trip to see the Shroud of Turin!
April 10 - 21st, 2010*

Join with family, friends, and parishioners as we make a "spiritual journey" to Italy, under the direction of our pastor, Father De Salvo. Joining us will be Father Bob Perez - Pastor of Saint Michael's Church in Chicago, and Father Jerry Simonelli - Pastor of Saint Isidore Church in Bloomingdale. A few years ago a number of parishioners went on a trip, similar to the one being offered, and had a wonderful time.

April 10-21st, 2010 we'll be traveling to Naples, Sorrento, Rome, Assisi, Lucca, Turin, Milan... and much more! The highlight of the trip will be a visit to the Shroud of Turin — the burial cloth used to wrap the dead body of the Lord Jesus. The Holy Father gives permission for the Shroud to be displayed only rarely. It's been years since the burial shroud was last put on public display for the veneration of the faithful... this trip will be a "once in a lifetime" opportunity to be so close to an object so intimately connected with the historical Jesus!

For your free color brochure and registration form for the trip, please contact Father De Salvo at the Rectory, or fill out the form below... a brochure will be mailed to you. \$3299 special cash discount price/\$3448 standard base price from Chicago to Italy. You can also email Father Jerry Simonelli at frjerry@stisidoreparish.org for more information. You can also go online for all of the trip and registration information...

www.gocatholictravel.com/Simonelli

**Please send me information
about our parish's
Spiritual Journey to Italy**

(please print)

Name _____

Phone number _____

Email _____

Holy Trinity Church & School
presents

2010 Dinner Dance

"Mardi Gras"

Friday, February 12, 2010

6:30 - Midnight

The Carlisle ~ Lombard

Come and enjoy a sit-down dinner, music, an open bar, silent and live auctions and a wonderful opportunity to spend time with family, friends, fellow parishioners, and supporters of Holy Trinity Parish.

In addition to all of that, a number of familiar "casino games" will be on hand for your enjoyment.

Our Youth Ministry Program will provide

FREE baby sitting

in Holy Family Hall for those attending.

For information, please call the

Youth Ministry Office 630/968-5978

Please support this major Parish Fund Raiser!

- I would like to purchase _____ seats for the **Mardi Gras** Dinner Dance. Enclosed is the total payment of \$ _____ [\$70 per person] ***Please include the names of all attendees, AND dinner choice for each: [1] filet mignon with cabernet wine sauce [2] salmon with sweet & spicy Asian sauce or [3] vegetarian.**
- Please send me _____ [# of tickets being requested] Raffle Tickets for me to buy/sell at \$25 per ticket, or 5 for \$100.
- I would like to donate the following item/service for the silent auction. Please have someone contact me regarding my gift.
- I would like to place a business and/or personal ad in the **Mardi Gras** Ad Book.
full page ad ~ \$250; ½ page ad ~ \$200;
1/4 page ad ~ \$150; business card ad ~ \$100;
Inside front/back ~ \$350; back cover ~ \$400
_____ Enclosed is my camera-ready ad.
_____ Please contact me, and lay out my ad for me.
- I am interested in helping as a GAME DEALER and/or where needed. Please contact me.
- I am unable to attend the **Mardi Gras** Dinner Dance. Please accept my tax-deductible donation of \$ _____ toward our success.

Name _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ email: _____