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Holy Trinity Church (HT)
Collection: \$ 1,834.00

St. Columbkille Church (SC)
Collection: \$ 85.00

St. Mary Church (SM)
Collection: \$ 30.00

Liturgy for Holy Week: You are invited to join via Live Stream at the following link: fb.me/StMichaelPineIsland
The schedule will be emailed to parishioners, or call the parish office.

Lenten Confession Opportunities:
Tuesday, April 7, from 7:45-8:30pm at St. Columbkille
Tuesday, April 7, from 7:00-8:30pm at St. Michael, Pine Island
Wednesday, April 8, from 4:00-5:00pm at St. Michael, Pine Island
Thursday, April 9, from 3:30-4:30pm at St. Paul, Zumbrota
Friday, April 10, from 4:30-5:30pm at St. Michael, Pine Island
Divine Mercy Novena will begin on Good Friday, April 10, and end the Saturday after Easter Sunday. Please see the Novena bulletin insert.

KITUI Living Water Program- Lent 2020: Please remember to return your water bottles from the Lenten collection as soon as you are able. Thank you for your assistance to those suffering from water shortages in Kenya!
The Good Friday Holy Land Collection will be delayed until September 12-13.
Please remember: your donations are needed! Your donations enable us to pay bills for utilities, maintenance, priest and staff wages, insurance, and much more. Please consider mailing contributions or placing them in the drop box at Holy Trinity at this time. Thank you so much for your generosity!
Blessing of Seeds: If possible, seeds will be blessed at the churches the weekend of April 18-19. All are welcome to bring seeds for Father to bless for the spring planting.

Spiritual Communion Prayer: My Jesus, I believe that You are truly present, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Most Holy Eucharist. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally in the Most Holy Eucharist, please come at least spiritually into my heart now. I spiritually embrace You and choose to unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You and Your Love. Thank You, Jesus! I love You! Amen.

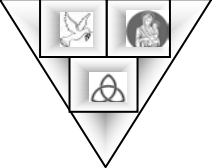
Virtual Holy Week Retreat: Join online at archspm.org/holyweek, Sunday, April 5 – Saturday, April 11
This week-long virtual retreat begins Palm Sunday (April 5) with Mass from the Saint Paul Seminary and culminates with the Easter Vigil Mass from the Cathedral of Saint Paul April 11. Each day has two parts:

1. Mass or prayer at 9 a.m. followed by directed Lectio Divina.
2. Evening session at 7 p.m, consisting of conferences from Archbishop Bernard Hebda, Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Fr. Charles Lachowitzer and Fr. John Ubel.

Words to Live By: “Mount Calvary is the academy of love.” *St. Francis de Sales*
"The most holy Passion of Jesus Christ is the most efficacious means to convert obstinate sinners." *St Paul of the Cross*
“One day,” writes Bonaventure, “while St. Francis (of Assisi) was praying, Jesus Christ appeared to him fastened to the cross; And the memory of Christ’s passion was so impressed on the innermost recesses of his heart that from that hour, whenever Christ’s crucifixion came to mind, he could scarcely contain his tears and sighs.” *St. Bonaventure*
“Why did you suffer for me, dear Jesus? For Love! The nails, the crown, the cross, all for the love of me! For You I sacrifice everything willingly. I offer you my body with all of its weakness, and my soul with all its love.” *St. Gemma*

Dear Lord, help us: Be prepared, but not anxious; Be aware, but not desperate; Be vigilant, but not in fear; Be joyful, but not clueless; Be faithful, but not careless.
Lord, be our hope and strength through all trials. Amen.

Holy Trinity Parish



Palm Sunday

April 5, 2020


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HOLY MASS INTENTION SCHEDULE			
Sat.		Apr. 4	+Larry O’Connor
Sun.		Apr. 5	+Brad Larson
			Parishioners
Mon.		Apr. 6	Maria McNamara
Tues.		Apr. 7	
Wed.		Apr. 8	+Souls in Purgatory
Thur.		Apr. 9	All priests of Jesus Christ, living & deceased
Fri.		Apr. 10	
Sat.		Apr. 11	Parishioners
Sun.		Apr. 12	+LaWanda Keller & family
			+Robert Gadiant

Office Hours: Mon 9am–2pm at Holy Trinity.
Parish building use request: Call the office.
Confession: Sat. 5pm at Holy Trinity,
Sun. 8:30am at St. Mary, or by appointment.
Baptism: Contact the office at least 3 months before the birth to attend a class and set a date.
First Penance/Eucharist: Register for 2nd grade Faith Formation classes.
Confirmation: Register for 9th and 10th grade Faith Formation classes.
Marriage: Please call Father Kasel at least six months prior to hoped-for wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the office especially if serious or near death.
Pastoral Care of the Sick: If you move to a nursing home/care facility, would like a priest to visit, or are unable to attend Mass and would like communion at home, contact the office.
Funerals: Contact the office.
Mass Intentions: Mail to the office or place in collection. (\$7/Mass suggested) Indicate preferred date(s), if desired.
Bulletin Items: Email to holytrinitygoodhue@gmail.com by Wednesday. The business office reserves the right to edit.
If interested in **becoming a member** (welcome!) or **becoming a Catholic**, contact the office.
Archdiocese Victim Assistance Program Hotline: (651) 291-4475
Please pray for: Vaughn & Therese Bien, Marcy Dilworth, Peg Edel, Susan Brown, Margaret Wagner, Maxine Ryan, Dorothy McNamara, Bob & Mary Heppelmann, Ed & Marge Heppelmann, Francis McNamara, Anne Merry, Carroll Bartholome, Sully Sprecher, Charlie DeNet, Lloyd Ryan, Tom O’Connor, Ray Poncelet, Wayne Schafer, Dave Buck, Scott Cyert, Jerry Joe Majerus, Jenny Berg, Sharon Timm, John T. Majerus, and Chuck Ryan.



Behold the Lamb of God!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held every Monday at St. Mary from 6:30-9:00pm and every Wednesday at Holy Trinity from 9:00am-2:00pm.

Come and spend some time with Jesus!

Faith Formation

All classes are cancelled at this time.

Holy Trinity students, please do activities at home as assigned by individual teachers.

Stay tuned for updates.

Calendar/Events			
April 6	SM	6:30-9:00PM	Adoration
April 7	SC	7:45-8:30PM	Confessions
April 8	HT	9AM-2PM	Adoration
April 10-18			Divine Mercy Novena
April 18-19	HT/SM/SC	Mass times	Blessing of Seeds

Scripture Quote: “The very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and strewed them on the road. The crowds preceding him and those following kept crying out and saying: ‘Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest.’ And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, ‘Who is this?’ And the crowds replied, ‘This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee.’” -Matthew 21:8-11

From Father Kasel

Praised be Jesus Christ through Mary!
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,
The Sacrament of Penance or Confession is an unfathomable grace of Divine Mercy and Goodness. From this Sacrament a soul receives our good Lord’s Peace and the certitude of being loved and forgiven by God. I encourage all to not be afraid to approach this Sacrament! Do not be afraid to come to our good Lord and encounter His Infinite Goodness!
This time we are in offers us great opportunities to grow in love for God. I encourage you to go to Confession, persevere in prayer, especially devotion to our Lord’s Divine Mercy, the Virgin Mary and the Holy Rosary, and to St. Joseph.
This week I share with you a beautiful meditation on the Sacrament of Penance or Confession. I encourage you to take time to read it through a few times this week.

Meditation for Monday of the Fifth Week of Lent - Go and Sin No More
In the Sacrament of Penance it is Christ who forgives.

Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you? No one, Lord. Neither do I condemn you; go, and do not sin again. (John 8:10-11) They placed her in the midst, says the Gospel. (cf. John 8:10-11) They have humiliated her and shamed her in the extreme, without the slightest concern for her. They remind Our Lord that the Law imposed the severe penalty of death by stoning for this sin. What do you say, they ask Him, disguising their ulterior motives so that they might have some charge to bring against Him. But Jesus surprises them all. He does not say anything; He bent down and wrote with His finger on the ground. The woman is terrified by them all. The Scribes and Pharisees go on asking questions. Then, Jesus stood up and said to them, ‘Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her.’ And once more He bent down and wrote with His finger on the ground.

They all went away, on by one, beginning with the eldest. Not one of them had a clear conscience and they were trying to set a trap for Our Lord. All of them went away. And Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before Him. Jesus looked up and said to her, ‘Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?’ Jesus’ words are full of gentleness and clemency, a manifestation of God’s infinite mercy and forgiveness. She answered straight away, No one, Lord. And Jesus said to her, ‘Neither do I condemn you; go, and do not sin again.’ We can imagine the enormous joy of that woman, her desire to begin again, her deep love for Christ.

Such a deep change has taken place in that woman’s soul, stained by sin and suffused with her public shame, that we can only partly see the alteration in her with the light of Faith. The words of the prophet Isaiah are fulfilled: Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold I am doing a new thing... I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert... to give drink to My chosen people, the people whom I formed for Myself that they might declare My praise. (Isaiah 43:16-21)

Every day, in every corner of the world, Jesus, through His ministers, the priests, continues to say I absolve you from your sins... ‘Go’, says our Lord, ‘and do not sin again.’ It is Christ Himself who forgives. The sacramental formula, I absolve you... and the imposition of the hand and the sign of the Cross made over the penitent show that at this moment the contrite and converted sinner comes into contact with the Power and Mercy of God. It is the moment at which, in response to the penitent, the Trinity becomes present in order to blot out sin and restore innocence. And the saving Power of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus is also imparted to the penitent... God is always the One who is principally offended by sin - ‘tibi soli peccavi!’ - and God alone can forgive. (John Paul II, Apostolic Exhortation, Reconciliatio et Poenitentia, December 1984, 31, III)

The words pronounced by the priest are not just a prayer of supplication to ask God to forgive our sins, or a prayer of supplication to ask God to forgive our sins, or a mere certification that God has deigned to grant us His pardon, but at that moment every sin is forgiven and blotted out by the mysterious intervention of the Savior. (ibid.)

Few words have ever produced more joy in the world than the words of absolution, I absolve you from your sins... St. Augustine affirms that the wonder they work is greater than the very creation of the world. (cf. St. Augustine, Commentary on St. John’s Gospel, 72) How glad are we to receive these words when we go to the Sacrament of Forgiveness? How grateful are we? How often have we thanked God for having this Sacrament close at hand? In our prayer today we can show Our Lord our gratitude for this great gift.

Gratitude for absolution; the apostolate of Confession.

Through absolution, man is united to Christ the Redeemer, who willed to take our sins upon Himself. Through this union the sinner shares once again in that Fountain of Grace that springs without ceasing from the open side of Jesus. At the moment of absolution we will intensify our sorrow for our sins, saying perhaps one of the prayers from the ritual, such as the words of St. Peter, Lord, you know all things, You know that I love you. We will renew our purpose of amendment. We will listen attentively to the priest’s words which grant us God’s forgiveness.

It is the moment of savoring the joy of having Grace restored (if we have lost it) or of receiving an increase of Grace and greater union with God. St. Ambrose says: See [the Father] comes out to meet you. He will fall on your neck and will give you a kiss, the pledge of love and tenderness. He will make them bring you a cloak, shoes for your feet... You still fear a reprimand... you

are afraid of hearing words filled with anger, and He prepares a banquet for you. (St. Ambrose, Commentary on St. Luke’s Gospel, 7) Our Amen turns into a longing to start again, even though we may have confessed only venial sins.

After each Confession we must thank God for His mercy towards us and stop, even though only momentarily, to decide exactly how we are going to put into practice the advice or indications we have received, or how to make our purpose of amendment more effective. Another manifestation of our gratitude is to make sure our friends, too, come to this well-spring of Grace, and that we bring them closer to Christ, as the Samaritan woman did. She ran to tell her people so that they too should benefit from the unique opportunity that Jesus’ journey through their town afforded them.(cf. John 4:28)

It would be hard to find a greater act of charity than that of announcing to those who are covered in mud and lacking strength, the Source of Salvation that we have discovered, when we are purified and reconciled to God. Do we use the means to carry out an effective apostolate of Confession? Do we take our friends to the Tribunal of Divine Mercy? Do we increase our own desire to purify ourselves by going frequently to the Sacrament of Penance? Do we sometimes leave this meeting with God’s Mercy for ‘later’?

The need to carry out the penance given by the Confessor. Generosity in our reparation.

Satisfaction is the final act which crowns the Sacramental sign of Penance. In some countries the act which the forgiven and absolved penitent agrees to perform after receiving absolution is precisely called his penance. (John Paul II, loc. cit.) Our sins, even after they have been forgiven, deserve a temporal punishment which has to be undergone in this life, or after death in Purgatory, which is where those souls go who die in a state of grace, but without having made full satisfaction for their sins. (cf. Council of Florence, Decree for the Greeks, Dz. 673)

Moreover, after its reconciliation with God, there are still left in the soul the remains of sin; a weakness of the will to abide in good. There will remain also a certain facility for making wrong judgements: a certain disorder in the sensual appetite... They are the weakened scars of actual sin and the disordered tendencies left in man by Original Sin, which are brought to a head by our personal sins. It is not enough to remove the arrow from the body, says St. John Chrystostom; We also have to heal the wound caused by the arrow. It is the same with the soul; after we have received forgiveness for our sins, we have to heal the wound that remains through penance. (St. John Chrysostom, Homily on the Gospel of St. Matthew, 3, 5) Even after absolution, John Paul II teaches, there remains in the Christian a dark area, due to the wound of sin, to the imperfection of love in repentance, to the weakening of the spiritual faculties. It is an area in which there still operates an infectious source of sin which must always be fought with mortification and penance. This is the meaning of the humble but sincere act of satisfaction. (John Paul II, loc. cit., cf. also General Audience, 7 March 1984)

For all of these reasons we must put a lot of love into fulfilling the penance the priest gives us before granting absolution. It is usually easy to perform and, if we really love God, we will be aware of the great disparity there is between our sins and the penance we have been given. It is yet another reason for increasing our spirit of penance during this Lent, when the Church calls us to it in a special way.

‘Cor Mariae perdolentis, miserere nobis!’ Invoke the Heart of Holy Mary, with the purpose and determination of uniting yourself to her sorrow, in reparation for your sins and the sins of men of all times. And pray to her – for every soul – that her sorrow may increase in us our aversion from sin, and that we may be able to love the physical or moral contradictions of each day as a means of expiation. (J. Escriva, Furrow, 258) (From: In Conversation with God by Francis Fernandez)
Through the intercession of Mary, Our Lady of Sorrows, St. Joseph, St. Michael and St. Paul, may God bless us with the graces we each need to be grateful for the Sacrament of Confession and grow in holiness! In Christ through Mary, Fr. Kasel

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:
Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]/Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17 [cf. 15ab]/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34 [14c]/Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 [cf. 1 Cor 10:16]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 [Lk 23:46]/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42
Saturday: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 [30] or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 [5b]/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Ex 14:15—15:1/Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 [1b]/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5: 43:3, 4 [42:2] or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3] or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10
Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10
PAPAL PRAYER INTENTIONS: April—Doctors and their Collaborators in War Zones: For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

Congratulations to:

Adam & Vanessa Johnson, whose daughter Chloe Josellé was baptized at Holy Trinity on March 19!
Brady & Alyse Voth, whose son Noah Bradley was baptized at Holy Trinity on March 19!
Cole & Ann Hernke, whose daughter Estelle Nicolette was baptized at St. Columbkille on March 22!